

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

Room 400, City Hall
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Thursday, November 14, 2024
2:05 p.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILMAN JEFFREY YOUNG, JR., CHAIR
COUNCILMAN MARK SQUILLA, VICE-CHAIR
COUNCILWOMAN NINA AHMAD
COUNCILMAN JIM HARRITY

ALSO PRESENT:

COUNCILWOMAN QUETCY M. LOZADA

BILLS: 240664, 240876, 240877, 240871,
240879, 240880, 240881, 241026,
241027, 241028, 241030

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2 COUNCILMAN YOUNG:

3 Welcome to Philadelphia City
4 Council's Committee on Streets and
5 Services. I note that the hour has
6 come.

7 Mr. Pullin, would you
8 please call the roll to establish a
9 quorum.

10 THE CLERK: Councilmember
11 Ahmad.

12 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:
13 Present.

14 THE CLERK: Councilmember
15 Bass.

16 (No response.)

17 THE CLERK: Councilmember
18 Brooks.

19 (No response.)

20 THE CLERK: Councilmember
21 Harrity.

22 COUNCILMAN HARRITY:

23 Here.

24 THE CLERK: Vice-Chair

1 Squilla.

2 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:

3 Present.

4 THE CLERK: Chair Young.

5 COUNCILMAN YOUNG:

6 Present. Thank you, Mr. Pullin.

7 I note for the record
8 that a quorum of this Committee is
9 present and this hearing is called
10 to order. This is the public
11 hearing of the Committee on Streets
12 and Services considering testimony
13 on Bill Nos. 240664, 240876, 240877,
14 240871, 240879, 240880, 240881,
15 241026, 240 -- 241027, 241028 and
16 241030.

17 Before we begin, I'm
18 going to see if any of my colleagues
19 have any opening remarks?

20 Seeing none -- oh, sorry.
21 I see Councilwoman Quetcy Lozada has
22 joined us here in the Committee
23 today. And the Chair recognizes
24 Councilmember Lozada.

1 COUNCILWOMAN LOZADA:

2 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

3 Thank you for joining us
4 today. I'm here today to discuss an
5 important measure that impacts the
6 cleanliness, safety and overall
7 quality of life in the 7th Council
8 District. Today we are addressing a
9 proposed amendment to Title 10 of
10 The Philadelphia Code specifically
11 relating to the regulation of litter
12 near mobile providers of goods.

13 As you know, our city is
14 vibrant and diverse, home to
15 bustling streets, hardworking
16 vendors and residents who value both
17 convenience and community. Mobile
18 providers of goods such as food
19 trucks, street vendors and social
20 services mobile units contribute to
21 the local community, economy, well-
22 being and culture offering services
23 and products to our neighborhoods in
24 ways that are accessible and

1 convenient.

2 However, with this
3 dynamic growth comes a
4 responsibility, both for the
5 providers, vendors and the City to
6 ensure that our public spaces remain
7 clean, safe and enjoyable for all.
8 As we've seen in various districts,
9 litter left behind by mobile
10 providers often distributing goods
11 poses environmental hazards,
12 disrupts the aesthetic value of our
13 streets and affects the health and
14 well-being of our residents.

15 Bill No. 240664 seeks to
16 address this issue by requiring
17 mobile providers of goods to take
18 responsibility for cleaning up
19 litter within a 50-foot radius of
20 their operations. This initiative
21 will apply initially in the 1st and
22 7th Council Districts as a pilot
23 program with the goal of expanding
24 its success across the city.

1 The key points of the
2 proposed measure include a
3 definition of mobile providers of
4 goods, including street vendors,
5 social service providers and
6 businesses operating from vehicles,
7 a clear responsibility for these
8 vendors to remove any litter
9 generated from their activities
10 ensuring the area remain free from
11 debris. A penalty structure for
12 those who fail to comply, including
13 the cost incurred by the City for
14 cleanup, in addition to any other
15 applicable penalties.

16 We recognize the valuable
17 role that these businesses play in
18 our local economy, but we also
19 believe that maintaining a clean
20 environment is essential to the
21 City's continued growth and appeal
22 by requiring mobile vendors to take
23 a proactive step to clean our
24 street -- to keep our streets clean.

1 We are investing in the health of
2 our neighborhoods and the overall
3 well-being of Philadelphia
4 residents.

5 As we move forward with
6 this legislation, it is crucial that
7 we balance the needs of our
8 community with our shared
9 responsibility to protect the
10 environment and the public health.

11 I look forward to hearing your
12 thoughts and engaging in productive
13 discussion on how we can improve
14 this proposal to better serve all
15 Philadelphia's residents and
16 businesses.

17 Thank you for valuing the
18 7th Council District and the
19 residents that call it home as we
20 work towards reimagining the 7th
21 Council District that future
22 generations can be proud of.

23 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

24 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: You're

1 welcome, Councilmember.

2 Mr. Pullin, would you
3 please read the title of the first
4 bill.

5 THE CLERK: Bill No.
6 240664 titled, Amending Title 10 of
7 The Philadelphia Code, entitled
8 "Regulation of Individual Conduct
9 and Activity," by adding
10 prohibitions and penalties related
11 to litter near mobile providers of
12 goods, all under certain terms and
13 conditions.

14 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
15 you, Mr. Pullin.

16 Please call the witnesses
17 to testify on this bill.

18 THE CLERK: First witness
19 to testify is Francis Healy, Deputy
20 Police Commissioner for the
21 Philadelphia Police Department.

22 (Witness approached
23 Witness table.)

24 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Good

1 afternoon, Mr. Healy. Please state
2 your name for the record and begin
3 with your testimony.

4 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

5 HEALY: Sure. Good afternoon, sir.
6 Good afternoon, Chairmember Young,
7 Vice-Chairmember Squilla and
8 distinguished members of the
9 Committee of Streets and Services.
10 My name is Francis Healy and I serve
11 as Deputy Commissioner of the
12 Philadelphia Police Department on
13 behalf of Commissioner Bethel. I'd
14 like to express our appreciation for
15 the opportunity to provide our
16 comments regarding Bill No. 240664,
17 which addresses refuge and
18 littering, particularly in relation
19 to mobile providers of goods.

20 I would like to begin by
21 stating that the Philadelphia Police
22 Department fully supports this bill.
23 This proposed amendment introduces
24 additional penalties for mobile

1 providers of goods who fail to
2 remove litter within 50-foot radius
3 from the locations from where they
4 distribute goods.

