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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION
AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Remote location using Microsoft® Teams
Tuesday, June 21, 2022
1:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILWOMAN CINDY BASS, CHAIR
COUNCILWOMAN JAMIE GAUTHIER, VICE-CHAIR
COUNCILMAN KENYATTA JOHNSON
COUNCILMAN CURTIS JONES, JR.
COUNCILWOMAN MARIA D. QUINONES-SANCHEZ
COUNCILMAN ISAIAH THOMAS

RESOLUTION: 220474

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2 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank you
3 and good afternoon.

4 Before we begin the public
5 hearing, I would like to make the
6 following announcement: Due to the
7 continuing threat of public health
8 from COVID-19, City Council Committees
9 are currently meeting remotely. We
10 are using Microsoft Teams to make
11 these remote hearings possible.

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13 public may view and offer public
14 testimony at public hearings of
15 Council Committees are published in
16 the public hearing notices that are
17 published in the Daily News, Inquirer
18 and Legal Intelligencer prior to the
19 hearings and can also be found on
20 PHLCouncil.com. I now note that the
21 hour has come.

22 And, Mr. Clerk, would you
23 please take the roll call to take
24 attendance. Members that are in
25 attendance will indicate that you are

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1 present when your name is called. And
2 also, please say a few brief words
3 when responding so that your image
4 will be displayed on screen when you
5 speak.

6 THE CLERK: Councilmember
7 Gauthier.

8 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: Good
9 afternoon, Madam Chair and colleagues
10 and to all of the panelists. Present.

11 THE CLERK: Councilmember
12 Brooks.

13 (No response.)

14 THE CLERK: Councilmember
15 Johnson.

16 COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: I'm
17 present.

18 THE CLERK: Councilmember
19 Jones.

20 (No response.)

21 THE CLERK: Councilmember
22 Sanchez.

23 COUNCILWOMAN QUINONES-
24 SANCHEZ: Good afternoon, Madam chair.
25 I'm present.

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1 THE CLERK: Councilmember
2 Thomas.

3 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: I'm
4 present.

5 THE CLERK: Chair Bass.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
7 you. I am present. And I thank all
8 of my colleagues. A quorum of the
9 Committee is present and this hearing
10 is now called to order. And this is
11 the public hearing of the Committee on
12 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
13 regarding Resolution No. 220474.

14 Mr. Clerk, would you please
15 read the title of the resolution.

16 THE CLERK: Resolution No.
17 220474, approving the Rebuild Project
18 Statement for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021,
19 2022 and 2023 pursuant to Bill No.
20 170206.

21 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
22 you. Before we begin to hear
23 testimony from the witnesses we have
24 for today, everyone who has been
25 invited to the meeting to testify

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1 should be aware that this is a public
2 hearing and is being recorded.
3 Because the hearing is public,
4 participants and viewers have no
5 reasonable expectation of privacy. By
6 continuing to be in the meeting, you
7 are consenting to being recorded.

8 Additionally, prior to
9 recognizing Members for their
10 questions or comments that they have
11 for witnesses, I will note for the
12 record at this time that we will use
13 the chat feature available in
14 Microsoft Teams to allow Members to
15 signify that they wish to be
16 recognized. In order to comply with
17 the Sunshine Act, the chat feature
18 must only be used for this purpose.

19 Before I call on the Clerk to
20 call the first panel forward, would
21 any of my colleagues like to make any
22 opening comments?

23 COUNCILMAN JONES: Yes, Madam
24 Chair. I just want to be recognized
25 as being present.

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1 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
2 you. The Chair recognizes Councilman
3 Curtis Jones, Jr., as present. Thank
4 you, Councilman, for being here today.

5 Are there any other comments
6 from my colleagues before we begin?

7 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Madam
8 Chair.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Yes.

10 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: This is
11 Councilmember Thomas. I just wanted
12 to commend you for your advocacy and
13 your efforts. I read your letter. It
14 really hit me when I think about the
15 type of resources that are needed in
16 that area. I spent a lot of time
17 growing up at Mallery Recreation
18 Center, which we now call Danny Rumph
19 Rec Center who I actually played with
20 who, rest in peace, passed away.

