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B E F O R E: Adrienne Adams
Speaker

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Shaun Abreu
Joann Ariola
Alexa Avilés
Diana Ayala
Chris Banks
Erik D. Bottcher
Justin Brannan
Gale A. Brewer
Selvena Brooks-Powers
Tiffany Cabán
David M. Carr
Carmen N. De La Rosa
Erik Dinowitz
Amanda Farías
Simcha Felder
Oswald Feliz
Frank Morano

James F. Gennaro
Jennifer Gutiérrez
Shahana K. Hanif
Kamillah Hanks
Robert F. Holden
Crystal Hudson
Rita C. Joseph
Shekar Krishnan
Kristy Marmorato
Linda Lee
Farah N. Louis
Christopher Marte
Darlene Mealy
Julie Menin
Francisco P. Moya
Mercedes Narcisse
Sandy Nurse
Chi Ossé
Vickie Paladino
Keith Powers
Lincoln Restler
Kevin C. Riley
Yusef Salaam
Rafael Salamanca, Jr.
Pierina Ana Sanchez
Lynn C. Schulman
Althea V. Stevens
Sandra Ung
Inna Vernikov
Nantasha Williams
Julie Won
Susan Zhuang

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

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Ladies and gentlemen, can everybody please find a seat and silence their cellphones? Folks, if you please find seats. Thank you so much. At this time, would any non-council employees, if you're on the main floor, please make your way up to the balcony. Thank you. At this time, can all folks participating in the meeting, could you please set your cellphones to vibrate? Any non-Council staff, please make your way upstairs to the balcony. Thank you so much. Sergeant, we good? We're ready to go.

[gavel]

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Good afternoon and welcome to the Stated Meeting of September 25, 2025. I am Majority Leader Amanda Farías and I'd like to thank you for joining us. If you would like to follow along, the agenda for today's meeting is posted on our website. On behalf of the body, I welcome the members of the public who have joined us today. During Stated Meetings, only members of the Council may speak. Members of the public shall remain silent. If you wish to express your support of any remarks, you may make the silent approval gesture. I want to remind my colleagues that decorum

is to be respected at all times. Insulting each other is not appropriate. All remarks are to be addressed to the Chair and members shall not speak unless recognized by the Chair. It is essential that even if we disagree, we treat each other with respect.

UNIDENTIFIED: Please join us for the pledge of allegiance.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: All rise.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Roll call.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Abreu?

COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Avilés?

COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ayala?

COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Still here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Banks?

COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Bottcher?

COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEER: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Brannan?

COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Brewer?

COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Alive.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Brooks-Powers? Cabán?

COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Carr? De La Rosa?

COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Dinowitz?

COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Felder?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Feliz?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Gennaro?

COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Gutiérrez?

COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Hanif?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Hanks?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Holden? Hudson?

COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Joseph?

COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Krishnan?

COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lee?

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Here.
3 COMMITTEE CLERK: Louis? Marmorato?
4 COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Present.
5 COMMITTEE CLERK: Holden?
6 COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Here. Do you
7 hear me?
8 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.
9 COMMITTEE CLERK: Marte?
10 COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Here.
11 COMMITTEE CLERK: Mealy? Menin?
12 COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Here.
13 COMMITTEE CLERK: Morano? Moya?
14 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Here.
15 COMMITTEE CLERK: Narcisse?
16 COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Present.
17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Moya, that was a yes
18 also?
19 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Yes, present.
20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Nurse?
21 COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Here.
22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Ossé? Paladino?
23 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Here.
24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Powers?
25 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Restler?

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Riley?

COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Salaam?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Salamanca?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Sanchez?

COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Schulman?

COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Stevens?

COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ung?

COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Vernikov? Williams?

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Won?

COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Zhuang?

COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ariola?

COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Fariás?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Speaker Adams?

SPEAKER ADAMS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: We have a quorum.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Thank you. We will now have today's invocation which will be delivered by Rabbi David Niederman of United Jewish Organizations located at 32 Penn Street in Brooklyn.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: All rise.

RABBI DAVID NIEDERMAN: Good afternoon. Distinguished members of this honorable legislative body, thank you for the opportunity to once again offer an invocation to the chamber of service where every day you work for the benefit of all people of New York City. As we approach Yom Kippur, the holiest day on the Jewish calendar, we enter a time of deep reflection and prayer, at time when we seek to mend what is broken, and recommit ourselves to compassion, justice, and care for one another. It is a day when Jews gather in synagogues all over the world ot pray for the wellbeing of the entire society, all of us together. It's especially appropriate today to recognize and thank Speaker

Adrienne Adams whose leadership of this Council has truly embodied the spirit of public service. Speaker Adams has been a powerful voice in support of the Jewish community, taking a firm stand against anti-Semitism and hate, so that our synagogues, yeshivas, and families can live and worship in safety and dignity. Thank you. We are deeply grateful to our local Congress Members, Congress Member Lincoln Restler and Council Member Jennifer Gutiérrez for their unwavering partnership with the Speaker in support of the needs of Williamsburg and North Brooklyn communities. Their advocacy has brought progress and protection and real partnership to all the residents. We thank them for standing with us. Thank you. As the Speaker prepares to conclude her service at this Council, not only do we say thank you, but we also say we will miss you. Your integrity, vision, and unwavering commitment to all New Yorkers, especially to those too often forgotten has left a lasting imprint on this chamber and in our own hearts. May Hashem-- so we pray, may Hashem, the almighty inscribe the Speaker and all members of this important body in the Book of Life for a year of good health, peace and success so that you can continue

the vital services to all of us. May Hashem bless us all. Amen.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Just a reminder to folks in chambers, please silence your cellphones. Thank you, Rabbi Neiderman. I'd now like to ask Council Member Lincoln Restler to spread the invocation on the record.

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Thank you so much, Madam Majority Leader. And let me first just say Shanah Tova and a happy and healthy and sweet near year to all who are celebrating. Many may not realize, but today is a day of mourning for the Jewish community. Tzom Gedaliah is a day where many in the Jewish community fast from dawn until dusk. And so Rabbi Neiderman, you know, at the height of the High Holy days is here fasting, not a sip of water since sunrise this morning, to spend time with us and share his wisdom with the members of the City Council. I can say on behalf of Council Members Gutiérrez and Ossé who share the privilege of representing Rabbi Neiderman and the Satmar [sic] community and Speaker Adams and Council Member Brannan and so many others here who have been fortunate to develop deep bonds of friendship with

Rabbi Neiderman, that we are just grateful for this exceptional leader. Rabbi Neiderman operates with the utmost integrity all the time. The only question he has is how he can help the community. And if you ever go and visit the offices of UJO, you will see lines out the door for people who are in need of assistance and Rabbi Neiderman and his team are always there to help. I am so pleased that we are-- we just recently broke ground on a brand new headquarters for UJO in Council Member Gutiérrez's district. We have a new food pantry out that UJO is going to be operating that's going to be opening in the year ahead. There is so much good work happening thanks to Rabbi Neiderman's exceptional leadership. But my favorite thing that we do every year is that Rabbi Neiderman and I and leaders from the Latino and Black communities go in and speak to middle school students in District 14 about how we together can combat anti-Semitism. And I'm just grateful for Rabbi Neiderman's moral leadership each and every day. So, with that, I just want to thank you for being here, and I make a motion to spread today's invocation on the record. Thank you very much.