5 Importantly, this
6 provision applies specifically to
7 the 1st and 7th Councilmanic
8 Districts which include the
9 neighbors of Kensington and other
10 East Police Division neighborhoods.
11 We recognize and appreciate the
12 charitable work carried out by many
13 individuals and organizations that
14 provide food, clothing and other
15 essential items to those in need in
16 East Division and Kensington.

17 However, it's become
18 increasingly clear through
19 complaints from our residents and
20 firsthand observations from the
21 police officers that the good
22 intentions of these efforts often
23 result in significant litter and
24 debris being left behind in the wake

1 of the distribution events.

2 We regularly find you
3 used Styrofoam food containers, food
4 wrappers, disposable cups, water
5 bottles, pallets and various forms
6 of packaging scattered throughout
7 the area. While we acknowledge the
8 valuable work of these groups, it's
9 important to recognize that the
10 responsibility for the cleanliness
11 of our neighborhoods should not fall
12 solely on the Department of
13 Sanitation.

14 Our sanitation workers do
15 an outstanding job managing the
16 day-to-day litter and debris in our
17 communities, but they should not be
18 expected to clean up the additional
19 waste created by others,
20 particularly when this waste is
21 generated during organized
22 distributions.

23 While these charitable
24 activities serve an important

1 purpose, they should not come at the
2 expense of the residents who live,
3 work and raise families in these
4 neighborhoods. The organizations
5 and individuals involved in these
6 efforts must take the responsibility
7 for removing the litter they
8 generate when they leave.

9 This bill is not intended
10 to restrict the ability of
11 individuals or organizations to
12 distribute food or other goods to
13 those in need, rather it places a
14 reasonable and necessary
15 responsibility on the groups to
16 ensure that they leave the area
17 clean. This goal is to improve, not
18 worsen the conditions in our
19 neighborhood.

20 By holding mobile
21 providers accountable for the litter
22 they create, we can ensure that our
23 public space remain safe, clean and
24 welcoming for all residents. For

1 these reasons the Philadelphia
2 Police Department again supports
3 Bill No. 240664. This concludes my
4 testimony. I'd be happy to answer
5 any questions.

6 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
7 you, Commissioner.

8 Any questions from
9 members of the Committee?

10 (No response.)

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

13 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

14 HEALY: Thank you, sir.

15 COUNCILMAN YOUNG:
16 Mr. Pullin, would you please call
17 the next two witnesses to testify on
18 this bill.

19 THE CLERK: The next
20 witnesses to testify are Robert
21 Evans, Donna Aument and Jeremy
22 Loughrey, residents of Kensington.

23 (Witnesses approached
24 Witness table.)

1 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
2 you. Could you please state your
3 name for the record and proceed with
4 your testimony.

5 MR. EVANS: Thank you.
6 Good afternoon, Councilmembers and
7 distinguished guests. My name is
8 Robert Evans. I'm a resident of
9 Kensington and a corridor manager
10 for Impact Services Avenue
11 (inaudible). I'm here today to
12 voice my strong support for Bill No.
13 240664 introduced by Councilwoman
14 Lozada.

15 I'm a voice for
16 Kensington community representing
17 the many small business owners and
18 residents who are deeply affected by
19 the ongoing issue of litter, waste
20 and trash. Every day our neighbors
21 in our neighborhoods is constantly
22 dealing with the accumulation of
23 trash left behind by the well-
24 meaning, but unregulated

1 distribution of food and goods,
2 leaving street litter and our
3 environment increasingly
4 unsanitized.

5 Every time food and goods
6 are distributed by mobile providers
7 without oversight, our street became
8 a serious health risk, harming our
9 quality of life and putting an extra
10 burden of those of us who are
11 committed to keep Kensington clean
12 and safe.

13 By passing this bill, you
14 would be helping us create a cleaner
15 and safer Kensington community.
16 This bill is not about help --
17 sorry. It's not about stopping
18 help. It's about respecting our
19 community and protect our
20 environment. Passing this bill will
21 allow us to manage our shell space
22 better, help keep our streets clean
23 and improve the overall quality of
24 life for everyone in Kensington.

1 Thank you for considering
2 this important step toward
3 meaningful support for our
4 neighborhood. Together we can make
5 it work. We can make a real
6 difference in Kensington. Thank you
7 to Councilwoman Lozada for keeping
8 us together with hope, believing and
9 change of Kensington. Thank you.

10 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
11 you, Mr. Evans, for your testimony.

12 Please state your name
13 and begin with your testimony.

14 MR. LOUGHREY: Hello. My
15 name is Jeremy Loughrey. I'm a
16 lifelong resident of Kensington and
17 I'm a medical professional. I'm
18 here to speak for Bill 240664
19 proposed by the Councilwoman. The
20 litter that is being left in the
21 neighborhood is not just an eyesore.
22 It is a hazard to the community by
23 bringing in rodents such as rats,
24 raccoons, stuff like this, exposing

1 pets, children, senior citizens to
2 possible rabies vaccines, and rabies
3 which for a person is about \$1,200
4 for one dose, not including what
5 your animal would have to get or if
6 you had to put your animal down.

7 Also, this trash is
8 literally just clogging up streets,
9 causing flooding damages, being used
10 for debris which can cause fires.
11 Another thing is the mobile medical
12 clinic for the wound care, these
13 people who are in these areas have
14 many diseases. I know this for
15 facts of a generalized area.

16 One of the major ones is
17 necrotizing fasciitis, which if
18 exposed to a child who puts their
19 hand on a street gets it, is now
20 going to be contaminated and have
21 large parts of their body removed.
22 I feel like this bill is going to
23 help, really should help, keeping
24 these people responsible and

1 accountable for trying to "help this
2 community by cleaning up their
3 waste." Thank you.

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
5 you for your testimony.

6 Ma'am, please proceed.

7 MS. AUMENT: Hi. Good
8 afternoon. My name is Donna Aument.
9 I've lived in my house since 1970
10 which is over 50 years. As a
11 community liaison, I have meetings
12 with the community once a month to
13 see what the biggest problems are.

14 And one of the biggest
15 problems is the trash that is left
16 behind. As a resident of the
17 neighborhood, we are told what day
18 to put our trash out and what time
19 to put it out and we have to adhere
20 to those regulations. But when
21 these mobile places come and they
22 put food out and clothing out and do
23 medical things, they leave
24 everything there.

1 If we have to adhere to
2 strict regulations as taxpayers and
3 homeowners in the community, why do
4 we have to suffer with all this
5 trash that is left behind? Number
6 one, it is making our rat situation
7 horrible. I mean, absolutely
8 horrible with the rats.

