Int. No. 479

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..Title

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring leading pedestrian interval signals at intersections adjacent to hospitals, libraries, schools, and senior centers

..Body

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 3 of chapter 1 of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 19-195.2 to read as follows:

§ 19-195.2 Leading pedestrian interval signals. a. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. “Hospital” means a general hospital as defined in section twenty-eight hundred one of the public health law.

2. “Leading pedestrian interval signal” means a pedestrian control signal that displays a walk indication before a green indication for the parallel direction of traffic.

3. “Library” means any branch of the New York public library, the Brooklyn public library, the Queens public library, or any other public library.

4. "Park" means any park under the jurisdiction of the department of parks and recreation.

5. “School” means any buildings, grounds, facilities, property, or portion thereof in which educational instruction is provided to at least 250 students at or below the twelfth grade level.

6. "Senior center" has the same meaning as in section 21-201 of the code.

b. The department shall annually install leading pedestrian interval signals at not less than four hundred intersections with traffic control signal indicators that are adjacent to a hospital, library, school, or senior center, until all such intersections have leading pedestrian interval signals, however, if fewer than four hundred intersections with traffic control signal indicators that are adjacent to a hospital, library, school, or senior center do not have leading pedestrian interval signals in a given year, the department shall install such signals at all such intersections in such year.

§ 2. This local law takes effect January 1, 2024.

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