

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES, AND ELECTIONS

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July 23, 2015  
Start: 11:40 a.m.  
Recess: 11:52 a.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers - City Hall

B E F O R E:

BRAD S. LANDER  
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

DANIEL R. GARODNICK  
DEBORAH L. ROSE  
INEZ E. DICKENS  
JUMAANE D. WILLIAMS  
MARGARET S. CHIN  
MARK LEVINE  
MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO  
RAFAEL L. ESPINAL, JR.  
STEVEN MATTEO  
YDANIS A. RODRIGUEZ

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 [gavel]

3 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: Good morning. This  
4 meeting of the New York City Council Committee on  
5 Rules, Privileges, and Elections now resuming from  
6 recess. Before I begin let me introduce the members  
7 who are here; Council Member Ydanis Rodriguez from  
8 Manhattan, Council Member Rafael Espinal from  
9 Brooklyn, Council Member Inez Dickens from  
10 Manhattan, Council Member Debbie Rose from Staten  
11 Island, Council Members Chin and Levine from  
12 Manhattan as well. We are resuming from the meeting  
13 that we had last week at which we on the 15<sup>th</sup> of  
14 July which we had a great chance to do questions  
15 and answers with three wonderful candidates, Marry  
16 Val Very [sp?] for the New York City Art Commission  
17 and Ellen Hoffman [sp?] for appointment to the New  
18 York City tax commission both nominated by Mayor de  
19 Blasio in letters dated June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. And the  
20 council also interviewed and is considering today  
21 Pricilla Consuelo [sp?] for recommendation for  
22 appointment to the youth board. There was a fourth  
23 candidate that we talked to that we are holding for  
24 a later date. But we're going to act on these three  
25 nominations now. I think everything that's relevant

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2 about them; their terms, their conditions, what  
3 those groups do was said at the earlier port... part  
4 of this hearing so I'm not going to speak to it all  
5 again today and that we can move to a vote. I do  
6 want to note... So and I guess there... is there anyone  
7 who members have any additional questions or  
8 anything you feel you want to say on the record  
9 before we close the hearing on those three  
10 nominations? Seeing none I'll close the hearing on  
11 those three nominations. And... okay ah good, okay.  
12 Okay good good. Good morning. We've also been  
13 joined by the speaker. And then I also want to call  
14 note to members that in addition to the vote on  
15 those three appointments we're also voting on  
16 changes to an amendment to rule seven of the rules  
17 of the council related to committee jurisdictions  
18 and appointments and that piece of paper is before  
19 you. This is related to uh the election of Steve  
20 Matteo as the minority leader. And this adjusts his  
21 committee appointments to include finance,  
22 standards and ethics, and this committee rules  
23 privileges and elections. And I hear that Council  
24 Member Rose is still considering how to vote on  
25 this... on this item. But will look forward to him

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2 joining the committee on Rules, privileges, and  
3 elections and we're also appointing Council Member  
4 Vallone to the courts and legal services committee.  
5 With that I will ask the clerk to call the roll  
6 unless...

7 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: William Martin;  
8 Committee Clerk. Roll call vote; Committee on  
9 Rules, three appointments. Chair Lander.

10 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: I vote aye.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Dickens.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Chin.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN: Aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rose.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSE: Aye.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Espinal.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Levine.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Speaker Mark-

22 Viverito.

23 SPEAKER MARK-VIVERITO: [off mic] I vote

24 aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member  
3 Rodriguez on three appointments.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: Aye.

5 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of  
6 eight in the affirmative, zero in the negative, no  
7 abstention, three appointments have been adopted.  
8 Roll call vote on preconsidered resolution. Chair  
9 Lander.

10 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: [off mic] Sorry?  
11 [on mic] Oh we're voting on the second item  
12 separately?

13 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: [off mic]  
14 Sorry, yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: No problem. I vote  
16 aye.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Dickens.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rodriguez.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: [off mic]  
21 Aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Chin.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN: Aye.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rose.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSE: Aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Espinal.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: Aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Levine.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: Aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Speaker Mark...

7 excuse me, Speaker Mark-Viverito.

8 SPEAKER MARK-VIVERITO: [off mic] Aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of  
10 eight in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and  
11 no abstentions items have been adopted.

12 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: We will leave the  
13 vote open for other members who are in other  
14 meetings now until the clerk sees that we don't  
15 have more time to do it.

16 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member  
17 Garodnick.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye, thank  
19 you.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Final vote in the  
21 committee on Rules, Privileges, and Elections; nine  
22 in the affirmative, zero in the negative, no  
23 abstentions.

24 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: This meeting is  
25 adjourned.

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2 [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           July 27, 2015