9 The other thing is I'm a
10 cancer survivor. I have to be very
11 careful with my medical waste. Yet
12 they leave their medical waste
13 there. As Jeremy said, I don't know
14 what kind of diseases they have but
15 my immune system is weak. I don't
16 want to catch anything that somebody
17 else has, and I don't want any of
18 the children in our neighborhood to
19 be suffering their entire life or
20 not make a life because of what's
21 left behind.

22 I think it's very
23 disrespectful to the neighbors in
24 Kensington and it appalls me that

1 these people that are professional
2 people leave all this waste for us
3 to live with. Plus, the fact that
4 the homeless people set them on
5 fire. I don't want to be burned up
6 in a fire because as you can see, I
7 can't run. I cannot outrun a fire
8 and neither can children. These
9 things are very, very dangerous for
10 the people in my neighborhood.
11 Thank you.

12 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: No,
13 thank you for your testimony.

14 Are there any questions
15 of these witnesses from members of
16 the Committee?

17 The Chair recognizes
18 Councilmember Ahmad.

19 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:
20 Thank you so much for your
21 testimony. I just wanted to know in
22 the past years before my colleague
23 has put this bill forth has there
24 been any attempts by anybody to

1 clean this up or address this in any
2 manner or fashion?

3 MR. LOUGHREY: Other than
4 the people who live in the houses
5 and own their residences cleaning up
6 their own personal blocks. I've
7 seen very little done by the City
8 because during the pandemic it was
9 not a top priority. I feel like it
10 should have been a priority. But if
11 I get fined for putting my trash out
12 a day early, why shouldn't they.

13 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD: No,
14 I hear you. Thank you. I just
15 wanted to for the record say that
16 there has been no attempts made
17 prior to this to address this issue.

18 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: The
19 Chair recognizes Councilmember
20 Harrity.

21 COUNCILMAN HARRITY: No,
22 I'm good. You know, just to the
23 fact that in all candor everybody
24 knows that's my son and my mother-

1 in-law. I live right next door on
2 the same block and have to deal with
3 the same issues that the rest of my
4 neighbors have to deal with. And as
5 somebody in recovery, I get what
6 they're trying to do.

7 But what they don't get
8 is that they're dealing with addicts
9 and they come out and they give them
10 a bag of clothes because they think
11 they need clothes and they do. And
12 then they give them a bag of fruit
13 or food because they think they need
14 the nutrients and the vitamins and
15 they do.

16 But what they don't
17 realize is that they're dealing with
18 addicts and they take it and then
19 they walk about a half a block, they
20 get into their nod and then the
21 clothes go here, the food goes here.
22 Now, the rats have a place to live
23 with free food right next door.
24 It's a huge problem.

1 Last week alone I
2 called -- Carlton Williams is going
3 to get tired of hearing from me.
4 You know, my area is actually
5 starting to get better, but now we
6 have people driving down and dumping
7 on the corner of my block. Trash is
8 a real problem. The neighbors in
9 there they're trying to do their
10 best to keep up with this stuff. So
11 I just have to say I know good
12 intentions and I get it.

13 But the fact of the
14 matter is that this is creating
15 havoc in real people's lives,
16 hundreds upon thousands of people.
17 So I applaud Quetcy for putting her
18 money where her mouth is and doing
19 the work that needs to be done.
20 Thank you.

21 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
22 you, Councilmember.

23 Mr. Pullin, could you
24 please -- oh, sorry. Are there any

1 questions from members of the
2 Committee or anyone in chambers?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
5 none, thank you. Mr. Pullin, could
6 you please call the next witnesses
7 to testify on this bill.

8 THE CLERK: The next
9 witness is testify is Silvanna
10 Mazella, Lead Executive Officer at
11 Prevention Point Philadelphia.

12 (Witnesses approached
13 Witness table.)

14 MS. MAZELLA: Hello.
15 Thank you for having us here. I
16 just wanted to --

17 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: First
18 of all, Ms. Mazella, good afternoon.
19 Could you please state your name for
20 the record and then begin with your
21 testimony.

22 MS. MAZELLA: Silvanna
23 Mazella, Lead Executive Officer,
24 Prevention Point Philadelphia.

1 Thank you. I'm not here to speak in
2 favor or against this proposal. I
3 do just want to say for the record
4 that a lot of, as has been said,
5 medical providers that go mobile,
6 outreach teams that are mobile,
7 people that are trying to provide
8 survival resources that do that
9 through mobile units need to be able
10 to help people.

11 I also do want to
12 acknowledge that it is the right
13 thing to do to be responsible in
14 providing those mobile services. We
15 should be expected like others to
16 clean up after ourselves and to
17 encourage people that we support to
18 clean up after themselves or to be
19 able to stay present long enough if
20 we're doing an outreach activity to
21 collect any waste.

22 We have worked with
23 Councilmember Squilla in another
24 neighborhood where we started taking

1 before and after pictures of some of
2 our mobile services. And I know
3 that they do that in Baltimore, a
4 lot of the mobile units do that.
5 The Health Department does that. I
6 think it's reasonable we've asked
7 our teams to do that.

8 Before we go out to an
9 area, we assess and document what's
10 there and that we try to leave the
11 place better than when we got there.
12 And that is something that we have
13 been working on with some of the
14 cleanup teams and when we have
15 mobile units out. But they are
16 important services.

17 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
18 you.

19 Are there any -- I'm
20 sorry. Do you have any testimony
21 to --

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I
23 don't.

24 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank

1 you.

2 The Chair recognizes
3 Councilmember Squilla.

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:

5 Thank you. And thank you for your
6 testimony. And I was going to
7 mention that we worked out when
8 there was issues in South
9 Philadelphia about before and after
10 pictures because of this exact
11 reason, so it sounds like -- you
12 said you don't support or oppose it,
13 but it sounds like you're supporting
14 it in your testimony, right?

15 MS. MAZELLA: We think
16 it's reasonable that mobile
17 providers do their diligence to be
18 the best neighbors possible and we
19 would commit to that.

20 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:

21 Okay. I just want to make sure,
22 because I mean obviously we want to
23 make sure that if people are
24 creating a burden that they, you

1 know, we understand that they're
2 helping people or the intention is
3 to help people. We don't want to
4 negatively impact the residents that
5 live close by, and that's why I
6 think you'll see most people will
7 support this. So thank you for
8 that.

9 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
10 you, Councilmember Squilla,
11 Mr. Vice-Chair.

