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DENVER CITY COUNCIL

I am giving testimony on / Tema sobre el que le gustaría comentar

25-0044: An amendment to Chapter 36 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code regarding noise control to reflect current best practices meant to protect public safety, public health, and the environment. / 25-0044: Una enmienda al Capítulo 36 del Código Municipal Revisado de Denver sobre el control del ruido para reflejar las mejores prácticas actuales destinadas a proteger la seguridad pública, la salud pública y el medioambiente.

First Name / Nombre

Victoria

Last Name / Apellido

Ortega

I am a resident of: / Soy residente del:

Council District 1 / Distrito del consejo 1

I am / Estoy

Against the item / en contra del artículo

My testimony: / Mi testimonio:

Expanding the operating hours for trash and waste equipment to 6:00 am–10:00 pm is a bad idea and could have unintended consequences for people with certain impairments and disabilities. I have lived in my home for over 25 years. I have a painful condition due to a workplace injury. There are two multi-unit housing structures within 500 feet (approx) of my house. From Dec 2022-March 2023, approximately, trash trucks arrived at these buildings as early as 5am. After filing noise complaints, they changed their schedule to 7am on the dot but

occasionally they came as early as 6:30am. The noise from the trucks can last up to 18 minutes starting when they drive toward the buildings, pull into parking areas, blast reverse sound beeps, pick up and lower dumpsters, put them back in place with loud bangs, back up, maneuver the trucks around, and accelerate past my house (and bedroom window). The engines and sounds from the trucks are loud enough to jolt a person out of sleep. Sometimes the trucks have idled close to my house while the driver enters notes on a device. I have tried to mitigate the noise, but the trucks invariably disrupt morning sleep and rest which makes it difficult to manage the symptoms of my condition. Over the years, density and development have altered the quiet enjoyment of my neighborhood. Please do not add more opportunities to disrupt the quiet enjoyment of our homes by expanding operating hours for trash operations. The existing hours are more than sufficient. Please protect the needs of residents to have quiet enjoyment of their homes at 6am. Thank you.

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