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May 22, 2020

The Honorable Darrell Clarke
City Council President
City Hall, Room 490
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 18, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for the Department of Licenses & Inspections. At this hearing, the following questions were asked:

Councilmember Bobby Henon: Is the Department of L&I included in the proposed hiring freeze? Has the Administration considered making building and code enforcement inspectors public safety officials and therefore exempt from this freeze?

The Department of Licenses and Inspections is subjected to the hiring freeze. There is a process in place to request exemptions and the Department has already been successful with requests to hire additional plans examiners. A sufficient number of building inspectors is critical to quickly advance projects into construction.

Councilmember Bobby Henon: How much revenue is projected to be raised via the increase in L&I permit fees?

The fee adjustment is based upon the consumer price index. The fee adjustment proposed to go into effect on July 1, 2020 is 3.5% which is expected to result in \$2.1 million in additional revenue.

Councilmember Bobby Henon: Has L&I considered raising the fee for violation on properties who are not complying with obtaining their rental license?

The Philadelphia Code includes provisions to add penalties and fees for delinquent rental license renewals. Combined penalties and fees add 1.5% of the cost of each rental unit per month. This feature has not yet been activated but is being contemplated for activation this calendar year. The Department currently back charges for any missed years when landlords renew expired rental licenses.

Councilmember Curtis Jones: L&I regulations need to be re-written for social distancing. How do we open safely? What is happening at the local level in terms of regulations and standards?

The City has created a working group, informed by Commerce and the Health Department focused on how the City will reopen safely. Social distancing protocols are enforced through different agencies depending on the issue. The Department of Licenses and Inspections has shut down businesses that were operating contrary to the Governor's Order but no one has been arrested for doing so. Police have dispersed crowds but no arrests have been made.

The Office of Transportation, Infrastructure and Sustainability is reviewing opportunities to use sidewalks and other spaces.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,



David J. Perri,

Commissioner – Licenses and Inspections

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SUSTAINABILITY

May 20, 2020

The Honorable Darrell Clarke
City Council President
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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 18, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for the Office of Sustainability. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Councilmember Gauthier: How is money allocated to the Greenworks fund going to be spent?

The Office of Sustainability created the Greenworks Sustainability Fund (GSF), to encourage City agencies to reduce energy consumption to help meet the goals of the Municipal Energy Master Plan. The GSF provides funding to departments for energy efficiency projects in City-owned facilities. GSF investments have saved over \$2 million in energy costs over the life of the program. For examples of projects supported by the Fund, please visit

<http://phl.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=3a0f268ac8114eb885b23ae960656006>

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,



Christine Knapp
Director
Office of Sustainability

May 21, 2020

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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 12, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for Office of Innovation and Technology. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Councilmember Gauthier: How does the FY21 budget account for technology and infrastructure upgrades needed to better support remote working capacity for City employees?

OIT typically funds approximately 30 consolidated operating departments with software licensing and equipment, but this excludes funding part or all licensing for row offices, DHS, PDPH, DBHIDS, PWD, Aviation, Free Library and City Council. For all City departments and operations, excluding Aviation, OIT provides for the network infrastructure, network services and cyber security. The FY21 operating budget for Class 400 includes \$2.2M for all computing peripherals including laptops, printers, workstations. OIT typically reserves \$1.8M for replacement of aging computers and this budget would apply to procurement of laptops and tablets that enable remote work. \$3.6M is budgeted to continue to provide Office 365 licenses for team collaboration and document management, all online, and would include a number of audio-conferencing licenses for Microsoft Teams. Expanded need for video conferencing, beyond Microsoft Teams, is a new expense to be covered in OIT's Class 200 funding. OIT has been using courtesy licensing for videoconferencing since the start of the COVID-19 response and is currently obtaining quotes for procured services, and that cost is to be determined.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,



Mark Wheeler
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May 21, 2020

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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 18, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for the Division of Aviation. At this hearing, the following questions were asked:

Councilmember Green:

Question: Please provide the breakdown of any bond issuances, their timeline, and include the demographics of the issuers and bankers you are working with.

Response: This question will be answered by the City Treasurer's Office for all credits: Aviation, Water and General Obligation.

Question: What process are you using for sanitation?

Response: Aviation has increased its daily cleaning and disinfecting procedures for critical disease transfer points such as handrails for stairs, escalators and moving sidewalks, as well as elevator buttons, door handles, floors and restrooms. Most of this work is performed overnight when Custodial staffing is at its highest and terminal occupancy is low.

