

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY

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April 24, 2013
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HELD AT: 250 Broadway
Committee Rm, 16th Fl.

B E F O R E:
Fernando Cabrera
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Gale A. Brewer
Letitia James
G. Oliver Koppell
Mark S. Weprin

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2 CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: Welcome to
3 the Technology Committee. We are going to be
4 taking a vote on proposed Intro 984a, a local law
5 to amend the New York City Charter in relation to
6 requiring the Department of Information Technology
7 and Telecommunications, also known as DOITT, to
8 create and maintain an interactive crime mapping
9 website.

10 Let me just tell you briefly about
11 it. This legislation will require DOITT to
12 provide an interactive crime map to the city's
13 website to the public at no charge to displaying
14 the total number of complaints that have been
15 filed with the New York City Police Department on
16 a monthly basis searchable by address, zip code or
17 NYPD patrol precinct. The bill further requires
18 that the crime map display the aggregated total of
19 the classes of crimes reported on a street by
20 street basis and will include crimes that have
21 been reported to have occurred in parks and subway
22 stations. All required information should be
23 available as soon as practical but in our case,
24 more than one month after a crime complaint has
25 been filed.

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2 One of the things I'm excited about
3 with this bill is that now we are going to have a
4 level of transparency where people will be able to
5 look at the map and see even if the crime that
6 they have reported is listed in to see the
7 discrepancy and also to get rid of myths that we
8 often have about certain parts of the
9 neighborhood. We are going to have accurate
10 information that is going to be provided for
11 everyone to see and less of all for me is for the
12 non-profits to be able to know where they are
13 going to target all of their resources especially
14 to those most affected areas by crime.

15 So, we are going to open up call
16 for the vote unless one of the members have any
17 comments or questions.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK: William Martin,
19 Committee Clerk, roll call vote on Committee of
20 Technology. Council member Cabrera.

21 CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: I encourage
22 everyone to vote aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Brewer.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: I vote aye
25 and congratulate the Chair and indicate that using

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2 this with some of the information from the MMR and
3 your neighborhood and our Open Data bill and
4 certainly the Comptroller's Check Book 2.0 will
5 make a big difference for the public. The only
6 aspect that I hope that the city works on is
7 working with the community boards so that they can
8 use all this data and be able to apply it to
9 planning in the neighborhood because we are soon
10 going to have a great deal of information to work
11 with but I do think they could use some support in
12 figuring out how it can best be implemented. And
13 I look forward to working on that. Thank you very
14 much. Congratulations.

15 CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: And thank you
16 so much, Council member Brewer for your call it
17 epic Technology bill that is going to make
18 basically all information available to the public.
19 We have a little transparency that equals none in
20 the nation and so thank you. So you have been a
21 catalyst for the rest of us.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Koppell.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER KOPPELL: Mr.
24 Chairman, may I have permission to explain my
25 vote.

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CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: Yes.

COUNCIL MEMBER KOPPELL: Thank you.

Number One, I would like to be added as a co-sponsor. I think it's a wise measure. Number Two, somewhat relevant to the subject. I was this morning at the 47th Precinct Police Community Council breakfast. And the 47th Precinct in the Northeast Bronx and they announced, the Precinct Commander announced at the breakfast that it is already 16 weeks into the year 2013 and there has not been one single homicide in the precinct and I take full credit for that. Thank you. And I vote aye.

CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: And credit is given to you.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: James.

COUNCIL MEMBER JAMES:

Congratulations to the sponsor, Council member Brewer, and congratulations to the Chair, Council member Fernando Cabrera. And Happy Birthday and I vote aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Weprin.

COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Aye.

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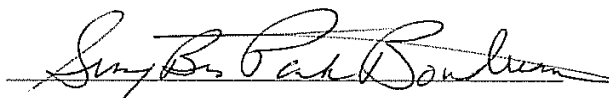
COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 5 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions, item has been adopted. Members please sign the Committee report. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON CABRERA: This meeting is coming to an end. Thank you very much everyone. Take care.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Sung Bin Park 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sung Bin Park", written over a horizontal line.

Date __April 13, 2013