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2 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
3 PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC MEETING
4 BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

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10 BILL 990101 - Authorizing Courtyard Annex LLC to
11 construct. . .
12 BILL 990146 - Authorizing Lights of Liberty to
13 construct. . .
14 BILL 990147 - Granting permission to Procacci
15 Brothers Sales to construct. . .
16 BILL 990054 - Amending Section 2 of an ordinance
17 (Bill No. 970348) approved July 1, 1997. . .
18 BILL 990088 - Authorizing the revision of lines
19 and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 307. . .
20 BILL 990090 - Amending Section 2 of an ordinance
21 (Bill No. 970827). . .
22 BILL 990100 - Authorizing the revision of lines
23 and grades on a portion of City Plan 329. . .
24 BILL 980763 - Relating to permit parking districts
25 by adding a new subsection. . .
BILL 990004 - Establish a parking regulation. . .
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BILL 990081 - " " " "
BILL 990058 - " " " "
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BILL 990080 - " " " "

(Full text of all bills attached to testimony.)

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2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Good afternoon,
4 everyone. The Committee on Streets and Services
5 is now in session. In attendance with me is
6 Councilmember Cohen. There are a number of other
7 Councilmembers who will be joining us shortly.

8 What we're going to do is take the
9 three street ordinances first.

10 All right, Mike? You only have three,
11 right? So you don't have to wait around for all
12 the parking stuff.

13 I will read the title of the first
14 bill, Bill No. 980763, I'm sorry, correction. I'm
15 read the wrong bill.

16 Which bill's yours, Mike?

17 MR. LONGSHORE: Page 2, 990101.
18 Courtyard Annex.

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: 99. . .

20 MR. LONGSHORE: 9191.

21 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: 100 and 101?

22 MR. LONGSHORE: 101.

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: 100 also?

24 MR. LONGSHORE: No, that's -- 101.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Just 101?

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2 MR. LONGSHORE: Yeah.

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Okay, Bill No.

4 990101 Bill No. 990101, an ordinance authorizing
5 the Courtyard Annex L.L.C., a Delaware limited
6 liability company, owner of 23-31 North Juniper
7 Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19107, to construct and
8 maintain various encroachments under, over, and on
9 the public right-of-way of Juniper Street between
10 Commerce Street and Filbert Street, under certain
11 terms and conditions.

12 Please state your name for the record.

13 MR. LONGSHORE: Good afternoon,
14 Chairman DiCicco, City Councilmembers. My name is
15 Mike Longshore. I'm the Chief Permits Officer,
16 representing the Department of Streets in today's
17 testimony.

18 In reference to Bill No. 990101, this
19 is not an administration ordinance, but rather an
20 by request on behalf of Courtyard Annex LLC, a
21 Delaware limited liability company, owner of 23-31
22 North Juniper Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19107.

23 The purpose of this ordinance is to
24 acquire from City Council the permission to
25 construct and maintain various encroachments

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2 under, over, and on the public right-of-way of
3 Juniper Street between Commerce Street and Filbert
4 Street. These include three electrified canopies
5 with concrete columns and footings projecting
6 under and over the east right-of-way of Juniper
7 Street, with a maximum projection of
8 33-feet-5-inches, and vertical clearances of 20
9 feet above the footway. Also a traffic planner
10 area projecting 50-foot-4-inches from the property
11 line on to and under the east right-of-way Juniper
12 Street between Filbert and Commerce Street. And
13 an electrified cylindrical aluminum pylon sign,
14 approximately 5 foot in height and located at the
15 tip of the traffic island planner approximately 73
16 foot south of the south curb line of Filbert
17 Street.

18 The Committee of Highway Supervisors is
19 currently reviewing this application, with
20 approvals expected shortly; therefore, the
21 Department of Streets has no objection to the
22 passage of this bill.

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

24 Any questions from the committee of
25 this witness?

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2 (No questions.)

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Anyone else here
4 who wishes to testify for or against this bill?

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Just could he tell
6 us very briefly what's it going to look like and
7 why did he need it? Yeah.

8 MR. LONGSHORE: Councilman, it's
9 basically going to look like the planner area
10 outside of the old Wanamaker's building, if you
11 can picture that. It's going to be -- I believe
12 they call it a porte cochere, a carriage drop-off,
13 like --

14 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: An Italian
15 sidewalk.

16 MR. LONGSHORE: That's correct, an
17 Italian sidewalk.

18 COUNCILMAN COHEN: It's going to
19 improve the appearance.

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Absolutely. And
21 actually, we believe, from the studies that have
22 been done, will also create a much more safer
23 situation for pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

24 MR. LONGSHORE: That's correct.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: You know, as it

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2 goes now, people just literally go straight
3 through to Juniper Street without really slowing
4 down.

