

**REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
NOVEMBER 16, 2017 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**Council Chambers  
Louis L. Redding City/County Building  
800 N. French Street - Wilmington, DE 19801  
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**AGENDA**

**I. Call to Order**  
Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call

**II. Approval of Minutes**

**III. Committee Reports**

**IV. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report**

**V. Non-Legislative Business**

Congo	Sympathy DeNormus Vernon Thomas
Oliver	Celebrate Ministry of Caring - 40th Anniversary
Shabazz	Recognize Rovella Debrick (90th Birthday)
Shabazz	Recognize Brother Ronald Giannone and Dr. Janice E. Nevin (Wilmington Senior Center Lifetime Achievement Award recipients)
Shabazz	Recognize Blacks in Government - Region III Training Conference
Shabazz	Recognize George Krupanski (Boys and Girls Club)
Williams	Commend Stephen Davis

**VI. Legislative Business**

**SHABAZZ (Chukwuocha presenting on behalf of Shabazz)**

#4443 A Resolution Recognizing Diverse Holidays in Wilmington and Encouraging Inclusivity Among City Departments in Celebrations and Displays

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. If approved, City Council resolves to celebrate diverse holidays within the City of Wilmington. Council encourages all City departments to consider the principles of inclusivity when planning holiday celebrations and displays.*

**SHABAZZ (Chukwuocha presenting on behalf of Shabazz)**

#4444 A Resolution Encouraging the Mayor to Sub-Name the 800 Block of North French Street as "Reverend Peter Spencer Way"

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be encouraging the Mayor to sub-name the 800 block of North French Street as "Reverend Peter Spencer Way", in recognition of the renowned Wilmington Pastor's significant contributions to the city and nation's history.*

**CHUKWUOCHA**

#4445 A Resolution Opposing the Actions of the U.S. Department of Education in Rescinding Guidelines for Colleges and Universities Related to Title IX Compliance and Encouraging Safeguards for Victims of Sexual Harassment and Violence

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be opposing the recent actions of the United States Department of Education rescinding the "Dear Colleague" letter and the 2014 question-and-answer document as guidelines for colleges and universities to utilize in compliance with Title IX related to the protection of students from sexual harassment and violence. This Resolution further urges the Department of Education to consider the implications that a change in policy could have on survivors of sexual violence.*

#4446 A Resolution Supporting the Partnership between the Governor's Office of Innovation and Improvement and Christina School District

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be supporting the stance that Governor John Carney has taken regarding the opportunities and challenges facing Wilmington schools and students. This Resolution further thanks Governor Carney for engaging with the Wilmington City Council in the process of implementing evidence-based practices to alter the trajectory of our students, schools and districts.*

**HARLEE**

#4421 Ord. 17-037 To Enact Certain Parking Regulations **(3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. If approved, this Ordinance would authorize various parking regulations in the City.*

**TURNER**

#4436 Ord. 17-046 Authorize and Approve a Multi-Year Contract Between the City of Wilmington and Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. **(3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. If approved, this ordinance would authorize the execution of a license agreement between the City of Wilmington and Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. for access to software to apply geographic information system technology to many operational and technical areas within the City (the “Contract”) for the period of three (3) years from September 22, 2017 through September 21, 2020, at an annual price of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for a total price of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).*

#4447 A Resolution to Name the Indoor Basketball Court at the William “Hicks” Anderson Community Center the “Matt Chittum Court”

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council’s review and approval. If approved, City Council would be approving the naming of the indoor basketball court at the William “Hicks” Anderson Community Center the “Matt Chittum Court”.*

#### **MCCOY**

#4448 A Resolution Requesting that the Delaware General Assembly Add the Sixth District Council Member to the Working Group on Developing Canby Park

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council’s review and approval. If approved, Council would be asking the Delaware General Assembly to amend Senate Bill No. 125 to add the 6<sup>th</sup> District Council Member to the working group tasked with determining the feasibility of developing Canby Park or other locations in Wilmington suitable for the purpose of providing sports and recreational facilities to St. Elizabeth High School and Howard High School.*

#### **WILLIAMS**

Rev. 1

#4380 Sub. 1 Ord. 17-023 Amend Chapter 36 of the City Code to Create the Gun Offender Registration Act **(3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Substitute Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council’s review and approval. If approved, Council would be amending Chapter 36 of the City Code to establish the Gun Offender Registry Act (“GORA”), which would require all gun offenders who reside in the City of Wilmington to register with the Wilmington Police Department. A Wilmington resident would be required to register with the Wilmington Police Department within five (5) business days of disposition and release if he or she has been convicted of a gun offense in the State of Delaware as specified in Title 11 of the Delaware Code and Chapter 36 of the City Code. The GORA is similar to a sexual offender registry, and those required to register could be photographed at the time of registration. Further, registrants would be required to periodically verify registry information and*

*provide notification of a change of address. A registrant remains in the Act's database for a term of three (3) years from their initial registration. If the registrant re-offends or violates any provisions of the Act, their three (3) year term will begin anew. This substitute ordinance is intended to assist the Wilmington Police Department in its efforts to curb violent crime, particularly criminal acts involving firearms.*

#4449 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 39 of the City Code to Allow Retired Firefighters to Serve on the Fire Pension Board **(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Sections 39-182(a) and 39-251(a) of the City Code to permit both active and retired members of the Wilmington Fire Department enrolled in either the Firefighters' Pension Fund (the "Old Plan") or the Wilmington Firefighters' Pension Act of 1984 (the "New Plan") to run for the five firefighter positions on the board of trustees (the "Board") that administers the Old Plan and the New Plan. It also provides a procedure for an active or retired firefighter enrolled in the Old Plan or the New Plan to place his or her name on the ballot, allows active and retired firefighters enrolled in the Old Plan or the New Plan to vote for the elected seats on the Board, and gives priority for the Board's elected seats to be filled by active members enrolled in the Old Plan or the New Plan. Finally, as a housekeeping matter, the term "personnel director" has been replaced with "human resources director".*

**FREEL**

#4450 An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement with Lerro Corporation to Provide On-Site Engineering Services for WITN TV **(1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

**Synopsis:** *This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the City to enter into a three-year agreement with Lerro Corporation to provide on-site engineering services for WITN TV at an annual price of \$15,000.00.*

**WALSH**

#4451 A Resolution Approving a Grant Application from the Wilmington Police Department to the Delaware Criminal Justice Council to Support Advanced Training

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's application for a subgrant from the Delaware Criminal Justice Council in the amount of \$10,000.00. The funds will be used for advanced training to assist in the implementation of a group violence reduction strategy. No local matching funds are required.*

#4452            A Resolution Authorizing Grant Applications from the Wilmington Police Department to the State of Delaware for Funds to Provide Advanced Training and Fund Overtime

**Synopsis:**        *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department’s grant applications to the State of Delaware in the total amount of \$60,742.81. The funds will be used to provide advanced training including S.W.A.T. training, Pro-active Internal Affairs Investigation Training, and Supervisory Leadership Training as well as overtime funding for the Wilmington Police Department’s Drug, Vice and Organized Crime Division. No local matching funds are required.*

**VII. Petitions and Communications**

**VIII. Adjournment**