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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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STATED MEETING

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Room 401, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, November 19, 1998
10:30 a.m.

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10 PRESENT:

11 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHN F. STREET

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COUNCILWOMAN JANNIE BLACKWELL

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COUNCILMAN DAVID COHEN

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DI CICCIO

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COUNCILWOMAN JOAN L. KRAJEWSKI

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COUNCILMAN W. THACHER LONGSTRETH

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COUNCILMAN RICHARD T. MARIANO

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN MICHAEL A. NUTTER

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COUNCILMAN ANGEL L. ORTIZ

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN B. TASCO

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COUNCILWOMAN ANNA C. VERNA

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MARIE B. HAUSER, CHIEF CLERK

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2 COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHN F. STREET: Good
3 morning, ladies and gentleman. The Chair notes that
4 the hour has come and that a quorum is present.
5 Council will come to order. Members will take their
6 seats. Visitors will retire to the seats outside
7 the rail.

8 To give our invocation this morning, the
9 Chair welcomes Rabbi Ivan Caine of the Society Hill
10 Synagogue. Rabbi Caine is here as the guest of
11 Councilman DiCicco. Members and guests will please
12 rise.

13 RABBI CAINE: Please consider with me
14 briefly aspects of leadership. Two thousand years
15 ago in the Holy Land there was a leadership council
16 with a council president called sunhedreen (ph) a
17 Hebrew word taken from the Greek for "sitting
18 together." That was modeled on the instructions to
19 Moses who may have lived 12 or 1300 years earlier.

20 I'd like for you to review with me the
21 places in the Bible where in the career of Moses
22 this is the responsibility of the leadership corps.
23 In Exodus Moses is advised by his father-in-law, not
24 an Israelite obviously, to seek leaders who would be
25 individuals that are capable, reverent, devoted to

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2 truth, and who reject unlawful gain. And they are
3 supposed to lead the community in smaller groups.
4 When Moses actually makes the appointment, it only
5 says that he appointed capable individuals. And it
6 is clear from the bible narrative that he was unable
7 to find the requisite number of leaders who would
8 meet all of those qualifications.

9 In the book of Deuteronomy Moses
10 remembers the narrative. And as always in
11 Deuteronomy, he remembers it differently. Here, he
12 thinks that the people asked for leadership, and
13 what they then ask him to provide is individuals who
14 are wise, discerning and experienced. And those
15 people who are wise and experienced he appoints.
16 Once again, the three qualifications are not found,
17 only two of them.

18 You have the responsibility of this
19 great city and every time the Council convenes you
20 once again muster your energies and devote
21 yourselves to the future and the benefit of your
22 constituents. I urge you to strive for the
23 complement of capabilities that Jethro advised Moses
24 to seek.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The chair thanks

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7 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
8 Augusta Clark.

12 (Duly seconded.)

15 All in favor let it be known by saying
16 aye.

18 The ayes have it.

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25 COUNCILWOMAN VERA: Mr. President, on

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2 behalf of the majority there are no requests for
3 leaves of absence.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
5 Councilwoman.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Longstreth.

8 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: I have a request
9 for one leave of absence from the minority,
10 Councilman O'Neill who will be out of town on city
11 business.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
13 Councilman. Leave will be granted.

14 At this time we will dispense with our
15 regular order of business to recognize visitors.

16 To all of our visitors and guests with
17 us this morning, the Chair welcomes you here and
18 applaud your interest in the civic affairs of our
19 city and certainly invites you to come again.

20 At this time we have two presentations.
21 Our first presentations honors the Civil Affairs
22 Unit of the Philadelphia Police Department. To make
23 this presentation the Chair appoints Councilman
24 Kenney.

25 The Chair invites Captain William and

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2 those with him to come and receive this resolution.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Mr. President, if I
4 may, I would like to invite Councilmember Blackwell
5 to the podium to help present this resolution. Due
6 to her long involvement and support for the workers
7 during the course of this situation, I think it
8 would be appropriate.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
10 Councilwoman Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Mr.
12 President.

13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: This is a resolution
14 honoring the Civil Affairs Unit of the Philadelphia
15 Police Department for their outstanding work and
16 expertise during the long and odious SEPTA strike.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Whereas, the
18 Civil Affairs Unit formerly known as the Civil
19 Disobedient Unit was organized in the early part of
20 1960s as a proactive response to the growing social
21 unrest stemming from both local and national issues;
22 and

23 Whereas, this unit has the primary
24 enforcement responsibility at public assemblies,
25 demonstrations and management labor disputes. Its

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2 main function is to preserve peace and order, to
3 insure the safety of both persons and property, and
4 protect the Constitutional rights of all interested
5 parties; and

6 Whereas, the Civil Affairs Unit also
7 provides assistance to the Sheriff's Department, the
8 primary enforce agency for all court ordered
9 injunctions; and

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Whereas, during the
11 recent strike involving SEPTA and members of Local
12 No. 234 of the TWU, the Civil Affairs Unit once
13 again demonstrated a unique sense of fairness and
14 neutrality in their levelheaded responses to
15 potentially explosive situations; and

16 Whereas, the calm presence of the Civil
17 Affairs Unit helped to diffuse many incendiary
18 encounters which occurred during the long, hot,
19 exasperating summer of 1998; and

20 Whereas, the men and women of the Civil
21 Affairs Unit demonstrated a tactful, professional
22 manner and always maintained complete neutrality in
23 dealing with all parties involved in this dispute.

24 Therefore, resolved by the Council of
25 the City of Philadelphia that we honor the men and

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2 women of the Civil Affairs Unit of the Philadelphia
3 Police Department for their outstanding work and
4 expertise in dealing with many of the volatile
5 situations which occurred in our city.

6 We commend you for a job well done, and
7 we thank you very much for your service. Thank you.

8 (Applause.)

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
10 Captain Fisher for remarks.

11 CAPTAIN FISHER: Thank you, Mr.
12 President.

13 The last time I was here, Tommy McDonald
14 was up here. I'm following a tough act. I'm glad
15 this isn't Palumbo's, I'd be in trouble.

16 On behalf of the Police Commissioner and
17 the entire Philadelphia Police Department and all
18 the support people at the Sheriff Department and
19 SEPTA, I'd like to accept this award for the men and
20 women of the Civil Affairs Unit who put in their
21 time and effort through this entire situation.

22 I guess, you know, we sat through all
23 these emergency meetings we had here and everything
24 else and all the problems and I kept in contact with
25 Councilman Kenney. But I told him that every cloud

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2 has silver lining, at least those ladies that he's
3 chasing off of Broad Street couldn't say they were
4 waiting for the C Bus during the strike.

5 But if I can be serious, the men and
6 women of the Civil Affairs Unit represent the
7 leadership and spirit which started with George
8 Fensil, to preserve peace and order, insure the
9 well-being of persons and property, protect the
10 Constitutional rights of all involved parties. It's
11 something we take great pride in and we try to do it
12 in a very professional manner, and I thank the
13 Council for this award.

14 I would also like to thank Council
15 President Street for having us over every week to
16 participate in City Council along with the Sergeant
17 at Arms and his staff.

18 Finally, as a personal note, I'd like to
19 acknowledge a good friend for a long time, my ward
20 leader in the 36th Ward, Councilwoman Anna Verna.

21 And once again, for all the men and
22 women of the Civil Affairs Unit and the entire
23 police department, I'd like to thank City Council,
24 and we'll be here if you need us. Thank you very
25 much.

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2 (Applause.)

3 PRESIDENT STREET: Council will stand at
4 ease.

5 (Council stands at ease.)

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Our second
7 presentation recognizes Fragile X Day in the City of
8 Philadelphia.

9 To make the presentation, the Chair
10 appoints Councilwoman Augusta Clark.

11 The Chair invites Ms. Katie Clapp to
12 come and receive this resolution.

13 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Mr. President,
14 today I'm pleased to read this resolution
15 recognizing November 19, 1998, as Fragile X Day in
16 the City of Philadelphia.

17 Whereas, Fragile X is the most common
18 genetically inherited form of mental retardation
19 currently known affecting 1 in 1200 boys and 1 and
20 2500 girls of all races and ethnic groups; and

21 Whereas, 1 in 260 woman carry the gene
22 for Fragile X Syndrome which affects more people
23 than muscular dystrophy or cystic fibrosis. Today
24 Fragile X carriers and affected persons may be
25 diagnosed through DNA blood sampling; and

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2 Whereas, recent medical research has
3 focused on gene therapy and protein replacement
4 therapy to replace the unhealthy gene and missing
5 protein in individuals affected, the FRAXA Research
6 Foundation has been in the forefront of these new
7 programs and its members are to be commended for all
8 they do to bring Fragile X to the attention of the
9 public at large.

10 Now, therefore, resolved by the Council
11 of the City of Philadelphia that we do hereby honor
12 and commend the FRAXA Research Foundation and urge
13 all citizens to become more knowledgeable and aware
14 of this very serious syndrome.

15 Resolved further that an engrossed copy
16 of this resolution be presented to Katie Clapp,
17 president of the FRAXA Research Foundation as
18 evidence of the sincere sentiments of this
19 legislative body. This serves a true and correct
20 copy of the original resolution adopted by the
21 Council of the City of Philadelphia on the 12th of
22 November, 1998. Signed by John F. Street, President
23 of City Council. Introduced by Augusta Clark and
24 cosponsored by all the members of Council.

25 (Applause.)

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
3 Ms. Clapp for remarks.

4 MS. CHRISTY HOLLAND: Thank you so much.
5 This is so exciting for us. And I don't mean to
6 embarrass anybody, but I am Christy Holland and I
7 local Chair FRAXA and I am so please had to be here,
8 so for thank you, Councilwoman Clark, and thank you,
9 Council President Street and City Council.

10 It's so exciting for us to have this day
11 November 19th dedicated as Fragile X Syndrome Day of
12 Philadelphia. I'm excited with our city. And
13 although Fragile X Syndrome is the leading genetic
14 cause of mental retardation and learning
15 disabilities, it's still relatively unknown. And
16 your efforts will help us increase awareness of this
17 condition and help us give our children a better
18 life. It will also help in our effort to find a
19 treatment or a cure for Fragile X Syndrome.

20 All of the parents and professionals
21 touched by Fragile X Syndrome have been so excited
22 by your efforts. And news about this day was
23 buzzing on the internet, and I've had calls from
24 parents in other cities all across the country
25 wanting to do the same.

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2 Thanks to all the parents, grandparents,
3 kids, and professionals who came out today to show
4 their support including the Suberskis, the Lowengers
5 Ted Schwartz, Elisa Borie, Sandy and Harris Holland,
6 my little munchkins Matthew and Noah, and Brandy
7 Senuca (ph) the director of genetics at Owen
8 Institute who I'm going to ask to come up and say a
9 few words, and also I'd like to thank Melissa
10 Heller-Batser for making this day possible for us.
11 Thank you.

12 (Applause.)

13 MS. SENUCA: I'm sure most of you in the
14 audience have never heard of Fragile X Syndrome.
15 There's good reason for that. It's only been in the
16 recent years that the genetic technology that allows
17 us to diagnose this condition has become available.
18 So that, really, until the mid-1980s people did not
19 know about this condition.