21 I also am very familiar with
22 other rec centers in the 8th District,
23 and I think that you're spot-on as it
24 relates to your advocacy for this
25 issue. I'm not even going to mention

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1 one of the rec centers that is in the
2 area where someone asked me to do
3 programming and I told them I just
4 can't bring young people to the space
5 because the space isn't adequate.

6 So I just want to say thank
7 you for your advocacy and for your
8 leadership. This is a bold step that
9 you're taking, but I do want you to
10 know that you're not stepping by
11 yourself. I support you and I
12 appreciate your leadership. Thank
13 you, Madam Chair.

14 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Well,
15 thank you. I really do appreciate
16 your support. I have to say I've
17 gotten a tremendous amount of support
18 from all of my colleagues who
19 recognize that the level of inequities
20 that have been displayed here by the
21 actions and the funding that have
22 taken place is absolutely
23 unacceptable. So I really do, I want
24 to thank you, Councilman, and to all
25 my colleagues, especially those who've

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1 reached out and who have been very
2 vocal on this matter.

3 So with that being said,
4 we're going to have Mr. Clerk call the
5 panel and witnesses for the first
6 panel for Resolution 220474.

7 THE CLERK: Kira Strong and
8 available for questions are Raymond
9 Smeriglio, Angela Dixon and Aiisha
10 Herring-Miller.

11 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Good
12 afternoon. I see you are connected
13 and ready to proceed. Please state
14 your name for the record and begin
15 your testimony.

16 MS. STRONG: Good afternoon,
17 Madam Chair. Kira Strong, Executive
18 Director of the Rebuild Initiative of
19 the City of Philadelphia. I'm pleased
20 to be back to continue the
21 conversation from our hearing last
22 Tuesday at your request.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
24 you. And so, last week for those who
25 may not be aware, last week we had our

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1 hearing to discuss the passage of this
2 Resolution, the Rebuild Project
3 Statement, and there was a question
4 asked by myself about the amount of
5 funding that was distributed in this
6 \$425 million program.

7 And so, out of approximately
8 425 million spent by Rebuild, the
9 average amount received by
10 historically underfunded and
11 underserved communities of color was
12 over \$51 million. The two exceptions
13 are Councilwoman Sanchez's District
14 who received 46 million, and far in
15 the last my District which received 31
16 million, which means it had been
17 funded by about \$15 million to \$29
18 million less than similar Districts
19 with need.

20 And so, the question still
21 does remain, how could this be when
22 decisions were made based on poverty,
23 crime and blight? And so, in the
24 interest of transparency and fairness
25 we ask once again for any and all

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1 scoring information that shows how the
2 decision-making was made, what the
3 process was.

4 MS. STRONG: Thank you, Madam
5 Chair. As I think you're aware, at
6 the beginning of Rebuild there
7 certainly were data -- was data pulled
8 around crime, poverty and health
9 indicators of neighborhoods across
10 Philadelphia to help inform decisions
11 on the sites selected for Rebuild.

12 I understand, I know a little
13 bit from my time, I wasn't part of all
14 those conversations, but that many
15 conversations were had with individual
16 District Councilpeople to really tap
17 into the expertise and the knowledge
18 that District Councilpeople have of
19 their sites and their neighborhoods,
20 but certainly the data was a beginning
21 starting conversation point is my
22 understanding.

23 But then the list that was
24 part of the Rebuild ordinance in 2017
25 with the 72 sites that were selected

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1 was agreed upon with each District
2 Councilperson at that time, and that's
3 still the list of 72 that we are
4 working from now.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: And so,
6 again I'm going to ask you very
7 specifically for the information on
8 how those decisions were made, because
9 one of the things I want to note for
10 the record for our viewing audience in
11 particular is that as decisions were
12 made, there was not a price tag
13 attached to all of those decisions.
14 As we passed project statements in the
15 past, we did not have what -- we had
16 the information on what the project
17 was, but we did not have the
18 information on how much the project
19 cost. And it was only when we asked
20 for that more comprehensive amount of
21 information that we found out that we
22 were so underfunded, like I said
23 between \$15 million and almost \$30
24 million, other areas that are similar.

25 So these are areas like

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1 Germantown, Nicetown, Tioga, North
2 Philadelphia, Feltonville, West
3 Oakland, Logan and Olney. So the
4 suggestion that there is not a similar
5 amount of need in these rec centers
6 which are really falling apart is just
7 absurd. So I'd really like for the
8 Committee to receive in writing the
9 matrix in terms of how those decisions
10 were made.

