

PHILADELPHIA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

SPECIAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

FY2024-2029 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND

FY2024 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS

MEETING VIA ZOOM

MINUTES JUNE 15, 2023

PRESENT:

Anne Fadullon, Chair

Joseph Syrnick, Vice Chair

Patrick Eiding

Garlen Capita

Dawn Summerville

Tavare Brown

Aubrey Powers

Ximena Valle

Martine DeCamp -Deputy Executive Director

NOT PRESENT:

Cheryl L. Gaston

Maria Gonzalez

Michael Johns

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

John Haak, 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. Haak turned the meeting over to the Commission Chair, to begin the meeting.

Counsel of the Commission, Len Reuter confirmed whether non staff members of the public were able to attend. Chair Fadullon confirmed 22 attendees and Martine DeCamp confirmed that there were all-staff in attendance at the minute mark in video (00:03:04).

1. Executive Director's Update

Next Civic Design Review Meeting

- Tuesday, July 11th at 1:00 p.m.

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- Tuesday, July 20th at 1:00 p.m.

2. Action Item: Bill No. 230144: Amendment to FY2024-2029 Capital Program (Presented by Peter Barnard)

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 assets throughout Philadelphia. The first year of the Capital Program is the Capital Budget.

On February 27th, the City Planning Commission approved the Recommended Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2029 Capital Program and Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Budget. The Recommended Program and Budget were, as per the City Charter, subsequently submitted to the Mayor and presented by the Administration to City Council, where it was introduced on March 2nd.

On June 8th, City Council proposed and sent to the Mayor amendments to both the Recommended Program (Bill No. 230144) and Budget (Bill No. 230145). Per the City Charter, "Council may delete projects from the capital program as submitted to it, but it shall not otherwise amend the capital program until it has requested through the Mayor the recommendations of the City Planning Commission." The amendments proposed on June 8th would:

- Appropriate a one-time, total \$1,000,000 CN, FY2024 increase in district City Council lines under Finance and under Parks and Recreation. This is split into an additional \$500,000 CN in FY2024 for each Council district under Finance and an additional \$500,000 CN in FY2024 for each Council district under Parks and Recreation.
- Appropriate in FY2024, and program from FY2025 through FY2029, an increase of \$300,000 CN in each FY in Council district lines under Finance and under Parks and Recreation. This is split into an additional \$140,000 CN in FY2024 for each Council district under Finance and an additional \$160,000 CN in FY2024 for each Council district under Parks and Recreation. This is to account for inflation
- Program in each year from FY2025 through FY2029 an additional \$10,000,000 CN under the Managing Director's Office (MDO) to reflect the City's commitment to relocation of the African American Museum in Philadelphia to 1801 Vine Street.
- Add \$1,000,000 CN in FY2024 to the Office of Homeless Services to make necessary improvements to the Fernwood Building at OHS's Riverview facility.

- Adjust carryforward spending amount in OIT – FY23 Citywide Technology Improvements and Enhancements to reflect available appropriations.
- Increase the FY2024 appropriation under Parks and Recreation – Buildings, Courts, Play Areas, Athletic Fields by \$15,000,000 CN. This change will support PPR building improvement needs.
- Adjust carryforward spending amounts in Parks and Recreation – Improvements to Existing Recreation Facilities – CD9 to reflect available appropriations, with no overall change in amounts.

The line-item amendments are, in order:

- Lines #16-25 – Finance – City Council ITEF – CD1 – 10 o Increase from \$510,000 CN to \$1,150,000 CN in FY2024, then increase from \$510,000 CN to \$650,000 CN from FY2025 through FY2029.
- Line #35 – MDO – Citywide Facilities - o Increase from \$300,000 CN to \$10,300,000 CN in FY2025 through FY2029
- Line #36 – Office of Homeless Services – OHS Facility Renovations. o Increase from \$1,500,000 CN to \$2,500,000 CN in FY2024
- Line #38A – OIT – Citywide Technology Improvements and Enhancements – FY23 o Increase carryforward from \$21,177,000 CT to \$23,977,000 CT
- Line #39 – Parks and Recreation – Buildings, Courts, Play Areas, Athletic Fields. o Increase from \$2,000,000 CN to \$17,000,000 CN.
- Lines #44-53 – Parks and Recreation – Improvements to Existing Recreation Facilities – CD 1-10 o Increase from \$790,000 CN to \$1,450,000 CN in FY2024, then increase from \$790,000 CN to \$950,000 CN from FY2025 through FY2029.
- Lines #52A and 52C – Parks and Recreation – Improvements to Existing Recreation Facilities- CD9 o Adjust carryforward CT amounts to reflect available appropriations, with no net change.

Overall, the full set of amendments introduced on June 8th would:

- Increase the amount of new general-obligation bond funds (CN) appropriated in the FY2024 Capital Budget from \$185,000,000 CN to \$214,000,000 CN, a total increase of \$29 million dollars.
- Increase the total amount of general-obligation bond funds (CN) programmed in the six-year FY2024-2029 Capital Program from \$1,105,220,000 CN to \$1,199,220,000 CN, a total increase \$94 million.
- Increase the total amount of Carryforward (CT) in the FY2024 Capital Budget from \$608,687,000 to \$611,487,000, a total increase of \$2.8 million.

- Increase the total FY2024 Capital Budget from \$4,321,589,000 to \$4,353,389,000, not including “off budget” amounts not subject to budget appropriation, a total increase of \$31.8 million.
- Increase the total FY2024-2029 Capital Program from \$13,206,222,000 to \$13,303,022,000, a total increase of \$96.8 million.

Staff recommendation is for approval.

Questions and comments from the Commission (00:09:52).

Seeing no questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Fadullon asked for a motion (00:15:01).

Motion duly made by Commissioner Capita and seconded by Commissioner Eiding to approve staff recommendation for approval on the Amended Capital Program. Chair Fadullon polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Eiding, Commissioner Capita, Commissioner Summerville, Commissioner Syrnick, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Powers, and Commissioner Valle,

Motion carried to approve staff recommendation for approval of the Amended Capital Program (7-0).

3. Action Item: Bill No. 230145: Amendment to FY 2024 Capital Budget (Presented by Peter Barnard)

Staff recommendation is for approval.

Seeing no questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Fadullon asked for a motion (00:15:54).

Motion duly made by Commissioner Powers and seconded by Commissioner Valle to approve staff recommendation for approval on the Amended Capital Budget. Chair Fadullon polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Eiding, Commissioner Capita, Commissioner Summerville, Commissioner Syrnick, Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Powers, and Commissioner Valle.

Motion carried to approve staff recommendation for approval of the Amended Capital Budget (7-0).

Chair Fadullon asked for a motion to adjourn at the minute mark in video (00:17:10).

Motion duly made by Commissioner Syrnick and seconded by the Commission to adjourn the June Special Planning Commission.

The next Planning Commission is July 20, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

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