20 In working with many, many families with
21 Fragile X Syndrome at Elwyn, we have over the years
22 diagnosed over 85 individuals just at our campus in
23 Elwyn in Media Pennsylvania. And we certainly have
24 other people that we serve all over the Philadelphia
25 area.

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2 It's very common. You'll certainly be
3 hearing more about it. It's under-diagnosed. Many
4 of the people who have this condition are labeled as
5 having mental retardation and their families do not
6 know the cause. Fragile X Syndrome is the most
7 common inherited cause known, but many families are
8 not aware. So I'm very, very grateful to City
9 Council and I know all the families are as well for
10 allowing this to happen and to bring some awareness
11 about Fragile X Syndrome out in the open. The more
12 awareness we have, the more people will be diagnosed
13 and the more energy there will be to focus attention
14 to finding treatments for this common genetic
15 disorder. Thank you very much.

16 (Applause.)

17 PRESIDENT STREET: Council will stand at
18 ease.

19 (Council at ease.)

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21 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
22 business is communications.

23 The Chair recognizes the
24 Sergeant-at-Arms for the purposes of delivering the
25 messages from the Mayor to the Chief Clerk.

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2 The Chief Clerk will read the messages
3 from the Mayor.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the president
5 and members of the Council of the City of
6 Philadelphia, I'm transmitting for the consideration
7 of your honorable body a resolution approving the
8 program of the Redevelopment Authority of the City
9 of Philadelphia for an improvement and vacant lots
10 as side yard rear yards for passive recreation or
11 parking purposes of a portion of Grace Ferry urban
12 renewal area.

13 An ordinance authorizing the
14 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
15 City of Philadelphia to enter into a sublease
16 agreement with the Philadelphia Municipal Authority
17 for certain premises located on the concourse level
18 of 8 Penn Center Plaza located at the southeast
19 corner of the 17th Street and JFK Boulevard,
20 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

21 An ordinance amending an ordinance
22 approved July 12, 1998, as last amended March 6,
23 1995, by Bill Nos. 986 and 1024 relating to pension
24 benefits for employees working on behalf of the
25 Philadelphia Gas Works by adding certain provisions

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2 to the Philadelphia Gas Works pension plan relating
3 to early retirement.

4 An ordinance authorizing transfers of
5 appropriations for fiscal year 1999 within the
6 Health Choices Behavioral Health Revenue Fund from
7 the Department of Public Health to the Department of
8 Public Health.

9 An ordinance authorizing transfers of
10 appropriations for fiscal year 1999 within the
11 Health Choices Behavioral Health Revenue Fund from
12 the Department of Public Health to the Department of
13 Public Health.

14 And an ordinance authorizing transfers
15 of appropriations for fiscal year 1999 within the
16 Health Choices Behavioral Health Revenue Fund from
17 the Department of Public Health to the Department of
18 Public Health.

19 An ordinance authorizing the
20 Commissioner of Public Health on behalf of the city
21 to enter into agreements to grant to the United
22 States of America an easement for roadway and water
23 main purposes and to obtain from the United States
24 of America an easement for sanitary force main
25 purposes and access to United States of America

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2 lands to said easement.

3 An ordinance authorizing the
4 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
5 City of Philadelphia to purchase fee simple title to
6 a parcel of real estate with improvements situated
7 thereon located 7790 through 7800 Duncan Road,
8 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under certain terms and
9 conditions.

10 An ordinance to authorize the Water
11 Commissioner on behalf of the City to enter into an
12 agreement with the Philadelphia Housing Authority
13 and/or its successors of a certain property at the
14 southwest corner of Rising Sun Avenue and Adams
15 Avenue known a Hill Creek Housing Project for the
16 grant of a right-of-way to the City for drainage,
17 sewer, and water main purposes.

18 An ordinance to authorize the Water
19 Commissioner on behalf of the city to enter into an
20 agreement with the owners of the properties and
21 their successors of a private street known as
22 Lafayette Street from Crescent Street to a dead end
23 approximately 150 feet northeasterly of Crescent
24 Street for the grant of a right-of-way for the City
25 for drainage, sewer, and water main purposes.

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2 An ordinance authorizing the
3 construction of water main and appurtenant work
4 required to replace a private main and to insure
5 better water supply in portions of proposed
6 right-of-way in Lafayette Street, a private street.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: The messages will be
8 printed in journal.

9 The clerk will read any other
10 communications in her possession.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have none, Mr.
12 President.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
14 Councilwoman Krajewski.

15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Mr. President,
16 I would like to welcome students from the Forrest
17 School.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: Please proceed.

19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: I would like to
20 welcome fifth graders from the Forrest School and
21 with them are their teachers Ms. Cafe and Ms. Bell.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: Can we have this
23 group please stand?

24 (Applause.)

25 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much

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2 for being with us.

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4 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
5 business is the introduction of bills and
6 resolutions. The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
7 Clark.

8 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Mr. President,
9 today I have two bills and two resolutions on your
10 behalf and mine.

11 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will
12 please read the title of the bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
14 granting permission to Shila Tilvalwa (ph), owner
15 and operator of a newsstand located on the northeast
16 corner of 16th and Ranstead Streets to construct,
17 use, and maintain electrical conduit and
18 telecommunication fiber optic conduit in, under and
19 across the public right-of-way of 16th Street and
20 Ranstead Street.

21 An ordinance authorizing Cara Matric
22 Corporation, leasee of the property 2000 through
23 2014 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to
24 construct and maintain various encroachments onto
25 and over the west footway of 20th Street adjacent to

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2 the property 2000 through 2014 Race Street.

3 An ordinance authorizing the
4 Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the
5 City of Philadelphia to enter into a sublease
6 agreement with the Philadelphia Municipal Authority
7 for certain premises located on the concourse level
8 of 8 Penn Center Plaza located at the southeast
9 corner of 17th and JFK boulevard.

10 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
11 referred to the appropriate committee.

12 The Clerk will please read the
13 resolution introduced by Councilwoman Clark.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
15 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
16 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
17 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
18 situate in the 15th, 16th, 20th, 29th, 32nd and 37th
19 wards of the City of Philadelphia.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
21 Councilwoman Clark.

22 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: I move the adoption
23 of the resolution.

24 (Duly seconded.)

25 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it

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2 be known by saying aye.
3 Those opposed say nay.
4 The ayes have it.
5 The resolution is adopted.
6 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.
8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
9 I have two resolutions today.
10 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
11 read the title of the first resolution.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
13 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
14 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
15 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
16 situate in the 51st Ward of the City of
17 Philadelphia.
18 PRESIDENT STREET: Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Blackwell.
20 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
21 I move for the adoption.
22 (Duly seconded.)
23 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
24 be known by saying aye.
25 Those opposed say nay.

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2 The ayes have it.

3 The resolution is adopted.

4 The Clerk will please read the title of
5 the second resolution.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
7 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
8 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
9 of the City of Philadelphia situate in the 6th, 24th
10 and 30th Wards of the City of Philadelphia.

11 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
12 Councilwoman Blackwell.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
14 I move for the adoption.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
17 be known by saying aye.

18 Those opposed say nay.

19 The ayes have it.

20 The resolution is adopted.

21 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I
23 offer one resolution, and I desire to speak on the
24 subject.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please

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2 read the title of the resolution.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution call
4 upon the administration to take all steps necessary
5 to bring about the recovery and disposal of
6 Philadelphia ash illegally dumped by the Khaian Sea
7 on the shores of Haiti in 1988 including but not
8 limited to helping to develop an overall
9 recovery/disposal plan increasing the City's
10 financial participation in the recovery/disposal
11 process, identifying the contracting for a specific
12 disposal site and/or temporarily holding the ash at
13 the Philadelphia location until a final site is
14 found.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
16 Councilman Cohen.

17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I move
18 for the adoption of the resolution.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 PRESIDENT STREET: Properly moved and
21 seconded.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, this
24 issue arose 10 years ago. For those with memory of
25 that period of time, Philadelphia as well as all

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2 other municipalities in the country were in a state
3 of panic. We didn't know what was going to be done
4 with the trash that we generate. Landfill prices
5 were escalating through the ceiling. One proposal
6 came to Philadelphia about a trash-to-steam
7 incinerator to be built down in South Philadelphia.
8 The South Philadelphia residents and many others
9 throughout the city and the country were alarmed by
10 the pollution effects. The price was enormously
11 high. We were presented with a contract which would
12 require this year that we be paying over a hundred a
13 ton for the disposal when today in fact we're paying
14 \$41 a ton.

15 The next savings over the 20 years of
16 that Ogdon Martin contract and that savings
17 dollar-wise come to about a billion and a half
18 dollars. One billion, not one million; one bill
19 five hundred thousand dollars. In addition, the
20 health of folks in South Philadelphia and throughout
21 the City was greatly enhanced by removing one
22 additional cancer causing concern that people have
23 had.

24 But in the late eighties while we were
25 discussing what to do, we had to find someplace to

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2 dump our trash. It turned out that one of the
3 places chosen because Mayor Goode was desperate, all
4 of us were desperate, to find places when we
5 couldn't find anywhere else, a contract was entered
6 into with a shipping company. Actually, I think it
7 was with the Paolino Company in South Philadelphia
8 which arranged the shipping company which agreed to
9 dispose of that ash, legally dispose of it.

10 The requirement for payment by the City
11 of Philadelphia was to receive a certificate
12 indicating or stating flatly that the trash had been
13 legally disposed of. On a ship called the Khaian
14 Sea, and if you look at the resolution you get the
15 spelling because it's a very difficult one, the
16 Khaian Sea traveled around the world looking for a
17 place. Finally, they arrived at the country of Hat,
18 which at that time was a dictatorship before the
19 United States intervened some years later which
20 brought about some transformation in Haiti so that
21 it no longer is a dictatorship, but is a struggling
22 democracy. The trash landed there. Apparently, Hat
23 must have agreed, and then the trash was buried in
24 Hat and all kinds of protests arose as the
25 democratic movement took hold in Hat against why was

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2 Philadelphia trash being dumped on Hat. And for 10
3 years their cry in Hat and the whole environmental
4 world has been disturbed by the fact that this trash
5 exists in Haiti, a poor country.

6 Efforts have been made to remove the
7 trash, but there's always been one block, and that's
8 been the refusal of this great city of ours to
9 accept responsibility for Philadelphia trash, trash
10 which came from the Roxborough incinerator which is
11 a result of the hearings held in City Council on the
12 question of how we dispose of wastes. That
13 incinerator and all other incinerators in
14 Philadelphia were closed as a menace of the health
15 of the people of Philadelphia.

16 Philadelphia has never paid anything for
17 the disposal of that trash because it's never been
18 possible for the ship owners to provide an affidavit
19 that they had legally disposed of this trash.

20 Environmental groups throughout the
21 world had been working in a way to try to resolve
22 this. At various times, they've come to the City of
23 Philadelphia, and for a reason unknown to me, Mr.
24 President, Philadelphia has said "no, we don't
25 accept any responsibility."

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2 Well, that trash generated in
3 Philadelphia, and I can't understand how the City of
4 Philadelphia could say that we accept no
5 responsibility for Philadelphia wastes.

