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COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION

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PRESENT:

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COUNCILMAN W. WILSON GOODE, JR., VICE CHAIR

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COUNCILMAN DARRELL L. CLARKE

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COUNCILMAN FRANK DiCICCO

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COUNCILMAN JACK KELLY

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COUNCILMAN FRANK RIZZO

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COUNCILWOMAN MARIAN TASCO

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COUNCILWOMAN DONNA REED MILLER

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COUNCILMAN GOODE: Good

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morning. This hearing is called to

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order. This is a public hearing of the

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Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs

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Committee on Bill No. 060628 and Bill No.

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060857. My name is W. Wilson Goode, Jr.,

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Vice Chair of the Committee. The Chair

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was not able to attend the hearing this

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morning.

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I note that a quorum is

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present. To my left is Councilman Frank

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Rizzo. Also present is Councilman Jack

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Kelly. To my right is Councilman Frank

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DiCicco. Councilwoman Donna Reed Miller

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is also in attendance.

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The Clerk will please read the

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title of the first bill, No. 060628.

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THE CLERK: Bill 060628, an

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ordinance naming and designating the

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"Mallery Recreation Center" located at

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Johnson Street and Morton Street as the

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"Daniel E. Rumph II Recreation Center."

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COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

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I'll ask Councilwoman Miller if

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2 she has some opening remarks.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Yes.

4 Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

5 It gives me great pleasure this
6 morning to have this hearing and to be
7 the sponsor of this bill to change the
8 Mallery Recreation Center to the Daniel
9 E. Rumph Recreation Center.

10 Daniel Rumph is a young man
11 that grew up in that immediate
12 neighborhood and, unfortunately, several
13 years ago -- and I'm sure during
14 testimony, someone will give the exact
15 date -- he died playing basketball from
16 that heart condition that those kids
17 have.

18 I think it's really good when
19 people in the neighborhood can identify
20 with the person whose name is on the
21 building. I grew up in this neighborhood
22 also. I have no idea who Mallery is or
23 who Mallery was, so it's really good that
24 they've gotten -- they have lots of
25 support from the community. They have a

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2 petition that I have in my office, and
3 this is a good, positive move. It will
4 also be good, positively viewed with a
5 lot of the other young men in that
6 neighborhood.

7 So this is a good bill. I'd
8 just like all the Committee members to
9 know that I strongly support this bill
10 today.

11 Thank you.

12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

13 Our first witness is Mr. Marcus
14 Owens. Mr. Owens.

15 Good morning. Please state
16 your name for the record and then proceed
17 with your testimony.

18 MR. OWENS: Good morning,
19 Council. My name is Marcus Owens. I'm
20 the uncle of Daniel Eric Rumph, II. I'm
21 also the President of Daniel E. Rumph, II
22 Foundation.

23 I'm here to testify today to
24 you that Daniel Rumph was a 21-year-old
25 young man who was a positive person in

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2 our community, Bowling Greens community.
3 He came home, played ball in Mallery
4 Recreation Center, as he does every year
5 when he was away at school as he comes
6 back to his community and gives.

7 He collapsed and died on May 8,
8 2005. He died from hypertrophic
9 cardiomyopathy, which is a heart disease
10 that affects young athletes of his age
11 and younger while playing sports.

12 Daniel was a young man who was
13 looked up to by his peers, by the younger
14 generation and as well as the older
15 generation. He was a positive person,
16 who came back and worked with the younger
17 kids in the community in the basketball
18 camps. He worked with his peers in
19 making those guys better young men as far
20 as not worrying about peer pressure and
21 not worrying about having to be the cool
22 guy on the block. He wasn't that cool
23 guy. He was that kid that just came
24 home. He was quiet, but spoke volumes.
25 He led by actions.

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2 He gave back to the young kids.

3 He brought them sneakers back. He'll
4 bring them ball caps back, whatever he
5 could do as a broke college kid. He
6 would just be able to come back and give
7 them little jerseys and things like that.
8 And they looked up to him because he
9 wasn't that kid that ran the streets. He
10 wasn't that kid that wanted to do fast
11 things or do things the fast way. He did
12 it the old-fashioned way, he worked hard
13 at it. He worked hard at school. He
14 worked on the basketball court. He was a
15 loving nephew, son, grandson, cousin and
16 community leader.

17 His foundation that we've put
18 together, as of right now, it's a year
19 and six months old. We're in the process
20 of putting three defibrillators in the
21 first three recreation centers, which is
22 Hank Gathers, Mallery and Finley Rec
23 Center will receive AEDs.

24 We give back to our community
25 as far as Thanksgiving baskets. We've

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2 fed ten families this year alone with ten
3 baskets. We go out and educate our
4 communities about this heart disease. We
5 participate in screening Cheyney
6 University athletes, all their whole
7 athletes on campus for this disease.

8 So in his death, his name is
9 still ringing through the community in a
10 positive way and doing positive things
11 for this community. And today we just
12 feel and wish that this bill does get
13 passed. This will be just an ultimate
14 honor for our family as well as Danny.

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you
16 for your testimony, Mr. Owens. You
17 represented your nephew very well, and
18 thank you for your service to the
19 community.

20 MR. OWENS: I thank you.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I will note
22 for the record Councilman Darrell Clarke
23 is here as well.

