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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

Room 400, City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Tuesday, October 6, 2015
10:25 a.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCILMAN MARK SQUILLA, CHAIR
COUNCILWOMAN CINDY BASS
COUNCILMAN WILLIAM K. GREENLEE
COUNCILWOMAN MARIA D. QUINONES-SANCHEZ

BILLS 140453, 150058, 150059, 150539, 150541,
150571, 150574, 150602, 150603, 150605,
150616, 150646, 150647, 150648, 150663,
150664, 150665, 150671, 150706, and 150707

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COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Good morning. Good morning, everyone. I'm Councilman Squilla, Chairman of the Committee of Streets and Services.

A quorum of the Committee is being present. To my left is Councilman Greenlee, Councilwoman Bass. To my right, Councilwoman Sanchez.

We'll now begin the hearing.

Mr. McMonagle -- before we get started, I'd like to for the record state that Bill No. 140453, Bill No. 150541, and Bill No. 150603 are being held to the call of the sponsors.

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

THE CLERK: Bill No. 150058, an ordinance establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Camac Street, both sides, Chew Avenue to Olney Avenue; Church Lane, east side, Ogontz Avenue to Limekiln Pike; Westmoreland Street, both sides, 16th Street to 17th Street; and

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 Bill No. 150059, an ordinance
3 establishing parking regulations in the
4 vicinity of: Carlisle Street and
5 Westmoreland Street; Evergreen Avenue and
6 Ardleigh Street; Evergreen Avenue and
7 Anderson Street; School House Lane and
8 Germantown Avenue; Gravers Lane and
9 Germantown Avenue; Sydenham Street and
10 Tioga Street.

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Is there
12 anyone here to testify on this bill? I
13 have testimony by the Parking Authority
14 that was submitted for the record.

15 Anyone else?

16 (No response.)

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

20 THE CLERK: Bill 150571, an
21 ordinance authorizing Liberty Property
22 18th and Arch, LP to install, own and
23 maintain two newsstands on the 1800 block
24 of Arch Street and to construct, use and
25 maintain conduits in, under and across

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 Arch Street for the purpose of supplying
3 electrical, telephone, water and sewer
4 service to the newsstands, under certain
5 terms and conditions.

6 (Witness approached witness
7 table.)

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
9 You want to state your name for the
10 record and proceed with your testimony.

11 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
12 Chairman Squilla and members of the
13 Streets and Services Committee. My name
14 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
15 of Legislative Affairs for the Department
16 of Streets. I'm here to offer testimony
17 on Bill No. 150571, as amended.

18 This bill authorizes Liberty
19 Property 18th and Arch, LP to install,
20 own and maintain two newsstands on the
21 1800 block of Arch Street and to
22 construct, use and maintain conduits in,
23 under and across Arch Street for the
24 purpose of supplying electrical,
25 telephone, water, and sewer service to

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 their newsstands.

3 The Streets Department has no
4 objections.

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

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
8 Are there any questions?

9 (No response.)

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
11 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
12 No. 150571?

13 Please proceed to the desk.
14 State your name and proceed with your
15 testimony.

16 (Witnesses approached witness
17 table.)

18 MR. NALBANTIAN: Good morning.
19 My name is Serge Nalbantian. I am Vice
20 President of Development for Liberty
21 Property Trust. I want to thank the
22 Committee for giving me the opportunity
23 to testify today on behalf of Bill No.
24 150571, which would authorize Liberty
25 Property 18th and Arch, LP to construct

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 and maintain newsstands on Arch Street at
3 the southwest corner of 18th Street and
4 at the southeast corner of 19th Street,
5 adjacent to the Comcast Innovation and
6 Technology Center and the Four Seasons
7 Hotel now under construction.

8 The newsstands which we propose
9 are designed by Foster and Partners, the
10 same architects of the Tower. They are
11 intended to be an integral part of the
12 overall development of the 1800 block of
13 Arch Street and to complement the design
14 of the streetscape and tower. Our goal
15 is to fully activate the streetscape and
16 complement the adjacent restaurant in
17 both quality and design.

18 Our intention is to offer the
19 highest quality coffee, baked goods, and
20 other prepared foods in addition to
21 newspapers and magazines. We have
22 selected as our operator the firm
23 Pleasant News operated by Mr. Robert Nix,
24 which successfully operates high-quality
25 newsstands and food concessions in

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2 airports and other locations throughout
3 the region.

4 We are confident that the high
5 level of design integrated with the
6 overall design of the streetscape and a
7 magnificent building now rising
8 represents an outstanding opportunity to
9 fully activate the streetscape in a
10 holistic way and at the very highest
11 level of quality offerings never seen
12 before in Philadelphia.

13 Please allow me to introduce
14 our attorney, Tom Witt of Cozen O'Connor,
15 to review with you the technical changes
16 contained in Bill No. 150571, which were
17 necessary in order to authorize this
18 exciting complement to the Comcast
19 Innovation and Technology Center and the
20 Four Seasons Hotel.

21 Thank you.

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
23 proceed.

24 MR. WITT: Thank you,
25 Mr. Chairman. Tom Witt of Cozen

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 O'Connor, 5127 Pulaski Avenue,
3 Philadelphia.

4 The changes that were needed to
5 permit this newsstand under the newsstand
6 ordinance fall essentially in four
7 categories. The size of these newsstands
8 is slightly larger than what is currently
9 permitted in the City, and we assume that
10 Foster selected that because of the scale
11 of the adjacent buildings.

12 The menu is broader than is
13 typical for a newsstand. It has the two
14 video screens that you see in the
15 renderings. One of those is showing a
16 Phillies baseball game, and hopefully
17 those will be exciting and enliven the
18 street in future seasons.

19 And then the ordinance as
20 currently written requires that all
21 newsstands be painted. This newsstand is
22 probably going to be executed in
23 stainless steel and it would not be
24 required to be painted if you adopt these
25 amendments. Now, it is still subject to

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2 the approval of the Art Commission, and
3 the Art Commission would have the
4 authority to require it to be painted if
5 they so chose. We'll make that case to
6 them when we present the final materials.

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
8 for your testimony.

9 Councilman Greenlee.

10 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
11 you, Mr. Chairman.

12 Just a quick question. It
13 relates to the last thing you just said
14 about the painting and the anti-graffiti
15 coating system. They're apparently
16 not -- you're getting a waiver from that.
17 Is that because of the material that --
18 because I know graffiti has always been a
19 complaint of newsstands, and I know the
20 Newsstand Association has to work real
21 hard to get that -- they try to get
22 people out there as quickly as possible
23 to get graffiti off.

24 MR. WITT: Liberty Property did
25 not hire Norman Foster to design the

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2 newsstand so that they could have
3 graffiti on them, but it's simply that
4 our materials and methods will likely be
5 very different from, and we think far
6 superior to, what is the normal
7 newsstand.

8 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Well, I
9 guess my question is, can these not be
10 graffitied; is that what you're saying?
11 I mean, why would the anti-graffiti
12 requirement be --

13 MR. WITT: I believe it's a
14 specific type of coating that is used on
15 these newsstands, and whatever is
16 appropriate to our material, probably
17 stainless steel, is what we will use and
18 it will differ -- may differ from what is
19 currently used. But we're clearly not
20 wanting to have graffiti outside the
21 entrance to the --

22 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: No, I'm
23 sure you're not. None of the newsstands
24 want it on there. I'm just wondering
25 what the -- so you're saying the material

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2 would --

3 MR. WITT: Because our material
4 is different, our method of dealing with
5 graffiti may well be different and we did
6 not want to be in a straight jacket where
7 we're bound to the current system.

8 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Okay.
9 All right. I wasn't trying to suggest
10 you want graffiti on the newsstands. I
11 know that's not true. Okay. All right.
12 Thank you.

13 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

15 I see we have other questions.

16 Councilwoman Bass.

17 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Yes. Thank
18 you.

