

Council of the City of Philadelphia Office of the Chief Clerk Room 402, City Hall Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 230682)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing City Council's Committee on Transportation and Public Utility to hold public hearings to investigate the impact SEPTA's Market Frankford Line Painting Project is having on surrounding communities and determine whether SEPTA has been responsive to community complaints during the course of this project; and explore SEPTA's commitment to contracting minority owned businesses for its projects.

WHEREAS, In January 2023, SEPTA announced, on its website, that it would begin an improvement project that would give the Market Frankford Line a "much-needed facelift"; and

WHEREAS, According to its website, this project includes sandblasting and painting of steel girders; and steel support structures along the east end of the Market-Frankford Elevated Line; and

WHEREAS, This project would be performed by a third-party contractor from Monday through Sunday, between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Residents impacted by this project have raised concerns regarding lack of proper notice of the impact this project would have on their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Residents have voiced concern regarding the potential contaminants released by sandblasting; and

WHEREAS, Complaints have been received regarding the endless noise emanating from this project for 12 hours each day; and

WHEREAS, This Council would like to explore the use of minority owned businesses as thirdparty contractors for SEPTA's projects; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Council calls for the Committee on Transportation and Public Utility to hold public hearings to investigate the impact SEPTA's Market Frankford Line Painting Project is having on surrounding communities

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and determine whether SEPTA has been responsive to community complaints during the course of this project; and explore SEPTA's commitment to contracting minority owned businesses for its projects.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the fifth day of October, 2023.

Darrell L. Clarke PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

- Introduced by: Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke
- Sponsored by: Council President Clarke, Councilmember Johnson