12 Chair recognizes
13 Councilmember Lozada.

14 COUNCILWOMAN LOZADA:
15 Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

16 I just want to reiterate
17 and support what Councilmember
18 Squilla just said, right. I think
19 we all recognize that the services
20 are important. But you raised a
21 very important point, and that is
22 that in other neighborhoods mobile
23 providers clean up after themselves.
24 It is disrespectful that in the

1 Kensington community they choose not
2 to.

3 And so, it is unfortunate
4 that as legislators we have to take
5 these types of measures to ensure
6 that the residents and the
7 businesses who call Kensington
8 Harrowgate home receive the same
9 level of respect that they deserve.
10 And I also find it mindboggling that
11 it would be something that is
12 considered a priority in other
13 neighborhoods but not ours. It goes
14 to say or it goes to show you the
15 level of disrespect that some of
16 these mobile providers have in my
17 community.

18 And so, this is just the
19 beginning of legislation in order to
20 restore quality of life in
21 Kensington because the people in my
22 community deserve it. At no time
23 have we said that we don't want to
24 allow mobile services. And I want

1 to put that on the record and I want
2 to say it here in front of you all.

3 We are not saying,
4 Councilmember Quetcy Lozada is not
5 saying that I do not want mobile
6 services in the 7th Council
7 District. What I am saying and what
8 I am demanding is that my residents
9 be respected because they deserve to
10 live in dignity and respect like you
11 all provide and do in other
12 neighborhoods.

13 The level of disrespect
14 by mobile providers or by providers
15 in general in the 7th Council
16 District will end. It will end.
17 And if I have to legislate the hell
18 out of it, I am going to do it
19 because my community deserves it.

20 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

21 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
22 you, Councilmember.

23 Are there any other
24 questions, statements of this

1 witness by members of the Committee?

2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing

4 none, thank you so much for your

5 testimony. I appreciate you being

6 here today.

7 Mr. Pullin, are there any

8 other witnesses to testify on Bill

9 No. 240664?

10 THE CLERK: There are

11 not.

12 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank

13 you. Seeing none, again thank you

14 for your testimony.

15 Mr. Pullin, would you

16 please read the title of the next

17 bills to be heard.

18 THE CLERK: Bill No.

19 240876 titled, Establishing parking

20 regulations in the vicinity of:

21 Point Breeze Avenue between Moore

22 Street and Mifflin Street; Rosewood

23 Street between Jackson Street and

24 Wolf Street; Dorrance Street between

1 Snyder Avenue and McKean Street;
2 Garnett Street between Snyder Avenue
3 and McKean Street; Mifflin Street
4 between South 20th Street and South
5 21st Street; Chadwick Street between
6 Jackson Street and Passyunk Avenue;
7 22nd Street -- South 22nd Street
8 between McKean Street and Mifflin
9 Street; Mifflin Street between South
10 30th Street and South 29th Street;
11 Colorado Street between Snyder
12 Avenue and McKean Avenue.

13 And also Bill No. 240877
14 titled, Establishing parking
15 regulations in the vicinity of:
16 Mifflin Street between South 23rd
17 Street and South 22nd Street; South
18 21st Street between Moore Street and
19 Mifflin Street; Bouvier Street
20 between McKean Street and Snyder
21 avenue; South 15th Street between
22 Snyder avenue and Jackson Street;
23 Hicks Street between Moore Street
24 and Morris Street; Mifflin Street

1 between South 19th Street and South
2 18th Street; Hicks Street between
3 Jackson Street and Snyder avenue;
4 Dudley Street between South 18th
5 Street and South 19th Street; Mole
6 Street between Jackson Street and
7 Snyder avenue; Lambert Street
8 between McKean Street and Mifflin
9 Street.

10 And also Bill No. 240878
11 titled, Establishing a parking
12 regulation on Corlies Street between
13 Tasker Street and Morris Street;
14 Wilder Street between 21st Street
15 and 20th Street; Myrtlewood Street
16 between Dickinson Street and Tasker
17 Street; Alter Street between South
18 18th Street and South 17th Street;
19 South 17th Street between Tasker
20 Street and Morris Street; South 16th
21 Street between Morris Street and
22 Tasker Street; Hicks Street between
23 Morris Street and Tasker Street;
24 Titan Street between South 20th

1 Street and Point Breeze Avenue;
2 South 16th Street between Tasker
3 Street and Dickinson Street; South
4 16th Street between Reed Street and
5 Wharton Street.

6 And also Bill No. 240879
7 titled, Establishing a parking
8 regulation on Garnet Street between
9 Snyder Avenue and McKean Street;
10 Wharton Street between South 24th
11 Street and South 25th Street;
12 Bucknell Street between Oakford
13 Street and Federal Street; Cleveland
14 Street between Dickinson Street and
15 Tasker Street; Dickinson Street
16 between South 24th Street and South
17 23rd Street; Dickinson Street
18 between South 22nd Street and South
19 23rd Street; South 32nd Street
20 between Grays Ferry Avenue and
21 Wharton Street; Morris Street
22 between South 21st Street and South
23 20th Street; Dudley Street between
24 South 19th Street and South 20th

1 Street; South 21st Street between
2 Morris Street and Moore Street.

3 And also Bill No. 240880
4 titled, Establishing a parking
5 regulation on Elmwood Avenue between
6 South 63rd Street and S 64th Street;
7 Greenway Avenue between South 59th
8 Street and South 60th Street; South
9 67th Street between Greenway Avenue
10 and Upland Street; Yocum Street
11 between Lloyd Street and South 72nd
12 Street; Grays Avenue between South
13 62nd Street and South 63rd Street;
14 Dewey Street between Elmwood Avenue
15 and Buist Avenue; South 61st Street
16 between Buist Avenue and Elmwood
17 Avenue; 22nd Street between
18 Dickinson Street and Reed Street;
19 Ellsworth Street between South 18th
20 Street and South 17th Street; Tasker
21 Street between Point Breeze Avenue
22 and South 23rd Street.

23 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
24 you, Mr. Pullin. Would you please

1 call the next witness to testify on
2 these bills.

3 THE CLERK: The next
4 witness to testify is Michelle
5 Helms, Supervisor for the
6 Philadelphia Parking Authority.

7 (Witness approached
8 Witness table.)

9 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
10 you. And good afternoon, Ms. Helms.
11 Please state your name for the
12 record and proceed with your
13 testimony.

14 MS. HELMS: Good
15 afternoon, Council. My name is
16 Michelle Helms and I'm a Supervisor
17 for the Philadelphia Parking
18 Authority. Thank you for allowing
19 me to testify before Council
20 regarding Ordinances 240876, 240877,
21 240878, 240879 and 240880,
22 establishing parking regulations.