19 Just following up on Councilman
20 Greenlee's question about the exterior
21 and the look of the newsstand. And I see
22 it's stainless steel and it looks very,
23 very sleek, but I also notice that it
24 looks like there's advertisements on the
25 side and the exterior and the rear of the

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 building. And so is it designed
3 specifically for advertising? Is that
4 what you have in mind or is it something
5 that could be a little more artistic,
6 maybe having something like a Mural Art
7 facade around it that would be a little
8 bit more creative and less like that?

9 MR. WITT: The ordinance
10 expressly provides that these are
11 authorized in connection with the trophy
12 office building and five star hotel
13 adjacent. So it is intended that those
14 sides will be used in a way that's
15 harmonious with the adjacent building and
16 no doubt promotional of the users of that
17 building. Particularly the big user is
18 not very shy, so I suspect they will want
19 identification. But they certainly in
20 their current building have promoted
21 themselves in a way that is very
22 consistent with high-quality public art.

23 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: Okay. And
24 the other question I had, earlier in your
25 testimony you mentioned that there was a

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2 broader menu. Does that include hot food
3 or everything is cold food at the
4 location?

5 MR. WITT: There is a
6 preliminary menu which is coffee and
7 coffee drinks, bagels, certain sandwiches
8 and simple salads, that sort of thing.

9 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: There's no
10 sort of cooking or anything like that on
11 the --

12 MR. WITT: There's not cooking
13 other than warming of sandwiches and that
14 sort of thing.

15 COUNCILWOMAN BASS: All right.
16 Thank you.

17 MR. WITT: Thank you.

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:
19 Councilwoman Sanchez.

20 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank
21 you.

22 You're asking for a lot of
23 discrepancy in our Philadelphia Code.
24 This size is pretty large. Can I ask --
25 and this is probably better for St.

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2 Martin -- that \$200 fee, that's a
3 one-time fee? This is a large
4 obstruction in the public right-of-way.
5 Is that all that we charge, a one-time
6 \$200 fee?

7 MR. TORRENCE: I can get back
8 to you on that, but yes.

9 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: So
10 that's a one-time fee?

11 MR. TORRENCE: Yes.

12 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Because
13 this is like a mini restaurant.

14 MR. TORRENCE: I understand.

15 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I'd like
16 some clarity on that, because I think
17 it's a great idea. I'm just concerned
18 that this is larger than normal and so
19 other folks are going to come and ask us
20 for something similar, and we need to
21 consider that this is almost a
22 full-fledged restaurant on the public
23 right-of-way.

24 MR. TORRENCE: I understand.

25 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Thank

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 you, Mr. Chair.

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
4 Councilman Greenlee.

5 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Just
6 quickly. I don't want to belabor this
7 point, but I just have to note for the
8 record I remember putting in a bill to
9 allow for a little screen on these
10 newsstands, on the regular newsstands,
11 and the room was full of everybody taking
12 conniption. I'm not against this, but I
13 just note the irony of -- I just had to
14 say something. I mean, we had pictures
15 of the Las Vegas strip coming in here
16 when we had this little screen. And I
17 don't have a problem with what you're
18 doing, but I just note for the record.

19 I do have one question. As far
20 as the operator of the newsstands, will
21 they actually be employees of the
22 building? Because most of those
23 newsstands are run by individuals.

24 MR. WITT: The developer has
25 retained the operator, Pleasant Foods.

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2 So it's not an employment. It's a
3 management contract, if you will, or
4 lease arrangement between the developer
5 of the building and the newsstand.

6 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: And I
7 will note Councilwoman Sanchez's
8 comments. I mean, if we're going to
9 allow this, I think we're going to hear
10 from other people, justifiably so, that
11 they're -- again, I have no problem with
12 this, but I think we have to be fair to
13 other people who are going to come in and
14 ask for similar things. So I just put
15 that on the record.

16 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

18 Are there any other questions?

19 (No response.)

20 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

21 none, is there anyone else here to

22 testify on Bill No. 150571?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

25 none, thank you for your testimony.

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

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

4 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150602, an
5 ordinance authorizing 1919 Market LP, to
6 construct, own, and maintain various
7 right-of-way encroachments at 1919 Market
8 Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, all under
9 certain terms and conditions.

10 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
11 state your name and proceed with your
12 testimony.

13 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
14 Chairman Squilla and members of the
15 Streets and Services Committee. My name
16 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
17 of Legislative Affairs with the
18 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer
19 testimony on Bill No. 150602.

20 This bill authorizes Liberty
21 Property 18th and Arch Street LP to
22 construct, own, and maintain various
23 right-of-way encroachments at 1919 Market
24 Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, all under
25 certain terms and conditions.

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Encroachment Descriptions:

Illuminated sidewalk inlay - an illuminated sidewalk inlay, approximately 6 and a half feet in width and 27 feet in length, is to be placed approximately 147 feet east of the east curbline of 20th Street and 12 and a half feet north of the north curbline of Market Street.

Pedestrian Benches: Two

pedestrian benches, measuring approximately 2 feet in width and 6 feet in length, to be placed approximately 2 and a half feet northerly from the face of the northerly curb of Market Street. Said benches, measured from center, shall be placed one at 41 feet and the other at 173 feet easterly from the eastern curb face of 20th Street.

Underground Electrical Services

and Street Receptacles: Private Electrical Facility No. 1 - from a point approximately 45 feet north from the northeastern corner of 20th Street and Market Street, an underground utility

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2 line extends approximately 65 feet

3 northerly along 20th Street and set back

4 approximately 4 feet easterly from the

5 eastern curb face of 20th Street.

6 Private Electrical Facility No.

7 2 - from a point approximately 47 feet

8 easterly from the northeast corner of

9 20th Street and Market Street, an

10 underground utility line extends

11 approximately 140 feet easterly along

12 Market Street and set back approximately

13 1 and a half feet from the face of the

14 northerly curb of Market Street.

15 The Streets Department has no

16 objections to these encroachments.

17 Thank you for your time. This

18 concludes my testimony.

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

20 Are there any questions?

21 Councilwoman Sanchez.

22 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Do we

23 have a visual on this? Do we know what

24 materials these benches are going to be,

25 any of that?

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2 MR. TORRENCE: I'm sure it's in
3 their plan, Councilwoman. I can forward
4 it over to you, if you'd like, to the
5 Chair.

6 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Are
7 these common for us to allow this kind of
8 thing with the benches and everything
9 else? Because it seems, again, almost
10 like a seating area.

11 MR. TORRENCE: I think we've
12 done this before. I do remember
13 testifying on this prior maybe once or
14 twice before, so...

15 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Who
16 maintains these?

17 MR. TORRENCE: Who maintains
18 the -- the people that are in charge of
19 it.

20 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: And they
21 maintain the benches, the cleanliness of
22 the benches and everything else?

23 MR. TORRENCE: Yes, they do.

24 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Do they
25 have a trash can? I mean, this is --

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2 and, again, it's not that I'm against it.

3 I'm just --

4 MR. TORRENCE: No, No. I
5 understand.

6 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: --
7 worried about the maintenance, who is
8 responsible.

9 MR. TORRENCE: They're in
10 charge of the maintenance of it when they
11 get the encroachment, their application.
12 They're in charge of doing all that
13 stuff.

14 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Okay.

15 MR. TORRENCE: But, again, I
16 can give you more information.

17 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I'd like
18 to see the visual on it, because, again,
19 I think this is one of those things we
20 want to welcome those, but around
21 maintenance and the aesthetics of what it
22 looks like.

23 MR. TORRENCE: No. I
24 understand.

25 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I'd be

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2 interested in seeing that.

3 Thank you.

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

5 So just for clarification, the
6 owners of the property are maintaining
7 the --

8 MR. TORRENCE: Yes.

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: --
10 benches? And is there an enforcement
11 mechanism surrounding that if the benches
12 aren't maintained?

13 MR. TORRENCE: The --

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Like if
15 they're graffitied or broken.

16 MR. TORRENCE: The inspectors
17 that come by, they're the ones that give
18 the citations for it.

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

20 Are there any other questions
21 on Bill No. 150602?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
24 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
25 No. 150602?