6 There's a proposal current now to take
7 that trash from Haiti and to have it properly
8 disposed of. The City has contracts with a number
9 of companies dealing with the disposal of
10 Philadelphia trash. What this resolution does is to
11 say Philadelphia accepts responsibility for that
12 trash, make arrangements for disposal, pay a fair
13 share.

14 And I must say, Mr. Mayor, (sic) I'm
15 quite ashamed. The government of Haiti, a very,
16 very poor country says if Philadelphia won't agree
17 to pay its share of the transfer costs of the waste
18 back from Haiti to somewhere where it can be
19 disposed of, the government of Haiti will pay it. I
20 think that's an onerous and terrible condition for
21 Philadelphia to enforce. Beyond that, Philadelphia
22 refuses to accept any responsibility.

23 In the search for a place to dispose of
24 the trash, a landfill in South Carolina agreed to
25 accept that trash. It never got there originally

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2 because Philadelphia wasn't willing to pay its share
3 of transporting the trash to South Carolina. As
4 people in South Carolina learned about this, they
5 said "Why should we in South Carolina accept
6 Philadelphia trash? Why doesn't Philadelphia accept
7 it?"

8 Well, that's a pretty difficult question
9 and has no satisfactory answer, because Philadelphia
10 should accept it. At a time when our City is
11 spending millions of dollars every year to improve
12 the image of Philadelphia to make it tourist
13 friendly, to say "We are a modern city."

14 An article appears in the November 9th
15 issue of Time magazine this year just about 10 days
16 ago entitled "Dumping Grounds" highly critical of
17 the City of Philadelphia for its refusal to do its
18 proper share in disposing of this trash.

19 Mr. President, I think it's time that we
20 met our responsibility. The cost is absolutely
21 minimal. I don't understand what has held it up. I
22 think this Council should state its clear conclusion
23 that we think Philadelphia should and will accept
24 this responsibility. Thank you, Mr. President.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much,

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2 Councilman Cohen.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilmembers in
4 this order: Councilwoman Clark, Councilman Ortiz,
5 Councilman Nutter.

6 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Mr. President, I am
7 certainly sympathetic to the plight of the small and
8 impoverished nation of Haiti. I'm equally
9 respectful of contracts. And I have in my hands as
10 a result of this resolution, which I must say is
11 overbroad in its construction since it calls upon
12 the administration to take all steps necessary to
13 bring the recovery and disposal of trash illegally
14 dumped on the shores of Haiti. I don't know whether
15 it's illegal or not, but I have a letter from the
16 lawyer who represents the country of Haiti where he
17 in relevant language in paragraph 2 of the first
18 letter addressed to the Honorable Ed Rendell, "Re:
19 Contract with Caribbean Dredging for the Removal of
20 Ash from Gonaives.

21 "Dear Mayor Rendell: As counsel for the
22 Republic of Haiti in the United States, I write to
23 you regarding the above referenced matter. We are
24 pleased to announce that an agreement has been
25 entered between Caribbean Dredging and the Republic

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2 of Haiti for removal of the toxic ash in Gonaives.
3 I'm enclosing a copy of the agreement with an
4 accompanying English translation. As someone who
5 has prominently worked to assist the Republic of
6 Haiti in this project, I want to share the good news
7 with you.

8 "The contract with Caribbean Dredging
9 is, of course, only the first step in the process.
10 There are a number of issues that must be resolved
11 for the project to move forward. We need to work
12 with the City of Philadelphia to establish the most
13 effective method for transferring the fifty thousand
14 dollars that the City of Philadelphia has kindly
15 provided to resolve this problem. Under the
16 contract, the Central Management Unit, an agency of
17 the Haitian Government, is the administrator for the
18 contract and will therefore be responsible for
19 dispensing all funds to Caribbean Dredging. It is
20 my hope that we may set up some mechanism with the
21 City of Philadelphia to ensure the transfer of the
22 funds held by the City to UCG.

23 "The contract also requires Caribbean
24 Dredging to obtain approval of the EPA and the State
25 of Virginia to ship the toxic ash back to the United

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2 States and to place it in a landfill in Virginia.

3 It is our hope that you could assist the Caribbean

4 Dredging to obtain the necessary approvals from the

5 appropriate agencies.

6 "As I'm sure you can understand, the

7 Haitian Government wishes to move as quickly as

8 possible in this matter. We appreciate your

9 assistance and cooperation. Please have someone

10 from your staff contact me at their earliest

11 convenience so we can conclude this matter."

12 And it's signed Ira J. Kurzban, Esquire.

13 Now, a response to that letter from the

14 Mayor on October 1, 1998, reply says, "Dear Mr.

15 Kurzban: Thank you for your August 31, 1998 letter

16 to Mayor Edward G. Rendell concerning the proposal

17 to remove and dispose of incinerator ash from

18 Gonaives, Haiti. The City of Philadelphia is

19 willing to work with you to establish an appropriate

20 method for transferring the \$50,000 that the City

21 has committed to contribute to the remediation

22 efforts. In particular, the City is willing to

23 arrange a transfer of funds when the City receives

24 appropriate assurances both that the ash in question

25 is to be legally disposed of, and that the proper

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2 payment of funds to the disposal contractor is
3 guaranteed."

4 Now, here the emphasis is mine. "The
5 City is willing to participate in the remediation
6 efforts on the expressed condition that no
7 interested party will seek any contribution from the
8 City beyond the \$50,000 that the City has committed
9 today.

10 "Representatives of the City have been
11 in contact with Chad Vignola, Deputy Commissioner of
12 the City of New York Trade Waste Commission, Wendy
13 Grieder of the United States EPA, and Deborah Grout
14 of the Scientific Affairs concerning this matter,
15 and we understand that the following process have
16 been established to govern the remediation efforts.
17 The Commission has established that escrow fund that
18 at present includes \$222,500 from Eastern
19 Environmental Services, Inc. Funds in this account
20 will be dispersed only upon receipt of documented
21 invoices approved by the Haitian Minister of the
22 Environment for payment of the contractor, Caribbean
23 Dredging and Excavation. Caribbean Dredging will be
24 responsible for removing the ash from Haiti and
25 subsequently transporting the ash to a properly

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2 licensed permitted landfill. The landfill currently
3 identified is the James River Landfill operated by
4 USA Waste, Inc., located near Hopewell, Virginia.
5 The ash was tested by EPA in 1996 and has no
6 objection to the proposed disposal site. United
7 States Department of State supports this approach.
8 The nation of Haiti is also to contribute at least
9 \$50,000 to this effort. Further, the City has also
10 requested that EPA retest the ash at the time it
11 leaves Haiti.

12 "Recent communications between the
13 Department of State and Caribbean Dredging suggest
14 some concern as to whether the funds now identified
15 will fully cover the estimated remediation cost.
16 Caribbean Dredging may nevertheless be able to
17 accomplish the project if the funds are received
18 directly from the Commission's escrow account."

19 Here, again, emphasis are mine. "The
20 City is willing to support such an arrangement with
21 the understanding that the City contribution is
22 limited to \$50,000, and that the City is not
23 responsibility for any costs in this matter
24 whatsoever, including possible cost overruns.

25 "Upon receipt of written confirmations

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2 of the above understandings all entities involved,
3 including yourself, the Commission, the Haitian
4 Minister of the Environment, the United States
5 Department of State, and the Environmental
6 Protection Agency, the City will transfer \$50,000 to
7 the Commission's escrow fund."

8 Now, Mr. President, I read these letters
9 in full because it appears to me that the City of
10 Philadelphia did not propose the \$50,000 but rather
11 responded to a request for some certain. If this is
12 now determined not to be the right amount of money,
13 I don't think that a resolution is the way to do it.
14 I think that this resolution is too broad in its
15 construction and fails to give proper notice as to
16 the limit that might be required. I in no way
17 object to the City of Philadelphia taking its fair
18 responsibility, but I don't think that a piece of
19 paper this broadly constructed gets us where we want
20 to be.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
22 Councilwoman.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

24 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Thank you, Mr.
25 President. The powerful have always been able to

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2 get their way against those that are weak. Haiti
3 during the late eighties was being taken over by an
4 illegal military coup that we spent like four years
5 and President Carter and President Clinton spent
6 four or five years trying to return that government
7 to normalcy and to democratic way of government.

8 We took advantage of that destabilizing
9 political framework and time and environment to dump
10 on Haiti toxic ash, ash that have had been going
11 into the aquifers in Haiti, has been lying there in
12 the open. And when the rightful government of Haiti
13 began to make the right noises about who is
14 responsible for this, we said no and we denied our
15 responsibility. Now we're saying that we're willing
16 to do \$50,000.

17 The damage to Haiti may be much more
18 than \$50,000 in terms of the environment already.
19 Who's going to clean up the area, the landfill where
20 this toxic ash has been placed? But not only that,
21 the letters that were just read into the record were
22 dated August 31st. The answer was October 1st.
23 We're asking a country that a couple weeks after the
24 answer was written to them, Hurricane George went
25 through that Caribbean Island, devastating it,

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2 destroying around 90 percent of the homes in the
3 country. It's a poor country with very little
4 resources. Not only are they fighting now to
5 recover and rebuild their country, but now we're
6 asking them to be able to take on the duty to remove
7 our toxic waste from their country.

8 I believe we have a moral and ethical
9 responsibility. Forget contracts, we have a moral
10 ethical responsibility. I've been trying to raise
11 money for Haiti, Santo Domingo, Puerto Rico during
12 the last few months. Consider this hundred thousand
13 dollars that we might be able to give to Haiti so
14 that they don't have to spend any money, part of our
15 contribution to their rebuilding effort. It's part
16 of Philadelphia. As part of the apology to the
17 people of Haiti for the toxic waste that we dumped
18 on their shores. They have enough problems trying
19 to reconstruct, rebuild right now. Our moral
20 authority is in question. I think this resolution
21 goes to the heart of the problem. We did it, we're
22 responsible. At this point, we should pay for it.
23 Thank you.

24 PRESIDENT STREET: Would Councilman
25 Cohen agree to be interrogated just briefly?

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2 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Yes.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: The first whereas
4 says, in December --

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I
6 would like to clear up some of the facts.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen, you
8 can clear up the facts in your remarks. Can you
9 just comment on the fact they're now talking about
10 between 2,000 tons and 4,000 tons of the incinerator
11 ash was disguised as fertilizer and dumped? Would
12 you comment on the wide disparity and the number of
13 the tons? Would you tell us who actually dumped it?
14 Because obviously the City didn't dump anything.
15 And would you comment on who it is who disguised the
16 incinerator ash as fertilizer, and whatever comments
17 you wanted to make?

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I have no specific
19 information with respect to that. The City of
20 Philadelphia put the waste and ash on the Khaian
21 Sea. The arrangements, Philadelphia as a city did
22 not make any arrangements with the government of
23 Haiti. That was the responsibility of the ship
24 owner. And the groups that have been studying this
25 and I have great confidence in the credibility of

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2 these environmental groups and I take it that this
3 is a fact, but whether or not it's toxic waste, it
4 is Philadelphia ash and Philadelphia has the
5 responsibility to deal with it.

