

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, December 14, 2006, 9:44 a.m.
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Res. 060064 - Appointing Al Childs to Board of
Directors of Philadelphia Municipal Authority.

Res. 060065 - Appointing Daniel J. Anders to
Board of Directors of Philadelphia Municipal
Authority.

Res. 060906 - Appointing Shelley Simms Reed to
Board of Directors of Hospitals and Higher
Education Facilities Authority of
Philadelphia.

Res. 060907 - Appointing Leonard Cid to Board
of Directors of Philadelphia Municipal
Authority.

Council Members Present:

Anna C. Verna, President
Frank DiCicco
W. Wilson Goode, Jr.
William K. Greenlee
Jack Kelly
Juan F. Ramos
Daniel J. Savage
Marian B. Tasco
Frank Rizzo

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Secretary, External Affairs

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good
3 morning, everyone. May I have
4 everyone's attention, please.

5 Sorry for the delay but,
6 apparently, some Councilmembers are
7 having difficulty getting in this
8 morning, so we are going to proceed with
9 the hearing.

10 This is public hearing of the
11 Committee of the Whole. And I'm going
12 to ask Mr. McPherson to please read the
13 resolutions which we will be considering
14 this morning.

15 MR. MCPHERSON: Resolution No.
16 060064, a resolution appointing Al
17 Childs to the Board of Directors to the
18 Philadelphia Municipal Authority.

19 Resolution No. 060065, a
20 resolution appointing Daniel J. Anders
21 to the Board of Directors of the
22 Philadelphia Municipality Authority.

23 Resolution No. 060906, a
24 resolution appointing Shelley Simms Reed
25 to the Board of Directors of the

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2 Hospitals and Higher Education
3 Facilities Authority of Philadelphia.

4 Resolution No. 060907, a
5 resolution appointing Leonard Cid to the
6 Board of Directors of the Philadelphia
7 Municipal Authority.

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
9 you.

10 Do we have anyone from the
11 Administration to testify?

12 (Witnesses come forward.)

13 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Good
14 morning. Please identify yourself for
15 the record and proceed with your
16 testimony.

17 MS. JONES: Good morning. I'm
18 Loree Jones, Secretary for External
19 Affairs.

20 I am here on behalf of Mayor
21 Street to support the appointment and
22 confirmation of:

23 Daniel J. Anders, Esquire;
24 Leonard Cid; and Albert Childs to the
25 Board of Directors of the Philadelphia

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2 Municipal Authority; and Shelley Sims
3 Reed to the Board of the Hospitals and
4 Higher Education Facilities Authority of
5 Philadelphia.

6 Thank you for providing me the
7 opportunity to testify.

8 The Philadelphia Municipal
9 Authority, formerly The Equipment
10 Leasing Authority of Philadelphia, is a
11 quasi-public agency created in 1976 by
12 this body pursuant to the Pennsylvania
13 Municipality Authority Act of 1945.

14 PMA was created to provide
15 funding, through the issuance of revenue
16 bonds and notes for the purchase of
17 automotive equipment for lease to the
18 City.

19 During the late '80s, PMA's
20 mandate was expanded to give it the
21 power to acquire, construct, and hold
22 facilities and equipment for the conduct
23 of judicial proceedings, prison
24 facilities, and administrative
25 facilities.

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2 Additionally, PMA enters into
3 lease agreements for office space within
4 the City. In turn, the office space is
5 subleased to the City for use by various
6 City agencies and departments.

7 The authority staff is overseen
8 by a Board of Directors consisting of
9 five seats serving staggered five-year
10 terms, with Mr. Kemel Dawkins currently
11 serving as chairman. Presently, three
12 seats are vacant.

13 Each of the appointees
14 nominated by the Mayor is a resident of
15 the City of Philadelphia. The Mayor has
16 nominated:

17 Albert Childs to fill the
18 remainder of the term that expires
19 January 1, 2007;

20 Leonard Cid to fill the
21 remainder of the term that expires
22 January 1, 2008; and

23 Dan Anders to fill the
24 remainder of the term that expires
25 January 1, 2010.

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2 Collectively, they will broaden
3 the perspective of the Board of
4 Directors.

5 Albert A. Childs holds a
6 bachelor's degree in business
7 administration from Temple University
8 and a master's of business
9 administration degree in finance from
10 the Wharton School.

11 He was appointed executive
12 director of PMA in January of 1989.
13 Prior thereto, he served as Deputy
14 Director of Finance for the City during
15 the previous five years.

16 Mr. Childs has held financial
17 and business management positions with
18 Aramark and Progress Investments
19 Associates, Inc.

20 He started his career with
21 Arthur Andersen & Company and has been
22 an active CPA for over 15 years.

23 Mr. Childs serves on the Board of
24 Directors of the Community Council for
25 Mental Health and Retardation, serving

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2 from 1989 to 2005. He currently serves
3 on the Board of the Maritime Academy
4 Charter High School.

5 Dan Anders, who, unfortunately
6 was unable to join us this morning holds
7 a juris doctor degree from the
8 University of Pittsburgh School of Law.
9 He's an associate in the commercial
10 litigation department of Pepper
11 Hamilton. His practice emphasizes
12 federal securities, antitrust, and
13 insurance sales practice by class
14 actions.

15 Mr. Anders also performs pro
16 bono work for the Center for Lesbian and
17 Gay Civil Rights and the AIDS Law
18 Project of Pennsylvania.

