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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Tuesday, November 13, 2018
11:45 a.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILMAN MARK SQUILLA, CHAIR
COUNCILWOMAN CINDY BASS
COUNCILMAN WILLIAM K. GREENLEE
COUNCILMAN KENYATTA JOHNSON
COUNCILMAN CURTIS JONES, JR.
COUNCILMAN AL TAUBENBERGER

BILLS 180601, 180604, 180646, 180647, 180694,
180730, 180731, 180733, 180734, 180735,
180841, 180866, 180867, 180868, 180869,
180871, 180890, 180891, 180946, 180947,
180952, 180955, and 180956

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2 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Good
3 morning, everyone, and thank you. I'd
4 like to call to order the hearing for
5 Streets and Services.

6 We do have a quorum. To my
7 right, Councilwoman Bass and Councilman
8 Taubenberger, and to my left, appointed
9 by the Council President, Councilman
10 Jones.

11 Mr. McMonagle, would you like
12 to read the title of the -- before we
13 start, for the record, I'd just like to
14 read Bill No. 180955 is on hold from the
15 call of the sponsor. Thank you.

16 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
17 title of the first bill.

18 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180733, an
19 ordinance establishing parking
20 regulations in the vicinity of: Wharton
21 Street and 16th Street; Rosewood Street
22 and Mifflin Street; Porter Street and
23 Broad Street; Iseminger Street and Oregon
24 Avenue; Montrose Street and 19th Street;
25 Catharine Street and Bambrey Street; and

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Bill No. 180734, an ordinance
establishing parking regulations in the
vicinity of: Grays Ferry Avenue and
Christian Street; Christian Street and
23rd Street; Dorrance Street and
Catharine Street; Iseminger Street and
Johnston Street; Camac Street and Tasker
Street; 17th Street and Fitzwater Street;
and

Bill No. 180735, an ordinance
establishing parking regulations in the
vicinity of: Christian Street and 22nd
Street; 15th Street and Wolf Street;
Wharton Street and 15th Street; Pemberton
Street and 22nd Street; Bainbridge Street
and 26th Street; and

Bill No. 180869, an ordinance
establishing parking regulations in the
vicinity of: Mole Street and Ellsworth
Street; St. Albans Street and 23rd
Street; Kimball Street and 20th Street;
Kater Street and 21st Street; Dickinson
Street and 15th Street; Carpenter Street
to 20th Street; 8th Street and Oregon

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2 Avenue; and

3 Bill No. 180952, an ordinance
4 establishing parking regulations in the
5 vicinity of: Fitzwater Street and South
6 23rd Street, Fitzwater Street and South
7 12th Street; Carpenter Street and South
8 18th Street; Christian Street and Grays
9 Ferry Avenue; Christian Street and South
10 20th Street; Christian Street and Grays
11 Ferry Avenue; Christian Street and South
12 20th Street; Christian Street and South
13 21st Street.

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

15 Please state your name for the
16 record and proceed with your testimony.

17 (Witness approached witness
18 table.)

19 MS. BRACLEY: Dionne Bracley.

20 Good day, Council. My name is
21 Dionne Bracley, Deputy Manager for the
22 Philadelphia Parking Authority. Thank
23 you for allowing me to testify before
24 Council regarding Ordinances 180733,
25 180734, 180735, 180869, and 180952

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2 establishing parking regulations.

3 The Philadelphia Parking
4 Authority has no objection to the
5 ordinances previously read before Council
6 and recommends favorable consideration.

7 Thank you again.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
9 for your brief testimony.

10 Any questions?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
13 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
14 Nos. 180733, 180734, 180735, 180869, and
15 180952?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
18 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the
19 title of the next bill.

20 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180868, an
21 ordinance amending Chapter 12-3000 of The
22 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use Of An
23 Automated Red Light Enforcement System To
24 Prevent Red Light Violations," by
25 authorizing the installation of red light

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2 enforcement systems at the intersection
3 of 70th and Lindbergh Boulevard, all
4 under certain terms and conditions.

5 (Witnesses approached witness
6 table.)

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
8 proceed with your testimony. State your
9 name for the record. Thank you.

