

Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania

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CALL TO ORDER: President Walker called the August 16, 2022, meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 101 S. George St., York, PA, with the following members present: Felicia Dennis, Betsy Buckingham, Lou Rivera, Edquina Washington, Vice President, and Sandie Walker, President, with President Walker presiding.

Members of the Administration in attendance included: Michael Helfrich, Mayor; Kim Robertson, Acting Business Administrator; Monica Kruger, Director of Health; Samantha Zahm, Assistant Deputy Director of Health; Scott Miller, Chief of Staff; and Jason Sabol, Assistant Solicitor.

Members of York City Council staff in attendance included: Dianna L. Thompson, City Clerk.

- I. Public Comment: None
- II. Called Legislative Meeting to Order at 6:01 PM
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Moment of Silence
- VI. Action on previous meeting Minutes of [July 19, 2022](#) (legislative) & [July 28, 2022](#) (special).
- VII. Proclamations, Awards and Announcements
- VIII. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

► **Legislative Meeting:** The next legislative meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on August 31st.

- IX. Status of Prior Committee Referrals: No reports.
- X. Legislative Agenda:

Final Passage of Bills / Resolutions

1. Final Passage of Bill No. 43, Ordinance 42 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 935 “General Provisions” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection; and to establish subsection 935.11 “Waivers.”)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 43, Ordinance No. 42, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 935 “General Provisions” of the York City Codified Ordinances. to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection; and to establish subsection 935.11 “Waivers” which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 43, Ordinance No. 42 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

2. Final Passage of Bill No. 44, Ordinance 43 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 936 “Definitions” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 44, Ordinance No. 43, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 936 “Definitions” of the York City Codified Ordinances to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection, which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 44, Ordinance No. 43 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

3. Final Passage of Bill No. 45, Ordinance 44 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 937 “Stormwater Management Standards” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 45, Ordinance No. 44, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 937 “Stormwater Management Standards” of the York City Codified Ordinances to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection, which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 45, Ordinance No. 44 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

4. Final Passage of Bill No. 46, Ordinance 45 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 938 “Stormwater Management (SWM) Site Plan Requirements” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 46, Ordinance No. 45, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 938 “Stormwater Management (SWM) Site Plan Requirements” of the York City Codified Ordinances to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection, which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 46, Ordinance No. 45 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

5. Final Passage of Bill No. 47, Ordinance 46 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 942 “Detection and Elimination of Illicit Discharges to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 47, Ordinance No. 46, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 942 “Detection and Elimination of Illicit Discharges to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System” of the York City Codified Ordinances to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection, which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 47, Ordinance No. 46 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

6. Final Passage of Bill No. 48, Ordinance 47 - A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 943 “Enforcement and Penalties” of the York City Codified Ordinances. ([View](#)) (To make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection.)

Introduced by: Felicia Dennis
Originator: Public Works | MS4

Final Passage of Bill No. 48, Ordinance No. 47, Session 2022, A Bill Amending Title Four – Stormwater Management, Article 943 “Enforcement and Penalties” of the York City Codified Ordinances to make it consistent with the 2022 model stormwater ordinance provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection, which was introduced by Dennis at the July 19 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Dennis, seconded by Buckingham, Bill No. 48, Ordinance No. 47 passed by the following vote: Yeas – Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker – 5; Nays – 0.

7. Final Passage of Bill No. 49, Ordinance 48 - A Bill Amending the FY2022 City Budget for the Bureau of Housing Services. ([View](#)) (To fund additional financing for the Habitat for Humanity Chestnut Street Housing Project by appropriating expenditures from ARPA funds, in the amount of \$161,503.)

Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Bureau of Housing Services

Final Passage of Bill No. 49, Ordinance No. 48, Session 2022, A Bill Amending the FY2022 City Budget for the Bureau of Housing Services to fund additional financing for the Habitat for Humanity Chestnut Street Housing Project by appropriating expenditures from ARPA funds, in the amount of \$161,503, which was introduced by Washington at the July 28 meeting of Council and read by short title, came up for final passage. On motion of Washington, seconded by Rivera, Bill No. 49, Ordinance No. 48, passed by the following vote: Yeas - Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker - 5; Nays - 0.

