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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring the board of standards and appeals to report on variances and special permits

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2 of title 25 of the administrative code of the city New York is amended by adding a new section 25-208 to read as follows:

§ 25-208 Reports on variances and special permits. a. Not later than December 15, 2017 and no later than December 15 each year thereafter, the board of standards and appeals shall provide to the speaker of the council and post on its website in a non-proprietary format that permits automated processing, a report regarding variances and special permits for the first four months of the current fiscal year. Such report shall include the following information for the reporting period, disaggregated by variance or type of permit:

1. the number of pre-application meeting requests filed;
2. the number of applications filed;
3. the number of applications filed for which a pre-application meeting request was held;
4. the number of applications for which an initial hearing was held;
5. the number of applications that were approved;
6. the number of applications that were denied;
7. the number of appeals filed;
8. the number of appeals granted;

9. the number of appeals denied;

10. the average length of time from when an application was filed to when a decision was made; and

11. the average length of time from when an appeal was filed to when a decision was made.

b. Not later than September 1, 2017 and no later than September 1 each year thereafter, the board of standards and appeals shall provide to the speaker of the council and post on its website in a non-proprietary format that permits automated processing a report regarding variances and special permits for the previous fiscal year. Such report shall include the following information for the reporting period, disaggregated by variance or type of permit:

1. the number of pre-application meeting requests filed;

2. the number of applications filed;

3. the number of applications filed for which a pre-application meeting request was held;

4. the number of applications for which an initial hearing was held;

5. the number of applications that were approved;

6. the number of applications that were denied;

7. the number of appeals filed;

8. the number of appeals granted;

9. the number of appeals denied;

10. the average length of time from when an application was filed to when a decision was made; and

11. the average length of time from when an appeal was filed to when a decision was made.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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