10 MS. O'CONNOR: Corinne
11 O'Connor, Deputy Executive Director of
12 the Philadelphia Parking Authority.

13 Good morning. My name is
14 Corinne O'Connor. I am the Deputy
15 Executive Director of the Philadelphia
16 Parking Authority. I would like to thank
17 the members of this Committee for
18 allowing me to testify today. I would
19 also like to thank Councilman Kenyatta
20 Johnson for introducing this legislation.
21 I'm testifying in favor of Bill 180868,
22 which would add an additional
23 intersection to the red light camera
24 program in the City. This intersection
25 will be located at 70th and Lindbergh

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2 Boulevard.

3 I would like to commend Council
4 for its past excellent and most times
5 unanimous support for this program.
6 Since the first camera was activated at
7 Grant and Roosevelt Boulevard on February
8 23rd of 2005, the program has been
9 successful in its main goals - decreasing
10 red light running and changing the
11 behavior of our driving public. As of
12 today, there are 130 cameras at 30
13 intersections throughout the City of
14 Philadelphia.

15 The intersection of 70th and
16 Lindbergh is a highly traveled area.
17 This area has seen the main United States
18 Post Office facilities move to this
19 location in recent years, which has
20 affected the growth of this area. With
21 any type of growth, you will see the
22 increase of bringing visitors to the
23 stadium area and the Philadelphia
24 Airport. You will see an increase also
25 in pedestrian traffic.

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2 I believe that red light
3 cameras will change the behavior of
4 motorists here, as they have in other
5 parts of the City, to make driving in
6 this area a safer experience.

7 I ask that the Committee give
8 Bill 180868 a favorable recommendation,
9 request that the rules be suspended to
10 allow for first reading at the next
11 Council session.

12 Thank you.

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
14 proceed.

15 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
16 Chairman Squilla and members of the
17 Streets and Services Committee. My name
18 is St. Martin Torrence and I'm here to
19 testify on Bill No. 180868.

20 This regulation will be a step
21 towards enhancing safety at the
22 intersection of 70th Street and Lindbergh
23 Boulevard by reducing serious crashes
24 that can possibly result in major
25 injuries to vehicle occupants,

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2 pedestrians, and cyclists and can cause
3 property damage. This bill reconciles
4 with Mayor Kenney's Vision Zero Executive
5 Order. As such, the Department of
6 Streets fully supports this bill.

7 Thank you for the opportunity
8 to appear before you today. This
9 concludes my testimony.

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
11 for your testimony.

12 Any questions?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
15 none, is there anyone else here to
16 testify on Bill No. 180868?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
19 none, thank you so much.

20 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
21 title of the next bill.

22 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180866, an
23 ordinance amending Section 9-205 of The
24 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Sidewalk
25 Sales," by prohibiting vending on both

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2 sides of 77th Street between City Avenue
3 and Overbrook Avenue, all under certain
4 terms and conditions.

5 (Witness approached witness
6 table.)

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you,
8 Rebecca. Just state your name for the
9 record and then proceed with your
10 testimony.

11 MS. SWANSON: Rebecca Swanson
12 from the Department of Licenses and
13 Inspections.

14 Good morning, Chairman Squilla
15 and members of the Committee on Streets
16 and Services. I am here to provide
17 testimony on Bill No. 180866, which would
18 amend Section 9-205 of The Philadelphia
19 Code, entitled "Sidewalk Sales."

20 The bill would prohibit
21 sidewalk sales on both sides of 77th
22 Street between City Avenue and Overbrook
23 Avenue.

24 The Department has no
25 objections to this bill and is prepared

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2 to enforce its provisions should it
3 become law.

4 Thank you for the opportunity
5 to provide the Department's testimony.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
7 for your testimony.

8 Any questions?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
11 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
12 No. 180866?

13 (No response.)

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
15 none, thank you.

16 For the record, I'd just like
17 to announce Councilman Johnson's
18 attendance at the hearing.

19 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
20 title of the next bill.

21 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180604, an
22 ordinance authorizing the revision of
23 lines and grades on a portion of City
24 Plan No. 222 by striking from the City
25 Plan and vacating the legally open

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2 portion of Bristol Street from Adams
3 Avenue to the Frankford Creek Channel,
4 striking from the City Plan and vacating
5 Leiper Street from Adams Avenue to the
6 Frankford Creek Channel, striking from
7 the City Plan Deal Street from Leiper
8 Street to a point northeastwardly
9 therefrom, and reserving and placing on
10 the City Plan a right-of-way for sewer
11 and drainage purposes within the lines of
12 Bristol Street being stricken, all under
13 certain terms and conditions.

