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By Council Members Menchaca, Vallone, Rosenthal and Rivera

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to an annual helicopter sightseeing plan

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 1301 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a new subdivision b-2 to read as follows:

b-2. to require that any local development corporation or not-for-profit corporation of which a majority of its members are appointed by the mayor and which contracts with the department to provide or administer economic development benefits on behalf of the city:

(1) develop and update in each year, a helicopter sightseeing plan that includes, at a minimum, (i) objectives for reducing noise, improving air quality and preserving public safety in relation to sightseeing helicopter tours, (ii) the timeframe and proposed actions for achieving such objectives, (iii) an identification of any obstacles to achieving such objectives together with recommendations for overcoming such obstacles; provided that such plan shall be developed and updated in consultation with representatives from community organizations, helicopter industry advocates and any other persons referred by the mayor or speaker to such corporation on or before June 30 of such year;

(2) by January 31 of each year, submit to the mayor and speaker a copy of the current helicopter sightseeing plan together with, for plans submitted in 2019 and thereafter, (i) a summary of the changes made to such plan and (ii) an evaluation of progress toward achieving the objectives set forth in the plan submitted in the preceding year.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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