The Division continues to proactively install motion sensor activated technology throughout public areas, including flush valves, faucets, soap dispensers, paper towel dispensers, water bottle filling stations and doors. We have also deployed additional hand sanitizing stations in employee occupied areas and are procuring additional stations to augment those already in the terminals. Finally, we are exploring emerging technologies and equipment to improve efficiency and the cleaning process.

Councilmember Gauthier:

Question: Which full time aviation positions are being cut and what are the demographics?

Response: The Division of Aviation anticipates a reduction in force to align with the reduced passenger traffic as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the CARES Act stipulates the Division of Aviation maintain 90% of staff through December 31, 2020. Staff reductions will be determined by forecasted passenger and revenue numbers and corresponding airport functions. The Division will follow the City's process for Civil Service layoffs.

Question: How will COVID-19 impact the Airport's ability to achieve climate change adaptations?

Response: It is important for the Division of Aviation to continue its efforts related to climate change and carbon reductions. The Division will continue to analyze the impacts of sea level rise, storm/tidal surge, extreme heat and precipitation on our facilities and develop plans to adapt to and mitigate climate change impacts throughout, and beyond, this crisis.

Councilmember Gym:

Question: Plans for strategic rehiring personnel.

Response: The plan to rehire personnel is directly related to the rate of recovery experienced by the airlines and the number of travelers utilizing the airport. In an effort to ensure that existing employees are rehired on a priority basis, the Division of Aviation assisted our concessionaires and tenants in collecting all airport-issued identification badges of employees that have been laid off, and we are storing them until after the crisis. Hopefully, this will enable those employees to reenter the work environment without going through the long and extensive background check process and will incentivize employers to rehire those employees because it will reduce costs and time needed to renew the security clearances for badges.

Councilmember Jones:

Question: Please share the documentation and inventory of processes and procedures from airlines that the airport has met with to discuss social distancing measures they are putting in place on their flights.

Response: Please see Appendix A

Councilmember Parker:

Question: What is the percentage of flights in and out of the airport that are cargo versus passenger flights?

Response: In 2019, 5 percent of flights at PHL were cargo flights. As of March 2020, the number of cargo flights has increased to 6 percent of all flights. We do not have data for April or May of 2020 yet. Another way to look at cargo growth is to examine at landed weights. Cargo landed weight for calendar year (CY) January through March 2020 increased approximately 17% when compared to cargo landed weight for the same period in 2019.

Question: Please provide the number of layoffs of the airport's subcontractors, any plans they have to bring people back one the economy recovers, and how the airport's inactivity has impacted those workers.

Response: The Division of Aviation will need to pull data from its security badge database and sort by company, which is a labor-intensive activity. It will take us approximately two to three weeks to compile this information. Once this research is completed, the Division will follow-up with a separate letter to the Council President's Office with more information in response to this question.

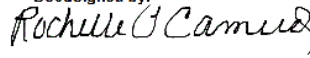
Question: What are the opportunities to expand shipping flights in the absence of normal flights?

Response: Demand for air cargo has risen in response to the global pandemic, and the Division is currently working very hard to attract the more cargo flights. We are speaking to all our carriers to see how we can support cargo flights, as well as contacting carriers that are not currently flying to PHL to gauge interest.

American Airlines is now operating cargo flights to San Juan, Zurich and Rome and will be adding an additional flight to Frankfurt. Also, while British Airways is currently not operating passenger flights out of PHL, they are averaging one cargo flight a week to PHL. Other carriers such as Titan Airlines are flying medical supplies to Italy and the Portuguese carrier, Hi Fly, flew a series of cargo flights from China to PHL in the last month.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,

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Chief Executive Officer, CPA, C.M.

