

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES

Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Monday, April 1, 2024
10:07 a.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILMEMBER NINA AHMAD, CHAIR
COUNCILMEMBER CINDY BASS
COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL DRISCOLL
COUNCILMEMBER RUE LANDAU
COUNCILMEMBER QUETCY LOZADA
COUNCILMEMBER NICOLAS O'ROURKE

BILL 240015 - An ordinance adding a new
Chapter 6-1600 to The Philadelphia Code,
entitled "City Reports on Opioid Antidote
Use"...

BILL 240017 - An ordinance adding a new
Chapter 10-2700 to The Philadelphia Code,
entitled "City Reports on Impermissible
Camping"...

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2 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Good

3 morning. This hearing is called to

4 order. This is the public hearing of the

5 City Council Committee on Public Health

6 and Human Services. The purpose of this

7 public hearing is to hear testimony on

8 Bill Nos. 240015 and 240017.

9 The Clerk will please call the

10 roll.

11 THE CLERK: Chair Ahmad.

12 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Here.

13 THE CLERK: Councilmember Bass.

14 (No response.)

15 THE CLERK: Councilmember

16 Driscoll.

17 COUNCILMEMBER DRISCOLL:

18 Present.

19 THE CLERK: Councilmember

20 Landau.

21 COUNCILMEMBER LANDAU: Present.

22 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Lozada.

23 COUNCILMEMBER LOZADA: Present.

24 THE CLERK: Councilmember

25 O'Rourke.

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2 COUNCILMEMBER O'ROURKE:

3 Present.

4 THE CLERK: Councilmember

5 Thomas.

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Thank

8 you, Mr. Terry.

9 Will the Clerk please read the
10 titles of the Bills 240015 and 240017.

11 THE CLERK: Bill 240015, an
12 ordinance adding a new Chapter 6-1600 to
13 The Philadelphia Code, entitled "City
14 Reports on Opioid Antidote Use," to
15 require certain reports from the Office
16 of the Managing Director to Council
17 concerning the City's use of opioid
18 antidote, all under certain terms and
19 conditions; and

20 Bill No. 240017, an ordinance
21 adding a new Chapter 10-2700 to The
22 Philadelphia Code, entitled "City Reports
23 on Impermissible Camping," to require
24 certain reports from the Office of the
25 Managing Director to Council concerning

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2 camping activities carried out in
3 violation of the Code and the City's
4 efforts to address such activities, all
5 under certain terms and conditions.

6 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Thank
7 you.

8 Vice Chair Quetcy Lozada and
9 other members, do you have any comments
10 at this time?

11 COUNCILMEMBER LOZADA: I do
12 not.

13 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Okay. No
14 comments. Okay. Thank you.

15 The Clerk please call the first
16 witness to testify on these bills.

17 THE CLERK: There are no
18 witnesses to testify on either bill.

19 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Thank
20 you, Mr. Terry.

21 As there are no additional
22 comments from members, no witnesses, this
23 concludes the public hearing.

24 We will now go into a public
25 meeting to consider action to be taken on

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2 the bills heard today.

3 Okay. This public meeting to

4 consider Bills 240015 and 240017, will

5 the Clerk please call the roll.

6 THE CLERK: Chair Ahmad.

7 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Here.

8 THE CLERK: Councilmember Bass.

9 COUNCILMEMBER BASS: Present.

10 THE CLERK: Councilmember

11 Driscoll.

12 COUNCILMEMBER DRISCOLL:

13 Present.

14 THE CLERK: Councilmember

15 Landau.

16 COUNCILMEMBER LANDAU: Present.

17 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Lozada.

18 COUNCILMEMBER LOZADA: Present.

19 THE CLERK: Councilmember

20 O'Rourke.

21 COUNCILMEMBER O'ROURKE:

22 Present.

23 THE CLERK: Councilmember

24 Thomas.

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Thank
3 you, Mr. Terry.

4 A quorum of this Committee
5 being present, we will now consider Bills
6 240015 and 240017.

7 The Chair recognizes
8 Councilmember Lozada for a motion on
9 Bills No. 240015 and 240017.

10 COUNCILMEMBER LOZADA: Thank
11 you, Madam Chair. I move that Bills No.
12 240015 and 240017 be reported from this
13 Committee with a favorable recommendation
14 and further move that the rules of
15 Council be suspended to permit first
16 reading of these bills at the next
17 session of Council.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: It has
20 been moved and properly seconded that
21 Bills No. 240015 and 240017 be reported
22 from this Committee with a favorable
23 recommendation and further moved that the
24 rules of Council be suspended to permit
25 first reading of these bills at the next

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2 session of Council.

3 All those in favor of the

4 motion will signify by saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: Those

7 opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD: I say aye

10 too.

11 The ayes have it and the motion

12 carries. Bill No. 240015 and 240017 will

13 be reported from this Committee with a

14 favorable recommendation, with a request

15 that the rules of Council be suspended to

16 permit first reading at the next session

17 of Council.

18 This concludes the business of

19 this Committee on Public Health and Human

20 Services for today.

21 Thank you all very much.

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23 (Committee on Public Health and

24 Human Services concluded at 10:11 a.m.)

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2 CERTIFICATE

3 I HEREBY CERTIFY that the

4 proceedings, evidence and objections are

5 contained fully and accurately in the

6 stenographic notes taken by me upon the

7 foregoing matter, and that this is a true and

8 correct transcript of same.

