

Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania

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CALL TO ORDER: President Washington called the March 5, 2024, meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 101 S. George St., York, PA, with the following members present: Elizabeth Bupp, Teresa Johnescu, Felicia Dennis, Betsy Buckingham, Vice President (Call-in), and Edquina Washington, President.

Members of the Administration included: Kim Robertson, Business Administrator; Monica Kruger, Director of Health; and Brett Flower, Assistant Solicitor.

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

I. Public Comment:

Marie Rohleder, resident, said she feels ignorant about the actions of Council and that she would like to see more town hall meetings. She said there are a lot of important things that Council acts on, and she thinks it would be helpful for Council to have a town hall meeting to hear the public's concerns. She said when she attends a legislative meeting, there is opportunity for discussion, but she doesn't think that fast.

There being no further public comment, President Washington adjourned the public comment session at 6:03 PM and immediately convened in legislation session.

II. Called Legislative Meeting to Order 6:03 PM.

III. Roll Call

IV. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

V. Moment of Silence was observed.

VI. Action on previous meeting Minutes of [February 20, 2024](#) (legislative); [February 28, 2024](#) (committee). Council dispensed with the reading of the minutes and unanimously approved them as written.

VII. Presentations, Awards and Announcements: None

VIII. Meeting(s) Scheduled:

► **Legislative Meeting:** The next legislative meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on March 13th.

► **Council Committee Meeting:** Scheduled for Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Agenda items are due by 12 noon on March 20th.

IX. Status of Prior Committee Referrals: No reports.

X. Legislative Agenda: (Order of Business – Action on Subdivision/Land Development & HARB Resolutions; Final Passage of Bills/Resolutions; New Business.)

Final Passage of Bills / Resolutions: None

Introduction of Bills

1. Introduction of Bill No. 4 - A Bill
Amending the FY2024 Budget. ([View](#)) (By appropriating revenue and expenditures for the Year 2 funding received from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) for a grant of Federal Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recover (Federal 21.027 CG) funds for the Law Enforcement Support Initiative, in the amount of \$539,802.00)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Police

Introduction of Bill No. 4, Session 2024, A Bill amending the FY2024 Budget by appropriating revenue and expenditures for the Year 2 funding received from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) for a grant of Federal Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recover (Federal 21.027 CG) funds for the Law Enforcement Support Initiative, in the amount of \$539,802.00, was introduced by Washington, read by short title, and deferred to the March 19th meeting of Council.

2. Introduction of Bill No. 5 - A Bill
Amending the FY2024 Budget. ([View](#)) **{1}** To appropriate additional revenue and expenditures for the Fund 26 Special Projects account for Environmental Lead Investigations in the amount of \$3,500.00; **{2}** To appropriate revenue and expenditures for the intergovernmental agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Health for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Projects, in the amount of \$22,481.00; **{3}** To appropriate revenue and expenditures for Family Health Council of Central PA (FHCCP) for the Women’s Health Services, in the amount of \$75,000.00; and **{4}** To appropriate additional revenue and expenditures for the Fund 26 Special Projects – Health account in the amount of \$700.00.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Health)

Introduction of Bill No. 5, Session 2024, A Bill amending the FY2024 Budget as follows: **{1}** To appropriate additional revenue and expenditures for the Fund 26 Special Projects account for Environmental Lead Investigations in the amount of \$3,500.00; **{2}** To appropriate revenue and expenditures for the intergovernmental agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Health for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Projects, in the amount of \$22,481.00; **{3}** To appropriate revenue and expenditures for Family Health Council of Central PA (FHCCP) for the Women’s Health Services, in the amount of \$75,000.00; and **{4}** To appropriate additional revenue and expenditures for the Fund 26 Special Projects – Health account in the amount of \$700.00, was introduced by Washington, read by short title, and deferred to the March 19th meeting of Council.

3. Introduction of Bill No. 6 - A Bill Amending the FY2024 Budget. ([View](#)) (**{1}** Appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for the "Holliday Diversity Luncheon" Fund 26 Special Projects account, in the amount of \$9,999.00; and **{2}** Appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for workforce development trainings and support services in Fund 26 Special Projects account, in the total amount of \$136,000.00.)
Introduced by: Elizabeth Bupp
Originator: Human Relations Commission

Introduction of Bill No. 6, Session 2024, A Bill amending the FY2024 Budget as follows: **{1}** Appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for the "Holliday Diversity Luncheon" Fund 26 Special Projects account, in the amount of \$9,999.00; and **{2}** Appropriating additional revenue and expenditures for workforce development trainings and support services in Fund 26 Special Projects account, in the total amount of \$136,000.00, was introduced by Bupp, read by short title, and deferred to the March 19th meeting of Council.

