

# The New York City Council

*City Hall  
New York, NY 10007*



## Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, September 9, 2021**

**1:30 PM**

**Council Chambers - City Hall**

### **City Council**

*Corey D. Johnson, Speaker*

*Members: Adrienne E. Adams, Alicka Ampry-Samuel, Diana Ayala, Inez D. Barron, Joseph C. Borelli, Justin L. Brannan, Selvena N. Brooks-Powers, Fernando Cabrera, Margaret S. Chin, Robert E. Cornegy, Jr., Laurie A. Cumbo, Ruben Diaz, Sr., Darma V. Diaz, Eric Dinowitz, Daniel Dromm, Mathieu Eugene, Oswald Feliz, James F. Gennaro, Vanessa L. Gibson, Mark Gjonaj, Barry S. Grodenchik, Robert F. Holden, Ben Kallos, Peter A. Koo, Karen Koslowitz, Brad S. Lander, Stephen T. Levin, Mark Levine, Farah N. Louis, Alan N. Maisel, Steven Matteo, Carlos Menchaca, I. Daneek Miller, Francisco P. Moya, Bill Perkins, Keith Powers, Antonio Reynoso, Kevin C. Riley, Carlina Rivera, Ydanis A. Rodriguez, Deborah L. Rose, Helen K. Rosenthal, Rafael Salamanca, Jr., Mark Treyger, Eric A. Ulrich, Paul A. Vallone, James G. Van Bramer and Kalman Yeger*

*The Majority Leader (Council Member Cumbo) presiding as the Acting President Pro Tempore.*

1. Roll Call

**Present:** Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampy-Samuel, Ayala, Barron, Borelli, Brooks-Powers, Cabrera, Chin, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, R. Diaz Sr., D. Diaz, Dinowitz, Dromm, Eugene, Feliz, Gennaro, Gibson, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, Koo, Levin, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Miller, Moya, Powers, Riley, Rivera, Rodriguez, Rose, Treyger, Ulrich, Van Bramer and Yeger

**Absent:** Brannan, Koslowitz, Lander, Matteo, Menchaca, Perkins, Reynoso, Rosenthal, Salamanca Jr. and Vallone

*The presence of a quorum was announced by the Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo).*

*There were 39 Council Members marked present at this Stated Meeting.*

*At the time of this Stated Meeting, there were two vacancies in the Council (22nd District, Queens and 48th District, Brooklyn) pending the swearing-in of the respective certified winners of the November 2, 2021 General Election.*

2. Invocation

*The Invocation was delivered by Rabbi David Niederman, Executive Director & President, serving as a spiritual leader at UJO of Williamsburg (United Jewish Organizations of Williamsburg and North Brooklyn), located at 32 Penn Street Brooklyn, N.Y. 11249.*

*Council Member Levin moved to spread the Invocation in full upon the Record.*

3. Adoption of Minutes

*None*

4. Messages & Papers from the Mayor

**M 0326-2021**

**Communication from the Mayor - Submitting the name of Dr. Simona Kwon to the Council for its advice and consent prior to her appointment to the Board of Health, Pursuant to Sections 31 and 553 of the City Charter.**

**Attachments:** Mayor's Appointment Letter

**This Mayor's Message was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Elections**

5. Communications from City, County & Borough Offices

- M 0327-2021      Communication from the New York County Democratic Committee recommending the name of Jenny Low to the Council regarding her appointment to the office of Commissioner of Elections of the Board of Elections pursuant to § 3-204 of the New York State Election Law.**

**Attachments:** Election Commissioner Certification

**This Communication was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Elections**

6. Petitions and Communications

*None*

7. Land Use Call-Ups

*The Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) put the question whether the Council would agree with and adopt such motion which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:*

- M 0328-2021      By The Chair of the Land Use Committee (Council Member Salamanca)**  
**Pursuant to Sections 11.20(b-d) of the Council Rules and Section 197-d(b)(3) of the New York City Charter, the Council hereby resolves that the actions of the City Planning Commission on related Application No. C 210291 ZSR (River North) be subject to Council review. This item is related to Application Nos. C 210289 ZMR and N 210290 ZRR.**

