

PHILADELPHIA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING VIA ZOOM

MINUTES DECEMBER 14, 2023

PRESENT:

Joseph Syrnick, Vice Chair

Eleanor Sharpe

Tavare Brown

Cheryl Gaston

Michael Johns

Dawn Summerville

Aubrey Powers

Ximena Valle

Garlen Capita

NOT PRESENT:

Maria Gonzales

Patrick Eiding

*The Philadelphia City Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Syrnick at 1:00 p.m.*

*Greg Waldman, 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](mailto:Planning@phila.gov). This meeting will be recorded and posted to our website.*

*Mr. Waldman turned the meeting over to the Commission Chair, to begin the meeting.*

*Vice Chair Syrnick turned the meeting over to Peter Barnard Planning Supervisor for Policy and Analysis to go over action items for meeting*

**1. Action Item: Amendments to FY24-29 Capital Program and FY24 Budget**

- Bill No. 230765: "An Ordinance amending Bill No. 230144, entitled 'An Ordinance To adopt a Capital Program for the Six Fiscal Years 2024-2029 Inclusive,' by revising various appropriation amounts and totals to conform to amendments to the FY2024 Capital Budget Ordinance, all under certain terms and conditions."

- Bill No. 230766: "An Ordinance amending Bill No. 230145, entitled 'An Ordinance To adopt a Fiscal 2024 Capital Budget,' by revising various appropriation amounts and totals, all under certain terms and conditions."

### **Background**

- On February 7th, 2023, The City Planning Commission approved the FY24-29 Recommended Capital Program and the FY24 Recommended Capital Budget
- On June 8th, City Council proposed and sent to the mayor amendments to both the recommended Program (Bill No. 231044) and Budget (Bill No. 230145). Planning Commission recommended Approval on June 15th, 2023, and approved by City Council on June 22nd, 2023.
- On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Mayor introduced the proposed FY24-29 Capital Program and FY 24 Budget Mid- Year Transfer Ordinances
- November 30th, the city council introduced proposed amendments to the FY24-29 Capital Program and FY 24 Capital Budget Mid- Year Ordinances

### **Administration Proposed Amendments (Previously Reviewed)**

- Increases the total amount of the Operating Budget Revenue (CR) in the FY 2024 Capital Budget by \$16,130,00
- Reallocates previously authorized Pre-Financed Loan (CA) in FY2024 Capital Budget by \$942,000
- Increases the total amount of Self- Sustaining Bonds (XN) in the FY2024 Capital Budget by \$30,000,000
- Increases the total amount of the state grants (SB) in the FY2024 Capital Budget by \$665,000
- Increases the total amount of Federal Grants (FB) in the FY2024 Capital Budget by \$550,000

### **Council Proposed Amendments (New Proposal for Review) Expand CR Appropriations**

(Transfer additional funds From Operating to Capital)

- \$2.5 mill to Parks and Recreation for Simons Recreation Center for Buildings, Courts, Play Areas, and Athletic Fields

### **Together Administration and Council amendments**

- Increases the total FY 2024 Capital Budget from \$4,353,389,000 to \$4,404,176,000 total increase of \$50,787,000.
- Increases the Total FY 2024-2029 Capital Program from \$13,303,022,000 to \$13,353,809,000. Total increase of \$50,787,000

**2. Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommendation is for approval for Bills No. 230765 and 230766.

(6:59:00) Commissioner Johns asked if there was a timeline to complete the facility renovations. Commissioner Brown responded that there was not a full timeline and that this funding would be combined with existing funding to support the renovation. The full timeline is still being determined as the scope evolves

**3. Action Item: Bill No. 230765**

Staff recommendation is for Approval.

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Seeing no further questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Syrnick asked for a motion.

*Motion duly made by Commissioner Sharpe and seconded by Commissioner Johns to accept staff recommendation for approval.*

*Chair Syrnick polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Capita, Commissioner Gaston, Commissioner Johns, Commissioner Summerville, Commissioner Powers, Commissioner Sharpe, and Commissioner Valle*

*Motion carried to approve staff recommendation for Approval (8-0).*

**4. Action Item: Bill No. 230766**

Staff recommendation is for Approval\_\_\_\_\_.