24 Any questions for Mr. Owens?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Our next
3 witness is Mr. Rich.

4 Good morning, Mr. Rich. Please
5 state your name for the record and then
6 proceed with your testimony.

7 MR. RICH: Good morning,
8 Council. My name is Toby Rich. I'm
9 called the "Mayor of Girard Avenue."

10 This is a very good thing.
11 Aside from being a part of Girard Avenue
12 through the help of Mom Krippen and a lot
13 of other people, I grew up in Germantown.
14 I played in Mallery Playground, and that
15 playground had notice of different
16 neighborhoods, Dogtown, Duval Street,
17 Tulpehocken Street and Haines Street.
18 And the Rumph family was from Haines
19 Street. And these guys at one time
20 wouldn't just play basketball. They
21 gang-warred in that playground. But to
22 see today, this is history, this is a
23 good thing, a real good thing.

24 Danny Rumph was a good guy. He
25 was one of the corny kids. He went to

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2 school. He showed that he knew what
3 happened when you got involved in the
4 gang war and went to jail, got involved
5 with the drugs, because he learned from
6 family members and people that lost their
7 lives, and he learned a lesson from the
8 people that died and he was able to learn
9 from that. And a lot of other kids will
10 learn from this playground being named
11 after him because of his example.

12 There's a post named after
13 Albert Reed, Councilwoman Miller's
14 brother, who died in Vietnam. These
15 things help our community remember the
16 people that were a part of the community
17 and the people that go on. And I just
18 think this is a good thing and I'm happy
19 to be a part of something like this.

20 Thank you.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thanks for
22 your testimony, Mr. Rich.

23 Any questions for this witness?

24 Councilwoman Miller.

25 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I don't

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2 have any questions, but I just want to
3 add, and I forgot to say this, that I've
4 certainly known Daniel Rumph since he was
5 a baby, and I've seen him progress and
6 grow into a fine basketball player and he
7 went to a school in Kentucky. I'm not a
8 sports person. I don't know the name.
9 But he's had the support of his mother,
10 Candy, who is here.

11 Candy, do you want to just
12 stand up for a second.

13 (Candy stood.)

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Good
15 morning.

16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: And when
17 he died, it was actually on Mother's Day
18 and he was playing ball with a couple
19 other kids from the neighborhood that are
20 also very good basketball players and
21 attend other universities.

22 So I did just want to make note
23 that Danny was a good guy, and I really,
24 really think that this will be good for
25 the neighborhood.

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2 Thank you.

3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

4 Is there anyone else to testify
5 on this bill?

6 Councilman Rizzo.

7 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: This is just
8 a curiosity question. I don't know who
9 can answer it, but do we have a process
10 to back out of one name when we establish
11 a new name, out of courtesy? I assume
12 Mallery Playground has been that for 75
13 or 50-plus more years, but out of
14 courtesy, if there are heirs or there is
15 someone, do we have a process where we at
16 least notify? And probably if there are
17 family members, they would embrace the
18 fact that we're trying to recognize a
19 person of high quality, but I think in
20 sensitivity to the original naming, there
21 should be some process where there's
22 communication either before or after.
23 Before, it could start a controversy.
24 After, it's a done deal. But at least
25 there should be some, I think,

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2 sensitivity in that area.

3 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Is there
4 anyone here from the Recreation
5 Department?

6 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: No one is
7 here, but I can address some of that
8 concern.

9 We had the same concern, and we
10 did research and we tried to find folks
11 that were a part of the Mallery family or
12 why it was named Mallery, who they were,
13 and we did this for months, and we were
14 not able to find out the information that
15 we wanted to find out.

16 I was Chair of this Committee
17 when we changed the name -- I'm trying to
18 think of the name of the center up in the
19 Northeast where this young man was killed
20 with the bat. Remember?

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Danny
22 Pollack.

23 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Danny
24 Pollack.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Eddie

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2 Pollack.

3 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Eddie
4 Pollack. And you were on that Committee
5 also, Frank. So at the time, our job was
6 to do the bill, and there were no
7 additional things that we needed to do as
8 a committee. I don't know what the
9 Recreation Department did. I don't know
10 what anybody else did, but what we did
11 was actually --

12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: I'll ask
13 Ms. Marsh from the Mayor's Office if she
14 could ask the Recreation Department to
15 just research that.

16 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: They have
17 researched it. They've done that
18 already. We asked them to do that.

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

20 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: Okay.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Is there
22 anyone else to testify on this bill?

23 Please come forward.

24 MR. WILLIAMS: Good morning.

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Please state

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2 your name for the record and proceed with
3 your testimony.

4 MR. WILLIAMS: William H.
5 Williams.

6 I had the privilege of coaching
7 Danny Rumph on an AAU team, and I've
8 never met a finer kid. I've been
9 coaching -- we had a league of 700 kids
10 and we play out of Gustine, Mallery and
11 Finley, and Daniel was one of the finest
12 kids that I've -- you knew he had came
13 from a good family. He never gave you
14 any problems or nothing. And I think
15 this will be a good idea of changing that
16 recreation center to Daniel Rumph's and
17 put it in Daniel Rumph's name, because he
18 was a very good, up and coming citizen.

19 You couldn't have a better kid
20 on your team. We had guys go to the NBA.
21 Warwick plays for the NBA now and that's
22 who played with Daniel on an AAU team.
23 He's in the NBA now.

24 And I just want to give my
25 opinion about Ms. Rumph's son. He was a

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2 very up and standing guy, and I think it
3 would benefit a lot of kids in the whole
4 section up there if the center was
5 changed to Daniel Rumph.

6 Thank you.

7 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

8 Thank you for your testimony.

9 Is there anyone else to testify
10 on this bill?

11 Please come forward. Please
12 state your name for the record and
13 proceed with your testimony.

14 MS. HANFORD: Shariff Hanford.

15 Yes. I was with Daniel Rumph.
16 I grew up with him since we was about
17 nine or ten. I played with him all those
18 leagues he just mentioned. I was his
19 teammate with him. He was one of the
20 best people. Out of all the years I knew
21 him, I never even argued with him.

