



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FINANCE DIVISION**

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**PROPOSED INTRO. NO.: 1109-B
COMMITTEE: Transportation**

TITLE: A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to pedestrian plazas.
Sponsor: By Council Members Johnson, Garodnick, Lander, Rodriguez, Torres and Chin

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Proposed Intro. No. 1109-B would authorize the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (“DOT”) to designate areas as pedestrian plazas and would deem all pedestrian plazas currently identified by the DOT as designated pursuant to this law. Proposals to designate an area as a pedestrian plaza may be submitted by Council Members, Community Boards, Borough Presidents, or non-profit organizations and, once the DOT decides to designate an area as a pedestrian plaza notice and an opportunity to comment must be provided to Council Members, Community Boards, and Borough Presidents.

The bill would also grant the DOT the authority to rescind the designation of a pedestrian plaza with notice to Council Members, Community Boards, Borough Presidents, or any pedestrian plaza partner. Upon request by one of those stakeholders, DOT must hold a public hearing prior to rescinding such designation.

The legislation would authorize the DOT to promulgate uniform rules for the general regulation of all pedestrian plazas and plaza- specific rules relating to the use of a specific plaza. Lastly, the legislation would require a plaza activity permit for events held within the pedestrian plaza to be issued by an agency or office designated by the Mayor and require such agency or office to promulgate rules regarding the issuance of such permits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This local law would take effect 60 days after it becomes law, except that the provision relating to the promulgation of rules for plaza activity permits and the requiring of plaza activity permits for events, would take effect 120 days after it becomes law, and DOT and any agency or office designated by the mayor to issue plaza activity permits, would take all actions necessary for its implementation, including the promulgation of rules, prior to such effective dates.

FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH FULL FISCAL IMPACT ANTICIPATED: Fiscal 2017

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Effective FY16	FY Succeeding Effective FY17	Full Fiscal Impact FY17
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$613,000	\$613,000
Net	\$0	-\$613,000	-\$613,000

IMPACT ON REVENUES: It is estimated that there would be no impact on revenues resulting from the

enactment of this legislation.

IMPACT ON EXPENDITURES: It is estimated that this legislation would impact expenditures in the amount of approximately \$613,000 annually. The estimate include \$162,910 in Personal Services cost and \$450,000 in Other than Personal Services costs relating to the implementation of Flow Zones and Designated Activity Zones (DAZs) in Times Square, as authorized by the legislation.

SOURCE OF FUNDS TO COVER ESTIMATED COSTS: The City's general fund

SOURCE OF INFORMATION: NYC Council Finance Division
Mayor's Office of Legislative Affairs

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: This legislation was introduced as Intro. No. 1109 by the Council on March 9, 2016 and referred to the Committee on Transportation. The legislation was subsequently amended and a hearing was held by the Committee on the amended legislation, Proposed Intro. No. 1109-A, on March 30, 2016 and the legislation was laid over. The legislation was subsequently amended and the amended version, Proposed Intro. No. 1109-B, will be considered by the Committee on April 6, 2016. Upon successful vote by the Committee, Proposed Intro. No. 1109-B will be voted on by the full Council on April 7, 2016.

DATE PREPARED: April 1, 2016