



City of Chester

Deliberative Meeting Agenda

City Council

One 4th Street
Chester, PA 19013

Monday, June 24, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chambers

ORDINANCE (To be voted on):

¹Bill No 2: Code of Ethics

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish ethical standards of conduct for all such officials and employees of the City, its agencies and authorities, whether elected or appointed, by setting forth those acts or actions which are incompatible with the best interests of the City and by directing disclosure by officials and employees of private, financial or other interests in matters affecting the City.

Bill No. 3: Repealing various Articles of Part 15, entitled Fire Prevention Code as follows:

Article 1505: Life Safety Code Adopted

Article 1511: Permit Fees

Article 1525: Open Burning

Article 1531: Explosives and Fireworks

Article 1535: Gas Stations

Article 1541: Building Fire Protection Systems

Article 1555: Smoke Detection System Installation

CONTRACT APPROVALS: None

RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL PASSAGE (To be Voted On):

R – 56

Authorize the promotion of Christopher McBreen from the position of Battalion Chief to the position of Acting Deputy Chief, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety.

Submitted By: Fire Commissioner Shirley

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

R – 57

Authorize the promotion of Brian Decker from the position of Captain to the position of Battalion Chief, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety.

Submitted By: Fire Commissioner Shirley

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

R – 58

Authorize the promotion of Andrew Fridley from the position of Firefighter to the position of Acting Captain, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety.

Submitted By: Fire Commissioner Shirley

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

¹ Under consideration by Council and City Solicitor to be added later

R – 59

Authorize the change of the age requirement to participate in the City of Chester’s summer internship program, to offer an opportunity to high school students who reside within the City of Chester, who are or will be 15 years of age by the start of the program.

Submitted By: Leonard Lightner, COS
Sponsors: N/A
Attachments: Resolution

R – 60

Authorize the submission of an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Zero Emission Vehicle Grant, for the purpose of funding the fleet replacement, in an amount not to exceed \$1,575,074.00.

Submitted By: Demetrius Pearson, Fleet Manager
Sponsors: N/A
Attachments: Resolution

R – 61

Authorize the installation of an honorary street sign, renaming the portion of Baker Street between Edwards Street and Central Avenue - Reverend Dr. J. Pius Barbour Way, as tribute to his dedication to the advancement of our community.

Submitted By: Councilwoman Portia West
Sponsors: N/A
Attachments: Resolution

R – 62

Authorize appointment of Sharette Golson, as member of the City of Chester Zoning Hearing Board, to fill the unexpired term of Patricia L. Worrell, to expire December 31, 2024.

Submitted By: Justin Tibbels, Special Assistant to the Mayor & Constituent Affairs Manager
Sponsors: N/A
Attachments: Resolution

R – 63

Authorize appointment of Adelaide Evans, as member of the Chester Parking Authority Board, to fill the expired term of Marnie Hudson, term to expire December 31, 2025.

Submitted By: Justin Tibbels, Special Assistant to the Mayor & Constituent Affairs Manager
Sponsors: N/A
Attachments: Resolution

R – 64

Authorize appointment of Elizabeth Williams, as member of the Chester Parking Authority Board, to fill the expired term of Pamela Haynes, term to expire December 31, 2026.

Submitted By: Justin Tibbels, Special Assistant to the Mayor & Constituent Affairs Manager

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

R – 65

Authorize the appointment of the following individuals to the position of Patrol Officer, Chester Police Department, effective July 1, 2024, with a one (1) year probationary period, on a full-time basis, with all benefits applicable thereto, at the salary range provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance:

1. Ashby Shatteen-Brown;
2. Michael Tierney; and
3. Brandon Chamberlain

Submitted By: Police Commission Gretskey

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

R – 66

Authorize the appointment of the following individuals to the position of Police Cadets, Chester Police Department, effective July 8, 2024, at an hourly rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour, on a per diem basis, not to exceed 8 hours per day, 5 days per week, with no benefits:

1. Leroy Whitaker; and
2. Angel Carrion, Jr.

Submitted By: Police Commission Gretskey

Sponsors: N/A

Attachments: Resolution

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION: None

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Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month beginning at 10:00 AM in Council Chambers, with the exception of every other month when the Council meets on the second Wednesday at 7:00 PM. For copies of the agenda or meeting announcements, please visit our website at www.Chestercity.com or contact the City Clerk at CNewsome@chestercity.com to receive an email notice of the meetings.