5 MR. LONGSHORE: Right.

6 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: This will cause
7 people to have to slow down and go around the
8 island or the little whatever that is called to
9 get into Filbert Street.

10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Okay.

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: And because the
12 hotel will be there, they're going to need an area
13 for passenger unloading and loading along where
14 the annex, which is now going to be the new hotel.

15 Any other questions for this witness?

16 (No further questions at this time.)

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: For the record, we
18 now have a quorum: Councilmembers Ortiz, Miller,
19 Rizzo, and Mariano are now present.

20 Mike, the next one is 146?

21 MR. LONGSHORE: Yes, sir.

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Lights of
23 Liberty?

24 MR. LONGSHORE: Yes.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Okay. The clerk

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2 will please read the title of the bill.

3 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990146, an
4 ordinance authorizing Lights of Liberty, 150 South
5 Independence Mall West, Philadelphia,
6 Pennsylvania, to construct, operate, and maintain
7 four raised panel boxes on various public
8 rights-of-way for a light show production in the
9 Independence Mall area, all under certain terms
10 and conditions.

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Good afternoon.

12 MR. LONGSHORE: Good afternoon,
13 Chairman DiCicco, City Councilmembers. My name is
14 Mike Longshore. I'm the Chief Permits Officer,
15 representing the Department of Streets in today's
16 testimony.

17 In reference to Bill No. 990146, this
18 is not an administrative ordinance, but rather an
19 ordinance by request on behalf of Lights of
20 Liberty, 150 South Independence Mall West,
21 Philadelphia, PA, 19106.

22 The purpose of this ordinance is to
23 acquire from City Council the permission to
24 construct, operate, and maintain four raised panel
25 boxes on various public rights-of-way for a light

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2 show production in the Independence Mall area.

3 The panel boxes are located in the
4 following areas: the south footway of Chestnut
5 Street, 82 foot east of the east curb line of
6 Fourth Street and 16 foot south of the south curb
7 line of Chestnut Street; the north footway of
8 Walnut Street, 143 foot east of the east curb line
9 of Independence Mall East; and 10-foot-6-inches
10 north of the north curb line of Walnut Street; the
11 east footway of Independence Mall East, 250 foot
12 north of the north curb line of Walnut Street,
13 10-foot-6-inches east of the east curb line of
14 Independence Mall East; and the west footway of
15 Independence Mall East, 264 foot north of the
16 north curb line of Walnut Street, and
17 10-foot-6-inches west to the west curb line of
18 Independence Mall East.

19 The Department of Streets has reviewed
20 the plan of this project and has no objection to
21 the passage of this bill.

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any questions for
23 this witness from the committee?

24 (No questions.)

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Anyone else here

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2 who wishes to testify for or against the bill?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
5 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

6 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990147, an
7 ordinance granting permission to Procacci Brothers
8 Sales, 3655 South Lawrence Street, Philadelphia,
9 PA, 19148, to construct, use, and maintain two
10 four-inch ducts for fiber optic lines, under
11 various public rights-of-way, all under certain
12 terms and conditions.

13 MR. LONGSHORE: Good afternoon,
14 Chairman DiCicco, City Councilmembers. My name is
15 Mike Longshore. I'm the Chief Permits Officer,
16 representing the Department of Streets in today's
17 testimony.

18 In reference to Bill No. 990147, this
19 is not an administrative ordinance, but rather an
20 ordinance by request on behalf of Procacci
21 Brothers Sales, 3655 South Lawrence Street,
22 Philadelphia, PA, 19148.

23 The purpose of this ordinance is to
24 acquire from City Council the permission to
25 construct, use, and maintain two four-inch ducts

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2 for fiber optic lines for the purposes of
3 supplying telecommunication services to their
4 building. The rights-of-way that will be crossed
5 are the following:

6 Front Street, 792 foot north of the
7 north curb line of Pattison Avenue, for a distance
8 of 120 feet; Third Street, 292 foot north of the
9 north curb line of Pattison Avenue, for a distance
10 of 80 feet; Lawrence Street, 406 foot north of the
11 north curb line of Pattison Avenue, for a distance
12 of 88 foot; and Pattison Avenue, 16 foot east of
13 the east curb line of Lawrence Street, for a
14 distance of 120 feet.

15 The Committee of Highway Supervisors is
16 currently reviewing this application, with
17 approvals expected shortly; therefore, the
18 Department of Streets has no objection to the
19 passage of this bill.

