

# The New York City Council

*New York City Council  
City Hall  
New York, NY 10007*



## Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, January 30, 2008**

**11:00 AM**

**Committee Room - City Hall**

### **Committee on Finance**

*David I. Weprin, Chair*

*Members: Maria Baez, Gale A. Brewer, Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.,  
Bill de Blasio, Lewis A. Fidler, James F. Gennaro, Vincent J. Gentile,  
Alan J. Gerson, Eric N. Gioia, Robert Jackson, G. Oliver Koppell, Michael E. McMahon,  
Diana Reyna, Joel Rivera, Helen Sears, Peter F. Vallone, Jr., Albert Vann,  
David Yassky, Vincent Ignizio and James S. Oddo*

Roll Call

**Present,**

Weprin, Brewer, Comrie Jr., de Blasio, Fidler, Gennaro, Gentile, Gerson, Gioia, Jackson, McMahon, Rivera, Sears, Vallone Jr., Vann, Yassky, Oddo and Ignizio

**Absent,**

Baez and Koppell

**Maternity,**

Reyna

*Other Council Members Attending: James*

**Res 0090-2006**

**Resolution calling upon the State of New York to end the real property tax exemption granted to Madison Square Garden (“MSG” or the “Garden”) so that the revenue raised from putting MSG back on the City’s property tax rolls can be used to provide City services or tax relief to City residents.**

**Attachments:** Res. No. 90 - 2/15/06, Committee Report 1/7/08, Hearing Transcript 1/7/08, Hearing Testimony 1/7/08, Committee Report 1/30/08, Hearing Transcript 1/30/08, Press Release, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 1/30/08

*Proposed Res. No. 90-A*

**This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee**

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*Amendment Proposed by Council Member Fidler*

**This Resolution was Amendment Proposed by Comm**

**Affirmative, 14 -**

Weprin, Brewer, Comrie Jr., de Blasio, Fidler, Gentile, Gioia, McMahon, Sears, Vallone Jr., Vann, Yassky, Oddo and Ignizio

**Negative, 3 -**

Gennaro, Gerson and Rivera

**Abstain, 1 -**

Jackson

**Absent, 2 -**

Baez and Koppell

**Maternity, 1 -**

Reyna

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**This Resolution was Amended by Committee**

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**A motion was made that this Resolution be Approved by Committee approved by Roll Call.**

**Affirmative, 17 -**

Weprin, Brewer, Comrie Jr., de Blasio, Fidler, Gennaro, Gentile, Gerson, Gioia, Jackson, McMahon, Sears, Vallone Jr., Vann, Yassky, Oddo and Ignizio

**Negative, 1 -**

Rivera

**Absent, 2 -**

Baez and Koppell

**Maternity, 1 -**

Reyna

**LU 0659-2008      Section 202 Supportive Housing Program for the Elderly, Serviam Gardens Senior Housing, 323 East 198th Street, Block: 3291, Lot: p/o 1, The Bronx, Council District No. 15.**

**Attachments:** Memorandum, Res. No. 1236, Press Release, Hearing Transcript 1/30/08

**This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee**

**Attachments:** Memorandum, Res. No. 1236, Press Release, Hearing Transcript 1/30/08

**A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.**

**Affirmative, 18 -**

Weprin, Brewer, Comrie Jr., de Blasio, Fidler, Gennaro, Gentile, Gerson, Gioia, Jackson, McMahon, Rivera, Sears, Vallone Jr., Vann, Yassky, Oddo and Ignizio

**Absent, 2 -**

Baez and Koppell

**Maternity, 1 -**

Reyna