23 The Philadelphia Parking
24 Authority has no objection to the

1 ordinances previously read before
2 Council and we recommend favorable
3 consideration. Thank you for your
4 time. I would be happy to answer
5 any questions.

6 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
7 you, Ms. Helms.

8 Are there any questions
9 of this witness by members of the
10 Committee?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
13 none, thank you for your testimony.

14 Mr. Pullin, would you
15 please read the title of the next
16 bill to be heard.

17 THE CLERK: Bill No.
18 240881 titled, Authorizing the
19 striking from City Plan Nos. 292 and
20 321, an abandonment of a certain
21 right-of-way reserved for gas main
22 purposes located along the
23 southwestwardly side of Ashburner
24 Street, southeast of Hegerman

1 Street, and extending
2 southwestwardly therefrom, under
3 certain terms and conditions.

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
5 you. Would you please call the next
6 witnesses to testify on this bill.

7 THE CLERK: The next
8 witnesses to testify are Noelle
9 Marconi, Legislative Affairs
10 Director for the Department of
11 Streets; and Sarah Chiu, Development
12 Director for the City Planning
13 Commission.

14 (Witnesses approached
15 Witness table.)

16 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Good
17 afternoon, Ms. Marconi. Please
18 state your name and proceed with
19 your testimony.

20 MS. MARCONI: Good
21 afternoon, Chairperson Young and
22 members of the Streets and Services
23 Committee. My name is Noelle
24 Marconi and I'm the Director of

1 Legislative Affairs for the
2 Department of Streets. I'm here
3 today to offer testimony on Bill No.
4 240881 introduced by Councilmember
5 Driscoll.

6 This is not an
7 Administration ordinance, but an
8 ordinance requested by Darwin
9 Beauvais of Obermayer Rebmann
10 Maxwell & Hippel representing RG
11 Torresdale LLC. This proposed
12 ordinance will authorize the
13 striking from the City Plan and
14 abandonment of the certain right-of-
15 way reserved for gas main purposes
16 located along the southwesterly side
17 of Ashburner Street, at a point
18 approximately 431 feet southeast of
19 Hegerman Street, and extending
20 southwestwardly approximately 417
21 feet therefrom.

22 The Philadelphia Gas
23 Works has confirmed that there is no
24 gas utility facilities within the

1 right-of-way and PGW has no
2 objection to the abandonment of the
3 right-of-way. The purpose of this
4 action is to remove this currently
5 unused right-of-way as an
6 encumbrance on the underlying
7 property, thereby facilitating the
8 owner's ability to redevelop this
9 site.

10 The Department of Streets
11 has no objection to this proposed
12 ordinance and recommends it to the
13 Committee for favorable action.
14 Thank you for the opportunity to
15 appear before you today. I'd be
16 happy to answer any questions.

17 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
18 you, Ms. Marconi.

19 Ms. Chiu, please proceed
20 with your testimony.

21 MS. CHIU: Good
22 afternoon, Chairmember Young and
23 members of the Committee on Streets
24 and Services. I'm Sarah Chiu, City

1 Planning Manager with the
2 Philadelphia City Planning
3 Commission. I'm here to testify on
4 Bill No. 240881 introduced by
5 Councilmember Driscoll on October
6 10, 2024.

7 This bill will strike and
8 abandon a certain right-of-way
9 reserved for gas main purposes. The
10 right-of-way is located along the
11 southeasterly side of Ashburner
12 Street, southeast of Hegerman
13 Street. The owner wishes to remove
14 the restrictions on this property
15 for future development
16 opportunities.

17 There will be no physical
18 change to the street grid or traffic
19 pattern should this right-of-way be
20 removed. The Planning Commission is
21 scheduled to consider this bill at
22 its meeting on November 21, 2024
23 with the staff recommendation for
24 approval. And I'll be happy to

1 answer any questions at this time.

2 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank

3 you, Ms. Chiu. I do have one

4 question regarding this easement.

5 So this easement, was there ever any

6 gas utility lines underneath the

7 property at some point?

8 MS. CHIU: I don't

9 believe so.

10 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Okay.

11 Thank you.

12 Any questions of these

13 witnesses by members of the

14 Committee?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing

17 none, thank you for your testimony.

18 Mr. Pullin, would you

19 please read the title of the next

20 bill to be heard.

21 THE CLERK: Bill No.

22 241026 titled, Amending Section 2 of

23 an Ordinance (Bill No. 220188)

24 approved August 31, 2022, entitled

1 "An Ordinance Authorizing the
2 striking from City Plan No. 269 and
3 abandonment of a portion of a
4 certain right-of-way for drainage
5 purposes and water main purposes in
6 the vicinity of the northwesterly
7 side of Civic Center Boulevard,
8 northeast of Osler Circle, under
9 certain terms and conditions," by
10 extending the period for compliance
11 with the terms and conditions stated
12 therein.

13 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
14 you, Mr. Pullin.

15 Would you please call the
16 next witnesses to testify on this
17 bill.

18 THE CLERK: The next
19 witnesses to testify are Noelle
20 Marconi, Legislative Affairs
21 Director for the Department of
22 Streets and Sarah Chiu, Development
23 Director for the City Planning
24 Commission.

1 COUNCILMAN YOUNG:

2 Ms. Marconi, please proceed with
3 your testimony.

4 Ms. MARCONI: Good
5 afternoon, Chairperson Young and
6 members of the Streets and Services
7 Committee. My name is Noelle
8 Marconi and I'm the Director of
9 Legislative Affairs for the
10 Department of Streets. I'm here
11 today to offer testimony on Bill No.
12 241026, introduced by Councilmember
13 Gauthier.

14 This is not an
15 Administration ordinance, but an
16 ordinance requested by Christine
17 Zadareky, Senior Project Manager for
18 the Children's Hospital of
19 Philadelphia. The purpose of this
20 proposed ordinance is to amend a
21 previous ordinance (Bill No. 220188)
22 which authorized the striking from
23 the City Plan and abandoning a
24 portion of an existing right-of-way

1 for drainage purposes and water main
2 purposes, which extends
3 northwestwardly from a point on the
4 northwesterly side of Civic Center
5 Boulevard approximately 275 feet
6 northeast of Osler Circle.

7 The portion of the right-
8 of-way proposed to be stricken
9 extends from a point approximately
10 43 feet northwest of Civic Center
11 Boulevard to a point approximately
12 378 feet further northwestwardly
13 therefrom. The bill will extend the
14 operable period for compliance with
15 the terms and conditions of the
16 authorizing ordinance for an
17 additional two years.