COMMITTEE CLERK: I'd like to recognize Council Member Mealy for roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Morano?

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: Here.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Council Member Brooks-Powers?

COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Present.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Thank you. We will now ask Council Member Jennifer Gutiérrez for the adoption of minutes.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: I make a motion that the minutes of the Stated Meeting of September 10th, 2025 be adopted as printed.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Messages and papers from the Mayor?

COMMITTEE CLERK: None.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Communication from city, county and borough offices?

COMMITTEE CLERK: None.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Petitions and communications?

COMMITTEE CLERK: None.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Land Use Call-
3 ups?
4 COMMITTEE CLERK: M173 through M176.
5 SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you. I now ask that
6 the Clerk take a roll call vote on today's Land Use
7 Call-ups.
8 COMMITTEE CLERK: Abreu?
9 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Aye.
10 COMMITTEE CLERK: Avilés?
11 COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Aye.
12 COMMITTEE CLERK: Ayala?
13 COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Aye.
14 COMMITTEE CLERK: Banks?
15 COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Aye.
16 COMMITTEE CLERK: Bottcher?
17 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEr: Aye.
18 COMMITTEE CLERK: Brannan?
19 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye.
20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Brewer?
21 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Yes.
22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Brooks-Powers?
23 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Permission
24 to call up all my votes in general order today?
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COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Permission granted. Please disclose and disclosures as well.

COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Thank you. I am disclosing on the record of the Council proceedings that Queens Alumni Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated is funded in the budget that we are adopting, and I'm associated with that organization, and the YMCA is funded in the transparency resolution we are adopting, and my family and I are associated with that entity. And the New York City Department of Education Ed School of the Arts and Community Youth Care Services Incorporated are funded, and we are adopting transparency resolution, and my child is associated with those entities. With that, I vote aye on all items on today's agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Cabán?

COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Carr? Apologies.

Council Member Carr? De La Rosa?

COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Dinowitz?

COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Felder?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Feliz?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Gennaro?

COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Gutiérrez?

COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Hanif?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Hanks?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Holden?

COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you? Hudson?

COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Joseph?

COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Krishnan?

COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lee?

COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Louis? Marmorato?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Marte?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Mealy?

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Menin?

COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Morano?

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Moya?

COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Narcisse?

COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Nurse?

COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ossé? Paladino?

COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Powers?

COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Restler?

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Riley?

COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Salaam?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Salamanca?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Sanchez?

COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Schulman?

COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Stevens?

COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Majority Leader,
I would like to vote on all items on today's agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Permission
granted. Just state any disclosures.

COUNCIL MEMBER STEVENS: Yes, I would like
to disclose for the record that my daughter works at
Presbyterian Hospital, and I vote aye on all items.
Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Ung?

COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Vernikov? Williams?

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Won?

COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Zhuang?

COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ariola?

COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Farías?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Speaker Adams?

SPEAKER ADAMS: Aye.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARIÁS: Today's Land Use Call-ups are adopted by a vote of 46 in the affirmative and 0 in the negative. We will now have communication from Speaker Adrienne Adams.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you very much, Majority Leader, and good afternoon, everyone. Over the last month, we've lost several New Yorkers in their workplaces, including 37-year-old Brandon Williams, a Security Guard in the Rockaways, 69 Hector Reynoso Perez [sp?] of Brooklyn, and a 58-year-old construction worker in Cypress Hills. My heart is with their families as they grieve the loss of their loved ones. And yesterday, 13-year-old Sanjay Samuel [sp?] passed away. Sanjay was on his way to school near Springfield and Linden Boulevards when he was shot. This small child just starting high school, aspiring to play basketball, should still be with us today, going to school, spending

time with his family, and pursuing his passions of basketball and music. Instead, he was stolen from us by another horrific incident of gun violence which harms too many of our communities, and I am heartbroken for his grieving mother and father, for his entire family and loved ones, and I do send them my love. We must do everything in our power to get guns off our streets, keep New Yorkers safe, and prevent these tragedies from happening. Last week, 44-year-old Isabel Alvarez [sp?], a construction worker, was fatally struck in south Ozone Park by a speeding and reckless driver of the Nassau Expressway. She was a beloved colleague and member of her community, and I pray for her loved ones as they manage this unthinkable loss. The same weekend, two pedestrians were struck by a driver near the Van Wyck Expressway and Liberty Avenue, leaving one New Yorker dead. My love, my thoughts are with their families. We're keeping New Yorkers safe from traffic violence must be paramount and the Council will continue to prioritize taking actions that make our streets safer. I also want to recognize the passing of beloved Deedra Cheatham who worked in the Office of Council Member Chris Banks. Deedra

dedicated her life to public service, uplifting those around her with advocacy and outpouring of love. She leaves behind her two children, and I know that our hearts as a council go out to her family and Council Member Banks' office during this very difficult time. Please join me in a moment of silence to honor the New Yorkers we have lost.

[moment of silence]

SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you. Colleagues, flu season is now upon us, and I do encourage New Yorkers to stay up-to-date on your flu and COVID vaccinations to protect yourselves and each other in this season. Public health requires our collective participation. This is especially critical as we face persistent misinformation and unfounded public health statements by federal government officials. September is National Recovery Month when we uplift those who are in recovery from substance use disorder. We must continue to approach this crisis with solutions that center harm reduction, prevention and treatment, expanding access to care, especially in communities that are disproportionately affected by addiction and overdose deaths. Last Sunday was also National Opioid Awareness Day. We can keep each

other in our communities safe by approaching substance abuse as an urgent matter of public health and safety, concentrating on public health solutions to this deadly crisis. Last Sunday was World Alzheimer's Day, a day to increase public awareness about Alzheimer's disease. So many of us have personal connections to this disease, including our own Council Member and Aging Committee Chair Crystal Hudson. We thank Chair Hudson and all New Yorkers for their advocacy. As Rabbi Neiderman referenced, Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the year for Jewish New Yorkers begins on the evening of October 1st and ends on the 2nd. I wish all who are observing a meaningful and reflective Yom Kippur. Finally, colleagues, please join me in wishing a very happy birthday to our amazing Deputy Speaker Diana Ayala who had a birthday yesterday. Love bug. Council Member Farah Louis whose birthday is today, that's probably why we don't see her in the room. And Council Member Chris Banks whose birthday is on the 30th, happy birthday. Now, let's move onto our stated agenda. First, we'll vote on the following Land Use items. New York City Health + Hospitals Jacobi's Just Home. The Council plans to approve a

