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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to identifying lead water supply mains and service lines through an online interactive map and providing educational resources and tools for preventing lead contamination

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 8 of title 23 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 23-803 to read as follows:

§ 23-803 Online interactive map. The department of environmental protection shall provide to the public, at no charge, on the city's website, an online interactive map pursuant to section 24-309.1. All information required by section 24-309.1 shall be available on the city's website on or before June 1, 2019 and updated, at minimum, in June of each year. The mayor shall ensure that agencies provide such department with assistance and information as it requires to compile and update the interactive map.

§ 2. Subchapter 1 of chapter 3 of title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 24-309.1 to read as follows:

§ 24-309.1 Tracking lead water service lines; online interactive map.

a. No later than June 1, 2019, the department of environmental protection shall make information about known lead water service lines available on the city's website in the form of an online interactive map, pursuant to section 23-803. The department of environmental protection, or individuals authorized by such department, shall make best efforts to identify all lead water service lines, including privately owned service lines, by consulting relevant city or public records or by any other relevant means.

b. Such online interactive map shall:

1. Be searchable by address or borough, block and lot number;

2. Identify, to the best of the department of environmental protection's ability, through a color scheme or other identification method, lead water service lines, and, if the composition is unknown, mark it as such until such department can determine its composition;

3. Indicate which lead water service lines are owned by the city; and

4. Provide relevant information to users, including information about lead contamination prevention, lead water test kits and any other relevant resources.

c. If a property is serviced by a lead water service line, the department of environmental protection shall:

1. If applicable, provide information to relevant property owners about the process and permissions required in making a connection to a pipe for the purposes of replacing lead water service lines; and

2. Replace any known lead water service lines that are owned by the city as soon as practicable but no later than December 31, 2025.

d. No later than June 1, 2019 and every June 1 thereafter, the department of environmental protection shall provide to the council and the mayor an annual report containing information on the following:

1. Locations of all known lead water service lines;

2. Efforts underway to replace lead water supply mains and service lines; and

3. The status of public outreach and education efforts on the prevention of lead contamination.

e. The department of environmental protection may include with any such report a recommendation to the mayor and the council about whether continued reporting on such topic is necessary and appropriate.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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