18 This action has been
19 requested by the Children's Hospital
20 of Philadelphia to facilitate their
21 University City inpatient expansion
22 project. The Department of Streets
23 has no objections to this proposed
24 ordinance and recommends it to the

1 Committee for favorable action.

2 Thanks for the opportunity to appear
3 before you today. I'm pleased to
4 answer any questions you may have.

5 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
6 you, Ms. Marconi.

7 Ms. Chiu, would you
8 please proceed with your testimony.

9 MS. CHIU: Good
10 afternoon, Chairmember Young and
11 members of the Committee on Streets
12 and Services. I'm Sarah Chiu, City
13 Planner Manager with the
14 Philadelphia City Planning
15 Commission. I'm here to testify on
16 Bill No. 241026, introduced by
17 Councilmember Gauthier on October
18 31, 2024. This bill extends the
19 compliance period to August 31, 2026
20 for a previously approved Bill No.
21 220188.

22 The former bill was
23 passed to strike from the City Plan
24 and abandon a portion of drainage

1 and water main right-of-way that is
2 currently underneath East Service
3 Drive. This action will facilitate
4 the Children's Hospital's New
5 Patient Tower Building, including a
6 29-story hospital building and
7 underground parking garage.

8 The Planning Commission
9 recommended approval for its
10 rezoning action at its meeting on
11 June 2021. The Planning Commission
12 is scheduled to consider Bill No.
13 241026 at its meeting on November
14 21, 2024 with a staff recommendation
15 for approval. I'll be happy to
16 answer any questions at this time.

17 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
18 you, Ms. Chiu.

19 Are there any questions
20 of these witnesses regarding Bill
21 No. 241026?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
24 none, thank you.

1 Mr. Pullin, would you
2 please read the title of the next
3 bill to be heard.

4 THE CLERK: Bill No.
5 241027 titled, Authorizing Posel
6 Woodland Associates, L.P. or a
7 subsequent owner to install, own,
8 and maintain an encroachment at
9 4116-18 Chester Ave, Philadelphia,
10 Pennsylvania 19104, under certain
11 terms and conditions.

12 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
13 you, Mr. Pullin. Please call the
14 next witness to testify on this
15 bill.

16 THE CLERK: The next
17 witnesses to testify are Noelle
18 Marconi, Legislative Affairs
19 Director for the Department of
20 Streets; and Sarah Chiu, Development
21 Director for the City Planning
22 Commission.

23 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
24 you, Ms. Marconi. Please begin with

1 your testimony.

2 Ms. MARCONI: Good

3 afternoon, Chairperson Young and

4 members of the Streets and Services

5 Committee. My name is Noelle

6 Marconi and I'm the Director of

7 Legislative Affairs for the

8 Department of Streets. I'm here

9 today to offer testimony on Bill No.

10 241027, introduced by Councilmember

11 Gauthier.

12 This bill authorizes

13 Posel Woodland Associates LP or a

14 subsequent owner to install, own and

15 maintain an encroachment at 4116-18

16 Chester Ave, all under certain terms

17 and conditions. A proposed building

18 ramp access ramp will be located

19 along the property line of 4116-18

20 Chester Avenue and will encroach a

21 distance of approximately 5'6"

22 towards the east along the west

23 footway of Woodland Avenue.

24 The Department of Streets

1 is not opposed to legalizing this
2 existing encroachment as it will
3 maintain a minimum of 6 feet of
4 clear unobstructed footway. This
5 concludes my testimony. I'm pleased
6 to answer any questions you may
7 have.

8 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
9 you, Ms. Marconi.

10 Ms. Chiu, please proceed
11 with your testimony.

12 MS. CHIU: Good
13 afternoon, Chairmember and members
14 of the Committee on Streets and
15 Services. I'm Sarah Chiu, City
16 Planning Manager with the
17 Philadelphia City Planning
18 Commission. I'm here to testify on
19 Bill No. 241027, introduced by
20 Councilmember Gauthier on October
21 31, 2024.

22 This bill will authorize
23 a property owner to replace an
24 existing building access ramp at

1 4116-18 Chester Avenue. This
2 replacement leaves 6-foot clear
3 walking zone space which meets
4 minimum required walking zone
5 dimensions of the Complete Street
6 Policy. The Planning Commission is
7 scheduled to consider Bill 241027
8 and is meeting on October 21, 2024
9 with a staff recommendation for
10 approval. I'll be happy to answer
11 questions at this time.

12 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
13 you, Ms. Chiu.

14 Are there any questions
15 of these witnesses regarding this
16 bill?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
19 none, thank you.

20 Mr. Pullin, would you
21 please read the title of the next
22 bill to be heard.

23 THE CLERK: Bill No.
24 241028, titled Amending Chapter

1 12-2700 of The Philadelphia Code,
2 entitled "Permit Parking Districts,"
3 by changing certain boundaries and
4 establishing new permit parking
5 districts, all under certain terms
6 and conditions.

7 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
8 you, Mr. Pullin.

9 Would you please call the
10 witness to testify on this bill.

11 THE CLERK: The next
12 witness to testify is Noelle
13 Marconi, Legislative Affairs
14 Director for the Department of
15 Streets.

16 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
17 you, Ms. Marconi. Would you please
18 proceed with your testimony.

19 Ms. MARCONI: Good
20 afternoon, Chairperson Young and
21 members of the Streets and Services
22 Committee. My name is Noelle
23 Marconi and I'm the Director of
24 Legislative Affairs for the

1 Department of Streets. I'm here
2 today to offer testimony on Bill No.
3 241028, introduced by Councilmember
4 Gauthier.

5 This bill changes
6 boundaries of parking permit
7 boundaries in District 3 and
8 establishes a permit parking
9 district, District 41. District 3
10 will add the west side of North 48th
11 Street and the north side of
12 Haverford Avenue on the southeast,
13 the west side of North 44th Street
14 and Belmont Avenue on the east.

15 The new parking district,
16 District 41, will encompass the area
17 bounded by the SEPTA Regional high-
18 speed line tracks on the east and
19 northeast, City Line Avenue on the
20 north, and the east side of Belmont
21 Avenue and North 44th Street on the
22 west, the south side of Haverford
23 Avenue and the east side of North
24 48th Street on the southwest and the

1 north side of Market Street on the
2 south.

3 The Department of Streets
4 has no objections to this proposed
5 bill. The Philadelphia Parking
6 Authority will be charged with
7 enforcing this bill. This concludes
8 my testimony. I'm pleased to answer
9 any questions you may have.

