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[gavel]

CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Okay, good morning and welcome to today's Finance Committee meeting. My name is Council Member Daniel Dromm and I'm the Chair of this committee. I hope everyone had an enjoyable thanksgiving. We have been joined today by Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer, Council Member Adrienne Adams, Council Member Keith Powers, Council Member Steve Matteo, and Council Member Francisco Moya and we're hoping the other Council Members will join us shortly but we're going to go directly into the hearing and hear testimony as well. Today we have three items on the agenda; an Article XI property tax exemption and two BID items. Let's start with the Land Use Item, which is 451 to 455 East 116th Street in Manhattan, Council Member Ayala's district in Manhattan. The property will receive a partial 40-year property tax exemption to preserve 53 units of affordable housing under the city's HDFC program. Council Member Ayala is supportive of the project. Next, we'll hold a public hearing on the two BID items, Intro 1226 and Intro 1227. Intro 1226 relates to the establishment of the Throggs Neck business improvement district in Council Member Gjonaj's

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2 district. On November 14th, this Committee voted out...
3 voted on Resolution 615 to set today as the hearing
4 date to hear from individuals who may be affected by
5 the proposed establishment of the BID. The proposed
6 Throggs Neck BID is located in, in, in the... in the
7 southeast portion of the borough of the Bronx in the
8 neighborhood of Throggs Neck and in Bronx Community
9 Board ten. The proposed district extends along both
10 sides of the East Tremont Avenue from Bruckner
11 Boulevard to Miles Avenue. The proposed district is a
12 low-density residential area of 180 properties with
13 substantial commercial overlay. The BID project... the,
14 the BID projects a first-year budget of 340,000
15 dollars in which it proposes to offer such things as
16 maintenance and sanitation services, marketing and
17 retail attraction services and administration and
18 advocacy, advocacy services. Council Member Gjonaj
19 supports the establishment of the proposed Throggs
20 Neck BID. Intro 1227 relates to the Hudson Square BID
21 in Speaker Johnson's district. On November 14th, this
22 Committee voted on Resolution 616 to set today as the
23 hearing date to hear from individuals who may be
24 affected by the proposed changes to the BID. The
25 Hudson Square BID was first established in 2008

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2 primarily to address issues presented by the areas
3 increased commercial and residential popularity with
4 its proximity to the Holland Tunnel. In October 2013,
5 the district plan was amended for the establishment
6 of the special Hudson Square zoning district to
7 create a new assessment class for residential
8 properties developed under the new special zoning
9 district. The BID is currently requesting for council
10 to approve the following changes to the district
11 plan: one, an extension of the BID boundaries further
12 west along Canal Street to West Street and further
13 North from West Houston to Clarkson Street and two, a
14 1,400,000 dollar increase in its annual assessment
15 from 2,500,000 to 3,900,000. Speaker Johnson supports
16 the proposed extension and other changes to the BID.
17 For both BID items we'll first hear from any
18 witnesses to... who wish to testify. Once we have heard
19 any testimony, we will then adjourn the hearing for
20 at least 30 days to allow any property owner within
21 the proposed area of the BID to file an objection to
22 the establishment or extension of the BID with the
23 City Clerk. In the absence of object... of, of, of
24 objections filed either by the majority of all of the
25 impacted property owners or by property owners owning

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2 a majority of the assessed value of the property
3 within the proposed BID, the Committee and the full
4 Council may adopt from legislation establishing that
5 Throggs Neck BID in expanding the Hudson Square BID
6 respectively. In order to do so, the Committee and
7 the full Council must be prepared to answer the
8 following four questions in the affirmative: one,
9 were all notices of hearings for all hearings
10 required to be held, published and mailed as so
11 required; two, does all the real property within the
12 district's boundaries benefit from the establishment
13 or expansion of the district except as otherwise
14 provided by the law; is all real property... three, is
15 all real property benefited by the district included
16 within the district and four, is the establishment or
17 expansion of the district in the best interest of the
18 public. If the Committee and the full Council find in
19 the affirmative on these four questions and the
20 number of objections required to prevent the
21 establishment or expansion of the BIDs are not filed,
22 then the legislation can be adopted. Additionally,
23 for the Hudson Square BID, the Committee and the full
24 Council must determine that it is in the public
25 interest to authorize an increase in the maximum