AIRPORT SAFETY PROTOCOLS as of 05-26-2020

Organization	Employees: Masks Required?*	PPE provided to employees?	Physical distancing decals and/or signage?	PAX: Masks Required?*	Effective Date	Masks provided or offered to PAX?	Plexi-glass sneeze guards	Enhanced Terminal Cleaning Protocols	Temp Checks for Employees?	Temp Checks for PAX?	Food & Beverage Service (in-flight)	Notes
OTHER												
Division of Aviation	Yes*	Yes, as needed	Hallways, moving walkways, employee areas	Yes	5/11/2020	No	Ordered, awaiting installs	Yes. Details on website	The airport has purchased thermometers for supervisors to have on hand. Employees who believe that they may have a fever can see a supervisor for assistance	No	N/A	The Division continues to promote Telework where possible.
TSA	Yes	Yes	D/E checkpoint complete (DOA installed)	Yes	5/11/2020	N/A	Ordered for some areas	Partnering w/Delta for electro-static spray at D/E checkpoint	N/A	Evaluating	N/A	Looking at changes to process to reduce contact and allow distancing
MarketPlace	Yes	N/A	Decals installed on food court tables, flooring in front of eateries re-enforcing physical distancing while ordering food.	Yes	5/11/2020	N/A	Yes, at merchant P.O.S	Consistent high-profile cleaning of food court tables and chairs. Posters have been fixed to columns and in sign holders to promote physical distancing, hand washing/sanitizing.	N/A	N/A	N/A	All tables and chairs have been re-organized for physical distancing; keeping 6' apart.
Parkway	Yes*	N/A	N/A	Yes	5/11/2020	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Division is monitoring developments in Tenant policies
Uber	Yes	Yes	Yes-No sitting in front seat and passengers limited to 3	Yes	5/18/2020	Yes, when available	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Via Uber app, both drivers and riders need to confirm compliance of using mask and hand sanitation prior to service, and riders must open back windows for ventilation.
AIRLINES												
Air Canada (not currently at PHL)	Yes	Yes	5/15 - 6/30 - blocking every adjacent seat in the Economy cabin	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Hand sanitizers placed around airport	yes	yes, 5/15	Bottled water, and pre-packaged meals	Non-invasive infrared screening; HEPA infiltration system captures 99.9% of airborne particles and continually refreshes air
Alaska	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	5/11/2020	Yes when supplies allow	Plexiglass will be installed by the end of May	N/A	N/A	N/A	https://www.alaskaair.com/content/travel-info/flight-experience/main-cabin/food-and-drink	The Division is monitoring developments in Tenant policies
American Airlines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	5/11/2020	Yes	Plexiglass ordered	Yes, Airline is developing new details	Yes, mandatory to enter the facility (not crew)	N/A	https://www.aa.com/i18n/travel-info/experience/dining/main-cabin-food.jsp	Added stanchions at ticket counters and gates to encourage create more space. Gate announcements updated to avoid crowding at the gate during the boarding process.
Delta	Yes	Yes	Decals at the gates and lobby	Yes	5/4/2020	Yes	Plexiglass will be installed by the end of May	Electro-static spraying in the facility	Yes, and for business partners	N/A	https://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/traveling-with-us/onboard-services/food-and-beverage.html	Adjusted stanchions for safer queuing. "Lobby Agent" to enforce distancing. Employee masks required when unable to physically distance only.

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Frontier	Yes	Yes	Decals will be placed at the gates and lobby	Yes	5/8/2020	N/A	Ordered for ticket and gate counters	N/A	Yes	Yes, 6/1	https://www.flyfrontier.com/about-us/inflight-service	100.4 or higher denied boarding, touchless thermometer to take temperatures — those who are at higher than 100.4 degrees will be able to rest. If time allows then will be checked again. If temperature does not break, the passenger will not be able to fly.
JetBlue (not currently operating at PHL)	Yes	Yes	Yes, capped flights and signs @ counters, @ boarding and in breakrooms. Looking into getting additional placards for ticket	Yes	5/4/2020	N/A	Looking into getting	N/A	N/A	N/A	https://www.jetblue.com/flying-with-us/inflight-experience/snacks-drinks	Self-scanning boarding passes. Looking into getting additional high tech aircraft cleaning.
Southwest	Yes	Yes	Yes, at gates (from HQ)	Yes	5/11/2020	Yes	Yes: gates, ticketing, check-in & curbside baggage	Evaluating electrostatic cleaning devices	N/A	N/A	https://www.southwest.com/html/customer-service/inflight-experience/menu.html	"Southwest Promise" Adjusted boarding to allow just 10 at a time
Spirit	Yes	Yes	Branded floor stickers	Yes	5/11/2020	N/A	Waiting for order to arrive	Evaluating electrostatic cleaning devices	N/A	N/A	https://customersupport.spirit.com/en-us/category/article/KA-01306	
United	Yes	Yes	Ordered 6 ft. distancing stickers	Yes	5/4/2020	Yes	Install in progress	Partnering w/Delta for electrostatic spray at D/E checkpoint	Yes	N/A	https://www.united.com/ual/en/us/fly/travel/inflight/dining.html	

*DOA imposed rule that anyone on airport premises must wear facial coverings at all times, with the exception of while eating, when in private offices, young children and those with physical conditions that prevent them from wearing one.