11 MS. STRONG: Councilwoman, I
12 think we could go back and see if
13 there's data or information from that
14 time back in 2016 or so in terms of
15 the data on each site. I'm not sure
16 exactly what was shared in those
17 meetings at that point, but we can
18 certainly see what we can find.

19 I do know that those
20 conversations were really important.
21 I do remember District Councilpeople
22 being very emphatic and I think
23 greatly so that you each have
24 knowledge of your sites and the
25 neighborhoods --

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1 COUNCILWOMAN BASS:

2 Absolutely.

3 MS. STRONG: -- and that that
4 list of 72, you know that was
5 really -- my impression at the time
6 was that was a very collaborative
7 effort and one that people walked away
8 from feeling very good about the sites
9 that were selected. I think that in
10 terms of budgets the goal is always
11 how do we meet the need of the site to
12 the best of our ability and, you know,
13 site-specific, so really trying to
14 make sure that we could come to that
15 site with a budget that adequately
16 addressed its needs.

17 And frankly, I think you all
18 are aware of this. We've all had some
19 tough conversations over the past I'd
20 say year as we've responded to the
21 reality of construction pricing during
22 the pandemic and currently, and also,
23 I think frankly as the years passed,
24 the amount of need at sites across our
25 City.

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1 So I think it certainly is a
2 conversation we've had with each
3 District Councilperson and there have
4 been some tough choices to make on
5 what kind of fixes happen where. The
6 one thing I think I would just add
7 too, as I do know the expertise of the
8 Parks & Rec and the Library staff were
9 leaned on heavily back in the
10 inception of Rebuild and really
11 thinking about what was really needed
12 at each site and what the approximate
13 spend or budget for that specific site
14 would be. So I hope that that's
15 somewhat helpful as well.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: I really
17 want to get the information in terms
18 of what was the decision-making
19 process and how it ended up that areas
20 in Germantown so, for example, I have
21 Wister Playground, Happy Hollow,
22 Waterview, Belfield, Lonnie Young, all
23 of which are in significant need. And
24 so, that's just in Germantown.

25 Germantown has a significant

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1 issue with gun violence, with poverty
2 rates, all of the things that are said
3 by Rebuild in terms of the decision-
4 making factors have been completely
5 ignored. And so, I'd like to know --
6 or maybe they haven't been ignored,
7 but please tell me how the decision-
8 making was made and when can we expect
9 to receive whatever you all have
10 regarding this matter, because this is
11 not, you know, I just want to be clear
12 that this is a matter of transparency
13 and it's a matter of fairness?

14 And so, we can move forward
15 with today, but this is not going to
16 be something that's going to go away.
17 So we will be right back here in the
18 fall if we do not have this
19 information provided to the Committee.
20 And I want to be absolutely clear
21 about that.

22 MS. STRONG: So I can't speak
23 to Wister or some of the other sites
24 you mentioned. Belfield and Happy
25 Hollow are the two sites among your

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1 other, I think you have, six sites
2 total that are on the Rebuild list.
3 But we certainly do understand and
4 know that both Belfield and Happy
5 Hollow certainly do have need.

6 Happy Hollow currently has I
7 believe \$11 million budgeted to it and
8 Belfield I think is right around 3
9 million. Those budgets were made
10 again back in 2016, '17 in an attempt
11 to address the need of those specific
12 sites and making sure that we're able
13 to respond appropriately to the needs
14 of those sites, and obviously those
15 neighborhoods as you mentioned
16 certainly are high-need neighborhoods
17 where those resources are really
18 important.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Can we
20 talk for just a quick second about
21 Belfield, which to date was the only
22 site that was scheduled to receive a
23 new facility based on the number that
24 you gave us of \$31 million? And I
25 want to be clear about the amount of

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1 the cost of -- I'm sorry, not
2 Belfield, Barrett, Barrett. Can you
3 give us an idea --

4 MR. STRONG: You gave me a
5 scare there, Councilwoman.

6 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: No, I --
7 well, you know, we certainly could use
8 a lot of improvement over at Belfield
9 including having the pool open, which
10 we were informed this week or last
11 week that the pool would not be open
12 yet again for some reason, and that's
13 a whole other issue that we need to
14 bring up with Parks & Rec. It's
15 really just around fairness around
16 making sure that every neighborhood is
17 treated fairly.