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2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
4 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the
5 title of the next bill.

6 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150647, an
7 ordinance authorizing Stacy Reed, owner
8 and operator of the newsstand located on
9 the southwest corner of Broad and Vine
10 Street, to construct, use and maintain
11 conduits in, under and across the
12 southwest corner of Broad and Vine Street
13 for the purpose of supplying electrical
14 service and telephone service to the
15 newsstand, under certain terms and
16 conditions.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Saint,
18 would you like to proceed.

19 MR. TORRENCE: Sure. Good
20 morning, Chairman Squilla and members of
21 the Streets and Services Committee. My
22 name is St. Martin Torrence and I'm the
23 Director of Legislative Affairs for the
24 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer
25 testimony on Bill Nos. 150603 and 150647.

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2 This bill authorizes Stacy
3 Reed, owner and operator of the newsstand
4 located on the southwest corner of Broad
5 and Vine Street, to construct, use and
6 maintain conduits in, under and across
7 the southwest corner of Broad and Vine
8 Street for the purpose of supplying
9 electrical service and telephone service
10 to the newsstand.

11 The Streets Department has no
12 objections to this encroachment.

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

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

16 Are there any questions?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
19 none, is there anyone else here to
20 testify on Bill No. 150647?

21 (No response.)

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

25 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150539, an

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2 ordinance repealing an ordinance (Bill
3 No. 120396) entitled "An ordinance
4 authorizing Northern Liberties Auction,
5 Inc. ('Owner') to construct, use and
6 maintain various encroachments within the
7 right-of-way on the north sidewalk of
8 Spring Garden Street between North Third
9 Street and Bodine Street ('Property'),
10 under certain terms and conditions.

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
12 proceed.

13 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
14 Chairman Squilla and members of the
15 Streets and Services Committee. My name
16 is St. Martin Torrence. I'm the Director
17 of Legislative Affairs for the Department
18 of Streets. I'm here to offer testimony
19 on Bill No. 150539.

20 This bill repeals an ordinance
21 (Bill No. 120396) entitled "An ordinance
22 authorizing Northern Liberties Auction,
23 Inc. ('Owner') to construct, use and
24 maintain various encroachments within the
25 right-of-way on the north sidewalk of

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 Spring Garden Street between North Third
3 Street and Bodine Street ('Property'),
4 under certain terms and conditions."

5 The Streets Department has no
6 objections.

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

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

10 Any questions?

11 (No response.)

12 (Witness approached witness
13 table.)

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: We have
15 another testimony for Bill No. 150539.
16 Sarah, please proceed. State your name
17 and proceed with your testimony.

18 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
19 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
20 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
21 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
22 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
23 on Bill No. 150539, which was introduced
24 by Councilmember Squilla on June 4th,
25 2015.

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2 Bill No. 150539 repeals various
3 sidewalk encroachments on the north
4 sidewalk of 300 block of Spring Garden
5 Street, the former Finnegan's Wake
6 property, that were authorized by Bill
7 No. 120396 enacted in May 2012. These
8 encroachments are being repealed because
9 the property has been sold, its zoning
10 classification changed, and is being
11 redeveloped in a different manner.

12 At its meeting of May 29th,
13 2012, the Commission recommended that the
14 previous Bill No. 120396 be approved only
15 on the condition that the authorization
16 for balconies extending out over the
17 public sidewalk be removed from this
18 bill. Since Bill No. 120396 authorizing
19 the sidewalk encroachment was enacted in
20 its entirety, the Commission supports the
21 repeal of this encroachment.

22 At its meeting of July 21st,
23 2015, the Planning Commission recommended
24 that Bill No. 150539 be approved as an
25 item in accord with previous policy.

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2 This concludes my testimony. I
3 appreciate the opportunity to testify
4 before you today and would be pleased to
5 answer any questions you may have.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
7 So you're in favor of this bill?

8 MS. CHIU: Yes.

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Is that
10 what you're saying? Okay. All right.
11 Thank you for your testimony.

12 Are there any other questions?
13 (No response.)

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
15 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
16 No. 150539?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

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

21 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150648, an
22 ordinance authorizing Jeffery Tubbs to
23 construct, own and maintain an "urban
24 topiary" at 1225-33 North 3rd Street,
25 Philadelphia, PA 19122, all under certain

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2 terms and conditions.

3 MR. TORRENCE: Good morning,
4 Chairman Squilla and members of the
5 Streets and Services Committee. My name
6 is St. Martin Torrence and I'm the
7 Director of Legislative Affairs for the
8 Department of Streets. I'm here to offer
9 testimony on Bill No. 150648.

10 This bill authorizes Jeffery
11 Tubbs, owner, to construct, own and
12 maintain a right-of-way encroachment at
13 1225-33 North 3rd Street, Philadelphia,
14 PA 19122 as follows:

15 Encroachment Description:
16 Existing Fence Section 1 - the location
17 of the northernmost point of the
18 northernmost fence is 7 feet south of the
19 Thompson Street curb face. From there
20 the fence runs in a southeasterly
21 direction to a point approximately 13
22 feet south of the Thompson Street curb
23 face and 6 feet 6 inches west of the
24 Germantown Avenue west curb face. At
25 that point, the fence turns and continues

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2 24 feet parallel to Germantown Avenue in
3 a southerly direction.

4 Existing Fence No. 2 - from a
5 point 50 feet south of the southerly curb
6 face of Thompson Street and 6 feet 6
7 inches west of the Germantown Avenue
8 western curb face, extending 16 feet
9 south parallel to Germantown Avenue.

10 Existing Fence Section No. 3 -
11 from a point 74 feet south of the
12 southerly curb face of Thompson Street
13 and 6 feet 6 inches west of the
14 Germantown Avenue western curb face,
15 extending 21 feet south along parallel to
16 Germantown Avenue.

17 Existing Fence Section No. 4 -
18 from a point 105 feet south of the
19 southerly curb face of Thompson Street
20 and 6 feet west of the Germantown Avenue
21 western curb face, extending
22 southwesterly to a point 116 feet south
23 of the southerly curb face of Thompson
24 Street and 8 feet west of the Germantown
25 Avenue western curb face.

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2 The Streets Department objects
3 to these encroachments. Existing fences
4 intruding approximately 6 feet into the
5 public sidewalk constricts and violates
6 the Complete Street requirement.

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

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

10 Please proceed with your
11 testimony.

12 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
13 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
14 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
15 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
16 Planning Commission. I am here to
17 testify on Bill No. 150648, which was
18 introduced by Councilmember Greenlee for
19 Council President Clarke on September
20 10th, 2015.

21 Bill No. 150648 is to allow the
22 existing fences encroaching on the public
23 right-of-way at 1225-33 North 3rd Street.
24 The fences encroach approximately 6 feet
25 9 inches into the westerly footway of

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 Germantown Avenue.

3 The Planning Commission's
4 policy recommends Germantown Avenue to
5 maintain a clear sidewalk width of 6 feet
6 6 inches. This encroachment takes more
7 than half of the existing public sidewalk
8 space to accommodate the fence and the
9 private parking spaces. It doesn't
10 provide adequate walk space for
11 pedestrians.

12 The City Planning Commission is
13 scheduled to consider this bill at its
14 meeting on October 20th, 2015 with a
15 staff recommendation for not approval.

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

20 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
21 for your testimony.

22 Please proceed with all the
23 testimony and then we'll have questions
24 once completed. State your name for the
25 record and proceed.

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2 MR. TUBBS: Good morning,
3 Chairman. My name is Jeff Tubbs and I
4 represent the developer of this project
5 along with the developer of the fine art
6 project.

7 I just wanted to testify this
8 morning and show some images of the
9 sidewalk as it has been for the past
10 25-plus years. Here's the images here.

11 We took part in a community
12 meeting for this project and have
13 unanimous support from the neighborhood
14 groups. I'm happy to read this letter or
15 share this letter. We have had --

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Do you
17 want to read it into the record.