22 When people see Danny, they
23 look at that's what they could be. He
24 went to college. He never got in any
25 trouble. I never seen him mad. He

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2 always been a happy guy, help everybody
3 when we come home from school. His trunk
4 will be full. When he go back, it will
5 be empty. All the little kids running
6 around with the shirts and shorts and
7 sneakers and everything.

8 So people already look at it as
9 his gym. Me and him been in there
10 countless hours. I mean, like Saturday
11 mornings, we'd wake up, have a game at 8
12 o'clock in the morning, have workouts
13 there and then stay there. We've been
14 there Saturdays, Sundays, any day we
15 could get in the gym. So basically it's
16 almost like that was his second home, so
17 it will only be right to name it after
18 him.

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.
20 Thank you for your testimony.

21 Are there any other witnesses
22 on this bill?

23 Please come forward. Please
24 state your name for the record and then
25 proceed with your testimony.

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2 MR. MORACK: Michael Morack.

3 I just want to say that I grew
4 up with Danny since we were 12 years old
5 playing at the rec center also, and I'd
6 just like to see the name changed,
7 because I think Mallery has been a safe
8 haven and really a refugee place for so
9 many young kids growing up in the
10 neighborhood since I can remember for the
11 last 20-some years. And I know what
12 they've done at the Hank Gathers Rec
13 Center. Naming that rec center the Hank
14 Gathers Rec Center has kind of kept his
15 name alive, and a lot of younger kids
16 come through and they remember. I just
17 want to see the same thing happen with
18 Danny, because every time he came home
19 and every time he was on TV, it kind of
20 brought everybody together. Everybody
21 was tuned in. Everybody wanted to know
22 how he was doing. Whenever he came home,
23 everybody wanted to come to the gym to
24 see him.

25 So I just think that -- that's

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2 my personal take on it. I would like to
3 see it be named after him to keep his
4 memory alive for somebody that did such
5 positive things in the community.

6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

7 Thank you for your testimony.

8 Councilman Kelly.

9 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Yes. Thank
10 you, Mr. Chairman.

11 I have a question for
12 Councilwoman Miller, if I may. Since
13 there is no one here from the Recreation
14 Department, what interest or what is the
15 viewpoint of the supervisor of the
16 playground, Mallery Recreation Center?

17 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: The
18 supervisor --

19 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Are they in
20 support of it?

21 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER:
22 Absolutely support it. Mr. Berry, he's
23 very, very, very supportive. I've been
24 there several times and talked to him.
25 In fact, I think that's one of the places

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2 where the petition was circulated.

3 Am I not correct?

4 Right. So Mr. Berry is very,
5 very, very supportive. He's also someone
6 that grew up in the Germantown community
7 that I've known for a number of years.

8 We've talked to the
9 Commissioner. We've talked to -- you
10 know, one of the people at Rec that
11 really kind of knows the history is Eric
12 Iffrig. We've talked to Eric. I mean,
13 we really did talk to a number of people
14 over there trying to find out the
15 background, who was Mallery, you know,
16 can we find them.

17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I think
18 Councilman Rizzo addressed that, and
19 that's a good point, that somewhere along
20 the line there should be a procedure or
21 something that would enable us not only
22 to rename a playground but to keep it.
23 Because let's face it, 50 or 100 years
24 from now, they have another Council
25 sitting here and they may be deciding,

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2 Well, we have another person that we know
3 of and we don't know this particular
4 person. We have to ensure that this is
5 going to be, I think, as long as the
6 recreation center stands there.

7 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I agree.

8 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I don't know
9 if there is a policy or not.

10 COUNCILWOMAN MILLER: I'm not
11 sure what it is. I know that I was Chair
12 of the Committee when we did Eddie
13 Pollack. However, once we did the bill,
14 I had nothing else to do with it. We've
15 named gymnasiums after -- and I can
16 really do some research to look at what
17 happened when they changed East
18 Germantown Playground -- I think it was
19 called Artlay back then -- to the name of
20 another young athlete from the
21 neighborhood, and that's Lonnie Young,
22 who was a boxer on the way to the
23 Olympics who got killed in a plane crash.

24 But I'm not quite sure what is
25 the procedure. I'm sure there is some

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2 procedure, and we don't have a problem
3 looking into that.

4 I know that hopefully
5 generations from now, this family will
6 still be in Germantown. I think they're
7 at least a four or five-year, maybe five
8 or six generations of their family
9 members that reside in Germantown. I've
10 known them all my life. My grandmother
11 knew them. I mean, it can just go on and
12 on and on. So this is not somebody just
13 dropping by and passing through. They've
14 been here. They're established here.
15 They're civic-minded. They're
16 politically active. So they'll be here.

17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Thank you.

18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Councilman
19 Rizzo.

20 Thank you, Councilman Kelly.

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: The only
22 person I recognize in the room is the
23 City representative, but I think that
24 maybe it would be nice going forward and
25 I wish we would have thought about it

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2 have gone for new hearing aids, but as my
3 husband has said, for \$5,700, he'd rather
4 repeat himself. So until I get the
5 hearing aids, I'm sorry, I hope this is
6 not a problem.

7 I understand where Councilman
8 Rizzo -- Ricco, is that how you say it,
9 your last name?

10 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Rizzo.

11 MS. MOYER: Rizzo, okay.

12 Because I can't see either.

13 I am the President of Parent
14 Heart Watch. We have representatives in
15 every single one of the states, and we're
16 all parents of kids that have died to
17 sudden cardiac arrest. Seventy-five
18 percent of the kids have died in schools.
19 The other kids, 25 percent, have died in
20 places like recreation centers.

