

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

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May 11, 2010  
Start: 1:12pm  
Recess: 1:35pm

HELD AT: 250 Broadway Hearing Room  
16th Floor

B E F O R E:

GALE A. BREWER  
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Erik Martin Dilan  
Inez E. Dickens  
Domenic M. Recchia, Jr.  
Peter F. Vallone, Jr.

A P P E A R A N C E S

2 CHAIRPERSON BREWER: Good

3 afternoon. I'm Gale Brewer, Chair of Governmental  
4 Operations, and we're here with our wonderful  
5 colleagues Council Member Dilan, Council Member  
6 Vallone, and we're here to talk about Intro 118-A.  
7 Council Member Koslowitz is the prime sponsor.

8 And it would require the Mayor's Office of  
9 Operations to develop and disseminate a business  
10 owners' bill of rights. Lots of good news about  
11 this legislation, one is that it has no fiscal  
12 impact whatsoever. I also want to thank Matt  
13 Gewolb, who is Counsel to the Committee and who  
14 also has a lot of experience in this legislation,  
15 because he has been the representative attorney on  
16 the panel on regulatory review. And that panel  
17 has been meeting for a year or more, and that  
18 committee will bring to the attention of the City  
19 Council bit by bit recommendations as to how to  
20 help small business streamline so that they can in  
21 fact be more productive and have less burdens  
22 placed on them by City government.

23 Now as somebody is sponsoring paid  
24 sick leave, you say, why in the world are you  
25 saying that, Gale? But the fact of the matter is

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2 there are many, many ways that the City of New  
3 York can streamline business, particularly in  
4 terms of specific regulations and agency mandates.  
5 So this is just the beginning of this discussion.  
6 And I want to ask everybody to vote in the  
7 affirmative. So if you'd like to call the roll.

8 WILLIAM MARTIN: William Martin,  
9 Committee Clerk. Roll call on the Committee on  
10 Governmental Operations. Introduction 118-A.  
11 Council Member Brewer.

12 CHAIRPERSON BREWER: I vote Aye.  
13 Thank you.

14 WILLIAM MARTIN: Dilan.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER DILAN: I vote Aye.

16 WILLIAM MARTIN: Vallone.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER VALLONE: [Off Mic]

18 WILLIAM MARTIN: By a vote of three  
19 in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no  
20 abstentions, item is adopted. Members, please  
21 sign the Committee Report.

22 CHAIRPERSON BREWER: Thank you.  
23 And we will keep the record open for ten minutes.  
24 Is that correct? All right. Thank you very much.

25 [END FILE 2]

2 [START FILE 3]

3 WILLIAM MARTIN: Council Member  
4 Recchia.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER RECCHIA: Aye.

6 WILLIAM MARTIN: Final vote on the  
7 Committee on Gov Ops is now four in the  
8 affirmative zero in the negative and no  
9 abstentions.

10 [END FILE 3]

11 [START FILE 4]

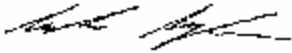
12 WILLIAM MARTIN: Reopening roll  
13 call on Committee on Governmental Operations.  
14 Council Member Dickens.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye.

16 WILLIAM MARTIN: Revised final vote  
17 on Committee on Gov Ops is now five in the  
18 affirmative, zero in the negative and no  
19 abstentions. Thank you.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Erika Swyler, certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.



Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date 5/21/10 \_\_\_\_\_