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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring the office of food policy to formulate a 10-year food policy plan

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 20-i of the New York city charter, as added by a local law for the year 2020 amending the New York city charter, relating to the office of food policy, as proposed in introduction number 1666 for the year 2019, is amended by adding a new subdivision d to read as follows:

d. Food policy plan. 1. The office of food policy shall develop a comprehensive 10 year food policy plan no later than 180 days after the effective date of this section. The office shall consult, as the director deems appropriate, agencies, community based organizations, and community leaders and other stakeholders that focus on issues including but not limited to food policy, food equity, food justice and food insecurity in developing this plan. Such plan shall, at a minimum, make recommendations relating to:

(a) Reducing hunger;

(b) Improving nutrition;

(c) Increasing access to healthy food;

(d) Reducing food waste;

(e) Developing and improving food and farm economies; and

(f) Increasing urban agriculture and sustainability.

2. Such plan shall include implementation strategies for agencies to achieve the recommendations made

pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subdivision and any other food policy recommendations made by the office of food policy, and benchmarks by which to measure the city's progress.

3. No later than two years after the submission of the report required pursuant to this subdivision and every two years thereafter, the office of food policy shall prepare and submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council, and post on the office's website, a report that describes the city's progress toward the recommendations made pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subdivision and any other food policy recommendations made by such office.

§ 2. This local law takes effect upon the same date as a local law for the year 2020 amending the New York city charter, relating to the office of food policy, as proposed in introduction number 1666 for the year 2019, takes effect and is deemed repealed 12 years after it becomes a law.

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