

The New York City Council

*City Hall
New York, NY 10007*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

4:00 PM

**Continuation of Recessed Meeting of June 13, 2019 HELD on
June 18, 2019
Council Chambers - City Hall**

City Council

Corey D. Johnson, Speaker

Members: Adrienne E. Adams, Alicka Ampry-Samuel, Diana Ayala, Inez D. Barron, Joseph C. Borelli, Justin L. Brannan, Fernando Cabrera, Margaret S. Chin, Andrew Cohen, Costa G. Constantinides, Robert E. Cornegy, Jr., Laurie A. Cumbo, Chaim M. Deutsch, Ruben Diaz, Sr., Daniel Dromm, Rafael L. Espinal, Jr., Mathieu Eugene, Vanessa L. Gibson, Mark Gjonaj, Barry S. Grodenchik, Robert F. Holden, Ben Kallos, Andy L. King, Peter A. Koo, Karen Koslowitz, Rory I. Lancman, Brad S. Lander, Stephen T. Levin, Mark Levine, Farah N. Louis, Alan N. Maisel, Steven Matteo, Carlos Menchaca, I. Daneek Miller, Francisco P. Moya, Bill Perkins, Keith Powers, Antonio Reynoso, Donovan J. Richards, Carlina Rivera, Ydanis A. Rodriguez, Deborah L. Rose, Helen K. Rosenthal, Rafael Salamanca, Jr., Ritchie J. Torres, Mark Treyger, Eric A. Ulrich, Paul A. Vallone, James G. Van Bramer and Kalman Yeger

The Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) re-opened the previously recessed meeting.

2. Roll Call

Present: Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampry-Samuel, Ayala, Barron, Borelli, Brannan, Cabrera, Chin, Cohen, Constantinides, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, Deutsch, Diaz Sr., Dromm, Espinal Jr., Eugene, Gibson, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, King, Koo, Koslowitz, Lander, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Matteo, Menchaca, Miller, Moya, Perkins, Powers, Reynoso, Richards, Rivera, Rodriguez, Rose, Rosenthal, Salamanca Jr., Torres, Treyger, Ulrich, Vallone, Van Bramer and Yeger

Absent: Lancman

Paternity: Levin

3. The Clerk will announce the presence of a quorum.

The City Clerk and Clerk of the Council (Mr. Mc Sweeney) announced the presence of a quorum.

There were 46 Council Members marked present at this Recessed Council Meeting of June 13, 2019 held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019.

(CM Lancman is considered Absent due to his absence from the Stated Meeting held on June 13, 2019 as well as the Recessed Meetings of June 18, 2019 and June 19, 2019, respectively; CMs Lander, Salamanca, Ulrich, and Vallone are considered Present but Not Voting for the purposes of this Recessed Meeting of June 13, 2019 held on June 18, 2019 due to their presence at the Stated Meeting held on June 13, 2019)

4. Supplemental Messages & Papers from the Mayor

None

5. Supplemental Communications from City, County & Borough Offices

None

6. Supplemental Petitions and Communications

None

7. Supplemental Land Use Call-Ups

None

8. Supplemental Communication from the Speaker

9. Supplemental Discussion of General Orders

10. Supplemental Reports of Special Committees

None

11. Supplemental Reports of Standing Committees

SLR 0013-2019 **State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass bills introduced by Senators Gounardes, Liu, Ortt, S.5246-A, and Assembly Members Reyes, Cruz, Braunstein, De La Rosa, Ramos, M.G. Miller, Dickens, Griffin, Colton, Simon, DeStefano, Lawrence, Ortiz, Sayegh, L. Rosenthal, Raia, Mikulin, et al., A.7716-A, “AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to disabilities of certain retired firefighters caused by cancer”.**

Attachments: SLR 13, A. 7716-A, State Assembly Memo In Support, S. 5246-A, State Senate Memo In Support, Committee Report, Hearing Transcript, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19, Fiscal Impact Statement

A motion was made that this SLR be Approved, by Council approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative: 46 - Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampry-Samuel, Ayala, Barron, Borelli, Brannan, Cabrera, Chin, Cohen, Constantinides, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, Deutsch, Diaz Sr., Dromm, Espinal Jr., Eugene, Gibson, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, King, Koo, Koslowitz, Levin, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Matteo, Menchaca, Miller, Moya, Perkins, Powers, Reynoso, Richards, Rivera, Rodriguez, Rose, Rosenthal, Torres, Treyger, Van Bramer and Yeger

Non-voting: 4 - Lander, Salamanca Jr., Ulrich and Vallone

Absent: 1 - Lancman

SLR 0014-2019 **State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass bills introduced by Senators Gounardes, Comrie, Gaughran, Kaminsky, Kaplan, Savino, S.5903-A, and Assembly Members Abbate, Cruz, Rozic, Pheffer Amato, D’Urso, Solages, Braunstein, Ortiz, Colton, Perry, Barnwell, D. Rosenthal, DenDekker, Lentol, Weprin, M. G. Miller, et al., A.7620-A, “AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to allowing certain members of the New York city police pension fund to receive a membership date in the New York city police pension fund attributable to service in the titles of police cadet program or police cadet program II in the New York city police department cadet program”.**

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A motion was made that this SLR be Approved, by Council approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative: 45 - Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampy-Samuel, Ayala, Borelli, Brannan, Cabrera, Chin, Cohen, Constantinides, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, Deutsch, Diaz Sr., Dromm, Espinal Jr., Eugene, Gibson, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, King, Koo, Koslowitz, Levin, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Matteo, Menchaca, Miller, Moya, Perkins, Powers, Reynoso, Richards, Rivera, Rodriguez, Rose, Rosenthal, Torres, Treyger, Van Bramer and Yeger

Abstain: 1 - Barron

Non-voting: 4 - Lander, Salamanca Jr., Ulrich and Vallone

Absent: 1 - Lancman

12. Supplemental General Orders Calendar

Supplemental Coupled on General Order Calendar

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The Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) put the question whether the Council would agree with and adopt such reports, which were decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

46-0-0.