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Are there any
21 questions from the committee for this witness?

22 (No questions.)

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
24 else here who wishes to testify for or against the
25 bill?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
4 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

5 Thank you, Mike. We're going to do a
6 rules suspension on all three, Mike, 'cause I know
7 we have to get this --

8 MR. LONGSHORE: Oh, thank you.

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: How many does the
10 Planning Commission have? How many do you have,
11 Marty?

12 MR. SOFFER: Three.

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Why don't we do
14 the three and then we'll do the parking, okay?

15 MR. SOFFER: Okay.

16 THE CLERK: Bill No. 980965 has been
17 withdrawn at the request of the sponsor.

18 Bill No. 990054 is yours, Marty?

19 MR. SOFFER: 54, I believe it is.

20 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990054, amending
21 Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No. 970348)
22 approved July 1, 1997, entitled "an ordinance
23 authorizing and directing the revision of lines
24 and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 58 of an
25 area bounded by Poplar Street, 12th Street,

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2 Parrish Street, and Watts Street, by revising the
3 lines and grades of Ogden Street from Watts Street
4 to 13th Street and by striking from the City Plan
5 and vacating Myrtle Street from 12th Street to
6 Watts Street, all under certain terms and
7 conditions, including the dedication to the City
8 of the unopened portions of the widened portions
9 of Ogden Street," by extending the period for
10 compliance with the authorization conditions
11 therein to December 31, 1999.

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: I'm sorry.

13 MR. SOFFER: Good afternoon, Chairman
14 and members of the committee.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please state your
16 name for the record.

17 MR. SOFFER: I'm Marty Soffer, City
18 Planning Commission.

19 The proposed ordinance authorizes the
20 striking from the City Plan and the vacating of a
21 minor unneeded street in the West Poplar section
22 of North Philadelphia. The purpose of this
23 ordinance is to assist the developer to implement
24 Phase 2 of a West Poplar residential development,
25 which will consist of the construction of 55

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2 single-family homes.

3 Therefore, by action at its meeting on
4 May 22, 1997, the Planning Commission recommends
5 that Bill No. 990054 be approved.

6 Thank you.

7 MR. LONIE: Good afternoon, Mr.
8 Chairman, members of the Committee. My name is
9 Paul Lonie, Survey Bureau Manager of the Streets
10 Department and would like to give the following
11 testimony on Bill No. 990054.

12 This is not an administration ordinance
13 but an ordinance by request by Mr. William
14 McDowell of the Philadelphia Redevelopment
15 Authority, 1234 Market Street. The purpose of
16 this ordinance is to extend the expiration date of
17 an ordinance approved July 1, 1997. The purpose
18 of that ordinance was to grant the authority to
19 widen Ogden Street, strike Myrtle Street as part
20 of the West Poplar Phase 2 development.

21 This ordinance is supported by the
22 Department of Streets and is recommended to your
23 committee for favorable action.

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: (Addressing
25 Matthew Walker.) You're on. This is your debut.

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2 MR. WALKER: Good afternoon.

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please state your
4 name for the record.

5 MR. WALKER: My name is Matthew Walker.
6 Mr. Chairman and members of the Streets and
7 Services committee, I am Matt Walker, Project
8 Manager of --

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Matt, excuse me.
10 You need to speak more directly into the
11 microphone and bring it as close as possible.

12 MR. WALKER: Excuse me.

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

14 MR. WALKER: I am here today to speak
15 in support of Bill No. 990054, which would amend
16 Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill No. 970348)
17 approved July 1, 1997. That ordinance authorized
18 a portion of Myrtle Street, from North 12th to
19 Watts Street, to be stricken from the City Plan;
20 and a portion of Ogden Street, from North 13th
21 Street to Watts Street to be widened.

22 The new street is being constructed as
23 part of the overall West Poplar Home Ownership
24 Development, which will include 176 units once all
25 the phases now underway are fully completed.

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2 Sixteen of the units that were completed in this
3 Phase 2-A of the development now sit on the street
4 Ogden Court, in the new phase. These new homes
5 have buyers that are ready to settle and occupy
6 these units.

7 The Redevelopment Authority of the City
8 of Philadelphia, in order to complete its
9 obligations under the ordinance, the filing of all
10 agreements, releases, indemnifications, bonds,
11 assurances, and deeds of dedication required by
12 the ordinance will require the compliance period
13 to be extended to December 31, 1999. The
14 Redevelopment Authority remains the party of
15 interest referred to in the ordinance
16 notwithstanding the acquisition of title to
17 properties by Poplar Enterprise Development
18 Corporation pursuant to the redevelopment
19 agreement dated February 14, 1997.

