

PHILADELPHIA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
TO CONSIDER THE CAPITAL PROGRAM & BUDGET
MEETING VIA ZOOM
MINUTES MARCH 24, 2022

PRESENT:

Anne Fadullon, Chair

Cheryl L. Gaston

Michael Johns

Marisa Waxman

Patrick Eiding

Charlotte Castle

Dawn Summerville

Maria Gonzalez

Eleanor Sharpe

NOT PRESENT

Joseph Syrnick, Vice Chair

Ximena Valle

Garlen Capita

Catherine Lamb

Commission Chair, Anne Fadullon called the Philadelphia City Planning Commission to order at 1:00 p.m.

David Fecteau, of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission, (PCPC) – introduced the Zoom platform and remote City Planning Commission process. We are hosting this meeting on Zoom. We may also have some people join us by phone.

During today's meeting, each agenda item will be presented by a member of the staff. Following each presentation, the Chair will ask the Commissioners for questions or comments. The Chair will then ask the audience for questions and comments. After that, the Commissioners will finish their discussion and vote.

Those of you who are joining us on Zoom will have two options to ask questions and comments. If you would like to speak, click, or tap on the "RAISE HAND" button on the menu bar on the bottom of your screen at any time during the agenda item. You will be called on and will have the opportunity to speak to the Commission and the audience.

If you prefer to type your question or comment, click, or tap on the "Q&A" button on the menu bar at the bottom of your screen at any time during the agenda item. Once all attendees have had an opportunity to speak, I will read out loud any written questions and comments that have been posted to the Q&A.

For those joining by phone, we're unable to take spoken testimony, however, you can email your questions and/or comments to the Commission at Planning@phila.gov. This meeting will be recorded and posted to our website.

Mr. Fecteau turned the meeting over to the Commission Chair Anne Fadullon, to begin the meeting.

Before the presentation began, Chair Fadullon expressed gratitude and acknowledged everyone that was involved in the process, along with the collaboration of the Budget Office and the Policy and Analysis staff.

1. Action Item: Recommended Fiscal Year 2023-2028 Capital Program and Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Budget. (Presented by John Haak)

The Capital Program is the City's six-year plan for investing in its physical and technology infrastructure, community facilities, and public buildings. The Capital Program aligns with the Mayor's priorities and reflects the City's and partners' long-term commitments and plans, through efforts such as the Philadelphia2035 comprehensive plan, to maintain and improve public facilities throughout Philadelphia. The first year of this plan is the Capital Budget.

Per the City Charter, a Recommended Capital Program and Budget must be submitted to the Mayor by the City Planning Commission. The Recommended Capital Program and Budget are then presented by the Administration to City Council. City Council then conducts public hearings. Once finalized and enacted by City Council, and signed into law by the Mayor, the Capital Budget serves as the legal authority to spend City funds to implement capital projects during the budget year.

The Recommended, six-year, FY2023-2028 Capital Program proposes to invest \$10.989 billion from City, State, Federal, and private sources to advance City goals and make needed public improvements. The Recommended FY2023 Capital Budget includes new and carryforward projects that total \$3.833 billion. Excluding 'off-budget' amounts not appropriated by City Council, the Recommended FY2023 Capital Budget totals \$3.540 billion.

New funds from City, tax-supported, general obligation borrowing (denoted by CN, or City-New Loans) are a relatively small but key part of the Capital Program and Budget. Recommended uses and amounts of CN funds reflect a balancing of facilities' needs, policy priorities, opportunities to leverage funds from non-City partners, and fiscal constraints.

The Recommended FY2023-2028 Capital Program and FY2023 Budget propose that a total of \$180.785 million CN be funded in FY2023 by new general-obligation bonds issued by the City of Philadelphia. The recommended \$180.785 million CN for FY2023 is modestly higher than the \$169.785 million CN programmed last year for FY2023.