**A motion was made that this Land Use Call-Up be Approved, by Council approved by Roll Call.**

**Affirmative:** 35 - Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampry-Samuel, Ayala, Barron, Borelli, Cabrera, Chin, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, R. Diaz Sr., D. Diaz, Dinowitz, Dromm, Eugene, Feliz, Gennaro, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, Koo, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Miller, Moya, Powers, Riley, Rivera, Rodriguez, Treyger, Ulrich, Van Bramer and Yeager

**Non-voting:** 4 - Brooks-Powers, Gibson, Levin and Rose

**Absent:** 10 - Brannan, Koslowitz, Lander, Matteo, Menchaca, Perkins, Reynoso, Rosenthal, Salamanca Jr. and Vallone

*At this point, the Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) declared that the aforementioned items were adopted and referred to the Committee on Land Use and to the appropriate Land Use Subcommittee.*

8. Communication from the Speaker

9. Discussion of General Orders

## 10. Reports of Special Committees

None

## 11. Reports of Standing Committees

Report of the Committee on Health

**Int 1668-2019-A      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to establishing a primary care services and patient navigation program**

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1668-A, Summary of Int. No. 1668, Int. No. 1668, August 14, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 8-14-19, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - August 14, 2019, Committee Report 10/31/19, Hearing Testimony 10/31/19, Hearing Transcript 10/31/19, Proposed Int. No. 1668-A - 9/7/21, Committee Report 9/9/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, Fiscal Impact Statement

**A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Council approved by consent Roll Call.**

Report of the Committee on Technology

**Int 1152-2018-A      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring an online payment grace period**

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1152-A, Summary of Int. No. 1152, Int. No. 1152, October 17, 2018 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Committee Report 12/13/18, Hearing Testimony 12/13/18, Hearing Transcript 12/13/18, Proposed Int. No. 1152-A - 9/8/21, Committee Report 9/9/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, Fiscal Impact Statement

**A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Council failed by Roll Call.**

Report of the Committee on Transportation

**Int 1789-2019-A      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to side guards**

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1789-A, Summary of Int. No. 1789, Int. No. 1789, Committee Report 10/24/19, Hearing Testimony 10/24/19, Hearing Transcript 10/24/19, October 30, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 10-30-19, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - October 30, 2019, Proposed Int. No 1789-A - 9/4/21, Committee Report 9/9/21, Opposition Memo, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, Fiscal Impact Statement

**A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Council approved by consent Roll Call.**

## Report of the Committee on Veterans

**Int 0647-2018-A      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to peer support services for veterans**

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 647-A, Summary of Int. No. 647, Int. No. 647, March 7, 2018 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 03-07-18, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - March 7, 2018, Committee Report 6/19/18, Hearing Testimony 6/19/18, Hearing Transcript 6/19/18, Proposed Int. No. 647-A - 9/1/21, Committee Report 9/9/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, Fiscal Impact Statement

**A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Council approved by consent Roll Call.**

## Report of the Committee on Women and Gender Equity

**Int 1828-2019-A      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to establishing an advisory committee on female genital mutilation and cutting and making technical amendments in connection therewith**

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 1828-A, Summary of Int. No. 1828, Int. No. 1828, December 19, 2019 - Stated Meeting Agenda with Links to Files, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 12-19-19, Minutes of the Stated Meeting - December 19, 2019, Committee Report 10/28/20, Hearing Testimony 10/28/20, Hearing Transcript 10/28/20, Proposed Int. No. 1828-A - 9/4/21, Committee Report 9/9/21, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, Fiscal Impact Statement

**A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Council approved by consent Roll Call.**

## 12. General Orders Calendar

Coupled on General Orders Calendar

Health

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General Orders Calendar

The Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) put the question whether the Council would agree with and adopt such reports, which were decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made that these files be approved by consent vote.

