

CITY COUNCIL  
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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**\*VOTE**

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Thursday, February 12, 2026

Start: 11:21 a.m.

Recess: 11:30 a.m.

HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E: Hon. Linda Lee, Chair

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shaun Abreu  
Shirley Aldebol  
Alexa Avilés  
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers  
Oswald J. Feliz  
James F. Gennaro  
Crystal Hudson  
Virginia Maloney  
Christopher Marte  
Darlene Mealy  
Frank Morano  
Mercedes Narcisse  
Lincoln Restler  
Justin E. Sanchez  
Nantasha M. Williams  
Phil Wong

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2 SERGEANT MARINO: This is a microphone  
3 check for the vote on the Committee on Finance,  
4 recorded by James Marino in the Committee Room on  
5 February 12, 2026.

6 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Good morning, and  
7 welcome to today's New York City Council vote on the  
8 Committee on Finance. At this time, please silence  
9 all electronic devices.

10 Chair, you may begin.

11 CHAIRPERSON LEE: Great, [GAVEL SOUND].  
12 Sorry, I don't have a gavel, so I am just knocking.

13 Good morning, I am Council Member Linda  
14 Lee, Chair of the Committee on Finance. I would like  
15 to recognize my fellow committee members. We have  
16 Council Member Brooks-Powers, Council Member  
17 Narcisse, Council Member Restler, Council Member  
18 Marte, Council Member Morano, Council Member Aldebol,  
19 and Council Member Justin Sanchez, as well as Council  
20 Member Hudson, Council Member Maloney, Council Member  
21 Mealy. I believe Council Member Won is running late,  
22 and on Zoom, we have Council Member Feliz, Council  
23 Member Gennaro, as well as Deputy Speaker Williams on  
24 Zoom.

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2 At today's hearing, the Committee will  
3 hold a vote on a Preconsidered Resolution to approve  
4 the new designation and changes in the designation of  
5 certain organizations to receive funding in the  
6 Expense Budgets for Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and  
7 2026.

8 Do any of my colleagues have any remarks  
9 regarding the Agenda items?

10 So, we are holding a vote for the  
11 Preconsidered Resolution to approve the designation  
12 and changes in the designation of certain  
13 organizations to receive funding in the Expense  
14 Budgets for Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026. Yes.

15 Okay, if not, then I will ask the Clerk  
16 to do the roll call.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Matthew DiStefano,  
18 Committee Clerk; Committee on Finance, roll call vote  
19 on the Preconsidered Resolution.

20 Chair Lee?

21 CHAIRPERSON LEE: Aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Gennaro?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.

25 Council Member Brooks-Powers?

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COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Feliz?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.

Council Member Abreu?

MAJORITY LEADER ABREU: (NO RESPONSE)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Avilés?

COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: (ABSENT)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Hudson?

COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye, and I would like to disclose on the record that I have a conflict with the Brooklyn Museum, where I am a member.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Marte?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Mealy?

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Narcisse?

COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: (INAUDIBLE) conflict, so I was looking a little bit, so aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Restler?

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: (NO RESPONSE)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Williams?

DEPUTY SPEAKER WILLIAMS: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.

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Council Member Aldebol?

COUNCIL MEMBER ALDEBOL: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Maloney?

COUNCIL MEMBER MALONEY: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Justin

Sanchez?

COUNCIL MEMBER JUSTIN SANCHEZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Wong?

COUNCIL MEMBER WONG: (NO RESPONSE)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Morano?

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: (UN-MIC'D)

(INAUDIBLE)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Restler?

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 13 in the affirmative, 1 in the negative, and no abstentions, the Preconsidered Resolution has been adopted.

CHAIRPERSON LEE: Okay, great.

And we are keeping the vote open for Council Member Wong, but... Oh, I have to gavel in technically. [GAVEL] to start the... Yeah.

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CHAIRPERSON LEE: Okay, the Clerk

(BACKGROUND NOISE) Shhhh... Sorry, Shhhh... The Clerk  
will continue the vote.

(BACKGROUND NOISE)

COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation of roll  
call, Committee on Finance, Council Member Wong?

(BACKGROUND NOISE)

CHAIRPERSON LEE: [GAVEL]

COUNCIL MEMBER WONG: I vote yes.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Okay, the updated vote  
(BACKGROUND NOISE) 14 in the affirmative, 1 in the  
negative, and no abstentions.

CHAIRPERSON LEE: (UN-MIC'D) We are just  
waiting on one more.

(PAUSE 00:05:22-00:05:43)

UNIDENTIFIED: (INAUDIBLE)

CHAIRPERSON LEE: (INAUDIBLE) Never mind,  
stay.

DEPUTY SPEAKER WILLIAMS: Somebody's mic  
is on. (INAUDIBLE) We can hear you.

CHAIRPERSON LEE: I think (INAUDIBLE)  
somebody's mic is on.

DEPUTY SPEAKER WILLIAMS: I think it's  
yours, Linda, because I hear you.

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(BACKGROUND NOISE)

CHAIRPERSON LEE: Okay, we are going to continue with the vote. Go ahead, Clerk.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation of roll call, Committee on Finance, Council Member Abreu?

MAJORITY LEADER ABREU: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: The updated vote is 15 in the affirmative, 1 in the negative, and no abstentions.

CHAIRPERSON LEE: Great, and with that, we are closing out the vote. Thank you, everyone.

[GAVEL]

C E R T I F I C A T E

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Date March 7, 2026