

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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DECEMBER 2, 2015
Start: 10:39 A.M.
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HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY - COMMITTEE RM, 16TH FL

B E F O R E: DANIEL GARODNICK
CHAIRPERSON

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

JULISSA FERRERA-COPELAND
VINCENT GENTILE
I.DANEEK MILLER
RUBEN WILLS

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 CHAIR GARODNICK: Good morning everyone.

3 My name is Dan Garodnick and I have the privilege of

4 sharing the City Council Committee on Economic

5 Development. I want to thank my fellow Committee

6 Members and staff for joining us today's hearing.

7 Let me note who's here. We have Council Member Ruben

8 Wills, Council Member Julissa Ferreras-Copeland,

9 Council Member Daneek Miller, Council Member Vinnie

10 Gentile and we are going to be voting today on a bill

11 Intro 128 which is sponsored by Council Member

12 Fernando Cabrera.

13 Today's hearing is going to provide the

14 Committee with the opportunity to vote for a piece of

15 legislation that will improve transparency for our

16 City's community boards. Intro 128 will ensure that

17 the economic development corporation job creation

18 reports are distributed to the City's community

19 boards. These reports are bench marks that measure

20 the success or failure of the City's economic

21 development policies and offer wealth of information

22 that can be critical for community planning purposes.

23 The economic development cooperation currently

24 submits these reports to other elected officials

25 including the Mayor, the Council, the Controller or

2 the Public Advocate and the Borough Presidents. This
3 bill expands that list to include community boards,
4 ensuring that all the City's communities receive the
5 same access to information regarding the efficiency
6 of the economic development corporation, job creation
7 strategies. And if anybody has doubted the relevance
8 and significate of our community boards they should
9 look only to the a, the statements of recent days and
10 weeks where they've made very very clear expressions
11 of their, of their views on important public policy
12 initiatives for the City. For these reasons I will
13 be voting in support of intro 128 and I urge my
14 fellow Committee Members to do so as well. And with
15 that I think we're going to ask the Council to call
16 the roll, in fact I know we're going to ask the
17 Council to call the roll. Go right ahead.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK: William Martin,
19 Committee Clerk, roll call vote, Committee on
20 Economic Development, Introduction 128, Chair
21 Garodnick.

22 CHAIR GARODNICK: I vote I.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Gentile.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER GENTILE: I vote I.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK: Ferreras-Copeland.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER FERRERAS-COPELAND: I vote
3 I.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK: Wills.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER WILLS: I.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK: Miller.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER: I.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 5 in the
9 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,
10 item has been adopted.

11 CHAIR GARODNICK: Excellent and we will
12 keep the rolls open for about 10 minutes in case we
13 have additional Council Members to join this
14 Committee and with that after that time we will be
15 adjourned. Thank you everyone.

16 [gavel]

17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Final vote Committee on
18 Economic Development, introduction 128 stands at 5 in
19 the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no
20 abstentions.

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Date December 3, 2015