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By Council Members Adams, Louis, Gibson, Gjonaj, Miller and Yeger (by request of the Queens Borough President)

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the police department to conduct an annual security assessment at each New York city housing authority building

Be it enacted by Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 14 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 14-183 to read as follows:

§ 14-183 New York city housing authority building security assessments. a. Annual building assessments. Each year, the department shall provide an assessment of security for each building in a public housing development of the New York city housing authority to the chair of the New York city housing authority and the property manager of the development in which the assessed building is located. Such assessments shall be provided within 15 days of the completion of such assessment. Each assessment shall include, but need not be limited to, the date such assessment was conducted and the following information:

1. The number and location of broken doors or locks on the ground floor of the building;
2. The number and location of broken lights within 20 feet of the exterior of the building;
3. The number and location of broken lights in any public area in the interior of the building;
4. The number and location of security cameras in the building and whether such cameras are functioning properly;
5. The number and location of security cameras within 20 feet of the exterior of the building and whether such cameras are functioning properly;

6. Any locations on the interior or exterior of the building for which the addition of a security camera would benefit the safety of residents of the building;

7. Any locations on the interior or exterior of the building for which additional lighting would benefit the safety of residents of the building; and

8. Any additional security issues observed during the assessment.

b. Quarterly reports. Beginning April 1, 2020, and quarterly thereafter, the department shall submit to the mayor, the speaker of the council and the chair of the New York city housing authority a report on the number of annual building assessments, as required by subdivision a, the department completed in the prior quarter. Such reports shall be permanently posted on the department's website, and shall include, but need not be limited to, the following information for each annual building assessment completed:

1. The address of the building;

2. The name of the development in which the building is located;

3. The date the assessment was conducted; and

4. The date the department provided the assessment to the New York city housing authority.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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