18 MR. TUBBS: Sure.

19 Dear Honorable Darrell Clarke,
20 my name is Ann Moss and I am the
21 President of the Olde Kensington
22 Neighborhood Association. I am writing
23 this letter to indicate our involvement
24 in the community public art project known
25 as the Urban Topiary on North 3rd Street.

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2 In 2008, our students and I
3 worked on this art project with Jeffery
4 Tubbs and his company during the
5 development of Flats at Girard Point.
6 The Flats at Girard Point is a
7 development of five single-family homes
8 and four condominiums developed on land
9 purchased from the City of Philadelphia.

10 We do not only want to -- we
11 did not only want to do something
12 pleasant for the neighborhood, but we
13 also wanted to engage the individuals in
14 the community whom are less fortunate and
15 give real-life hands-on exposure to the
16 different phases of completing such a
17 project.

18 I can't express enough how much
19 this experience has changed some of these
20 kids' lives. For them to see the Topiary
21 still existing today and still has a firm
22 identity in the neighborhood means the
23 world to them.

24 It has come to our
25 understanding that this beautiful art

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2 project is actually encroaching on a
3 portion of the sidewalk which is owned by
4 the City. As long as the plant on the
5 Topiary is properly trimmed, there will
6 always be plenty of walkway, 6 feet
7 approximately, and this does not impact
8 anyone from passing the project.

9 We are indicating our support
10 and requesting that the project remain
11 and for the City to allow this minor
12 encroachment for such an amazing public
13 art project.

14 We have had no complaints over
15 the past eight years since this has been
16 in place.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Okay. So
18 just a question for you, Mr. Tubbs.
19 You're saying the sidewalk has been in
20 place for six years?

21 MR. TUBBS: This sidewalk has
22 been in place for probably 20-plus years.
23 This is how the sidewalk was. So the
24 contractors basically put the fence up to
25 that sidewalk, thinking that that was the

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2 property line.

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: But the
4 property line is further back?

5 MR. TUBBS: Correct.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: And so
7 you're asking to build out on to where
8 the fence is?

9 MR. TUBBS: So the fence is
10 already built and has been built for
11 about eight years now. So we're asking
12 for an easement to allow that to stay in
13 place. If we were to need to take that
14 down, it was probably a \$50,000 public
15 art project. It was a national design
16 competition. It would be a pretty
17 substantial issue.

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: And the
19 support from the -- I guess is that the
20 RCO --

21 MR. TUBBS: Correct.

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: -- the
23 letter you read from?

24 MR. TUBBS: Correct.

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: And what

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2 is the total distance between the
3 encroachment you're asking and the curb?

4 MR. TUBBS: It's approximately
5 6 feet.

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA:
7 Approximately 6 feet. All right. I'll
8 come back with some questions.

9 Councilwoman Sanchez.

10 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Yeah. I
11 want to get from the Administration, are
12 we talking -- we're talking about two
13 things. We're talking about width and
14 then we're talking about height. On the
15 height thing, it's 6 inches. Is there a
16 problem with having a fence 6 inches
17 lower, if I'm understanding correctly?

18 MR. TORRENCE: I'm sorry. I
19 don't understand.

20 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I want
21 to understand the differences, and then
22 I'll get to the ADA component of this and
23 see if we're in compliance.

24 One of the oppositions of the
25 Administration is that the fence is 6 and

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2 a half versus the 6. That's the code,
3 right?

4 MR. TORRENCE: Yeah. It's the
5 Complete Street requirement.

6 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: So I
7 want to ask Mr. Tubbs what's the problem
8 with 6 inches and a fence on the height,
9 on the height piece.

10 MR. TUBBS: I'm sorry. I don't
11 understand the question.

12 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: One of
13 the oppositions of the Administration is
14 that the code calls for a 6 foot fence.
15 You have a 6 and 6 inch fence. What is
16 the problem with coming down to 6 feet?

17 MR. TUBBS: Well, the Urban
18 Topiary, the actual art project, is
19 steel-fabricated tubes. So it would be
20 pretty much impossible to change the
21 height of that at this point.

22 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ:
23 Impossible or costly? Because it's not
24 impossible.

25 MR. TUBBS: Well, it would be

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2 very difficult. And I have sort of a
3 description --

4 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I can't
5 see it because all you gave me is this,
6 so I'm trying to visualize this.

7 MR. TUBBS: Can I submit this?
8 This is the actual plans. These were
9 fabricated in a computer system all to
10 exact dimensions.

11 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: The one
12 thing with this photo that I'm seeing --
13 and this is for the Administration
14 folks -- I don't think that we can get a
15 wheelchair around there. Are we ADA
16 non-compliant with this? Can anybody
17 tell me if we're non-compliant?

18 MR. TORRENCE: I'm sorry,
19 Councilwoman. You're asking if the
20 pavement is wide enough for --

21 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Because
22 I'm looking at this pole here and it
23 doesn't look like you can get a
24 wheelchair around there. I don't want to
25 be non-compliant.

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2 MR. TORRENCE: Correct.

3 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: That is
4 a huge problem, because there is a stop
5 sign there.

6 MR. TUBBS: There actually --
7 there is an area that is unpaved there.
8 Again, that was sort of what the existing
9 sidewalk was. I think there's an
10 opportunity to pave that area to make
11 that accessible without relocating the
12 fence.

13 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I don't
14 see that there. I'm not the expert on
15 that.

16 MS. CHIU: I think,
17 Councilwoman, you have the picture. That
18 is pre-construction.

19 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I know.
20 We don't have anything post-construction.
21 So you're asking us to weigh in on
22 something that we have no visuals. I
23 mean, I live around there. I can walk
24 around there today, but I can't even
25 imagine what we're talking about.

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2 MR. TUBBS: Here is a diagram
3 that shows what's currently built.

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So my
5 question, I guess, is this the sculpture
6 for the fence?

7 MR. TUBBS: Correct.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: And does
9 that also encroach further from the fence
10 in?

11 MR. TUBBS: That is -- that
12 sculpture wraps around the fence itself.

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So does
14 that protrude out onto the sidewalk also?

15 MR. TUBBS: Sort of the
16 furthest-most point of that gives us
17 about a 6 foot walkway approximately.

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Is the
19 fence already built?

20 MR. TUBBS: Yes. It's been
21 built for about eight years now.

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: How many?
23 Eight years?

24 MR. TUBBS: About eight years,
25 yes.

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2 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: It's been
3 there for eight years.

4 MR. TUBBS: Yes.

5 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: The
6 fence, but not the art piece.

7 MR. TUBBS: No. The art piece
8 has been there as well.

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So we're
10 just legalizing something that's been
11 there?

12 MR. TUBBS: Correct. Well, let
13 me check the -- 2008 is when this was
14 built.

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Now, is
16 this fence eventually going to be taken
17 down for development?

18 MR. TUBBS: No. The
19 development has occurred and this was the
20 One Percent for Art program with the
21 Redevelopment Authority.

22 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: So when
23 the original piece went up, this was one
24 of those where the permits weren't
25 issued. Does the Art Commission have to

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2 weigh in on this one?

3 MR. TORRENCE: Councilwoman,
4 I'm really not sure, to be honest with
5 you, what happens, like when they went to
6 Right of Way to get, I guess, the
7 permitting process going. Again, I can
8 go back and research this a little bit.

9 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Yeah.
10 The Art Commission may have to weigh in
11 on this.

12 MR. TORRENCE: Okay. And I
13 think you're right.

14 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: From the
15 City Administration standpoint, were
16 there permits issued for the installation
17 of the fence? Were permits issued? Do
18 we know?

19 MR. TUBBS: This was all part
20 of a building permit that was issued for
21 the project itself.

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: It was
23 part of the permit for the project?

24 MR. TUBBS: Correct.

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So it was

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2 detailed with the fence where the fence
3 would be?

