

1 COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION 1

2 CITY COUNCIL

3 CITY OF NEW YORK

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5 TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

6 OF THE

7 COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION

8 **VOTE***

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10 Thursday, April 10, 2025

11 Start: 11:01 a.m.

12 Recess: 11:09 a.m.

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14 HELD AT: 250 Broadway - Committee Room,

15 16th Floor

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17 B E F O R E: Hon. Shekar Krishnan, Chair

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19 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

20 David M. Carr

21 Robert F. Holden

22 Linda Lee

23 Julie Menin

24 Mercedes Narcisse

25 Vickie Paladino

Sandra Ung

SERGEANT POLITE: Testing one, two, one, two. Today's date is April 10, 2025. Today's hearing is the Committee on Parks and Recreation — being recorded on 16th floor Committee Room by Keith Polite.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Good morning, and welcome to the New York City Hybrid hearing on the Committee of Parks and Recreation. Please silence all electronic devices at this time.

Chair, we are ready to begin.

CHAIRPERSON KRISHNAN: [GAVEL]

Good morning, everyone, my name is Shekar Krishnan, Chair of the City Council's Committee on Parks and Recreation.

Today the Committee will vote on Proposed Introduction Number 800-A, sponsored by my colleague, Council Member Nantasha Williams, this bill would require the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to develop criteria by which they prioritize tree maintenance, taking into account the likelihood of potential harm to nearby or adjacent structures. Parks would also be required to post a description of

the criteria used to prioritize tree maintenance on its website.

I applaud my colleague for introducing this legislation and being tuned in to how important the health of our trees are to the life of our city. And I urge all of my colleagues on the committee to vote in favor of this bill. It is clearly an issue that matters to all of us on the City Council and to many New Yorkers.

And I would like to also recognize the council members who are here, we have Council Member Holden, Council Member Lee, Council Member Menin, virtually, Council Member Ung, and Council Member Carr.

And now I will call on the Clerk to take the vote.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Matthew DiStefano, Committee Clerk, Committee on Parks and Recreation, roll call vote on Proposed Introduction Number 800-A.

Chair Krishnan?

CHAIRPERSON KRISHNAN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Holden.

COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Lee?

COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Menin?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.

5 Council Member Narcisse?

6 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: (NO RESPONSE)

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Ung?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Carr?

10 COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Aye.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Paladino?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: (NO RESPONSE)

13 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of six in the

14 affirmative, zero in the negative, and no abstentions

15 the item has been adopted.

16 CHAIRPERSON KRISHNAN: Thank you so much. I just

17 ask the Clerk to keep the vote open – thanks,

18 everyone else.

19 (PAUSE)

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Committee on Parks and

21 Recreation continuation of rollcall vote on Intro

22 800-A, Council Member Narcisse?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: I vote aye, thanks.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote now stand at seven in
3 the affirmative, zero in the negative, and no
4 abstentions.

5 CHAIRPERSON KRISHNAN: Thank you so much, Council
6 Member and I will call on the Clerk to close the vote
7 – or I'll close it.

8 The vote is closed. [GAVEL]

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World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date May 8, 2025