

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8-88

° WHEREAS, Economic Development and its related activity is of preeminent concern and interest to this Administration; and

° WHEREAS, Economic Development for the purpose of this Executive Order is defined as all initiatives, programs and/or projects designed to increase or retain jobs, including job training; built, improve, enhance or preserve the public, commercial and residential physical assets of the City; construct, maintain, expand and/or acquire the physical infrastructure important to the economic life of the City; and

° WHEREAS, the Mayor regularly convenes the Cabinet to review government plans and programs and to solicit input in the formulation of policy that guides the varied aspects of City administration, management and direction; and

° WHEREAS, the development of sound practices, pertinent to all aspects of economic development, is a paramount objective; and

° WHEREAS, the multiplicity of agencies, departments, authorities, boards, commissions and offices involved in the implementation of economic development activities requires that a process be instituted to lend direction and coordinated action to such activities; and

° WHEREAS, in order to promote management and administrative efficiency it is beneficial to establish a standard procedure to facilitate communication and coordination of economic development activities; and

° WHEREAS, a Deputy Mayor for Economic Development has been appointed by the Mayor to recommend policy, develop strategies and provide direction to ensure the coordination and implementation of approved development policies between the City of Philadelphia government agencies and quasi-public entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. Wilson Goode, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, do hereby Order as follows:

### Section I

An Economic Development Council ("Council") is hereby created and will regularly convene to review all aspects of economic development activity and consider and/or develop strategies to resolve issues, in order to facilitate the implementation by the appropriate entities of a prudent and progressive development program for the City of Philadelphia. **The Council is designated the principal development coordinating unit for the City.** The Council shall be informed of all relevant development initiatives and undertakings of all government agencies, authorities and quasi-public entities.

### Section 2

The Council shall meet regularly at the direction of the Mayor, who shall chair the Council.

The members of the Cabinet shall be members of the Council and the Directors of Commerce and Housing and the Managing Director shall be present at all meetings of the Council.

The Chief Executive Officers or Directors of the Mayor's Office of Transportation, PCDC, PIDC, RDA, Planning commission, Parking Authority, PIC and PHDC shall attend all meetings of the Development Council.

The Council may seek the involvement of such other persons and/or representatives as issues so require.

The City Solicitor shall attend or designate appropriate legal counsel to work with the Development Council in the discharge of its responsibilities.

### Section 3

All government agencies, authorities and quasi-public entities are hereby requested to notify the Council in writing

of relevant development activity prior to the commitment of City, State and/or Federal resources or for City-supported bond financing to assist development activities.

Section 4

The Deputy Mayor for Economic Development is appointed the Mayor's alternate to the Development Council and shall serve in that position until otherwise specified by the Mayor.

The Deputy Mayor shall inform the Mayor and Cabinet of the issues and status of the projects coming before the Council following each meeting of the Development Council.

Section 5

This Order shall be effective immediately.

DATE:

  
W. Wilson Goode, Mayor