20 The RDA will perform all work with
21 respect to Ogden and Myrtle Streets referred to in
22 the ordinance at its sole cost and expense.

23 Chairperson and members of the Streets
24 and Services Committee, on behalf, of the
25 Redevelopment Authority, I respectfully urge

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2 favorable consideration of Bill No. 990054.

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you. Are
4 there any questions from the committee for this
5 witness?

6 (No questions.)

7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Anyone else who
8 wishes to testify for or against the bill?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
11 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

12 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990088, an
13 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
14 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 307 by
15 relocating a portion of the westerly curb line of
16 20th Street between Cherry Street and Race Street,
17 under certain terms and conditions.

18 MR. SOFFER: Chairman and members of
19 the street committee, my name is Marty Soffer,
20 from the Philadelphia City Planning Commission.

21 The proposed ordinance authorizes the
22 widening of the cartway portion of a street
23 located in the Logan Square section of Center
24 City. The purpose of this ordinance is to permit
25 construction of a vehicle lay-by lane that will

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2 provide to handicap access to a vacant office
3 building redeveloped as 135 units of senior
4 housing.

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. Chairman, would
6 you ask the witness to speak more directly into
7 the microphone and to go over the purpose of what
8 you said. I heard every other word.

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: The Councilman
10 heard "senior citizen facility," so he's quite
11 interested at this moment.

12 (Laughter.)

13 MR. SOFFER: This is a building that at
14 one time was a research for Franklin Institute.

15 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Could you speak into
16 the microphone. You know, hold it as closely as
17 I'm doing it.

18 MR. SOFFER: Okay. This is a building
19 that at one time was a research building for the
20 Franklin Institute. It has been vacant for a good
21 number of years. There is a developer who would
22 like to convert that into a 135-unit senior
23 citizen housing unit. And that's the history of
24 it.

25 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Is that near the

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2 present Riverside Presbyterian development?

3 MR. SOFFER: No.

4 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I was hoping it was
5 so we'd have more customers for a certain SEPTA
6 bus line.

7 MR. SOFFER: No, it's not. It's
8 immediately across from the Franklin Institute
9 itself, across on 20th Street.

10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: All right, thank
11 you.

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

13 The Chair recognizes Councilmember
14 Rizzo.

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I have a question in
16 reference to process. Are we doing this before
17 you have a commitment that this development's
18 going to be agreed upon? Is this development a
19 done deal, or are we doing this before the
20 developer agrees to do the project?

21 MR. SOFFER: It is my understanding
22 that the developer has made a commitment. It's
23 been already approved for design, for design
24 review -- a number of reviews have been
25 completed. And the last remaining issue is to

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2 change the curb cut to make it accessible for that
3 proposed use.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: We're going to do it
5 on paper but not physically do the work until you
6 know you have a done deal; am I correct?

7 MR. SOFFER: I guess that would be the
8 -- yeah, yes, that could be a part of the
9 agreements. Yeah, that's a question -- forgive
10 me.

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: We need to hear
12 from Mr. Lonie.

13 MR. SOFFER: The attorneys for the
14 Streets Department will be the final. . .

15 MR. LONIE: Good afternoon, Mr.
16 Chairman. My name is Paul Lonie, Survey Bureau
17 Manager of the Streets Department. The Streets
18 Department would like to offer the following
19 testimony on Bill No. 990088:

20 This is not an administration ordinance
21 but an ordinance requested by Mr. Albert Tantella
22 of Tantella Associates, 4903 Frankford Avenue.
23 The purpose of this ordinance is to create
24 drop-off lane to provide safe access to a new
25 senior living facility.

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2 This ordinance is supported by the
3 Department of Streets and is recommended to your
4 committee for favorable action.

5 What we generally do in a case like
6 this is, we -- sometimes Councilmatic procedures
7 can kind of be a little time-consuming, so what we
8 do is we get this ordinance now. But in the body
9 of the ordinance, there's release and indemnity
10 agreements and a bond that we make them fund this
11 project even if they don't do that.

12 So we tie them up pretty tightly to not
13 doing this until the project actually goes into
14 fruition. And we bond them until that point
15 occurs.

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: But we won't
17 physically develop this structure or this facility
18 or this parking area until -- what good's having a
19 bond and having an area that's not going to be
20 usable?

