

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

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June 30, 2009
Start: 10:32am
Recess: 10:42am

HELD AT: Council Chambers
City Hall

B E F O R E:
HELEN SEARS
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Inez E. Dickens
Simcha Felder
Domenic M. Recchia, Jr.
Peter F. Vallone, Jr.

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

CHAIRPERSON SEARS: Good morning and welcome to the Committee on Government Operations, I'm Chair Helen Sears, and I'm joined by my colleagues, to my right is Simcha Felder from Brooklyn, Inez Dickens from Manhattan, and Peter Vallone is on his way in. To the extreme left is Peter Vallone. And--and to my right is Matt Gewolb, Counsel to the Committee, and Josh Gerber. We're here to vote on an important piece of legislation, which we heard testimony on yesterday. This is a measure that is being sponsored by the Speaker, myself, and Councilman Weprin. This would allow the Environmental Control Board and the Department of Finance to permit certain respondents, who are the subject of default judgments, to resolve those judgments by admitting liability and paying the penalty associated with the underlying violation, without paying any additional default penalty. In this way, the City can resolve many default judgments that would otherwise remain outstanding; thus recouping otherwise lost revenue, revenue. [off mic] Okay. The dates of the program are currently being formulated, but the program once

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2 established would run for 90 days, and cover
3 default judgments issued before May 1, 2009. The
4 program would be only, would only be effective
5 during Fiscal Year 2010. I will now ask my
6 colleagues if they have anything to add before I
7 call the vote. Alright, if not, may, please call
8 the roll.

9 CLERK: William Martin, Committee
10 Clerk, roll call on the Committee on Governmental
11 Operations. Preconsidered introduction. Council
12 Member Sears.

13 CHAIRPERSON SEARS: Aye.

14 CLERK: Felder.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: [off mic]
16 Yes.

17 CLERK: Vallone.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER VALLONE: Aye.

19 CLERK: Dickens.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye.

21 CLERK: By a vote of four in the
22 affirmative, zero in the negative, and no
23 abstentions, items adopted. Council Members,
24 please sign the Committee report.

25 CHAIRPERSON SEARS: I'm going to

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ask the clerk to keep the vote open for 15 minutes, while we close, thank you very much. With that, the meeting is adjourned. [gavel]

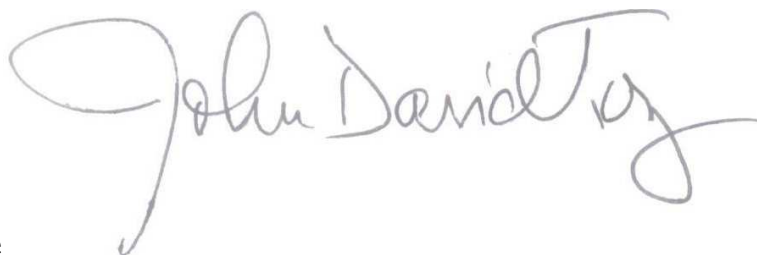
CLERK: Council Member Recchia.

COUNCIL MEMBER RECCHIA: Aye.

CLERK: Current vote now in the Committee on Gov Ops, is five in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and no abstentions.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, JOHN DAVID TONG 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John David Tong". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned to the right of the printed word "Signature".

Signature

Date July 24, 2009