6 I just wish, Mr. President, that we
7 would pay the same kind of detail to every word when
8 the Administration introduces its resolution asking
9 for funds for all kinds of purposes. I can't
10 understand why it's so important to determine at
11 this point who made what representation. But the
12 City of Philadelphia did not make the representation
13 to the people of Haiti, but the City of Philadelphia
14 does have a deep obligation to the people of Haiti
15 because it's Philadelphia ash, toxic or not.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

17 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Verna.

18 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.

19 President. I speak against this resolution. I
20 first want to say that I have the utmost respect for
21 Councilman Cohen, and I understand where his heart
22 is on this matter. We have worked together on many,
23 many matters concerning the environment. This issue
24 is different. How is it different one may ask. It
25 is different because the City of Philadelphia is

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2 paying \$50,000 toward the removal of the ash. This
3 number was not pulled out of a Haiti. It is the
4 amount that was requested by the government of Haiti
5 by its legal counsel. They asked and the City
6 complied. Mr. President, the City has done its duty
7 as requested. And I truly believe that if there is
8 a question about how much more it's going to cost or
9 whatever the questions may be, we were not part of
10 the negotiations between the counsel of Haiti and
11 the Mayor's office. I think that that has to be
12 negotiated with them. Thank you very much.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: Thanks you very much.

14 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

15 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Mr. President, may
16 I ask Councilman Cohen a question?

17 PRESIDENT STREET: Would you agree to be
18 Interrogated?

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Yes.

20 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Councilman Cohen,
21 could you tell me about the \$600,000, the whereas
22 Philadelphia saved over \$600,000 by refusing to pay
23 to the company with which it contracted for the
24 trash removal? We never paid for removal?

25 COUNCILMAN COHEN: We never paid

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2 anything. I think it's outrageous that the City of
3 Philadelphia is trying to meet a \$685,000 bill with
4 a payment of \$50,000, among other things.
5 Philadelphia has paid nothing.

6 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Did the company
7 come back to the City and seek legal restitution for
8 not being paid for removing the trash?

9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Not so far as I know,
10 but they may have. I don't have any information on
11 that.

12 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Is it possible for
13 us to get more information?

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: No, it is not
15 possible. No payment has ever been made for that
16 trash disposal, none whatever.

17 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: But I would like to
19 be heard, Mr. President.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen, can
21 we get Councilman Nutter in who has not had an
22 opportunity to speak?

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Sure.

24 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
25 Councilman Nutter.

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2 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Thank you, Mr.
3 President. I'll try to be brief. I think
4 Councilman Cohen and certainly Councilman Ortiz know
5 of my great respect on their stands on issues of
6 social justice and responsibility. I do not
7 necessarily wish to Interrogate Councilman Cohen,
8 but I do have on my own concerns and I've thought
9 about this resolution as it was presented this
10 morning from the standpoint what actually does it
11 mean for the City to take all steps necessary.

12 I would only mention to our my colleague
13 at least seven of us in the body today who are not
14 here in 1998. We have bits and pieces of
15 information and there may in fact be responsibility
16 by the City. But we don't know that for a fact.
17 There has been some interrogatory and he's been able
18 to answer some questions and not others. I think
19 all I would do is offer to my colleague to not put
20 forward this particular resolution, but to amend it
21 to at least allow, if he would like, some kind of
22 hearing to get to some of the questions that has
23 been asked by our colleagues if there are facts to
24 be gathered and I think we should at least have the
25 facts. We may find everything Councilman Cohen is

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2 saying absolutely true. I have no way of making
3 that determination here today and so that would lead
4 us to, I assume, for most to vote against the
5 resolution notwithstanding our overwhelming concern
6 about the particular issue.

7 If the Councilman could consider, I have
8 taken the liberty on his resolution to make some
9 amendments to it. I'd like to read what would be a
10 proposed title. He could accept it or reject it.
11 The proposed title would be Calling upon the Council
12 Committee on Law and Government to conduct an
13 investigation into the disposal of Philadelphia ash
14 by the Khaian Sea on the shores of Haiti in 1988,
15 and further examining all options in the development
16 of a strategy including an overall recovery/disposal
17 plan and a full examination and determination of all
18 issues including the City's financial participation
19 in the recovery/disposal, identifying and
20 contracting for a specific disposal site and/or the
21 possibility of temporarily holding the ash at a
22 Philadelphia location until a final disposal site is
23 found.

24 It essentially maintains the general
25 integrity of the title of the resolution introduced

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2 by Councilman Cohen but makes no particular
3 conclusion and allows for the opportunity to get
4 more to the facts. And I would only propose that in
5 a spirit of friendship to the Councilman to the get
6 to the heart of the issue that he raises here today.
7 Thank you, Mr. President.

8 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
9 Councilman Cohen.

10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I
11 would accept that amendment as a friendly amendment.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen,
13 unfortunately, I don't think that that language can
14 be properly characterized as an amendment. What I
15 would prefer on behalf of this body is that you take
16 the language, that somebody take the language that
17 the Councilman has recommended, put it in the form
18 of a resolution, let us go on with our business, and
19 properly consider a reconstructed resolution.

20 COUNCILMAN COHEN: At this session
21 today?

22 PRESIDENT STREET: Well, if it can be
23 done, I don't know any reason why we shouldn't.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Well, I don't see any
25 reason why it shouldn't be. I would accept the

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2 amendment.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: On that basis,
4 Councilman, do you agree that we hold this
5 resolution for the moment and get back to it?

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Yes, I would.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.
8 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
9 Krajewski.

10 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Mr. President,
11 I offer two bills and one resolution.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
13 read the titles of the bills.

14 But just prior to reading the title of
15 the bills, the Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Longstreth.

17 COUNCILMAN LONGSTRETH: Mr. President, I
18 request permission to leave the chambers. I ask
19 that I be recorded voting aye on all bills that are
20 being offered today.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
22 Councilman. Leave will be granted.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I just wanted to make
25 reference to the letters read by Councilwoman Clark.

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2 It happens the letters are dated --

3 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen,
4 can't you do that when the resolution comes up?

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Okay. I will agree
6 to that, too.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.
8 The Clerk will please read the title of
9 whatever is next.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 authorizing transfers in appropriations for fiscal
12 year 1999 within the Health Choices Behavioral
13 Health Revenue Fund from the Department of Public
14 Health to the Department of Public Health.

15 An ordinance authorizing transfers of
16 appropriations for fiscal year 1999 within the
17 Health Choices Behavior Health Revenue Fund from the
18 Department of Public Health to the Department of
19 Public Health.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
21 referred to the appropriate committee.

22 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Mr. President,
25 we have a Mr. Thomas Moore in aviation at the

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2 airport who is here with a guest, Sharif Butler, a
3 West Philadelphia High School student who is
4 visiting Council and accompanying him and working
5 trying to learn more about Council and the airport
6 in the City of Philadelphia.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much
8 for being with us.

9 (Applause.)

10 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
11 read the title of the resolution introduced by
12 Councilwoman Krajewski.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
14 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
15 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
16 of the City of Philadelphia without consideration
17 deed conveying fee simple title to certain property
18 in the 62nd Ward of the City of Philadelphia.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
20 Councilwoman Krajewski.

21 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Move for the
22 adoption.

23 (Properly seconded.)

24 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
25 be known by saying aye.

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2 Those opposed, say nay.

3 The ayes have it. The resolution is
4 adopted.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Verna.

6 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.

7 President. I offer two bills and one resolution.

8 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
9 read the titles of the bills.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
11 authorize the Commissioner of Public Property on
12 behalf of the City to enter into agreements to grant
13 the United States of America an easement for roadway
14 and water main purposes and to obtain from the
15 United States of America an easement sanitary force
16 main purposes and access across the United States of
17 America lands to said easement and to enter into an
18 agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for
19 connection to share maintenance of and the grant of
20 service and said sanitary force main to an existing
21 sanitary force main owned by the Commonwealth of
22 Pennsylvania located on the United States of America
23 property said agreements are for the enhancement of
24 utilities within and adjacent to.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be

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2 referred to the appropriate committee.

3 The Clerk will please read the title of
4 the resolution introduced by Councilwoman Verna.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: I have one more
6 bill.

7 An ordinance authorizing a revision of
8 lines and grades on a portion of City Plan 15S by
9 striking from City Plan and vacating off the street
10 from Broad Street to a point approximately 99 feet
11 west on Broad Street.

12 And a resolution approving the program
13 of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of
14 Philadelphia for the improvement of vacate lots as
15 side yards rear yards for passive recreation or
16 parking purposes on a portion of the Grace Ferry
17 Urban renewal area.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
19 Councilwoman Verna.

20 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Move for the
21 adoption of the resolution.

22 (Properly seconded.)

23 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
24 be known by saying aye.

25 Those opposed, say nay.

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2 The ayes have it.

3 The resolution is adopted.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

5 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Mr.

6 President. I have no bills or resolutions.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
8 Councilman.

9 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
10 Miller.

11 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Mr.

12 President. I have one bill.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
14 read the title of the bill.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
16 amending Section 9-205 of the Philadelphia Code a
17 relating to sidewalk sales by adding a new provision
18 prohibiting sidewalk sales on Glenwood Avenue from
19 Broad Street to 16th Street, both sides, and on the
20 westerly side of Broad Street from Glenwood Avenue
21 to Indiana Avenue.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: The bill will be
23 referred to the appropriate committee.

24 The chair recognizes Councilman Nutter.

25 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Mr. President, I'd

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2 like to make an introduction before my two bills,
3 with your indulgence. Today, Mr. President, I'm
4 participating in a phenomenon throughout the city
5 called Shadowing Day. I have a young Lady with me
6 Malika Kearny, if she would stand and be recognized
7 by the Council. She's a ninth grader at the Martin
8 Luther King High School. Somehow she drew the short
9 straw and got stuck with me, but I'll try to make
10 her day interesting nonetheless. So I just wanted
11 to recognize her here today. Thank you.

12 (Applause.)

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Now I have two
14 bills, Mr. President.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
16 read the titles of the bills.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 authorizing the construction of water main and
19 appurtenant work required to replace a private main
20 and to insure better water supply and portions of a
21 proposed right-of-way for drainage, sewer, and water
22 main purposes in Lafayette Street, a private street.

23 An ordinance to authorize the Water
24 Commissioner on behalf of the City to enter to into
25 agreements with the owners of the properties and

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2 their successors of a private street known as
3 Lafayette Street from Crescent Street to a dead-end
4 of approximately 150 feet northeasterly of Crescent
5 for the grant of a right-of-way to the City for
6 drainage, sewer, and water main purposes.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
8 referred to the appropriate committee.

9 The chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Mr. President, I
11 offer two bills.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
13 read the title of the bills.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
15 authorizing the Water Commissioner on behalf of the
16 City of enter into agreement with the Philadelphia
17 Housing Authority and/or its successors of a certain
18 property at the southwest corner of Rising Sun
19 Avenue and Adams Avenue known as Hill Creek Housing
20 Project for the a grant of a right-of-way to the
21 City for drainage, sewer, and water main purposes.

22 And an ordinance amending an ordinance
23 approved July 12, 1968, as last amended March 6,
24 1995 by, Bill Nos. 986 and 1024 relating to pension
25 benefits for employees working on behalf of the

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2 Philadelphia Gas Works by adding certain provisions
3 to the Philadelphia Gas Works pension plan relating
4 to early retirement.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
6 referred to the appropriate committee.

