

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND LABOR

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April 30, 2013
Start: 1:35 pm
Recess: 1:40 pm

HELD AT: 250 Broadway
Committee Room, 16th Fl.

B E F O R E:

MICHAEL C. NELSON
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member James F. Gennaro
Council Member Melissa Mark-
Viverito
Council Member Domenic M. Recchia,
Jr.

A P P E A R A N C E S

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

CHAIRPERSON NELSON: Today's hear
is - - is, oh no, it didn't go over?

MALE VOICE 1: No, you weren't on.

CHAIRPERSON NELSON: Did I come
across? Okay. The topic of today is, how is the
improving economy effecting New York City's labor
market? The economy has been in recovery since
the 2008 crash that led to the worst economic
downturn since the Great Depression, or so the
economists say. I still see a large number of my
constituents and other citizens of this city
struggling financially, under employed or
unemployed and wondering when the recovery is
going to get to them. Research indicates that the
City's gross domestic products is higher than the
national average. But although it has dropped the
City's unemployment rate is still above the
nations as a whole, there's a conundrum there
somewhere's. These numbers mean one thing to me,
New York City's businesses are doing better but
they aren't hiring many people, so that begs the
question, why not? Before we proceed I want to
acknowledge the members of the Committee present.
We have on my far right, Council Member and Chair

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2 of the Finance Committee, Domenic Recchia, we have
3 Jimmy Gennaro, Chair of the Environmental
4 Committee and there's two other members, we're not
5 sure yet where they are. But unfortunately our
6 main witness was unable to be here, so this will
7 be a short meeting. I want to thank the Committee
8 staff, Matthew Carlin [phonetic] our counsel and
9 Faith Corbett [phonetic] our policy analyst for
10 being here today. Having said that, and there is
11 no people to testify, I guess we're going to
12 adjourn this meeting. Thank you all for coming.
13 Okay. [background noise] I apologize to those who
14 made time and effort. [background noise] [off mic]
15 of 2013, Committee on Civil Service and Labor.
16 I'd like to say that also, Council Member Melissa
17 Mark-Viverito has joined us. Thank you.
18 [background noise] Committee is now, again,
19 adjourned. [off mic]

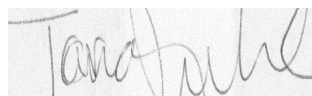
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I, Tara Juhl certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.

Signature

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tara Juhl".

Date 5/14/13