4. Introduction of Bill No. 7 - A Bill Amending the FY2024 Budget. ([View](#)) (By appropriating expenditures from the **American Rescue Plan Act "ARPA"** funds for new roofs and generators for several City buildings in the amount of \$3,735,043.00)
Introduced by: Teresa Johnescu
Originator: Mayor

Introduction of Bill No. 7, Session 2024, A Bill amending the FY2024 Budget by appropriating expenditures from the **American Rescue Plan Act "ARPA"** funds for new roofs and generators for several City buildings in the amount of \$3,735,043.00, was introduced by Johnescu, read by short title, and deferred to the March 19th meeting of Council.

New Business – Items for Consideration of Consent Agenda

Motion to consider consent agenda: A motion was made by Washington, seconded by Dennis to consider agenda items 5-7 as a consent agenda.

City Clerk Thompson asked if Council wishes to pull any items from the consent agenda. There were no requests.

Vote to consider consent agenda. The motion to consider agenda items 5-7 as a consent agenda passed by the following vote: Yeas – Bupp, Johnescu, Dennis, Buckingham, Washington – 5; Nays – 0.

City Clerk Thompson asked if there was any Council, Administration, or Public Comment.

Councilwoman Johnescu said the consent agenda items were discussed at length at Council's February 28th Committee meeting, and the minutes from that meeting can be found on the City's website (click [here](#) to view minutes), or by contacting the City Clerk at (717) 849-2246 or email: dthompso@yorkcity.org. A clickable link to the committee minutes is also found in Section VI of this agenda. (Click [here](#) to visit Council's committee information webpage.)

Vote to approve consent agenda items. There being no further discussion or comment, a motion to approve consent agenda items 5-7 was made by Buckingham, seconded by Washington, and PASSED by the following vote: Yeas – Bupp, Johnescu, Dennis, Buckingham, Washington – 5; Nays – 0.

5. Resolution No. 21 - A Resolution Authorizing the purchase of new camera systems for city garages from ESI. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Betsy Buckingham
Originator: Business Administration (Parking)

Resolution No. 21, Session 2024, A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Electronic Systems

Installers (ESi) for installation new camera systems at three (3) city garages for total cost of \$393,830.00 through COSTARS pricing, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

6. Resolution No. 22 - A Resolution Authorizing various grant award agreements for the Bureau of Health. ([View](#))
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Health)

Resolution No. 22, Session 2024, A Resolution authorizing agreements as follows: **1)** Family Health Council of Central Pennsylvania to extend our subcontract agreement to provide family planning program services including education, counseling, and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025 in the amount of \$100,000.00; **2)** Family Health Council of Central Pennsylvania to provide women’s health services program services including education, counseling, screening, and testing related to women’s health conditions and menstrual services for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in the amount of \$75,000.00; and **3)** Pennsylvania Department of Health grant for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) for Infectious Diseases in the amount of \$3,705,687.48 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

7. Resolution No. 23 - A Resolution Authorizing various budget transfers. ([View](#)) (In the FY2024 Budget for the Bureau of Health as follows: **(1)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the HIV Prevention Program (#4100095584), by transferring a total of \$24,654.48; **(2)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the Immunization Cooperative Agreements (#4100089411), by transferring a total of \$15,410.82; and **(3)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the Maternal and Child Health Services (#4100095409), by transferring a total of \$1,238.25.)
Introduced by: Edquina Washington
Originator: Economic & Community Development (Health)

Resolution No. 23, Session 2024, A Resolution authorizing various budget transfers in the FY2024 Budget for the Bureau of Health as follows: **(1)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the HIV Prevention Program (#4100095584), by transferring a total of \$24,654.48; **(2)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the Immunization Cooperative Agreements (#4100089411), by transferring a total of \$15,410.82; and **(3)** To comply with an approved budget revision in accordance with the payment provisions Appendix B Section C.4.b.ii.A. for the Maternal and Child Health Services (#4100095409), by transferring a total of \$1,238.25, was approved unanimously by consent agenda.

XI. Requests for Future Meetings: None

XII. Council Comment

Councilwoman Dennis said our Lady Bearcats basketball team made it to states, so they will be traveling to Pittsburgh, and we are so proud of them.

Councilwoman Bupp said WellSpan Health has a several construction projects going on and they are doing a fantastic job keeping it clean and we thank them for their sponsorships.

XIII. Administration Comment: None

- XIV. Adjournment: The next legislation session of Council is scheduled for March 19, 2024 at 6PM in City Council Chambers. There being no further business, the March 5, 2024 meeting of Council adjourned at 6:15 PM.
- XV. Resumption of Public Comment Period (at the discretion of the presiding officer): None



Dianna L. Thompson, City Clerk



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