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By Council Members Ung and Louis

A Local Law in relation to a pilot program to install surveillance cameras in parks to deter illegal motor vehicle use, and to repeal this local law upon the expiration thereof

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. For purposes of this local law:

Commissioner. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the term "commissioner" means the commissioner of parks and recreation.

Department. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the term "department" means the department of parks and recreation.

Motor vehicle. The term "motor vehicle" means any type of vehicle powered by something other than muscular power.

§ 2. The commissioner shall establish a pilot program to deter illegal motor vehicle use in city parks and to enforce laws prohibiting such use. The commissioner shall install and maintain surveillance cameras in at least 10 parks where there have been frequent complaints of illegal motor vehicle use or where the commissioner otherwise has reason to believe that damage to trees, vegetation, or other department property may occur as a result of the illegal use or intended illegal use of motor vehicles. The number, type, placement, and location of such cameras within each park shall be at the discretion of the commissioner, in consultation with the police commissioner.

§ 3. No later than 1 year after the effective date of this local law, the commissioner shall post on the department's website and submit to the mayor and speaker of the council a report that details the resources the

department uses to deter illegal use of motor vehicles and the additional resources the department would need to implement a permanent illegal motor vehicle use enforcement program. The report shall include, at minimum:

1. The number of employees the department has dedicated for the pilot program established under this local law and the number of employees the department would need to implement a permanent illegal motor vehicle use enforcement program, if such numbers are different, and the proportion of such employees' time dedicated to such program;

2. The type of equipment the department has and additional equipment the department would need to implement a permanent illegal motor vehicle use enforcement program;

3. What resources the department would need to install and maintain surveillance cameras, in addition to the cameras required by this local law, in locations where illegal motor vehicle use is most prevalent, as determined by the department;

4. All locations where surveillance cameras maintained by the department are installed in or near parks as of the date of the report; and

5. A description of the department's coordination with the police department, the department of transportation, and other agencies or offices that would be necessary to install surveillance cameras on utility poles or locations not within the department's jurisdiction.

§ 4. This local law takes effect immediately and expires and is deemed repealed 2 years after it becomes law.

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