



Legislation Text

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In connection herewith, Council Member Daniel Dromm offered the following resolution:

RES. NO. 813

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Resolved: By the Council of the City of New York, pursuant to the provisions of section 243 of the New York City Charter that the following amounts shall be submitted to the Mayor, for inclusion in the executive budget for the operating budget for the Council of the City of New York.

(PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHMENTS FOR A FULL COPY OF FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK)

Summary:

Under the City Charter, the City Council is authorized to structure its own budget. This budget must be presented to the Mayor, for inclusion in the Executive Budget, after the Council approves it.

The Council's staff is described through divisions within three units of appropriation: Council Members and their aides, Committee Staffing, and Council Services. These and the standing committees each have a U/A for PS. OTPS is divided into the following categories: members, central staff, and each standing committee. A separate resolution approving the central staff's lump sum unit of appropriation is attached for Council approval pursuant to Section 100 (c) of the Charter.

Council Member office budgets are funded in U/A 001 object 021 (PS) and U/A 100 objects 400 and 414 (OTPS). Funds allocated for each Member's budget total \$521,000.

Staff from the Office of the General Counsel, Governmental Affairs, Finance, Land Use, Infrastructure, and Human Services divisions are specifically assigned to each committee and subcommittee. These analysts and attorneys in turn are supported by the Administrative Services Division, which functions as the central administration.

Staffs from the following Divisions are assigned to these Committees and Subcommittees:

Finance

- ❖ Finance
- ❖ Capital Budget (Subcommittee)

Land Use

- ❖ Land Use
- ❖ Landmarks, Public Siting & Maritime Uses (Subcommittee)
- ❖ Planning, Dispositions & Concessions (Subcommittee)
- ❖ Zoning & Franchises (Subcommittee)

General Counsel

- ❖ Rules, Privileges & Elections
- ❖ Standards & Ethics

Governmental Affairs

- ❖ Civil & Human Rights
- ❖ Consumer Affairs & Business Licensing
- ❖ Contracts
- ❖ Criminal Justice
- ❖ Fire & Emergency Management
- ❖ General Welfare
- ❖ Governmental Operations
- ❖ Immigration
- ❖ Justice System
- ❖ Juvenile Justice
- ❖ Oversight & Investigations
- ❖ Public Safety
- ❖ State & Federal Legislation

Human Services

- ❖ Aging
- ❖ Civil Services & Labor
- ❖ Cultural Affairs, Libraries & International Intergroup Relations
- ❖ Education

- ❖ Health
- ❖ Higher Education
- ❖ Hospitals
- ❖ Mental Health, Disabilities and Addiction
- ❖ Small Business
- ❖ Transportation
- ❖ Veterans
- ❖ Women
- ❖ Youth Services

Infrastructure

- ❖ Economic Development
- ❖ Environmental Protection
- ❖ Housing & Buildings
- ❖ Parks & Recreation
- ❖ Public Housing
- ❖ Sanitation & Solid Waste Management
- ❖ Technology

Drafting

- ❖ Responsible for drafting of legislation for the Council's Legislative Committees

CITY COUNCIL BUDGET

Function:

The New York City Council is the legislative branch of city government. Council members are elected every four years and each represents a district of approximately 160,000 people.

The Council is an equal partner with the Mayor in the governing of New York City. The Council monitors the operation and performance of city agencies. It has sole responsibility for analyzing and approving the city's budget which sets spending priorities and has decision-making powers over

major land use issues. It is the city's lawmaking body.

The allocations of funds made through this Resolution are based on current projections and information available. Final allocations may vary from those anticipated in this Resolution, subject to the discretion of the Speaker.