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2 annual expenditure amount that the relevant tax and
3 debt limits will not be exceeded and that notice of
4 the proposed... of the increase proposed expenditure
5 amount was properly published. For further details on
6 the two BIDs please refer to the Committee Reports,
7 the City Planning Commissioner Reports and the BIDs
8 proposed district plans. Representatives from the
9 Department of Small Business Services are here to
10 provide testimony on the two BID items; SBS please
11 come up and my Counsel will, will swear you in.

12 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Do you affirm
13 that your testimony will be truthful to the best
14 of your knowledge, information and belief?

15 MICHAEL BLAISE BACKER: I do.

16 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Thank you, you
17 may proceed.

18 MICHAEL BLAISE BACKER: Good morning
19 Chair Dromm and members of the Finance Committee.
20 I am Michael Blaise Backer, Deputy Commissioner
21 of... for Neighborhood Development, Department of
22 Small Business Services. I'm joined by BID
23 Program Director, Roxanne Earley and our Senior
24 Program Manager for BID Development, LeMel
25 Lindsey. We are here to testify in support of the

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2 proposed Throggs Neck business improvement
3 district. At SBS we are working hard to open
4 doors for New Yorkers across the five boroughs
5 focusing on creating stronger businesses,
6 connecting New Yorkers to good jobs and fostering
7 thriving neighborhoods. We believe that the
8 vitality of the city's commercial corridors is a
9 key part of achieving this goal and BIDs have
10 been valuable and proven partners in
11 revitalization and economic development efforts
12 across the five... all five boroughs. In addition
13 to our role overseeing and supporting the city's
14 existing network of 75 BIDs, SBS also supervises
15 the BID formation and expansion process, serving
16 as an advisor and resource for communities
17 interested in developing or expanding BIDs. Every
18 year SBS works with numerous communities
19 throughout the five boroughs and are in various
20 stages of BID formation or expansion. Throughout
21 the process we are careful to ensure that each
22 steering committee we work with adheres to our
23 planning policies and procedures, solicits robust
24 community input and performs extensive outreach
25 to collect and demonstrate broad based support

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2 across all stakeholder groups. Moreover, we are
3 cognizant of the unique nature of each community
4 we assist and aim to empower local stakeholders
5 to make determinations on proposed services,
6 boundaries, and budget size that best suit their
7 community's needs and their appetite and ability
8 to pay assessments. While we always impart strong
9 planning principles and share our data and best
10 practices from across the BID network when
11 working with any community, BID formation is
12 fundamentally a community driven process and we
13 recognize that the power and effectiveness of
14 BIDs rests in the unmatched understanding of
15 local needs and issues. Similar to other recent
16 BID formations that SBS has overseen, the Throggs
17 Neck BID formation effort involved numerous
18 meetings and consultations with local
19 stakeholders throughout the planning and outreach
20 phases. After an extensive outreach effort and
21 close coordination with all key parties, SBS
22 determined that the documented support among all
23 stakeholder groups, including over 50 percent of
24 the area's total assessed value providing written
25 support in favor, was sufficient to submit the

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2 application to the legislative process. As
3 required by law, the Throggs Neck Steering
4 Committee mailed the summary of the City Council
5 Resolution no less than ten days and no more than
6 30 days before today's hearing to the following
7 parties: to each owner of real property within
8 the proposed district at the address shown on the
9 latest city assessment roll; to such persons as
10 are registered with the city to receive tax bills
11 concerning real property within the district; and
12 to tenants of each building within the proposed
13 district. Furthermore, SBS arranged for the
14 publication of a copy of the summary of the
15 resolution at least once in the city record.
16 Additionally, I would like to acknowledge and
17 thank Council Member Mark Gjonaj for his ongoing
18 support of the Throggs Neck BID formation effort.
19 Lastly, I would like to acknowledge that
20 representatives of the BID formation effort are
21 here today to testify and address any specific
22 questions that I am unable to answer. At this
23 time, I am happy to take any questions.
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2 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Are there any
3 questions? Seeing none I thank you very much for
4 coming in and for giving testimony.