14 (Witnesses approached witness
15 table.)

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
17 Before you start, I'd also like
18 to recognize Councilman Greenlee's
19 attendance for the hearing.

20 Please proceed. State your
21 name for the record and proceed with your
22 testimony.

23 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
24 Mr. Chairman and members of the
25 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,

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2 Survey Bureau Manager for the Department
3 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
4 would like to offer the following
5 testimony on Bill No. 180604.

6 This is not an Administration
7 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
8 Mr. Andrey Kronfeld of AMK Resources
9 Corp. on behalf of Adams 1300 LP.

10 The purpose for this proposed
11 ordinance is to authorize the striking
12 from the City Plan of Bristol Street and
13 Leiper Street, each from Adams Avenue to
14 the westerly side of the Frankford Creek
15 Channel, and Deal Street from Leiper
16 Street to a point approximately 118 feet
17 northeastwardly therefrom. These streets
18 are not currently paved and not in use by
19 public traffic. The Streets Department
20 is not desirous of opening and
21 constructing streets at these locations.
22 A right-of-way will be reserved in the
23 portion of Bristol Street being stricken
24 to encompass the existing sewer extending
25 through this street. The striking of

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2 these unimproved streets will remove them
3 as encumbrances on the underlying
4 property and will allow the consolidation
5 of several adjoining parcels.

6 This ordinance is supported by
7 the Department of Streets and is
8 recommended to your Committee for
9 favorable action.

10 I thank you for the opportunity
11 to testify before you today and would be
12 pleased to answer any questions you may
13 have.

14 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
15 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
16 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
17 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
18 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
19 on Bill No. 180604, which was introduced
20 by Councilmember Sanchez on June 7th,
21 2018.

22 Bill No. 180604 will strike and
23 vacate the legally open portion of
24 Bristol Street and Leiper Street from
25 Adams Avenue to the west side of

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2 Frankford Creek Channel, as well as to
3 strike and vacate a portion of Deal
4 Street from Leiper Street to its
5 terminus. All of the streets at this
6 location are paper streets. They're not
7 physically paved or open to public
8 traffic. This legislation is to help the
9 property owner to consolidate parcels.

10 At its meeting on July 17th,
11 2018, the Planning Commission recommended
12 Bill No. 180604 be approved and also to
13 allow the future Frankford Creek Trail
14 the ability to cross over the creek
15 within the proximity of Leiper Street.

16 This concludes my testimony. I
17 appreciate the opportunity to testify
18 before you today and would be pleased to
19 answer any questions you may have.

20 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
21 for your testimony.

22 Any questions?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
25 none, is there anyone else here to

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2 testify on Bill No. 180604?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

5 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the

6 title of the next bill.

7 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180841, an

8 ordinance authorizing the revision of

9 lines and grades on a portion of City

10 Plan Nos. 282 and 291 by relocating the

11 southwesterly houseline of Cottman

12 Avenue, from State Road to a point

13 northwestwardly therefrom, a variable

14 distance southwestwardly and relocating

15 the northwesterly houseline of State

16 Road, from Cottman Avenue to a point

17 southwestwardly therefrom, a variable

18 distance northwestwardly, thereby

19 widening said Cottman Avenue and said

20 State Road, under certain terms and

21 conditions.

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please

23 proceed.

24 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,

25 Mr. Chairman and members of the

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2 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
3 Survey Bureau Manager for the Department
4 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
5 would like to offer the following
6 testimony on Bill No. 180841.

7 This is not an Administration
8 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
9 Mr. Guy DiMartino of Traffic Planning and
10 Design, Incorporated on behalf of Poly
11 Sat, Inc.

12 The purpose of this proposed
13 ordinance is to authorize the relocation
14 of the southwesterly houseline of Cottman
15 Avenue, from State Road to a point
16 approximately 505 feet northwestwardly
17 therefrom, and the relocation of the
18 northwestwardly houseline of State Road,
19 from Cottman Avenue to a point
20 approximately 275 feet southwestwardly
21 therefrom, thereby widening said Cottman
22 Avenue and State Road. These actions
23 will increase the capacity and improve
24 function of the intersection of Cottman
25 Avenue and State Road and facilitate

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2 vehicular access to a new Wawa
3 convenience store proposed for the
4 abutting site.