99-year sublease of an existing six-story building on the Jacobi campus to facilitate the development of a joint H+H and Fortune Society proposal to provide supportive housing for New Yorkers exiting the justice system with chronic and complex medical needs who would otherwise experience homelessness. The project would create 83 new homes, including 58 permanent supportive studio units for formerly incarcerated New Yorkers and 24 affordable units through NYC Housing Connect. This development will conclude on-site social services, 24-hour security, and around-the-clock staff. Just Home is a critical project that would help alleviate our dire housing crisis while advancing public safety. Despite the life-changing benefits this project would deliver, Mayor Adams and Randy Mastro have once again worked against our City's best interest to try blocking this affordable housing for New Yorkers. They requested postponement of the Council's hearing on the project last week, less than 24 hours before its week-long schedule date, and last night their desperate last-ditch attempt came in the form of a ridiculous letter from Mr. Mastro which carries no weight at all under the law. It's not only disgraceful, but shows a

complete lack of knowledge of how city government works. H+H is a state-authorized public benefit corporation that is administered by its board of directors by law. The process related to this land use action under the law requires H+H to hold a public hearing with public notice and requires Council approval. The H+H Board of Directors authorized the leasing of its property for this project. The Board has taken no action to rescind this authorization, and so the Council will vote on the Board-approved resolution in accordance with the statutory process. Mr. Mastro's letter is indeed irrelevant. It is alarming that the Mayor and his top official have revealed such incompetence and a lack of understanding in governing the city. And it is shameful that they're trying to block housing for New Yorkers. This all comes as Mayor Adams is trying to take away New Yorker's power in development decisions with his misleading ballot proposals two, three, and four which would take away the public's voice in power of negotiation and give it to the Mayor's office. He, his cronies, and his enablers have cynically disguised this power grab as a solution to the housing crisis by falsely blaming the

Council. But we will continue to tell the truth. This council has approved 93 percent of housing-related land use applications that have come to us, and we will approve even more today. Too many have been willing to accept a false narrative about who is blocking housing, but it could not be clearer. It is the Mayor, this mayor, who is once again trying to block housing just as he did at Elizabeth Street Garden. New Yorkers want, this Council wants and deserves more housing for New Yorkers. The way to do that is not by placing more power with the Mayor because it leaves our city vulnerable to this kind of mayor or any other willing to trade away housing and our neighborhoods for politics and personal gain. We all want solutions, but there is a reason that the mayor's ballot proposals are not being presented in an honest way to voters. New Yorkers should be cautious about being misled into giving up their voice and their power. This Council will once again play a constructive role in approving housing today, just as we have throughout the last four years. I will also vote to approve the 1946 East Seventh Street rezoning. It will facilitate the development of a new seven-story mixed-use building with 53

permanently income-restricted one-bedroom apartments for low-income seniors and community facility space in Council Member Felder's district. The Council is modifying the application and striking MIH Option Two and requiring MIH Option One. A landmark designation will be considered for the former Whitney Museum of American Art and former Whitney Museum of American Art Interior. Founded in 1929, this museum showcased contemporary American artists and was located on Madison Avenue until 2014 when it relocated to its current home in the meat packing district. The building is in Council Member Powers' district. JFK Logistics Center demapping will facilitate the development of a new logistics warehouse in Majority Whip Brooks-Powers district. Broadway Junction Station city map amendment will facilitate the expansion and improvement of the Broadway Junction Subway Station in Council Member Nurses' district, provide new entry and exit points, more efficient passenger circulation, and further ADA accessibility. 350 Park Avenue, an application for special permits under the East Midtown Sub-District of the Special Midtown District to facilitate the development of a new 1.4 million square foot commercial office tower

and a ground floor public concourse in Council Member Powers' district. 515 Seventh Avenue, an application for special permits to allow hotel development and a 20 percent FAR bonus in exchange for indoor public space to facilitate the development of a new 38-story commercial building and hotel tower in Council Member Bottcher's district. The Council will also vote on three applications for irrevocable consent to operate a sidewalk café. Approving applications submitted by Lava Rock Kitchen in Majority Leader Farías' district, and disapproving those submitted by El Caldero [sp?] Restaurant and Sports Bar in Council Member Stevens' district, and Green Pavilion Restaurant and Sprots Lounge in Council Member Joseph's district. Next, we'll vote on the following finance items: the pre-considered resolution sponsored by Council Member Justin Brannan approving the new designations and changes in the designations of certain organizations to receive funding in the expense budget. Today, we'll vote on the following resolutions: Resolution 860 sponsored by Majority Leader Amanda Farías calls on the Department of Citywide Administrative Services to development and implement a qualifying practical exam for painters as

part of the Civil Service testing process. We thank you to our staff members Elizabeth Artz [sp?] and Rie Ogasawara. Resolution 854 sponsored by Council Member Yusef Salaam calls on the New York State Legislature to pass and the Governor to sign S.40445, A.229 requiring the installation of intelligence speed assistance devices within vehicles of drivers who commit repeated violations of maximum speed limits. Thank you to our staff members Josh Kingsley and Kevin Kotoswski. Resolution 718 sponsored by Council Member Rita Joseph calls on the New York State Education Department to adapt oral health education for elementary school students. Resolution 929A sponsored by Council Member Gale Brewer calls on the New York State Legislature to pass and the Governor to sign the Protect Our Schools Act. This state legislation would prohibit immigration enforcement activities in public school and charter school setting without a judicial warrant and restrict access to student records without a judicial order or subpoena. Thank you to our staff members Chloe Rivera [sp?], Jared Brust [sp?], and Rebecca Barilla [sp?]. Next, we'll vote on the following legislation: Introduction 540A sponsored by Council

Member Justin Brannan would require the Office of Technology and Innovation to assess the feasibility of adopting a cloud computing policy for city's technology system and submit a report of the assessment results to the Council. Thank you to staff members Irene Byhovsky [sp?] and Erik Brown [sp?]. Introduction 429A sponsored by Council Member Pierina Sanchez would require inspections of gas piping to be conducted by either a licensed Master Plumber or a licensed journeyman plumber working under their direct supervision. The bill would also amend the definition of emergency work to allow the repair of a plumbing system to protect the public from unsafe conditions or restore water to a building or dwelling unit. It will also expand the Department of Building's ability to seize equipment use for unlicensed work. Thank you to our staff members Austin Malone [sp?], Billy Eck [sp?], Jose Conde [sp?], and Dirk Spencer [sp?]. Introduction 958 sponsored by Council Member Kevin Riley would require the Department of Education and the Department of Youth and Community Development to each submit annual reports on the afterschool programs they offer as well as those offered by their respective

contractors. Thank you staff members Declan McPherson [sp?], and Nadia Jeanfrancois [sp?]. Next [inaudible] Climate Week NYC. We will vote on several pieces of legislation to strengthen and streamline environmental planning in our city. Introduction 1271A sponsored by Council Member James Gennaro would require the Office of Long-term Planning and Sustainability to solicit input from the Environmental Justice Advisory Board regarding the development of the long-term sustainability plan, otherwise known as PLAN NYC. Introduction 1302 also sponsored by Council Member Gennaro would streamline the City's environmental planning efforts by requiring the Office of Long-term Planning and Sustainability to incorporate the long-term energy plan and climate adaptation plan within its quadrennial update to PLAN NYC. And Introduction 1327A also sponsored by Council Member Gennaro would streamline the stormwater permitting process by allowing developers to obtain a storm water construction permit before executing and recording a maintenance easement. Thank you to our staff members Natasha Bynum [sp?], Sierra Townsend [sp?], Andrew Bourne [sp?], and Rickie Chawla [sp?]. Introduction

1034A sponsored by Council Member Julie Menin would require the relevant city agencies to provide notices to tenants in connection with renewals for senior citizen and disability rent increase exemptions, SCRIE and DRIE. Landlords would also be notified about eligibility for real property tax abatements and eligibility for exemptions from payments in lieu of taxes for certain properties occupied by senior citizens or persons with disabilities. Thank you to our staff members Austin Malone, Billy Eck, Jose Conde, and Dirk Spencer. Introduction 780A sponsored by Council Member Sandy Nurse would allow safe and sick time under the City's Earned Safe and Sick Time Act to be used to provide care for a child or care recipient, attend a legal proceeding for public benefits or housing, respond to a public disaster, or respond to workplace violence. This bill would also provide additional 32 hours of unpaid safe and sick time under ESSTA which would be available for use immediately upon hiring, subsequently on the first day each calendar year. Thank you to our staff member Sarah Sway. And Introduction 621A, also sponsored by Council Member Nurse, would expand the definition of tenant harassment to include unlawful convictions.

