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By Council Members Hanif, Krishnan, Lee, Restler, Brannan, Gutiérrez and Brewer (by request of the Brooklyn Borough President)

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to an annual report on compliance with the Americans with disabilities act standards for accessible design by the department of parks and recreation, and to repeal and replace section 18-143 of the administrative code of the city of New York

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Section 18-143 of the administrative code of the city of New York is REPEALED and a new section 18-143 is added to read as follows:

§ 18-143 Parks accessibility assessment. a. No later than December 31 of each year, the commissioner shall assess each park under the jurisdiction of the department to determine if the park facilities, including entrances and park access points, bathrooms, playgrounds, beaches, and pools, conform to applicable federal, state, and city accessibility standards.

b. No later than December 31 of each year, the commissioner shall submit a report to the mayor and the speaker of the city council regarding the assessment conducted for that year pursuant to subdivision a of this section. Such report shall contain a table in which each park facility maintained by the department is represented by a row. Each row shall include the following information, set forth in separate columns:

1. The facility name;
2. A geospatial reference for the facility;
3. The community district(s) in which the facility is located;
4. The amount of parkland expressed in acreage per 1,000 residents of each community district;
5. Whether the facility has features specifically designed to be used by people with disabilities;

6. Whether the facility conforms to the 2010 standards for accessible design, a successor standard, or any other applicable federal, state, and city accessible design standards;

7. Actions necessary to achieve compliance with accessibility standards, if any;

8. Plans that have been made to bring the facility into compliance with accessibility standards, if any, and a timeline for the completion of the plans; and

9. A description of all work undertaken within the immediately preceding calendar year to bring the facility into compliance with such standards.

c. The commissioner shall also create and place on the department's website a map depicting each facility listed in the report and all corresponding information required pursuant to subdivision b.

d. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to require that the department undertake any action that would not be required by the Americans with disabilities act, or any federal, state or city standard for accessibility.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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