Introduction of Bills

8. Introduction of Bill No. 50 (Will be on the 9/6/22 agenda) - A Bill Amending the FY2022 Budget. ([View](#)) (As follows: 1) For Bureau of Health by appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for the Safe and Healthy Communities grant (#4100085927), in the amount of \$46,285.02; 2) For the Bureau of Health by appropriating revenue and expenditures for the Epidemiology, Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant (#4100087734), in the amount of \$1,480,858.76; and 3) For the Bureau of Permits & Inspection by appropriating revenue and expenditures for permits, license, and inspections, in the amount of \$784,000.00.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Health

Introduction of Bill No. 50, Session 2022, A Bill Amending the FY2022 Budget as follows: 1) For Bureau of Health by appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for the Safe and Healthy Communities grant (#4100085927), in the amount of \$46,285.02; 2) For the Bureau of Health by appropriating revenue and expenditures for the Epidemiology, Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant (#4100087734), in the amount of \$1,480,858.76; and 3) For the Bureau of Permits & Inspection by appropriating revenue and expenditures for permits, license, and inspections, in the amount of \$784,000.00, was introduced by Washington, read by short title, and deferred to the September 6 meeting of Council.

Consideration of Consent Agenda

Motion to consider consent agenda. A motion made by Buckingham, seconded by Rivera, to consider agenda items 9-20 as a consent agenda.

President Walker asked if there were any items requested to be pulled from the consent agenda. No items were requested.

The motion to consider agenda items 9-20 as a consent agenda passed by the following vote: Yeas - Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker - 5; Nays - 0.

President Walker asked if there was any Council or Administration comment. There was none.

President Walker asked if there was any public comment.

Stephanie Seaton, Chair of the Human Relations Commission (HRC), thanked the mayor for recommending reappointment of HRC members and stated that there is a vacancy on the commission for anyone interested in serving. She asked that interested applicants contact the mayor's office or the Human Relations Commission. She then announced that the HRC is still advertising for an Executive Director so interested and qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. Ms. Seaton said the HRC has been receiving a lot of feedback on the Crown Act legislation passed by Council, so we'll be working on promoting this legislation and all protected classes. Lastly, Ms. Seaton said the commission was awarded a grant from the Rotary Club for a community event.

There being no further comment, a motion was made by Washington, seconded by Rivera, to approve agenda items 9-10. The motion passed by the following vote: Yeas - Dennis, Buckingham, Rivera, Washington, Walker - 5; Nays - 0.

9. Resolution No. 85 - A Resolution
Accepting the recommendations of HARB. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Lou Rivera
Originator: HARB

Resolution No. 48, Session 2022, A Resolution accepting the recommendations of HARB in issuing certificates of appropriateness for work to be covered in the applications filed by Doug Carl for work to be done at 50 N. George St., and Eric Bowman for work to be done at 728 S. George St., was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

10. Resolution No. 86 - A Resolution
Approving the final subdivision/land development plans submitted by Peel and Company. ([View](#)) (Extending conditional approval for 475 W. Phila St., and 145 N. Newbery St. to 10/31/22)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Planning

Resolution No. 86, Session 2022, A Resolution Approving the final subdivision/land development plans submitted by Peel and Company extending conditional approval for 475 W. Phila St., and 145 N. Newbery St. to 10/31/22, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

11. Resolution No. 87 - A Resolution
Approving the preliminary/final land development plan submitted by Hartman & Associates, Inc. ([View](#)) (On behalf of Peel and Company extending conditional approval of 480-486 W. Philadelphia St. to 10/31/22)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Planning

Resolution No. 87, Session 2022, A Resolution Approving the preliminary/final land development plan submitted by Hartman & Associates, Inc., on behalf of Peel and Company, extending conditional approval of 480-486 W. Philadelphia St. to 10/31/22, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

12. Resolution No. 88 - A Resolution
Approving the preliminary/final subdivision plan submitted by Site Designs Concepts. ([View](#)) (On behalf of KROY Properties, LLC for 41-45 E. Princess St.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Planning

Resolution No. 88, Session 2022, A Resolution Approving the preliminary/final subdivision plan submitted by Site Designs Concepts, on behalf of KROY Properties, LLC, for 41-45 E. Princess St., was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

13. Resolution No. 89 - A Resolution
Approving the preliminary/final subdivision plan submitted by Site Design Concepts. ([View](#)) (On behalf of Zachary Dylan Bauer and Kathleen M. Rounds for 41-51 S. Newberry St.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Planning

Resolution No. 89, Session 2022, A Resolution Approving the preliminary/final subdivision plan submitted by Site Design Concepts, on behalf of Zachary Dylan Bauer and Kathleen M. Rounds,

for 41-51 S. Newberry St., was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

