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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES AND
ELECTIONS

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OCTOBER 29, 2015
Start: 11:35 A.M.
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HELD AT: COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL

B E F O R E: MARK LEVINE
CHAIRPERSON

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
MARGARET CHIN
RAFAEL ESPINAL
MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO
STEVEN MATTEO
YDANIS RODRIGUEZ
DEBORAH ROSE
JUMAANE WILLIAMS

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 Mark Levine: Welcome everybody we're
3 going to get the Rules Committee meeting underway. I
4 am not Brand Lander, I am Mark Levine sitting in
5 today as you're acting Chair. I will try to not the
6 power get to my head. What you say we ran through,
7 ran through rules reform here? Maybe we pass a rule
8 that there be food provided in the members lounge
9 during Stated days, what do you think of that, you
10 guys with me on that? All in favor. In all
11 seriousness will get this underway. I want to
12 introduce my fellow Committee Members before we start
13 including Ydanis Rodriguez of Manhattan, Margaret
14 Chin of Manhattan, Debi Rose of Staten Island,
15 Jumaane Williams of Brooklyn, Steve Matteo of Staten
16 Island and I think that is it at the moment. I also
17 want to acknowledge our new Committee Council Abed
18 Hussain (sic) who's with me on my right and I want to
19 acknowledge the staff members from the Council's
20 investigate unit the endominal Chuck Davis, our
21 Director of Investigations as well as D'Andra Johnson
22 and Alicia Vessell. In a letter dated October 16,
23 2015 the Bronx Borough President, Ruben Diaz Jr.
24 formerly submitted the name of Orlando Marin to the
25 City Council for it's advice and consent regarding

2 his appointment to the City Planning Commission. On
3 Thursday, October 16, 2015 Mr. Marin appeared before
4 the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Elections and
5 provided testimony and fielded questions from the
6 Committee. Today the Committee will determine
7 whether the Council should give it's advice and
8 consent for the reappointment of Mr. Orlando Marin.
9 The Council gives it advice and consent Mr. Marin a
10 Bronx resident will be eligible to complete the
11 remainder of a five term that expires on June 30,
12 2020. We are awaiting the speaker. Well then we are
13 going to move to vote unless there are any members
14 who have further questions or comments. Seeing none
15 I will now call upon the Clerk to take the vote, pre-
16 considered motion on Orlando Marin.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Williams Martin,
18 Committee Clerk, Committee on Rules. Council Member
19 Levine.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: I.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK: Rodriguez.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: I.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Chin.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN: I.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK: Rose.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSE: I.

3 COMMITTEE CLERK: Williams.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Mr. Chair you
5 preformed exemplify and I'll tell Brad we may have to
6 consider changing when he gets back. I vote I.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: Matteo.

8 COUNCIL MEMBER MATTEO: I.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 6 in the
10 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,
11 items has been adopted and the roll will be held open
12 at request of the Chair.

13 CHAIR LEVINE: All right well this
14 meeting of Rules, Privileges and Elections is now
15 adjourned, sorry we're not adjourning yet. We are
16 going to hold the vote open until my colleagues can
17 arrive. We will hold the meeting open. I will be
18 back I promise. You've not seen the last of me.

19 [pause]

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation roll call
21 Committee on Rules. Council Member Espinal.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: I vote I.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Vote now currently
24 stands at 7 in the affirmative.

25 [pause]

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation roll call,
3 Committee on Rules. Speaker, Council Member Mark-
4 Viverito.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER MARK-VIVERITO: I vote I
6 on all.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: Final vote Committee on
8 Rules in now 8 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative
9 and no abstentions.

10 [gavel]

11 CHAIR LEVINE: This concludes the meeting
12 of the Rules Committee. Thank you

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Date November 1, 2015