

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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October 7, 2021  
Start: 11:10 a.m.  
Recess: 11:21 a.m.

HELD AT: Council Chamber - City Hall

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
Carlina Rivera  
Diana Ayala  
Kevin Riley  
Oswald Feliz  
Vanessa L. Gibson  
Ruben Diaz, Sr.  
Peter Koo  
Francisco Moya  
Barry Grodenchik  
I. Daneek Miller  
Adrienne E. Adams  
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers  
Stephen T. Levin  
Antonio Reynoso  
Inez Barron  
Mark Treyger  
Joseph C. Borelli

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

2 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: All right. Are we  
3 ready? Yes.

4 [background comments]

5 [gavel]

6 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: All right. Good  
7 morning. Good morning, colleagues. I am Council  
8 member Rafael Salamanca. I'm the Chair of the  
9 Committee on Land Use. I would like to welcome my  
10 esteemed colleagues who are with us today. We have  
11 Council members Gibson, Barron, Koo, Levin, Treyger,  
12 Grodenchik, Adams, Ayala, Chair Moya, Chair Riley,  
13 Brooks-Powers, and Council member Feliz. So today,  
14 we will vote on proposed Intro number 1058-A, a local  
15 law in relation to developing an urban agriculture  
16 report. The bill was previously heard as Intro 1058-  
17 2018 by the Committee on June 11th, 2019 and has been  
18 amended to address several issues raised at that  
19 hearing and in the period since. The bill required  
20 the Office of Urban Agriculture to prepare an Urban  
21 Agriculture Report by October 1st, 2023 and every  
22 fifth year thereafter. The report would be submitted  
23 to the Mayor and Speaker of the Council and posted on  
24 the city's website. Are there any questions or  
25 remarks from members of the committee? Great. So,

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2 seeing none, I will now call for a vote to adopt  
3 proposed number 1058-A. Will the clerk please call  
4 the role?

5 COMMITTEE CLERK: Good morning. William  
6 Martin, Committee Clerk. Role call vote Committee on  
7 Land Use. Proposed Introduction 1058-A. Chair  
8 Salamanca?

9 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: I would like to  
10 congratulate Council member Alicka Ampry-Samuels for  
11 this bill and I vote aye on all.

12 COMMITTEE CLERK: Gibson?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER GIBSON: I'd also like to  
14 congratulate my sister, Council member Alicka Ampry-  
15 Samuel, on a great bill to really focus on addressing  
16 food insecurity and farming and urban agriculture in  
17 our city so that no family goes to be hungry at  
18 night. It's a great bill and great approach and I  
19 proudly vote aye. Thank you.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Council  
21 member Barron?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Congratulations to  
23 my colleague and I vote aye.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Koo?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Koo votes  
3 aye. Council member Levin?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye.

5 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Levin  
6 votes aye. Treyger?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER TREYGER: Aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Treyger  
9 votes aye. Grodenchik?

10 COUNCIL MEMBER GRODENCHIK: I want to  
11 congratulate Alicka Ampry-Samuel on this bill. As  
12 the Council member with the largest farm in New York  
13 City, I realize that this legislation is long  
14 overdue. So, congratulations and I vote aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK: Adams?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER ADAMS: Congratulations to  
17 my colleague. Proud to co-sponsor this one, being  
18 from Queens, also. I vote aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK: Ayala?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA: Congratulations,  
21 Alicka. I vote aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Ayala  
23 votes aye. Moya?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Moya  
3 votes aye. Riley?

4 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: Congratulations,  
5 Council member Ampry-Samuel. I vote aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK: Brooks-Powers?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: I echo  
8 the congratulations to Council member Alicka Ampry-  
9 Samuel and I vote aye on all. Thank you.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank you. Feliz?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Congratulations, as  
12 well. I proudly vote yes.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Feliz  
14 votes yes. By a vote of 13 in the affirmative, zero  
15 in the negative, and no abstentions, the items has  
16 been adopted by the committee.

17 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: I would like to  
18 thank the members of the public, my colleagues,  
19 Council and land use staff for attending today's  
20 hearing. We're going to leave the role open for five  
21 minutes. Thank you.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation role call.  
23 Committee on Land Use. Council member Miller?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER: Council member  
25 Miller votes aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Excuse me. Continuation  
3 role call. Committee on Land Use. Council member  
4 Rivera.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council member Rivera  
7 votes aye. By a vote of 15 in the affirmative, zero  
8 in the negative, and no abstentions, proposed  
9 Introduction 1058-A is adopted by the Land Use  
10 Committee.

11 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you very  
12 much. This meeting is hereby adjourned.

13 [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 October 28, 2021