May 21, 2020

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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 19th, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for the Department of Commerce. At this hearing, the following questions were asked:

Councilmember Brooks: Please provide a revised plan for how the Quality Jobs program will be operated going forward.

The Quality Jobs program was originally intended to provide grants to businesses for the creation of new quality jobs for Philadelphians (living wage, full-time, benefits) with a focus on small, disadvantaged businesses. However, with the onset of the COVID-19 crisis, we were forced to quickly pivot to a strategy of supporting and retaining existing jobs and \$5 million of the funds for Quality Jobs was redeployed for the Philadelphia COVID-19 Small Business Relief Fund. We know that we will need to offer additional supports to businesses in the near future, and we are actively assessing the ongoing needs of businesses in light of this crisis. As we consider a future wave of grants and/or zero-interest loans, we will continue to tie in elements of the Quality Jobs program.

Councilmember Gym: Provide an update on the Fair Chance Hiring initiative.

*The FCHI pilot was originally launched in 2017. Over the course of the pilot, over **80** employers have been engaged through various outreach sessions and information communication methods to learn about the incentive model and receive access to the applications. By the summer of 2019, FCHI was comprised of **58** employers that were ultimately approved, accounting for **239** individual positions allotted across those employers. The wages across the approved positions range from \$12.20 to \$18.00 per hour. Types of businesses represented in the pilot consist of manufacturing and logistics, pet grooming, food service/restaurant; landscaping, wholesale retail, and auto repair. Types of positions offered include; Pet Groomer, Landscape Technician, Roofing Laborer, Maintenance Supervisor, Cleaning Specialist, Tour Guide, Builder/Materials Prep, and Shipping Clerk. As of April 21, 2020, there were **27 active** FCHI employers with **137 positions** allocated. As a result, **31** employers are categorized as inactive (no positions filled and not receiving reimbursement); which resulted in **102** positions left unfilled out of the 239 originally allotted.*

In 2019, the Office of Workforce Development embarked on a competitive process to procure an employment agency to be an additional source partner in the FCHI process. It was apparent that another source partner was needed to provide returning citizens who do not come into the PA CareerLink an opportunity to be connected to employment. Express Employment Professionals was selected and began working with OWD effective March 1, 2020. This minority owned staffing agency screens and matches candidates for the FCHI employers.

Please note that since March 2020, there has been very little employer activity due to the stay at home orders. The “essential business” FCHI employers that we have identified from the master Active list also were challenged and either laid off employees or had no need to hire additional staff due to the impact of COVID-19. Moving forward, the Commerce Department’s Workforce Development division and Office of Business Services, in conjunction with Philadelphia Works, will analyze the FCHI grant program to determine additional ways to incentivize the employers even more efficiently. In addition, due to the many FCHI approved employers no longer operating or at significantly reduced capacity with no need to hire, we will adjust the maximum number of positions available to each active employer to 5 positions per company. This will free up funds for new employers or other innovative methods to incentivize hiring returning citizens in FY21.

Councilmember Gym: Please provide suggestions for what a "Buy Local, Buy Philly" campaign would look like.

There are numerous ways that this could look, but here are some initial ideas:

- A webpage that would feature local businesses that are operating legally and safely under the Governor and Mayor’s order. Any business could ask to be included on such channels and the City and partners would help promote. Please be aware that Commerce and Visit Philadelphia are actively working on a webpage that would be managed by Visit Philadelphia. The page will link to the websites of BIDs and CDCs, many of whom have more information on restaurants that are open in their respective areas. We anticipate this will launch in the next few weeks, and will evolve as the city moves toward “reopening.” The webpage and additional content will likely be promoted on social media using the hashtag #OpenInPHL.*
- Social media campaigns to promote corridors and businesses such as #TakeOutTuesday. Commerce currently is promoting #TakeOutTuesday by featuring a business on a corridor each week, and we have been consistently promoting [the many ways that the public can support businesses](#), whether they are open or not, during this time. BIDS and CDCs could join the social media campaign and also promote more focused efforts. The Pennsylvania Restaurant and Lodging Association (PRLA) is also running a website, [CarryOutPa.com](#), which features the many restaurants across the state (including Philadelphia) that are open for business; we have been promoting this site as well.*
- Partner with minority chambers, CDCs, CDFIs, BIDs, hospitality associations, etc. to do a citywide campaign around Shop Local PHL, through social media, earned media, etc. Commerce is currently considering a pledge that businesses could adopt, whereby businesses would agree to certain safety and cleanliness protocol and then post a decal on their window promoting their commitment to operating safely. In the Poconos, this is called the Poconos Promise and other cities have created such a pledge. These efforts promote businesses and consumer confidence.*

We are very interested in driving customers to businesses safely and believe that this can best be done through partnerships with business intermediaries and shared marketing and social media efforts. We also welcome all ideas and partnership with Council to promote local shopping, safely.