21 MR. LONIE: Right. No, they're not
22 authorized to construct this until this has been
23 confirmed by the Board of Surveyors of the
24 Department of Streets. We ask them to sign a lot
25 of agreements -- indemnity release agreements and

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2 different types of bonds and things like that --
3 to make sure that this doesn't occur. And until
4 that occurs, no construction permits will be
5 issued.

6 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Okay, thank you.
7 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

8 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.
9 Any other questions for this witness?
10 (No questions.)

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Anyone else here
12 who wishes to testify for or against the bill?
13 (No response.)

14 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
15 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

16 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990090, an
17 ordinance amending Section 2 of an ordinance (Bill
18 No. 970827), approved March 2, 1998, entitled "an
19 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
20 grades on a portion of City Plan No. 307 by
21 widening Eleventh Street on the westerly side from
22 Arch Street to a point approximately 229 feet
23 southwardly therefrom and connecting with diagonal
24 expansion to the existing confirmed curb line and
25 house line, under certain terms and conditions,

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2 including the dedication to the City of the
3 widened portion of Eleventh Street."

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please state your
5 name for the record.

6 MR. SOFFER: Okay. My name is Martin
7 Soffer, from the City Planning Commission.

8 The proposed ordinance authorizes the
9 widening of a street located near the Convention
10 Center in the Market East section of Center City.
11 The purpose of this ordinance is to widen
12 cartway at Eleventh Street to enable Switzenbaum
13 Pace Joint Venture to construct a drop-off lane in
14 front of the proposed 282-room Hilton Garden Inn
15 valet parking entrance.

16 Therefore, by action at its meeting of
17 January, 15, 1998, the Planning Commission
18 recommended that Bill No. 990090 be approved.

19 Thank you.

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: I have a question.

22 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: The Chair
23 recognizes Councilman Cohen.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Who pays for this?
25 Who's going to pay for the cost of the widening?

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2 With the bill just immediately before, we assumed
3 the developer's paying for the cost. How about
4 this bill? Who is the developer?

5 MR. LONIE: Mr. Chairman, my name's
6 Paul Lonie representing the Department of Streets,
7 and I'd like to give this testimony.

8 The developer is a combination joint
9 venture between Switzenbaum Pace, which is a
10 company, and Hilton Gardens themselves. One of
11 the requirements in this ordinance is that this be
12 billed at their sole cost and expense. And,
13 again, to get the permits and everything like
14 that, we asked them to place in advance. We know
15 they have the money so that they can't come back
16 at us at a later date and say, Well, you have to
17 pay for it. That is in the ordinance itself.

18 All this does is extends the time of
19 that ordinance, the original ordinance, and that
20 was in the body of that original ordinance.

21 COUNCILMAN COHEN: That's the ordinance
22 referred to as 970827?

23 MR. LONIE: That's correct.

24 COUNCILMAN COHEN: All right, thank you
25 very much.

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2 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you. Any
3 other questions for these witnesses from the
4 committee?

5 (No further questions.)

6 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
7 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

8 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990100, an
9 ordinance authorizing the revision of lines and
10 grades on a portion of City Plan 329 of the area
11 bounded by Pratt Street, Penn Street, Bridge
12 Street, Bustleton Avenue, and Frankford Avenue, by
13 relocating the northeasterly curb line of Pratt
14 Street and establishing a cutback corner at the
15 northwest corner of Pratt Street and Frankford
16 Avenue, under certain terms and conditions.

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please state your
18 name for the record.

19 MR. SOFFER: Chairman and members of
20 the committee, my name is Martin Soffer, from the
21 Philadelphia City Planning Commission.

22 The proposed ordinance authorizes the
23 relocation of a street curb line located in the
24 Frankford section of Northeast Philadelphia. The
25 purpose of this ordinance is to help traffic flow

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2 and SEPTA vehicle access in support of the
3 \$140 million of improvements to the Frankford
4 transportation center.

5 Therefore, by action at its meeting on
6 March 18, 1999, the City Planning Commission
7 recommends that Bill No. 990100 be approved.

8 Thank you.

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please state your
10 name for the record.

11 MR. LONIE: Good afternoon, Mr.
12 Chairman, members of the committee. My name is
13 Paul Lonie. I'm Survey Bureau Manager of the
14 Department of Streets, and I'd like to offer the
15 following testimony on Bill No. 990100:

16 This is not an administration ordinance
17 but an ordinance requested by Miss Cynthia Bray
18 (ph.), Project Manager of SEPTA, 1234 Market
19 Street. The purpose of this ordinance is to
20 revise the curblines of Pratt Street facilitate
21 SEPTA's plan for improvement facilities.

22 This ordinance is supported by the
23 Department of Streets and is recommend to your
24 committee for favorable action.

