

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING

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November 17, 2010

Start: 10:35 am

Recess: 10:38 am

HELD AT: 250 Broadway Committee Rm, 16th Fl.
City Hall

B E F O R E:

ROSIE MENDEZ
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Erik Martin Dilan
Maria del Carmen Arroyo
Melissa Mark-Viverito
Margaret Chin
James G. Van Bramer
Daniel J. Halloran

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2 CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: I am Council
3 Member Rosie Mendez, Chair of the Committee on
4 Public Housing.

5 Today's committee has been convened
6 for the purpose of a vote on proposed Resolution
7 number 411-A that was introduced by Council Member
8 Lew Fidler which calls on the New York City
9 Housing Authority to include an admission
10 preference for public housing in its next agency
11 plan for veterans who have a military service-
12 connected disability.

13 This resolution arises out of the
14 concern that the Housing Authority is not
15 providing an admissions preference for veterans.
16 In light of the fact that men and women of our
17 armed forces are still engaged in a war in Iraq
18 and Afghanistan, NYCHA should follow the lead of
19 other affordable housing providers, such as
20 Mitchell Lamas and provide such a preference.

21 I urge all my colleagues to vote in
22 favor of this resolution and would ask the Clerk
23 to please call the roll.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Roll call for the
25 Committee on Public Housing. Council Member

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2 Mendez, [off mic] how do you vote?

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CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member

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Dilan?

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COUNCIL MEMBER DILAN: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member

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Arroyo.

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COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member

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Mark-Viverito.

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COUNCIL MEMBER MARK-VIVERITO: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member

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COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member

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Van Bramer.

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COUNCIL MEMBER VAN BRAMER: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: And Council

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Member Halloran is not here, okay. So--

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[Off mic]

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MALE VOICE: Say the vote now

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stands at--one, two, three--

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[Off mic]

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MALE VOICE: Five in the--

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Six.

MALE VOICE: --six in the
affirmative.

COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote now
stands at six in the affirmative.

MALE VOICE: That's it.

CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: Do I close it
now or--

COMMITTEE CLERK: Leave it open.

[Crosstalk]

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: We'll keep the
roll open until the time allows. Thank you.

[END TAPE 3]

[START TAPE 4]

CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: Clerk is going
to call the--

[Crosstalk]

COMMITTEE CLERK: Halloran.

COUNCIL MEMBER HALLORAN: Aye on
all.

FEMALE VOICE: He has to give the
final vote--

[Crosstalk]

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2 FEMALE VOICE: You need to say the
3 final vote onto the record.

4 MALE VOICE: There's no other [off
5 mic].

6 FEMALE VOICE: You mean they
7 weren't here [off mic]--

8 [Pause]

9 FEMALE VOICE: [Off mic] say the
10 final vote on the record--

11 [background noise]

12 COMMITTEE CLERK: Final vote in the
13 Committee on Public Housing, seven in the
14 affirmative, zero in the negative, and no
15 abstentions.

16 [Off mic]

17 CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: Adjourn?

18 FEMALE VOICE: Yep.

19 CHAIRPERSON MENDEZ: Okay. The
20 vote for Public Housing has been adjourned, thank
21 you.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Tammy Wittman, 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 *Tammy Wittman*

Date December 8, 2010