4 MR. TUBBS: Yes.

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So L&I
6 would have issued the permit for --

7 MS. CHIU: The plans we have on
8 file shows all the parking spaces were
9 originally designed inside the garages,
10 but somehow the plan, I guess, has been
11 amended. So garages was never
12 constructed. So the fence somehow also
13 pushed outside down to the sidewalk. So
14 originally the fence was supposed to be
15 on the property line that is more than
16 double of the existing pavement width.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: I
18 understand that, but were permits issued
19 for the construction of the fence?
20 That's the question.

21 MS. CHIU: Yeah. I don't know
22 which -- because the plan has been
23 amended several times. We don't see the
24 most recent plan and we don't have that
25 on file.

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2 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Okay.

3 Well, I don't think there's anybody from

4 L&I here to answer that question anyway.

5 So hold on one second.

6 Councilwoman Sanchez.

7 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: I think

8 we need some clarifications to move on to

9 this. Clearly if it's art and it was

10 part of the RDA thing, with the

11 amendments of all the different plans, we

12 just need to make sure everybody was

13 notified and the record is clear. If

14 this is a legalization, then we need to

15 be clear about that. My concern is ADA

16 and making sure that we can get a

17 wheelchair around that stop sign and all

18 of those things are taken into

19 consideration. So if all of that can

20 come back, then we can kind of make a

21 more informed decision on this. Okay?

22 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Okay. Are

23 there any other questions?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
3 No. 150648?

4 (No response.)

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
6 none, thank you for your testimony.

7 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
8 title of the next bill.

9 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150574, an
10 ordinance amending Section 2 of an
11 ordinance (Bill No. 130355) approved June
12 17th, 2013, entitled "An ordinance
13 authorizing the plotting upon a portion
14 of City Plan No. 58 of a two feet wide
15 area for public pedestrian use extending
16 along the southerly side of Pearl Street,
17 from Tenth Street to a point
18 approximately one-hundred thirty-eight
19 feet westwardly therefrom, and the
20 relocation of curblines of Pearl Street,
21 from Tenth Street to a point
22 approximately one-hundred thirty-eight
23 feet westwardly therefrom, so as to widen
24 the cartway of said Pearl Street, and
25 authorizing the acceptance of the grant

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2 to the City of the said area for public
3 pedestrian use, all under certain terms
4 and conditions," by extending the period
5 for compliance with the terms and
6 conditions stated therein.

7 (Witness approached witness
8 table.)

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
10 Please state your name and
11 proceed with your testimony. Thanks,
12 Frank.

13 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
14 Mr. Chairman and members of the
15 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
16 Survey Bureau Manager of the Department
17 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
18 would like to offer the following
19 testimony on Bill No. 150574.

20 This is not an Administration
21 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
22 Robert Maloney of KlingStubbins.

23 The purpose of this ordinance
24 is to amend a previous Bill No. 130355,
25 which authorized the plotting upon City

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 Plan of a 2 feet wide area for public
3 pedestrian use extending along the
4 southerly side of Pearl Street at the
5 ground floor level of the building
6 proposed to be constructed on the
7 abutting property, from Tenth Street to a
8 point approximately 138 feet westwardly
9 therefrom and the relocation of the
10 curblines of Pearl Street from Tenth
11 Street to a point approximately 138 feet
12 westwardly therefrom, as to widen the
13 cartway of said Pearl Street. The
14 proposed amendment will extend the time
15 period for compliance with the terms and
16 conditions of the authorizing ordinance
17 for an additional two years. The purpose
18 of these actions is to facilitate
19 deliveries to the proposed building by
20 widening the Pearl Street cartway while
21 still maintaining sufficient sidewalk
22 area for pedestrian traffic.

23 This ordinance is supported by
24 the Department of Streets and is
25 recommended to your Committee for

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 favorable action.

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

4 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
5 Chairman Squilla and members of the
6 Streets and Services Committee. I'm
7 Sarah Chiu, City Planner with the
8 Philadelphia City Planning Commission.
9 I'm here to testify on Bill No. 150574,
10 which was introduced by Councilmember
11 Squilla on June 11th, 2015.

12 Bill No. 150574 is to extend
13 the period for compliance with the terms
14 and conditions of the original ordinance,
15 Bill No. 130355.

16 The City Planning Commission
17 had recommended approval for Bill No.
18 130355 on May 22nd, 2013. This bill is
19 consistent with the previously approved
20 bill.

21 At its meeting of July 21st,
22 2015, the Planning Commission recommended
23 Bill No. 150574 for approval as an item
24 in accord with previous policy.

25 This concludes my testimony. I

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2 appreciate the opportunity to testify

3 before you today and would be pleased to

4 answer any questions you may have.

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

6 Are there any questions?

7 (No response.)

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
9 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
10 No. 150574?

11 (No response.)

12 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
13 for your testimony.

14 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
15 title of the next bill.

16 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150605, an
17 ordinance authorizing the plotting upon a
18 portion of City Plan No. 41-S of a
19 right-of-way for sewer and drainage
20 purposes, approximately thirty feet by
21 twenty-five feet, in the area lying north
22 of Pattison Avenue and east of The
23 Delaware Expressway, and authorizing the
24 acceptance of the grant to the City of
25 the said right-of-way, under certain

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 terms and conditions.

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
4 proceed.

5 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
6 Mr. Chairman and members of the
7 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
8 Survey Bureau Manager of the Department
9 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
10 would like to offer the following
11 testimony on Bill No. 150605.

12 This is not an Administration
13 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
14 Mr. Peter Tantala.

15 The purpose of this ordinance
16 is to authorize the plotting upon the
17 City Plan and acceptance of the grant to
18 the City of a right-of-way for sewer and
19 drainage purposes in the area lying north
20 of Pattison Avenue and east of the
21 Delaware Expressway. The proposed
22 right-of-way will be approximately 30
23 feet by 25 feet in area and will be
24 located approximately 1,359 feet north of
25 Pattison Avenue and will adjoin the

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 westerly boundary line of the City's
3 Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant.
4 The purpose of this action is to provide
5 a public sewer connection for a proposed
6 beneficial use facility for the
7 processing and separation of construction
8 and demolition waste materials.

9 This ordinance is supported by
10 the Department of Streets and is
11 recommended to your Committee for
12 favorable action.

13 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
14 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
15 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
16 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
17 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
18 on Bill No. 150605, which was introduced
19 by Councilmember Johnson on June 18th,
20 2015.

21 Bill No. 150605 authorizes the
22 placement of a utility right-of-way in an
23 area north of Pattison Avenue and east of
24 I-95, and authorizes the City to accept
25 this utility right-of-way. It is

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 required for the location of a proposed
3 sewer conduit on private property
4 conveying storm and sanitary sewer
5 discharges directly to a sewer located in
6 the Philadelphia Water Department's
7 adjacent Southeast Water Pollution
8 Control Plant. No above ground physical
9 changes are anticipated.

10 At its meeting of July 21st,
11 2015, the Planning Commission recommended
12 that Bill No. 150605 be approved.

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

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
18 Thank you for your testimony.

19 Any questions?

20 (No response.)

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
22 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
23 No. 150605?

24 (No response.)

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

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

4 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150616, an
5 ordinance authorizing the striking from
6 City Plan No. 13-S and abandoning of a
7 certain right of way reserved for gas
8 main purposes which extends from Fourth
9 Street to Fifth Street, north of
10 Dickinson Street, under certain terms and
11 conditions.

12 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
13 Mr. Chairman and members of the
14 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
15 Survey Bureau Manager of the Department
16 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
17 would like to offer the following
18 testimony on Bill No. 150616.

19 This is not an Administration
20 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
21 Mr. David Plante, PE, of Ruggiero Plante
22 and Landscape Design, LLC.

23 The purpose of this ordinance
24 is to authorize the striking from the
25 City Plan and abandoning of a

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 right-of-way reserved for gas main
3 purposes which extends from Fourth Street
4 to Fifth Street, north of Dickinson
5 Street. The purpose of this action is to
6 clear land area at the former Mount Sinai
7 Hospital site for the proposed
8 construction of a 95-unit townhome
9 development. The right-of-way proposed
10 to be stricken is not currently occupied
11 by any active utility lines and is not
12 necessary for the proposed development.