25 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Mr. Chairman, may I

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2 just raise a question?

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: The Chair
4 recognizes Councilman Cohen.

5 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Again, on the
6 question of costs, is it a SEPTA cost or is it a
7 City cost?

8 MR. LONIE: This is a complete SEPTA
9 cost. We have no funds in this project at all.

10 COUNCILMAN COHEN: So it comes out of
11 the budget, apparently, Mr. Chairman that we
12 approved for SEPTA.

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Absolutely.

14 COUNCILMAN COHEN: Very good, thank
15 you.

16 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any other
17 questions for these witnesses?

18 (No further questions.)

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
20 else here to wishes to testify for or against this
21 bill?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
24 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

25 Thank you, gentlemen.

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2 Parking Authority.

3 (Catherine Confair comes forward.)

4 THE CLERK: Bill No. 980763, an
5 ordinance amending Chapter 12-2700 of The
6 Philadelphia Code, relating to permit parking
7 districts by adding a new subsection designating a
8 new permit parking district.

9 MS. CONFAIR: Good afternoon. My name
10 is Catherine Confair. I'm an analyst with the
11 Philadelphia Parking Authority.

12 Bill 980763, introduced by Councilman
13 DiCicco by request. This bill changes the
14 boundaries of Residential Permit Parking District
15 No. 25. The new boundaries are as follows:

16 The area bound by the east side of
17 Kensington Avenue to York Street; York Street to
18 the east side of Sixth Street on the west; the
19 south side of Allegheny Avenue on the north; the
20 north side of Girard Avenue on the south; and the
21 Delaware expressway on the east.

22 This action was requested by area
23 residents to provide for better access to
24 on-street parking. The Philadelphia Parking
25 Authority recommends favorable consideration of

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2 this bill.

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: The Chair
4 recognizes Councilmember Rizzo.

5 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I recently
6 experienced a situation where people were ticketed
7 for parking in a newly created residential parking
8 area, and it was learned that the leaflets, or
9 whatever they do to notify people that may not be
10 aware that park in that area.

11 Could you explain process of education
12 so people don't receive tickets unnecessarily when
13 this area is created.

14 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Are you speaking
15 to residents or nonresidents?

16 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: The nonresidents.

17 MS. CONFAIR: When a new block is
18 posted, for ten days following the posting, we put
19 the handouts on the cars. We've experienced
20 children taking them off the cars or just people
21 taking them off and throwing them away.

22 But usually, it's a ten-day period that
23 these are a couple times a day because there are
24 cars in and out.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: So there is an

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2 effort to notify the people?

3 MS. CONFAIR: Yes, yes.

4 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: There's a ten-day
5 period?

6 MS. CONFAIR: Yes, a ten-day period.

7 And they do go through the block several times to
8 place them. It's not just a one-time thing; they
9 go through several times to place them on the
10 cars.

11 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you.

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

13 Any other questions for this witness?

14 (No further questions at this time.).

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Please read the
16 title of the next bill.

17 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990004, an
18 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on the
19 west side of the 4200 block of Penn Street and the
20 north side of the 1400 block of Church Street.

21 MS. CONFAIR: I believe that's the
22 Streets Department. It's no parking during school
23 hours. It's the Streets Department.

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: We're going to
25 have to hold it.

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2 THE CLERK: Okay. Bill No. 990057, an
3 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
4 Snyder Avenue, both sides, 12th Street to 13th
5 Street.

6 MS. CONFAIR: Bill No. 990057,
7 introduced by Councilman DiCicco by request. This
8 bill establishes a parking regulation on Snyder
9 Avenue, both sides, 12th Street to 13th Street.

10 This new regulation has been in effect
11 for a period of at least eight months, with no
12 apparent problems. The Philadelphia Parking
13 Authority recommends favorable consideration of
14 this bill.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Excuse me, let me
16 go off the record for a minute.

17 (Councilman DiCicco addresses Paul
18 Lonie off the record.)

19 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Back on the
20 record. We'll finish this bill and then come
21 back.

22 MS. CONFAIR: There's another one,
23 also, for them.

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Okay. Are there
25 any questions on Bill No. 990057?

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2 (No questions.)

3 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
4 clerk will read the title of the previous bill
5 that we thought we we'd have to hold, which is
6 Bill No. 990004.

7 THE CLERK: An ordinance establishing a
8 parking regulation on the west side of the 4200
9 block of Penn Street and the north side of the
10 1400 block of Church Street.

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: What was the other
12 one?

13 MS. CONFAIR: The other one is 990081,
14 no parking any time, Decatur Road.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Okay, thank you.