18 But can you go over the
19 numbers regarding Barrett Playground
20 and the spending and the cost there?
21 Because as we've been talking the last
22 couple of days and more recently
23 today, I was informed that what we had
24 expected to spend at Barrett that now
25 it's increased even more to be able to

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1 get this one project done. Can you
2 review that please for us?

3 MS. STRONG: Sure, Barrett
4 Playground, which as you know we have
5 a great nonprofit partner there that's
6 working on advancing the work on that
7 site, and that started with a \$10
8 million budget. Councilwoman, as you
9 know and you were very helpful, we
10 have secured RACP with your support of
11 an additional \$1 million there and
12 we've been able to bring an additional
13 3 to raise that budget to a total of
14 14.5 to address the needs of the site.
15 I know you've mentioned the team came
16 to us and said, hey, with a \$10
17 million budget, we would not be able
18 to accommodate a new full-sized gym
19 that the community really wants. And
20 we all knew that the goal was really
21 to be able to respond to that need and
22 you were very flexible.

23 I think we had a conversation
24 around how do we make sure that those
25 resources were there for that

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1 facility. So at this point, there is
2 a \$14.5 million budget for that site
3 and we anticipate that encompassing a
4 brand new building with a full-sized
5 gym, new playground elements, a new
6 basketball court, and I think the goal
7 is a Phase 2 for a walking track for
8 the rest of the site.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay. I
10 just wanted to make sure we were on
11 the same page because I was advised
12 that that number had changed, that it
13 was more than 14. So to the best of
14 your knowledge, it is 14?

15 MS. STRONG: Yes, to the best
16 of my knowledge, I think we're at 14.5
17 just looking at my notes here.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay.
19 And so, we will be expecting to
20 receive that other information, the
21 other information being the decision-
22 making process?

23 MS. STRONG: Yes. I do want
24 to clarify, Councilwoman, just to
25 be -- those initial conversations

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1 where I know the data points which,
2 yes, we can absolutely find kind of
3 the ranking of the data, but I know
4 that those were the sites in the 72
5 approved list from Council were
6 certainly had in conversation I know
7 with you at that time with the data
8 points. So I do feel certain I can
9 likely find those data points. I'm
10 not sure beyond that what notes there
11 are from those conversations, but
12 happy to share what I can find.

13 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay.

14 All right. Well, we will be glad to
15 review what it is, whatever
16 information that you can find and make
17 available to us. I'm pleased to say
18 that we've made some progress in our
19 quest to receive a level of fairness
20 and equity in terms of what the 8th
21 District will receive versus what was
22 provided through Rebuild previously.
23 So I'm happy that we've made some
24 progress on that front.

25 I appreciate having the

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1 opportunity to work with you on that
2 and work with the Administration,
3 because I think that these are
4 problems that are solvable, and we
5 certainly don't want to hold things up
6 and we want to try to keep things
7 moving, but it really does require
8 that we're all working together.

9 MS. STRONG: Absolutely.

10 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Are there
11 any other comments or questions from
12 members of the Committee?

13 Councilwoman Sanchez.

14 COUNCILWOMAN QUINONES-

15 SANCHEZ: Yes, Madam Chair. Real
16 quickly, I want to thank you and thank
17 Kira.

18 Look, this has been a tough
19 process for all of us as we talk about
20 equity, and I'm glad that you're going
21 to go back and look at some of the
22 scoring because I know in the
23 beginning I disagreed with some of the
24 scoring. I just want to remind the
25 Administration this is in the context

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1 of we're spending -- and I know it has
2 federal and state money, but we're
3 spending \$300 million on a park at
4 Penns Landing, we're investing \$150
5 million at FDR Park, and then we're
6 only spending 400 million for every
7 other park in the City, right. And
8 that's just the reality. So I
9 understand the context of your
10 frustration because it's sort of like
11 we don't blink at the 300 million, and
12 all of us want to see that park there
13 because we know it's a gamechanger for
14 downtown.

15 We don't blink when you talk
16 about \$150 million for FDR Park, but
17 we need that same sense of urgency for
18 those smaller-pocket parks. I know,
19 Councilwoman, you're doing events
20 almost every day in those small parks.
21 And for those folks that's there, as
22 Councilman Jones always said, that is
23 their Six Flags, that is their Dorney
24 Park, that is those types of things.

