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WHYY TO CO-HOST FORUM FOR DEMOCRATIC CITY CONTROLLER PRIMARY CANDIDATES

The three Democratic candidates for city controller will take part in a panel discussion from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, at the John Perzel Community Center in Mayfair, Northeast Philadelphia. The forum, which will be held 12 days before the primary election, is intended to inform voters of the importance of the controller position given the economic climate and outline the major differences separating the candidates.

The candidates are John Braxton, Alan Butkovitz (incumbent) and Brett Mandel.

The discussion will be hosted by NEastPhilly.com, a community news site for Northeast Philadelphia, in partnership with WHYY, John Perzel Community Center and Mayfair Community Development Corporation. The discussion will be moderated by former *Philadelphia Inquirer* editorial page editor Chris Satullo, now executive director of News and Civic Dialogue at WHYY.

In addition to fielding questions from the moderator, candidates will answer questions submitted by the audience and have the opportunity to question one another. Specific accommodations for photographers and other recording devices can be made upon request.

All members of the news media are welcome, but space is limited. Confirm attendance by Friday, May 1, by contacting Brian Rossiter of WHYY at (215) 351-2066 or brossiter@whyy.org or Christopher Wink of NEastPhilly.com at (215) 253-1406 or christopher.wink@gmail.com.

About Mayfair Community Development Corporation

The Mayfair Community Development Corporation (MCDC) is dedicated to promoting the Mayfair community as a "great place to live and work." It is the goal of the MCDC to develop and implement programs that encourage commercial and cultural partnerships, promote the education of the workforce, create employment opportunities and provide social services to the senior population. As opportunities arise, the MCDC will also be active in the rehabilitation of residential and commercial properties. The MCDC will be a part of the community and collaborate with other community organizations to attract programs and services that will enhance the community.

**About NEastPhilly.com**

NEastPhilly.com is a community news site and online magazine for Northeast Philadelphia that launched in November 2008 and is maintained by a collection of local residents. It offers daily news, analysis, multimedia, columns and commentary on everything that interests the proud, working-class neighborhoods of Northeast Philadelphia. It is also the home of NEast magazine, a print quarterly scheduled to begin publication in spring 2010.

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