



Milford City Hall Council Chambers 201 South Walnut Street Milford DE 19963

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Monday, May 6, 2024

7:00 P.M.

Per the Limited Public Health Emergency Declaration issued by Governor John Carney on March 1, 2022, and the virtual meeting provisions provided in Senate Bill 94, Milford City Council Meetings and Workshops are currently being held in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Attendees may participate virtually as well.

This meeting is also available for viewing by the public by accessing the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98217956000>

or

<http://www.cityofmilford.com/553/Watch-Public-Meetings>

Members of the public may also dial in by phone using the following number:

Call 301 715 8592 Webinar ID: 982 1795 6000

7:00 PM

15-Minute Public Comment Period*

Virtual attendees must register prior to start time of meeting by calling 302-422-1111 Extension 1142 or 1303, or by sending an email to cityclerk@milford-de.gov and providing your name, address, phone number, and item name and/or description you wish to comment on. Persons in attendance wishing to speak must sign up prior to the start of the Council Meeting.

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Call to Order

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

2024 Election Report – City Clerk Terri Hudson

Swearing in of Mayor and City Council:

The Honorable Noel Eason Primos - Superior Court of Delaware:

Mayor – F. Todd Culotta

Council First Ward – D. Madula Kalesis

Council Second Ward – Lori Connor

Council Third Ward – Michael Stewart

Council Fourth Ward – Katrina E. Wilson

Adoption/Resolution 2024-06/Declaration of 2nd Ward Vacancy

Election of Vice Mayor

Reappointment of City Solicitor

Appointment of 2024-2025 Council Committees

Adjourn

*Each speaker is allowed a maximum of three minutes.

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CITY OF MILFORD ELECTION REPORT

April 27, 2024 Election

The Board of Election for the City of Milford met on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, to certify the results of the 2024 Annual Election.

With five contested races, the Board Members hereby certify the following results:

In the Mayor's race, a total of 1,312 persons voted, with Todd Culotta receiving 706 votes and Arthur Campbell receiving 606 votes.

In the First Ward, a total of 447 persons voted, with D. Madula Kalesis receiving 224 votes and Mike Boyle receiving 223 votes (one vote adjustment).

In the Second Ward, a total of 420 persons voted, with Lori Connor receiving 226 votes and Nadia Zychal receiving 194 votes.

In the Third Ward, a total of 240 persons voted, with Michael Stewart receiving 147 votes and Danny Perez receiving 93 votes.

In the Fourth Ward, a total of 178 persons voted, with Katrina Wilson receiving 104 votes and Phillip Ruiz receiving 74 votes.

Up completion of the audit and certification of machine and absentee votes cast during the 2024 City of Milford Annual Election, the Election Board officially declares Mayor Elect Todd Culotta, First Ward Council Elect D. Madula Kalesis, Second Ward Council Elect Lori Connor, Third Ward Council Elect Michael Stewart, and Fourth Ward Council Elect Katrina Wilson the official winners.

Each office holds a two-year term that will commence following the administration of the Oath of Office for each candidate by The Honorable Noel Eason Primos, Judge of the Superior Court of Delaware.

City of Milford Board Members:

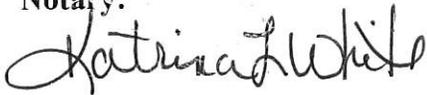

Karen Boone


Carlene Wilson


Donna Merchant

Signed and subscribed before me this 30th day of April 2024.

Notary:



Signature

4/30/24

Date

KATRINA L WHITE
NOTARY PUBLIC
State of Delaware
My Commission Expires on July 23, 2025

Commission Expiration Date



RESOLUTION 2024-06

Declares Second Ward Council Seat Vacant

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILFORD, DELAWARE (“City Council”) DECLARING A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AND CALLING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A QUALIFIED PERSON TO FILL THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM.

WHEREAS, Section 405(a)(2) of Article IV Council Government-Composition, Qualifications, Vacancies and Procedure of the Charter (“Charter”) of the City of Milford states that the Office of a Councilmember shall become vacant upon death, resignation, forfeiture, or removal from office in any manner authorized by law, or ceases to be a lawfully registered voter of the City and a resident of the Ward in which he/she resided at the time of the election and the vacancy is confirmed by City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Charter further states that if a vacancy occurs in the City Council and the remainder of the unexpired term is less than 12 months, City Council shall within 45 days of the vacancy being confirmed, by a majority vote of all remaining members, appoint a qualified person to complete the balance of the term left because of the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy of the Second Ward Council Seat occurred when Second Ward Councilmember F. Todd Culotta was elected to the Office of Mayor by the majority of persons who voted at the Annual City of Milford Election on April 27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution directs City Council to appoint a qualified individual to serve until the next Annual Organization Meeting takes place on May 5, 2025; and

WHEREAS, A motion to fill the vacancy shall be made as follows: “Motion to appoint _____ to serve the balance of the unexpired term of Councilmember F. Todd Culotta, due to said term being less than twelve months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILFORD:

SECTION 1.

On this date, May 6, 2024, City Council declared a vacancy in the Office of City Council, Second Ward.

SECTION 2

City Council shall appoint a qualified person to complete the remaining term in the Second Ward ending on May 5, 2025.

SECTION 3.

The Appointee shall take their Oath of Office as soon as possible to begin their term on City Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Milford to be affixed this 6th day of May 2024.

Mayor F. Todd Culotta

Attest:

City Clerk Teresa K. Hudson