

**Fishtown Kensington Area Business Improvement Board Meeting Minutes**  
**December 11, 2025**

Meeting called to order 10:02am

Attendees: Attendees – Janay Green, Paul Kimport, Marc Collazzo, Scott Nistico, Max Thalheimer, Lisa Mazzola, Justin Gibbons, Bianca DePietro Josh Olivo, Lee Stoetzel, Sanitation Commissioner Carlton Williams, Caroline Jones, L Rosas, Emily Resnick, Bob Everett, Ravi Bayaker, Keisha McCarty, and Randi Sherwood.

Marc welcomed everybody to the end of the year December Fishtown, Kensington area, BID board meeting.

Marc introduced Sanitation Commissioner Carlton Williams.

Carlton Williams – spoke and introduced Keisha McCarty Communication Director. Talking about the exciting opportunity for the entire North Phila area. The pilot program for 2 days a week trash collection.

Lisa mention she put in a claim about the a trash report that she has not heard back from anyone in a couple of months.

Presentation from Sanitation – safest, cleanest, greenest. South Philadelphia has already started this program. Illegal dumping, residential

Current – under Mayor Parker  
City wide cleaning initiative. Cleans community and quality of life issues.

Illegal dumping task force started – increased the number of people, surveillance cameras and fines.

Collect bulk items and schedule a time and pick up for free.

Mechanical street cleaning in different parts of the city and is done on a weekly basis in specific areas.

On call team of District cleaners to address immediate issues. 6 times a year for every.

32-gallon containers provided. North Central Phila 3F is where Fishtown/Kensington is located.

Collect 40,000 tons from the entire City. 3 F is about the same as others.

Illegal Dumping – impacts neighborhood appearance, public health, decrease prop value and increase crime.



We have received complaints at 311 – illegal dumping is #3

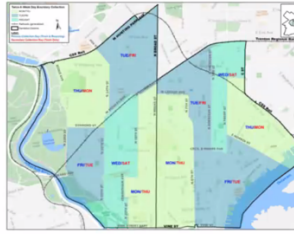
Population Density is how they decide where these programs are needed. Philadelphia zoning is also used to determine litter issues.

Solution – twice a week trash collection – high volumes  
20% decrease in calls to 311 for illegal dumping

## Beginning January 5, 2026

### Boundaries

<b>Monday and Thursday</b>	Corinthian Ave to N Broad St from W Glenwood Ave to Vine St N Broad St to N 6 <sup>th</sup> St from W Lehigh Ave to Vine St
<b>Tuesday and Friday</b>	N 24 <sup>th</sup> St to N Broad St from W Hunting Park Ave to W Glenwood Ave N Broad St to N American St from W Glenwood Ave to Cecil B Moore Ave
<b>Wednesday and Saturday</b>	N 25 <sup>th</sup> St to N 18 <sup>th</sup> St from W Sedgley Ave to Vine St N American St to "C" St from W Glenwood Ave to Cecil B Moore Ave
<b>Thursday and Monday</b>	Ridge Ave to N 24 <sup>th</sup> St from W Hunting Park Ave to Diamond St N Front St to Delaware River from E Lehigh Ave to E Norris St
<b>Friday and Tuesday</b>	N 33 <sup>rd</sup> St to N 25 <sup>th</sup> St from Diamond St to Fairmount Ave N 6 <sup>th</sup> St to Delaware River from E Norris St to Vine St



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Starts – Jan 5, 2026

Friday/Tuesday\*

Thurs/Mon

Tues/Friday\*

Wed/Sat

Mon/Thurs

What residents should do – trash cans can be set out after 5 pm – 7am winter the night before, summer 7pm – 7am

Rules and regulations – Residents will be able to set out (8) bags or (4) 32-gallon containers

2 pieces of bulk material

NO recycling on the second collection day

No holiday week second day collection – 13 City holidays

Mailing to everyone explaining the second day trash collection as well as the rules and regulations. Will also have website, press release, and social media.

Questions:

Marc – our area runs from Delaware River – Lehigh – so we are in the area. Our commercial trash is a different subject, but we do get issues with residential trash. Goal is to keep sidewalks clear, and concern is with having trash out too often.

Commissioner – not seeing problems of people throwing out trash on the sidewalk all week long. Less bags on commercial corridors. They have been sticking to the program. Education and notification of when they can set out their bags.

Roland – concern, walking corridor every day for 20 years. We don't have issues people dumping all week, but people are putting their trash out Thursday night and busiest night for restaurants. Twice a week bags will be out on the sidewalk where customers are walking. Doesn't believe we need 2-day a week trash pick up in our commercial corridor. Less trash accumulation with 2 day a week pick up.

