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By Council Members Vallone and Dromm

A Local Law in relation to a study on solar-powered traffic control devices

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Solar-powered traffic control devices study. a. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

Solar-powered traffic control device. The term “solar-powered traffic control device” means any solar-powered traffic control device or traffic-control signal.

Traffic control device. The term “traffic control device” means a sign, signal, marking or device not inconsistent with the vehicle and traffic law that is placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic.

Traffic-control signal. The term “traffic-control signal” means a device, whether manually, electrically or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and permitted to proceed.

b. The department shall conduct a study to make findings and recommendations regarding the feasibility of using solar-powered traffic control devices on city streets. Such study shall examine, at minimum, the utility of solar-powered traffic control devices, including a comparison of their effectiveness in deterring violations of vehicle and traffic laws, rules and regulations with the effectiveness of traffic control devices and traffic-control signals that are not solar-powered in deterring the same, and shall identify any logistical challenges in siting such devices. The department shall post on its website and submit to the speaker of the council a report of such study that contains its findings and recommendations no later than one year after the effective date of this local

law.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately and expires and is deemed repealed upon final submission of the report as required by section 1 of this local law.

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