Thank you to our staff members, Elliot Heisler [sp?], Austin Malone, Billy Eck, Dirk Spencer, and Jose Conde. Thank you for your attention. Now, I turn it back over to our Majority Leader.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Thank you, speaker Adams. We will now move into discussion of general orders, and I'd like to first recognize Council Member Marmorato followed by Riley, then Sanchez.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: Thank you. At a time when the Council is fighting to preserve the principle of member deference, I stand before you for the third time in my first term with a land use matter in my district. Each time I have been forced to defend not just a project, but the right of a member to represent their community and to honestly-- with honesty and integrity. If we claim to care about deference, then we must practice it across the board. We cannot say one thing publicly and then act differently when personal feelings are at stake. That's not democracy, it's hypocrisy. The administration has already committed to relocating this project and expanding housing at the Jacobi campus. That is a compromise. That is what

governing looks like. To vote yes on this today is to ignore the work and ignore the very principle that this body claims to defend. And if the Council cared so much about housing, this would not have sat here for over a year. We need to keep that in mind. So, I truly believe in member deference. If we truly believe in democracy, then we must honor both, and that means voting no to LU 363. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Riley followed by Sanchez, then Nurse.

COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Thank you, Majority Leader. Today, with my bill Intro 955A we affirm the value of our afterschool programs as pillars of learning, safety, and community. This bill strengthens our City's commitment by requiring the New York City Public Schools and DYCD to provide clear, annual reports on program locations, available seats, enrollment, demographics, and attendance so we can see where programs thrive, where gaps exist, and how to direct resources more equitable. By focusing on equity and language access, 955A ensures families receive information in the languages they speak at home while holding agencies accountable for reaching every scholar, especially those too often left

behind. I want to thank the advocates, providers and families who help shape this legislation and my colleagues who co-sponsored it. Equity in education doesn't stop at dismissal. It carries into the afterschool hours where young people discover passion, grow skills and build their futures. I urge your support today and I look forward to continuing this work with all of you to expand opportunities for our youth and strengthen families through transparency and accountability. Thank you so much Majority Leader.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Sanchez followed by Nurse, then Menin.

COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Thank you, Majority Leader. Intro 429A will improve safety standards for inspection and maintenance of gas systems in three ways. First, it will strengthen gas piping in sections by raising the bar for who can do an inspection and expand the scope of what is inspected. Second, it will expand emergency work to include unsafe plumbing conditions that endanger the public, and third, the legislation will codify existing Department of Buildings practice by explicitly stating that the replacement of domestic

gas appliances like ranges, stoves and ovens must be performed by a licensed Master Plumber. I want to be clear on this point, as there has been misinformation shared in the public, that rather than add a new requirement, this third component eliminates ambiguities with an essential clarification, that gas work must be performed by a licensed Master Plumber, not you and I. LMPs are registered with and are regularly required to file their work with the Department of Buildings. This important clarification codifies the existing practice and is a recognition of the dangerous nature of gas work. Furthermore, Intro 429 aligns with the proposed changes to the existing building codes. Intro 1321 which is before the Council came-- oh, wow, that's a difference, thank you-- came from a consensus-driven process that began in 2014, was shaped by trade experts, building owner representatives and city agencies. Finally, I just-- off the topic, but want to extend a special shout out to Carla Dominguez [sp?], our Legislative Fellow, whose been instrumental in supporting the work of our office, your attention to detail and commitment to excellence has made us better. Thank you for everything you

did. We can't wait to see what you do next. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Nurse followed by Menin, then Gennaro.

COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Thank you, Majority Leader, colleagues. I'm asking for your support on Intro 780A and Intro 621. Collectively, these bills work to support workers and tenants. As the Trump administration escalate their attacks on workers and on our social safety net. It's on us to not only safeguard the protections we have in the City for our people, but to also win more. In that spirit, today we are voting on the first bill in my No Lock-outs act. Intro 621 will allow thousands of tenants who have endured illegal evictions to hold bad landlords accountable. When landlords break the law and families are unlawfully evicted, they are rendered homeless and often for years. Intro 621 adds unlawful evictions to our city's harassment code, and makes it easier for tenants to bring their cases to Housing Court. We're also voting on Intro 780 which will give more than 3 million covered workers 32 additional hours or four days of safe and sick time to attend housing or public benefits

hearings, address workplace harassment or care for their children's educational needs. I want to thank my team, the Department of Consumer and Worker Protection, Legal Aid, a better Balance, and then the many housing groups working hard to keep people in safe and dignified housing. I ask everyone to vote yes. Thank you, Majority Leader.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Menin followed by Gennaro, then Deputy Speaker Ayala.

COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Thank you, Majority Leader. Intro 1034 would direct the Department of Finance to notify landlords if their tenants may be eligible for Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption, SCRIE, and Disability Rent Increase Exemption, DRIE, by providing property tax abatements in return. SCRIE and DRIE are critical programs our council created that have New York City cover the difference between what you pay and what your landlord could legally charge you through a tax abatement credit. While over 135,000 households are eligible for the City's rent freeze program, only 61,260 are currently enrolled in both programs. How can New Yorkers know about a vital rent freeze

program to keep them in their homes, if they don't know if it exists? My bill ensures that the City increases awareness of SCRIE and DRIE that will benefit our older adult population and persons with disabilities. I want thank drafter Jesse Pond [sp?] and from my team Jonathan Szott [sp?], Brandon Jordan, Jack Lobell [sp?], and Mercedes Anderson. I vote aye. Thanks.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Gennaro followed by Deputy Speaker Ayala.

COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Thank you, Madam Majority Leader. Good afternoon and happy Climate Week, everyone. I'm honored to take this opportunity to talk about one of the three bills that I'm putting forward today. I don't have time to talk about all three of them, but all of which aim to advance New York City's climate resiliency. Intro 1271 talks about the Environmental Justice Advisory Board. Climate change does not impact every community equally. Low income neighborhoods and communities of color often bear the greatest burden. The Environmental Justice Advisory Board, known as EJAB, brings together advocates, academics, and public

health experts to speak for those communities. The EJAP advises the Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice known as MOCEJ on all EJ matters. And MOCEJ also facilitates the production of PLANYC with the Sustainability Advisory Board, but the EJAB does not play a formal role in the PLANYC process. Now it will. This bill would create a significant role for EJAB in the PLANYC process. It would require MOCEJ to formally consult with the EJAB during the drafting of PLANYC, making sure that equity and justice are not just an afterthought but central to our city's long-term sustainability strategy. It would elevate EJAB and codify the requirement for multiple EJ voices into the PLANYC process. And these-- all three bills reflect the Council's commitment to a greener, healthier, and more resilient environmentally just New York City. I thank my colleagues. I assume [inaudible] I-- particularly thank the Speaker and I urge my fellow members to join me in voting yes today on these good bills. Happy Climate Week.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Deputy Speaker Ayala.

COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Thank you. I wanted to speak about the land use application 363. So, as a member of this body, I've always both publicly and privately supported member deference. I have however, also understood that some communities have not been doing their fair share while the rest of us continue to take on development projects and have been in some cases bullied by the administration to accept an unfair share of programs and services. Having said that, I plan to vote yes on land use application 363, not because I'm being hypocritical, but rather because the reason of the community simply not wanting it is not a reason. The individuals who would benefit from this type of housing on hospital campus is intended for very ill formerly-incarcerated folks, that according to the district member would be so ill that they would require transportation to the actual hospital across the street. They pose no public safety concern, and I cannot support a conversation where we will be moving these folks out of sight, out of mind to an area that is more isolated that quite frankly the state hasn't even agreed to transfer over because they actually have other plans for that site. So that site is not even

available. It should be off the table, and it would be mis-ingenuous [inaudible] to imply that there is an alternative location when there in fact is not. So I will-- I plan on voting yes, and I urge my fellow colleagues to do so as well. I remind you that this November there will be some proposals on the ballot that look to strip you-- your, you know, ability, because I won't be here, of deciding on these land use applications. And while this is not-- this is not a rule, right? It's not a-- if you're not, you know, automatically entitled a 100 percent say on what gets developed in some cases, it is an important ruling, and I think that, you know, the fact that the Mayor is saying that we won't build and that we don't build should be weighing heavily on your minds when you're rejecting projects, specifically projects that really benefit the public in the way that this one would. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Seeing no one else signed up to speak-- report of special committees?

COMMITTEE CLERK: None.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Report of standing committees?

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee
on Consumer and Worker Protection, Intro 780A, Earned
Safe and Sick Time Act.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on
General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee
on Education Intro 955A, afterschool programs.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on
General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee
on Environmental Protection, Resiliency and
Waterfronts, Intros 1271A, 1302A, and 1327A,
sustainability plans and stormwater management.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on
General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee
on Finance, Pre-considered Reso 1059, transparency
resolution.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee
on Housing and Buildings, Intro 429A, plumbing
systems.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on
General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Intro 621A, tenant harassment.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Intro 1034A, rent increase and property tax abatement.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee on Land Use, LU 343 and Reso 1068 through LU 363 and 1074, various applications.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: LU 379 and Reso 1075 and LU 381 and Reso 1077, sidewalk cafes.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Motion to disapprove.

COMMITTEE CLERK: LU 380 and Reso 1076, sidewalk café.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Report of the Committee on Technology, Intro 540A, cloud computing policy.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Amended and coupled on General Orders.

COMMITTEE CLERK: General Orders
Calendar, LU 347 and Reso 1078 through LU 355 and
Reso 1081, various rezonings.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Coupled on General
Orders. I now ask that the Clerk take roll call vote
on all of the items coupled on today's General Orders
Calendar.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Abreu?

COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Avilés?

COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ayala?

COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Banks?

COUNCIL MEMBER BANKS: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Bottcher?

COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHEER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Brannan?

COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Brewer?

COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: I'm going to vote
aye. I do want to mention also about Just Home and
Fortune Society. I remember when David Rothenberg
started this organization. Stanley Richards does a

great job in continuing. I think partly the reason I'm supportive is it is one hell of a great nonprofit. Right near me on 97th Street, three blocks from my house, they're putting-- renovating an SRO for a population that is probably be more active than those that are going into Just Home, but I am completely supportive despite people from the neighborhood complaining. There are also 25 units priority for the neighborhood. I just hope if people are upset about it, go to the castle in West Harlem. Community Board Nine meets there every month. It is a glorious, fabulous, prioritized building, and I would say that that would be an example of the kind of work that would be going on at this location. This population cannot go safely to the DHS shelters. They just can't handle them. They're sick. They need support and they will get it from the Fortune Society. There'll be no hanging out. There'll be no smoking in the front. There'll be no challenges for the community. So, I vote aye. Please go see the castle. Thank you very much.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Cabán?

COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Carr?

COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Permission to vote on land use call-ups as with General Order Calendar items. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER CARR: Thank you, Majority Leader. I vote no on land use items 347, 348, and 363 with accompanying Resolutions 1078, 1079, and 1074, as well as Pre-considered Resolution 1059, Introduction 7080A, 1271A. And I'd like to disclose on the record that in the transparency resolution we're voting on, the Jewish Community Center of Staten Island and also Garibaldi Meucci Museum are funded in this resolution and I am associated with those entities. Thank you. And aye on the rest.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. De La Rosa?

COUNCIL MEMBER DE LA ROSA: I would like to disclose on the record that my partner is an employee at the Fortune Society, and I would like to vote aye on all. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Dinowitz?

COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Permission to explain my vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission
granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Thank you. You
know, the votes we take in this body are very heavy.
They're very impactful to lives of New Yorkers, and I
know I couldn't make these very heavy decisions
without a lot of help, and for the past year, we've
had a lot-- I've had a lot of help from my
legislative fellow, Theo Sulter [sp?], whose last day
is tomorrow. So, I just, you know, want to publicly
thank him for all the incredible work he has done
under the stewardship of my Legislative Director,
Adam Staropoli [sp?], and with that I vote aye on all
except LU 348 and accompanying Resolutions 1079 where
I abstain.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: While that's
being recorded, just a reminder to the rest of the
members to make your disclosures prior to your vote,
and you want to make any fellow shout outs, please
save that for General Discussion.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Felder?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: Yeah, I vote aye
on all except for LU 347, LU 348, Reso 1078, 1079,
and 854-A, on those I vote no.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you, Council Member. Feliz?

COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Gennaro?

COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Gutiérrez?

COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Hanif?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Hanks?

COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Pardon me. I vote aye on all with the exception of 363, 347 and 348 and their accompanying reso's, and aye on all the rest. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Holden?

COUNCIL MEMBER HOLDEN: Aye on all except LUs [inaudible] 7, 348, and accompanying Resos 1078 and 1079, LUs 363 and accompanying both 1074, [inaudible] Reso 1059 and Intro 1271A of which I vote no. And I'd like to disclose on the record that my son is at New York Presbyterian Hospital, and my other son works at CUNY of which we're funding today [inaudible]. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you? Hudson?

COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Permission to explain my vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Thank you so much. The Just Home plan, a proposal to build supportive housing for formerly incarcerated New Yorkers living with serious health conditions would provide more than 80 units on the Jacobi Hospital campus in the Bronx, offering both stable housing and critical medical support to vulnerable individuals. Housing is health care, and it is also the foundation for successful re-entry. Denying these New Yorkers a safe place to live and recover is not just short-sided, it is cruel. For years, the Adams administration claimed to support this plan, and now at the 11th hour, the mayor is abandoning it, not because the facts have changed, but because he sees an opportunity to score political points ahead of his re-election. That is not leadership. Real leadership is what we've seen from Speaker Adrienne Adams and from this body as the Council has made clear that we will not allow politics to stand in the way of housing, especially not housing for vulnerable

individuals. Thank you, Speaker Adams, for your leadership and standing up for the most vulnerable and moving forward with the Just Home plan. New Yorkers deserve leadership rooted in compassion and a commitment to justice. And just to be clear, the Charter Revision proposal that's been referred to by several folks to me is not simply about member deference as much as it is about allowing the body of the City Council to be empowered to make decisions in the best interest of all New Yorkers, and that is exactly what we are doing here today. And lastly, I'd like to disclose on the record that the Brooklyn Academy of Music is being funded in the transparency resolution, and I'm affiliated with that entity, and I vote aye on all. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Joseph?

COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: I vote aye on all, and on the record, I'd like to disclose that in this budget where transparency reso, we're funding New York City Public Schools, and my son is a student. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Krishnan?

COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye on all, and just disclosing that we have funding Department of

Education where two of my children are students.

Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lee?

COUNCIL MEMBER LEE: I'd like to disclose for the record that in this transparency reso we are funding Department of Education of which both my sons are there, and then H+H of which my husband is an employee. And I vote aye on all with the exception of LU 363, LU 347, and LU 348 for which I abstain.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Louis? Marmorato?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARMORATO: I vote aye on all with the exception of LU 363, accompanying Resolution 1047, Reso 1059 and Intro 780A and 1271A, I vote no.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Marte?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: I vote aye on all except LU 363 which I abstain.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Mealy?

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: I vote no on LU 363 and Reso 1074 and aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Menin?

COUNCIL MEMBER MENIN: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Morano?

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: I vote aye on all with the exception of LU 347 and 348 and accompanying Resolutions 1078 and 1079, and LU 363 and accompanying Resolution 1074, as well as Intro 780A, 1271A. On those I vote no.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Moya?

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: And excuse me, and no on Reso 1059. Apologies.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. For disclosure purposes, Council Member Avilés?

COUNCIL MEMBER AVILÉS: Yes, I'd like to disclose for the record that my daughter is a student in the New York City Public Schools.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member Gutiérrez?

COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: I'd like to disclose on the record that my child is also associated with the Department of Education.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Moya?

COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Narcisse?

COUNCIL MEMBER NARCISSE: Aye. I vote aye on all except I abstain on 347-- LU 347 and LU 348, accompanying Reso 1078 and 1079, and I want to

disclose that my partner work at NYU Langone as an independent physician.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Nurse?

COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Permission to explain my vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: Thank you. I just wanted to thank everybody who is supporting the Just Home project today. And I want to thank the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker for standing up for this project. I just cut a ribbon on a justice-impacted supportive housing project in my district a few weeks ago, and I've already started building a relationship with the organization, and I'm really, really looking forward to welcoming those residents home into our community, and I really hope that the member for Just Home project embraces Fortune Society and works with them and gets to know the people who are going to be living there who are in most cases dying, and to look to them as people who need our sympathy and care. So, I vote aye on all, and I want to dedicate my vote to the Just Home project to Randy Mastro.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Ossé? Paladino?

COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: I vote no on LU 347, 348, accompanying Resos 1078 and 1079. I would also like to vote no on 363 and accompanying Reso 1074. That is the Just Home project. I'd also like to vote no on Pre-considered Resos 1059, transparency Reso 780, and 1271A. I'm also just want to express my doubt in Intro 621A where once again we are looking at stripping the landlords even more so than they have already been stripped of their rights and which I'd like to vote no. I just made my decision. So, I'm voting no on 621A as well. And aye on all the rest.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you, Council Member. Powers?

COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Restler?

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: I will vote aye on all, and just add that supportive housing is the evidence-based solution to chronic homelessness, and we need a lot more of it all across the City in every single neighborhood and, you know, I'm grateful for the leadership of the Council in advancing this worthy project today, and I hope that it will inspire every member to identify opportunities in their

district for us to build more supportive housing,
because we desperately need it. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Riley?

COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: I just want to
state for the record, we are funding the DOE and the
YMCA, and my family are associated with that entity,
and I vote aye on all with the exception of Intro
429A which I'm a no.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Salaam?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: I'd like to
disclose for the record that my family is associated
with the YMCA, and I'm aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Salamanca?

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: I would like
to disclose on the record that my family is also
associated with the YMCA and the New York City
Department of Parks and Recreation is funded in the
budget, the Resolution that we're adopting, and my
wife is associated with this entity, and I vote aye
on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Sanchez?

COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Permission to
explain my vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission
granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Our city is the
midst of a dire housing crisis, one that falls
hardest on marginalized New Yorkers, and the Just
Home project will provide stable, dignified housing
for people returning home from Rikers with serious
health conditions, a population that too often is
pushed to the margins with nowhere safe to go. As
leaders, it is our duty to ensure that all New
Yorkers have access to dignified housing options
embedded in every community, but for too long some
neighborhoods have resisted doing their fair share to
produce housing and even more so for marginalized
groups, deepening inequities across our city. It's
disappointing to see the Mayor backtrack on his
support for this vital project, and I associate
myself with Speaker Adams' comments on the matter,
because by voting to affirm Just Home today, our
Council is standing for a city where everyone
including those returning home with health needs has
a real chance at stability, dignity and belonging.
With that, I vote aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. One moment.
Schulman?

COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Permission to
explain my vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission
granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Thank you,
Madam Majority Leader. First, I want to echo Council
Member Brewer's remarks regarding Just Home and the
Fortune Society. Just Home was conceived in 2017 by
the Fortune Society. At the time, my late partner
Adelade Canortin [sp?] worked as a Senior Entitlement
Specialist there. She was excited about this program
to help those coming out of Rikers Island who had
special health needs. Today, Just Home is coming to
fruition thanks to Stanley Richards and all the
Fortune staff involved in this project. Yesterday
was Adelade's birthday, and in honor of her and my
second family at Fortune, I vote aye on this and the
other items on today's agenda.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Ung?

COUNCIL MEMBER UNG: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Vernikov?

COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: Permission to
vote on Land Use call-ups?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Permission
granted.

COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: I vote no on
LU 347, 348, 363 and accompanying Resos 1078, 1079,
and 1074. I vote no on Pre-considered Reso 1059 and
no on Intro 7080A and 1271A and aye on the rest.
Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Williams?

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: I want to
disclose for the record that I am associated with the
Queens alumni chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Incorporated and CUNY, and with that, I vote aye on
all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Won?

COUNCIL MEMBER WON: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Zhuang?

COUNCIL MEMBER ZHUANG: I want to
disclose on the record my two kids go to public
schools which we fund in the Reso today, and also my
family is associate with [inaudible] of Benson Hurst,
and I want to vote yes on everything, except I want
to abstain in LU 347, 348, 363, abstain. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Ariola?