Seeing no further questions and comments from the Commission or Public, Chair Syrnick asked for a motion.

*Motion duly made by Commissioner Sharpe and seconded by Commissioner Summerville to accept staff recommendation for Approval.*

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*Chair Syrnick polled the Commission for the vote: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Capita, Commissioner Gaston, Commissioner Johns, Commissioner Summerville, Commissioner Powers, Commissioner Sharpe, Commissioner Valle*

*Motion carried to approve staff recommendation for Approval (8-0).*

*Chair Syrnick asked for a motion to adjourn at the minute mark in video (11:14:05).*

*Motion duly made by Commissioner Sharpe to adjourn the December 14, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.*

*The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.*

## SUMMARY

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1. Action Item: Bill 230765.

**APPROVED**

2. Action Item: Bill 230766

**APPROVED**

Attended	User Name (Original Name)	Email	Join Time	Leave Time	Time in Session (minutes)	Is Guest	Country/Region Name
Yes	Abigail (she/they) (Abigail Sobotka/Briner)	abigail.sobotka-briner@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:47	12/14/2023 11:14	28	Yes	United States
Yes	Ximena Valle	ximena@xvadesign.com	12/14/2023 10:57	12/14/2023 11:14	18	Yes	United States
Yes	Aubrey Powers	aubrey.powers@phila.gov	12/14/2023 11:01	12/14/2023 11:14	14	Yes	United States
Yes	12673188349		12/14/2023 11:05	12/14/2023 11:14	10	Yes	United States
Yes	Joseph Syrnick	joseph.syrnick@srdc.net	12/14/2023 10:54	12/14/2023 11:14	21	Yes	United States
Yes	Dawn Summerville		12/14/2023 11:05	12/14/2023 11:14	10	Yes	United States
Yes	Peter Barnard	peter.barnard@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:42	12/14/2023 11:14	33	Yes	United States
Yes	Tavare Brown	tavare.brown@phila.gov	12/14/2023 11:00	12/14/2023 11:14	14	Yes	United States
Yes	Garlen Capita	capitag@wharton.upenn.edu	12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14	12	Yes	United States
Yes	Eleanor Sharpe (DPD)		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14	12	Yes	United States
Yes	Martine DeCamp	martine.decamp@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:58	12/14/2023 11:14	17	Yes	United States
Yes	Paula Brumbelow Burns	paula.brumbelow@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:59	12/14/2023 11:14	16	Yes	United States
Yes	Billy Collins (Staff) (Billy Collins)	billy.collins@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:47	12/14/2023 11:14	28	Yes	United States
Yes	Mariele McGlazer (Billy Collins)	billy.collins@phila.gov	12/14/2023 11:02	12/14/2023 11:03	1	Yes	United States
Yes	Greg Waldman	gregory.waldman@phila.gov	12/14/2023 10:55	12/14/2023 11:14	20	Yes	United States
Yes	Cheryl Gaston	cg@sprucelaw.com	12/14/2023 11:00	12/14/2023 11:14	14	Yes	United States
Yes	Michael Johns	mjohns@mdesigns.consulting	12/14/2023 10:52	12/14/2023 11:14	23	Yes	United States

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Yes	Jametta Johnson		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Nicole Simonsen (she/her)		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Brianna		12/14/2023 11:04	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Dawn Summerville		12/14/2023 11:04	12/14/2023 11:05
Yes	Ben Schmidt (PCPC Staff)		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Nicholas Cousineau		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:15
Yes	Henry Felsman		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Sarah Banh (PCPC staff)		12/14/2023 11:04	12/14/2023 11:08
Yes	Eleanor Sharpe (DPD)		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:03
Yes	Jada Ackley		12/14/2023 11:06	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Steven WC		12/14/2023 11:07	12/14/2023 11:15
Yes	Stephanie Pennypacker		12/14/2023 11:05	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Nina Pinto		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14
Yes	Terrell.Brown		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:15
Yes	Keith Davis _ PCPC Staff		12/14/2023 11:03	12/14/2023 11:14

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