5 This ordinance is supported by
6 the Department of Streets and is
7 recommended to your Committee for
8 favorable action.

9 I thank you for the opportunity
10 to testify before you today and would be
11 pleased to answer any questions may have.

12 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
13 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
14 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
15 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
16 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
17 on Bill No. 180841, which was introduced
18 by Councilmember Squilla for
19 Councilmember Henon on September 27th,
20 2018.

21 This action is to help the
22 current property owner and developer to
23 redevelop the site into a Wawa
24 convenience market with fuel and a Taco
25 Bell restaurant. As part of the project,

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2 the developer proposed to construct a
3 right turn lane on the eastbound on
4 Cottman Avenue to improve the capacity
5 and operation at the signalized
6 intersection. This portion of the
7 roadway and right-of-way will be widened
8 on Cottman Avenue with a variable width
9 increased from 4 feet 6 inches to
10 approximately 16 feet 9 inches.
11 Additionally, a portion of State Road
12 will be increased by 3 feet in the
13 right-of-way. These increased
14 right-of-ways will also be dedicated to
15 PennDOT.

16 At its meeting on October 16th,
17 2018, the Planning Commission recommended
18 Bill No. 180841 be approved.

19 This concludes my testimony. I
20 appreciate the opportunity to testify
21 before you today and would be pleased to
22 answer any questions you may have.

23 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
24 Thank you for your testimony.

25 Any questions?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

4 none, is there anyone else here to

5 testify on Bill No. 180841?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

8 none, thank you.

9 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
10 title of the next bill.

11 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180601, an
12 ordinance legalizing an existing stairway
13 enclosure at 2048 South 21st Street,
14 Philadelphia, PA 19145, all under certain
15 terms and conditions.

16 (Witness approached witness
17 table.)

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
19 proceed.

20 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
21 Chairman Squilla and members of the
22 Streets and Services Committee. My name
23 is St. Martin Torrence and I'm the
24 Director of Legislative Affairs for the
25 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer

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2 testimony on Bill No. 180601.

3 This bill legalizes an existing
4 stairway enclosure at 2048 South 21st
5 Street, under certain terms and
6 conditions.

7 The Department of Streets
8 opposes this encroachment because the
9 enclosure was built without permits and
10 serves no public good. Approval of this
11 structure will set a precedent for
12 similar encroachments in the future.

13 Thank you for your time. This
14 concludes my testimony.

15 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
16 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
17 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
18 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
19 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
20 on Bill No. 180601, which was introduced
21 by Councilmember Johnson on June 7th,
22 2018.

23 Bill No. 180601 will legalize
24 an existing stairway enclosure at 2048
25 South 21st Street. The enclosure

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2 encroaches on the northern footway of
3 Snyder Avenue for 4 feet 11 inches,
4 leaving 7 feet 6 inches of passable
5 sidewalk space. The Planning Commission
6 has the following concerns for this
7 proposal: The stairway enclosure is not
8 an improvement to the public realm in
9 this neighborhood nor to its abutting
10 building. It blocks existing windows and
11 it changes the character of the building.

12 Therefore, at its meeting on
13 July 17th, 2018, the Planning Commission
14 recommended Bill No. 180601 not be
15 approved.

16 This concludes my testimony. I
17 appreciate the opportunity to testify
18 before you today and would be pleased to
19 answer any questions you may have.

20 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

21 Any questions?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
24 none, is there anyone else here to
25 testify on Bill No. 180601?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

4 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
5 title of the next bill.

6 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180890, an
7 ordinance authorizing Charles Weiner,
8 d/b/a Chubby's Steaks to install, own and
9 maintain an open air sidewalk cafe at
10 5826 Henry Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
11 19128, all under certain terms and
12 conditions.

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
14 proceed.

15 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
16 Chairman Squilla and members of the
17 Streets and Services Committee. My name
18 is St. Martin Torrence and I'm the
19 Director of Legislative Affairs for the
20 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer
21 testimony on Bill No. 180890.

22 This bill authorizes Charles
23 Weiner, doing business as Chubby's Steaks
24 to install, own and maintain an open-air
25 sidewalk cafe at 5826 Henry Avenue,

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2 Philadelphia, PA 19128, under certain
3 terms and conditions.

