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Title: Amending Chapter 1, Subcode "PM" (The Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code) and Chapter 4-200.0, Subcode "A" (The Philadelphia Administrative Code) of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code, by amending Section PM-102.0, entitled "Licensing," to provide for exemptions for certain vacant property uses; and by amending Section A-906 of Subcode "A," entitled "Property Maintenance Code Fees," to reduce the license fees charged to own a vacant lot, vacant building or vacant wharf; all under certain terms and conditions.

Sponsors: Councilmember Clarke, Councilmember Sanchez

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| 3/16/2011 | 1 | MAYOR | SIGNED | | |
| 3/10/2011 | 1 | CITY COUNCIL | PASSED | Pass | 17:0 |
| 3/10/2011 | 1 | CITY COUNCIL | READ | | |
| 3/3/2011 | 1 | CITY COUNCIL | ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR | | |
| 3/3/2011 | 1 | CITY COUNCIL | SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL | Pass | |
| 3/3/2011 | 1 | CITY COUNCIL | ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR | | |
| 2/23/2011 | 0 | Committee on Licenses and Inspections | HEARING NOTICES SENT | | |
| 2/23/2011 | 0 | Committee on Licenses and Inspections | HEARING HELD | | |
| 2/23/2011 | 0 | Committee on Licenses and Inspections | AMENDED | | |
| 2/23/2011 | 1 | Committee on Licenses and Inspections | REPORTED FAVORABLY, RULE SUSPENSION REQUESTED | | |
| 2/10/2011 | 0 | CITY COUNCIL | Introduced and Referred | Pass | |

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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Subcode "PM" of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 1
ADMINISTRATION

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SECTION PM-102.0 LICENSING

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PM-102.4.2 Contiguous Lots: Contiguous vacant lots shall be exempt from separate licensing when either of the following conditions exist:

1. Vacant lots are contiguous to and in common ownership with a vacant lot licensed in accordance with this Section. This provision shall include building lots in common ownership with an approved subdivision provided that a license is obtained for the subdivision tract.
2. Vacant lots contiguous to or separated by a driveway from a building where there is common ownership of the lot and the building. *This exemption includes a contiguous lot owned and maintained by the abutting property owner as a side yard.*

PM-102.4.3 Exemptions:

(a) A person who takes ownership of a property pursuant to an Abatement Agreement under the Emergency Nuisance Abatement Program, set forth at Section PM-309.0, shall be exempt from the foregoing license and bond requirements for a period of two years after taking ownership of the property.

(b) *A lot that is continuously maintained as a garden shall be exempt from the foregoing license requirements.*

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SECTION 2. Chapter 4-200.0 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 4-200.0 TEXT OF SUBCODES

SUBCODE “A” (THE PHILADELPHIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)

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Section A-906 Property Maintenance Code Fees

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A-906.3 Vacant property license: The annual license fee to own a vacant lot, vacant building or vacant wharf, pier or dock shall be [~~\$750.00~~] *\$300.00*.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be effective for calendar year 2011 and thereafter.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.

Italics indicate new matter added.