13 An amendment to this bill has
14 been proposed by the Department of
15 Streets. The amendment will add terms
16 and conditions to address the presence of
17 existing public utility facilities within
18 the right-of-way proposed to be stricken.
19 This ordinance, as amended, is supported
20 by the Department of Streets and is
21 recommended to your Committee for
22 favorable action.

23 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
24 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
25 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
3 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
4 on Bill No. 150616, which was introduced
5 by Councilmember Johnson on June 18th,
6 2015.

7 Bill No. 150616 strikes a
8 utility right-of-way extending through
9 the former Mount Sinai Hospital site
10 between 4th and 5th Street, north of
11 Dickinson Street. This will enable the
12 residential development of the currently
13 unused property. The Commission had
14 approved the master plan and remapping
15 for this site on May 19th, 2015.

16 At its meeting of July 21st,
17 2015, the City Planning Commission
18 recommended that Bill No. 150616 be
19 approved as an item in accord with
20 previous policy.

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

25 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 for your testimony. And this testimony
3 is for the amended version, correct?

4 MS. CHIU: Correct, yes.

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you
6 very much.

7 Are there any questions?

8 (No response.)

9 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
10 anyone, is there anybody else here to
11 testify on Bill No. 150616, as amended?

12 (No response.)

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
14 none, thank you.

15 Mr. McMonagle, please read the
16 title of the next bill.

17 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150646, an
18 ordinance authorizing the revision of
19 lines and grades on a portion of City
20 Plan Nos. 120 and 121, within an area
21 bounded by Jefferson Street,
22 Twenty-Fourth Street, Oxford Street, and
23 Twenty-Second Street by placing on the
24 City Plan Bucknell Street from Oxford
25 Street to Jefferson Street, striking from

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 the City Plan and vacating portions of
3 Twenty-Third Street from Oxford Street to
4 its terminus southwardly therefrom,
5 placing on the City Plan an extension of
6 Twenty-Third Street from the said
7 terminus of Twenty-Third Street, south of
8 Oxford Street, southwardly to Jefferson
9 Street, striking from the City Plan a
10 certain right-of-way reserved for public
11 utility purposes lying within the lines
12 of the said street proposed extension of
13 Twenty-Third Street, placing on the City
14 Plan Bolton Street from Croskey Street to
15 Twenty-Third Street, and relocating
16 portions of the curblines of Oxford
17 Street and Jefferson Street, each from
18 Twenty-Second Street to Twenty-Fourth
19 Street, and Bolton Street, from
20 Twenty-Second Street to Croskey Street,
21 all under certain terms and conditions,
22 including the dedication to the City,
23 without cost and free and clear of all
24 encumbrances, of the beds of the streets
25 authorized herein to be placed on the

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 City Plan.

3 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
4 Mr. Chairman and members of the
5 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
6 Survey Bureau Manager of the Department
7 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
8 would like to offer the following
9 testimony on Bill No. 150646.

10 This is not an Administration
11 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
12 Cristofer G. Nauta of Domus,
13 Incorporated.

14 The purpose of this ordinance
15 is to authorize the placing of new City
16 streets and widening of existing footway
17 areas at the site of the Philadelphia
18 Housing Authority's Norman Blumberg
19 Apartments. This action will facilitate
20 demolition of the existing public housing
21 apartment buildings and redevelopment of
22 the site as an affordable housing
23 townhome development.

24 This ordinance is supported by
25 the Department of Streets and is

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 recommended to your Committee for
3 favorable action.

4 MS. CHIU: Good morning,
5 Chairman Squilla and members of Streets
6 and Services Committee. I'm Sarah Chiu,
7 City Planner with the Philadelphia City
8 Planning Commission. I'm here to testify
9 on Bill No. 150646, which was introduced
10 by Councilmember Greenlee for Council
11 President Clarke on September 10th, 2015.

12 Bill No. 150646 is to place on
13 the City Plan Bucknell Street from Oxford
14 to Jefferson Street, to place on the City
15 Plan an extension of 23rd Street, to
16 strike a certain utility right-of-way,
17 and to place on the City Plan Bolton
18 Street from Croskey Street to 23rd Street
19 and to relocate portions of the curbline
20 of Oxford and Jefferson Street. This
21 bill is to facilitate the Philadelphia
22 Housing Authority's Blumberg Apartment
23 Phase 1 development.

24 The City Planning Commission is
25 scheduled to consider this bill at its

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 meeting on October 20th, 2015 with a
3 staff recommendation for approval.

4 This concludes my testimony. I
5 appreciate the opportunity to testify
6 before you today and would be pleased to
7 answer any questions you may have.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

9 Are there any questions?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
12 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
13 No. 150646?

14 (No response.)

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

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

18 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150706, an
19 ordinance authorizing the paving of
20 Bucknell Street from Oxford Street to
21 Jefferson Street, Twenty-Third Street
22 from Oxford Street to Jefferson Street,
23 and Bolton Street from Croskey Street to
24 Twenty-Third Street, under certain terms
25 and conditions.

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 MR. MORELLI: Good morning,
3 Mr. Chairman and members of the
4 Committee. My name is Frank Morelli,
5 Survey Bureau Manager of the Department
6 of Streets, and the Department of Streets
7 would like to offer the following
8 testimony on Bill No. 150706.

9 This is not an Administration
10 ordinance, but an ordinance requested by
11 Mr. Cristofer G. Nauta of Domus,
12 Incorporated.

13 The purpose of this ordinance
14 is to authorize the paving of new City
15 streets at the site of the Philadelphia
16 Housing Authority's Norman Blumberg
17 Apartments. These actions are part of
18 the redevelopment of the site as an
19 affordable housing townhome development.

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

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

25 Are there any questions?

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 (No response.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
4 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
5 No. 150706?

6 (No response.)

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

10 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150663, an
11 ordinance authorizing the installation of
12 an all-way stop sign at the intersection
13 of Claridge Street and Shelmire Avenue.

14 (Witness approached witness
15 table.)

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please
17 state your name for the record and then
18 proceed. Thanks.

19 MR. CINCIRUK: Good morning,
20 Mr. Chairman and members of the
21 Committee. Thank you for the opportunity
22 to appear before you today. My name is
23 Nick Cinciruk, District 3 Traffic
24 Engineer for the Department of Streets.
25 I am here today to offer testimony on

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 Bill No. 150663.

3 The Streets Department has
4 objections to this bill. The
5 Pennsylvania Vehicle Code required
6 PennDOT to develop regulations governing
7 traffic control devices in accordance
8 with the Federal Highway Administration's
9 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control
10 Devices. These regulations apply to all
11 public streets and highways in
12 Pennsylvania, and the City Solicitor has
13 mandated that the Streets Department is
14 legally obligated to comply with the
15 Vehicle Code and related PennDOT
16 regulations.

17 Federal and state criteria
18 require that an all-way stop control be
19 warranted by an engineering study of
20 traffic conditions. Our study concluded
21 that conditions at this location do not
22 satisfy federal and state warrants for an
23 all-way stop control. The warrants for
24 an all-way stop control were analyzed,
25 and the following is a description of the

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 analysis with respect to traffic
3 conditions at the intersection of
4 Claridge Street and Shelmire Avenue.

5 Warrant 1 relates to locations
6 where a traffic signal is warranted, but
7 for some reason it cannot be immediately
8 installed. An all-way stop control can
9 be established temporarily pending the
10 traffic signal installation. Conditions
11 do not satisfy the state's warrants for a
12 traffic signal here. Therefore, Warrant
13 1 is not satisfied.

14 Warrant 2 relates to crash
15 experience. Police crash records of five
16 or more reportable crashes within a
17 12-month period that are specifically
18 correctable by an all-way stop sign
19 installation satisfy Warrant 2.
20 According to police records for the
21 period between January 2010 and the
22 present, there have not been any crashes
23 of this nature at this intersection.
24 Therefore, Warrant 2 is not satisfied.

