LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2019

No. 218

Introduced by the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams) and Council Members Reynoso, Perkins, Chin, Kallos, Lander, Louis, Barron, Ayala, Levin, Rosenthal and Eugene.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a report on the waiting lists of Mitchell-Lama housing developments

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 26 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a

new chapter 27 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 27

MITCHELL-LAMA DEVELOPMENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

§ 26-2701 Definitions.

§ 26-2702 Mitchell-Lama development waiting list report.

§ 26-2701 Definitions. As used in this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

Department. The term "department" means the department of housing preservation and development.

Mitchell-Lama development. The term "Mitchell-Lama development" means a housing development organized pursuant to article two of the private housing finance law and supervised by the department.

Waiting list. The term "waiting list" means a list of applicants from which the managing agent of a Mitchell-Lama development is required to process potential tenants or shareholders as applicable for subsequent occupancies of such development.

§ 26-2702 Mitchell-Lama development waiting list report. By September 1, 2021 and by September 1 of each year thereafter, the department shall submit to the mayor, the speaker of the council and the public advocate, and post to its website, a report on waiting lists for Mitchell-Lama developments that have been digitized and are incorporated into the housing portal required by section 26-1802. Such report shall be disaggregated by each Mitchell-Lama development and include, but need not be limited to, the following:

1. The number of unique applicants on the waiting list on the last day of the prior calendar year;

2. The number of applicants on the waiting list:

(a) Who were not selected for occupancy in such development within the prior calendar year; and

(b) Whose position on the waiting list was sequentially prior to a person other than a veteran who was selected for occupancy in such development within the prior calendar year;

3. The number of substantiated complaints received within the prior calendar year regarding the waiting list for such development, including, but not limited to:

(a) The selection for occupancy of an applicant whose position on the waiting list was sequentially later than applicants who were not selected for occupancy in such development from the same waiting list within the prior calendar year; and

(b) The waiting list process; and

4. The number of applicants who were admitted under the preference for veterans for such development within the prior calendar year.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on November 14, 2019 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on December 16, 2019.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 218 of 2019, Council Int. No. 716-A of 2018) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.