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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON SANITATION AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

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February 27, 2019
Start: 12:14 p.m.
Recess: 12:40 p.m.

HELD AT: 250 Broadway - Committee Rm.
14th Fl.

B E F O R E: ANTONIO REYNOSO
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Fernando Cabrera
Chaim M. Deutsch
Rafael L. Espinal, Jr.
Paul A. Vallone

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

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2 [sound check] [pause] [background
3 comments] [gavel]

4 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: Good afternoon. I
5 am Council Member Antonio Reynoso, and I am the Chair
6 of the Council's Sanitation and Solid Waste
7 Committee. Today we are—will be voting on three
8 bills to protect employees of private carters and
9 remove sham unions from the private carting industry.
10 I sponsored two of these bills. The first is
11 Proposal Intro No. 1329-A, which expand the authority
12 of the Business Integrity Commission to regulate
13 unions within the private carting industry, and the
14 second is Proposed Intro No. 1373-A, which mandates
15 that BIC reports significant labor and wage
16 violations to the appropriate state and federal
17 entities. Proposed Intro No. 1368-A, sponsored by
18 Council Member Moya would mandate that private
19 sanitation employees receive information about their
20 employees' rights—employment rights. Worker's rights
21 information would also be posted on their website. I
22 want to encourage my colleagues to vote yes on this
23 package of bills. This is a good first step towards
24 the reform of the private carting industry. I am
25 committed to protecting workers and the unions that

2 support them. I look forward to even greater
3 improvements in this industry. I want to recognize
4 we've been joined by Council Member Cabrera and
5 Council Member Vallone. Thank you for being here,
6 and I'm going to allow for the Clerk to call the
7 roll.

8 CLERK: William Martin, Committee Clerk,
9 Committee on Sanitation. All items are coupled, Chair
10 Reynoso.

11 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: I vote aye on all.

12 CLERK: Cabrera.

13 COUNCIL MEMBER CABRERA: Mr. Chair, may I
14 be allowed to speak for about an hour. [laughter]

15 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: Yes. Absolutely,
16 one whole hour. No problem.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER CABRERA: Because he said
18 yes, I'm just going to vote aye. Thank you.

19 [laughter]

20 CLERK: Vallone.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER VALLONE: Congratulations
22 to the Chair for the expediting of these bills and
23 the hearing and well done, and I vote aye on all.

24 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: Thank you.
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2 CLERK: By a vote of 3 in the
3 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions,
4 all items have been adopted by the committee.

5 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: And I want to hold
6 the vote open for 15 minutes because we have a
7 Council Member n his way. Thank you. [pause] I want
8 to acknowledge the attendance of the great Brooklyn
9 Council Member Chaim Deutsch.

10 CLERK: Continuation roll call, Committee
11 on Sanitation. Council Member Deutsch.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER DEUTSCH: Is that an
13 endorsement?

14 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: Yep.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER DEUTSCH: Okay.

16 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: It depends for what
17 position.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER DEUTSCH: [laughs] Aye.

19 CLERK: The final vote in Committee on
20 Sanitation, all items have been adopted by the
21 Committee 4 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and
22 no abstentions.

23 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: And we're waiting
24 for one more Council Member. Keep the roll open.
25 [pause]

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2 CLERK: Continuation roll call Committee
3 on Sanitation. Council Member Espinal.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: I vote aye.

5 CLERK: Now, the final vote in Committee
6 on Sanitation and Solid Waste Management, all items
7 have been adopted by the Committee 5 in the
8 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions.

9 CHAIRPERSON REYNOSO: Okay, now this
10 meeting is adjourned. [gavel]

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