25 Warrant 3 relates to vehicles

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 and pedestrian volumes. It requires that
3 the total vehicular volume on the major
4 street, Shelmire Avenue, averages at
5 least 300 vehicles per hour for any eight
6 hours of an average day and the combined
7 vehicular and pedestrian volume from the
8 minor street, Claridge Street, averages
9 at least 200 vehicles and pedestrians per
10 hour for the same eight hours.

11 The peak hour on Shelmire
12 Avenue averaged 87 vehicles per hour,
13 while on Claridge Street, the peak hour
14 averaged 46 vehicles and pedestrians per
15 hour. This is about 23 percent of the
16 minimum 200 vehicles and pedestrians per
17 hour for the minor street. Therefore,
18 Warrant 3 is not satisfied.

19 At the intersection of Claridge
20 Street and Shelmire Avenue, we are not
21 dealing with a borderline situation, but
22 rather one in which prevailing traffic
23 conditions fall far short of the minimum
24 required by the Federal Highway Manual
25 and by the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code for

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 the installation of an all-way stop
3 control.

4 Based on the results of this
5 study, the Streets Department cannot
6 support the installation of an all-way
7 stop sign at this intersection.
8 Therefore, it cannot support this bill.

9 Thank you for the opportunity
10 to appear before you today. I will be
11 happy to answer any questions you may
12 have at this time.

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

14 Are there any questions?

15 (No response.)

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
17 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
18 No. 150663?

19 (No response.)

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

23 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150664, an
24 ordinance authorizing the installation of
25 an all-way stop sign at the intersection

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 of Claridge Street and Faunce Street.

3 MR. CINCIRUK: Good morning,
4 Mr. Chairman and members of the
5 Committee. Thank you for the opportunity
6 to appear before you today. My name is
7 Nick Cinciruk, District 3 Traffic
8 Engineer for the Department of Streets.
9 I'm here today to offer testimony on Bill
10 No. 150664.

11 The Streets Department has
12 objections to this bill. The
13 Pennsylvania Vehicle Code required
14 PennDOT to develop regulations governing
15 traffic control devices in accordance
16 with the Federal Highway Administration's
17 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control
18 Devices. These regulations apply to all
19 public streets and highways in
20 Pennsylvania, and the City Solicitor has
21 mandated that the Streets Department is
22 legally obligated to comply with the
23 Vehicle Code and related PennDOT
24 regulations.

25 Federal and state criteria

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 require that an all-way stop control be
3 warranted by an engineering study of
4 traffic conditions. Our study concluded
5 that conditions at this location do not
6 satisfy federal and state warrants for an
7 all-way stop control. The warrants for
8 an all-way stop control were analyzed,
9 and the following is a description of the
10 analysis with respect to traffic
11 conditions at the intersection of
12 Claridge Street and Faunce Street.

13 Warrant 1 relates to locations
14 where a traffic signal is warranted, but
15 for some reason it cannot be immediately
16 installed. An all-way stop control can
17 be established temporarily pending the
18 traffic signal installation. Conditions
19 do not satisfy the state's warrants for a
20 traffic signal here. Therefore, Warrant
21 1 is not satisfied.

22 Warrant 2 relates to crash
23 experience. Police crash records of five
24 or more reportable crashes within a
25 12-month period that are specifically

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 correctable by an all-way stop sign

3 installation satisfy Warrant 2.

4 According to police crash records for the

5 period between January 2010 and the

6 present, there have not been any crashes

7 of this nature at this intersection.

8 Therefore, Warrant 2 is not satisfied.

9 Warrant 3 relates to vehicles

10 and pedestrian volumes. It requires that

11 the total vehicular volume on the major

12 street, Faunce Street, averages at least

13 300 vehicles per hour for any eight hours

14 of an average day and the combined

15 vehicular and pedestrian volumes from the

16 minor street, Claridge Street, averages a

17 at least 200 vehicles and pedestrians per

18 hour for the same eight hours.

19 The peak hour on Faunce Street

20 averaged 55 vehicles per hour, while on

21 Claridge Street, the peak hour averaged

22 28 vehicles and pedestrians per hour.

23 This is about 14 percent of the minimum

24 200 vehicles and pedestrians per hour for

25 the minor street. Therefore, Warrant 3

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 is not satisfied.

3 At the intersection of Claridge
4 Street and Faunce Street, we are not
5 dealing with a borderline situation, but
6 rather one in which prevailing traffic
7 conditions fall far short of the minimum
8 required by the Federal Highway Manual
9 and by the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code for
10 the installation of an all-way stop
11 control.

12 Based on the results of this
13 study, the Streets Department cannot
14 support the installation of an all-way
15 stop at this intersection. Therefore, it
16 cannot support this bill.

17 Thank you for the opportunity
18 to appear before you today. I would be
19 happy to answer any questions you may
20 have at this time.

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

22 Any questions?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
25 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 No. 150664?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

5 none, Mr. McMonagle, please read the

6 title of the next bill.

7 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150665, an
8 ordinance authorizing the installation of
9 all-way stop signs at the intersection of
10 Millbrook Road and Kipling Lane.

11 MR. CINCIRUK: Good morning,
12 Mr. Chairman and members of the
13 Committee. Thank you for the opportunity
14 to appear before you today. My name is
15 Nick Cinciruk, District 3 Traffic
16 Engineer for the Department of Streets.
17 I'm here today to offer testimony on Bill
18 No. 150665.

19 The Streets Department has
20 objections to this bill. The
21 Pennsylvania Vehicle Code required
22 PennDOT to develop regulations governing
23 traffic control devices in accordance
24 with the Federal Highway Administration's
25 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 Devices. These regulations apply to all
3 public streets and highways in
4 Pennsylvania, and the City Solicitor has
5 mandated that the Streets Department is
6 legally obligated to fully comply with
7 the Vehicle Code and related PennDOT
8 regulations.

9 Federal and state criteria
10 require that an all-way stop control be
11 warranted by an engineering study of
12 traffic conditions. Our study concluded
13 that conditions at this location do not
14 satisfy federal and state warrants for an
15 all-way stop control. The warrants for
16 an all-way stop were analyzed, and the
17 following is a description of the
18 analysis with respect to traffic
19 conditions at the intersection of
20 Millbrook and Kipling.

21 Warrant 1 relates to locations
22 where a traffic signal is warranted, but
23 for some reason it cannot be immediately
24 installed. An all-way stop control can
25 be established temporarily pending the

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 traffic signal installation. Conditions
3 do not satisfy the state's warrants for a
4 traffic signal here. Therefore, Warrant
5 1 is not satisfied.

6 Warrant 2 relates to crash
7 experience. Police crash records of five
8 or more reportable crashes within a
9 12-month period that are specifically
10 correctable by an all-way stop sign
11 installation satisfy Warrant 2.

12 According to police crash records for the
13 period between January 2010 and the
14 present, there have not been any crashes
15 of this nature at this intersection.

16 Therefore, Warrant 2 is not satisfied.

17 Warrant 3 relates to vehicle
18 and pedestrian volumes. It requires that
19 the total vehicular volume on the major
20 street, Kipling Lane, averages at least
21 300 vehicles per hour for any eight hours
22 of the day and the combined vehicle and
23 pedestrian volume from the minor street,
24 Millbrook, averages at least 200 vehicles
25 and pedestrians per hour for the same

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 eight hours.

3 The peak hour on Kipling Street
4 averaged 78 vehicles per hour, while on
5 Millbrook, the peak hour averaged 79
6 vehicles per hour. This is about 40
7 percent of the minimum 200 vehicles per
8 hour for the minor street. Pedestrians
9 were safely guided through the
10 intersection by a crossing guard without
11 incident, and outside of school hours the
12 pedestrian volumes were negligible.
13 Therefore, Warrant 3 is not satisfied.

14 At the intersection of
15 Millbrook Road and Kipling Lane, we are
16 not dealing with a borderline situation,
17 but rather one in which prevailing
18 traffic conditions fall far short of the
19 minimum required by the Federal Highway
20 Manual and by the Pennsylvania Vehicle
21 Code for the installation of an all-way
22 stop control.