25 And so, I know a lot of these

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1 decisions were made before Kira, and
2 as she's mentioned, construction costs
3 have increased. But if we really want
4 to look at equity, then we have to do
5 it in that context. If we don't blink
6 at those big numbers for one part in
7 one neighborhood, then we should not
8 blink around the need in other
9 neighborhoods. And so, it warrants
10 the context of the conversation and I
11 hope the Administration, we have a
12 pretty robust capital budget. And in
13 addition to Rebuild, I think there's
14 opportunities through our capital
15 office for some attention to be given
16 to those vital small parks.

17 So thank you, Madam Chair. I
18 know this is not for the faint of
19 heart, but this is part of the
20 advocacy work that we get elected to
21 do and I appreciate your advocacy in
22 this effort. Thank you.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
24 you. Thank you, Councilwoman. It's
25 been challenging and interesting to

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1 work through this process.

2 Chair recognizes Councilwoman
3 Gauthier.

4 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: Thank
5 you, Madam Chair. I wanted to thank
6 you for asking the tough questions and
7 forcing tough conversations around
8 equity while also acknowledging the
9 very tough position that Kira has been
10 placed in.

11 And I wanted to recognize
12 Kira too for always being willing to
13 work through these issues. And so,
14 thank you both for having this
15 conversation and for working it out.

16 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
17 you. Well, I thank Kira for providing
18 information because I've been asking
19 for a long time now through different
20 segments of the Administration and
21 haven't gotten it. So I thank you for
22 providing it.

23 I see another hand up, but I
24 can't tell who that is. I think it's
25 Councilwoman Gauthier. I just need to

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1 put your hand down.

2 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: Yes,
3 it was a full hand raised. I'm taking
4 it down.

5 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay. No
6 problem.

7 Are there any other questions
8 or comments from members of the
9 Committee?

10 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Yes.
11 This is Councilmember Thomas.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Yes,
13 Councilmember. Yes.

14 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Okay.
15 I'm sorry. I just wanted to know
16 because we've been going through this
17 process with the Administration for
18 some time and I think that the
19 requests of the Chair have been pretty
20 simple and they haven't been met.

21 So I'm wondering because of
22 the negligence that we've seen what
23 would be the consequences of us not
24 getting this bill passed and out of
25 Committee and voted upon as quickly as

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1 possible? We're being held up because
2 we don't have adequate information, so
3 because we don't have adequate
4 information and because there are
5 questions about the disbursement of
6 resources, we haven't been able to
7 move forward with this bill, what are
8 the consequences going to be? Are we
9 looking at -- well, you should be able
10 to understand my question. I would
11 love to hear your answer.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Well --

13 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: No, not
14 you, Madam Chair. I'm sorry. I
15 wasn't -- I'm talking to the
16 Administration because if they don't
17 get us the information --

18 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Oh, okay.
19 I'll let her answer.

20 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Yeah, we
21 could be good to go if they can get us
22 the information that we need, but
23 they're not getting it to us. So this
24 is going to create I'm assuming some
25 consequences. So what are those

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1 consequences and how soon can we
2 rectify this stuff so we can put
3 ourselves in a position to move
4 forward?

5 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Well,
6 before Kira answers, I do want to say,
7 Councilman, that we have made
8 progress. And so, I don't know, you
9 know, listen, we're not 100 percent
10 there, but I feel very, very
11 comfortable with where we are. And I
12 feel very comfortable at the end of
13 the day we will be receiving on par
14 with what other Districts, other Black
15 and Brown Districts have been
16 receiving through Rebuild.

17 So we're on a path and we
18 will get there I believe with -- we'll
19 get halfway there very soon, and then
20 we'll make our, you know, have some
21 additional announcements later in the
22 year. And so, again I feel very
23 comfortable that that's going to
24 happen.

25 I'm going to take the

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1 Administration at their word that
2 they're going to come through and do
3 what is the right thing to do, what is
4 the fair thing to do for all residents
5 of the City of Philadelphia, and
6 particularly those who live in these
7 neighborhoods that have really been
8 struggling. And it's our job to make
9 sure that they get their fair share.