10 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
11 you, Ms. Marconi.

12 Are there any questions
13 of this witness on this bill by
14 members of the Committee?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
17 none, thank you.

18 Mr. Pullin, would you
19 please read the title of the next
20 bill.

21 THE CLERK: Bill No.
22 241030 titled, Amending Chapter
23 12-3400 of The Philadelphia Code,
24 entitled "Use of An Automated Speed

1 Enforcement System," to improve
2 safety by providing for the use,
3 administration and enforcement of
4 automated speed cameras on State
5 Route 13 within the boundaries of
6 Philadelphia and amending the
7 Internet website notice requirement,
8 all under certain terms and
9 conditions.

10 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
11 you, Mr. Pullin.

12 Would you please call the
13 witnesses to testify on this bill.

14 THE CLERK: The next
15 witness to testify is Nicholas Cole
16 Appleman, Policy Analyst for the
17 Office of Transportation and
18 Infrastructure Systems.

19 (Witnesses approached
20 Witness table.)

21 MR. APPLEMAN: Good
22 afternoon, everyone. How are we
23 doing today?

24 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Good

1 afternoon, Mr. Appleman. Please
2 state your name for the record and
3 begin with your testimony.

4 MR. APPLEMAN: Nicholas
5 Cole Appleman, Policy Analyst with
6 the Office of Transportation and
7 Infrastructure Systems. As we'd
8 already said, good afternoon,
9 everyone, Committee Chair Young and
10 the members of the Streets and
11 Services Committee.

12 My name is Cole Appelman.
13 I'm a Policy Analyst with the Office
14 of Transportation and Infrastructure
15 Systems also known as OTIS. I'm
16 here today to offer testimony in
17 support of Bill No. 241030 sponsored
18 by Councilmember Driscoll. In
19 addition to Councilmember Driscoll,
20 I would like to thank Chairperson
21 Young and the members of this
22 Committee for their ongoing
23 engagement and support for automated
24 speed enforcement measures

1 throughout this past year.

2 This bill entitled, "Use
3 of Automated Speed Enforcement to
4 Improve Safety," would add Automated
5 Speed Enforcement, otherwise known
6 as ASE, cameras along State Route
7 13, which includes sections of
8 Frankford Avenue, Hunting Park, 33rd
9 Street and Baltimore Avenue.

10 Speed cameras reduce
11 speeding as well as reckless
12 driving, therefore reducing deaths
13 and serious injuries along this
14 corridor. Our analyst -- our
15 analysis, excuse me, shows that from
16 2019 to 2023 there were 123 fatal
17 and serious injury crashes, 160
18 speeding-related crashes and 258
19 crashes involving pedestrians along
20 streets that make up Route 13.

21 After Broad Street, for
22 which similar legislation we passed
23 earlier this year, our analysis
24 shows that Route 13 had the second

1 highest need for speed camera
2 enforcement. ASE is a proven method
3 of slowing drivers down. Four years
4 ago the City deployed speed cameras
5 on Roosevelt Boulevard, at the time
6 the most dangerous road in
7 Philadelphia and one of the most
8 dangerous in the state. In the
9 years since we've seen a remarkable
10 level of progress on the Boulevard,
11 including a 95 percent reduction in
12 speeding and 50 percent reduction in
13 pedestrian-involved crashes as well
14 as a 21 percent reduction in all
15 fatal and serious injury crashes.

16 Earlier this year this
17 Committee passed legislation to
18 expand this lifesaving strategy to
19 Broad Street, as I mentioned before,
20 and this bill would allow this work
21 to expand to yet another very
22 dangerous corridor in this city.
23 The installation of the new system
24 would be accompanied by strong

1 educational messages as well as a
2 60-day driver warning period,
3 ensuring that the pilot program is
4 fair, balanced and transparent.

5 We look forward to
6 continuing our work with the
7 Philadelphia Parking Authority as
8 well as the program administrators,
9 the Pennsylvania Department of
10 Transportation on effective program
11 communication, sharing the message
12 that this program is not about
13 issuing tickets. It's about
14 changing people's behavior and
15 preserving human life.

16 Thank you for the
17 opportunity to testify and provide
18 information to support our position
19 on this program on Route 13. It's
20 an effective way to increase safety
21 by changing driver behavior in a
22 simple way, managing driver speeds.
23 Thank you very much for the
24 opportunity to testify before you

1 today. Happy to answer any
2 questions you may have.

3 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
4 you, Cole. I have one question.
5 Who determines or how is the speed
6 on the corridors determined, like
7 what the speed limit will be?

8 MR. APPLEMAN: So just to
9 clarify, you're asking how the speed
10 limit is determined?

11 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Yes.

12 MR. APPLEMAN: Okay. And
13 my understanding is it's a traffic
14 and engineering study. My colleague
15 here Marco would actually probably
16 be a little better-equipped to
17 explain exactly how they come to
18 concluding that speed.

19 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
20 you.

21 MR. GORINI: Sure, yeah.
22 Members of the Committee, the speed
23 limit is determined --

24 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: I'm

1 sorry. Can you please state your
2 name for the record and then begin.
3 Sorry.

4 MR. GORINI: Absolutely.
5 Marco Gorini. I'm the Vision Zero
6 Program Manager with OTIS. So the
7 state legislation that made the
8 speed cameras on Roosevelt Boulevard
9 permanent and also allowed us to
10 expand to five additional corridors
11 requires that the City in
12 partnership with PennDOT undertake a
13 traffic and engineering study on
14 each corridor to justify the speed
15 cameras. And part of that is also
16 an evaluation of what the
17 appropriate speed limit should be.
18 So that traffic and engineering form
19 has to be approved by traffic
20 engineers both at PennDOT as well as
21 in the Streets Department.

22 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
23 you so much.

24 Are there any other

1 questions of these witnesses on this
2 bill?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
5 none, thank you for your testimony.

6 Mr. Pullin, please call
7 the next witness to testify on this
8 bill.

9 THE CLERK: The next
10 witness to testify is Jared Johnson,
11 volunteer with 5th Square.

12 (Witness approached
13 Witness table.)

14 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Good
15 afternoon, Mr. Johnson. Please
16 state your name for the record and
17 begin with your testimony.

18 MR. JOHNSON: Thank you.
19 Good afternoon, Councilmember Young
20 and the members of the Streets and
21 Services Committee. My name is
22 Jared Johnson. I am a volunteer and
23 a transit and safe street advocate
24 for 5th Square. I'm here today to

1 testify and support Bill No. 241030
2 regarding the automated traffic
3 enforcement cameras on Route 13.