7 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

8 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. President, I have
9 one resolution.

10 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
11 read the title of the resolution.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
13 recognizing the achievements of the Hispanic Bar
14 Association of Pennsylvania Legal Education Fund as
15 it celebrates its 12th annual scholarship banquet on
16 December 9, 1998, and honors Will Gonzalez, Esquire,
17 for his exemplary work in protecting the civil
18 rights of Latinos and all Philadelphia residents.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
20 Councilman Ortiz.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. President, I move
22 the adoption of the resolution.

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor let it
25 be known by saying aye.

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2 Those opposed, say nay.

3 The ayes have it.

4 The resolution is adopted.

5 The chair recognizes Councilman DiCicco.

6 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Thank you, Mr.

7 President. I offer one resolution and six bills.

8 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
9 read the titles of the bills.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 amending 12th Street Hotel Associates, LP, owner of
12 the property 1200 Market Street, Philadelphia,
13 Pennsylvania 19107 to construct and maintain a glass
14 and aluminum electrified canopy over the south
15 footway of the 1200 block of Market Street under
16 certain terms and conditions.

17 An ordinance amending the Philadelphia
18 zoning maps by changing the zoning designations of
19 certain areas of land in the 5th Ward and located
20 within an area bounded by Spring Garden Street,
21 Eighth Street, Vine Street, and Lemon Street.

22 An ordinance authorizing the revision of
23 lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 307
24 by relocating a portion of the northerly curb line
25 between 12th Street and Camac Street and relocating

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2 a portion of the southerly curb line of Market
3 Street between 12th Street and 13th Street under
4 certain terms and conditions.

5 An ordinance authorizing the
6 installation of a stop sign on Westmoreland Street
7 at the intersection of Amber Street.

8 An ordinance authorizing the
9 installation of a stop sign on Venango Street at the
10 intersection of Sepviva Street.

11 An ordinance authorizing the
12 installation of stop signs on Third Street at the
13 intersection of George street.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: These bills will be
15 referred to the appropriate committee.

16 The Clerk will please read the title of
17 the resolution introduced by Councilman DiCicco.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
19 authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to
20 execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority
21 of the City of Philadelphia deeds for properties
22 situate in the 25th and 31st Wards of the City of
23 Philadelphia.

24 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
25 Councilman DiCicco.

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2 COUNCILMAN DI CICCIO: I move for the
3 adoption of the resolution.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
6 be known by saying aye.

7 Those opposed, say nay.

8 The ayes have it.

9 The resolution is adopted.

10 The chair recognizes Councilman Mariano.

11 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Mr. President, I
12 have no bills or resolutions, but I'd like to take
13 this time to say that I am also participating in the
14 city-wide shadowing program, and I have a ninth
15 grader from Frankford High School, after Mr. Sean
16 Lief. Sean, stand up.

17 (Applause.)

18 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.
19 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Miller.

20 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Thank you, Mr.
21 President. I'd like to request a leave at this time
22 to attend Council business outside of the chambers
23 and want to be recorded as voting yes on all
24 resolutions and bills.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the

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2 Councilwoman. Leave will be granted.

3 The Chair recognizes Councilman Rizzo.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Mr. President, I have
5 one bill on behalf of the Councilman O'Neill.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
7 read the title of the bill.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
9 amend the Philadelphia zoning maps by changing the
10 zoning designations of certain areas of land located
11 in the 57th ward within the area bounded by Grand
12 Avenue, Academy Road, Holme Avenue, Willets Road, a
13 railroad right-of-way and Blue Grass Road.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill will be
15 referred to the appropriate committee.

16 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Clark.

17 COUNCILWOMAN CLARK: Mr. President, I
18 respectfully request permission to leave the floor
19 to be recorded voting on aye on bills and
20 resolutions.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: Leave will be
22 granted.

23 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Tasco.

24 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Mr. President,
25 request permission to leave the floor and wish to be

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2 recorded as voting yes on all bills and resolution.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
4 Councilwoman. Leave will be granted.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz.

6 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. President, I
7 follow Councilwoman Tasco on the request to be
8 granted a leave.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
10 Councilman. Leave will be granted.

11 Is there anybody who wishes to stay?

12 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: I wish to be recorded
13 as voting aye on all bills and resolutions.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
15 Councilman.

16 - - -

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
18 business is reports from committees.

19 For those of you might be wondering, we
20 have a continuing quorum provisioned in our rules.
21 Once we have established a quorum, we have a quorum.
22 Once members have left their votes, we are entitled
23 to record those votes.

24 The next order business is reports from
25 committees.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Verna
3 for the report of the Council Committee of the
4 Whole.

5 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.
6 President. Committee of the whole reports nine
7 bills out of committee with a favorable
8 recommendation.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
10 read the report.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the President
12 and members of the Council of the City of
13 Philadelphia. The Committee of the Whole Council to
14 which was referred Bill No. 980549 entitled an
15 Ordinance creating the Convention Center Garage Tax
16 Increment financing district and approving the
17 project plan of the Philadelphia Authority for
18 Industrial Development paying for the redevelopment
19 of the Convention Center Garage Tax Increment
20 Financing District being the area generally bounded
21 by 13th Street on the west, Arch Street north,
22 Filbert Street on the south, and 12th Street on the
23 east, and making certain findings and declarations
24 all in accordance with the Tax Increment Financing
25 Act of July 11, 1990 PL465 No. 113 as amended and

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2 authorizing the Director of Finance other officers
3 of the City to execute documents and to do all
4 things necessary to carry out the intent of this
5 ordinance.

6 Bill No. 980621, an ordinance amending
7 Section 10-611 of the Philadelphia Code entitled
8 "Public Places Prohibited Conduct" by deleting
9 Section 4, Subsection d under certain terms and
10 conditions.

11 Bill No. 980641, an ordinance amending
12 section 10-611 of the Philadelphia Code entitled
13 sidewalk behavior by providing that certain parts of
14 the 3rd Councilmanic District shall be covered by
15 the prohibition and penalties set forth in said
16 section 10-611 of the code.

17 Bill No. 980685, an ordinance amending
18 Section 10-611 of the Philadelphia Code entitled
19 "Sidewalk Behavior," by providing that the 7th
20 Councilmanic District shall be covered by the
21 prohibitions and penalties set forth in Section
22 10-611 of the Philadelphia Code.

23 Bill No. 980705, an ordinance creating
24 the Jump Street Tax Increment Financing District and
25 approving a project plan of the Philadelphia

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2 Authority for Industrial Development paying for the
3 redevelopment of the Jump Street Tax Increment
4 Financing District being the area generally bounded
5 by 15th Street on the west, Cecil B. Moore Avenue on
6 the north, Broad Street on the east, Oxford Street
7 on the south, and making certain findings and
8 declarations all in accordance with the Tax
9 Increment Financing Act being the Act of July 11,
10 1990, PL465, No. 113 as amended and authorizing the
11 Director of Finance and other officers of the City
12 to execute documents and do all things necessary to
13 carry out the intent of this ordinance.

14 Bill No. 980715, an ordinance amending
15 Title 16 of the Philadelphia Code entitled Public
16 Property by prohibiting erection of signs naming a
17 city building or facility unless Council shall have
18 shall have by ordinance officially named such
19 building or facility under certain terms and
20 conditions.

21 Bill No. 980719 an ordinance creating
22 St. James Court Tax Increment Financing District and
23 approving the project plan in the Philadelphia
24 Authority for Industrial Development paid for the
25 redevelopment of the St. James Court Tax Increment

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2 Financing District being the area generally bounded
3 by A Street on the west, Walnut Street on the north,
4 St. James Court on the south, and Washington Square
5 West on the east, and making certain findings and
6 declarations all in accordance with the Tax
7 Increment Financing leaving Act of July 11, 1990
8 PL465 No. 113 as amended and authorizing the
9 Director of Finance and other officers of the City
10 to execute documents and do all things necessary to
11 carry out the intent of this ordinance.

12 Bill No. 980746, an ordinance creating
13 the Brewery Park Tax Increment Finance District and
14 approving the project plan of the Philadelphia
15 Authority for Industrial Development paying for the
16 redevelopment of the Brewery Park Tax Increment
17 Financing District being the area generally bounded
18 by 32nd Street on the west, Market Street on the
19 north 13th Street on the east, Thompson Street on
20 the south and making certain findings and
21 declarations all in accordance with the Tax
22 Increment Financing Act, being the Act of July 11,
23 1990 PL465 No. 113 as amended and authorizing the
24 Director of Finance and other officers of the City
25 to execute the documents and do all things necessary

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2 to carry out the intent of this ordinance.

3 Bill No. 980794 an ordinance amending
4 Subsection PM of Title 4 of the Philadelphia Code
5 entitled the "Philadelphia Property Maintenance
6 Code" by extending the emergency nuisance abatement
7 program to cover lot vacate lots under certain terms
8 and conditions.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: The bills reported
10 favorably will be printed and placed on the first
11 reading calendar for our next meeting.

12 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney
13 for the report of the Council Committee on Rules.

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Mr. President, the
15 Council Committee on Rules reports three bills with
16 favorable recommendations.

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please
18 read the report.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: To the president
20 and members of the Council of the City of
21 Philadelphia, the Committee on Rules to which is
22 referred Bill No. 960822 entitled an ordinance
23 amending Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled
24 Zoning and Planning by amending Section 14-1603.1
25 entitled "Storm Water Management Controls" say the

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2 requirements of a permit and approved storm water
3 management control plan applied to specified
4 development activities undertaken anywhere within
5 the City and by amending Section 14-1802 entitled
6 "Criteria for Granting Variances" so that the
7 criteria for granting variances set forth in
8 Subsection 14-1802(2) relating to certain
9 environmental considerations applied to various
10 variances with respect to property located anywhere
11 within the City.

12 Bill No. 980749, an ordinance approving
13 the plan, estimated costs, and proposed method of
14 charges of the City Avenue Special Service District
15 for and concerning business improvements and
16 administrative services to portions of the City
17 Avenue area of the City of Philadelphia and Township
18 of the Lower Merion.

19 Bill No. 980750, an ordinance amending
20 Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code relating to zoning
21 and planning by amending Section 14-1612 entitled
22 South Street Headhouse Square Special Service
23 District Controls, under certain terms and
24 conditions.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes

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2 Councilman Kenney.

3 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Mr. President, I
4 move that the rules of Council be suspended so as to
5 permit first reading of Bill No. 960822, 980749,
6 980750 today.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
9 be known by saying aye.

