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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to creating a local community and media bill of rights addressing the issues that communities face during film and television production

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 22 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 12 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 12

MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

§22-1201 Local community and media bill of rights. a. Not later than July 2020, the commissioner of the mayor's office of media and entertainment, or any other entity designated by the mayor to issue film and television production permits pursuant to section 1301 of the New York city charter, shall prepare a draft local community and media bill of rights for New York city residents.

b. Such local community and media bill of rights shall include, but not be limited to guidelines on:

1. parking;

2. safety;

3. sanitation during film and television productions;

4. communication between the public and production companies, including the issuance of notices regarding any temporary loss of parking or a temporary restriction of access to streets or buildings; and

5. any other issue the commissioner deems appropriate.

c. Within 90 days following the preparation of such draft local community and media bill of rights and prior to the preparation of a final local community and media bill of rights, the commissioner shall distribute such local community and media bill of rights to the city council, all community boards, and to all others whom the commissioner deems appropriate, and hold a noticed public hearing, at which the public shall be given an opportunity to comment on such draft local community and media bill of rights.

d. The commissioner shall prepare a final local community and media bill of rights within thirty days after the conclusion of such public hearing. The commissioner shall review and, at the discretion of the commissioner, may revise such final local community and media bill of rights on a biennial basis. Such review shall require a public hearing.

e. The final local community and media bill of rights shall be posted on the website of the mayor's office of media and entertainment.

f. Nothing in this section or in such document or draft document shall be construed to create a cause of action or constitute a defense in any legal, administrative, or other proceeding.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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