The following files were removed from the General Order Calendar and voted separately:

SLR No. 14, 45-0-1 (Abstention: CM Barron)

See files for individual votes.

13. Supplemental Introduction & Reading of Bills
See Attached

14. Supplemental Discussion of Resolutions

15. Supplemental Resolutions
None

16. Supplemental General Discussion

17. Supplemental Extension of Remarks

Supplemental INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS

Int 1612-2019 A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prohibiting discrimination in owner-occupied rental housing accommodations

Sponsors: By Council Members Adams, Ampry-Samuel, Rosenthal, Ayala, Louis and Cornegy Jr.

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 1612, Int. No. 1612, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19

This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Civil and Human Rights

Int 1613-2019 A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to community land trusts

Sponsors: By Council Member Cabrera

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 1613, Int. No. 1613, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19

This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Housing and Buildings

Res 0960-2019 Resolution recognizing November 30, 2019 as a citywide Day of Peace, and December as Peace Month in New York City.

Sponsors: By Council Members Cabrera and Diaz Sr.

Attachments: Res. No. 960, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19

This Resolution was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and International Intergroup Relations

SLR 0013-2019 State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass bills introduced by Senators Gounardes, Liu, Ortt, S.5246-A, and Assembly Members Reyes, Cruz, Braunstein, De La Rosa, Ramos, M.G. Miller, Dickens, Griffin, Colton, Simon, DeStefano, Lawrence, Ortiz, Sayegh, L. Rosenthal, Raia, Mikulin, et al., A.7716-A, "AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to disabilities of certain retired firefighters caused by cancer".

Sponsors: By Council Members Cohen and Deutsch

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This SLR was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on State and Federal Legislation

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- Int 1614-2019** **A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring retail stores to maintain a point-of-sale device that can issue e-receipts**
- Sponsors:** By Council Member Rose
- Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1614, Int. No. 1614, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting
Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19
- This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Business Licensing**
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- Int 1615-2019** **A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a teacher retention reporting requirement and task force**
- Sponsors:** By Council Members Treyger and Cohen
- Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1615, Int. No. 1615, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting
Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19
- This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Education**
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- Int 1616-2019** **A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to reporting on senior veterans and social service and affordable housing programs for veterans**
- Sponsors:** By Council Members Vallone and Ampry-Samuel
- Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1616, Int. No. 1616, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting
Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19
- This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Veterans**
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- Res 0961-2019** **Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, A.2991/ S.0193 in relation to providing scholarships for surviving dependent family members of New York state military personnel who have died while performing any official military duties.**
- Sponsors:** By Council Members Vallone, Ampry-Samuel and Yeger
- Attachments:** Res. No. 961, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files,
Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19
- This Resolution was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Veterans**

LU 0467-2019 **Application No. C 190292 HUX (784 Courtlandt Avenue) submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) pursuant to Section 505 of Article 15 of the General Municipal (Urban Renewal) Law of New York State and Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the fourth amendment to the Melrose Commons Urban Renewal Plan for the Melrose Commons Urban Renewal Area, Borough of the Bronx, Council District 17, Community District 1.**

Sponsors: By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

Attachments: Land Use Calendar - Week of June 17, 2019 - June 21, 2019, June 18, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Testimony - Landmarks 6-20-19, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-18-19, Hearing Transcript - Landmarks 6-20-19, Land Use Calendar - Week of July 15, 2019 - July 19, 2019, REVISED - Land Use Calendar - Week of July 15, 2019 - July 19, 2019, Land Use Calendar & Agenda - July 18, 2019

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This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Siting and Maritime Uses

LU 0468-2019 **Application No. C 190293 HAX (784 Courtlandt Avenue) submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, pursuant to Article 16 of the General Municipal Law, for an urban development action area designation and project approval, and the disposition of city-owned property, for property located at 359 East 157th Street and 784 Courtlandt Avenue (Block 2404, Lots 1 and 2), Borough of the Bronx, Council District 17, Community District 1.**

Sponsors: By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

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This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Siting and Maritime Uses

LU 0469-2019

Application No. C 180315 ZMQ (38-01 23rd Avenue Rezoning) submitted by 23rd Avenue Realty pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 9c, establishing within the existing R5B District a C2-3 District and establishing within the existing R5D District a C2-3 District, Borough of Queens, Council District 22, Community District 1.

Sponsors: By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

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This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises

LU 0470-2019

Application No. C 180399 ZMQ (76th Drive and Austin Street Rezoning) submitted by Able Orthopedic & Sports Medicine, PC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 14b, changing from an R2 District to an R3-2 District property bounded by 76th Drive, a line perpendicular to the southeasterly street line of 76th Drive distant 55 feet northeasterly (as measured along the street line) from the point of intersection of the southeasterly street line of 76th Drive and northeasterly street line of Austin Street, 77th Avenue, and Austin Street, Borough of Queens, Community District 6, as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated February 11, 2019, and subject to the conditions of CEQR Declaration E-522, Borough of Queens, Council District 29, Community District 6.

Sponsors: By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

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At this point the Speaker (Council Member Johnson) made the following announcements:

Whereupon on motion of the Speaker (Council Member Johnson), the Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) recessed the Meeting subject to call.