4 The Department of Streets does
5 not oppose this ordinance.

6 Thank you for your time. This
7 concludes my testimony.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
9 proceed.

10 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
11 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
12 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
13 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
14 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
15 on Bill No. 180890, which was introduced
16 by Councilmember Jones on October 11th,
17 2018.

18 Bill No. 180890 will permit a
19 sidewalk cafe and removable rail
20 encroachment at 5826 Henry Avenue. The
21 cafe and rail will encroach into the
22 south footway of Henry Avenue for
23 approximately 8 feet, leaving 5 feet of
24 clear and unobstructed footway for
25 pedestrians. The City Complete Streets

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2 Policy standards require a minimum 5 feet
3 walking zone on Henry Avenue. This
4 encroachment meets the minimum walking
5 zone requirement.

6 The Planning Commission is
7 scheduled to consider this bill at its
8 meeting on November 27th with a staff
9 recommendation for approval.

10 This concludes my testimony. I
11 appreciate the opportunity to testify
12 before you today and would be pleased to
13 answer any questions you may have.

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

15 Are there any questions?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
18 none, is there anyone else here to
19 testify on 180890?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
22 none, thank you.

23 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
24 title of the next bill.

25 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180891, an

1 11/13/18 - STREETS - BILL 180601, ETC.
2 ordinance legalizing an existing garage
3 extension encroachment at 1601 South 17th
4 Street, Philadelphia, PA 19145, all under
5 certain terms and conditions.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
7 proceed.

8 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
9 Chairman Squilla and members of the
10 Streets and Service Committee. My name
11 is St. Martin Torrence and I'm the
12 Director of Legislative Affairs for the
13 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer
14 testimony on Bill No. 180891.

15 This bill legalizes an existing
16 garage extension encroachment at 1601
17 South 17th Street, all under certain
18 terms and conditions.

19 The Department of Streets
20 opposes this ordinance because garage
21 extensions are strictly prohibited by
22 Section 11-604(7) of The Philadelphia
23 Code. Approval of this encroachment sets
24 a precedent for future proposals of
25 encroachments of similar character. In

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2 order to allow encroachments of this
3 type, the Department recommends the
4 revision of Title 11 of the Code and
5 grant the Streets Department the
6 authority to establish regulations and
7 standards around all encroachments rather
8 than approving them as individual acts of
9 legislation. In addition, allowing the
10 garage extension in this case to formally
11 create off-street parking for the
12 referenced property serves no public
13 benefit, as it will remove a minimum of
14 two on-street parking spaces.

15 Thank you for your time. This
16 concludes my testimony.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
18 for your testimony.

19 Any questions?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
22 none, is there any other testimony on
23 Bill No. 180891?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

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2 none, thank you for your testimony.

3 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
4 title of the next bill.

5 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180871, an
6 ordinance revising parking restrictions
7 on East Willow Grove Avenue, both sides,
8 between Crittenden Street and Stenton
9 Avenue.

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
11 proceed.

12 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
13 Chairman Squilla and members of the
14 Streets and Services Committee. My name
15 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm here to
16 testify on Bill No. 180871.

17 The Department of Streets has
18 no objections to this bill. These
19 regulations were established on a trial
20 basis beginning on October 31st, 2017.

21 Thank you for the opportunity
22 to appear before you today. That
23 concludes my testimony.

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

25 Any questions?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
4 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
5 No. 180871?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
8 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the
9 title of the next bill.

10 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180956, an
11 ordinance establishing parking
12 restrictions on East Washington Lane,
13 both sides, between Crittenden Street and
14 Stenton Avenue.

15 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
16 Chairman Squilla and members of the
17 Streets and Services Committee. My name
18 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
19 of Legislative Affairs for the Department
20 of Streets. I'm here to offer testimony
21 on Bill No. 180956.

22 The Department of Streets has
23 no objections to this bill. This parking
24 regulation can be posted within 30 days
25 of the passage of this bill.

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2 Thank you for your time. This
3 concludes my testimony.

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

5 Any questions?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
8 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
9 No. 180956?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
12 none, thank you for your testimony.

13 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
14 title of the next bills.

15 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180646, an
16 ordinance establishing a no truck parking
17 regulation on the 9100 block of Ryerson
18 Road, both sides.