21 Danny Rumph was 21 years old.

22 Today it's very difficult for kids to
23 find true heroes, because once they find
24 them, they'll find out later they were on
25 steroids, they were involved with drugs.

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2 Danny Rumph was a hero to the kids in the
3 area of Philadelphia.

4 There are between 7,000 and
5 14,000 kids that die each year from
6 sudden cardiac arrest. One thing this
7 will be doing will be bringing attention
8 not only in Philadelphia but across the
9 country because there has been a
10 recreation center named after Danny
11 Rumph. The Mallery Center, no matter
12 where the name came from, because it's
13 not on the Internet, no one seems to know
14 about it, and if it was named after my
15 child and it was 30 years from now, I
16 promise you, I would be at this hearing
17 saying, No, we established it in memory
18 of my son.

19 Danny, like my son -- my
20 15-year-old son was playing in a
21 basketball game. He walked off the
22 court. Never had missed a day of school
23 in his life. He was 15 years old and he
24 died on the locker room floor in a \$70
25 million school that had no automatic

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2 external defibrillator. It's through my
3 son's fund that we are dedicating this to
4 Danny Rumph's foundation so that he puts
5 it in one of the recreation centers.

6 The Philadelphia Trial Lawyers
7 I approached four years ago and I said,
8 We need \$117,000 to put an AED in every
9 single high school, and now we're working
10 for elementary and middle schools.

11 You are establishing a
12 precedent today by saying that this
13 building needs to have a name like -- it
14 has to be named after Danny Rumph because
15 he deserves it. The City deserves the
16 recognition that this child was not able
17 to create on his own and the awareness
18 and the lives that you will save by
19 saying that this building should be named
20 after him because of all the kids that
21 will be playing there.

22 So I am asking from the bottom
23 of my heart -- I have worked with
24 hundreds of parents. I know how hard
25 that Candy Owens and her brother, Marcus,

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2 and his wife and family have worked, and
3 this is one minor thing. You can
4 establish a precedence today that will
5 say in the future this will take so long
6 for a building to be named, but today
7 with all the work that Councilman Miller
8 has done, that I think that it is very
9 important that you make the decision
10 today and let us get on with saving
11 Philadelphia and saving kids from dying
12 from sudden cardiac arrest, as well as
13 anybody else who uses the facility.

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.
15 Thank you for your testimony.

16 I think Councilman Rizzo's
17 point is well taken, but I also thank
18 Councilwoman Miller, the former Chair of
19 this Committee, for being thoughtful
20 enough to have researched it. So I think
21 the issue is somewhat moot, but I'm sure
22 we will raise it again in the future.

23 Is there anyone else to testify
24 on this bill?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

3 We will now consider Bill 060857.

4 The Clerk will please read the
5 title of that bill.

6 THE CLERK: Bill 060857, an
7 ordinance authorizing the President of
8 the Fairmount Park Commission to execute
9 a ground lease and license agreement with
10 the Philadelphia Museum of Art
11 Corporation under which the Corporation
12 would construct a parking garage and
13 related improvements in East Fairmount
14 Park in the vicinity of the Philadelphia
15 Museum of Art to primarily serve patrons
16 of the Museum; construct and operate a
17 sculpture garden above the garage; pay
18 all costs to construct, operate,
19 maintain, repair, replace and improve the
20 garage, sculpture garden and related
21 improvements; construct a new surface
22 parking lot in East Fairmount Park, and
23 make other improvements for the benefit
24 of the City, all under certain terms and
25 conditions.

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2 COUNCILMAN GOODE:

3 Representatives from the Art Museum are
4 here. Thank you. Please approach the
5 witness table.

6 MR. FOCHT: Good morning,
7 Councilman Goode and members of the
8 Committee. I'm Mark A. Focht, Executive
9 Director of the Fairmount Park
10 Commission, and with me is Gail Harrity,
11 the Chief Operating Officer of the
12 Philadelphia Museum of Art.

13 We've brought a presentation to
14 walk you through the project and then
15 we'll provide our testimony.

16 COUNCILMAN GOODE: That will be
17 fine.

18 MS. HARRITY: Again, thank you
19 very much. As Mark said, I'm Gail
20 Harrity, the Chief Operating Officer of
21 the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and we're
22 thrilled to have an opportunity to walk
23 you very briefly through this project.

24 As you are aware, the ordinance
25 authorizes the President of the Fairmount

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2 Park Commission to execute a ground lease
3 and license agreement that will allow the
4 Museum to build a new below-grade parking
5 facility and rooftop sculpture garden in
6 the Park.

7 Here is a view of the area.

8 The parking garage facility will be built
9 to the west of the Museum where there is
10 currently a surface lot and, again, a new
11 view of the facility, the landscaped
12 sculpture garden and parking facility.
13 This is very important to the Museum. It
14 is part of the Museum's Master Plan, a
15 ten-year plan to renovate and modernize
16 the Museum facilities.

17 It's particularly critical over
18 this ten-year period as the Museum starts
19 its construction, and some of the current
20 parking around the terrace will
21 temporarily be unavailable to visitors.

22 As you know, the Museum is a
23 major force in the City's cultural and
24 economic life. On a busy weekend,
25 anywhere from 5,000 to 10,000 visitors

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2 arrive at the Museum to see its
3 exhibitions, such as the Dali or Wyeth or
4 the current Tesoros exhibition. So the
5 plan to build a parking garage and
6 sculpture garden is critical to the
7 Master Plan.