Councilmember Jones: What is the plan to communicate changes in supports for commercial corridors?

As we have throughout this pandemic, Commerce's Office of Business Services Managers will continue to communicate and ensure updated information is disseminated to businesses directly. Our staff is in regular contact with Commercial Corridor Managers, BID Directors, and Business Associations, as well as working with our partners such as PACDC and LISC. We've been pleased to be able to tell them that in this difficult and uncertain time, we intend to hold steady most of our supports for commercial corridors – Targeted Corridor Management and Neighborhood Economic Development Grants. We'll be increasing Corridor Cleaning through the PHL TCB program and we'll be working with them to develop new tools to respond to business and corridor needs. We'll continue to meet regularly and will begin some trainings for community Corridor Managers and Commerce's Business Services Managers to learn new tools to support businesses.

Councilmember Gauthier: Please detail how the following are impacted by the updated proposal:

- **Storefront Improvement Program**

The Storefront Improvement Program budget is being reduced from \$570,000 to \$350,000.

- **Targeted Corridor Management Program and cleaning contracts**

Targeted Corridor Management Program (TCMP) is intended to remain steady at \$1,445,000 CDBG. The PHL TCB Clean Corridors program will be funded at \$7 million in FY21, \$3 million less than planned, due to COVID-19.

- **InStore**

InStore forgivable loan for business attraction and expansion on targeted commercial corridors will continue with steady funding of \$500,000 CDBG. There will not be any new General Funds for the program which have allowed us some flexibility in awards in the past.

- **SafeCam camera reimbursement**

The Business Security Camera Program, which reimburses businesses for 50% of the cost of private cameras that surveil the public area, is not funded in FY21. We are not accepting any new applications, but are processing applications that were received before May 7, 2020.

- **Commercial corridor lighting**

Commerce has partnered with the Streets Department to utilize Neighborhood Commercial Center (NCC) Capital Funds to prioritize streetlighting upgrades on commercial corridors. There are no new NCC funds budgeted in FY21, however using prior years Capital allocations we expect to continue to install LED lighting on 2 to 3 corridors per year.

- **Power Up Your Business**

Power Up Your Business is a Community College of Philadelphia (CCP) program funded by the City, but is not part of Commerce Department's budget. Our staff will continue to partner with CCP on workshops and outreach, and funding Technical Assistance providers to provide complementary

services and a continuum of support for Philadelphia's small business community. CCP will maintain Power Up Your Business funding.

- **Property acquisition grant/loan fund**

In FY20 Commerce issued a Request for Proposals to select Community Lenders to establish commercial real estate acquisition loan funds. Contracts are being initiated now and will continue to be funded through CDBG dollars if proven to be successful.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,

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May 21, 2020

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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to a question raised at the May 18, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 Proposed Budget for Department of Planning and Development. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Council President Clarke: Zoning Board – we need confirmation that the ZBA can be operated at full capacity immediately.

Hearings have been cancelled through June 19th. No new hearings are currently being scheduled. The ZBA is currently accepting some appeals via eCLIPSE, although they are not currently able to accept paper applications in a timely way (as mail access is sporadic). The Zoning Board Chair and staff are working with the Law Department to determine a path to holding virtual hearings, including establishing what may be needed through new ZBA regulation or City ordinance to allow for new posting requirements for rescheduled hearings among other legal issues.

Councilmember Gauthier: How much FY21 revenue will come from the Wells Fargo settlement, and how is it projected to be spent?

