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Philadelphia, December 4, 2003

CERTIFICATION: This is to certify that Bill No. 030427 was presented to the Mayor on the thirteenth day of November, 2003, and was not returned to the Council with his signature at a meeting held December 4, 2003 (being more than ten days after it has been presented to him).

THEREFORE, Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-202 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, the ordinance becomes effective as if the Mayor had approved it.

Patricia Rafferty
Chief Clerk of the City Council

(Bill No. 030427)

AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 238 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Norfolk Street and Beck Street from Swanson Street to the right-of-way line of the Delaware Expressway (I-95) more or less and striking from the City Plan and vacating a certain unnamed street which connects Norfolk Street and Beck Street, under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 11-403 of The Philadelphia Code, the Board of Surveyors of the Department of Streets is authorized and directed to revise the lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 238 by:

(a) Striking from the City Plan and vacating Norfolk Street from Swanson Street to the right-of-way line of the Delaware Expressway (I-95).

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- (b) Striking from the City Plan and vacating Beck Street from Swanson Street to the right-of-way line of the Delaware Expressway (I-95).
- (c) Striking from the City Plan and vacating a certain unnamed street which connects Norfolk Street and Beck Street.

SECTION 2. This authorization is conditional upon compliance with the following requirements within one (1) year from the date this Ordinance becomes law:

- (a) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the Law Department, by the owner or owners of property affected thereby, to release the City from all damages or claims for damages, which may arise by reason of the City Plan changes authorized herein; in lieu thereof, only after the party in interest has demonstrated best efforts to obtain such agreements and such efforts are unsuccessful, the party in interest shall file an agreement and bond with corporate surety, satisfactory to the Law Department, to indemnify the City as aforesaid.
- (b) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the Law Department, by the party in interest, to release, indemnify and defend the City from all damages or claims for damages, which may arise by reason of the City Plan changes authorized herein.
- (c) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the Law Department, by the party in interest, to make any and all changes and adjustments to curbing, sidewalk paving, cartway paving, water pipe, fire hydrants, sewers, inlets and manholes, street light poles and equipment, and to other City structures either overhead, underground or upon the surface, including the relocation, abandonment, repairing, reconstruction, cutting and sealing such structures and facilities which may be necessary in the judgment of the Department of Streets and Water Department by reason of the City Plan changes authorized herein. The agreement shall provide for the removal of all existing City-owned street lighting poles and equipment and for their delivery to the storage yard of the Street Lighting Division at 701 Ramona Avenue at no cost to the City. The agreement shall provide for the removal of salvageable hydrants, valves, manhole covers, frames and connections as determined by the Water Department and delivery to the storage yard of the Water Department located at Twenty-ninth Street and Cambria Street at no cost to the City and shall also provide for the removal of salvageable cast iron manholes and covers, street inlet grates, frames and hoods and inlet castings as determined by the Water Department and delivery to the storage yard of the Water Department located at 3201 North Fox Street at no cost to the City. The Agreement shall provide that this work be completed within one year from the date of confirmation by the Board of Surveyors of the City Plan changes authorized by this Ordinance.

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- (d) The filing of a bond, with corporate surety, satisfactory to the Law Department, to cover the cost of the work required under Section 2 (c).
- (e) The payment by the party in interest of the cost of advertising the public hearing by the Board of Surveyors on the City Plan changes authorized by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall not become effective unless the sum of two hundred (200) dollars, toward costs thereof, is paid into the City Treasury within sixty (60) days after the date this Ordinance becomes law.