

Committee of the Whole

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Wednesday, June 3, 2026
9:35 a.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT KENYATTA JOHNSON
COUNCILWOMAN NINA AHMAD
COUNCILWOMAN CINDY BASS
COUNCILWOMAN KENDRA BROOKS
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL DRISCOLL
COUNCILWOMAN JAMIE GAUTHIER
COUNCILWOMAN KATHERINE GILMORE RICHARDSON
COUNCILMAN JIM HARRITY
COUNCILMAN CURTIS JONES, JR.
COUNCILWOMAN RUE LANDAU
COUNCILMAN NICOLAS O'ROURKE
COUNCILMAN ANTHONY PHILLIPS
COUNCILMAN MARK SQUILLA
COUNCILMAN ISAIAH THOMAS
COUNCILMAN JEFFREY YOUNG, JR.

BILLS: 260199, 260200, 260201, 260202,
260203, 260204, 260205, 260206,
260208, 260209
RESOLUTION: 260227

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

3 JOHNSON: Good morning, everyone.

4 (Good morning.)

5 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

6 JOHNSON: Good morning, everyone.

7 (Good morning.)

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

9 JOHNSON: This is the public
10 hearing and public meeting of the
11 Committee of the Whole regarding
12 Bill and Resolution Nos. 260199,
13 260200, 260201, 260202, 260203,
14 260204, 260205, 260206, 260207,
15 260208, 260209 and Resolution No.
16 260227.

17 Ms. Loughead, would you
18 please call the roll.

19 THE CLERK:
20 Councilmember Squilla.

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:
22 Present.

23 THE CLERK:
24 Councilmember Gauthier.

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1 (No response.)

2 THE CLERK:

3 Councilmember Jones.

4 (No response.)

5 THE CLERK:

6 Councilmember Young.

7 (No response.)

8 THE CLERK:

9 Councilmember Driscoll.

10 COUNCILMAN DRISCOLL:

11 Present.

12 THE CLERK:

13 Councilmember Lozada.

14 (No response.)

15 THE CLERK:

16 Councilmember Bass.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BASS:

18 Present.

19 THE CLERK:

20 Councilmember Phillips.

21 COUNCILMAN PHILLIPS:

22 Present.

23 THE CLERK:

24 Councilmember O'Neill.

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1 (No response.)

2 THE CLERK:

3 Councilmember Gilmore Richardson.

4 COUNCILWOMAN GILMORE

5 RICHARDSON: Present.

6 THE CLERK:

7 Councilmember Thomas.

8 (No response.)

9 THE CLERK:

10 Councilmember Harrity.

11 COUNCILMAN HARRITY:

12 Present.

13 THE CLERK:

14 Councilmember Ahmad.

15 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:

16 Present.

17 THE CLERK:

18 Councilmember Landau.

19 (No response.)

20 THE CLERK:

21 Councilmember Brooks.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BROOKS:

23 Present.

24 THE CLERK:

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1 Councilmember O'Rourke.

2 COUNCILMAN O'ROURKE:

3 Present.

4 THE CLERK: Council

5 President Johnson.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

7 JOHNSON: Present. Thank you. A
8 quorum of the Committee is present.

9 This hearing is now called to
10 order.

11 Will you please read the
12 titles of the bills and resolution.

13 THE CLERK: An ordinance
14 adopting -- Bill No. 260199, an
15 ordinance adopting the Operating
16 Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

17 Bill No. 260200, an
18 ordinance to adopt a Fiscal Year
19 2027 Capital Budget.

20 Bill No. 260201, an
21 ordinance to adopt a Capital
22 Program for Fiscal Years 2027-2032
23 inclusive.

24 Bill No. 260202, an

1 ordinance amending Chapter 19-2400
2 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
3 "Hotel Room Rental Tax," by
4 providing for an additional excise
5 tax on hotel room rentals, all
6 under certain terms and conditions.

7 Bill No. 260203, an
8 ordinance amending Subcode "A" (The
9 Philadelphia Administrative Code)
10 of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code
11 (The Building, Construction and
12 Occupancy Code), by adding and
13 revising Zoning Board of Adjustment
14 fees and provisions regarding
15 hearing scheduling, all under
16 certain terms and conditions.

17 Bill No. 260204, an
18 ordinance amending Title 3 of The
19 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Air
20 Management Code," to modify the
21 amounts of license and permit fees,
22 under certain terms and conditions.

23 Bill No. 260205, an
24 ordinance amending Section 19-1806

1 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
2 "Authorization of Realty Use and
3 Occupancy Tax," to clarify the
4 imposition of the tax on the use or
5 occupancy of real estate with
6 respect to cell towers; all under
7 certain terms and conditions.

8 Bill No. 260206, an
9 ordinance amending Chapter 6-600 of
10 The Philadelphia Code ("Asbestos"),
11 by adding and revising provisions
12 related to various fees, all under
13 certain terms and conditions.