16 MR. LONIE: Good afternoon, Mr.
17 Chairman and members of the committee. My name is
18 Paul Lonie, Survey Bureau Manager for the
19 Department of Streets offering the following on
20 testimony on 990004:

21 This is an ordinance changing the
22 parking regulations on the 4200 block of Penn
23 Street, and the Streets Department has no
24 objection to this ordinance.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any questions for

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES - 990004

2 this witness?

3 (No questions.)

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
5 else here who wishes to testify for or against
6 this bill?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
9 clerk will please read the title of the next bill.

10 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990081, an
11 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
12 Decatur Road, east side, between Darnell Street
13 and Drummond Road.

14 MR. LONIE: Good afternoon, Mr.
15 Chairman and members of the committee. My name is
16 Paul Lonie, Survey Bureau Manager of the
17 Department of Streets, and the Streets Department
18 would like to offer the following testimony on
19 Bill No. 990081:

20 This establishes a parking regulation
21 of no parking any time on Decatur Road, the east
22 side, between Darnell Road and Drummond Road. And
23 the Streets Department has no objection to this
24 ordinance.

25 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any questions for

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES - 990081

2 this witness?

3 (No questions.)

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
5 else here who wishes to testify for or against
6 this bill?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
9 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

10 Thank you, Paul.

11 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990058, an
12 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
13 Fitzwater Street, north side, Sixth Street to
14 Seventh Street; and on Fitzwater Street, south
15 side, Sixth Street to Sheridan Street.

16 MS. CONFAIR: My name is Catherine
17 Confair. I'm an analyst with the Philadelphia
18 Parking Authority.

19 In regards to Bill No. 990058, it was
20 introduced by Councilman DiCicco by request. This
21 bill establishes a parking regulation on Fitzwater
22 Street, north side, Sixth Street to Seventh
23 Street; and on Fitzwater Street, south side, Sixth
24 Street to Sheridan Street.

25 This new regulation has been in effect

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2 for a period of eight months, with no apparent
3 problems. The Philadelphia Parking Authority
4 recommends favorable consideration of this bill.

5 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Thank you.

6 Any questions for this witness?

7 (No questions.)

8 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
9 else here who wishes to testify for or against
10 this bill?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
13 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

14 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990079, an
15 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
16 Eighth Street, west side, Fitzwater Street to
17 Catharine Street; and on Eighth Street, east side,
18 Fitzwater Street to St. Albans Street.

19 MS. CONFAIR: Bill No. 990079,
20 introduced by Councilman DiCicco by request. This
21 bill establishes a parking regulation on Eighth
22 Street, west side, Fitzwater Street to Catharine
23 Street; and on Eighth Street, east side, Fitzwater
24 Street to St. Alban's Street.

25 This new regulation has been in effect

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2 for a period of at least eight months with no
3 apparent problems. The Philadelphia Parking
4 Authority recommends favorable consideration of
5 this bill.

6 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any questions for
7 this witness?

8 (No questions.)

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
10 else here who wishes to testify for or against
11 this bill?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
14 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

15 THE CLERK: Bill No. 990080, an
16 ordinance establishing a parking regulation on
17 Salter Street, south side, Seventh Street to
18 Eighth Street.

19 MS. CONFAIR: Bill 990080, introduced
20 by Councilman DiCicco by request. This bill
21 establishes a parking regulation on Salter Street
22 south side, Seventh Street to Eighth Street.

23 This new regulation has been in effect
24 for a period of at least eight months, with no
25 apparent problems. The Philadelphia Parking

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES - 990080

2 Authority recommends favorable consideration of
3 this bill.

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Any questions for
5 this witness?

6 (No questions.)

7 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Is there anyone
8 else here who wishes to testify for or against
9 this bill?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: Hearing none, the
12 clerk will read the title of the next bill.

13 No more bills?

14 THE CLERK: No.

15 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: We did 'em all?

16 THE CLERK: We did 'em all.

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: We're finished.

18 This concludes the public hearing.

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2 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: We will no move
3 into our public meeting.

4 The Chair recognizes Councilman Ortiz
5 for a motion on Bill No. 980763.

6 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move
7 that Bill No. 980763 be moved out of committee
8 with a favorable recommendation.

9 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
10 properly moved and second that Bill No. 980763 be
11 reported out of committee with a favorable
12 recommendation.

13 All those in favor of the bill will
14 signify by saying aye.

15 Nay?

16 The bill is approved.

17 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move
18 that Bill No. 990004 be moved out of committee
19 with a favorable recommendation, and a
20 recommendation that the rules of Council be
21 suspended so as to permit first reading at the
22 next session of City Council.

