

**REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 12, 2024 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**Virtual Meeting with Anchor Location In-Person and Remote Participation
Council Chambers
Louis L. Redding City/County Building
800 N. French Street - Wilmington, DE 19801
www.wilmingtoncitycouncil.com or www.WITN22.org**

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

a. Recognition Resolutions

McCoy Recognize Corporal Avery Stewart

b. Sympathy Resolutions

Spadola Sympathy Addie M. Cole

VI. Public Comment

The meeting will be open to the public starting at 6pm, so members of the public can sign up to speak. To sign up for Public Comment, members of the public must go to the following website <https://tinyurl.com/wccpubliccomment121224> to fill out the information requested. Public Comment will take place after non-legislative business. The President of City Council will recognize speakers in the order listed on the website.

VII. Legislative Business

WHITE

Rev. 1

#0487 Sub. 1 Ord. 24-054 Amend Chapter 5 of the City Code to Require Funeral Service Providers to Provide a Probate Information Sheet to Personal Representatives of a Decedent (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance adds a new article under Chapter 5 of the City Code and requires funeral service providers to provide an informational sheet or packet regarding how to probate estates to the decedent's family or other representatives with whom funeral services are arranged. Many City residents are unaware of the need to probate estates or the benefits associated therewith, which contributes to title disputes for properties within the City. This Ordinance, by providing City residents access, through funeral service providers, to probate information, would facilitate smoother transfers of estate assets and reduce potential title disputes.*

OLIVER

#0489 Ord. 24-055 Amend Chapter 3 of the City Code to Increase the Fine for Dog Owners Whose Dog Bites Someone While Off-Leash (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance increases the fines for owners of dogs who bite others while off-leash. The Ordinance also makes a few ministerial changes to correct errors in the code.*

MCCOY

Rev. 1

#0491 Ord. 24-056 Amend Chapter 44 of the City Code to Increase the Income Threshold for the exemption of caregiver, elderly, or disabled persons from real estate taxation Guidelines (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Section 44-64 of the City Code to increase the income levels for the exemption of caregiver, elderly, or disabled persons from real estate taxation.*

CABRERA

#0517

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to File a Third Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2024/Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to file a Third Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2024/Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that (i) deletes the CDBG street improvement project and delivery costs funded for the streets near the Villa Maria project until a later date when the project is closer to implementation; (ii) terminates the CDBG Code Repair Program; (iii) reduces the CDBG Home Repair Program Delivery by \$130,000; and (iv) adds \$450,000 in reallocated CDBG funds to the New Castle County Lead-Hazard and Healthy Homes program.*

#0518 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to File a First Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2025/Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to file a First Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2025/Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that (i) deletes the \$15,000 CDBG grant to the Delaware Center for Horticulture ("DCH") for its Branches to Chances Re-Entry Program because DCH declined the grant and (ii) adds a \$15,000 CDBG grant to the YWCA Delaware (Home Life Management Center) ("YWCA") for the YWCA's homeless shelters for victims of domestic violence.*

VIII. Petitions and Communications

IX. Adjournment

Note: This meeting will be conducted both in-person and via Zoom. All are welcome to attend.

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