

Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 11-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Construction, Encroachments And Projections Over, On And Under Streets,” by adding a new Section that requires that certain conditions be placed on any permit that authorizes the temporary closing of a sidewalk or roadway lane; in particular, placing a time period on the validity of such permits, and prohibiting the parking, stopping or standing of vehicles on such closed sidewalks or roadway lanes with certain exceptions; all under certain terms and conditions.
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 11-600 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 11-600. CONSTRUCTION, ENCROACHMENTS AND PROJECTIONS OVER, ON AND UNDER STREETS.

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§ 11-611. Sidewalk and Roadway Lane Closures.

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the contrary, no permit that authorizes the temporary closure of a sidewalk or roadway lane, whether issued pursuant to any provision of this Code or any regulation promulgated under this Code, shall be issued unless such permit includes the following conditions:

(a) No vehicle may park, stop or stand in any sidewalk or roadway lane that has been closed, other than vehicles in the process of loading or unloading materials, equipment or supplies, or which are otherwise required for the activity for which the permit has been obtained. A vehicle used to transport contractors or their employees or any other persons to or from the location of the closure shall not be considered to be a vehicle required for such activity.

(b) The permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed one year from the date it was issued, provided: (i) the permit may be renewed for additional periods not to exceed one year upon a showing that continued closure is necessary to complete the activity for which the permit was obtained; and (ii) the department that issued the permit may at any time order the immediate reopening of any sidewalk or roadway lane that has been temporarily closed if the department finds that the closure is no longer necessary for the activity for which the permit was issued, even if the permit has not yet expired.