The New York City Council

City Hall New York, NY 10007



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 22, 2000

11:00 AM

Recessed Meeting of June 5, 2000

Council Chambers - City Hall

City Council

Peter F. Vallone, Speaker

Members: Michael J. Abel, Herbert E. Berman, Tracy Boyland, Adolfo Carrion, Jr., Una Clarke, Lucy Cruz, Noach Dear, Stephen DiBrienza, Martin Malave-Dilan, June M. Eisland, Ronnie M. Eldridge, Pedro G. Espada, Stephen J. Fiala, Kenneth K. Fisher, Wendell Foster, Kathryn E. Freed, Martin Golden, Julia Harrison, Lloyd Henry, Karen Koslowitz, Howard L. Lasher, Sheldon S. Leffler, Guillermo Linares, Margarita Lopez, Helen M. Marshall, Walter L. McCaffrey, Stanley E. Michels, A. Gifford Miller, Eva S. Moskowitz, Michael C. Nelson, Jerome X. O'Donovan, James Oddo, Thomas V. Ognibene, William Perkins, Mary Pinkett, Morton Povman, Madeline Provenzano, Christine C. Quinn, Philip Reed, Jose Rivera, Annette M. Robinson, Victor L. Robles, Angel Rodriguez, John D. Sabini, Archie W. Spigner, Al Stabile, Lawrence A. Warden, Juanita E. Watkins, Thomas White, Jr., Priscilla A. Wooten

The President Pro Tem (Council Member Spigner) will call the meeting to order.

1. Roll Call

Present,

Speaker Vallone, Abel, Berman, Boyland, Carrion, Clarke, DiBrienza, Eisland, Eldridge, Espada, Fisher, Foster, Freed, Golden, Henry, Koslowitz, Lasher, Leffler, Linares, Lopez, Marshall, Malave-Dilan, McCaffrey, Michels, Miller, Moskowitz, Nelson, Oddo, O'Donovan, Perkins, Pinkett, Povman, Provenzano, Quinn, Reed, Robinson, Robles, Rodriguez, Sabini, Spigner, Stabile, Warden, Watkins, White and Wooten

Excused,

Cruz, Dear, Harrison and Ognibene

The Clerk will announce the presence of a quorum.

3. Adoption of Minutes

None

- 4. Messages and Papers from the Mayor
 - M 0891-2000 Communication by the Mayor "AN ACT to amend the local finance law, in relation to the issuance of bonds and notes with variable rates of interest." S.7197-B, A. 10106-A Preconsidered
 - M 0892-2000 Communication from the Mayor - "AN ACT to amend the general city law, chapter 772 of the laws of 1966, relating to enabling any city having a population of one million or more to raise tax revenue, the administrative code of the city of New York and the real property tax law, in relation to increasing tax credits authorized under the relocation and employment assistance program in certain areas of cities having a population of one million or more, to amend the real property tax law, in relation to modifying the criteria for eligibility for real property tax exemptions and abatements for industrial and commercial properties in certain areas of cities having a population of one million or more and in relation to expanding a real property tax abatement program for certain commercial properties in cities having a population of one million or more by providing an abatement to industrial properties in certain areas of such cities and by extending the eligibility period and benefit period in such areas and the exemption from taxation of certain multiple dwellings." S.8219/A.11510

5.	Communications from City, County, and Borough Offices <i>None</i>
6.	Petitions and Communications <i>None</i>
7.	Land Use Call-Ups None
8.	Communications from the Speaker
9.	Discussion of General Orders
10.	Report of Special Committees <i>None</i>

Reports of Standing Committees 11.

Report of the Committee on State and Federal Legislation

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12. General Order Calendar

- LU 0760-2000 Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 000086 PPR pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter concerning the disposition of twenty-three (23) city-owned properties, located in Community Board 3, Borough of Staten Island, in Council District no. 51. This application is subject to review and action by the Land Use Committee only if appealed to the Council pursuant to §197-d(b)(2) of the Charter or called up by vote of the Council pursuant to §197-d(b)(3) of the Charter.
- Res 1426-2000 Resolution approving with modification the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 000086 PPR, for the disposition of twenty-three city-owned properties located at 37 Groton Street (Block 5316/Lot 65); Hyland Boulevard, Philip Avenue and Lynch Street (Block 6458/Lots 1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 15 and 17); Chester Avenue (Block 6530/Lot 1); Kingdom Avenue and Stecher Street (Block 6563/Lots 30, 34, 42, 50, 52 and 62); Drumgoole Road West (Block 6827/Lot 23); Drumgoole Road West (Block 6912/Lots 90 and 92); Veterans Road East and Barry Street (Block 7066/Lots 83 and 140); Storer Avenue (Block 7315/Lot 82) and 6256 Amboy Road (Block 7702/Lot 75); Staten Island (L.U. No. 760). <u>Attachments:</u> Committee Report

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Coupled on General Order

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The President Pro Tem (Council Member Spigner) put the question whether the Council would agree with and adopt such reports which were decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative, 46 -