No additional funds from the Well Fargo settlement will be received in FY21. Funding previously received supported:

- \$8.5M in down payment assistance Philadelphia Housing and Development Corp.'s Philly First Home program
- Philadelphia Foreclosure Diversion Programs – this includes Philadelphia Legal Assistance to promote awareness and participation in services and Congress's \$750,000 to assist homeowners resolve cost to enter into agreements with lenders)
- \$500,000 for the LandCare program operated by PHS

Councilmember Gauthier: Are the new PHLRentAssist Mayor Kenney announced in early March being reduced or cut? \$6M for randomized cash assistance (P&D); \$2.1M for housing for young adults aging out of foster care (DHS); \$1.3M to double emergency funding for chronically homeless (OHS).



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The PHLRentAssist does not have General Fund dollars in FY21; however the program has launched using Housing Trust Fund and federal dollars. Philadelphia is receiving additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the federal CARES Act that the City is utilizing, in part, for emergency rental assistance. These funds will be provided to 4,000 renter households selected randomly (with slots reserved in the random selection for residents of high-income Census tracts and families with children). In this way we are continuing to provide aid to renters, as per the Mayor's original budget. However, the direct-cash portion of PHLRentAssist was eliminated for the time being because it is not an eligible use of CDBG funds.

Councilmember Gauthier: How much was spent in FY20 on vacant lot cleaning, and how many vacant lots did that serve? How does this compare to updated projections for FY21?

PHS anticipates spending \$2.8M of original allocation to maintain 12,000 lots in FY20. They anticipate spending the additional \$1.45M received in FY20 to stabilize and clean an additional 2,000 lots. In FY21, we project that 8,400 lots will be maintained.



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Dear Council President Clarke:

This letter is in response to questions raised at the May 18, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 proposed budget for Streets Department. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Councilmember Thomas: Plans to keep the City clean during the COVID pandemic?

The Streets Department is strategically implementing various planning measures that provide for a data-driven focused approach towards addressing litter conditions in the city. While we will not have funding for our citywide street cleaning expansion, the Department will continue to maintain traditional street cleaning on business corridors, as well as our very successful street cleaning pilot program focusing on streets with the worst litter conditions. In that regard, efforts will be primarily focused on those areas most in need, as determined by objective neighborhood Litter Index scores. Streets will also continue to work with law enforcement and technology partners to establish a citywide network of illegal trash dump surveillance cameras over time in strategically targeted areas of the city known for such activity. In addition, trash and recycling collections operations will continue in full force and are not anticipated to be impacted by funding reductions as a result of the economic impact of the COVID-19 epidemic. Our existing GPS technology will also assist us in assessing and improving operational efficiencies by monitoring optimal deployment of personnel and vehicle assets. We are currently working with Finance, MDO and the Office of Labor Relations to explore avenues to address alternative collection schedules and the viability of newly negotiated attendance policies.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Carlton Williams'.

Carlton Williams
Streets Commissioner



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Dear Council President Clarke,

This letter is in response to a question raised at the May 19, 2020 hearing before the Committee of the Whole on the Fiscal Year 2021 Proposed Budget for the City Treasurer’s Office. At this hearing, the following question was asked:

Councilmember Greene: Can you provide the breakdown of any bond issuances and their timeline? Also include the demographics of the issuers and bankers you are working with.

The below table notes potential upcoming transactions:

Issuer	Estimated Par Amount***	Purpose	Estimated Timing	Bookrunner	Co-Senior Manager	Co-Managers (if applicable)
PGW	\$450,000,000	New Money and Refunding	June 2020	Siebert Williams Shank (*)	PNC	Blaylock Van (*), Bank of America
PWD	\$140,000,000	Refunding	TBD	Citi	Loop Capital (*)	Janney Montgomery Scott, Stifel
Airport	\$365,000,000	Refunding	TBD	Barclays	Siebert Williams Shank (*)	Morgan Stanley, TD Securities
Airport	\$400,00,000	New Money	TBD	Bank of America	Ramirez (*)	Oppenheimer, UBS
General Obligation	\$300,000,000	Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note (TRAN)	July/August 2020	Wells Fargo	Ramirez (*)	--
General Obligation	\$250,00,000	Refunding	TBD	Goldman Sachs	Ramirez (*)	Janney Montgomery Scott, Rice Financial (*)
Philadelphia Municipal Authority (PMA)	\$60,000,000	Refunding	TBD	Bank of America	Loop Capital (*)	--
PAID (Rebuild)	TBD	New Money	TBD	Jefferies	Siebert Williams Shank (*)	PNC, Bancroft (**)

NOTE: The numbers in the chart above are dependent on market conditions and are subject to change.

* Denotes registered M/W/DBE business

** Denotes veteran owned firm

*** Pre-COVID-19 estimates