8 It is intended to be a green
9 facility and as inconspicuous as
10 possible. The surface lot will be
11 eliminated and in its place will be a
12 400-car garage that is inserted in the
13 hill. There will be boulders disguising
14 the garage to make it as least
15 conspicuous as possible. And what I've
16 included here are several renderings of
17 the completed garage, this one from Kelly
18 Drive looking east to the Museum, and as
19 you see, the Azalea Garden and other
20 plantings cover the bulk of the facility.
21 You will see portions of it just close to
22 Kelly Drive.

23 The top of the parking garage
24 will be entirely green, with new walkways
25 and lighting, very safe for visitors and

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2 a wonderful area for the sculpture garden
3 here. It will also not only create
4 additional park space, but it will
5 provide a new amenity for Museum visitors
6 and City residents alike. It will also
7 provide spectacular views of the river,
8 of the Water Works, of the Azalea Garden,
9 some of the crown jewels of Fairmount
10 Park.

11 Again, it is a structure that
12 is inserted into the hill, a four-story
13 structure that is inserted as low as
14 possible. You see in the section that
15 it's restricted somewhat by Water
16 Department piping, but in large part, it
17 takes the shape of the existing space.
18 So at the end of the project, it should
19 be largely invisible.

20 There will be a small pavilion
21 that pops up from the garage to provide
22 elevator access to the four stories near
23 the west entrance to the Museum. But the
24 views from the Reilly Memorial looking
25 east towards the Museum will be

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2 unhampered or unchanged.

3 Then I'll turn over the
4 presentation, brief presentation, to
5 Mark, who will discuss in further detail
6 some of the park amenities. We've been
7 very pleased to work very closely over
8 the last year with a number of City
9 departments and certainly very closely
10 with Fairmount Park. We're excited about
11 this project, and thank you for
12 considering it today.

13 MR. FOCHT: Thank you, Gail.

14 I'll pick up the presentation
15 at this point and just reiterate Gail's
16 comments that the Museum and their
17 consultants have worked very closely with
18 City departments, including Fairmount
19 Park, Commerce Department, Law Department
20 and the Managing Director's Office.

21 This aerial view shows the
22 Museum set in the context of the heavily
23 used recreation trail. On your left of
24 the image is the trail as it comes up
25 along Boathouse Row and then turns into

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2 the site and then continues down through
3 Schuylkill banks.

4 This is a close-up of the area
5 here, is the Water Works complex. The
6 garage will be at this location. This is
7 the Azalea Garden, the Italian Fountain.
8 This is Lloyd Hall.

9 In working with the Art Museum
10 and their consultants and with the direct
11 involvement of Mayor Street, we were all
12 led as a team to envision new public
13 amenities that could be brought to this
14 section of the park as part of this
15 project in a team work between the City
16 and the Museum.

17 The area you see highlighted in
18 green here is really the available public
19 land that's not already used for some
20 other use that could receive additional
21 public amenities. In other words, this
22 is an area that's outside the historic
23 Water Works. It's outside the Reilly
24 Memorial. It's not part of the Azalea
25 Garden.

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2 The intriguing component of
3 this is looking at this area, which is a
4 silt peninsula. This is something that's
5 built up over the last several decades
6 from the water that slows down as it
7 tries to round this curve to go over the
8 dam. Historic photographs we have from
9 the 1920s and 1930s, this was not here.
10 It's built up over time. We've never
11 thought of it. It's not public
12 accessible. It's never really been
13 thought of as parkland. This process
14 allowed us to reenvision it in a very
15 exciting way.

16 This is the proposed plan,
17 which shows the existing Fairmount Avenue
18 lot. It shows the relocated rec path,
19 new 27-car parking lot here, which will
20 be impervious pavement, very
21 environmentally appropriate and green
22 parking lot. And the most exciting thing
23 is, it shows us the silt peninsula
24 becoming a silt island dredging along the
25 existing wall to allow the water to flow

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2 through, which will get rid of the
3 stagnant water that tends to collect at
4 the rear of Lloyd Hall, providing a
5 boardwalk and bridge out and a boardwalk
6 through the island, allowing people to
7 come out here for environmental education
8 and quiet contemplation and bringing
9 people out to the tip of what will now be
10 an island, which will have phenomenal
11 views down the river, up to the Art
12 Museum and right into Boathouse Row.

13 There's also an area here that
14 will be an interpretive sculpture garden
15 and interactive water feature.

16 These are just some images.
17 The project has not been designed yet.
18 We will go into the design phase after
19 receiving Council approval.

20 These are just images of what
21 the bridge and boardwalk out to the
22 island may look like, essence of the
23 island, you know, very low-impact
24 boardwalk, handrail, built-in benches,
25 interpretive graphics, all native plant

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2 species, some images of what the
3 interactive water feature could look
4 like. This would be something that when
5 it's turned off in the winter, you don't
6 know it's there. It's not a dry fountain
7 that says that there's no water there.
8 It's something that would be a paved
9 plaza.

10 Some examples of children's
11 themed environmental sculpture and
12 artwork that would be brought into this
13 space. We really see the water feature
14 and the sculpture as being a complement
15 to the Azalea Garden and the natural
16 areas in the Azalea Garden.

17 And then this is a beautiful
18 area that was done by the Olden
19 Partnership that illustrates the proposed
20 plan. The bottom corner here is Lloyd
21 Hall, existing Lloyd Hall. This is the
22 existing Water Works drive, which does
23 not change. This is the Italian
24 Fountain.

25 Part of the project is to

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2 double the size of the landscape around
3 the Italian Fountain so that it makes it
4 much more accessible. People can get up
5 to the edge, read the inscription on the
6 edge, really interact with this beautiful
7 fountain in a way they can't today.

8 The existing recreation gets
9 relocated closer to the edge of the river
10 wall right in here. It goes through this
11 area you see here, the interactive water
12 feature, which the water would flow out
13 of there underneath the rec path and into
14 the sculpture area.

