

The New York City Council

*City Hall
New York, NY 10007*



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

10:30 AM

VOTE

HYBRID HEARING - Committee Room - City Hall

Committee on Consumer and Worker Protection

Marjorie Velázquez, Chair

*Members: Shaun Abreu, Erik D. Bottcher, Gale A. Brewer, Amanda Farias,
Shekar Krishnan, Julie Menin, Chi A. Ossé and Julie Won*

Roll Call

Present: Velázquez, Abreu, Farías, Krishnan, Menin and Ossé

Absent: Bottcher and Brewer

Maternity: Won

Other Council Members Attending: Salamanca and Lee

Int 0372-2022

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to the creation of an office of the utility advocate

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 372-A, Summary of Int. No. 372, Int. No. 372, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Int. No. 372-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

Proposed Int. No. 372-A

This Introduction was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 372-A, Summary of Int. No. 372, Int. No. 372, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Int. No. 372-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

This Introduction was Amendment Proposed by Comm

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 372-A, Summary of Int. No. 372, Int. No. 372, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Int. No. 372-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

This Introduction was Amended by Committee

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A motion was made that this Introduction be Approved by Committee approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative: 6 - Velázquez, Abreu, Farías, Krishnan, Menin and Ossé

Absent: 2 - Bottcher and Brewer

Maternity: 1 - Won

Int 0506-2022

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of consumer and worker protection to implement an outreach and education campaign on facilities that deceptively advertise or are otherwise misleading when offering reproductive health services

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 506-A, Summary of Int. No. 506, Int. No. 506, June 2, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-2-22, Committee Report 6/21/22, Hearing Testimony 6/21/22, Hearing Transcript 6/21/22, Proposed Int. No. 506-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement

Proposed Int. No. 506-A

This Introduction was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 506-A, Summary of Int. No. 506, Int. No. 506, June 2, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-2-22, Committee Report 6/21/22, Hearing Testimony 6/21/22, Hearing Transcript 6/21/22, Proposed Int. No. 506-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement

This Introduction was Amendment Proposed by Comm

Attachments: Summary of Int. No. 506-A, Summary of Int. No. 506, Int. No. 506, June 2, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 6-2-22, Committee Report 6/21/22, Hearing Testimony 6/21/22, Hearing Transcript 6/21/22, Proposed Int. No. 506-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Fiscal Impact Statement

This Introduction was Amended by Committee

Int 0506-2022-A

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of consumer and worker protection to implement an outreach and education campaign on facilities that deceptively advertise or are otherwise misleading when offering reproductive health services

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Absent: 2 - Bottcher and Brewer

Maternity: 1 - Won

Res 0162-2022 **Resolution calling on the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, amendments to article 4 of the Public Service Law to prevent a utility's rate case from exceeding a certain percentage each year.**

Attachments: Res. No. 162, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Res. No. 162, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Res 0172-2022 **Resolution calling on New York State to increase the number of Commissioners on the Public Service Commission and permit New York City to appoint two of its Commissioners**

Attachments: Res. No. 172, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Attachments: Res. No. 172, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Res 0173-2022

**Resolution calling upon the Governor and New York State
Legislature to expand financial relief programs to assist City
residents struggling to pay their utility bills.**

Attachments: Res. No. 173, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Res. No. 173-A - 7/6/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

Proposed Res. No. 173-A

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Attachments: Res. No. 173, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Res. No. 173-A - 7/6/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Attachments: Res. No. 173, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Res. No. 173-A - 7/6/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Res 0173-2022-A

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Res 0174-2022

Resolution calling upon Consolidated Edison to improve communication with City residents about increases in utility costs

Attachments: Res. No. 174, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Res. No. 174-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

Proposed Res. No. 174-A

This Resolution was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Res. No. 174, May 19, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Committee Report 6/30/22, Hearing Testimony 6/30/22, Proposed Res. No. 174-A - 7/7/22, Committee Report 7/13/22, Committee Report - Stated Meeting, July 14, 2022 - Stated Meeting Agenda, Hearing Transcript - Stated Meeting 5-19-22

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Res 0174-2022-A

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