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Item 1209-18 Large Vehicle Parking

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Agenda Briefing Memo - Item 1209-18 related to Section 94-128 of the Ordinance.pdf;

Ordinance XXXX-18 - sections 94-128.pdf

Members of the Public Works and Services Committee,

I write to you with respect to the above item, which is currently scheduled for the 12/11/18 Public Works agenda. Unfortunately, Public Works is scheduled for the same time as the PS&L meeting, which I staff, so I am unable to appear for this item. I write to request that you move to approve the communication for reasons stated in the attached agenda briefing memo, as well as those below. Once the communication has been approved, the item will come back before the committee in the form of an ordinance for your consideration. I've attached it here for your convenience. If for some reason you do require someone from my office to appear, I would appreciate advance notice so I can find someone to fill that role.

At the request of the police department a few months back, I was asked to review the ordinance related to large vehicle parking. It started when a citizen complained to the police department that a large vehicle (dump truck) was constantly parked outside of her house in violation of the ordinance, but that the police department could not enforce due to a vague section in the ordinance. In reviewing section 94-128, I noticed that although the ordinance prohibits vehicles over 10,000 lbs from parking continuously on city streets, it did not define how to measure that weight. The police department traffic investigator informed me that because of that vague term, he was unable to cite the person for the parking violation. The purpose of the proposed modification is to clarify that vehicles weighing over 10,000 lbs (by combined car and load weight), as well as those registered in excess of 10,000 lbs, are subject to these parking regulations.

Accordingly, I would ask that the committee move to approve the communication, so that we can get the process started for the ordinance modification. Should you have any questions prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

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