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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the cleaning of catch basins and reports on catch basin cleanups and maintenance

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 24-503 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision f to read as follows:

f. The commissioner of environmental protection shall submit quarterly reports to the mayor, the speaker of the council and the public advocate regarding the inspection, cleanup, maintenance and repair of catch basins, disaggregated by community district. Inspections will be conducted as follows:

1. Two levels of inspection for maintenance. Tier 1 inspection shall be required on a biannual basis of commercial zones, flood zones (as per the NYC Flood Hazard Mapper), and residential areas not in flood zones, but prone to flooding (as per the NYC Stormwater Flood Map); and

2. Tier 2 inspection. This inspection shall be required on an annual cycle and shall include catch basins around parks, leaves, branches, and shall include all remaining catch basins.

e. The commissioner of environmental protection shall also ensure that such catch basins are inspected, at a minimum, once every year, and are unclogged or repaired within five days after an inspection or the receipt of a complaint about a clogged or malfunctioning catch basin. Catch basins not unclogged or repaired within five days after an inspection or the receipt of a complaint shall be identified in the quarterly report.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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