

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

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May 25, 2016
Start: 10:57 a.m.
Recess: 11:10 a.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers - City Hall

B E F O R E:
BRAD S. LANDER
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Inez E. Dickens
Daniel R. Garodnick
Ydanis A. Rodriguez
Margaret S. Chin
Deborah L. Rose
Jumaane D. Williams
Rafael L. Espinal, Jr.
Mark Levine
The Speaker (Council Member
Mark-Viverito)

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

2 [background comments]

3 [gavel]

4 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: Good morning and
5 welcome to the New York City Council Committee on
6 Rules, Privileges and Elections. My name's Brad
7 Lander, Chair of the committee; we're joined this
8 morning by committee members Council Member Debi
9 Rose, Margaret Chin, Steve Matteo, Mark Levine,
10 Rafael Espinal, and others who will be joining us
11 shortly.

12 Thank you to our Committee Counsel Jason
13 Otano and to our staff, Chuck Davis, Deandra Johnson
14 and Alicia Vissel [sp?].

15 Following the recommendation of the
16 Queens delegation in a letter dated April 29th, 2016,
17 Mayor de Blasio formally submitted the name of Nora
18 Marino to the Council for its advice and consent
19 regarding her nomination for reappointment to the New
20 York City Taxi and Limousine Commission. Ms. Marino,
21 a Queens resident, received the advice and consent of
22 the Council and is subsequently reappointed to the
23 TLC; she'll be eligible to complete the remainder of
24 seven-year term, expiring on January 31st, 2022. We
25 had a nice hearing with her last week and she

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2 answered a lot of our questions. I will note for
3 members that in addition to her good answers to our
4 questions last week she has given a follow-up; we
5 asked about her no vote on Taxi of Tomorrow, which I
6 thought she gave a good explanation on, but she's
7 given us additional information about it here today.

8 Are there any additional questions or
9 comments from members or from the floor? Seeing
10 none, we will proceed to a vote.

11 COMMITTEE CLERK: William Martin,
12 Committee Clerk, roll call vote Committee on Rules,
13 M 0396. Chair Lander.

14 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: I vote aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK: Chin.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN: Aye. [sic]

17 COMMITTEE CLERK: Rose.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER ROSE: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK: Espinal.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER ESPINAL: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK: Levine.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVINE: Aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Matteo.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER MATTEO: Yes.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 6 in the
3 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no absten...
4 [interpose, background comment] Council Member
5 Rodriguez.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: Aye.

7 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote is now 7 in
8 the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no
9 abstentions; the item has been adopted by the
10 committee.

11 CHAIRPERSON LANDER: ...roll open for a few
12 minutes for other members of the committee to come
13 and vote. [background comments] Right.

14 COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation roll call,
15 the Committee on Rules. Speaker Melissa Mark-
16 Viverito.

17 SPEAKER MARK-VIVERITO: I vote aye.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote now stands at
19 8 in the affirmative.

20 [pause]

21 COMMITTEE CLERK: Continuation roll call,
22 the Committee on Rules, M 0396. Council Member
23 Dickens.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: I vote aye on
25 all.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: Final vote now stands
3 at 9 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no
4 abstentions.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Thank you. And
6 I hereby close today's hearing on Rules. [gavel]
7 Thank you.

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Date May 27, 2016