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Public Hearing Notice

The **Committee on Public Health and Human Services** of the Council of the City of Philadelphia will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, April 1, 2024, at 10:00 AM, in Room 400, City Hall**, to hear testimony on the following items:

- 240015** An Ordinance adding a new Chapter 6-1600 to The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Reports on Opioid Antidote Use,” to require certain reports from the Office of the Managing Director to Council concerning the City’s use of opioid antidote, all under certain terms and conditions.
- 240017** An Ordinance adding a new Chapter 10-2700 to The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Reports on Impermissible Camping,” to require certain reports from the Office of the Managing Director to Council concerning camping activities carried out in violation of the Code and the City’s efforts to address such activities, all under certain terms and conditions.

Immediately following the public hearing, a meeting of the Committee on Public Health and Human Services, open to the public, will be held to consider the action to be taken on the above listed items.

Copies of the foregoing items are available in the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Council, Room 402, City Hall.



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City Council
Chief Clerk's Office
402 City Hall
Philadelphia, PA 19107

BILL NO. 240015

Introduced January 25, 2024

Councilmembers Lozada, Harrity, Driscoll, Phillips and Squilla

**Referred to the
Committee on Public Health and Human Services**

AN ORDINANCE

Adding a new Chapter 6-1600 to The Philadelphia Code, entitled "City Reports on Opioid Antidote Use," to require certain reports from the Office of the Managing Director to Council concerning the City's use of opioid antidote, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 6 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 6. HEALTH CODE

* * *

Chapter 6-1600. City Reports on Opioid Antidote Use

§ 6-1601. Definitions.

- (1) Opioid antidote. Defined in accordance with Code § 9-637.*
- (2) First Responders. City Employees working for the Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services, and the Office of Homeless Services.*
- (3) Repeat opioid antidote recipient. An individual who receives opioid antidote from a First Responder on at least two separate occasions that occur within at most thirty (30) days of each other.*
- (4) Reporting term. The period beginning May 1, 2024, and ending June 31, 2026.*

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BILL NO. 240015 continued

§ 6-1602. Reporting requirements.

(1) *During the reporting term, the Office of the Managing Director shall provide written reports to the Chief Clerk of Council that comply with the following requirements:*

(a) *Contents. Reports must include, at a minimum, the following information for the three (3) month period preceding the original report deadline:*

(.1) *The total number of individuals to whom First Responders administered opioid antidote, listed by department;*

(.2) *The total number of opioid antidote treatments administered by each department;*

(.3) *The number of repeat opioid antidote recipients to whom each department administered opioid antidote, provided that at least one such administration which took place within thirty (30) days of another administration must have occurred during the three (3) month period covered by the report;*

(.4) *The number of opioid antidote treatments that each department administered to each repeat opioid antidote recipient, along with a description of the amount of time that passed between each such administration of opioid antidote; and*

(.5) *The locations, identified by the nearest cross-street(s), where the department provided opioid antidote to any repeat opioid antidote recipients.*

(b) *Privacy protection. The information in the report must be anonymized and must not contain any identifying information about individuals discussed in the report.*

(c) *Timing. Reports shall be provided on a quarterly basis, beginning August 2024, and shall be due no later than the final business day of the months February, May, August, and November, unless an extension has been granted by the Council President.*

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

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BILL NO. 240015 continued

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.

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Chief Clerk's Office
402 City Hall
Philadelphia, PA 19107

BILL NO. 240017

Introduced January 25, 2024

Councilmembers Lozada, Harrity, Driscoll, Phillips, O'Neill and Squilla

**Referred to the
Committee on Public Health and Human Services**

AN ORDINANCE

Adding a new Chapter 10-2700 to The Philadelphia Code, entitled "City Reports on Impermissible Camping," to require certain reports from the Office of the Managing Director to Council concerning camping activities carried out in violation of the Code and the City's efforts to address such activities, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 10. REGULATION OF INDIVIDUAL CONDUCT AND ACTIVITY

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CHAPTER 10-2700. CITY REPORTS ON IMPERMISSIBLE CAMPING

§ 10-2701. Definitions.

(1) Impermissible camping. When done in violation of any provision of the Code, the use of any property for temporary or permanent outdoor living accommodation purposes, including: sleeping or making preparations to sleep; laying down or using for the purpose of sleeping any tent, tarpaulin, lean-to, sleeping bag, bedroll, mattress, blankets, or any form of cover or protection from the elements other than clothing; storing personal belongings; or making any fire.

(2) Reporting term. The two (2) year period beginning May 1, 2024, and ending June 31, 2026.

§ 10-2702. Reporting requirements.

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BILL NO. 240017 continued

(1) During the reporting term, the Office of the Managing Director shall provide written reports to the Chief Clerk of Council that comply with the following requirements:

(a) Contents. Reports must include, at a minimum, the following information for the two (2) month period preceding the original report deadline:

(.1) The total number of individuals with whom City employees initiated an interaction because such individuals were impermissibly camping, listed by department;

(.2) The number of such individuals referenced in Subsection (1)(a)(.1) with whom the department has initiated an interaction on more than one occasion during the two (2) month period covered by the report because such individuals were impermissibly camping;

(.3) The locations in the City where impermissible camping has repeatedly or continuously occurred during the two (2) month period covered by the report; and

(.4) A description of the services offered by each department to the individuals who are impermissibly camping, the frequency with which services were accepted, and, if available, information concerning individuals' reasons for refusing services that were offered.

(b) Privacy protection. The information in the report must be anonymized and must not contain any identifying information about individuals discussed in the report.

(c) Timing. Reports shall be provided on a bi-monthly basis, beginning July 2024, and shall be due no later than the final business day of the months January, March, May, July, September, and November, unless an extension has been granted by the Council President.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.