Speaker Vallone, Abel, Berman, Boyland, Carrion, Clarke, DiBrienza, Eisland, Eldridge, Espada, Speaker Fiala, Fisher, Foster, Freed, Golden, Henry, Koslowitz, Lasher, Leffler, Linares, Lopez, Marshall, Malave-Dilan, McCaffrey, Michels, Miller, Moskowitz, Nelson, Oddo, O'Donovan, Perkins, Pinkett, Provenzano, Quinn, Reed, Speaker Rivera, Robinson, Robles, Rodriguez, Sabini, Spigner, Stabile, Warden, Watkins, White and Wooten

Excused, 4 -

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- 13. Introduction and Reading of Bills See Attached
- 14. General Discussion
- 15. Extension of Remarks

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Sponsors:By The Speaker (Speaker Vallone) and Council Members Berman,
O'Donovan, Fisher, Rivera and Spigner ; also Council Members Eisland,
Perkins, Povman, Abel and Nelson

Int 0766-2000	A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the general corporation tax, and to repeal subparagraphs 6-a and 13 through 15 of paragraph (b) of subdivision 8 of section 11-602, subparagraphs 2-a through 2-c of paragraph (f) of subdivision 8 of section 11-602 and subdivisions 1-a through 1-f of section 11-608 of the administrative code of the city of New York relating thereto.			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Member Berman (by request of the Mayor); also Council Members Fisher and Nelson		
Int 0767-2000	A Local Law in relation to a street name, Rev. Dr. Freddie M. Foy Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn.			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Member Boyland ; also Council Members Fisher, Nelson, O'Donovan, Wooten, Abel and Golden		
	<u>Attachments:</u>	Committee Report, Fiscal Impact Statement		
	Enactment No	: 2000/055		
Int 0768-2000	A Local Law in relation to a street name, Liberty Pole Boulevard, Borough of Brooklyn.			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Member Golden ; also Council Members Fisher, Nelson, O'Donovan and Abel		
	<u>Attachments:</u>	Committee Report, Hearing Transcript		
Int 0769-2000	A Local La Borough o	w in relation to a street name, Edward Fowley Way, f Queens.		
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Members McCaffrey, Sabini, Koslowitz and Marshall ; also Council Members O'Donovan and Abel		
	Attachments:	Committee Report, Fiscal Impact Statement		
	Enactment No: 2000/047			
Int 0770-2000	A Local Law in relation to a street name, Gil Hodges Way, Borough of Brooklyn.			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Members Nelson, Foster and Marshall ; also Council Members Berman, Fisher, Koslowitz, O'Donovan, Abel, Povman, Linares, Robinson and Golden		
	<u>Attachments:</u>	Committee Report, Fiscal Impact Statement, Hearing Transcript, Local Law		
	Enactment No	: 2001/010		

Int 0771-2000	A Local Law in relation to a street name, Alice Kornegay Way, Borough of Manhattan.			
	Sponsors:	By Council Members Perkins and Reed ; also Council Member O'Donovan		
	<u>Attachments:</u>	Committee Report, Hearing Transcript		
Int 0772-2000	A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to creating an administration for children's services to protect and serve the city's children.			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Member Pinkett (by request of the Mayor); also Council Members Koslowitz and Wooten		
SLR 0280-2000	⁰⁰ State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass a bill introduced by Committee on Rules, A.11314, "AN ACT authorizing the city of New York to reconvey its interest in certain real property acquired by in rem tax foreclosure in the borough of Bronx to former owner Antoinette Torsiello notwithstanding expiration of the two year period within which application may be made to the city to release its interest in property thus acquired; Block No. 4046, Lot No. 12 on tax map for the borough of Bronx".			
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By Council Members Provenzano, Linares and Golden ; also Council Member Abel		
SLR 0281-2000	State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass a bill introduced by Committee on Rules, A.11511, "AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to the additional tax on the New York city personal income tax".			
	<u>Sponsors:</u> Preconsiderec	By The Speaker (Speaker Vallone) and Council Member Berman and Rivera ; also Council Members Eisland and Perkins		
SLR 0282-2000	Legislatur A.11513, " any city ha partial exe	slation Resolution requesting the New York State e to pass a bill introduced by Committee on Rules, AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing aving a population of one million or more to provide a emption from the mortgage recording tax and to provide edits against the personal income tax of any such city".		
	<u>Sponsors:</u>	By The Speaker (Speaker Vallone) and Council Members Berman, Rivera and Pinkett ; also Council Members Eisland, Michels, Perkins and Nelson		

- SLR 0283-2000 State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass bills introduced by Senator Marchi, S.1281-A, and Assembly Members Vitaliano, Seminerio, Clark, Connelly, M. Cohen, Colton, and Seddio, A.1981-A, "AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to establishing a variable supplements fund for members of the New York city employees' retirement system".
 - Sponsors:By Rivera, Council Members O'Donovan, Eisland, Pinkett, Michels, Golden
and Stabile ; also Council Members Lasher, Marshall, Espada and Fiala
- SLR 0284-2000 State Legislation Resolution requesting the New York State Legislature to pass a bill introduced by Senator Velella, S.7999-A, "AN ACT to allow Kevin P. McGuire to buy back certain time with the cultural institutions retirement system".

Sponsors: By Rivera

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<u>Sponsors:</u> By Rivera and Council Member Pinkett

Preconsidered

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

Whereupon on motion of the Speaker (Council Member Vallone), the Clerk of the Council recessed the meeting. CARLOS CUEVAS, City Clerk Clerk of the Council