

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON STATE AND
FEDERAL LEGISLATION

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April 9, 2014
Start: 12:00 p.m.
Recess: 12:08 p.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers
250 Broadway - Hearing Room,
16th Fl

B E F O R E:
KAREN KOSLOWITZ
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Inez Dickens
Brad S. Lander
Rafael L. Espinal, Jr.
Ben Kallos
Alan N. Maisel
Antonio Reynoso

2 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Meeting on State
3 and Federal Legislation called to order. Good
4 morning and welcome, or good afternoon. It's a
5 minute after 12:00, and welcome. My name is Council
6 Member Karen Koslowitz, and I am the Chairperson of
7 the State and Federal Legislation Committee. Today,
8 we will be considering the Mayor's message. First, I
9 would like to introduce the members of the committee
10 that are present at this time. I'd like to introduce
11 Council Member Inez Dickens, Council Member Espinal,
12 and Council Member Maisel.

13 This morning the committee will be voting
14 on legislation that will increase the number of photo
15 speed cameras in school speed zones within the City
16 of New York. Last year the Council passed the Home
17 Rule, which authorized the use of 20 speed cameras in
18 20 school speed zones in New York City as part of the
19 Demonstration Program. The legislation before us
20 seeks to increase the number of speed cameras in the
21 program from 20 to 120. This would result in 140
22 speed cameras in school speed zones throughout the
23 city. By increasing the number of cameras, it will
24 assist with studies on the performance of speed
25 cameras. Additionally, it will hopefully further

2 deter speeding in school zones during school days,
3 and school activities. Thus, better protecting
4 school children from unnecessary accidents caused by
5 the speeding.

6 At this moment, I would like open the
7 hearing to any of our committee members who want to
8 make a statement. Anybody have a statement to make?
9 No statements to make. Anybody sign up to speak
10 about this bill? No? Well, with that, we're going
11 to take a vote.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER MAILSEL: Before we take a
13 vote, Madam Chairperson, I just have one question
14 about the legislation. I just have a quick question.
15 I didn't realize that these cameras are only
16 operating during the school hours or school days. Is
17 that -- is that really -- is that the case?

18 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: I'm not sure.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER MAISEL: Because it says
20 something here about for at least 180 school days in
21 the fiscal year 2015.

22 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Then I guess it
23 would be.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER: Yes.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER: [off mic]

2 [Pause]

3 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Do you want to --
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5 COUNCIL MEMBER MAISEL: No, no, Madam
6 Chairperson.

7 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: You good?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER: [off mic]

9 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Okay.

10 [Laughter.] Okay, with that, we're going to take a
11 vote. Roll Call.

12 CLERK: Ivan Penn, Committee Clerk, roll
13 call on the Committee of State and Federal
14 Legislation. Preconsidered M: Speeding Violation
15 Monitoring Systems.

16 CLERK: Council Member Koslowitz.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER KOSLOWITZ: I vote aye.

18 CLERK: Dickens.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye.

20 CLERK: Espinal.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: Aye.

22 CLERK: Maisel.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER MAISEL: Affirmative.

24 CLERK: By a vote of four in the
25 affirmative, zero in the negative, and no

2 abstentions, the item has been adopted. Members
3 please sign the Committee Report.

4 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Okay, and I would
5 like to keep it open. We still have the -- is it 20
6 minutes?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER: I think it's a half
8 hour.

9 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: Half hour. We're
10 going to keep this vote open for a half hour.

11 [Pause]

12 CLERK: Kallos.

13 COUNCIL MEMBER KALLOS: Aye.

14 CLERK: The vote stands at five in the
15 affirmative.

16 [Pause]

17 CLERK: Reynoso.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER REYNOSO: Aye on all.

19 CLERK: The vote stands at six in the
20 affirmative.

21 [Pause]

22 CHAIRPERSON KOSLOWITZ: As we say, Mecone
23 [phonetic]has submitted testimony.

24 [Pause]

25 CLERK: Council Member Lander.

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COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER: I vote aye.

CLERK: Final vote in the Committee on State and Federal Legislation is five in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and no abstentions.

[Pause]

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Date April 28, 2014