23 (Duly seconded.)

24 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
25 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990004

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES COMM. PUB. MEETING
2 that Bill No. 990057 be moved out of committee
3 with a favorable recommendation.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
6 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990057
7 be reported out of committee with a favorable
8 recommendation.

9 All those in favor of the bill will
10 signify by saying aye.

11 Nay?

12 The bill is approved.

13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move
14 that Bill No. 990058 be moved out of committee
15 with a favorable recommendation.

16 (Duly seconded.)

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
18 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990058
19 be reported out of committee with a favorable
20 recommendation.

21 All those in favor of the bill will
22 signify by saying aye.

23 Nay?

24 The bill is approved.

25 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES COMM. PUB. MEETING
2 that Bill No. 990081 be moved out of committee
3 with a favorable recommendation.

4 (Duly seconded.)

5 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
6 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990081
7 be reported out of committee with a favorable
8 recommendation.

9 All those in favor of the bill will
10 signify by saying aye.

11 Nay?

12 The bill is approved.

13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move
14 that Bill No. 990088 be moved out of committee
15 with a favorable recommendation, and a
16 recommendation that the rules of Council be
17 suspended so as to permit first reading at the
18 next session of City Council.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
21 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990088
22 be reported out of committee with a favorable
23 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
24 suspended.

25 All those in favor of the bill will

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2 signify by saying aye.

3 Nay?

4 The bill is approved.

5 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I move
6 that Bill No. 990090 be moved out of committee
7 with a favorable recommendation, and a
8 recommendation that the rules of Council be
9 suspended so as to permit first reading at the
10 next session of City Council.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
13 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990090
14 be reported out of committee with a favorable
15 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
16 suspended.

17 All those in favor of the bill will
18 signify by saying aye.

19 Nay?

20 The bill is approved.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I
22 recommend that Bill No. 990100 be moved out of
23 committee with a favorable recommendation, and a
24 recommendation that the rules of Council be
25 suspended so as to permit first reading at the

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES COMM. PUB. MEETING
2 next session of City Council.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
5 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990100
6 be reported out of committee with a favorable
7 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
8 suspended.

9 All those in favor of the bill will
10 signify by saying aye.

11 Nay?

12 The bill is approved.

13 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I
14 recommend that Bill No. 990101 be moved out of
15 committee with a favorable recommendation, and a
16 recommendation that the rules of Council be
17 suspended so as to permit first reading at the
18 next session of City Council.

19 (Duly seconded.)

20 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
21 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990101
22 be reported out of committee with a favorable
23 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
24 suspended.

25 All those in favor of the bill will

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2 signify by saying aye.

3 Nay?

4 The bill is approved.

5 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I
6 recommend that Bill No. 990146 be moved out of
7 committee with a favorable recommendation, and a
8 recommendation that the rules of Council be
9 suspended so as to permit first reading at the
10 next session of City Council.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
13 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990146
14 be reported out of committee with a favorable
15 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
16 suspended.

17 All those in favor of the bill will
18 signify by saying aye.

19 Nay?

20 The bill is approved.

21 COUNCILMAN ORTIZ: Mr. Chairman, I
22 recommend that Bill No. 990147 be moved out of
23 committee with a favorable recommendation, and a
24 recommendation that the rules of Council be
25 suspended so as to permit first reading at the

1 3/24/99 STREETS & SERVICES COMM. PUB. MEETING
2 next session of City Council.

3 (Duly seconded.)

4 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: It has been
5 properly moved and seconded that Bill No. 990147
6 be reported out of committee with a favorable
7 recommendation and that the rules of Council be
8 suspended.

9 All those in favor of the bill will
10 signify by saying aye.

11 Nay?

12 The bill is approved.

13 Thank you. This concludes the public
14 meeting on the Committee of Streets and Services.
15 Thank you for attending.

16 COUNCIL PRESIDENT VERNA: May I --

17 COUNCILMAN DICICCO: At the request of
18 the Council President, all members are requested
19 to report to the Council chambers. We have a
20 continued hearing for Committee of the Whole. It
21 will convene immediately.

22 (Adjourned at 1:54 p.m.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing

proceedings of the Council of the City of

Philadelphia of Wednesday, March 24, 1999, were

reported fully and accurately by me, and that this

is a correct transcript of same.

BILL NO.'S 980763, 990004, 990054, 990057,
990058, 990079, 990080, 990081, 990088,
990090, 990100, 990101, 990146, 990147

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