14. Resolution No. 90 - A Resolution
Accepting the second tranche of ARPA funds. (\$17,652,353.50) ([View](#))
Introduced by: Betsy Buckingham
Originator: Business Administration | Finance

Resolution No. 90, Session 2022, A Resolution accepting the second tranche of ARPA funds in the amount of \$17,652,353.50, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

15. Resolution No. 91 - A Resolution
Authorizing an agreement with the PA Department of Health. ([View](#)) (Tuberculosis Program - \$6,377)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development | Health

Resolution No. 91, Session 2022, A Resolution authorizing an agreement with the PA Department of Health for the tuberculosis program for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

16. Resolution No. 92 - A Resolution
Authorizing an agreement with CODY Systems. ([View](#)) (For records management services)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Police

Resolution No. 92, Session 2022, A Resolution authorizing an agreement with CODY Systems, for records management services for the police department for a three-year period in the amount of \$77,764.00, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

17. Resolution No. 93 - A Resolution
Authorizing various budget transfers. ([View](#)) (As follows: **1**) For the Bureau of Health to spend down remaining funds received from Wellspan Health associated with the County of York Department of Human Services, Children Youth and Families Agency grant by transferring a total of \$10,338.99; **2**) For the Controller's Office for other contractual services, in the amount of \$20,000; **3**) For the Bureau of Permits & Inspections to cover additional overtime expenses and other contractual services, in the amount of \$116,000; and **4**) For the Police Department to comply with an approved modification to the 2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award by transferring a total of \$18,460.00.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Health & Permits/Inspections) | Controller | Police

Resolution No. 93, Session 2022, A Resolution Authorizing various budget transfers as follows: **1**) For the Bureau of Health to spend down remaining funds received from Wellspan Health associated with the County of York Department of Human Services, Children Youth and Families Agency grant by transferring a total of \$10,338.99; **2**) For the Controller's Office for other contractual services, in the amount of \$20,000; **3**) For the Bureau of Permits & Inspections to cover additional overtime expenses and other contractual services, in the amount of \$116,000; and **4**) For the Police Department to comply with an approved modification to the 2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award by transferring a total of \$18,460.00., was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

18. Resolution No. 94 - A Resolution Authorizing an agreement with Community LifeTeam, Inc. ([View](#)) (For ambulance services through 12/31/2025)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Fire | Rescue

Resolution No. 94, Session 2022, A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Community LifeTeam, Inc., for ambulance services through December 31, 2025, passed unanimously by consent agenda.

19. Resolution No. 95 - A Resolution Approving various appointments to boards/authorities. ([View](#)) (K. French, D. Wright, S. Seaton, & C. Van Newkirk)
Introduced by: Betsy Buckingham
Originator: Mayor

Resolution No. 95, Session 2022, A Resolution approving the reappointment of Kacey French to the Consolidated board of appeals to serve until the first Monday of October 2024; reappointment of Dawn M. Wright and Stephanie Seaton to the Human Relations Commission to serve until July 16, 2025; and reappointment of Carol J. Van Newkirk to the Susquehanna Area Regional Airport Authority (SARAA) to serve until the first Monday of January 2027, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

20. Resolution No. 96 - A Resolution Extending the declaration of disaster emergency. ([View](#)) (To September 30, 2022)
Introduced by: Lou Rivera
Originator: Mayor

Resolution No. 96, Session 2022, A Resolution extending the declaration of disaster emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic to September 30, 2022 was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

XI. Requests for Future Meetings: None

XII. Council Comment

President Walker recognized Tynesha Wilkes, member of the York City School Board, and AliceAnne Frost, City Controller, who were in attendance.

President Walker then asked for an update on securing an ARPA manager. Acting Business Administrator Robertson said they are still working with the solicitor's office and former Business Administrator Tom Ray to make sure we put the correct information out for bid.

XIII. Administration Comment

Mayor Helfrich thanked Vice President Washington for inviting him to the William Goodridge Statute unveiling and he encouraged residents and visitors to check it out. He then announced several activities taking place in the city. For more information on city events, visit www.yorkcity.org.

XIV. Adjournment: The next legislative meeting of Council is scheduled for September 6, 2022 at 6PM. There being no further business, the August 16, 2022 meeting of Council adjourned at 6:17 PM.

XV. Resumption of Public Comment Period (at the discretion of the presiding officer): None



Dianna L. Thompson, City Clerk



Sandie Walker, President of Council