

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

----- X

TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY

----- X

October 9, 2025
Start: 11:48 a.m.
Recess: 11:59 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - 8TH FLOOR - HEARING
ROOM 3

B E F O R E: Jennifer Gutiérrez, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Erik D. Bottcher
Robert F. Holden
Julie Won

2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: This is a microphone
3 check for the Committee on Technology, recorded on
4 October 9, 2025, located in Hearing Room 3 by Nazly
5 Paytuvi.

6 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning, and
7 welcome to today's New York City Council vote for the
8 Committee on Technology.

9 At this time, please silence all
10 electronic devices.

11 No one may approach the dais at any time
12 during this hearing.

13 Chair, we are ready to begin.

14 CHAIRPERSON GUTIÉRREZ: Thank you. Oh, I
15 have to do this. [GAVEL] Good morning. I'm Council
16 Member Jennifer Gutiérrez. I'm Chair to the Committee
17 on Technology.

18 I'd like to welcome everyone to today's
19 Committee on Technology vote on Proposed Intro. 1122-
20 A, sponsored by myself, in relation to a plan for
21 expanding home access to broadband internet. The
22 Committee previously heard testimony on this bill as
23 part of our April 29, 2025 hearing.

24 New York City is the largest and greatest
25 city in America, in the world, yet here in the 21st

2 century, some New Yorkers still lack affordable,
3 reliable broadband at home. In 2020, the Internet
4 Master Plan was introduced by the de Blasio
5 Administration to connect all New Yorkers and open
6 opportunities for smaller internet service providers.
7 The new Administration abandoned this plan with no
8 explanation and instead entered a bulk purchasing
9 agreement with two major ISPs to provide internet to
10 some NYCHA developments. My bill ensures that the
11 City has a real plan to connect every New Yorker not
12 limited to NYCHA gives every internet service
13 provider a fair chance and makes clear that these
14 connections are not to be used for secondary
15 purposes, such as surveillance by City agencies.
16 Internet access is not a luxury nowadays. It is
17 essential infrastructure for education, work,
18 healthcare, and even social life. New York should
19 lead by providing affordable and equitable access,
20 fair competition, and respect for residents' privacy.
21 Today, we are correcting a mistake, ensuring that our
22 city can lead instead of lag, and make sure every
23 single New Yorker has access to affordable broadband
24 and we build a diverse and healthy landscape.
25 Broadband is why I was really excited to Chair this

2 Committee, and the Internet Master Plan has been a
3 key pillar of my tenure as Chair. I'm honored to be
4 voting on it here today.

5 I want to thank our Tech Committee Staff,
6 Policy Analyst Erik Brown, Leg Counsel Irene
7 Byhovsky, my Chief-of-Staff Anya Lehr, my Legislative
8 Associate Victoria Peters for their work on this
9 legislation, as well as all the advocates that have
10 participated.

11 And now I'll turn it over to the Clerk
12 for roll call.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good
14 morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call
15 vote Committee on Technology, Proposed Introduction
16 1122-A.

17 Chair Gutiérrez.

18 CHAIRPERSON GUTIÉRREZ: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Holden.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: I vote aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Bottcher.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEER: Aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Won.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Paladino.

2 By a vote of four in the affirmative,
3 zero with a negative, and no abstention, item has
4 been adopted by the Committee.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Did I vote yea?

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

C E R T I F I C A T E

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 October 16, 2025