5 MICHAEL BLAISE BACKER: And I thank you.
6 I'm going to I think the second testimony now if
7 that's easier for you all.

8 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Alright.

9 MICHAEL BLAISE BACKER: I will... you have
10 a full copy of my testimony, I'll probably skip
11 the first three or four paragraphs since they are
12 very similar but again, I'm, I'm Michael Blaise
13 Backer, Deputy Commissioner for Neighborhood
14 Development and I'm here also to testify in
15 support of the expansion of the Hudson Square
16 Business Improvement District. Similar to other
17 recent BID expansions that SBS is overseeing, the
18 Hudson Square expansion effort involved numerous
19 meetings and consultations with local
20 stakeholders throughout the planning and outreach
21 phases. Additionally, the Steering Committee
22 organized many community sessions, held
23 informative public displays, and distributed
24 various supplemental material to inform the
25 community. After extensive outreach in close

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2 coordination with all key stakeholders, SBS
3 determined that the documented support among all
4 stakeholder groups including over 50 percent of
5 the area's total assessed value signing in favor
6 was sufficient to submit the application into the
7 legislative process. As required by law, the
8 Hudson Square expansion steering committee mailed
9 the summary of the City Council Resolution no
10 less than ten days and no more than 30 days
11 before today's hearing to the following parties:
12 to each owner of real property within the
13 proposed district at the address shown on the
14 latest city assessment roll; to such persons as
15 are registered with the city to receive tax bills
16 concerning real property within the district and
17 to tenants of each building within the proposed
18 district. Furthermore, SBS arranged for the
19 publication of a copy of the summary of the
20 Resolution at least once in the city record.
21 Additionally, I would like to acknowledge and
22 thank Speaker Cory Johnson and Council Member
23 Margaret Chin for their ongoing support of the
24 Hudson Square BID expansion effort. Lastly, I
25 would like to acknowledge that the BID expansion

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2 effort is also represented here today by the
3 president of the Hudson Square BID and members of
4 the expansion steering committee who will also be
5 providing testimony. Thank you and I'm happy to
6 take any questions.

7 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Okay, any questions?
8 Alright, thank you very much for coming in and
9 for giving... [cross-talk]

10 MICHAEL BLAISE BACKER: Thank you very
11 much... [cross-talk]

12 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: ...testimony and now
13 I'd like to call up our next panel. Uh-huh. Okay,
14 so I'm going to call up a former colleague of
15 ours, Steve Kaufman from Throggs Neck BID and Bob
16 Jaen, I hope I pronounced that correctly also
17 from the Throggs Neck BID, BID. (1002)

18 STEVE KAUFMAN: Oh, I got to start all
19 over. Do I have to mention prehistoric times,
20 okay? I want to thank you all for giving us a
21 hearing to establish a BID in the Throggs Neck
22 area of the Bronx. As the former President of the
23 Throggs Neck Merchants Association and now legal
24 counsel, I'm proud to work with such an
25 incredible Merchants Association. Unfortunately,

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2 over the years it has become apparent the
3 negative impact the Tremont commercial corridor,
4 within Throggs Neck area, has been surrounded by
5 malls, chain stores, and the Hutch Metro Center
6 which houses many medical centers, city agencies,
7 offices... and offices. Vacancies abound on Tremont
8 Avenue. The merchants voluntarily undertook the
9 Herculean effort to establish a BID in the
10 Tremont area stretching from Miles Avenue in the
11 south to Bruckner Boulevard in the north.

