



THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
CITY HALL
NEW YORK, NY 10007

DAVID M. CARR
MINORITY LEADER

TELEPHONE
(212) 788-7159

To the Clerk of the Council of the City of New York:

The attached constitutes the duly adopted bylaws of the Minority Delegation of the Council of the City of New York as more fully constituted pursuant to Section 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York.

Dated: Wednesday, January 7, 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Carr', written over a horizontal line.

David M. Carr
MINORITY LEADER



THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
CITY HALL
NEW YORK, NY 10007

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

100 CITY HALL

MINORITY DELEGATION

TELEPHONE
(212) 788-7159

**BYLAWS OF THE MINORITY DELEGATION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
(ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINORITY CONFERENCE, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY DELEGATION
OR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CAUCUS)**

The undersigned Members of the Minority Delegation of the Council of the City of New York (hereinafter "the Council") hereby adopt the following Rules and Bylaws for the period commencing on the 1st day of January in the year 2026:

1. Terms and definitions:

- (a) "Minority Delegation" is the Republican Party Delegation (also known as the Minority Conference, the Republican Party Delegation or Republican Party Caucus), consisting of Members of the Council and Council Members-elect qualified to serve in the Council pursuant to Rule 2.130 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision and who were enrolled with the New York City Board of Elections in the Republican Party on the date of their election to the Council and continue to be enrolled in the Republican Party.
- (b) "Minority Leader" is the leader of the Minority Delegation of the Council.

2. Election of the Minority Leader:

- (a) The Minority Delegation shall elect a Minority Leader pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision.
- (b) The Minority Leader shall be elected by a majority of all Members constituting the Minority Delegation. However, should there be a tie in the vote for Minority Leader, the tie shall go to the Member of the Council from the Minority Delegation with the longest continuous tenure as a Member of the Council who was nominated for Minority Leader. Said Member shall be elected as assume the role of Minority Leader. Notwithstanding any requirements on quorum for a meeting of the Minority Delegation, one half (1/2) of the Members constituting the Minority Delegation shall be sufficient for the purposes of establishing quorum for the Election of the Minority Leader, and one half (1/2) shall be sufficient to elect the Member of the Council from the Minority Delegation with the longest continuous tenure as a Member of the Council even if there is no tie. The election for the start of a new term shall take place between the certification by the New York City Board of Elections of the election of Council Members held pursuant to § 25 of the New York City Charter and first meeting of the Council of a new term called pursuant § 42 of the New York City Charter, or any successor provisions.

- (c) The term of the Minority Leader duly elected by this body shall be for a period continuing until December 31, 2029. However, for good cause shown, the Minority Leader may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members constituting the Minority Delegation pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council or any successor provision.
3. **The Office of the Minority Leader.** The Minority Leader shall maintain authority over a central office through which official business pertaining to the duties and responsibilities of the Republican Party members of the Council shall be conducted, pursuant to the Rules of the Council. Such office, known as the Minority Leader's Office, shall be available for use by all Minority Delegation Members of the Council, the staff of the Minority Leader and the staff of each Member of the Council in the Minority Delegation.
4. **Staff of the Minority Leader.** The Minority Leader shall solely be responsible for the hiring and direction of such staff as may be necessary to operate the above-referenced office. The Minority Leader will establish and maintain the salaries of said hired staff.
5. **Minority Delegation Leadership Positions.** Pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council or any successor provision, the Minority Leader shall, at his or her discretion, appoint Minority Delegation members to Delegation leadership positions.
6. **Rules Governing the Bylaws of the Minority Delegation:**
- (a) The Minority Delegation is an independent body within the City Council. These Bylaws govern its internal affairs.
- (b) Quorum for any meeting of the Minority Delegation shall be a majority of all Members constituting the Minority Delegation pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision. Meetings may be called by the Minority Leader or a majority of all Members constituting the Minority Delegation pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision.
- (c) All decisions by vote of the Minority Delegation at a meeting shall be made by a majority of all Members constituting the Minority Delegation pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision except as provided Section 2(b) and 6(d) of these Bylaws. All public statements may be put out in the name of the Minority Delegation if a majority approves, but such approval may be secured outside of a meeting by personal, written, or electronic means.
- (d) In the event of a vacancy in the position of Minority Leader, then the Minority Whip shall assume the role of interim Minority Leader until a new Minority Leader is chosen within seven (7) days of such a vacancy. If there is no Minority Whip or the Minority Whip shall decline to be the interim Minority Leader, then the Member of the Council from the Minority Delegation, other than the Minority Whip, with the longest continuous tenure as a Member of the Council shall assume the role of interim Minority Leader.
- (e) These Bylaws, so adopted, shall be in full force and effect for a term of the Council beginning January 1, 2026 and concluding on December 31, 2029.
- (f) For good cause shown, these Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the

Members constituting the Minority Delegation pursuant to Rule 4.10 of the Rules of the Council of the City of New York or any successor provision.

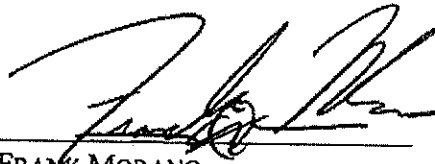
- (g) Except where otherwise provided herein, all parliamentary procedures shall be governed by the most recent edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.
- (h) If any rule, paragraph, or subparagraph of these bylaws shall be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or otherwise contrary to law, said decision shall not invalidate the entire agreement, and the balance of the Bylaws not so invalidated shall remain in full force and effect for the balance of the term of the Council.
- (i) These Bylaws constitute the entire and full understanding of all the undersigned parties, and all verbal and written agreements have been merged into this document. This agreement may not be changed except by a written agreement subscribed to by a sufficient number of Members as hereinabove provided.



DAVID M. CARR
MINORITY LEADER, 50TH DISTRICT



INNA VERNIKOV
MINORITY WHIP, 48TH DISTRICT



FRANK MORANO
COUNCIL MEMBER, 51ST DISTRICT