

CITY COUNCIL
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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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January 16, 2025
Start: 12:46 p.m.
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HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - COMMITTEE ROOM, 16TH
FLOOR

B E F O R E: Rafael Salamanca, Jr.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shaun Abreu
Joseph Borelli
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers
Amanda Farías
Kamillah M. Hanks
Crystal Hudson
Francisco P. Moya
Kevin C. Riley
Carlina Rivera
Pierina Ana Sanchez

2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good afternoon and
3 welcome to the New York City Council Committee on
4 Land Use.

5 At this time, please place your phone on
6 vibrate or on silent mode.

7 At any time during this hearing, do not
8 approach the dais.

9 Thank you for your cooperation.

10 Chair, we are ready to begin.

11 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: [GAVEL] All right,
12 good afternoon, and welcome to our first 2025
13 Committee on Land Use. I am Council Member Rafael
14 Salamanca. I chair of this committee. I want to
15 welcome my esteemed Colleagues who have joined us
16 today. We've been joined by Council Members Rivera,
17 Chair Riley, Majority Whip Brooks-Powers, Abreu,
18 Majority Leader Fariás, Chair Hanks, Hudson, Sanchez,
19 and Minority Leader Borelli. I would like to welcome
20 my esteemed Colleagues. I would like to also thank
21 Chair Riley and Chair Hanks for their work in leading
22 our two Subcommittees.

23 Today we are voting on one item referred
24 by our Zoning Subcommittee. We will vote to approve
25 LU 206 for the Gleason Funeral Home Commercial

2 Overlay Proposal in Council Member Paladino's
3 District. The existing funeral home is a longstanding
4 business at this location in the Whitestone, Queens,
5 and is currently located on a parcel of land zoned
6 only for residential uses. The proposal will map a
7 commercial overlay to bring the funeral home into
8 conformance as well as allow for additional parking.

9 I would now like to acknowledge any of my
10 Colleagues who have comments or questions.

11 Seeing none, I now call for a vote with
12 the support of Council Member Paladino to approve LU
13 206. Will the Clerk please call the roll?

14 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good
15 afternoon and Happy New Year. William Martin,
16 Committee Clerk. Roll Call Vote Committee on Land
17 Use. Chair Salamanca.

18 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Aye on all.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Moya.
20 Rivera.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Riley.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: I vote aye.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank
25 you. Brooks-Powers.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: I vote aye.

3 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Abreu.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: I vote aye.

5 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Farías.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: I vote aye.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hanks.

8 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: I vote aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hudson.

10 COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: Aye.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Sanchez.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank

14 you. Borelli.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: Aye.

16 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: With a
17 vote of 10 in the affirmative, zero in the negative,
18 and no abstentions, items have been adopted by the
19 Committee.

20 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you. That
21 concludes today's business. I would like to thank
22 members of the public and my Colleagues, Land Use and
23 Council Staff. It's our general honor to attend
24 today's hearing. This meeting is hereby adjourned.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Chair, it's Council
3 Member Moya. Chairman. Chairman, can you hear me?

4 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hang on,
5 Council Member Moya, hang on one minute.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: Okay.

7 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: All right, just
8 give us a minute. We're going to open the roll once
9 more.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Quiet
11 please. Continuation roll call, Committee on Land
12 Use. Council Member Moya.

13 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.
14 Apologies, Chair.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank
16 you, Council Member Moya. Final vote is now 11 in the
17 affirmative, zero in the negative, and no
18 abstentions. Thank you.

19 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: All right, this
20 concludes today's hearing. Thank you very much.

21 [GAVEL]

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World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date January 26, 2025