12 Numerous public meetings were held, mailings were
13 sent, door to door solicitation by the members
14 were done, surveys were undertaken, articles and
15 advertisements were placed in the local
16 newspapers. After many discussions, reason
17 prevailed and the merchants knowing that they
18 would be assessed 38 dollars a linear foot voted
19 overwhelmingly, 144 to 28 for a BID. The owners
20 similarly voted to accept the BID by an assessed
21 valuation of 27,800,000 dollars to 8,800,000
22 dollars in the negative. We ask for your support
23 today for our survival as a vibrant community
24 corridor and a wonderful middle-class area is
25 dependent on it. the merchants who will

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2 eventually foot the bill overwhelmingly supported
3 the BID. Many feel that without the BID, the
4 united advocacy for the merchants and owners and
5 the enhancements that it brings will be faced in
6 a precarious position, with the BID, there will
7 be a renaissance. Thank you.

8 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Thank you very much,
9 next please.

10 BOB JAEN: Good morning Council Chair
11 and fellow Council Members. My name is Bob Jaen
12 and I would like to thank you for the opportunity
13 to testify on behalf of the proposed Throggs Neck
14 Improvement District in the Bronx. As the
15 President... as the recent President of the Throggs
16 Neck Merchants Association I can truly say that
17 we are blessed to have a great Merchants
18 Association. Several years ago, the members in
19 the Merchants Association were both saddened and
20 frustrated to see the Tremont commercial corridor
21 within Throggs Neck neighborhood surrounded by
22 the development of big chains such as Target and
23 Co-op City, one of the largest indoor malls in
24 the country, nearby. In response to these
25 changes, the Throggs Neck Merchants formed a

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2 steering committee in 2014 and proposed to
3 establish the BID along East Tremont from
4 Bruckner Boulevard to the Northern part of, of
5 Miles Avenue South. Over the past few years, the
6 Throggs Neck Steering Committee, in coordination
7 with, with the New York City Small Business
8 Services has worked diligently through the BID
9 formation process. Throughout this process, the
10 steering committee held numerous public meetings,
11 distributed surveys identifying local challenges,
12 sent ballots to every stakeholder in the
13 district, published notifications in several
14 local newspapers and engaged stakeholders in
15 person. As a result of our efforts, efforts the
16 Throggs Neck BID formation effort received
17 support from over 50 percent of the area's total
18 assessed value. On behalf of the Throggs Neck
19 Steering Committee, we ask for your support today
20 so that the Throggs Neck can continue to be a
21 vibrant commercial corridor. Many folks in our
22 community, including the overwhelming support
23 from merchants, feel that a BID and its ability
24 to enhance our community and advocate on our
25 behalf is necessary for our success. Thank you.

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2 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Thank you very much.
3 Are there any questions? Okay, thank you to this
4 panel for coming in, good to see you all and good
5 luck with your work.

6 BOB JAEN: Thank you.

7 STEVE KAUFMAN: Thank you.

8 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Okay and before I
9 call up the next panel let me just say we've been
10 joined by Council Member Helen Rosenthal, Council
11 Member Andy Cohen, Council Member Barry
12 Grodenchik and Council Member and Majority Leader
13 Laurie Cumbo. Our next panel is Jill Salayi, I
14 hope I said that right from the Hudson Square BID
15 and Ellen Baer from the Hudson Square BID as
16 well.

17 ELLEN BAER: Good morning Mr. Chair and
18 Finance Committee members. I'm Ellen Baer,
19 President of the Hudson Square Business
20 Improvement District. Formed in 2009, our BID has
21 been successfully transforming the public realm
22 in Hudson Square, known to many of you as the
23 former printing district, now a major media and
24 technology hub, into a place for people, not just
25 cars and trucks bound for the Holland Tunnel. One

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2 of very few BIDs that does not provide
3 supplementary sanitation services, our focus has
4 been on pedestrian safety services, through our
5 signature pedestrian safety manager program and
6 the implementation of our 27-million-dollar
7 public, private partnership with the city, Hudson
8 Square is now. With help of our Council member,
9 Speaker Cory Johnson, to date, we have planted or
10 retrofitted 250 trees using an award winning
11 innovation in green infrastructure, have
12 completed a five million dollar renovation of the
13 new Spring Street Park on Sixth Avenue and are
14 beginning construction of a protected bike lane
15 with a widened sidewalk with new greening,
16 seating and lighting along Hudson Street from
17 Canal to Houston. The BID and the city each
18 contribute 50 percent of capital expenditures to
19 Hudson Square Is, Is Now and there are no
20 attendant expense budget costs for the city. The
21 original boundaries of the BID complement what
22 would eventually become the Hudson Square Special
23 District. It has become abundantly clear that the
24 existing BID boundaries do not match the
25 physical, economic, or environmental boundaries

