

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 070810)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing City Council's Committee on Technology and Information Services to hold hearings on implementing a ShotSpotter system to combat gun violence.

WHEREAS, Gun violence is a growing threat to the safety and well being of our citizens, causing more than 250 deaths in our City in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Washington, D.C. has implemented ShotSpotter, a network of noise sensors which identify and pinpoint gunfire, guiding police to crime scenes and enabling police to arrest offenders at the location of a shooting; and

WHEREAS, ShotSpotter works in conjunction with video surveillance cameras, such as those being installed throughout Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, At least a dozen jurisdictions have implemented ShotSpotter or similar systems; and

WHEREAS, ShotSpotter offers the opportunity to upgrade law enforcement, deter crime and enhance public safety; now therefore

City of Philadelphia

RESOLUTION NO. 070810 continued

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That authority is given to the Committee on Technology and Information Services to conduct hearings on implementing a ShotSpotter system to combat gun violence.

City of Philadelphia

RESOLUTION NO. 070810 continued

City of Philadelphia

RESOLUTION NO. 070810 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twenty-seventh of September.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Patricia Rafferty
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember O'Neill

Sponsored by: Councilmembers O'Neill, Kelly, Greenlee, Blackwell, Miller, Reynolds Brown, Goode, Savage, DiCicco, Tasco, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Rizzo, Krajewski, Kenney, Campbell, Ramos and Clarke