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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E: JULISSA FERRERAS-COPELAND  
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
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LAURIE A. CUMBO  
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A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

[gavel]

CHAIRPERSON FERRERAS-COPELAND: Good

morning and welcome to today's Finance Committee Hearing. I'm Council Member Julissa Ferreras-Copeland. I'm the chair of this committee. First thing before I start my opening statement I want to thank Council Member Gibson for chairing last uh... last meeting. Thank you so much for... for being here. And also I'd like to welcome Council Member Matteo... Majority... Minority Leader Matteo to the Finance Committee. So today we will have one item, a transparency resolution on the agenda. The transparency resolution sets forth the new designation in changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving local aging and youth discretionary funding and funding pursuant to certain initiatives in the budget. Organizations appearing in the resolutions that have not yet completed the prequalification process conducted by the mayor's office of contract services, the council, or another entity or are identified in the attached chart with an asterisk. As with all transparency resolutions council members will have to sign a disclosure form indicating whether or not

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2 a conflict exists with any of the groups on the  
3 attached list. If any council member has a  
4 potential conflict of interest with any of the  
5 organizations listed he or she has the opportunity  
6 to disclose the conflict at the time of their vote.  
7 As a reminder please disclose any conflicts you may  
8 have with proposed subcontractors that are used by  
9 organizations sponsored by discretionary funding.  
10 These disclosures must be made before the  
11 subcontractor can be approved. Jeremy Plafker  
12 [phonetic] from the General Counsel's Office can  
13 assist you with any questions or concerns you have  
14 regarding uhm... regarding the disclosures. Before I  
15 open the floor for questions I just want to note  
16 that this is Jeremy's last transparency resolution  
17 because unfortunately tomorrow is his last day at  
18 the city council. Thank you Jeremy for all of your  
19 good work that you have done over the past few  
20 years. And we wish you the best of luck. And we  
21 also apologize for all the times we mispronounced  
22 your last name. Okay that is our item for today,  
23 our sole item. Are there any questions on the  
24 transparency resolution? Any disclosures? I will

1  
2 now ask Bill Martin, the committee clerk, to call  
3 the role.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: William Martin;  
5 Committee Clerk. Role call vote; Committee on  
6 Finance. Chair Ferreras-Copeland.

7 CHAIRPERSON FERRERAS-COPELAND: I vote  
8 aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Gibson.

10 COUNCIL MEMBER GIBSON: Welcome Minority  
11 Leader Matteo to the Finance Committee. And  
12 Congratulations Jeremey. Best wishes in your new  
13 position. And thank you for making sure we sign all  
14 these transparency resos and I vote aye on all.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Johnson.  
16 Levine.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: Aye.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rosenthal.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSENTHAL: Begrudgingly  
20 aye. I think Jeremey should not leave... on the  
21 record. The transparency resolution as usual is  
22 perfect. I'm proud to vote aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Matteo.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSENTHAL: Thank you.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER MATTEO: [off mic] Aye.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of  
3 six in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and  
4 no abstentions item has been adopted.

5 CHAIRPERSON FERRERAS-COPELAND: We will  
6 keep the role open for 15 minutes. So staff if your  
7 members' making their way here they have 15  
8 minutes. Thank you. If anybody's in Housing and  
9 Buildings they need a quorum in chambers. Housing  
10 and Buildings.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK DESTEPHANO: Committee  
12 Clerk; Matthew DeStephano. It's on. Okay. Committee  
13 Clerk; Matthew DeStephano. Committee on Finance  
14 continuation of the role call. Council Member  
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16 COUNCIL MEMBER CORNEGY: I vote aye.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK DESTEPHANO: Okay vote..  
18 thank you. Committee on Finance. Continuation of  
19 the role call on preconsidered resolution. Council  
20 Member Cumbo.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: I vote aye. And I  
22 adjourn this meeting.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK DESTEPHANO: By a final  
24 vote of eight in the affirmative, zero in the  
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negative, and no abstention the preconsidered resolution passes.

COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBO: I'm going to adjourn this meeting again.

[gavel]

C E R T I F I C A T E

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Date August 14, 2015