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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

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PUBLIC HEARING

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COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY AND

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INFORMATION SERVICES

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Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Tuesday, June 8, 2004
2:15 p.m.

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BILL 040615 - An Ordinance authorizing the
Chief Information Officer of the Mayor's
Office of Information Services, on behalf of
the City, to enter into multi-year contracts
with one or more providers of on-line
research services to be used by various City
and City-funded agencies, all under certain
terms and conditions.

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PRESENT:

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COUNCILMAN BRIAN O'NEILL, Chair
COUNCILWOMAN BLONDELL REYNOLDS BROWN
COUNCILMAN FRANK DICICCO
COUNCILWOMAN JOAN KRAJEWSKI
COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO
COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN TASCO

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KARL BORTNICK, Mayor's Office of Information Services.....	4
LEWIS ROSMAN, Law Dept.....	4

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2 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Good afternoon.

3 This is the first ever meeting of the
4 Committee on Technology and Information
5 Services. I hope it's not the last. I note
6 that we have a quorum of the following
7 members: Councilman Frank Rizzo, Councilman
8 Frank DiCicco, Councilwoman Joan Krajewski.

9 The Clerk will please read the
10 following bill: 040615.

11 THE CLERK: Bill 040615, an
12 ordinance authorizing the Chief Information
13 Officer of the Mayor's Office of Information
14 Services, on behalf of the City, to enter into
15 multi-year contracts with one or more
16 providers of on-line research services to be
17 used by various City and City-funded agencies,
18 all under certain terms and conditions.

19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Could the
20 witnesses identify themselves as a group.

21 MR. LANE: Good afternoon,
22 Councilman O'Neill and Members of the
23 Technology Committee of City Council. I am
24 Christopher Lane, Director of Administration
25 for the Law Department here to testify in

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2 support of this bill. The Mayor's Office of
3 Information Services is here as well. We
4 jointly manage this contract. I manage the
5 logistics of it; they manage the financing of
6 it.

7 MR. BORTNICK: Good afternoon
8 Councilmembers, Members of the Committee. I'm
9 Karl Bortnick, Mayor's Office of Information
10 Services. I'm here on behalf of Dianah Neff
11 to testify on behalf of this bill.

12 MR. ROSMAN: I'm Lewis Rosman, an
13 attorney with the Law Department. I'm just
14 here available to answer your questions. I'm
15 the representative of the users of these types
16 of services.

17 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Mr. Bortnick

18 MR. BORTNICK: In the past, the
19 Mayor's Office of Information Services has put
20 in place a multi-year contract which permits
21 the personnel of the City as well as other
22 departmental staff people to access services
23 provided for legal records and online legal
24 serve searches.

25 Once again, we are before you

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2 seeking your support on this bill because it
3 permits us and gives us the opportunity to
4 negotiate favorable terms and costs on behalf
5 of the City. And for this purpose, the Law
6 Department has drafted this bill.

7 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: We have
8 prepared testimony submitted by your boss,
9 Dianah Neff, and we'll submit it for the
10 record.

11 I understand there's substantial
12 savings of 100,000 to 200,000 a year potential
13 on this?

14 MR. LANE: Correct, sir.

15 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Do you have
16 anything to add, Mr. Lane?

17 MR. LANE: I think the testimony
18 speaks itself. We're here to entertain any
19 questions you may have.

20 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: We have your
21 testimony; we have Ms. Neff's.

22 Any questions for the witnesses?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Hearing none,
25 that concludes the public hearing.

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Public meeting conducted by the
Committee on Technology and Information
Services, held in Room 400, City Hall,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the above date,
to consider action on the following:

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BILL 040615.

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2 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: We'll now go
3 into our public meeting.

4 The Chair welcomes Councilwoman
5 Marian Tasco. If the Council Lady doesn't
6 mind, I'd ask for a motion on Bill NO. 040615
7 and a request for a Rules suspension.

8 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: I move Bill
9 040615 be reported out of this Committee with
10 a favorable recommendation, and a request for
11 suspension of the Rules so that this bill can
12 be heard at the next Council Session.

13 (Duly seconded.)

14 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: I also
15 recognize Vice Chair of the Committee,
16 Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown.

17 Welcome, Councilwoman.

18 COUNCILWOMAN BROWN: Thank you.

19 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: Is there a
20 second?

21 (Duly seconded.)

22 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: All in favor,
23 aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: All opposed?

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(No response.)

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COUNCILMAN O'NEILL: The ayes have
it, and the motion passes.

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This concludes our public hearing.
Thank you very much. We will report the bill
out at the next Council session.

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(Council adjourned at 2:25 p.m.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing
proceedings of the Council of the City of
Philadelphia of Tuesday, June 8, 2004, were
reported fully and accurately by me, and that
this is a correct transcript of the same.

RE: COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY AND
INFORMATION SERVICES

Lisa C. Bradley, RPR