

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION

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November 13, 2013
Start: 10:30 a.m.
Recess: 10:40 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 Broadway - Committee Rm,
14th Fl.

B E F O R E:
MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Elizabeth S. Crowley
Vincent J. Gentile
James Vacca
Daniel Dromm
James G. Van Bramer

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

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2 CHAIRPERSON MARK-VIVERITO: Alright,
3 we're gonna start this meeting; I know that we have
4 some other colleagues that are on the way; hopefully
5 we can leave the record open; they can come in and
6 vote. So good morning; I'm Council Member Melissa
7 Mark-Viverito, Chair of the Committee on Parks and
8 Recreation.

9 Today the Committee will conduct a vote
10 on Intro No. 1011; this bill, whose prime sponsor is
11 Council Member Ruben Wills, would rename South Road
12 in Queens to Tuskegee Airmen Way. On October 3rd we
13 had our first hearing on this bill, at which time we
14 heard overwhelmingly positive testimony in favor of
15 this bill, including testimony from actual members of
16 the Tuskegee Airmen; that was a really wonderful
17 moment.

18 I will vote to support this legislation
19 and ask that all of my colleagues also vote yes on
20 Intro No. 1011. So I'd like to ask... and I know
21 Council Member Wills couldn't make it here; we
22 usually would have asked him to make a statement, but
23 I know obviously he's incredibly supportive; he took
24 the time to be at the hearing last time, so with
25 that, unless anyone has any questions, I wanna

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2 acknowledge my colleagues that are here, Council
3 Member Vacca, Igni... Gentile... I was just talking to
4 Ignizio before... [background comment] and Council
5 Member Crowley. If nobody has anything that they'd
6 like to add, we can ask the clerk to call the roll.

7 WILLIAM MARTIN: William Martin,
8 Committee Clerk, roll call vote, Committee on Parks
9 and Recreation, Introduction 1011; Council Member
10 Mark-Viverito.

11 CHAIRPERSON MARK-VIVERITO: I vote aye.

12 WILLIAM MARTIN: Gentile.

13 COUNCIL MEMBER GENTILE: Vote aye.

14 WILLIAM MARTIN: Vacca.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER VACCA: Aye.

16 WILLIAM MARTIN: Crowley.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER CROWLEY: Aye.

18 WILLIAM MARTIN: By a vote of 4 in the
19 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions;
20 item is adopted. Council Members, please sign the
21 Committee Report.

22 CHAIRPERSON MARK-VIVERITO: And I'd like
23 to ask that the roll be left open 15-20 minutes;
24 allow for the other colleagues that are on their way
25 to come in and vote. [background comments]

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2 [pause]

3 WILLIAM MARTIN: Council Member Dromm.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER DROMM: I vote aye.

5 WILLIAM MARTIN: The vote now currently
6 stands at 5 in the affirmative.

7 [pause]

8 WILLIAM MARTIN: Council Member Van

9 Bramer:

10 COUNCIL MEMBER VAN BRAMER: Aye.

11 WILLIAM MARTIN: The final vote in the
12 Committee on Parks and Recreation is now 6 in the
13 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions.

14 [pause]

15 WILLIAM MARTIN: With that, the Committee
16 on Parks is adjourned.

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Date November 22, 2013