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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND LABOR

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HELD AT: Remote Hearing (Virtual Room 4)

B E F O R E: I. Daneek Miller  
CHAIRPERSON

COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
Helen Rosenthal  
Eric Dinowitz  
Francisco Moya  
Adrienne E. Adams  
Eric A. Ulrich  
Farah N. Louis

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2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Recording to the PC has  
3 begun.

4 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Recording to the cloud  
5 has begun, as well, and the stream, as well.

6 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Backup is rolling.

7 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Thank you. Okay. Good  
8 afternoon and welcome to the New York City Council  
9 hearing vote on Civil Service and Labor. At this  
10 time, will all members turn on their videos for  
11 verification purposes. And to minimize disruptions,  
12 please place all electronic devices to vibrate or  
13 silent mode. Thank you for your cooperation. Chair  
14 Miller, we are ready to begin.

15 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Thank you, sir.  
16 Good afternoon and welcome to this hearing of the New  
17 York City Council Committee on Civil Service and  
18 Labor. I am council member I. Daneek Miller. Today,  
19 the committee will vote on preconsidered Introduction  
20 sponsored by Speaker Johnson which would require a  
21 labor peace agreement for certain city economic  
22 development projects. The COVID-19 pandemic and  
23 subsequent economic downturn has reinforced the  
24 importance of jobs and income security for workers.  
25 While unions and collective bargaining play an

2 essential role in ensuring these rights for workers,  
3 union membership has steadily declined and this has  
4 been exasperated by the pandemic. It is my hope that  
5 this legislation we are voting on today will help  
6 workers and unions in the organizing process, while  
7 also benefiting employees by ensuring work will  
8 continue regardless of labor negotiations. And so, I  
9 want to thank the advocated for the impact and  
10 individuals and those others who paid much attention  
11 to this and helped to shape this legislation. I look  
12 forward to the vote and, with that, I'm going to ask  
13 to call for a vote.

14 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Good  
15 afternoon. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll  
16 call vote Committee on Civil Service and Labor on  
17 preconsidered Introduction. Chair Miller.

18 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Good afternoon,  
19 William. I vote aye.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you, sir. Adams?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER ADAMS: Tyler and I vote  
22 aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you to both.  
24 Moya?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Louis?

3 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: I vote aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Dinowitz?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER DINOWITZ: Aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Ulrich?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER ULRICH: I vote aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. One moment.

9 By a vote of six in the affirmative, zero in the  
10 negative, and no abstentions, item has been adopted  
11 by the committee. Mr. Chair, we have one member  
12 outstanding.

13 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Have we  
14 heard from them?

15 COMMITTEE CLERK: I'm looking right now.  
16 We will know shortly.

17 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Who's that?  
18 Rosenthal?

19 COMMITTEE CLERK: We can close if you  
20 wish, Mr. Chair. We haven't heard.

21 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: What's left? Land  
22 use? Carl?

23 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Sir, that would be  
24 General Welfare next and then Land Use after that.

25 UNIDENTIFIED: Oh, geez.

2 UNIDENTIFIED: Yeah. Land Use is last.  
3 I'm going to get back to my turkeys, guys.

4 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: We're still live,  
5 gentlemen.

6 UNIDENTIFIED: Are we going to keep  
7 this open for Rosenthal?

8 UNIDENTIFIED: No. [inaudible  
9 00:05:53]

10 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. We can close  
11 this meeting. She has not responded. With that, we  
12 calculated the votes. We can call this hearing  
13 adjourned.

14 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Thank you, sir.

15 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Thank you.  
16 Everyone, have a great day. Happy holidays. Hasta  
17 manana.

18 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Happy Thanksgiving.

19 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Yeah. Happy  
20 Thanksgiving.

21 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: The thanks is in  
22 the giving, guys.

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