15 The sculpture would be tied
16 into the handrail that would be put along
17 the river wall. And then as you come
18 out, here is the bridge that goes out to
19 the new silt island and the boardwalk
20 that you see going through the silt
21 island, with some educational overlooks
22 and with seating and interpretive
23 graphics.

24 So each of those -- and then
25 actually, excuse me, tucked in here is

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2 the new 27-car lot, which provides
3 non-dedicated spaces. Those spaces would
4 be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week
5 for any park user. And, again, that
6 would be pervious payment with drainage
7 that would come down into a rain garden
8 here to infiltrate the storm water.
9 We've been working on the design of this
10 with the Office of Watersheds of the
11 Philadelphia Water Department.

12 With that, I'll go back to the
13 plan for reference.

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Does that
15 complete your testimony?

16 MR. FOCHT: If I could just
17 touch on a few more points.

18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Sure.

19 MR. FOCHT: If I may, please.

20 As we mentioned, the City
21 through Fairmount Park has worked very
22 closely with the Museum. To give you a
23 bit more background, the Park Commission
24 gave conceptual approval to the project
25 in December 2005 and was followed with

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2 final approval of the garage and
3 sculpture garden in June of 2006 and
4 final approval of the additional surface
5 parking and Master Plan approval of the
6 site amenities I just reviewed at a
7 special public meeting that was held on
8 October 23, 2006.

9 We've touched on most of the
10 other details of the project. I would
11 just like to highlight some of the
12 benefits of the parking facility and
13 sculpture garden, relocated surface
14 parking.

15 It would include a net increase
16 of 300 spaces for parking in this section
17 of East Fairmount Park, benefiting people
18 who use the park for walking, biking,
19 jogging, rowing, all of our recreational
20 activities, obviously people that visit
21 the Museum, the Water Works Restaurant
22 and other amenities. As we've talked, it
23 knits together the landscape of the
24 Azalea Garden with the landscape of the
25 Art Museum by removing the Fairmount

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2 Avenue lot. Interestingly, it results in
3 a net increase in public parkland in this
4 area by capturing the silt peninsula and
5 making it a silt island, and it results
6 in a decrease of impervious coverage
7 since we're removing the Fairmount Avenue
8 parking lot, we're widening the green
9 around the Italian Fountain. So it's a
10 very interesting, positive result of the
11 project, again, providing amazing views
12 of Boathouse Row and the Schuylkill
13 River.

14 The Park and the Museum have
15 done what I feel is an exemplary job of
16 community outreach and has been
17 responsive to input, which has resulted
18 in the plan you see before you today.
19 Mayor Street has been personally involved
20 in this endeavor and has given us
21 direction to develop a plan that the City
22 can be proud of. We think we've met that
23 objective with the designs we've shown
24 you today.

25 This plan preserves the

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2 aesthetics associated with the Schuylkill
3 trail and the parking needs of citizens
4 for both the park and the Museum.

5 So thank you for allowing us to
6 testify on behalf of this exciting and
7 important project. I would kindly
8 request a suspension of the rules for
9 Bill 060857 to allow for a first reading
10 at the next meeting of City Council.
11 Thank you.

12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

13 MS. HARRITY: And I would like
14 to make just a few more points, if that's
15 possible. And, again, in the interest of
16 time, I will only highlight my full
17 testimony, but I trust it will be
18 recorded for the record.

19 I would just say that we feel
20 confident that the sculpture garden will
21 really transform underutilized park space
22 into a major outdoor extension of the
23 Museum's collections of art for the
24 public to enjoy. It will unite
25 significant portions of Fairmount Park

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2 and a continuous open space overlooking
3 the Reilly Memorial and the Italian
4 Fountain and perhaps, most importantly,
5 create the spectacular views for the
6 Water Works, the Boathouse Row, the
7 Azalea Garden, all crown jewels of
8 Fairmount Park.

9 Lastly, I would just like to
10 present some of the quick facts with
11 regard to the project, and, that is, that
12 the Museum will manage and operate the
13 facility. The City is not providing any
14 funding for the garage or the sculpture
15 garden. The garage will accommodate
16 approximately 400 to 440 cars. It is
17 intended to primarily serve the Museum,
18 but the public may use it as well. And
19 the Museum has received final design
20 approvals for the landscaped garage and
21 sculpture garden from the Fairmount Park
22 Commission and the Philadelphia Art
23 Commission and the Philadelphia Historic
24 Commission.

25 Assuming we do receive

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2 approval, we intend to begin construction
3 soon, and it should be completed in 2008.

4 So, again, thank you for your
5 consideration, Councilman Goode and other
6 members of the Committee.

7 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you
8 for the presentation and for your
9 testimony. Your full testimony can be
10 incorporated into the record.

11 MS. HARRITY: Thank you.

12 COUNCILMAN GOODE: The Chair
13 recognizes Councilman Kelly and then
14 Councilman Rizzo.

15 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Thank you,
16 Mr. Chairman.

17 I just want to, of course,
18 commend you on the presentation this
19 morning, and I will tell you that as a
20 Trustee of the Art Museum, I know how
21 important it is. And I know of all the
22 cultural attractions that we have in the
23 City, I think the Art Museum is really
24 the crown jewel of all of them. I think
25 this is well deserving. And one of the

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2 things I would like to point out, I'm
3 more familiar with this than probably
4 most of my colleagues because I've seen
5 this presentation before, but one of the
6 things I'd like to point out, especially
7 to my colleagues here, is that actually
8 even with building a 440-car capacity
9 garage, there's actually going to be an
10 increase in parkland for the Fairmount
11 Park.