10 And I know that you as a
11 District Councilmember very much have
12 an interest in that and would like to
13 make sure that that happens. You've
14 been around. As a coach, you've seen
15 these rec centers. You know what it's
16 like over at Lonnie Young and the
17 basketball courts and the conditions
18 of the facility in general, that and
19 Belfield and Happy Hollow and so many
20 more.

21 I could just go on and on.
22 There's Heritage in North
23 Philadelphia. There's Jerome Brown in
24 Tioga. There's so many others in
25 Germantown and Nicetown and they've

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1 been neglected for a long time, so
2 we're going to make sure that we are
3 on par with a fair funding from
4 Rebuild that we are entitled to, that
5 the citizens are entitled to as
6 taxpayers.

7 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Thank
8 you, Madam Chair.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
10 you. Thank you.

11 And so, unless there are any
12 additional questions?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: And I
15 don't see any other hands up. Okay.
16 There being no further questions from
17 members of the Committee and no other
18 witnesses to testify, I will ask again
19 if there is anyone else present in
20 this hearing whose name we have failed
21 to call and that wishes to offer
22 testimony on the resolution being
23 considered today?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay.

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1 Hearing none, I want to thank all the
2 panels and witnesses for their
3 participation, Kira. We thank you for
4 your opinion. And I now invite you to
5 please disconnect from the meeting
6 before we go into our public meeting.
7 And we will now pause the proceedings
8 briefly as you leave this hearing.
9 Thank you, Kira and her team.

10 MS. STRONG: Thank you, Madam
11 Chair.

12 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
13 you. This now concludes the public
14 hearing of the Committee. We will now
15 go into a public meeting to consider
16 the action to be taken on the
17 resolution before this Committee
18 today.

19 Mr. Clerk, can we have you do
20 another roll call to establish a
21 quorum.

22 THE CLERK: Councilmember
23 Gauthier.

24 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER:
25 Present.

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1 THE CLERK: Councilmember

2 Brooks.

3 (No response.)

4 THE CLERK: Councilmember

5 Johnson.

6 COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: Present.

7 THE CLERK: Councilmember

8 Jones.

9 COUNCILMAN JONES: Present.

10 THE CLERK: Councilmember

11 Sanchez.

12 COUNCILWOMAN QUINONES-

13 SANCHEZ: Present.

14 THE CLERK: Councilmember

15 Thomas.

16 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Present.

17 THE CLERK: Chair Bass.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: And I am

19 present and thank you. A quorum of

20 the Committee members is present.

21 The Chair recognizes

22 Councilwoman Gauthier for a motion on

23 Resolution 220474.

24 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: One

25 second. I just need to find my

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1 script. Sorry.

2 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: That's

3 all right.

4 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: Okay.

5 Ready now. Sorry for not being ready

6 before.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: That's

8 all right. That's okay.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank

10 you, Madam Chair.

11 I move that Resolution No.

12 220474 be reported from this Committee

13 with a favorable recommendation and

14 further move that the rules of Council

15 be suspended so as to permit

16 consideration of the resolution at the

17 next session of Council.

18 COUNCILMAN JONES: Second.

19 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: The Chair

20 notes for the record that

21 Councilmember Jones seconds the

22 motion. It's been moved and properly

23 seconded that Resolution No. 220474 be

24 reported from this Committee with a

25 favorable recommendation and further

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1 move that the rules of Council be
2 suspended so as to permit
3 consideration of the resolution at the
4 next session of Council.

5 All those in favor of the
6 motion will signify by saying aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Those
9 opposed?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: The ayes
12 have it and the motion carries.

13 This concludes the business
14 before the Committee on Parks,
15 Recreation and Cultural Affairs. I
16 want to thank you all very much for
17 your attendance and your patience and
18 your understanding of this very
19 important matter of equity and
20 fairness. Thank you. Have a great
21 day.

22 COUNCILWOMAN GAUTHIER: Thank
23 you, Madam Chair.

24 COUNCILMAN JONES: Thank you,
25 Madam Chair.

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1 COUNCILWOMAN QUINONES-

2 SANCHEZ: Thank you, Madam Chair.

3 COUNCILMAN THOMAS: Thank
4 you, Madam Chair.

5 COUNCILMAN JOHNSON: Thank
6 you.

7 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Thank
8 you, Councilman.

9 (Committee on Parks,
10 Recreation and Cultural Affairs
11 concluded at 1:30 p.m.)

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