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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a small business and non-profit organization recovery plan in response to emergency events.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 30 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by

adding a new section 30-107 to read as follows:

§ 30-107 Small business and non-profit organization recovery plan. a. (1) The commissioner, in

consultation with the commissioner of small business services and other government or private organizations

having expertise in non-profit organization and insurance matters, shall develop or update no later than

December first, two thousand thirteen, a small business and non-profit organization recovery plan to be utilized

after coastal storms and other severe weather and natural disaster events.

(2) In developing such plan, the department of small business services shall, in consultation with other

city agencies, chambers of commerce, or other private organizations having expertise in such matters, work

with small business owners and non-profit organizations throughout New York city to identify critical resources

necessary for the continued functioning of such small businesses and non-profit organizations during and after

such events.

(3) The plan developed or updated in accordance with this section shall include but need not be limited

to the following features, provided that nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the ability of

agencies responding to an emergency to implement plans, modify plans, or take steps not described in any

written plan, in a manner appropriate to circumstances particular to that emergency: (i) an evaluation of the

potential impact of disruptions on small businesses and non-profit organizations as a result of such events,

including a mechanism to conduct an impact analysis for major categories of small businesses and non-profit

organizations, as determined by the commissioner of small business services, in order to identify disruptions

unique to each such category, and the implementation of measures to prevent or mitigate such disruptions and

to support recovery of the small business and non-profit sectors; (ii) the establishment of a voluntary database

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of small businesses and non-profit organizations, including but not limited to utilizing any existing database of

small businesses and non-profit organizations maintained by the department of small business services, to

provide that such businesses and organizations receive alerts regarding such events, recovery assistance, and

other relevant information and to conduct outreach with such small businesses and non-profit organizations to

encourage their registration in such database; (iii) conducting a survey of small business owners and non-profit

organizations after such events to identify resources necessary for recovery, which shall include but not be

limited to an assessment of small businesses such as whether a business is open, closed or partially in operation,

damage to business facilities, lost revenues, the number of employees affected and whether there is a plan for

employees to return to such business if such employees are unable to work, whether additional workers are

needed or hired to assist with recovery efforts, a description of the type of assistance necessary for recovery, the

type and amount of insurance that such business has, and whether such business has filed insurance claims and

the status of such claims; (iv) strategies to inform such small businesses and non-profit organizations about

how to obtain such resources before, during and after such events; and (v)_coordination with non-profit

organizations that are capable of assisting small business owners with loan and grant applications, and business

counseling services to facilitate and expedite recovery.

b. To the extent practicable, all public communications, written or otherwise, with small businesses and

non-profit organizations as set forth in this section, shall be available in the most commonly spoken languages

of affected communities.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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