12 Is that true?

13 MR. FOCHT: Yes. That's
14 correct.

15 COUNCILMAN KELLY: So,
16 therefore, we're not taking away any land
17 whatsoever. In fact, we're adding to it,
18 the Fairmount Park, and I think that's an
19 important point for this Council and
20 everyone else to know, that there's no
21 lost space in Fairmount Park.

22 One of the things I would like
23 to point out, too, is that did you ever
24 consider anything or do you know about
25 mechanical parking?

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2 MS. HARRITY: Yes. We did
3 consider it. I think you were gracious
4 to bring it to our attention, and it was
5 considered. This is a low-tech parking
6 facility.

7 COUNCILMAN KELLY: It was just
8 something I would like to point out.

9 MS. HARRITY: It was something
10 that was considered.

11 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Okay. Thank
12 you.

13 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

14 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
15 Councilman.

16 Let me note for the record that
17 Councilwoman Marian Tasco has also joined
18 us.

19 Councilman Rizzo.

20 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you,
21 Mr. Chairman.

22 Good morning.

23 MR. FOCHT: Good morning.

24 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Great
25 endeavor here, but I have a few

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2 questions.

3 In the description of the
4 ordinance, it talks about the Art Museum
5 will totally cover the maintenance
6 expenses, et cetera, but I have a
7 question. Presently, the Art Museum,
8 your utility costs, are they paid for by
9 the Art Museum or the City of
10 Philadelphia?

11 MS. HARRITY: As in the
12 contract between the Museum and the City,
13 the City is obligated to cover the
14 utility costs for the Museum.

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: So the City
16 is assuming then additional --

17 MS. HARRITY: The City will not
18 be assuming any cost, including utility
19 costs, for this new facility, for the
20 parking garage.

21 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Who will pay
22 for the lights?

23 MS. HARRITY: The Art Museum.
24 I'm sorry. To be clear, for the main
25 building, the City has covered since its

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2 construction the utility costs. For this
3 new parking facility, there will be no
4 City funding, no operating costs, no
5 utility costs for the parking garage
6 covered by the City. It will be entirely
7 the Museum's responsibility.

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: So what I'm
9 hearing for the record is that as of this
10 construction, the Art Museum will get a
11 bill for the lights and utilities for the
12 parking garage and you will pay that?

13 MS. HARRITY: For the parking
14 garage only, yes.

15 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Okay. My
16 next question, since there's no revenue
17 to the Fairmount Park as a result of this
18 transaction other than the improvements
19 that you described today, what about the
20 parking tax?

21 MS. HARRITY: I think we
22 attempted -- the Museum will be
23 responsible for the parking tax.

24 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Okay. To
25 the Fairmount Park Commission, your

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2 description of the silt peninsula, is
3 that on your wish list? Have you
4 discussed that with the Pennsylvania
5 Department of Environmental, your plan?

6 MR. FOCHT: Protection. Yes,
7 we have.

8 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: They
9 accepted that?

10 MR. FOCHT: They are very
11 interested in it and they're going to
12 work with us on it.

13 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: So it's not
14 a done deal?

15 MR. FOCHT: Well, we're
16 confident we can get the permitting to do
17 it. We don't have the permit to do it.
18 But we have to first design it and then
19 go back to DEP. But we have consulted
20 with our colleagues at DPE -- and,
21 Councilman, this actually goes back
22 several years ago when we dredged the
23 Schuylkill in front of Boathouse Row, and
24 at that time, this was going to be
25 dredged and we had the permits to do it,

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2 but we ran out of money. So this is --

3 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: I see some
4 activity going on there right now. I
5 don't know what it is, but it looks like
6 there's some dredging around the Water
7 Works.

8 MR. FOCHT: Right. We're doing
9 a very minor bit of dredging. Actually,
10 more information than you probably want
11 to know, but the Italian Fountain drains
12 into the river, and we were not able to
13 turn on the Italian Fountain this summer
14 because the silt had blocked up the pipe.
15 So DEP gave us a permit to dredge to
16 reactivate the Italian Fountain.

17 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Well,
18 anything that drains from the Italian
19 Fountain has to be certainly an
20 improvement to the Schuylkill River.
21 Councilman DiCicco would agree with me on
22 that one.

23 The last question that I have,
24 and I'm just going to digress for a
25 second, you mentioned the Water Works and

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2 how this could be an amenity for that. I
3 understood from a constituent that the
4 Water Works Restaurant's relationship
5 with the Fairmount Park Commission leaves
6 a little bit to be desired. I understand
7 that they've tried to use some of the
8 outdoor areas and you've asked for
9 \$10,000 for a wedding that is needed out
10 there.

11 Is there a strained
12 relationship or are there issues that
13 aren't working well with that new
14 restaurant?

15 MR. FOCHT: Not at all that I
16 know of. In fact, I came here from a
17 meeting with Michael Karloutsos, the
18 owner and manager of the restaurant, and
19 I talk to Michael on almost a weekly
20 basis. They're a new business
21 establishing themselves and we're doing
22 the restoration of the site. I think we
23 have a very positive relationship with
24 MAK.

25 COUNCILMAN RIZZ0: There were

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2 some issues that I understand that were
3 troubling to the ownership of that
4 facility, because they wanted to use some
5 of the outside areas and there was very
6 big deposits or fees associated with the
7 use. So if you could, next time you talk
8 to the gentleman, ask him if there's any
9 concerns.

10 MR. FOCHT: Absolutely.

11 COUNCILMAN RIZZO: Thank you.

12 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

13 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
14 Councilman.

15 The Chair recognizes Councilman
16 Clarke and then Councilwoman Tasco.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
18 Mr. Chair.