4 Route 13 stretches from
5 Southwest Philly to Northeast Philly
6 which is densely populated with
7 residents and businesses, which has
8 seen its share at drivers speeding
9 in the last few years that have
10 resulted in numerous traffic
11 accidents and fatalities. Also,
12 Route 13 has been ranked as one of
13 the highest corridors in the state
14 routes in Pennsylvania for speeding
15 pedestrian crashes in Philadelphia
16 that could have been prevented if
17 these speed cameras would have been
18 installed earlier.

19 Fortunately, they got
20 their act together and there has
21 been a solution to decrease the
22 number of traffic incidents by
23 installing (inaudible) traffic
24 cameras along Roosevelt Boulevard

1 which has reduced traffic accidents
2 slightly in the last year.

3 Also, this past year some
4 of us from 5th Square as well as
5 members from BCGP, The Bicycle
6 Coalition of Greater Philadelphia,
7 went to Harrisburg to testify on
8 safer streets, and that includes
9 putting up speed cameras, automated
10 speed cameras.

11 Although this is a trend
12 in the right direction, there's
13 still more work to be done in the
14 city of Philadelphia along the rest
15 of city streets to make pedestrians
16 feel safe and have drivers prepare
17 ahead of time when they're behind
18 the wheel. But this is a step in
19 the right direction, and I know that
20 it's not going to be an overnight
21 fix. But over time bit-by-bit we
22 have made pedestrians and drivers
23 feel safe and this will be a
24 positive in the right direction.

1 Thank you very much for your time
2 and I appreciate the time that you
3 give me.

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
5 you so much for your testimony.

6 Are there any questions
7 of this witness by members of the
8 Committee?

9 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:
10 Quick question.

11 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: The
12 Chair recognizes Councilmember
13 Ahmad.

14 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD:
15 Thank you for your testimony. I
16 just wondered because you are
17 involved in community engagement how
18 much of a communication effort needs
19 to happen in order for people to
20 know this is happening and they
21 would voluntarily slow down or what
22 is your thoughts on letting
23 community know this is coming and do
24 you think that's effective?

1 MR. JOHNSON: Basically
2 it's pretty much by word of mouth.
3 It's getting the message out. We
4 have been getting the message out
5 through social accounts such as
6 Twitter and Facebook and basically
7 just getting the message out to 5th
8 Square members and passing it on to
9 neighbors and friends who may not be
10 familiar with 5th Square, who may
11 not be familiar with The Bicycle
12 Coalition of Greater Philadelphia
13 and just getting the message out,
14 who are bicycle riders, who do drive
15 cars that are well aware of what's
16 going on because there's many people
17 that don't know what's going on.

18 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD: The
19 reason I ask you that is do you
20 think it would be useful to have a
21 citywide campaign around this? We
22 have different organizations who
23 step up and do this work just like
24 you are and these organizations you

1 mentioned.

2 However, do you think as
3 a government we have a
4 responsibility to have campaigns
5 around this, a concerted campaign
6 around this? We hear a lot about
7 it, but I don't know how intentional
8 those campaigns are. And as a
9 community activist, I wanted to know
10 what your thoughts were on that and
11 how that might or might not be
12 helpful.

13 MR. JOHNSON: I would say
14 that we would have to do a little
15 more. I'm not sure really because I
16 just joined the organization myself,
17 but more campaigning would do the
18 trick.

19 COUNCILWOMAN AHMAD: All
20 right. Thank. Just wanted that on
21 the record.

22 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
23 you.

24 Are there any other

1 questions by members of the
2 Committee?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
5 none, this hearing will now
6 transition to our public comment
7 session.

8 Mr. Pullin, would you
9 please call the first speaker for
10 public comment.

11 THE CLERK: There are no
12 speakers on public comment.

13 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
14 you so much. I would like to thank
15 you all, thank all of our witnesses
16 for joining us today.

17 We will now end the
18 public hearing and go into the
19 public meeting. I note for the
20 record that a quorum of the
21 Committee is present.

22 The Chair recognizes
23 Councilmember Squilla for a motion
24 on the amendment to Bill No. 241028.

1 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:

2 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

3 I offer an amendment to
4 Bill No. 241028. A copy of the
5 amendment has been circulated to all
6 members of the Committee. I move
7 that the amendment to Bill No.
8 241028 be adopted.

9 (Duly seconded.)

10 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
11 you. It has been moved and properly
12 seconded that the amendment to Bill
13 No. 241028 be adopted.

14 All those in favor of the
15 motion will signify by saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Those
18 opposed?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Ayes
21 have it. In the opinion of the
22 Chair, the ayes have it and thank
23 you.

24 The Chair now recognizes

1 Councilmember Squilla for a motion
2 on Bill Nos. 240644, 240876, 240877,
3 240878, 240879, 240880, 240881,
4 241026, 241027, 241028 as amended
5 and 240130.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:

7 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

8 I move that all bills
9 read into the record be reported
10 from this Committee with a favorable
11 recommendation and further move that
12 the rules of Council be suspended as
13 to permit the first reading of this
14 bill at the next session of Council.

15 (Duly seconded.)

16 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Thank
17 you. It has been moved and properly
18 seconded that all bills read into
19 the record be reported from this
20 Committee with a favorable
21 recommendation and further move that
22 the rules of Council be suspended to
23 permit first reading of these bills
24 at the next session of Council.

1 All those in favor of the
2 motion will signify by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: All
5 opposed?

6 (No response.)

7 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Ayes
8 have it. The motion carries. Bill
9 Nos. 240644, 240876, 240877, 240878,
10 240879, 240880, 240881, 241026,
11 241027, 241028 as amended and 241030
12 will be reported from this Committee
13 with a favorable recommendation with
14 a request that the rules of Council
15 be suspended to permit the first
16 reading at the next session of
17 Council.

18 Are there any final
19 remarks by members of this
20 Committee?

21 (No response.)

22 COUNCILMAN YOUNG: Seeing
23 none, this concludes the business
24 before you today with the Committee

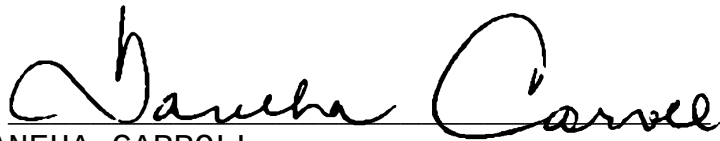
1 of Streets and Services. Thank you
2 so much for your attendance.

3 (Committee on Streets and
4 Services concluded at 2:58 p.m.)

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