

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES AND  
ELECTIONS

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January 18, 2024  
Start: 11:35 a.m.  
Recess: 11:44 a.m.

HELD AT: COMMITTEE ROOM - CITY HALL

B E F O R E: Diana I. Ayala, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Joseph Borelli  
Justin L. Brannan  
Gale A. Brewer  
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers  
Crystal Hudson  
Keith Powers  
Rafael Salamanca, Jr.  
Pierina Ana Sanchez

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Adrienne Adams, Speaker  
Amanda Farías

2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: This is a microphone  
3 check for the hearing on Committee on Rules,  
4 Privileges, and Elections. Today's date is January  
5 18, 2024. We're in the Committee Room. The recording  
6 is done by Rocco Mesiti.

7 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning and  
8 welcome to today's hearing for the Committee on  
9 Rules, Privileges and Elections.

10 At this time, please silence all  
11 electronic devices.

12 Chair, we are ready to begin.

13 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: [GAVEL] Good morning  
14 and welcome to the Committee on Rules, Privileges and  
15 Elections.

16 I am Deputy Speaker Diana Ayala, and I am  
17 the Chair of this Committee.

18 Before we begin this hearing, I would  
19 like to introduce Council Members of this Committee  
20 who have joined us today. Council Members Salamanca,  
21 Powers, Brooks-Powers, Brewer, Hudson, Sanchez, and,  
22 of course, myself, and Speaker Adams.

23 I would also like to acknowledge Rules  
24 Committee Counsel, Jeff Campagna, and thank him for  
25 his work preparing the materials for today's hearing.

2 Today, pursuant to Rule 7.00, the  
3 Committee will hear a pre-considered resolution  
4 pursuant to Rule 7.00 of the Rules of the Council  
5 related to the establishment of the Committees,  
6 Subcommittees, and Task Forces of the Council and the  
7 appointment of Council Members thereto.

8 We will also hear a resolution pursuant  
9 to 10.20 of the Rules of the Council amending Rule  
10 7.00(a) of the Rules of the Council in relation to  
11 the standing Committees of the Council.

12 Do any Council Members have any questions  
13 or comments about the proposed Committee appointments  
14 or amendments to the Rules?

15 Going once, twice, none. Okay.

16 Do any members of the public have  
17 questions or comments?

18 None. Great.

19 I will now call upon the Clerk to take a  
20 vote on all items from today's hearing.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good  
22 morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call  
23 vote Committee on Rules, Privileges, and Elections.  
24 Items are coupled. Chair Ayala.

25 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN:

3 Salamanca.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: Permission to  
5 explain my vote?

6 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: Permission granted.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER SALAMANCA: I just want to  
8 thank you, Madam Speaker and the Committee, for the  
9 confidence in me to continue as Chair of Land Use  
10 Committee, and I want to congratulate all of my  
11 Colleagues on their Chairmanships. I vote aye on all.

12 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Brannan.  
13 Powers.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER POWERS: I vote aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Brooks-  
16 Powers.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: I vote aye.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Brewer.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: I vote aye, and I  
20 look forward to Investigations. Thank you.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hudson.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER HUDSON: I vote aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Sanchez.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: With gratitude,  
25 Madam Speaker, I vote aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Borelli.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: I vote aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: With a  
5 vote of eight in the affirmative, zero in the  
6 negative, and no abstentions, items have been adopted  
7 by the Committee.

8 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: We're going to hold  
9 open for Council Member Brannan, and the Speaker does  
10 not get to vote.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: My  
12 apologies. Speaker Adams.

13 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: She does not get a  
14 vote, but we're going to keep it open for Council  
15 Member Brannan.

16 Thank you, everybody.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good  
18 morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk. This is a  
19 continuation of roll call, Committee on Rules, on two  
20 resolutions. Council Member Brannan.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: Aye.

22 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Final  
23 vote is now nine in the affirmative, zero in the  
24 negative, and no abstentions.

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2 CHAIRPERSON AYALA: Thank you. With that,  
3 today's meeting of the Committee on Rules, Privileges  
4 and Elections is hereby adjourned. [GAVEL]

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Date January 22, 2024