19 Good morning.

20 MR. FOCHT: Good morning.

21 MS. HARRITY: Good morning.

22 COUNCILMAN CLARKE:

23 Ms. Harrity, can you speak briefly about
24 the equal opportunity plan?

25 MS. HARRITY: Yes. The

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2 agreement does include an EOP plan that
3 is satisfactory and has been approved by
4 the City. It calls for the Museum to
5 develop a plan consistent with its past
6 practice. We've worked with both MBEC
7 and the GPUAC to produce a plan, which
8 was approved.

9 The overall -- and I think we
10 have with us today Carolyn Nichols from
11 MBEC who could speak also to that plan if
12 there were additional questions. But the
13 overall business participation range is
14 from 28 to 42 percent, and an oversight
15 committee will be formed to assure that
16 the range is met.

17 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: And that
18 oversight committee will be whom?

19 MS. HARRITY: The oversight
20 committee will -- the Museum will be
21 working with the GPUAC and with MBEC on
22 that committee.

23 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: What about
24 City Council?

25 MS. HARRITY: I know that my

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2 colleague at the Museum, who is not here
3 today, Bob Marrone, worked very closely
4 with Carolyn Nichols on this plan, so
5 with your permission, I'll ask her to
6 respond to additional questions.

7 MS. NICHOLS: Good morning. My
8 name is Carolyn Nichols. I'm Minority
9 Business Enterprise Council Director.

10 Yes, Councilman Goode --
11 Councilman Clarke, sorry, the oversight
12 committee would be constructed as other
13 oversight committees are, which would
14 include representatives from the Museum,
15 from the City and we can include City
16 Council, have a representative on the
17 oversight committee.

18 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Who is
19 going to initiate the selection process
20 for the oversight committee? Is it going
21 to be MBEC or is it going to be the
22 Museum?

23 MS. NICHOLS: The Museum, yes.

24 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: All right.
25 Okay. Thank you.

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2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
3 Councilman.

4 Councilwoman Tasco.

5 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Good
6 morning. I apologize for being late. I
7 did not hear all of the testimony about
8 the garage. I understand it's going to
9 be an underground parking garage?

10 MS. HARRITY: Yes. It will be
11 sort of inserted into an existing hill
12 with a green roof, which is planted with
13 trees and a sculpture garden.

14 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: Is it
15 below the steps of the back of the
16 Museum?

17 MS. HARRITY: Yeah. The
18 location here, if you look to the west of
19 the -- this is the west entrance to the
20 Museum, an aerial view with the Italian
21 Fountain and Kelly Drive, and what it
22 will do is be inserted here. In fact,
23 when the Museum was first constructed,
24 the boulders that were excavated from the
25 previous reservoir were placed in this

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2 location. So the current hill is a
3 man-made hill, and those boulders will be
4 removed, the garage inserted in this
5 fashion, and the boulders then will be
6 replaced in a terraced fashion to
7 disguise or to create as much green space
8 as possible and leave the garage as
9 inconspicuous as possible.

10 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: What is
11 the capacity?

12 MS. HARRITY: We are shooting
13 for 440 cars. It will certainly be in
14 excess of 400, and our hope is a 440-car
15 garage.

16 COUNCILWOMAN TASC0: Now, being
17 so close to the river, is there any
18 danger of having water come in to the
19 garage?

20 MS. HARRITY: We have worked
21 very closely over the course of the
22 design process with the Water Department,
23 and I think that the design has addressed
24 those concerns. There will be a
25 membrane, and I'm sorry that our

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2 architect is not with us here who could
3 be more articulate on that, but there was
4 a concern that was addressed, and we feel
5 the current design will minimize that
6 risk.

7 COUNCILWOMAN TASCO: All right.
8 Thank you.

9 MS. HARRITY: Thank you.

10 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you,
11 Councilwoman.

12 Any other questions for this
13 panel?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Thank you.

16 Our next witness is Dr. William
17 Valerio.

18 DR. VALERIO: I'm William
19 Valerio. I did not request to be a
20 witness.

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Okay. Thank
22 you.

23 Is there anyone else here to
24 testify on this bill?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Is there
3 anyone else to testify on either one of
4 the bills?

5 (No response.)

6 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Then we will
7 move from our public hearing into a
8 public meeting to consider Bill No.
9 060628 and Bill No. 060857.

10 The Chair recognizes Councilman
11 DiCicco for a motion on Bill No. 060628.

12 COUNCILMAN DiCICCO: Thank you,
13 Mr. Chairman. I move that Bill No.
14 060628 be reported out of this Committee
15 with a favorable recommendation and that
16 the rules of Council be suspended so as
17 to permit first reading of this bill.

18 (Duly seconded.)

19 COUNCILMAN GOODE: All in
20 favor?

21 (Aye.)

22 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Those
23 opposed?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Bill No.

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2 060628 is reported out of the Committee
3 with a favorable recommendation and a
4 suspension of rules to allow first
5 reading at our next Council session.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Clarke for a motion on Bill No. 060857.

8 COUNCILMAN CLARKE: Thank you,
9 Mr. Chairman. I move that Bill 060857 be
10 reported out of Committee with a
11 favorable recommendation and request for
12 a rules suspension as to allow reading at
13 the next session of Council.

14 (Duly seconded.)

15 COUNCILMAN GOODE: All in
16 favor?

17 (Aye.)

18 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Those
19 opposed?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN GOODE: Bill No.
22 060857 is reported out of the Committee
23 with a favorable recommendation and a
24 suspension of rules to allow first
25 reading at our next Council session.

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2 This concludes our public
3 meeting. Thank you all very much.

4 (Committee on Parks, Recreation
5 and Cultural Affairs adjourned at 11:10
6 a.m.)

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