19 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
20 Chairman Squilla and members of the
21 Streets and Services Committee. My name
22 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
23 of Legislative Affairs for the Department
24 of Streets. I'm here to offer testimony
25 on Bill No. 180646.

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2 The regulation was posted on
3 July 27th, 2018 as a trial. During this
4 period, we have received no complaints or
5 concerns from citizens. As such, the
6 Department of Streets has no objections
7 to this bill.

8 Thank you for your time. This
9 concludes my testimony.

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
11 for your testimony. We were just
12 discussing, the next couple we're going
13 to do as a group, read them all and then
14 you can testify to all of them.

15 Any questions?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
18 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
19 No. 180646?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
22 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the
23 title of the next bills.

24 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180647, an
25 ordinance establishing a no truck parking

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2 regulation on the 2800 block of Willits
3 Road, both sides; and

4 Bill No. 180694, an ordinance
5 establishing a no truck parking
6 regulation on the 3400 block of Oakmont
7 Street, both sides; and

8 Bill No. 180730, an ordinance
9 establishing a no truck parking
10 regulation on both sides of Ditman
11 Street, from Cottman Avenue to Rhawn
12 Street; and

13 Bill No. 180731, an ordinance
14 establishing a no truck parking
15 regulation on the 4100 and 4200 blocks of
16 Passmore Street, both sides; and

17 Bill No. 180947, an ordinance
18 establishing a no truck parking
19 regulation on the 8000 block of Crispin
20 Street, both sides.

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
22 proceed.

23 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
24 Chairman Squilla and members of the
25 Streets and Services Committee. My name

1 11/13/18 - STREETS - BILL 180601, ETC.
2 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
3 of Legislative Affairs for the Department
4 of Streets. I'm here to offer testimony
5 on the aforementioned bills.

6 The Streets Department has no
7 objections to any of these ordinances.

8 I appreciate your time. That
9 concludes my testimony.

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
11 very much. That was great.

12 Any questions?

13 Councilman Taubenberger.

14 COUNCILMAN TAUBENBERGER: Yeah,
15 very, very quick.

16 Are these, as far as you know,
17 already posted, these signs, no truck
18 parking, or they will be posted?

19 MR. TORRENCE: They will be
20 posted within 30 days of the passage
21 of --

22 COUNCILMAN TAUBENBERGER: The
23 passage of the -- got you.

24 MR. TORRENCE: Yes.

25 COUNCILMAN TAUBENBERGER: Thank

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2 you.

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any other
4 questions?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
7 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
8 No. 180647, 180694, 180730, 180731 or
9 170947?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
12 none, Mr. McMonagle -- thank you for your
13 testimony.

14 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
15 title of Bill No. 180867.

16 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180867, an
17 ordinance amending Chapter 12-2700 of The
18 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit
19 Parking Districts," by amending the
20 boundaries for Permit Parking District 2
21 and Permit Parking District 31, all under
22 certain terms and conditions.

23 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

24 We do not have any testimony
25 from the Administration or Parking

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2 Authority on this bill, but if there's
3 any questions?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Nobody
6 else here to testify on Bill No. 180867?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
9 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
10 title of the next bill.

11 THE CLERK: Bill No. 180946, an
12 ordinance amending Chapter 10-700 of The
13 Philadelphia Code, entitled "Refuse and
14 Littering," to designate certain blocks
15 as Litter Enforcement Corridors pursuant
16 to Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
17 Consolidated Statutes, under certain
18 terms and conditions.

19 (Witness approached witness
20 table.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
22 Nic, you can proceed with your
23 testimony for Bill 180946, as amended.
24 Thank you.

25 MR. ESPOSITO: Great. Thank

1 11/13/18 - STREETS - BILL 180601, ETC.
2 you, Chairman Squilla and members of the
3 Committee. My name is Nic Esposito. I'm
4 the Director of the Zero Waste and Litter
5 Cabinet in the Managing Director's
6 Office. I'm here to offer testimony for
7 Bill No. 180946, which establishes Litter
8 Enforcement Corridors in Philadelphia as
9 per authorization through Pennsylvania
10 Act 62 amending State Codes 18 and 75.