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2 of the neighborhood. Throughout the first nine
3 years of the BID, we've consistently heard from
4 business, businesses just outside our boundaries,
5 asking for the amenities and services available
6 to BID members. Recent re-zonings such as 550
7 Washington have created an opportunity to better
8 tie together the neighborhood and improve
9 physical connections to surrounding neighborhoods
10 and open spaces. In July 2016, we convened a
11 steering committee representing the variety of
12 commercial stakeholders in both the existing BID
13 and potential expansion area, to explore this
14 issue of better aligning BID and neighborhood
15 boundaries. For the past two years, the steering
16 committee, in coordination with the New York City
17 Department of Small Business Services has been
18 leading an expansion process that has involved
19 extensive community outreach. Building on the
20 city's outreach template, we have held local
21 visioning sessions, installed interactive
22 displays in public areas, and designed engaging
23 mailer materials to get extensive feedback about
24 the needs of the expansion to area stakeholders.
25 Based on that feedback, the steering committee is

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2 proposing a plan with the following key
3 components: expansion of the current BID
4 boundaries beyond the Hudson Square Special
5 District to encompass the entire neighborhood
6 including major gateways on the north, south and
7 west. Services consistent with those offered by
8 the BID; pedestrian safety management,
9 streetscape planning and design, retail and
10 marketing, advocacy, and maintenance of
11 improvements we install. To cover these
12 additional services, the steering committee has
13 proposed an increase to our annual budget from
14 2.5 million to 3.2 million initially over the...
15 with the ability to increase the budget to 3.9
16 million dollars over time. Increases above the
17 initial 3.2 million dollars would require our
18 board's approval. The Hudson Square BID expansion
19 steering committee and our many engaged
20 stakeholders look forward to advancing, advancing
21 the BID expansion in the coming months and to the
22 opportunity to serve the entire Hudson Square
23 neighborhood. Thank you.

24 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Thank you.
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2 JILL SALAYI: Good morning Mr. Chair and
3 Finance Committee... [cross-talk]

4 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: You have to turn
5 that mic on.

6 JILL SALAYI: Is it on?

7 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: No, you just need to
8 push the button and a little red light will come
9 on.

10 JILL SALAYI: Thank you.

11 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Okay.

12 JILL SALAYI: So, good morning Mr. Chair
13 and Finance Committee members. My name is Jill
14 Salayi and I'm the Co-Chair of the Hudson Square
15 Business Improvement District Expansion Steering
16 Committee. I am also the General Manager at
17 Workman Publishing, an independently owned family
18 of publishers with 225 employees working out of
19 our offices at 225 Varick Street, located in the
20 BID expansion area. Workman's been at the Varick
21 Street location for almost 14 years and I have
22 personally witnessed the dramatic transformation
23 of the neighborhood, particularly the results of
24 the BID's efforts directly to our south along
25 Varick Street. I am proud to have Co-Chaired the

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2 expansion steering committee over the past two
3 years and to be presenting our proposed BID
4 expansion on behalf of the committee. Our
5 steering committee has represented divers'
6 viewpoints of the neighborhood and engaged in
7 thoughtful consideration of the neighborhood's
8 identity and expansion area stakeholder's needs
9 at every step of the way. Beyond my role on the
10 Steering Committee, I feel personally that the
11 BID expansion is critical for bringing about the
12 kind of positive neighborhood change that our
13 company and its employees need. The intersection
14 of Varick and Clarkson Streets, situated at the
15 northeast corner of our building, poses a
16 significant pedestrian, pedestrian safety
17 challenge for our employees. On a typical day,
18 during the evening commute hours, Holland Tunnel
19 bound and local cross-town traffic become tangled
20 in this poorly designed intersection, blocking
21 crosswalks and pitting aggravated drivers against
22 pedestrians trying to safely reach local transit
23 destinations such as the west Fourth Street
24 subway station. On more than one occasion,
25 employees have reported to me in tears about

