

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON RULES

Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Monday, June 9, 2014
3:10 p.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILMAN WILLIAM K. GREENLEE, CHAIR
COUNCILWOMAN CINDY BASS
COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL
COUNCILMAN WILSON GOODE, JR.
COUNCILMAN BOBBY HENON
COUNCILMAN JAMES KENNEY
COUNCILMAN DENNIS O'BRIEN
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN

BILL 140437 - An ordinance to amend the
Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the
zoning designations of certain areas of land
located within an area bounded by Powelton
Avenue, Lancaster Avenue, 37th Street, Warren
Street, 36th Street, Filbert Street and 38th
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COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Good afternoon, everybody. Can I have your attention.

This is the recessed hearing of Bill No. 140437 of the Committee on Rules. We have reestablished a quorum: Councilman Kenney, Vice Chair of the Committee; Councilman Henon; Councilman O'Brien; and Councilwoman Bass.

For the record, Ms. Marconi, will you please read the title of the bill again.

THE CLERK: Bill No. 140437, an ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Powelton Avenue, Lancaster Avenue, 37th Street, Warren Street, 36th Street, Filbert Street and 38th Street, and by revising use and dimensional regulations in that area of the City, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: And the

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2 record will reflect Councilwoman Reynolds
3 Brown, a member of the Committee, is also
4 present, as is Councilwoman Blackwell.

5 Councilwoman, you wanted to
6 make a statement? Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank
9 you very much, Mr. Chairman. This has
10 been an arduous process, as all of you
11 know. The community and Drexel have
12 agreed that we ask that this be reported
13 out with a suspension of the rules today,
14 but that will give us time. We are still
15 in negotiations with regard to height and
16 density, with regard to parking, and with
17 regard to possible school-related issues.
18 So we're not there yet, and these are the
19 toughest issues. But they've agreed to
20 continue working and negotiating. So we
21 hope that by the next time we meet, we're
22 hoping tomorrow, Wednesday, that we may
23 have these issues resolved so that we can
24 move forward. But everyone in good
25 spirit and in good faith is willing to

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2 negotiate, and so they are prepared to
3 move it out with a suspension.

4 Thank you. Thank you, members
5 of the Committee and Mr. Chairman.

6 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
7 you, Councilwoman. Thank you for your
8 efforts and everybody else's who has been
9 working on this really important issue.

10 Are there any questions or
11 comments of members of the Committee?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Seeing
14 none, that completes the Committee
15 hearing. We will now go into a public
16 meeting, and the Chair recognizes
17 Councilman Kenney.

18 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you,
19 Mr. Chairman. I move that Bill No.
20 140437 be reported out of this Committee
21 favorably and a request made for rules
22 suspension to allow for first reading at
23 our next Council session.

24 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: And the
25 record will reflect Councilman Goode is

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2 also present.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: It's been
5 moved and seconded.

6 All in favor?

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Opposed?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Hearing
11 none, Bill No. 140437 is reported out of
12 this Committee with a favorable
13 recommendation, the rules of Council are
14 suspended to allow for first reading at
15 our next session of Council.

16 Thank you all very much.

17 (Committee on Rules concluded
18 at 3:15 p.m.)

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proceedings, evidence and objections are
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correct transcript of same.

MICHELE L. MURPHY
RPR-Notary Public

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