

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

----- X

TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE

----- X

March 10, 2026
Start: 10:08 a.m.
Recess: 10:16 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 Broadway - 8th Floor - Hearing
Room 2

B E F O R E: Shaun Abreu,
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Selvena N. Brooks-Powers
Eric Dinowitz
Shahana K. Hanif
Shekar Krishnan
Farah N. Louis
Christopher Marte
Justin E. Sanchez
Pierina Ana Sanchez
Julie Won
Phil Wong

1 COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 2

2 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Good morning. This is a
3 microphone check. Committee vote on transportation,
4 on infrastructure. Today's date is March 10th, 2026.
5 Recorded by Preston Cameron in HR2.

6 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Good morning, welcome to the
7 New York City Council Committee vote on
8 Transportation and Infrastructure. At this time, we
9 ask that you please silence all electronics, and at
10 no point please do not approach the dais.

11 Chair, you may begin.

12 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: [GAVEL] Good morning and
13 welcome to today's hearing of the New York City
14 Council's Committee on Transportation and
15 Infrastructure. I'm Council Member Shaun Abreu,
16 Majority Leader and Chair of this Committee.

17 At today's hearing, the Committee will vote on
18 the following legislation. Proposed Introduction
19 Number 409A, sponsored by Council Member Riley, in
20 relation to bus lane restrictions.

21 Proposed Intro Number 409A would require the
Department of Transportation to install at least one
sign on each block where a bus lane restriction is in
effect, subject to limited exceptions.

1 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 3

2 Each sign would be required to indicate the days
3 and hours during which the restriction is in effect
4 and be clearly visible to drivers.

5 The bill would also require DOT to post on its
6 website the days and hours for each bus lane
7 restriction, searchable by street name. This
8 legislation is intended to improve clarity and
9 transparency around bus lane rules for all street
10 users.

11 Bus lanes are an important tool to improve the
12 speed and reliability of bus service, but their
13 effectiveness also depends on drivers having clear
14 and accessible information about when restrictions
15 apply. By requiring more consistent signage and an
16 online searchable source of information, this bill
17 seeks to reduce confusion, support compliance, and
18 help ensure that bus lanes function as intended.

19 Before we begin, I would like to thank my staff
20 and the Committee for their hard work in preparing
21 for today's hearing. Jalissa Quigley, my Deputy Chief
of Staff and Director of Legislation and Budget, Mark
Chen, Senior Counsel to the Committee, Theodore
Miller, Counsel to the Committee, Kevin Kotowski,
Senior Policy Analyst of the Committee, John Basile,

1 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 4
2 Senior Policy Analyst of the Committee, and Adrian
3 Drepaul, Principal Financial Analyst of the
4 Committee.

5 I will now ask the Committee Clerk to call the
6 roll.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Good morning. William
8 Martin, Committee Clerk, Roll call vote, Committee on
9 Transportation and Infrastructure on Proposed
10 Introduction 409A. Chair Abreu?

11 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: I vote aye.

12 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Louis? Brooks-Powers?
13 Dinowitz?

14 COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: I vote aye.

15 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you. Hanif?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye.

17 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you. Krishnan?

18 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Marte?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Pierina Sanchez?

 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Won?

 COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye.

 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you. Justin Sanchez?

1 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 5

2 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

3 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Wong?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER WONG: I vote aye.

5 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Brooks-Powers?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: I vote aye.

7 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you. With a vote of 10
8 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative, and no
9 abstentions, uh, item has been adopted by the
10 Committee.

11 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: With that, this vote is
12 recessed pending attendance of other Committee
13 Members. One second, Bill. Thanks.

14 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Continuation roll call,
15 Committee on Transportation. Council Member Louis?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: Aye on all.

17 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Final vote is now 11 in the
18 affirmative, 0 in the negative, no abstentions. Mr.
19 Chair, that is a full Committee.

20 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: Thank you. This hearing is
21 hereby adjourned. [GAVEL]

2

3

4

C E R T I F I C A T E

5

6

7

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing

8

transcript is a true and accurate record of the

9

proceedings. We further certify that there is no

10

relation to any of the parties to this action by blood

11

or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome

12

of this matter.

13

14

15

16

17



18

Date April 22, 2026

19

20

21