11 As you all know, illegal
12 dumping continues to be one of the most
13 serious issues facing Philadelphia. On
14 average, it costs us about over \$8
15 million a year in clean-up costs just on
16 these heavy illegal dumps and is a huge
17 issue for quality of life for our
18 residents and businesses. City Council
19 has taken many important steps to combat
20 illegal dumping, such as Councilman
21 Green's 2017 bill that increased
22 Philadelphia's local fines from 1,000 for
23 the first offense up to 2,000 for the
24 third offense, and Councilman Henon's
25 bill that aligned The Philadelphia Code

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2 with state code for vehicle forfeiture.
3 The Cabinet also worked with the
4 Philadelphia Police to establish an
5 Environmental Crimes Unit and then worked
6 with the DA's Office to ensure proper
7 prosecution of illegal dumpers.

8 So it was reaffirming for the
9 State Legislature to pass Act 62 to
10 create Litter Enforcement Corridors that
11 doubles the current fine of \$300 for
12 throwing litter from a moving car and
13 triples our municipal fines for
14 commercial businesses that scatter
15 rubbish using a vehicle on certain
16 corridors that we can justify as
17 corridors where litter and illegal
18 dumping are greatly affecting the quality
19 of life for residents and business
20 owners.

21 The Zero Waste and Litter
22 Cabinet is excited that the City of
23 Philadelphia can capitalize on this
24 legislation and send an even stronger
25 message that illegal dumping and

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2 littering will not be tolerated in any
3 part of Philadelphia, but specifically
4 will not be tolerated on the corridors
5 designated in this particular bill.

6 From an enforcement standpoint,
7 the more places that we can deter illegal
8 dumping through increased fines as well
9 as development and beautification of
10 vacant lots will narrow down the areas we
11 need to enforce and allow us to be even
12 more effective in eliminating illegal
13 dumping in Philadelphia.

14 The Streets Department will
15 erect signage giving notice to the
16 increased penalties for certain littering
17 violations applicable on the designated
18 blocks.

19 On behalf of the Zero Waste and
20 Litter Cabinet, we thank Councilman Henon
21 for introducing this legislation and his
22 staff for working with other City Council
23 offices and the Cabinet to use the litter
24 index data and district assessments to
25 research the most appropriate corridors

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2 to designate as Litter Enforcement
3 Corridors as listed in the bill.

4 I understand there will be some
5 amendments to some of the addresses,
6 which we're in support of, and I'll be
7 happy to respond to any questions.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you,
9 Nic, and we thank you and appreciate your
10 service as the Litter Cabinet is gearing
11 up and moving into action, which is
12 exciting for the City of Philadelphia to
13 eradicate litter throughout the City and
14 work toward zero waste.

15 Any questions?

16 (No response.)

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
18 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
19 No. 180946?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
22 none, thank you so much for your
23 testimony.

24 MR. ESPOSITO: Thank you.

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: That will

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1 11/13/18 - STREETS - BILL 180601, ETC.
2 end our hearing. We will now go into
3 committee.

4 I'd like to recognize
5 Councilman Greenlee to read the
6 amendments.

7 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
8 you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the
9 following bills be amended as has been
10 provided to the Committee: the
11 amendments to Bill No. 180869, 180601,
12 and 180946. I move those amendments be
13 approved.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The bills
16 have been amended and seconded.

17 All in favor?

18 (Aye.)

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any
20 opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The ayes
23 have it. Bills read into the record,
24 180869, 180601, and 180946, have been
25 amended.

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2 Councilman Greenlee, would you
3 like to read the bills to be moved out of
4 Committee.

5 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
6 you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the
7 following bills be reported out of this
8 Committee with a favorable recommendation
9 and that the rules of Council be
10 suspended to allow for first reading at
11 our next session of Council: Bills
12 180733, 180734, 180735, 180869 as
13 amended, 180952, 180868, 180866, 180604,
14 180841, 180601 as amended, 180890,
15 180891, 180871, 180956, 180646, 180647,
16 180694, 180730, 180731, 180947, 180867,
17 and 180946 as amended.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
20 All bills read into the record have been
21 seconded.

22 All in favor?

23 (Aye.)

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any
25 opposed?

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1 11/13/18 - STREETS - BILL 180601, ETC.

2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The ayes
4 have it. All bills have been passed with
5 a suspension of the rules to be read at
6 the next session of Council.

7 Thank you. That will end our
8 Committee meeting. Thank you.

9 (Committee on Streets and
10 Services concluded at 12:15 p.m.)

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