Affirmative: 39 - Speaker Johnson, Adams, Ampry-Samuel, Ayala, Barron, Borelli, Brooks-Powers, Cabrera, Chin, Cornegy Jr., Cumbo, R. Diaz Sr., D. Diaz, Dinowitz, Dromm, Eugene, Feliz, Gennaro, Gibson, Gjonaj, Grodenchik, Holden, Kallos, Koo, Levin, Levine, Louis, Maisel, Miller, Moya, Powers, Riley, Rivera, Rodriguez, Rose, Treyger, Ulrich, Van Bramer and Yeger

Absent: 10 - Brannan, Koslowitz, Lander, Matteo, Menchaca, Perkins, Reynoso, Rosenthal, Salamanca Jr. and Vallone

13. Introduction & Reading of Bills  
See Attached

14. Discussion of Resolutions

15. Resolutions

None

16. General Discussion

17. Extension of Remarks

INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS

Int 2394-2021 A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the application for New York city identity cards by incarcerated persons

Sponsors: By Council Members Gibson, Dromm, Levin and The Public Advocate ( Mr. Williams)

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 2394, Int. No. 2394

This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Criminal Justice

Res 1737-2021 Resolution calling upon the United States Senate to pass, and the President to sign, H.R. 8 (Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2021).

Sponsors: By Council Member Gibson

Attachments: Res. No. 1737

This Resolution was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Public Safety

**Int 2395-2021      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to increasing the fines for the unlawful use of all-terrain vehicles and dirt bikes**

**Sponsors:**    By Council Member Gjonaj

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 2395, Int. No. 2395

**This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Public Safety**

**Int 2396-2021      A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prohibiting the use of a vehicle to reserve a parking space and prohibiting the continuous parking of a vehicle in the same location for more than five consecutive days**

**Sponsors:**    By Council Member Holden

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 2396, Int. No. 2396

**This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Transportation**

**Int 2397-2021      A Local Law in relation to severance pay for hotel service employees**

**Sponsors:**    By Council Member Moya

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 2397, Int. No. 2397

**This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Business Licensing**

**Res 1738-2021      Resolution calling on the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, S.1553B/A.6399A, the Clean Slate Act.**

**Sponsors:**    By The Public Advocate ( Mr. Williams)

**Attachments:** Res. No. 1738

**This Resolution was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Public Safety**

**Int 2398-2021      A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to updating the open culture program for art and cultural institutions and making the program permanent**

**Sponsors:**    By Council Member Van Bramer

**Attachments:** Summary of Int. No. 2398, Int. No. 2398

**This Introduction was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Libraries and International Intergroup Relations**



**LU 0838-2021**      **Application No. N 210270 ZRY (Elevate Transit: Zoning for Accessibility) submitted by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and the New York City Department of City Planning pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, creating Article VI, Chapter 6 (Special Regulations Applying Around Mass Transit Stations) and modifying related sections, Citywide.**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**Attachments:**      Calendar of the Zoning Subcommittee Meeting - September 10, 2021

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

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**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

**LU 0839-2021**      **Application No. C 180395 ZMQ (106-02 Rockaway Beach Boulevard Rezoning) submitted by RBB II LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter, for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section Nos. 30a and 30b by eliminating from an existing R5D District a C2-3 District bounded by Rockaway Freeway, Beach 106th Street, Rockaway Beach Boulevard and Beach 108th Street and changing from an R5D District to an M1-3 District property bounded by Rockaway Freeway, the centerline of a Railroad Right of Way, Beach 106th Street, Rockaway Beach Boulevard, and Beach 108th Street, Borough of Queens, Council District 32, Community District 14.**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**Attachments:**      Calendar of the Zoning Subcommittee Meeting - September 10, 2021

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

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**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

**LU 0840-2021**      **Application No. C 200306 ZMK (307 Kent Avenue Rezoning) submitted by 307 Kent Associates pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 12d, by changing from an M3-1 District to an M1-5 District property bounded by South 2nd Street, a line 300 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue, South 3rd Street, and Kent Avenue; changing from an M3-1 District to an M1-4/R6A District property bounded by South 2nd Street, a line 210 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue, South 3rd Street, and a line 300 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue; and establishing a Special Mixed Use District (MX-8) bounded by South 2nd Street, a line 210 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue, South 3rd Street, and a line 300 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue; Borough of Brooklyn, Council District 33, Community District 1.**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**Attachments:** Calendar of the Zoning Subcommittee Meeting - September 10, 2021

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

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**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