14 Bill No. 260208, an
15 ordinance amending Chapter 19-1800
16 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled
17 "School Tax Authorization," to add
18 a new Section 19-1808, entitled
19 "Authorization of Rideshare Use
20 Tax," to authorize the Board of the
21 School District of Philadelphia to
22 levy a tax upon the use by a
23 passenger of a transportation
24 network company for a prearranged

1 ride that originates in
2 Philadelphia; all under certain
3 terms and conditions.

4 Bill No. 260209, an
5 ordinance amending Title 19 of The
6 Philadelphia Code, entitled
7 "Finance, Taxes and Collections,"
8 to add a new Chapter 19-4800,
9 entitled "Retail Delivery Tax," to
10 establish a tax on orders for the
11 delivery in Philadelphia of retail
12 consumer and other tangible goods,
13 all under certain terms and
14 conditions.

15 Resolution No. 260227,
16 providing for the approval by the
17 Council of the City of Philadelphia
18 of a Revised Five Year Financial
19 Plan for the City of Philadelphia
20 covering Fiscal Years 2027 through
21 2031, and incorporating revisions
22 with respect to Fiscal Year 2026,
23 which is to be submitted by the
24 Mayor to the Pennsylvania

Committee of the Whole

1 Intergovernmental Cooperation
2 Authority pursuant to an
3 Intergovernmental Cooperation
4 Agreement by and between the City
5 and the Authority.

6 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

7 JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Loughead.

8 Bill No. 260202 will be
9 on hold and will not be considered
10 today.

11 Are there any witnesses
12 to testify on bills and resolutions
13 before the committee today?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

16 JOHNSON: Hearing none, this
17 concludes the hearing for Bill and
18 Resolution Nos. 260199, 260200,
19 260201, 260202, which will be on
20 hold, 260203, 260204, 260205,
21 260206, 260208, 260209 and 260227.

22 We will now go into a
23 public meeting. If there are no
24 further questions from members of

Committee of the Whole

1 the committee and no other
2 witnesses on the list to testify, I
3 will ask if there is anyone else
4 present in this hearing who wishes
5 to offer testimony on Bill and
6 Resolution Nos. 260199, 260200,
7 260201, 260202, 260203, 260204,
8 260205, 260206, 260208, 260209 and
9 260227.

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

12 JOHNSON: Hearing none, I want to
13 thank all of you who are here today
14 and we will now go into our public
15 meeting to consider action to be
16 taken on Bill and Resolution Nos.
17 260199, 260200, 260201, 260203,
18 260204, 260205, 260206, 260208 and
19 260209 and 260227.

20 Ms. Loughead, would you
21 please call the roll.

22 THE CLERK:
23 Councilmember Squilla.

24 (No response.)

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1 THE CLERK:

2 Councilmember Gauthier.

3 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER:

4 Present.

5 THE CLERK:

6 Councilmember Jones.

7 COUNCILMAN JONES:

8 Present.

9 THE CLERK:

10 Councilmember Young.

11 COUNCILMAN YOUNG:

12 Present.

13 THE CLERK:

14 Councilmember Driscoll.

15 COUNCILMAN DRISCOLL:

16 Present.

17 THE CLERK:

18 Councilmember Lozada.

19 (No response.)

20 THE CLERK:

21 Councilmember Bass.

22 COUNCILWOMAN BASS:

23 Present.

24 THE CLERK:

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1 Councilmember Phillips.

2 COUNCILMAN PHILLIPS:

3 Present.

4 THE CLERK:

5 Councilmember O'Neill.

6 (No response.)

7 THE CLERK:

8 Councilmember Gilmore Richardson.

9 COUNCILWOMAN GILMORE

10 RICHARDSON: Present.

11 THE CLERK:

12 Councilmember Thomas.

13 (No response.)

14 THE CLERK:

15 Councilmember Harrity.

16 COUNCILMAN HARRITY:

17 Present.

18 THE CLERK:

19 Councilmember Ahmad.

20 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:

21 Present.

22 THE CLERK:

23 Councilmember Landau.

24 COUNCILWOMAN LANDAU:

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1 Present.

2 THE CLERK: Councilmember Brooks.

3 (No response.)

4 THE CLERK: Councilmember

5 O'Rourke.

6 COUNCILMAN O'ROURKE: Present.

7 THE CLERK: Council President

8 Johnson.

9 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHNSON:

10 Present. Thank you very much. Before we
11 consider actions on the bills and
12 resolutions, this committee will take a
13 recess until 5:00 p.m. Thank you very much.

14 (Afternoon recess.)

15 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Good
16 afternoon, everyone.

17 (Good afternoon.)

18 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Good
19 afternoon, everyone.

20 (Good afternoon.)

21 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHNSON: I
22 recognize that a quorum of City Council is
23 present and we will be in recess to consider
24 the action of the bills and resolution until

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1 9:00 a.m. See you tomorrow
2 morning.

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4 (Committee of the Whole
5 concluded at 5:23 p.m.)

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I, hereby certify that the proceedings
and evidence noted are contained fully and
accurately in the stenographic notes taken
by me in the foregoing matter, and that
this is a correct transcript of the same.



TANEHA CARROLL
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