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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to redesigning the city truck route network

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

City truck route network. The term “city truck route network” means roadways or portions of roadways, designated pursuant to section 4-13 of title 34 of the rules of the city of New York, that trucks operating in the city are required to use.

Department. The term “department” means the department of transportation.

Truck. The term “truck” has the same meaning as set forth in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of section 4-13 of title 34 of the rules of the city of New York.

b. City truck route network redesign. The department shall redesign the city truck route network and make any changes to such network that the department determines would enhance safety, increase visibility, reduce traffic congestion, reduce vehicle miles traveled, or otherwise facilitate the conduct of vehicular traffic within the city truck route network, in accordance with section 1043 of the New York city charter. In redesigning such network, the department shall consult with the department of city planning, the department of small business services, a contracted entity as defined in section 22-821 of the administrative code of the city of

New York, district management associations for business improvement districts, community boards, representatives from environmental and climate justice organizations and street safety organizations, and representatives from the trucking, logistics and last-mile delivery industries. In addition, the department shall seek input from relevant state and federal agencies.

c. Report. No later than September 15, 2024, the department shall publish on its website, and submit to the speaker of the council and the mayor, a report on the redesign of the city truck route network described in subdivision b, including the reasons for any proposed changes. The report shall include consideration of existing freight origin and destination patterns, including major truck traffic generators, and current industry trends in freight, logistics, and deliveries. The report shall also include recommendations for improving truck routes, including but not limited to recommendations relating to: (i) changes to truck route signage; (ii) street safety design; (iii) education and outreach about truck routes and enforcement of truck routes; (iv) designing truck routes to reduce the negative effects of freight deliveries on surrounding communities; and (v) encouraging compliance with the size or weight limitations imposed pursuant to section 385 of the vehicle and traffic law.

d. Implementation. In accordance with section 1043 of the New York city charter, the department shall make changes to the city truck route network that the department has determined would enhance safety, increase driver visibility, reduce traffic congestion, reduce vehicle miles traveled, or otherwise facilitate the conduct of vehicular traffic within the city truck route network, including but not limited to updating or replacing signage on roadways or portions of roadways that are part of the city truck route network which the department deems necessary for improved visibility or truck route navigation, no later than September 15, 2026.

§ 2. Paragraph 1 of subdivision b of section 19-175.8 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 66 for the year 2023, is amended to read as follows:

1. An assessment of the types of intersections where the implementation of daylighting is most effective

at enhancing safety, including an assessment of whether daylighting or daylighting barriers should be implemented at intersections located on roadways or portions of roadways that are designated as part of a truck route pursuant to section 4-13 of title 34 of the rules of the city of New York; and

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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