10 Those opposed say nay.

11 The ayes have it.

12 These bills will be added to our first
13 reading calendar today.

14 - - -

15 PRESIDENT STREET: The next order of
16 business is the consideration of the calendar. The
17 Chief Clerk will please read the bills on the first
18 reading calendar.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: 980790, an
20 ordinance authorizing the issuance of general
21 obligation bonds to provide funds to refund certain
22 outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of
23 Philadelphia; authorizing the Mayor, City Controller
24 and City Solicitor or a majority of them to sell the
25 bonds at public or private negotiated sale; setting

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2 forth the purposes and the amounts for which the
3 proceeds of the bonds will be expended; providing
4 for the maturities and for other terms and
5 conditions and for the form of the bonds; providing
6 that bonds may be redeemable prior to maturity;
7 providing sinking funds for the bonds and for
8 appropriations to the Sinking Fund Commission for
9 the payment thereof; authorizing agreements to
10 provide credit enhancement or payment or liquidity
11 sources for the bonds and certain other actions.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 960822, an
14 ordinance amending Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code
15 entitled "Zoning and Planning" by amending Section
16 14-1603.1 entitled "Storm Water Management Controls"
17 say the requirements of a permit and approved storm
18 water management control plan applied to specified
19 development activities undertaken anywhere within
20 the City and by amending Section 14-1802 entitled
21 "Criteria for Granting Variances" so that the
22 criteria for granting variances set forth in
23 Subsection 14-1802(2) relating to certain
24 environmental considerations apply to various
25 variances with respect to property located anywhere

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2 within the City.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 980749, an
5 ordinance approving the plan, estimated costs, and
6 proposed method of charges of the City Avenue
7 Special Service District for and concerning business
8 improvements and administrative services to portions
9 of the City Avenue area of the City of Philadelphia
10 and Township of the Lower Merion.

11 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Bill No. 980750, an
13 ordinance amending Title 14 of the Philadelphia Code
14 relating to zoning and planning by amending Section
15 14-1612 entitled South Street Headhouse Square
16 Special Service District Controls, under certain
17 terms and conditions.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair agrees.

19 The bills read by the Chief Clerk will
20 be placed on the second and final reading passes
21 calendar for our next meeting.

22 - - -

23 PRESIDENT STREET: Council will now
24 consider bills on the second and final reading
25 passage calendar.

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2 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Verna.

3 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Thank you, Mr.

4 President. The following bills on the second
5 reading and final passage calendar being called for
6 consideration. Bill No. 980421, 980447, 980449,
7 980453, 980545, 980547, 980551, 980615, 980617,
8 980618, 980619, 980645, 980648, 980680, 980334,
9 980645, 980655, and 980721.

10 All other bills are being held.

11 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
12 Councilwoman.

13 COUNCILWOMAN VERNA: Mr. President, at
14 this time I would like to be excused for the
15 remainder of the session and I would like to be
16 recorded as voting aye on all bills and resolutions.

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair thanks the
18 Councilwoman. Leave will be granted.

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Point of order.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
21 Councilman Cohen.

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I thought I was
23 following the bills named by Councilwoman Verna and
24 then I ran out of numbers. After 618 at the bottom
25 of page 7, which is listed, I believe, by the

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2 Councilwoman as being okay for consideration today.

3 I would like to get her to repeat again. I'm sorry,
4 but I was unable to keep track.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen,
6 I'll repeat the bills for you. I know what
7 Councilwoman Verna's business is.

8 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Okay.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilwoman Verna
10 has called up on page 8 all of the bills, on page 9
11 all of the bills, on page 10 all of the bills, on
12 page 11 none of the bills.

13 COUNCILMAN COHEN: That makes it quite
14 simple. Thank you, Mr. President.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

16 The first bill for consideration,
17 therefore, is Bill No. 980421. The Clerk will
18 please read the title of the bill.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
21 portion of City Plan No. 307 by widening a portion
22 of Juniper Street, on the easterly side, between
23 Arch Street and Cherry Street, under certain terms
24 and conditions, including the dedication to the City
25 of the widened portion of Juniper Street.

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
3 read on two different days, the question now is
4 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
5 role.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
10 is voting aye.

11 Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

14 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski.

19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Longstreth is voting aye.

22 Councilwoman Miller is voting aye.

23 Councilman Nutter.

24 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

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2 voting aye.
3 Councilman Rizzo.
4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
6 is voting aye.
7 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
8 President Street.
9 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
10 The ayes are 14, the nays are zero. The
11 majority of all members of Council having voted in
12 the affirmative, the Bill passes.
13 The next bill for consideration is Bill
14 No. 980447. The Clerk will please read the title of
15 the bill.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
17 amend chapter 12-2400 of the Philadelphia Code
18 entitled "Towing and Immobilizing of the Parked or
19 Abandoned Vehicles" by revising towing zone
20 locations.
21 PRESIDENT STREET: Will the Chief Clerk
22 please approach the Chair?
23 - - -
24 (Chief Clerk approaches Chair.)
25 - - -

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: Next bill for
3 consideration 980447 the Clerk will please read the
4 title of the bill.

5 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

6 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Thank you, Mr.
7 President. You recorded as 14 instead of 15.

8 PRESIDENT STREET: I know. It should be
9 16.

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Fifteen. We lost
11 Councilwoman Fernandez.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: Well, we missed two
13 votes. I think we missed Councilman --

14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Councilman O'Neill
15 is absent but not voting.

16 PRESIDENT STREET: I understand that.
17 We missed Councilman Mariano and maybe Councilman
18 Rizzo. We'll get back to it.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Okay, thank you.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will read
21 the title of 980447.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance to
23 amend chapter 12-2400 of the Philadelphia Code
24 entitled "Towing and Immobilizing of the Parked or
25 Abandoned Vehicles" by revising towing zone

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2 locations.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
4 read on two different days, the question now is
5 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
6 role.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
8 Blackwell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
11 is voting aye.

12 Councilman Cohen.

13 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Krajewski.

20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 Longstreth is voting aye.

23 Councilman Mariano.

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

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2 is voting aye.
3 Councilman Nutter.
4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
6 voting aye.
7 Councilman Rizzo.
8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
10 is voting aye.
11 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
12 Council President Street.
13 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
14 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
15 majority of all members of Council having voted in
16 the affirmative, the Bill passes.
17 The next bill for consideration is Bill
18 No. 980449. The Clerk will please read the title of
19 the bill.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
21 establishing a parking regulation on Torresdale
22 Avenue, east side, Wellington Street to a point 187
23 feet north of Wellington Street.
24 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
25 read on two different dates, the question now is

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2 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
3 role.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
5 Blackwell.
6 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
8 is voting aye.
9 Councilman Cohen.
10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.
12 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.
13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
14 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
16 Krajewski.
17 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
19 Longstreth is voting aye.
20 Councilman Mariano.
21 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
23 is voting aye.
24 Councilman Nutter.
25 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
3 voting aye.

4 Councilman Rizzo.

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
7 is voting aye.

8 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

9 Council President Street.

10 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

11 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
12 majority of all members of Council having voted in
13 the affirmative, the bill passes.

14 The next bill for consideration is Bill
15 No. 980453. The Clerk will please read the title of
16 the bill.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
18 establishing a parking regulation on Fitzwater
19 Street, both sides, 19th Street to 20th Street.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
21 read on two different days, the question now is
22 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
23 role.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

4 is voting aye.

5 Councilman Cohen.

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

8 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

12 Krajewski.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

15 Longstreth is voting aye.

16 Councilman Mariano.

17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

19 is voting aye.

20 Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

23 voting aye.

24 Councilman Rizzo.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
3 is voting aye.

4 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

5 Council President Street.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

7 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
8 majority of all members of Council having voted in
9 the affirmative, the bill passes.

10 The Chair wishes to note Councilman
11 Mariano wishes to be recorded as having voted on
12 Bill No. 980421.

13 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair wishes to
15 know the same information from Councilman Rizzo.

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye, Mr. President.

17 PRESIDENT STREET: The ayes are 15. The
18 nays are zero. Majority of all members of Council
19 having voted in the affirmative, the bill passes.

20 The next bill for consideration Bill No.
21 980545. The Clerk will please read the title of the
22 bill.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
24 granting permanent mission to Edward Wilson, owner
25 and operator of the newsstand located on northwest

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2 corner of 16th Street and John F. Kennedy Boulevard
3 to construct, use and maintain a conduit for fiber
4 optic facilities in and under the north footway of
5 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, the west footway of 16th
6 Street and the south footway of Cuthbert Street, for
7 the purpose of supplying telephone service to said
8 newsstand.

9 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
10 read on two different days, the question now is
11 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
12 role.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
14 Blackwell.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
17 is voting aye.

18 Councilman Cohen.

19 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

21 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

23 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Krajewski.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

4 Longstreth is voting aye.

5 Councilman Mariano.

6 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

8 is voting aye.

9 Councilman Nutter.

10 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

12 voting aye.

13 Councilman Rizzo.

14 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco

16 is voting aye.

17 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

18 Council President Street.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

20 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The

21 majority of all members of Council having voted in

22 the affirmative, the bill passes.

23 The next bill for consideration is Bill

24 No. 980547. The Clerk please read the title of the

25 bill.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
3 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
4 portion of the City Plan No. 187 by striking from
5 the City Plan and vacating the legally opened
6 portions of Belgrade Street from Butler Street to
7 Castor Avenue, under certain terms and conditions.

8 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
9 read on two different days, the question now is
10 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
11 role.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Blackwell.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
16 is voting aye.

17 Councilman Cohen.

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

20 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

22 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
24 Krajewski.

25 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

3 Longstreth is voting aye.

4 Councilman Mariano.

5 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

7 is voting aye.

8 Councilman Nutter.

9 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

11 voting aye.

12 Councilman Rizzo.

13 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco

15 is voting aye.

16 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

17 Council President Street.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

19 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The

20 majority of all members of Council having voted in

21 the affirmative, the Bill passes.

22 The next bill for consideration is Bill

23 No. 980551. The Clerk will please read the title of

24 the bill.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance

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2 amending Section 2 of an Ordinance (Bill No. 1119)
3 approved July 24, 1995, entitled "An Ordinance
4 authorizing the striking from City Plan No. 58 and
5 vacating Shamokin Street, from 11th Street to Ridge
6 Avenue and reserving and placing on the City Plan a
7 certain right-of-way for drainage purposes and water
8 main purposes, under certain terms and conditions,"
9 by extending the period for compliance with the
10 authorization conditions therein to December 31,
11 1999.

12 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
13 read on two different days, the question now is
14 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
15 role.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
17 Blackwell.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
20 is voting aye.

21 Councilman Cohen.

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

24 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

4 Krajewski.

5 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

7 Longstreth is voting aye.

8 Councilman Mariano.

9 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

11 is voting aye.

12 Councilman Nutter.

13 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

15 voting aye.

16 Councilman Rizzo.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco

19 is voting aye.

20 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

21 Council President Street.

22 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

23 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The

24 majority of all members of Council having voted in

25 the affirmative, the bill passes.

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2 The Clerk will please stand at ease for
3 just one minute.

4 - - -

5 (The Clerk stands at ease.)

6 - - -

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you. The next
8 bill for consideration is Bill No. 980615. The
9 Clerk will please read the title of the bill.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
11 authorizing Joseph and Angela Schmidt, owners of
12 property located at 3100 Knorr Street, Philadelphia,
13 PA 19149, to construct and maintain various
14 encroachments onto and over the south footway of
15 Knorr Street and the east footway of Hawthorne
16 Street adjacent to 3100 Knorr street, under certain
17 terms and conditions.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
19 read on two different days, the question now is
20 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
21 role.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
23 Blackwell.

