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A Local Law in relation to requiring the mayor's office for people with disabilities to collect from each New York city office, department or agency a comprehensive five-year accessibility plan

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Five-year accessibility plan. The mayor's office for people with disabilities, or another agency or office designated by the mayor, shall collect a five-year accessibility plan from each department, office and agency of the city of New York. Such plan shall include, at a minimum:

1. The steps the department, office or agency is currently taking and will be taking over the next five years to ensure that the office, department or agency's workplace, services, programs and activities are accessible to and accommodating of persons with disabilities; and

2. Budgetary allocations, prioritizations and timelines for implementation over the next five years of capital projects that are related to improving access for persons with disabilities, including, but not limited to: any alterations or structural changes to facilities or premises that are owned and operated by the office, department or agency or contracted for use by the office, department or agency or otherwise under the office, department or agency's jurisdiction; any planned upgrades or investments in technology or tools that will improve accessibility within the office, department or agency or access to such office, department or agency's services and programs; and any other steps the office, department or agency is taking or plans to take to improve compliance with federal, state and local disability laws.

b. Input from stakeholders. In collecting five-year accessibility plans from each office, department or

agency, the mayor's office for people with disabilities, or another agency or office designated by the mayor, shall ensure that stakeholders, community-based organizations, providers and all other appropriate individuals or entities have an adequate opportunity to provide input on the content to be included in each five-year accessibility plan.

c. Website. No later than July 31, 2023, the mayor's office for people with disabilities shall post online and submit to the mayor and the speaker of the council all collected five-year accessibility plans from each office, department or agency. If any office, department or agency fails to create a plan, the mayor's office for people with disabilities shall create and submit a plan on the office, department or agency's behalf.

§ 2. Effective date. This local law takes effect immediately and is deemed repealed 180 days after the accessibility plans described by this local law are posted online.

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