COUNCIL MEMBER ARIOLA: I'd like to disclose for the record that my son is an employee of the DSNY, an agency being funded in today's transparency resolution. I'd also like to align myself with Council Member Marmorato's statement regarding the Just Home. I think that it's a little blurry here, because what we haven't realized is that although there were other entities trying to push something, we have a member who's dealt fairly and honestly regarding this project, and we wanted in other places, just not where it is, because the community didn't want it, the people that she represents. Just want to go on the record for that. My vote is no on Land Use items 347, 348, accompanying Resos 1078 and 1079, 363 and accompanying Reso 1074, Pre-considered Resolution 1079, Intros 780A and 1271A. Thank you.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Farías?

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: I vote aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Speaker Adams?

SPEAKER ADAMS: Aye on all.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: We are just calculating all the votes and checking. So just give us a few moments. All items on today's General Order Calendar are adopted by a vote in 48 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and 0 abstentions with the exception of Intro 780A which was adopted by 42 in the affirmative, 6 in the negative, and 0 abstentions, and Introduction 1271A which was adopted by 41 in the affirmative, 7 in the negative and 0 abstentions, and Resolution 1059 which was adopted by a vote of 41 in the affirmative, 7 in the negative and 0 abstentions, and LU 347 and Resolution 1078 which was adopted by 37 in the affirmative, 8 in the negative and 3 abstentions, and LU 348 and Resolution 1079 which was adopted by a vote of 36 in the affirmative, 8 in the negative and 4 abstentions, and LU 363 and accompanying Resolution 1074 which was adopted by a vote of 36 in the affirmative, 9 in the negative and 3 abstentions, and Introduction 621A and Intro 429A which were adopted by a vote of 47 in the affirmative, 1 in the negative, and 0 abstentions, and lastly, the revised Land Use Call-up vote is 48 in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Introduction and reading of bills.

SPEAKER ADAMS: All bills have been referred to committee as indicated on today's agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Thank you, Speaker. We will now move into discussion of Resolutions, and I'd like to first recognize Council Member Brewer followed by Joseph.

COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Thank you very much. I'm calling about 929 of 2025. It's the Protect Our Schools Act sponsored in the Assembly by Assembly Member Catalina Cruz. It would protect students, faculty and staff from civil immigration arrests while attending school or at school-related activities. It will prohibit all public and charter schools from allowing law enforcement officials inside the schools to access students, except to address an imminent safety situation or if they have a judicial warrant. The bill would restrict access to student records containing immigration status, aiming to ensure that law enforcement cannot use school resources to target undocumented students. We are in New York a place of refuge. We must uphold that promise by ensuring every immigrant has the protection they deserve. I would hope that Dylan Lopez Contreras [sp?] would not have been arrested as

he has been and sent elsewhere if this bill was in effect. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Joseph.

COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Thank you, Majority Leader. Resolution 718 call on New York City Department of Education to implement oral health education for all elementary school student. New York State Department of Health recommends that oral hygiene practice begin at birth and that tooth brushing should start as soon as children's first tooth appears. By teaching children dental hygiene early, we can help them develop lifelong habits of regular brushing and flossing, promoting oral health from adolescent through adulthood. Through this resolution, we're urging the New York State Department of Education to adopt oral health education in elementary schools to ensure children learn proper brushing and flossing techniques. I invite all of my colleagues to vote yes. Thank you, Majority Leader.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Thank you. Seeing no one else signed up for discussion of resolutions, we will now have a voice vote on today's resolutions.

If you wish to vote against or abstain from any of today's resolutions, please notify the Legislative Documents Unit by email or by approaching the dais.

I'll now read today's resolutions into the record.

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Resolution 718 calls on the New York State Education Department to adopt oral health education for all elementary school students. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: All opposed say nay. Any abstentions? The ayes have it. Resolution 854A calls on the New York State Legislature to pass and the New York State Governor to sign Senate Bill #4045 and Assembly Bill #2299 requiring the installation of intelligence speed assistance devices for repeated violations of maximum speed limits. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: [inaudible]

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: All opposed say nay.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: [inaudible]

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Any abstentions? They ayes have it. Resolution 860 calls on the New

York City Department of Citywide Administrative Services to develop and implement a qualifying practical exam for painters as part of the Civil Service testing process. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: [inaudible]

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: All opposed say nay. Any abstentions? The ayes have it. Lastly, Resolution 929A calls on the New York State Legislature to pass and the Governor to sign Assembly Bill #5373A and Senate Bill #4735B known as the Protect Our Schools Act in relation to protecting students, faculty and staff from civil arrest while attending or participating in school activities. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: All opposed to say nay. Any abstentions? The ayes have it. We will now move into General Discussion, and I'd like to first recognize Council Member Cabán followed by Joseph, then Morano.

COUNCIL MEMBER CABÁN: Thank you. I'm proud to be introducing the Delivery Protection Act today. The Delivery Protection Act is a historic public safety and labor bill. It's about making sure New Yorkers have safe streets and a safe workplace. It's about delivering dignity and respect to every worker in the last mile delivery industry. None of this would be possible with our steadfast partners, the Teamsters, the Central Labor Council, Amazon Labor Union, IBT1, RWDSU, Align, and our 24 and counting wonderful cosponsors in this room. So, thank you. Just a few hours ago I was proud to rally with the Teamsters, community members, street safety advocates, warehouse and delivery workers, elected leaders like Comptroller Brad Lander and labor leaders like Thomas Giswaldi [sp?], President of Teamsters Joint Council 16 in support of the Delivery Protection Act. Today's introduction is not just legislation. It's a commitment that New York City will always stand with working people, because billionaires don't run this city, workers do. So, if you haven't signed on as a co-sponsor, I invite you to do so. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Folks exiting the chambers, please exit quietly. Recognizing Council Member Joseph followed by Morano, then Salaam.

COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH: Thank you, Majority Leader. Today, I'm proud to introduce Reso. 1063 which designate November 12th each year as Sigma Gamma Rho Day in New York City. The resolution recognizes sororities unwavering commitment to sisterhood, scholarship, service, and its positive impact on communities across the city, the country and beyond. Sigma Gamma Rho Incorporated known as Sigma is a not-for-profit Black Greek letter organization made up of college women, educated women dedicated to uplifting their community through service, advocacy and education. The organization lives by the motto, "Greater service, greater progress." Its mission is clear to enhance the quality of life for women and their families. Yes, I am incredibly proud to be a member of the Sigma Gamma Rho incorporated. I invite all of my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution to ensure swift passage. To my sisters who are watching the Stated Meeting remotely, thank you. I am honored to raise my voice here and to introduce this resolution as a

proud member of this great and prestigious organization. Above all, I'm grateful to be your sister. And finally, thank you to my team, central staff for their support in drafting this legislation. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Dinowitz followed by Morano, then Salaam.

COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Thank you, Majority Leader. You know, I think a lot of us growing up in this country for who emigrated to this country were told, you know, you play by the rules, you do the right thing, you go to school, you get a job and you'll better for yourself and for your family, right? That's what I was told growing up, and I think it's certainly true for all of us in this room. Our President doesn't seem to believe the same thing. We just learned yesterday that the judge ordered the deportation of Dylan Contreras, a high school student who has spent over four months in detention, and for doing what? For doing exactly what we ask everyone to do. He came to this country seeking asylum. He enrolled in school, got a job to help take care of himself and his family, and

attended his regularly scheduled asylum hearing in Manhattan, and was picked up by ICE. And all I ask is this, if you're a person who believes in that American dream and that values-- and I'm particularly talking to my friends who are otherwise sympathetic to our President's views on immigration-- that when you have a policy that impacts the very people who are working hard, the very people who are playing by the rules, who are trying to do exactly what we ask of them, when they are caught up in our President's exercising his let's call it oversight over ICE, for lack of better term, that we support the people who at least are doing everything right. Because what happened to Dylan is a travesty, and it should not happen to anyone and all of our children who are doing everything right in this country. I ask my friends on the right to speak up against this travesty. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Morano followed by Salaam, then Hanks.

COUNCIL MEMBER MORANO: Thank you, Majority Leader. Colleagues, today I'm proud to officially introduce Intro 1390A, a bill that simply puts power back where it belongs with the people

1 through their elected Council Members. Right now, as
2 all of you know, when we nominate our neighbors to
3 serve on Community Boards, those nominations can be
4 quietly vetoed or ignored by a Borough President.
5 This bill changes that. It allows each Council Member
6 to directly appoint up to half of the members of
7 their local Community Board, ensuring real
8 accountability and a fairer process, and if you look
9 at the coalition already behind this idea, we've got
10 Republicans and Democrats, we've got moderate
11 Democrats, progressive Democrats, we've got men and
12 women, younger and older, people of different
13 ethnicities, backgrounds, even different sexual
14 orientations, and we've got prime sponsors from four
15 different boroughs. If it was ever a picture of a
16 big tent, this is it. And I think that should tell
17 you something. It should tell you that this isn't
18 ideology. It isn't about borough turf wars. It's
19 about common sense. It's about fairness, and it's
20 about making sure the people we represent have a real
21 seat at the table when decisions get made about their
22 parks, schools, and streets. And remember, even if
23 we pass this, all it really does is allow the voters
24 to decide at the ballot box whether or not to adopt
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1 this change. This is a democratic way to improve
2 democracy. What could be more reasonable than
3 letting the people have the final say? Imagine the
4 message we could send if not just a handful of us,
5 but all 51 members of this body signed on. It would
6 show New Yorkers that this body knows a good idea
7 when we see one, and that sometimes, yes, government
8 can get it right. So, I invite you to join me in
9 sponsoring Intro 1390A. Let's send that powerful
10 message together and let's finally give our
11 communities the voice they deserve. And listen, if
12 you don't like who I appoint, you can take it up with
13 my boss, the voters. Trust me, they already let me
14 know when the garbage pickup is late, so I think I
15 can handle it. Thank you.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing
18 Council Member Salaam followed by Hanks then Brewer.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Thank you,
20 Majority Leader. Today, I'm honored to introduce a
21 slew of legislative proposals that reflect Harlem's
22 heartbeat. Today we have a chance to honor our past
23 and shape our future. First, through Reso 1065 we
24 propose to designate June 11th as Charles B. Rangle
25 day, enshrining in our city's calendar the legacy of

a man who fought tirelessly for civil rights, tax fairness, and urban revitalization. The lion of Lenox Avenue led Harlem and America for over four decades. Our children, our grandchildren, in fact, should know this man and should know his work and his name. These proposals are not only about honoring history. They are about protecting our people today. Our FOIL [sic] compliance bill through Intro 1402 brings transparency to the NYPD. Our Juvenile Interrogation Resolution, Reso 1067, protects children from coercion. Our co-op and condo resolution through Reso 1066 ensures tenants and shareholders can fight bad faith boards without being locked out by arbitrary time limits. Our labor and human rights bill, Intro 1401 keeps taxpayer dollars from funding exploitation, and our transit and equality study bill, Intro 1403, dares to ask how we can make fair fares fairer for working-class New Yorkers. I'm asking my colleagues to sign onto these proposals, to vote yes for them, and to help make Harlem's call for justice heard across all five boroughs. Together, let us honor Charles B. Rangle legacy not with just words, but with action. Thank you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Hanks followed by Brewer, then Restler.

COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: Thank you, Madam Majority Leader. Colleagues, I am introducing Resolution 1062 calling on the state to pass the Right to Your Own Image Act. I would invite you to become a cosponsor. As this technology and artificial intelligence now makes it possible to replicate a person's face, voice, name, or likeness without consent, this raises serious concerns about privacy, identify theft, reputational harm, and exploitation. So, this legislation would give New Yorkers greater control over their images and their identities, and it reflects our responsibility as a council to stand up for fairness, dignity, and protection in the digital age by adding New York's voice to this conversation. We can help Albany and the Governor to act now. Please join me to cosponsor. Thank you so much, Madam Majority Leader.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Brewer followed by Restler.

COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Thank you very much. I would like to introduce Brianna McDonald

[sp?] who is with us this semester. She's from the Hunter Silberman School of Social Work, and Miller Schulman who has been an Alvan [sic] fellow and absolutely awesome. This is unfortunately his last week, his last Stated, and I want to thank Madam Speaker for the Alvan program. I think Alvan is looking down at us. I served with him and loving this program, and the extraordinary people who have been part of it. Thank you very much to both of you.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Recognizing Council Member Restler.

COUNCIL MEMBER RESTLER: Thank you so much, Madam Majority Leader. You know, when there's garbage on the sidewalk, the Department of Sanitation makes sure to tell the property owner that it's their responsibility. When the sidewalk is uneven or a tripping hazard, the Department of Transportation makes sure to let the property owner know it's their responsibility. When a tree root is, you know, messing with, you know, has grown and is messing with the sidewalk, the Department of Parks is sure to let the property owner know it's their responsibility. But when the Office of Technology and Innovation comes and installs a 32-foot tower on your sidewalk,

1 they don't even have the courtesy to let you know.
2 There is no notification whatsoever by OTI when they
3 install 32-foot towers on your property. That's
4 bonkers. It doesn't make any sense. So, I'm proud
5 today to introduce legislation-- there's a number
6 associated with it that I don't know-- with Council
7 Member Gutiérrez, our distinguished Chair of our fine
8 Technology Committee, that would require a
9 notification process for every resident that lives
10 within 500 feet of a tower. We need this 5G
11 technology. I'm not trying to stop it. I'm happy for
12 it to get installed somewhere, but it's time for the
13 Adams administration and OTI to engage our
14 communities and find locations that make sense.
15 We've all dealt with a bunch of feedback from
16 constituents who are really pissed that all of a
17 sudden a 32-foot tower got installed outside their
18 window in front of their entrance to their building,
19 and nobody told them about it until it's already
20 there. That's not the way things should work. We
21 should have a proper notification process, have an
22 opportunity to give comments and feedback, and then
23 have OTI work with the Council Member to find the
24 best locations in the immediate vicinity to ensure
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that we have the 5G infrastructure we need without negatively impacting our neighborhood. And I want to thank the clerk. Intro 1400 is the number. That's a very good round number, easy to remember. So, I hope you all sign on as co-sponsors, Intro 1400, and have a nice day.

COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: We love an expeditious result from the dais. Seeing no one else signed up to speak, I'll now call on Speaker Adrienne Adams to close today's Stated Meeting.

SPEAKER ADAMS: Thank you, Majority Leader. The Stated Meeting of September 25th, 2025 is hereby adjourned.

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