Commissioner – on those corridors we will adjust and pick up quickly. Before restaurants open.

Deputy Commissioner Keith – we have not experienced that with South Phila businesses. Public input is extremely important, and we have a nighttime team to help. Response times have been reduced for these issues.

Janay – If we educate the businesses to put out their trash on the early day in the week. Big-belly trash cans being picked up more often. Alerting residents especially the apartments. More emphasis on bulk trash pickup rules and regulations.

Commissioner – sweep officer will provide information and will enforce and fine. Big bellies will be picked up and serviced frequently.

Bob – 400 block of E Girard – residents live above many of these businesses.

Justin – EKNA – some people who use large cans aren't using the South Philadelphia leaving their cans out all the time. Something to keep an eye on.

Marc thanked them for joining us.

Marc – reviewed what the Commissioners discussed. Talked to E Passyunk BID, liked it. And took a little education.

Board meeting minutes – motion – Paul and Janay approved.

## **Financial Report**

Marc introduced the financial report for November 2025

- a). Balance (as of 12/9/2025): \$78,926.83.
- b). BID Assessment Collections to Date (1/1/2025 to 11/30/2025): \$648,001.21.

Live Nation paid \$100,000.00 for its 2025 CDC Tax Credit obligation. 2026 Renewal Application timely filed.

Fishtown Co. Account Balance: \$48,398.15.

BID Assessment Revenue 2020: 9,008.27  
BID Assessment Revenue 2021: 12,597.23  
BID Assessment Revenue 2022: 16,275.60  
BID Assessment Revenue 2023: 35,378.18  
BID Assessment Revenue 2024: 64,797.85  
BID Assessment Revenue 2025: 543,906.81  
Credit for Exemptions -33,962.73

**Total for BID Assessment Revenue \$648,001.21**

**November Assessment Collections**

BID Assessment Revenue 2020: 142.86  
BID Assessment Revenue 2021: 131.52  
BID Assessment Revenue 2022: 135.77  
BID Assessment Revenue 2023: 11,067.20  
BID Assessment Revenue 2024: 11,849.72  
BID Assessment Revenue 2025: 15,441.69  
Credit for Exemptions -842.52

**Total for BID Assessment Revenue \$37,926.24**

**October Assessment Collection Total: \$77,617.14.**

**2025 v. 2024 Collections (as of 11/30/2025)**

**2025: \$648,001.21      2024: \$572,245.25**

Marc said we over had \$100,000 plus in collections over 2024. Trends month over month collections. September was slow but both October & November were good collection months.

CDC Tax credit will continue with Live Nation.

Motion to approve financial report Lisa motions -Janay seconds

**Janay Opening Statements**

End of the year – yay we made it – thanked everyone for allowing her to be the leader. More participation next year and doing more things collectively to keep going strong. Thanked the team. 2026 is going to be a big year for the city of Phila. We need to focus on how our corridor can participate and shine. Marc’s dream and everyone’s come to fruition.

## **Capital Improvement Update**

North Standard is finishing activation of porch swings and Front & Girard.

Captain Victoria Casale is the new captain – she has made a commitment to making the Fishtown District safer. She will make necessary personnel and leadership, also hold Septa accountable. Marc and Scott met with her to discuss how we can all work together.

Janay – new businesses coming to the intersection that should help with the vibe of the corner.

Marc - Vision Plan II and Northern Liberties Connector Plan should be activating in 2026. The grant for barrier has been filed. Always looking ahead.

## **Events & Marketing**

**Fishtown Freeze & Shopping Spree** – busy crowded and successful. We hounded people to get people involved. We wanted to do a progressive sale, but many businesses wanted to do something else. Saturday was great, but Sunday was less busy. Marc, Max, Bianca and Randi will sit down to discuss things we can improve.

Bianca – great for the most part. Flush out some ideas. Email sent to Max, come up with ideas and ether people want to do or not. Some ideas we can work on and its great event for next year. Get together in January for a planning and debrief.

Website – Randi presented the new website and it was met with overall positive reaction. A few changes requested and we will be working on updating some photos. Launch expected in January.

Fishtown Connect – multiple Philly directories have reached out – Join Philly Directory and Play Date App for community events and featured them. Thursday, Dec 8 Evil Genuis 6pm – whenever Holiday Business Gathering.

Rivers – wrapping up their toy drive. Working on community events for 2026 for consistent collections.

Adjourned 11:22am

Motion Janay and Paul seconded