24 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 is voting aye.
3 Councilman Cohen.
4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.
6 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
8 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
10 Krajewski.
11 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
13 Longstreth is voting aye.
14 Councilman Mariano.
15 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
17 is voting aye.
18 Councilman Nutter.
19 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
21 voting aye.
22 Councilman Rizzo.
23 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
25 is voting aye.

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2 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

3 Council President Street.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

5 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
6 majority of all members of Council having voted in
7 the affirmative, the bill passes.

8 The next bill for consideration is Bill
9 No. 980617. The Clerk will please read the title of
10 the bill.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
12 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
13 portion of City Plan No. 295 by striking from the
14 City Plan and vacating Codorus Road from Hendren
15 Street to Spring Lane and by reserving and placing a
16 right-of-way for drainage purposes and water main
17 purposes within the lines of Codorus Road from
18 Hendren Street to Spring Lane, all under certain
19 terms and conditions.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
21 read on two different days, the question now is
22 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
23 role.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

4 is voting aye.

5 Councilman Cohen.

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

8 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

12 Krajewski.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

15 Longstreth is voting aye.

16 Councilman Mariano.

17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

19 is voting aye.

20 Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

23 voting aye.

24 Councilman Rizzo.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
3 is voting aye.

4 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

5 Council President Street.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

7 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
8 majority of all members of Council having voted in
9 the affirmative, the Bill passes.

10 The next bill for consideration is Bill
11 No. 980618. The clerk will please read the title of
12 the bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
14 authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a
15 portion of City Plan No. 295 of the area extending
16 generally northwestwardly from Spring Lane to the
17 Philadelphia and Montgomery County Line between
18 Bigonet Lane to the southwest and Hendren Street to
19 the northeast by striking from the City Plan Muncy
20 Lane, Ayrdale Road and Buffalo Lane; by placing on
21 the City Plan Sycamore Lane, Lantern Lane, Greenhill
22 Lane and Buttonwood place; and by reserving and
23 placing on the City Plan certain rights-of-way for
24 water main purposes and drainage purposes; all under
25 certain terms and conditions including the

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2 dedication to the City, free and clear of all
3 encumbrances, of the beds of Sycamore Lane, Lantern
4 Lane, Greenhill Lane and Buttonwood Place.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
6 read on two different days, the question now is
7 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
8 role.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
10 Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
13 is voting aye.

14 Councilman Cohen.

15 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

17 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
21 Krajewski.

22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 Longstreth is voting aye.

25 Councilman Mariano.

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2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
4 is voting aye.

5 Councilman Nutter.

6 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
8 voting aye.

9 Councilman Rizzo.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
12 is voting aye.

13 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

14 Council President Street.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

16 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
17 majority of all members of Council having voted in
18 the affirmative, the bill passes.

19 The next bill for consideration is Bill
20 No. 980619. The Clerk will please read the title of
21 the bill.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
23 authorizing the paving of Sycamore Lane, Lantern
24 Lane, Greenhill Lane and Buttonwood Place under
25 certain terms and conditions.

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
3 read on two different days, the question now is
4 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
5 role.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
7 Blackwell.

8 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
10 is voting aye.

11 Councilman Cohen.

12 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

14 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

16 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
18 Krajewski.

19 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
21 Longstreth is voting aye.

22 Councilman Mariano.

23 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
25 is voting aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 Councilman Nutter.
3 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
5 voting aye.
6 Councilman Rizzo.
7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
9 is voting aye.
10 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
11 Council President Street.
12 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
13 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
14 majority of all members of Council having voted in
15 the affirmative, the Bill passes.
16 The next bill for consideration is Bill
17 No. 980647. The Clerk will please read the title of
18 the bill.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
20 establishing a no motor home parking regulation on
21 Woodbine Avenue, 55th Street to Bryn Mawr Avenue,
22 both sides.
23 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having
24 been read on two different days, the question now is
25 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 role.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
4 Blackwell.
5 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
7 is voting aye.
8 Councilman Cohen.
9 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.
11 COUNCILMAN DI CICCIO: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
13 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
15 Krajewski.
16 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
18 Longstreth is voting aye.
19 Councilman Mariano.
20 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
22 is voting aye.
23 Councilman Nutter.
24 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 voting aye.
3 Councilman Rizzo.
4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
6 is voting aye.
7 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
8 Council President Street.
9 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
10 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
11 majority of all members of Council having voted in
12 the affirmative, the bill passes.
13 The next bill for consideration is bull
14 No. 980648. The Clerk will please read the title of
15 the bill.
16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
17 establishing a no motor home parking regulation on
18 55th Street, Overbrook Avenue to Woodbine Avenue,
19 both sides.
20 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
21 read on two different days, the question now is
22 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
23 role.
24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
4 is voting aye.
5 Councilman Cohen.
6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.
8 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
12 Krajewski.
13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
15 Longstreth is voting aye.
16 Councilman Mariano.
17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
19 is voting aye.
20 Councilman Nutter.
21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
23 voting aye.
24 Councilman Rizzo.
25 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
3 is voting aye.

4 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

5 Council President Street.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

7 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
8 majority of all members of Council having voted in
9 the affirmative, the bill passes.

10 The next bill for consideration is Bill
11 No. 980680. The Clerk will please read the title of
12 the bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
14 authorizing the president of the Fairmount Parking
15 Commission ("Commission") and the executive director
16 of Fairmount Park to execute a lease ("Lease")
17 covering that portion of Fairmount Park known as
18 River Field ("Premises") with the Philadelphia
19 Authority for Industrial Development ("PAID"), for a
20 term of 25 years with one five-year renewal option,
21 under which PAID shall execute a sublease
22 ("Sublease") with the Friends of River Field, Inc.
23 ("FRF"), a non-profit corporation organized under
24 the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which
25 shall: (1) obligate the FRF to perform certain

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2 improvements to the premises, including demolition
3 and removal of the existing clubhouse and
4 construction of a new fieldhouse with public
5 bathroom facilities, (2) obligate the FRF to perform
6 all necessary and prudent improvements, maintenance
7 and repair of the premises during the term of the
8 Sublease; and (3) permit the FRF to sub-sublease the
9 Premises to a high school located in the City of
10 Philadelphia for use as a practice field for high
11 school's athletic teams, provided that such
12 sub-sublease must be approved by the Commission and
13 that use of the premises by any sub-subtenant shall
14 not interfere with the general public's use and
15 enjoyment of the Premises as a publish park; and
16 reserving the right of the Commission to grant
17 licenses for use of the Premises at those times the
18 Premises are not being used under any approved
19 sub-sublease.

20 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
21 read on two different days, the question now is
22 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
23 role.

24 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
25 Blackwell.

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

4 is voting aye.

5 Councilman Cohen.

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

8 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

10 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

12 Krajewski.

13 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

15 Longstreth is voting aye.

16 Councilman Mariano.

17 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

19 is voting aye.

20 Councilman Nutter.

21 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

22 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

23 voting aye.

24 Councilman Rizzo.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: Aye.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
3 is voting aye.

4 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

5 Council President Street.

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

7 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
8 majority of all members of Council having voted in
9 the affirmative, the bill passes.

10 The next bill for consideration is Bill
11 No. 980334. The Clerk will read the title of the
12 bill.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
14 amending Title 9 of the Philadelphia Code entitled,
15 "Regulation of Business, Trades and Professions," by
16 requiring all building and construction contractors
17 to obtain a license, by requiring and prohibiting
18 certain conduct by such contractors, and by
19 providing for penalties, all under certain terms and
20 conditions.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
22 read on two different days, the question now is
23 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
24 role.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 Blackwell.
3 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.
4 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
5 is voting aye.
6 Councilman Cohen.
7 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.
8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.
9 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.
10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.
11 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.
12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
13 Krajewski.
14 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.
15 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
16 Longstreth is voting aye.
17 Councilman Mariano.
18 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.
19 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
20 is voting aye.
21 Councilman Nutter.
22 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
24 voting aye.
25 Councilman Rizzo.

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2 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
4 is voting aye.

5 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

6 Council President Street.

7 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

8 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
9 majority of all members of Council having voted in
10 the affirmative, the bill passes.

11 The next bill for consideration is Bill
12 No. 980645. The Clerk will please read the title of
13 the bill.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
15 amending Section 9-205 of the Philadelphia Code,
16 relating to sidewalk sales, by adding new provisions
17 prohibiting sidewalk sales in the sixth Councilmanic
18 District.

19 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
20 read on two different days, the question now is
21 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
22 role.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
24 Blackwell.

25 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

3 is voting aye.

4 Councilman Cohen.

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

6 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

7 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

9 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

11 Krajewski.

12 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

14 Longstreth is voting aye.

15 Councilman Mariano.

16 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

17 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

18 is voting aye.

19 Councilman Nutter.

20 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is

22 voting aye.

23 Councilman Rizzo.

24 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER

2 is voting aye.

3 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

4 Council President Street.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

6 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
7 majority of all members of Council having voted in
8 the affirmative, the bill passes.

9 The next bill for consideration is Bill
10 No. 980655. The Clerk will please read the title of
11 the bill.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
13 amending Section 9-205 of the Philadelphia Code,
14 relating to Sidewalk Sales by adding a new provision
15 prohibiting sidewalk sales in the 52nd Ward which
16 encompasses the area what boarded by and within the
17 Schuylkill River and Girard Avenue, west on Girard
18 Avenue to Parkside Avenue, northwest on Parkside
19 Avenue to Belmont Avenue, south on Belmont Avenue to
20 Girard after, west on Girard Avenue to Lancaster
21 Avenue, northwest on Lancaster Avenue to 59th
22 Street, north on 59th Street to Upland Way, west and
23 then northwest on Upland Way to Overbrook Avenue,
24 north on Overbrook Avenue to City Avenue, northeast
25 on City Avenue to the Schuylkill River, and south

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2 along the Schuylkill River to Girard Avenue.

3 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
4 read on two different days, the question now is
5 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
6 role.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
8 Blackwell.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

10 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
11 is voting aye.

12 Councilman Cohen.

13 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

14 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

15 COUNCILMAN DI CICCIO: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

17 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
19 Krajewski.

20 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

21 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
22 Longstreth is voting aye.

23 Councilman Mariano.

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

1 STATED MEETING - 2ND, FINAL READING CALENDER
2 is voting aye.
3 Councilman Nutter.
4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
6 voting aye.
7 Councilman Rizzo.
8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
10 is voting aye.
11 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
12 Council President Street.
13 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
14 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
15 majority of all members of Council having voted in
16 the affirmative, the bill passes.
17 The next bill for consideration is Bill
18 No. 980721. The Clerk will please read the title of
19 the bill.
20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: An ordinance
21 amending Chapter 9-200 of the Philadelphia Code,
22 entitled "Commercial Activities on Streets," by
23 deleting subsection 9-206(10)(B), which created a
24 sidewalk vending neighborhood business district
25 entitled the "Broad and Snyder Business District,"

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2 and by amending section 9-205 to permit sidewalk
3 sales on Broad Street in the vicinity of the
4 southwest corner of Broad and Shunk Streets.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: This bill having been
6 read on two different days, the question now is
7 shall the bill pass finally. The Clerk will call a
8 role.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
10 Blackwell.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

12 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark
13 is voting aye.

14 Councilman Cohen.

15 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

17 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

18 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

19 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

20 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman
21 Krajewski.

