

# City of Wilmington Delaware

## Regular Meeting of Wilmington City Council

~~Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.~~

**Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.\***

Council Chambers  
Louis L. Redding City/County Building  
800 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

### AGENDA

1. Call to Order
  - Invocation
  - Pledge of Allegiance
  - Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Committee Reports
4. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report

### 5. Non-legislative Business

M. Brown	Commend Patrolman Justin Wilkers
M. Brown	Sympathy Dorothy R. Blackstock
Cabrera	Sympathy Charles A. Colombo
Freel	Recognize E. Andrew DiSabatino, Jr.
Gregory	Recognize Maurice Pritchett, Sr.
Gregory	Best wishes 60th birthday Reverend Aaron Moore
Gregory	Congratulate Paulette Tyler
Gregory	Recognize head coach Monte Ross
Gregory	Congratulate Beatrice "Bebe" Ross Coker
Shabazz	Sympathy Jamar Kilgoe
Shabazz	Rick VanStory Resource Center's 6th Anniversary

### 5. Legislative Business

**Darius J. Brown: 3rd District**

Agenda #4026

Resolution Pending  
 Declare as surplus and authorize the disposition of 911 North Pine Street, 927 Bennett Street and 507 Vandever Avenue to the Wilmington Housing Partnership

*Synopsis*  
*This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be declaring three city-owned properties—911 North Pine Street, 927 North Bennett Street and 507 Vandever Avenue—as surplus properties for the purpose of the City transferring titles of the properties to the Wilmington Housing Partnership (WHP). The WHP would rehabilitate and sell the properties as homeowner occupied units.*

### **Agenda #4019**

Ordinance 15-002  
 3rd & Final Reading  
 Adopt the subdivision plan known as "Walnut Place" and to accept the dedication of a new city alleyway to be named "Victory Lane"

*Synopsis*  
*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be approving a new residential development known as Walnut Place and would also be approving the addition of public alleyway to the Official City Street Map to be known as Victory Lane. The new subdivision and alleyway is located within an area bounded by 14th, 15th and Walnut Streets and Clifford Brown Walk. Both the subdivision and alleyway were recommended for approval by the City Planning Commission.*

## **Hanifa G.N. Shabazz: 4th District**

### **Agenda #4007**

Ordinance 14-055  
 3rd & Final Reading  
 Enact certain parking regulations

*Synopsis*  
*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing "No Parking, Bus Stop Between Signs" signage on North DuPont Street at West 16th Street, North Walnut Street at East 8th Street and North Walnut Street at East 10th Street.*

### **Agenda #4008**

Ordinance 14-056  
 3rd & Final Reading  
 Enact certain traffic/parking regulations

*Synopsis*  
*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing traffic signage such as All-Way Stop signs on Baynard Boulevard and on North Orange Street; "Stop" signs on North Tatnall and on West 39th Street; "No Turn on Red" sign on West 7th Street; "No Parking Between Signs Anytime" signs on West 31st and on West 7th; "No Parking Child Drop Off" on North Van Buren Street; "No Parking Loading Zone"*

*on North Pine Street; “Four-Hour Parking” on South Tatnall; “Two-Hour Parking” on North French Street; and “One-Hour Parking” on North Union Street. The Ordinance also rescinds some signage.*

### **Agenda #4027**

Ordinance  
1st & 2nd Reading

Amend Chapter 11 of the City Code to add a new Article VI, “Illicit Discharge and Connection to MS4”

*Synopsis*

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council’s review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing an amendment to Chapter 11 of the City Code to add a new section that preserves the health, comfort and environment of Wilmington residents. Specifically, passage of this Ordinance will bring the City into compliance with an MS4 permit (municipal separate storm sewer system permit) issued to the City by the State Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control. The City is required to adhere to the MS4 permit by adopting regulations prohibiting incidents of illegal dumping into a MS4 and illicit discharges that can adversely affect local waterways. An estimated 90% of Wilmington’s stormwater collection system is a Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) system, while the remaining 10% is a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4).*

### **Samuel Prado: 5th District**

### **Agenda #4028**

Resolution  
Pending

Declare as surplus and authorize the disposition of 2700 Moore Street, 2702 Moore Street, 2506 Thatcher Street, 8 East 23rd Street, 822 East 17th Street, 617 East 22nd Street, 2113 North Pine Street, 414 East 10th Street, 414 East 11th Street and 117 North Harrison Street

*Synopsis*

*This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. If approved, Council would be declaring as surplus the list of eleven properties in the resolution. The properties have been obtained over the past few months by the Real Estate and Housing Department which will now determine the best disposition of the properties based on the interest of those who step forward in a Request for Proposals (RFP) process.*

### **Charles M. "Bud" Freel: 8th District**

### **Agenda #4022**

Ordinance 15-004  
3rd & Final Reading

Authorize the annual reconciliation of accounts by transferring funds to various offices and departments in the City of Wilmington to fulfill obligations for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2014

*Synopsis*

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing, based on information from the Director of the Department of Finance, the transfer of funds among City departments and offices as part of the City's annual reconciliation of accounts. These fund transfers are carried out to ensure that all government department accounts are properly balanced for the fiscal year which ended on June 30, 2014.*

**Agenda #4023**

Ordinance 15-005  
3rd & Final Reading

Constituting Amendment No. 3 to FY'2015 Operating Budget (being an Ordinance to amend Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 14-016, As Amended) for Wilmington Police Department overtime and Town Watch

*Synopsis*

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing the Administration to use \$1.225 million of the projected \$1.4 million Fiscal Year 2015 Operating Budget surplus to fund overtime costs for Wilmington police officers through June 30, 2015 and for the creation of a new Town Watch crime prevention and crime tracking website. The Administration says the additional funding is needed because the 321-authorized WPD officer staff is down by approximately 35 officers due to retirements, resignations, etc., thereby requiring officers to work overtime shifts to cover regular duty assignments.*

**Agenda #4024**

Ordinance 15-006  
3rd & Final Reading

Constituting Amendment No. 4 to FY'2015 Operating Budget (being an Ordinance to amend Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 14-016, As Amended) to replenish the Housing Strategic Fund

*Synopsis*

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing the Administration to use \$2.125 million from the City's Unassigned Fund for various neighborhood housing projects, support the work of the Wilmington Housing Partnership and plan for and/or fund a land bank program for Wilmington.*

**Michael A. Brown, Sr.: At-Large****Agenda #4029**

Ordinance  
1st & 2nd Reading

Amend Chapter 37 of the City Code regarding parking of commercial vehicles and buses

*Synopsis*

*This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing an amendment to Chapter 37 of the Wilmington City Code related to the parking of tractor trailers and buses within the*

*City. The legislation imposes an outright prohibition against the parking of any commercial or recreational vehicle that is 11,000 pounds or more or 20 feet in length or more unless the vehicle is actually being loaded or unloaded or unless the driver has a lawful street storage permit issued by the Department of Licenses and Inspections. The Ordinance would also prohibit the parking of any boat regardless of its weight or dimension. The new prohibition also pertains to all trailer coaches, semi-trailers and tractor trailers regardless of size or purpose. Violators of the Ordinance would be subject to a civil penalty as well as the immobilization or towing of their vehicle according to procedures set forth in current law. The new law would be enforced by any Parking Revenue Enforcement Officer (PREO) or Wilmington Police Officer.*

7. Petitions and Communications

8. Adjournment

**\*Note:** This meeting was previously scheduled for March 5, 2015; however, due to inclement weather it was rescheduled to March 12, 2015.

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