

Legislation Text

Int. No. 1026-A

By Council Members Ung, Riley and Lee

A Local Law in relation to requiring a report on potential locations for the construction of a bus transit center in Flushing, Queens

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Definitions. For purposes of this local law, the following terms have the following meanings:

Administering agency. The term "administering agency" means an agency or office designated by the mayor for the purpose of issuing the report required by this local law.

Bus transit center. The term "bus transit center" means a bus oriented transit hub where numerous bus lines converge for the embarking or disembarking of passengers such that buses and passengers may queue at the bus transit center without impeding the surrounding streets or sidewalks.

b. No later than 1 year after the effective date of this local law, the administering agency shall submit to the mayor, the speaker of the council, the chair of the city planning commission, and post conspicuously on the administering agency's website, a report setting forth the administering agency's recommendations relating to the potential construction of a bus transit center in or around Flushing, Queens. The report shall:

1. Include the locations of existing bus depots and other zoning considerations in or around Flushing, Queens;

2. Identify potential locations for the construction of a bus transit center in Flushing, Queens;

3. Identify nearby bus routes that may be redesigned to converge on the bus transit center for each potential location;

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4. Estimate the projected costs associated with the construction and maintenance of such bus transit center, including the costs of purchasing the necessary lots, the cost of hiring contractors, workers, inspectors, and other staff, and the cost of construction-related materials, for each potential location; and

5. Estimate any projected local benefits to the flow of traffic due to convergence and relocation of bus lines at each potential location.

c. In preparing the report required by section one of this local law, the administering agency shall consult with the department of city planning and the department of transportation, and also invite the metropolitan transportation authority, the New York city transit authority, and the economic development corporation to participate. The administering agency may invite officers and representatives of relevant federal, state, and local agencies and authorities to participate in the preparation of the report.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately and is deemed repealed upon submission of the report required pursuant to section one of this local law.

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