

Legislation Text

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Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 123 by relocating the northerly houseline of Montgomery Avenue from Fifteenth Street to Broad Street, thereby reducing the width of said Montgomery Avenue and relocating the easterly houseline of Fifteenth Street from Montgomery Avenue to a point approximately three-hundred thirty-one feet northwardly therefrom, thereby reducing the width of said Fifteenth 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 hereby authorized to revise the lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 123 by:

- (a) Striking from the City Plan and vacating the northerly five feet wide portion of Montgomery Avenue from Fifteenth Street to a point approximately one-hundred fifty-two feet eastwardly therefrom, thereby reducing the width of Montgomery Avenue within this area from fifty feet to forty-five feet.
- (b) Striking from the City Plan and vacating the northerly two feet wide portion of Montgomery Avenue from Broad Street to a point approximately two-hundred forty-four westwardly therefrom, thereby reducing the width of Montgomery Avenue within this area from fifty feet to forty-eight feet.
- (c) Striking from the City Plan and vacating the easterly five feet wide portion of Fifteenth Street from Montgomery Avenue to a point approximately one-hundred forty-four feet northwardly therefrom, thereby reducing the width of Fifteenth Street within this area from fifty feet to forty-five feet.
- (d) Striking from the City Plan and vacating the easterly two feet wide portion of Fifteenth Street from a point approximately one-hundred forty-four feet north of Montgomery Avenue to a point approximately one-hundred eighty-seven feet further northwardly therefrom, thereby reducing the width of Fifteenth Street within this area from fifty feet to forty-eight feet.

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

- (a) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, 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 a bond, with corporate surety, satisfactory to the City Solicitor or an irrevocable letter of credit satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to indemnify the City as aforesaid.
- (b) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, by the party in interest, to release, indemnify, and defend the City from all damages or claims for damages that may arise by reason of the City Plan changes authorized herein.
- (c) The filing of an agreement, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, 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 of such structures and facilities which may be necessary in the judgment of the Department of Streets and the 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 for their delivery to the storage yard of the Water Department located at Twenty-ninth Street and Cambria Street at no cost to the City. The agreement 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 for their delivery to the storage yard of the Water Department located at 3201 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.

- (d) The party in interest shall file a bond, with corporate surety, satisfactory to the City Solicitor or an irrevocable letter of credit satisfactory to the City Solicitor, in an amount satisfactory to the Department of Streets and the Water Department, to cover the cost of the work required under Section 2(c) herein.
- (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. The provisions of The Philadelphia Code, Section 14-2104(5), relating to the widths of streets, shall not apply to the streets affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall not become effective unless the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), toward costs thereof, is paid into the City Treasury within one hundred and twenty (120) days after this Ordinance becomes law.