

Int 1219-2025
Calvin T. Brown Statement
Before City Council Finance Committee
May 28, 2025

Good morning Chair Brannan and members of the Finance Committee. I am Calvin T. Brown, Deputy Commissioner of Neighborhood Development at the Department of Small Business Services (SBS). I am joined by Leslie Velazquez, Director of BID Development and Legislation.

Today, we would like to report on the result of the objections filed with the City Clerk against the establishment of the proposed East Harlem 125th Street Business Improvement District (BID).

As required by law, the East Harlem 125th Street Steering Committee mailed the summary of the City Council Resolution to the following parties:

- to each owner of real property within the proposed district at the address shown on the latest City assessment roll,
- to such other persons as are registered with the City to receive tax bills concerning real property within the district, and
- to tenants of each building within the proposed district.

Furthermore, SBS arranged for the publication of a copy of the summary of the Resolution at least once in the City Record.

At the conclusion of the objection period at 5:00 PM on May 24, 2025 and taking into consideration any objections postmarked by that date, no objections were filed with the City Clerk for properties within the District.

The Department of Small Business Services supports the establishment of the proposed East Harlem 125th Street BID.

At this time, we are happy to take any questions.

Thank you.

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☒ in favor ☐ in opposition

Date: 5/28/2025

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