

**REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
JULY 11, 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  
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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**

a. Recognition Resolutions

McCoy	Recognize Salesianum Boys Volleyball and Baseball State Champions
N. Field	Recognize Mary T. Barksdale (100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)
Oliver	Recognize 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Fishing Trip Sponsors
Spadola	Recognize Greater Experience Worship Center

b. Sympathy Resolutions

Oliver	Sympathy Rahmon L. Randall, Sr.
Oliver	Sympathy Robert McGee

**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/wccpubliccomment071124> 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****OLIVER**

#0459

A Resolution Approving the Department of Public Works' Grant Application to the State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, for an Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant to Support the Design and First Phase of Construction to Incorporate the Most Cost-Efficient Means of Removing PFAS from the City's Source at the Porter and Brandywine Plants

**Synopsis:**

*This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works' grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, for an Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant in an amount not to exceed Two Million Four Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars (\$2,402,926.00). The proposed grant funds would be used to support completing the design and first phase of construction to incorporate the most cost-efficient means of removing PFAS from the City's source at the Porter and Brandywine Plants. No local matching funds are required.*

**HARLEE**

#0458

Ord. 24-038 Amend Chapter 40 of the City Code Regarding Salary Steps, Pay Adjustments for Promotions, Voluntary Demotion, Starting Salaries, Combined Leave Payout, and Eligibility for City-Sponsored Benefits (**3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading**)

**Synopsis:**

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends various sections of Chapter 40 of the City Code to: (i) increase of the number of salary steps in the classified service from seven (7) to eleven (11) to align the steps with the updated salary structures; (ii) entitle any non-bargaining unit classified service employee who is promoted to a position in a class with a higher pay grade to the lowest step in the higher range which exceeds such employee's prior rate of pay by a minimum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) annually; (iii) set the salary for any non-bargaining unit classified service employee who is voluntarily demoted to the highest step in the class to which the employee was demoted that will provide a pay decrease; (iv) adjust the range of starting salaries for E/M employees to between the minimum and the first third of the applicable salary range; (v) increase the combined leave pay-out for all eligible employees who have accumulated between (a) thirty (30) and one hundred (100) days of combined leave to forty dollars (\$40.00) per day and (b) one hundred one (101) and two hundred forty (240) days of combined leave to fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day; and (vi) make members of the non-*

*uniformed classified service eligible to receive City-sponsored benefits upon the date of hire commensurate with the treatment currently received by uniformed classified service employees, appointed employees, and elected officials. Finally, as a housekeeping matter, this Ordinance replaces the terms “personnel director” and “personnel department” with “director of human resources” and “human resources department”.*

**JOHNSON**

#0400

Ord. 24-011 Amend Chapter 42 of the City Code Regarding Permits for Certain Residential Property Owners and Occupants to Use, Install, and Maintain Curbside Charging Cords and Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in the Public Right-of-Way (**3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading**)

**Synopsis:**

*This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 42, Article III, Division 3 of the City Code, a division that creates a procedure for residents to obtain permits for the use and installation of curbside charging cords and electric vehicle charging stations in the public right-of-way, with the recommended changes of the Electric Vehicle Working Group charged with that task. Among other things, this Ordinance: (i) harmonizes the definition of electric vehicle with State law; (ii) allows a frequent operator/non-owner of an electric vehicle to obtain a permit for a charging station or cord; (iii) clarifies that when the permit holder and property owner are not the same person the property owner is jointly responsible for code compliance; (iv) allows the City to grant a variance for a property owner with off-street parking on the owner’s property to have a charging station if parking conditions in the neighborhood permit; (v) sunsets the curbside charging cord permitting process if not reenacted by July 1, 2030; and (vi) corrects unintended typographical and grammatical errors.*

**CONGO (Bracy presenting on behalf of Congo)**

#0460

An Ordinance Approving a Five-year Extension of the Comcast Franchise Agreement (**1<sup>st</sup> & 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 an Extension of its Franchise Agreement with Comcast of New Castle County, LLC that provides Comcast of New Castle County with a five year, non-exclusive franchise to construct, install, maintain, and operate a cable system in the City.*

**BRACY**

#0461

A Resolution Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to Accept a Conditional Gift of Funding from the Roberto Clemente Baseball League for Laser Grading of the Baseball Infield at Woodlawn Park

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a gift of \$40,000.00 from the Roberto Clemente Baseball League to be used for laser grading of the baseball infield at Woodlawn Park.*

#0462 A Resolution Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to Accept a Conditional Gift of Funding from the Christina School District for Restoration of Perimeter Decorative Fencing Adjacent to Kirkwood Park

**Synopsis:** *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a gift of \$31,373.50 from the Christiana School District to be used for the restoration of perimeter decorative fencing adjacent to Kirkwood Park.*

**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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