19 Leonard Cid is the organizer
20 and field representative for the
21 International Union of Painters and
22 Allied Trades District Council 21. His
23 work emphasizes making sure their
24 members have fair working conditions.

25 Mr. Cid is a former

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2 construction foreman on various
3 construction projects throughout the
4 City and vicinity. He's also active in
5 charity work.

6 Additionally, we're here this
7 morning to request that you confirm the
8 nomination of Shelley Sims Reed to the
9 Board of the Hospital and Higher
10 Education Facilities Authority of
11 Philadelphia.

12 That authority was created to
13 assist hospitals, other health-care
14 institutions, and institutions of higher
15 education with the financing of new
16 facilities and improvements to existing
17 facilities. It does so by borrowing
18 money on behalf of those institutions
19 through the issuance of tax-exempt
20 bonds.

21 That authority is governed by a
22 five-member board, the members of which
23 also sit for a five-year staggered term.
24 The members are nominated by the Mayor
25 and must be confirmed by a two-thirds

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2 vote of Council. The Mayor has
3 nominated Shelley Simms Reed to fill the
4 remainder of the term that expired on
5 January 1, 2010.

6 Shelley Simms Reed is senior
7 vice president of compliance and
8 operations and general counsel at FIS
9 Group, a Philadelphia-based investment
10 advisor that services pension funds in
11 the United States and abroad.

12 She has responsibility for
13 legal-compliance matters at FIS and
14 plays an integral role in the overall
15 protections of the firm.

16 Ms. Simms Reed brings over 13
17 years of legal and diverse business
18 experience in contract negotiation,
19 litigation management, and government
20 relations.

21 Prior to joining FIS, Ms. Simms
22 Reed was independent counsel to Aramark
23 Corporation's Sports and Entertainment,
24 Campus and International Divisions,
25 where she was responsible for providing

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2 legal and business counsel to
3 management-level clients.

4 In addition to her experience
5 at Aramark, she has also held legal
6 positions at Comcast and Ballard Spahr.
7 She has served as a law clerk to the
8 Honorable Theodore A. McKee, Circuit
9 Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for
10 the Third Circuit. She also served in
11 the City Law Department earlier in her
12 career.

13 She serves on the board of
14 directors of a number of civic
15 organizations. She is a graduate of
16 Brown University and she received her
17 from JD Harvard Law School, where she
18 was supervising editor of the Harvard
19 Law Review, and has bar admissions in
20 both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

21 We urge City Council to act
22 upon these appointments so that PMA and
23 the Hospitals and Higher Education
24 boards may properly conduct its vital
25 business on behalf of the City of

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2 Philadelphia.

3 Thank you for allowing the
4 Administration to appear before you
5 today. This concludes my testimony, and
6 we will be pleased to answer any
7 questions

8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Thank
9 you very much.

10 Would any of the nominees like
11 to testify or add to anything that
12 Ms. Jones has already testified to?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: Okay.
15 Seeing no one, I would ask my
16 colleagues, are there any questions or
17 comments from members of the committee?

18 (No questions.)

19 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA:
20 Hearing none, I thank you all for coming
21 here.

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: And
3 we will now go into our public meeting,
4 and the Chair recognizes Councilwoman
5 Tasco.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
7 Chair, I move that Resolution 060064 be
8 voted out of committee with a favorable
9 recommendation.

10 (Motion seconded.)

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
12 has been moved and seconded that
13 Resolution No. 060064 be reported out of
14 committee with a favorable
15 recommendation.

16 All those in favor will please
17 say aye.

18 Those opposed?

19 The ayes have it and the motion
20 carries.

21 Again, the Chair recognizes
22 Councilwoman Tasco.

23 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam
24 Chair, I move that Resolution 060065 be
25 reported out of committee with a

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2 favorable recommendation.

3 (Motion seconded.)

4 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

5 has been moved and seconded that

6 Resolution No. 060065 be reported out of

7 committee with a favorable

8 recommendation.

9 All in favor will signify aye.

10 Those opposed?

11 The ayes have it and the motion

12 carries.

13 Again, the Chair recognizes

14 Councilwoman Tasco.

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam

16 Chair, I move that Resolution 060906 be

17 reported out of committee with a

18 favorable recommendation.

19 (Motion seconded.)

20 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It

21 has been moved and seconded that

22 Resolution No. 060906 be reported out of

23 committee with a favorable

24 recommendation.

25 All those in favor, please say

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2 aye.

3 Those opposed?

4 The ayes have it and the motion
5 carries.

6 Councilwoman Tasco.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Madam

8 Chair, I move that Resolution 060907 be
9 reported out of committee with a
10 favorable recommendation.

11 (Motion seconded.)

12 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: It
13 has been moved and seconded that
14 Resolution No. 060907 be reported out of
15 committee with a favorable
16 recommendation.

17 All in favor, please say aye.

18 Those opposed?

19 The ayes have it and the motion
20 carries.

21 That concludes our public
22 meeting. Thank you all very much.

23 And may I ask my colleagues to
24 please go right into the Caucus Room so
25 that we can start our meeting.

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2 Thank you.

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the proceedings of the City of Philadelphia Council Committee of the Whole are contained fully and accurately in the stenographic notes taken by me on Thursday, December 14, 2006, and that this is a true and correct statement of same.

JOSEPHINE CARDILLO
Registered Professional Reporter

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