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A Local Law in relation to the creation of an affordable housing lottery task force.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. There is hereby established an affordable housing lottery task force to study lottery systems used for affordable housing and to make recommendations to the mayor and council for maximizing access to such systems. Such task force shall consider, at a minimum, the time it takes to screen applicants, the efficacy of screening requirements, the distribution of information regarding lottery eligibility requirements, and shall identify legal, regulatory and other barriers to implementing recommendations of such task force.

b. Such task force shall comprise five members:

(1) The commissioner of housing preservation and development, or the designee thereof;

(2) Two members appointed by the mayor, provided that at least one such member shall have a background in affordable housing development; and

(3) Two members appointed by the speaker of the council, provided that at least one such member shall have a background in affordable housing development and at least one such member shall be a member, employee or director of, or otherwise affiliated with, an organization engaged in housing-related advocacy work.

c. The members of such task force shall be appointed within ninety days after the enactment of this local law.

d. Such task force shall meet at least monthly.

e. At the first meeting of such task force, the task force shall select a chairperson from among its members by majority vote of the task force.

f. Each member of such task force shall serve for a term of twelve months, to commence after the final member of the task force is appointed. Any vacancies in the membership of the task force shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A person filling such vacancy shall serve for the unexpired portion of the term of the succeeded member.

g. The department of housing preservation and development may provide staff to assist the task force.

h. No member of the task force shall be removed except for cause and upon notice and hearing by the official who appointed such member or, in the case of a succeeding member under subdivision f of this section, the official who appointed the succeeded member.

i. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation.

j. No more than twelve months after the date that the final member of the task force is appointed under subdivision f of this section, the task force shall submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council a report that shall include the findings and recommendations of the task force.

k. The task force shall dissolve upon submission of the report required by subdivision j of this section.

§2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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