23 Based on the results of this
24 study, the Streets Department cannot
25 support the installation of an all-way

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 stop at this intersection; therefore,
3 cannot support this bill.

4 Thank you for the opportunity
5 to appear before you today. I'll be
6 happy to answer any questions you may
7 have at this time.

8 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

9 Any questions?

10 (No response.)

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
12 none, anyone else here to testify on Bill
13 No. 150665?

14 (No response.)

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

18 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150671, an
19 ordinance authorizing the construction of
20 sewer and appurtenant work in the
21 existing rights-of-way, required to
22 alleviate unsanitary conditions in
23 portions of East Gravers Lane and East
24 Abington Avenue.

25 (Witness approached witness

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 table.)

3 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.
4 Please state your name for the record and
5 then proceed with the testimony.

6 MS. GRACE: Thank you to
7 Chairman Squilla, Councilwoman Bass, and
8 members of City Council Committee on
9 Streets and Services for the opportunity
10 to present this testimony. I am Tricia
11 Grace, Acting Capital Program Manager
12 testifying on behalf of Howard Neukrug,
13 Commissioner of the Philadelphia Water
14 Department. I am pleased to testify on
15 Bill No. 150671, which was introduced by
16 Councilwoman Bass.

17 This ordinance authorizes the
18 Procurement Commissioner to enter into a
19 contract for the construction of a public
20 sewer and appurtenant work in East
21 Gravers Lane from Anderson Street to
22 Crittenden Street and East Abington
23 Avenue from Crittenden Street to Stenton
24 Avenue.

25 The properties at these

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 locations currently have septic systems
3 that are failing. This is creating an
4 unsanitary condition, especially during
5 rain events. The construction of a
6 public sewer is required to alleviate
7 this problem. The residents affected
8 shall be assessed for the new sewer in
9 accordance with The Philadelphia Code.

10 The Water Department recommends
11 that this be reported favorably out of
12 Committee and that the rules of Council
13 be suspended to allow for first reading
14 of this bill at the next session of City
15 Council.

16 Thank you again for the
17 opportunity to provide information to
18 this Committee. I am pleased to provide
19 any additional information that may be
20 helpful to the Committee.

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you.

22 Any questions?

23 (No response.)

24 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
25 none, anybody else here to testify on

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 Bill No. 150671?

3 (No response.)

4 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing

5 none, thank you.

6 Mr. McMonagle, please read the

7 title of the next bill.

8 THE CLERK: Bill No. 150707, an

9 ordinance authorizing the construction of

10 a sewer and appurtenant work in a

11 proposed right-of-way, required to

12 alleviate unsanitary conditions in

13 portions of Waterloo Street and West

14 Hewston Street.

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Please

16 proceed.

17 MS. GRACE: Thank you, Chairman

18 Squilla, Councilwoman Sanchez, and the

19 members of City Council Committee on

20 Streets and Services for the opportunity

21 to present this testimony. I am Tricia

22 Grace, Acting Capital Program Manager

23 testifying on behalf of Howard Neukrug,

24 Commissioner of the Philadelphia Water

25 Department. I am pleased to testify on

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 Bill No. 150707, which was introduced by
3 Councilwoman Sanchez.

4 This ordinance authorizes the
5 Procurement Commissioner to enter into a
6 contract for the construction of a sewer
7 and appurtenant work in Waterloo Street
8 from West Hewston Street to West Berks
9 Street and West Hewston Street from North
10 Mascher Street to Waterloo Street.

11 The properties at these
12 locations currently have a private sewer
13 that is failing. This is creating an
14 unsanitary condition, especially during
15 rain events. The construction of a
16 public sewer is required to alleviate
17 this problem. The residents affected
18 shall be assessed for the new sewer in
19 accordance with The Philadelphia Code.

20 The Water Department recommends
21 that this bill be reported favorably out
22 of Committee and that the rules of
23 Council be suspended to allow for first
24 reading of this bill at the next session
25 of City Council.

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 Thank you again for the
3 opportunity to provide information to
4 this Committee. I am pleased to provide
5 any additional information that may be
6 helpful to the Committee.

7 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: One
8 question on this. The cost to the
9 homeowner, is there a way to finance
10 that?

11 MS. GRACE: I'm not exactly
12 sure. I know the assessment is \$9 per
13 linear foot of frontage, and I believe
14 that there are mainly row homes there.
15 So I'm not exactly sure how wide their
16 properties are.

17 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: So if it's
18 about a 15 foot property --

19 MS. GRACE: It would be about
20 \$135, I think.

21 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Each
22 resident will have to pay that 150
23 something dollars?

24 MS. GRACE: Yes. Typically I
25 think the assessments are collected by

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 the contractor. I know we have HELP
3 programs, but I'm not sure if they're
4 available for assessments.

5 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: And how
6 about if the plumbing within the home has
7 to be altered?

8 MS. GRACE: I believe that they
9 can apply for HELP program loans with the
10 Water Department.

11 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Because
12 sometimes if the private sewer was, say,
13 in the back and now it's going to be in
14 the front, we have to change the internal
15 plumbing.

16 MS. GRACE: Correct. I'm not
17 exactly sure for this location where
18 their private sewers are.

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Councilman
20 Greenlee.

21 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Just
22 quickly, I think in order to participate
23 in the HELP program, you have to have a
24 violation, right?

25 MS. GRACE: I'm not exactly

1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 sure.

3 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: I think

4 so.

5 MS. GRACE: I can look into

6 that for you.

7 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: I think

8 that's the case.

9 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: For the

10 record, this was requested by the

11 residents, and all of them have been

12 notified around the expense and stuff.

13 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Okay. I

14 think we're just talking generally.

15 COUNCILWOMAN SANCHEZ: Yeah.

16 In general, yes.

17 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank

18 you.

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Thank you

20 so much.

21 Any other questions?

22 (No response.)

23 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Anyone

24 else here to testify on Bill No. 150707?

25 (No response.)

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2 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Seeing
3 none, that concludes the hearing with the
4 Committee of Streets and Services. We'll
5 now go into a public meeting.

6 The Chair recognizes Councilman
7 Greenlee.

8 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank
9 you, Mr. Chairman. First, I approve the
10 amendments to Bill Nos. 150571, 150648,
11 and 150616.

12 (Duly seconded.)

13 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: All in
14 favor?

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any
17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The ayes
20 have it. Amendments to Bill No. 150571,
21 150648, and 150616 have been approved.

22 Councilman Greenlee.

23 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE:
24 Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No.
25 150571, as amended, and Bill No. 150648,

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1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.

2 as amended, be reported out of this

3 Committee with a favorable

4 recommendation.

5 (Duly seconded.)

6 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: For the

7 record, 150571 without a suspension is to

8 be able to look at that bill and see if

9 any future amendments --

10 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: No. I

11 just moved it, but it is amended.

12 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: It is

13 amended. And 150648.

14 All in favor?

15 (Aye.)

16 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any

17 opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The ayes

20 have it. Bill No. 150571 and 150648, as

21 amended, have been approved from the

22 Committee.

23 Councilman Greenlee.

24 COUNCILMAN GREENLEE: Thank

25 you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the

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1 10/6/15 - STREETS - BILL 150058, etc.
2 following bills be reported out of this
3 Committee with a favorable recommendation
4 and that the rules of Council be
5 suspended to allow for first reading at
6 our next session of Council: Bill Nos.
7 150058, 150059, 150602, 150647, 150539,
8 150574, 150605, 150616 as amended,
9 150646, 150706, 150663, 150664, 150665,
10 150671, and 150707.

11 (Duly seconded.)

12 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: All in
13 favor?

14 (Aye.)

15 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: Any
16 opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 COUNCILMAN SQUILLA: The ayes
19 have it. All bills read into the record
20 approved by the Committee with suspension
21 of the rules will be read at the first
22 Council session.

23 Thank you very much.

24 (Committee on Streets and
25 Services concluded at 11:30 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the
proceedings, evidence and objections are
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