



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 22-0228

Midtown Community Benefits District - Amendment

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: September 20, 2022

Time (Beginning): 2:05 PM

Time (Ending): 2:20 PM

Location: Clarence "Du" Burns Council Chambers / Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: Approximately 30

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Ryan Dorsey Mark Conway Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

- Bill Synopsis in the file? .....  yes  no  n/a
- Attendance sheet in the file? .....  yes  no  n/a
- Agency reports read?.....  yes  no  n/a
- Video or audio-digitally recorded?.....  yes  no  n/a
- Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? .....  yes  no  n/a
- Evidence of notification to property owners?.....  yes  no  n/a
- Final vote taken at this hearing? .....  yes  no  n/a

Motioned by:.....Councilmember Robert Stokes

Seconded by:.....Councilmember Mark Conway

Final Vote:.....Favorable with Amendment

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Councilmember Eric Costello
- Eric Ceasar, Executive Director, Midtown Community Benefits District
- Elena DiPietro, Department of Law

- Pedro Aponte, Department of Finance

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### Major Issues Discussed

1. Chairwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and City representatives and read the bill into the record.
2. Councilmember Costello explained the purpose of the bill and proposed amendments to the bill. The amendments were discussed with the Department of Finance and the Law Department.
3. Councilmember Ramos asked for an explanation of how credits and the surtax are handled.
4. Elena DiPietro explained the amendments which would help clarify the methodology for applying credits.
5. Pedro Aponte explained how credits are applied.
6. Eric Caesar provided information about the tax credits and surtax.
7. The committee voted to amend the bill.
8. The committee voted to recommend a favorable report.

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### Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes  No

If yes, describe.

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### Committee Vote:

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair ..... Yea  
John Bullock: ..... Yea  
Mark Conway: ..... Yea  
Ryan Dorsey: ..... Yea  
Antonio Glover: ..... Absent  
Robert Stokes: ..... Yea  
Odette Ramos: ..... Yea

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Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

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