22 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman
24 Longstreth is voting aye.

25 Councilman Mariano.

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2 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

3 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller
4 is voting aye.

5 Councilman Nutter.

6 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.

7 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
8 voting aye.

9 Councilman Rizzo.

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
12 is voting aye.

13 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.

14 Council President Street.

15 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.

16 The ayes are 15, the nays are zero. The
17 majority of all members of City Council having voted
18 in the affirmative, the bill passes. This completes
19 our consideration of the calendar.

20 We will now return to a consideration of
21 a resolution, a reconstructed resolution that I
22 believe is going to be offered by Councilman Cohen.

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I
24 offer one resolution.

25 PRESIDENT STREET: The Clerk will please

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2 read the title of the resolution.

3 COUNCILMAN COHEN: And ask for the
4 withdrawal of the original resolution.

5 PRESIDENT STREET: It is withdrawn.

6 The Clerk will please read the title of
7 the resolution.

8 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: A resolution
9 calling upon the Council Committee on Law and
10 Government to conduct an investigation into disposal
11 of Philadelphia ash dumped by the Khaian Sea on the
12 shores of Haiti in 1988 and further examining all
13 options and the development of a strategy including
14 an overall recovery/disposal plan and a full
15 examination and determination of all issues,
16 including the City's financial participation in the
17 recovery/disposal process identifying and
18 contracting for a specific disposal site and/or
19 temporarily holding the ash at a Philadelphia
20 location until a final site is found.

21 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
22 Councilman Cohen.

23 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I move
24 the adoption of the resolution.

25 (Duly seconded.)

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2 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I wish
3 to be heard for a moment.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: The Chair recognizes
5 Councilman Cohen.

6 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Just in the earlier
7 discussion on the original resolution, Councilwoman
8 Clark read some mail. It may have been relevant as
9 of the dates on the letters, but subsequent to those
10 dates, it was learned that the state of Virginia had
11 changed its law requiring all ash to be
12 containerized, and therefore, it was impossible
13 without a huge additional cost to meet that
14 requirement. Thereafter, there were negotiations
15 that finally resulted in South Carolina accepting
16 the ash, and at that point the South Carolina
17 residents protested vigorously against the dumping
18 of Philadelphia trash in South Carolina and the
19 South Carolina landfill withdrew its offer. I just
20 wanted to state that to update today's record.

21 I now ask for role call vote on the
22 resolution, Mr. President.

23 PRESIDENT STREET: Is there anyone else
24 who wishes to be heard on the resolution?

25 The Clerk will call a role.

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2 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

3 Blackwell.

4 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Aye.

5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Clark

6 is voting aye.

7 Councilman Cohen.

8 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Aye.

9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman DiCicco.

10 COUNCILMAN DI CICC0: Aye.

11 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Kenney.

12 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: Aye.

13 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman

14 Krajewski.

15 COUNCILWOMAN KRAJEWSKI: Aye.

16 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman

17 Longstreth is voting aye.

18 PRESIDENT STREET: Point of order.

19 Councilman Longstreth did not leave his vote for any

20 resolutions. He only left his votes for bills. You

21 cannot count Councilman Longstreth. I do not know

22 why we're doing this, but please proceed.

23 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Mariano.

24 COUNCILMAN MARIANO: Aye.

25 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Miller

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2 is voting aye.
3 Councilman Nutter.
4 COUNCILMAN NUTTER: Aye.
5 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilman Ortiz is
6 voting aye.
7 Councilman Rizzo.
8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Aye.
9 CHIEF CLERK HAUSER: Councilwoman Tasco
10 is voting aye.
11 Councilwoman Verna is voting aye.
12 Council President Street.
13 PRESIDENT STREET: Aye.
14 The ayes are 12, the nays are zero. The
15 majority of the members of Council having voted in
16 the affirmative, this resolution is adopted.
17 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, my
18 count is 14.
19 PRESIDENT STREET: My count is 12.
20 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Everybody except
21 Longstreth --
22 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman Cohen,
23 the resolutions is adopted.
24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I understand that,
25 but I would like to have an accurate count.

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2 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

3 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Is there anyone other
4 than Councilman Longstreth whose vote was not
5 recorded?

6 PRESIDENT STREET: Well, Councilman
7 Cohen, if you insist on this, then I'm going the
8 ask -- we will stand in recess and I'm going to ask
9 the Clerk to go back through the record and review
10 each and every statement of every member who left to
11 determine whether or ot that member left a vote in
12 favor of bills and resolutions. You're now gilding
13 the lilly. I don't know why you want to do this to
14 us because I'm not sure I remember, and I don't know
15 whether or not you have a right to count the votes
16 of people who left and may not have said that
17 they're in favor of resolutions. Now, if that's
18 what you want to do, that's what we can do. If
19 that's what you wish to do, then Council will stand
20 in recess for an appropriate time. Well go back and
21 we will check the record.

22 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Your argument is
23 eloquent, and in view of the time, I will accept it.

24 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.
25 The resolution is adopted.

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2 Are there any speeches on the part of
3 the members of the minority?

4 Are there any speeches on the part of
5 members of the majority?

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman Kenney.

7 COUNCILMAN KENNEY: First of all, Mr.
8 President, I'd like to apologize for this late hour,
9 the speech I have to make is timely. It is
10 representative of my views, not to be construed as
11 representative of any views of this Council as a
12 whole or any individual member unless, of course,
13 they happen to agree with me.

14 In March 1996, I introduced a resolution
15 asking for public hearings to explore all available
16 avenues of funding for School District of
17 Philadelphia, including examining support for a
18 pilot voucher program in an effort to use that
19 support for leverage additional funding for the
20 public schools from Governor Ridge and the
21 Republican controlled legislature. Naturally, the
22 resolution stirred great debate and discussion. The
23 debate was passionate, but productive.

24 Since then, another member of Council
25 has introduced a related resolution to study the

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2 potential effects of charter schools and vouchers on
3 the Philadelphia public schools.

4 At the time, my resolution lost by one
5 vote. The subsequent resolution introduced by
6 Councilwoman Clark passed with my support.

7 This week in Harrisburg the voucher
8 debate continues and is coming to a head. It might
9 be decided by Monday the 23rd of November or even
10 midnight on the 24th.

11 I have talked to members of the
12 legislature and have been told there may be as many
13 as 99 to 100 votes in the house in favor of this
14 measure with 102 votes needed for passage, and that
15 the Senate is also supportive of Governor Ridge's
16 plan to provide between \$350 to \$1,000 per student
17 for families making \$15,000 a year in the first
18 year. A sliding family income scale upward over
19 five years would enable parents earning from \$25,000
20 to a high of \$70,000 to also partake in this
21 program. These are not wealthy people.

22 It has been estimated by different
23 groups that the School District of Philadelphia
24 needs between 250 and 300 million dollars to
25 continue Superintendent Hornbeck's Children

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2 Achieving programs.

3 Let me honest as honest with everyone as
4 I can be. In my opinion, we will not receive that
5 amount of money or anything even close. This
6 Governor and Legislature are clearly not of the mind
7 to provide these types of dollars. There has been
8 disastrous public relations between the
9 Superintendent and Harrisburg. The climate is not
10 conducive to reasonably expect that somehow this
11 money will be flowing to Philadelphia Public Schools
12 anytime soon or ever.

13 At this critical juncture and before the
14 legislature adjourns, I implore Mayor Rendell to try
15 to negotiate a reasonable and deliverable amount of
16 new dollars for the Philadelphia Public Schools in
17 exchange for the Mayor's efforts in trying to
18 convince two or three more members of the
19 Pennsylvania House of Representatives from
20 Philadelphia to vote in favor of the Governor's
21 voucher plan.

22 It has become increasingly clear to me
23 and to many people over the years that parents of
24 all backgrounds and income levels desperately demand
25 the right to choose the place and manner of their

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2 precious children's educations. Whether they are
3 seeking a decent public school in Philadelphia or
4 sadly by moving to the suburbs, whether they are
5 seeking a religious school or a non-sectarian
6 private school, they demand that choice. It is time
7 for our Mayor to use his tremendous negotiating and
8 salesmanship skills to get this deal done. This
9 voucher train is rolling and it is picking up speed.
10 We can all benefit from the Mayor and Governor
11 Ridge's past teamwork similar to their efforts in
12 winning the Republican National Convention. Or we
13 can sit by while vouchers happen, get no new dollars
14 for our public schools, and continue to whine about
15 how unfair we are treated while our children's
16 futures are in jeopardy and our tax base continues
17 to erode because of working class family flight in a
18 desperate search for a decent school.

19 We need to help our children now with
20 the cards which we have been dealt now. Parents and
21 families at 24th and Lehigh, at 17th and Stiles, at
22 47th and Wyalusing, at 63rd and Buist, 17th and
23 Marrs, B and Lehigh, Fifth and Godfrey, and every
24 other neighborhood in our City deserve our efforts
25 to accomplish something we can actually do.

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2 Please, Mr. Mayor, don't lose this
3 opportunity at the 11th hour to do the right thing
4 by every family in our great city by not picking up
5 the phone and calling Governor Ridge to make an
6 offer to help get this legislation passed. It may
7 well pass without us and without a real deal for new
8 dollars for our public school system. Sports
9 stadiums are important, but this issue is much more
10 important and the families in our City struggling to
11 do better for our children. Thank you, Mr.
12 President.

13 PRESIDENT STREET: Councilman, thank you
14 very much for your remarks.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilwoman
16 Blackwell.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BLACKWELL: Thank you, Mr.
18 President. On December 10th at 10:00 we will be
19 having public hearings, quasi state and local
20 hearings, to discuss charter schools and their
21 impact on our city and state. As it is well known,
22 we are still having growing pains with many of those
23 who are trying to as an alternative school to try to
24 in a public school to try to get those straight and
25 up and running. In our city we've been having

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2 various issues and problems with regard to public
3 education and which way it should go.

4 My opinion is at this point we've still
5 not reached the time where the majority of our
6 public officials have embraced the idea of vouchers
7 because of the impact of the funding for public
8 education.

9 I will say that we look forward to
10 having the debate. The State will be here at that
11 time, and we're glad to deal with and certainly I'll
12 ask my colleague to deal with all the issues
13 relevant during that hearing. Thank you.

14 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman Cohen.

16 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. President, I just
17 want to remind the members of the Law and Government
18 Committee and Commercial and Economic Development
19 Committee that there will be a meeting of the joint
20 Committee at 10 o'clock Friday morning on the
21 resolution that was adopted Council with respect to
22 why we are not getting the information from the
23 Administration that we had been requesting with
24 respect the employees of companies that the City
25 hires to do much of the city work. So we request

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2 all members of the Committee to be here tomorrow
3 morning at 10 o'clock. Thank you.

4 PRESIDENT STREET: Thank you very much.

5 The Chair moves the Council stands
6 adjourned until Thursday, December 3, 1998 at 10:00.

7 (Duly seconded.)

8 PRESIDENT STREET: All in favor, let it
9 be known by saying aye.

10 Those opposed say nay.

11 The ayes have it. This Council stands
12 adjourned until Thursday, December 3, 1998, 10
13 o'clock a.m.

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15 (Council adjourned at 1:00 p.m.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
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