

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2-102 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 2-102-110, as follows:

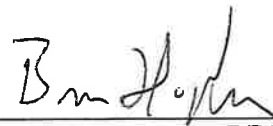
2-102-110 Closure of bridges – City Council approval required.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the contrary, and except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Commissioner of Transportation may not close any bridge or otherwise authorize the closure of any bridge for improvement, maintenance, repair, or other public work for a period of 30 days or more, unless approved by City Council.

(b) The ordinance to approve a bridge closure under subsection (a) of this section shall include the project schedule, the length of time the bridge is estimated to be closed, and a congestion mitigation plan. Such congestion mitigation plan shall include measures to alleviate congestion caused by the bridge closure within a one-mile radius of the bridge. Such measures shall include: (1) designated detour routes; (2) proposed parking restrictions; (3) a moratorium on all non-emergency construction work on or under the public way; (4) adjustments to traffic signal phasing, timing, or other traffic control technologies within 1,750 feet of the impacted bridge; and (5) deployment of traffic control aides and parking enforcement aides to all major intersections within 1,750 feet of the impacted bridge between 6:00 AM and 9:00 AM and between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM.

(c) This section shall not apply to emergency work performed to address an imminent or actual threat to life, health, or property, as certified by a qualified licensed engineer or architect; provided, however, that the Commissioner shall notify City Council as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 24 hours after the commencement of such emergency work.

SECTION 2. This ordinance takes effect upon passage and publication.



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