The staff of the Budget Office and City Planning Commission reviewed capital requests from 21 City departments. Department requests were evaluated according to several criteria and for alignment with Mayoral priorities. Criteria include:

- Capital Eligibility
- Consistency with City Plans and Goals
- Increased Emphasis on Racial Equity
- Compliance with Mandates
- Operational Performance
- Implementation Performance

For FY2023, the Recommended Capital Program and Budget calls for:

- \$539.978 million in Carried Forward Loans (CT), appropriated in FY2023
- \$299.466 million in Operating Revenues (CR) devoted to capital needs, FY2023-2028
- \$1,032.816 million in City New general obligation loan (CN) funding, FY2023-2028
- \$20.669 million in Prefinanced Loans (CA) and PICA Prefinanced Loans (A) in FY2023
- \$5,139.603 million in Self-Sustaining funds (XT, XR, XN), PWD and Aviation, FY2023-2028
- \$100.0 million in Revolving Funds (Z), FY2023-2028
- \$3,856.967 million in Federal, State, Private, and Other funding, FY2023-2028

Questions and comments from the Public at the minute mark in video (00:16:20).

Commissioner Johns commended the team for their great effort.

Seeing no questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Fadullon asked for a motion on the Capital Program at the minute mark in video (00:17:31).

Motion duly made by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Commissioner Eiding to accept the Capital Program.

Chair Fadullon polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Gaston, Commissioner Johns, Commissioner Waxman, Commissioner Eiding, Commissioner Castle, Commissioner Gonzalez, and Commissioner Summerville. Motion carried unanimously to accept the Capital Program (7-0).

Seeing no questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Fadullon asked for a motion on the Capital Budget at the minute mark in video (00:18:17).

Motion duly made by Commissioner Gaston and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to accept staff recommendation for approval on the Capital Budget.

Chair Fadullon polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Gaston, Commissioner Johns, Commissioner Waxman, Commissioner Eiding, Commissioner Castle, Commissioner Gonzalez, and Commissioner Summerville. Motion carried unanimously to accept staff recommendation for approval on the Capital Budget (7-0).

Chair Fadullon stated that the Commission would send the recommended Capital Program and Budget onto the Mayor's Office, the Budget Office, and City Council.

Seeing no further questions or comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Fadullon asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion duly made by Commissioner Gaston and seconded by Commissioner Johns to adjourn at the minute mark in video (00:19:18).

Next Planning Commission Meeting will be April 21, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom.

SUMMARY

1. Action Item: Recommended Fiscal Year 2023-2028 Capital Program and Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Budget. (Presented by John Haak)

APPROVED

Attended	User Name (Original Name)	Email	Join Time	Leave Time	Time in Session (minutes)	Is Guest	Country/Region Name
Yes	Alex Smith		3/24/2022 13:05	3/24/2022 13:23	19	Yes	United States
Yes	mina monavarian		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Jametta Johnson		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Keith Davis (Staff)	keith.f.davis@phila.gov	3/24/2022 13:21	3/24/2022 13:22	2	Yes	United States
Yes	Greg Waldman (PCPC)		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	david kanthor		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Letitia McNeil	letitia.mcneil@phila.gov	3/24/2022 13:10	3/24/2022 13:23	14	Yes	United States
Yes	Bruce Bohri		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Jonathan Goins		3/24/2022 13:08	3/24/2022 13:23	16	Yes	United States
Yes	Nicole Ozdemir (she/her)		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	greg		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	19	Yes	United States
Yes	Peter Barnard (PCPC CDIP)		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Kacie Liss (she/her)		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Xujin Wang		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Aaron Holly		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Maria Gonzalez	mgonzalez@hacecdc.org	3/24/2022 13:06	3/24/2022 13:08	3	Yes	United States
Yes	Ian Litwin (Staff)	ian.litwin@phila.gov	3/24/2022 13:05	3/24/2022 13:23	18	Yes	United States
Yes	a weiss/Solo		3/24/2022 13:03	3/24/2022 13:23	20	Yes	United States
Yes	12158475338		3/24/2022 13:04	3/24/2022 13:06	3	Yes	United States

#	Question	Asker Name	Asker Email	Answer	Question Time	Answered Time
1	who appoints the planning commission	greg		The Mayor of Phildelphia.	3/24/2022 13:05	3/24/2022 13:06
2	Maria Gonzalez is here	Maria Gonzalez	mgonzalez@hacecdc.org	Great. We'll ask Abby to promote you to a panelist	3/24/2022 13:07	3/24/2022 13:08
3	why are there not public City Council hearings on the "inprovement to public facilties fund?	greg		Please raise your hand and address your questions and comments to the Commissioners.	3/24/2022 13:13	3/24/2022 13:14
4	How come the Improvement to Public facilities funds only get spent by the District Councilmembers? As a result we have a weighted City Council with District Councilmembers having greater standing, How does this weighted enviornment help our Councilmembers at large?	greg			3/24/2022 13:21	