

This Week in New York – Council Passes New Bills Related to Commercial Spaces, Ballot Proposals Receive Mixed Support from Elected Officials, Jamie Ansorge Named to 40 Under 40 List & Election Day Reception Invitation

Single-occupancy Restroom Rights & Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirements



On Wednesday at a stated meeting, the New York City Council passed two pieces of legislation relating to single-occupancy restrooms and carbon monoxide detectors in commercial spaces. Intro. 465 will require the New York City Department of Buildings, in partnership with other city agencies, to provide business owners and the general public education and outreach materials about the city's single-occupancy restroom requirements in commercial establishments. The legislation intends to inform the general public about their right to a single-occupancy restroom regardless of their gender, and seeks to ensure that business owners are complying with the law. Intro. 644 will require the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in all commercial spaces required to have a fire alarm system. These bills have been sent to Mayor Bill de Blasio's desk for final approval.

Mayor's Charter Review Ballot Proposals Receive Mixed Support



Next week on Election Day, New York City voters will decide three ballot measures proposed by the Mayor's Charter Revision Commission. Mayor de Blasio spent the week advocating in support of the three proposals, while some elected officials notably voiced their opposition. Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr., Queens Borough President Melinda Katz and NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer all oppose questions 2 and 3, related to civic engagement and community boards. Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams supports questions 2 and 3, but opposes question 1 to change to campaign finance rules, and Staten Island Borough President James Oddo opposes all three.



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Jamie Ansorge, a Government Relations Adviser for Cozen O'Connor Public Strategies and counsel within the law firm, has been named one of New York City's 40 Under 40 by City & State New York. Each year, City & State honors 40 talented individuals under the age of 40 who work in New York City government, politics, and advocacy and have distinguished themselves in the eyes of their colleagues as a rising star in the industry. To view the full list, [click here](#).

Election Night Reception Invitation

Please join us for a reception as the historic midterm election results roll in.



Cozen O'Connor Public Strategies invites you to join us in our Midtown office for light fare and lively conversation as we tune into multiple news sources and learn of the results of the New York and national elections. [Click here](#) to RSVP.

Event Details: Tuesday, November 6, 2018 6:00 - 11:00 p.m. Cozen O'Connor 277 Park Avenue 20th Floor New York, NY 10172

Please contact [Katie Schwab](#) or [Rose Christ](#) of Cozen O'Connor Public Strategies with any questions you may have regarding this note or if you're interested in ways to engage on these issues.