

COMMITTEE ON SANITATION AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT 1  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON SANITATION AND SOLID  
WASTE MANAGEMENT

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December 18, 2025  
Start: 12:40 p.m.  
Recess: 12:44 p.m.

HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - 8TH FLOOR - HEARING  
ROOM 2

B E F O R E: Shaun Abreu, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Chris Banks  
David M. Carr  
Simcha Felder  
James F. Gennaro  
Frank Morano  
Sandy Nurse  
Vickie Paladino  
Rafael Salamanca, Jr.  
Sandra Ung  
Inna Vernikov

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2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good afternoon. This is  
3 the Committee on Sanitation and Solid Waste  
4 Management recorded by Tisha Sherman in Hearing Room  
5 2. Today's date is 12-18-2025.

6 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good afternoon. Welcome  
7 to the Committee vote on Sanitation and Solid Waste  
8 Management.

9 At this time, we ask that you please  
10 silence all electronics, and at no point please do  
11 not approach the dais.

12 Chair, you may begin.

13 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: [GAVEL] Good morning,  
14 everyone, and welcome to today's hearing hosted by  
15 the Committee on Sanitation.

16 To minimize disruption, please place  
17 electronic devices on vibrate or silent mode.

18 The purpose of this hearing is to hold a  
19 vote on Proposed Introduction Number 1279-B sponsored  
20 by Deputy Speaker Diana Ayala. The Committee  
21 previously heard Introduction 1279 at a hearing on  
22 September 18, 2025, where we received testimony from  
23 representatives of the Department of Sanitation and  
24 interested members of the public. In some parts of  
25 the city, the Department of Sanitation and the

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2 Department of Transportation street cleaning  
3 operations are supplemented by trash collecting  
4 programs administered by a local neighborhood  
5 association or a business improvement district which  
6 organizes local businesses to financially supplement  
7 existing street cleaning efforts. As of August 1,  
8 2025, these supplemental sanitation service providers  
9 are prohibited from placing bags of collected waste  
10 at the curb and are required to use rigid lidded  
11 containers that do not exceed 55 gallons in size when  
12 placing trash at the curb for collection by DSNY  
13 unless DSNY permits the provider to transport waste  
14 directly to a DSNY garage or to place waste in large  
15 containers. Enforcement of containerization  
16 requirements for BIDs is currently scheduled to begin  
17 on January 2, 2026. Proposed Intro. Number 1279-B  
18 will limit rules issued by the Department of  
19 Sanitation prohibiting supplemental sanitation  
20 service providers from placing refuse or recycling by  
21 public litter baskets and further requiring  
22 supplemental sanitation service providers to set  
23 material out for collection by DSNY and rigid  
24 receptacles with tight fitting lids so that until  
25 August 30, 2026, such rules only apply to

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2 supplemental sanitation service providers that either  
3 receive City Council discretionary funds in Fiscal  
4 2026 to purchase such receptacles or, if they do not  
5 receive such funding, submit an application to DSNY  
6 for the siting of a compliant receptacle by March 1,  
7 2026.

8 I will now turn it over to the Clerk to  
9 take the vote on Intro. 1279-B.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank  
11 you. Good afternoon. William Martin, Committee Clerk.  
12 Roll call vote, Committee on Sanitation and Solid  
13 Waste Management. Proposed Introduction 1279-B.

14 Chair Abreu.

15 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: I vote aye.

16 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN:  
17 Salamanca.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: I vote aye on  
19 all.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Gennaro.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: I hate to be that  
22 guy, but I vote no.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Menin.  
24 Nurse.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank  
3 you.

4 Ung.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Banks.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Zhuang.

9 Felder.

10 COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: Aye.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Carr.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Aye.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Vernikov.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: I vote aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Paladino.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Aye.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Morano.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: With a  
20 vote of 10 in the affirmative, one in the negative,  
21 and no abstentions, item has been adopted by the  
22 Committee.

23 CHAIRPERSON ABREU: I'll keep the vote  
24 open. Y'all may leave if you want. Thank you all.

25 This hearing is hereby adjourned. [GAVEL]

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 December 29, 2025