BILL NO. 3

1st READING 6/26/2024

PASSED _____

NO. _____, 2024

A N O R D I N A N C E

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHESTER, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA, 1978, AS SUPPLEMENTED AND AMENDED TO DELETE IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPEALING ALL THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH:

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. A review of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chester has determined that certain ordinances are no longer reasonable and necessary and should be repealed. Based on that review the following Articles of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chester, and the Ordinances that form the basis of the following Articles, are hereby repealed in their entirety:

Article 1505, entitled "Life Safety Code Adopted";
Article 1511, entitled "Permit Fees";
Article 1525, entitled "Open Burning";
Article 1531, entitled "Explosives and Fireworks";
Article 1535, entitled "Gas Stations";
Article 1541, entitled "Building Fire Protection Systems";
Article 1555, entitled "Smoke Detection System Installation";

SECTION 2. That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the Provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed. If any section, part or clause of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Ordinance passed Council this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

NO. 56 - 2024

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby promote Christopher McBreen from the position of Battalion Chief to the position of Acting Deputy Chief, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety, effective July 1, 2024, with a thirty (30) day probationary period, at the salary range as provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

NO. 57 - 2024

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby promote Brian Decker from the position of Captain to the position of Acting Battalion Chief, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety, effective July 1, 2024, with a thirty (30) day probationary period, at the salary range as provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

NO. 58 - 2024

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby promote Andrew Fridley from the position of Firefighter to the position of Acting Captain, Bureau of Fire, Department of Public Safety, effective July 1, 2024, with a thirty (30) day probationary period, at the salary range as provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION

NO. 59 - 2024

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2017, Chester City Council approved a Resolution to authorize the creation of a summer internship program; and

WHEREAS, the program's intent is to provide high school students with an opportunity to gain real-world experience and develop skills in an office setting during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, currently the City allows high school students who are residents and are or will be 16 years of age by the start of the program to participate; and

WHEREAS, after further consideration, Council has determined that lowering the start age for the program may be beneficial to students.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby authorize the change of the age requirement to participate in the City of Chester's summer internship program, to offer an opportunity to high school students who reside within the City of Chester, who are or will be 15 years of age by the start of the program.

FURTHER, said program parameters are contingent upon final approval of the City Solicitor.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

NO. 60 - 2024

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby authorize the submission of an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Zero Emission Vehicle Grant, for the purpose of funding the fleet replacement, in an amount not to exceed \$1,575,074.00.

FURTHER, it does hereby authorize the proper City official to submit the application for and on behalf of the City of Chester.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION

NO. 61 -2024

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the City of Chester for the installation of an honorary street sign to commemorate the service and dedication of the late Reverend Dr. J. Pius Barbour, along a portion of Baker Street between Edwards Street and Central Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. J. Pius Barbour served as the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church from 1934 until his death in 1974. Dr. Barbour was trained at Morehouse College and Crozer Theological Seminary. Later he taught at Tuskegee Institute and pastored churches in Texas, Alabama and Indiana. During his pastorate, Dr. Barbour served as an elected delegate to the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen, Denmark and the World Assembly of Churches in Amsterdam. In addition, Dr. Barbour mentored the late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. while King attended Crozer Theological Seminary from 1948 to 1951; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbour made significant contributions, to Calvary Baptist Church, the residents of the City of Chester and the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHESTER DOES RESOLVE:

That it does hereby authorize the installation of an honorary street sign, renaming the portion of Baker Street between Edwards Street and Central Avenue - Reverend Dr. J. Pius Barbour Way, as tribute to his dedication to the advancement of our community.

FURTHER, it does authorize the Department of Public Works to order and install the aforementioned sign.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

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CITY CLERK

R E S O L U T I O N

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION

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That it does hereby appoint the following individuals to the position of Patrol Officer, Chester Police Department, effective July 1, 2024, with a one (1) year probationary period, on a full-time basis, with all benefits applicable thereto, at the salary range provided in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

1. Ashby Shatteen-Brown;
2. Michael Tierney; and
3. Brandon Chamberlain

FURTHER, said Patrol Officers are required to reside in the City of Chester for the first five (5) years of employment and must submit proof of residency to the Human Resources Department within three (3) months of their date of hire. Thereafter, they may maintain their residence within fifty (50) miles of city hall.

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MAYOR

Attest: _____

CITY CLERK

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1. Leroy Whitaker; and
2. Angel Carrion, Jr.

FURTHER, said Police Cadets shall attend the Delaware County Community College Academy to receive the required police certification and successfully complete all other pre-employment requirements.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution passed Council this 26th day of June, A.D. 2024.

MAYOR

Attest: _____
CITY CLERK