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2 nearly being struck by a vehicle. It is critical
3 that steps be taken to improve this situation and
4 I believe that the BID's Pedestrian Safety
5 Manager Program and proposed design changes to
6 the Varick-Clarkson intersection will go a long
7 way toward creating a safer environment for our
8 people. In today's competitive environment,
9 workplace quality of life is a key component in
10 attracting and retaining a talented workforce,
11 and in a city like New York, workplace quality is
12 driven very much by the quality of the
13 surrounding streets, sidewalks and open spaces.
14 The BID has done a great job in humanizing the
15 street level experience on the blocks just south
16 of us, with all of the greening and seating that
17 has been added under the BID's streetscape
18 program. Many of our employees have passionately
19 voiced their desire for those sidewalk amenities
20 on our block, which currently exists as a barren
21 slab of space only adding to the overwhelming
22 feeling of the adjacent traffic. Additionally,
23 improved connections to Hudson River Park are
24 badly needed, as our neighborhood is underserved
25 by open space, which plays an important role in

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2 the health and wellness of our employees. Hudson
3 River Park, a first-class open space, is located
4 just a quarter mile from our office, but the
5 uninviting and sometimes unsafe conditions of the
6 connecting pedestrian corridor on Houston Street
7 serve as a major deterrent to accessing the park.
8 The potential for re-making this corridor into a
9 pedestrian friendly corridor promises to unlock
10 the incredible value of the Hudson River park for
11 our employees, and to that end, we would greatly
12 benefit from the BIDs streetscape services. Thank
13 you very much for the opportunity to testify
14 today.

15 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Thank you very much,
16 are there any questions? Okay and thank you very
17 much and we thank, thank you for coming in and
18 giving testimony today. Alright, before I ask
19 Billy Martin, the Committee Clerk to call the
20 roll I'd like to remind my finance colleagues
21 that we'll be holding a joint hearing tomorrow
22 morning at ten a.m. in chambers with the
23 Committee on Civil Service and Labor on the
24 Health Care Saving Agreement that was signed as
25 part of the recent Labor Contract Settlements.

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2 And with that I'm going to ask our Clerk, Billy
3 Martin to call the roll.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: William Martin,
5 Committee Clerk, roll call vote Committee on
6 Finance LU 264, Chair Dromm?

7 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: I vote aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Cohen?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER COHEN: Permission to
10 explain my vote?

11 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Yes.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER COHEN: Just one second,
13 I did see our colleague Council Member Gjonaj
14 this morning and he just asked me to express his
15 appreciation for all of the hard work that went
16 into getting the new Throggs Neck BID to this
17 point and wanted to encourage all of his
18 colleagues to vote aye. So, because he encouraged
19 me, I'm going to vote aye on all. Thanks.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Cumbo?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: I vote aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rosenthal?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSENTHAL: [off mic] I
24 vote aye.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Van Bramer?

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER VAN BRAMER: [off mic]

3 Aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Grodenchik?

5 COUNCIL MEMBER GRODENCHIK: [off mic] I

6 vote aye.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Adams?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER ADAMS: Aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Moya?

10 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: [off mic] A ye.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Powers?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: Aye.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Matteo?

14 COUNCIL MEMBER MATTEO: [off mic] Yes.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of

16 ten in the affirmative, zero in the negative and

17 no abstentions the Item has been adopted by the

18 Committee.

19 CHAIRPERSON DROMM: Okay, I want to

20 thank everybody for coming and with that this

21 hearing is adjourned at, at 10, 10:50 in the

22 morning. Yep.

23 [gavel]

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C E R T I F I C A T E

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

December 15, 2018