**LU 0841-2021**      **Application No. N 200307 ZRK (307 Kent Avenue Rezoning) submitted by 307 Kent Associates pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, modifying APPENDIX F for the purpose of establishing a Mandatory Inclusionary Housing area for property in the Borough of Brooklyn, Council District 33, Community District 1.**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**Attachments:** Calendar of the Zoning Subcommittee Meeting - September 10, 2021

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

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**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

LU 0842-2021

Application No. C 210289 ZMR (River North) submitted by Richmond SI Owner LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 21c, eliminating from an existing R6 District a C2-2 District bounded by Richmond Terrace, Hamilton Avenue, a line 100 feet westerly of Stuyvesant Place, a line 100 feet southwesterly of Richmond Terrace, and Nicholas Street; eliminating a Special Hillside Preservation District (HS) bounded by Richmond Terrace, Stuyvesant Place, Hamilton Avenue, a line 185 feet westerly of Stuyvesant Place, a line 185 feet southwesterly of Richmond Terrace, and Nicholas Street; changing from an R6 District to an R7-3 District property bounded by Richmond Terrace, Stuyvesant Place, Hamilton Avenue, a line 185 feet westerly of Stuyvesant Place, a line 185 feet southwesterly of Richmond Terrace, and Nicholas Street; establishing within an existing R6 District a C2-4 District bounded by Richmond Terrace, Hamilton Avenue, and Stuyvesant Place; establishing within a proposed R7-3 District a C2-4 District bounded by Richmond Terrace, Stuyvesant Place, Hamilton Avenue, a line 185 feet westerly of Stuyvesant Place, a line 185 feet southwesterly of Richmond Terrace, and Nicholas Street; and establishing a Special St. George District (SG) bounded by Richmond Terrace, Hamilton Avenue, a line 185 feet westerly of Stuyvesant Place, a line 185 feet southwesterly of Richmond Terrace, and Nicholas Street; Borough of Staten Island, Community District 1, Council District 49, as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated May 3, 2021, and subject to the conditions of CEQR Declaration E-614.

Sponsors: By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use

This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises

**LU 0843-2021**      **Application No. N 210290 ZRR (River North) submitted by Richmond SI Owner LLC pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, modifying Article XII, Chapter 8 (Special St. George District) and related Sections, and modifying APPENDIX F for the purpose of establishing a Mandatory Inclusionary Housing area; Borough of Staten Island, Community District 1, Council District 49.**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

**LU 0844-2021**      **Application No. C 200291 ZSR (River North) submitted by Richmond SI Owner LLC, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter, for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Section 128-62\* of the Zoning Resolution, to modify the rear yard requirements of Section 23-47 (Minimum Required rear yard); the permitted obstruction requirements of Section 128-31 (Rooftop Regulations) and Section 33-42 (Permitted Obstructions); the height and setback requirements of Section 128-33\* (Maximum Base Height) and Section 128-34\* (Maximum Building Height); and the planting requirements of Section 128-42 (Planting Areas); in connection with a proposed mixed-use development, on property located at 24 Stuyvesant Place (Block 13, Lots 82, 92, 100 and p/o Lot 8), in an R7-3/C2-4\*\* District, within the Special St. George District (SG)\*\*, Borough of Staten Island, Community District 1, Council District 49. \*Note that Sections 128-33, 128-34 & 128-62 are proposed to be change under a concurrent related application for a Zoning Text change (N 210290 ZRR). \*\*Note that this site is proposed to be rezoned by changing R6(HS) & R6/C2-2(HS) Districts to an R7-3/C2-4(SG) District under a concurrent related application for a Zoning Map change (C 210289 ZMR).**

**Sponsors:**      By Council Member Salamanca Jr.

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Committee on Land Use**

**This Land Use Application was Referred to Comm by Council to the Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises**

*At this point the Speaker (Council Member Johnson) made the following announcements:*

*Whereupon on motion of the Speaker (Council Member Johnson), the Majority Leader and Acting President Pro Tempore (Council Member Cumbo) adjourned these proceedings to meet again for the Stated Meeting of Thursday, September 23, 2021.*

*MICHAEL McSWEENEY, City Clerk  
Clerk of the Council*