

# **BALLOT PROPOSAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

YES: 1 & 5

**○ NO: 2, 3, 4 & 6** 

### **Question 1** — Adirondack Olympic Sports Complex Expansion

Allows new ski trails and adds 2,500 acres of new protected forest in Adirondack Park.



"YES" authorizes expansion of ski trails and facilities.

"No" vote maintains current protections on forest-preserve land.

Conclusion: Expands recreational use of protected land and adds new acreage elsewhere.

### **Question 2** — Fast-Track Affordable Housing Approvals

Creates two new processes to speed up affordable-housing projects—one for publicly financed developments, another for the 12 community districts that have produced the least affordable housing.



"Yes" lets the City Planning Commission or Board of Standards & Appeals approve, bypassing City Council.

"NO" keeps the current seven-month ULURP process ending with City Council approval.

Conclusion: Undermines Council and community review & removes key checks on development.

## **Question 3** — Expedited Review for "Modest" Projects

Creates a shorter land-use process (ELURP) for modest housing and infrastructure projects.



"NO" keeps the full ULURP review with City Council's final say.

Conclusion: Reduces transparency and City Council oversight of local land use decisions.

### **Question 4** — Affordable Housing Appeals Board

Creates a three-member board (Mayor, Borough President, and (City Council Speaker) that could overturn City Council rejections of affordable-housing projects by a two-to-one vote.



"Yes" establishes this board, replacing the mayor's veto as the final step.

"NO" keeps the existing process, where the City Council has the final decision.

Conclusion: Concentrates too much power in the Mayor's office and diminishes City Council authority.

#### **Question 5** — Centralized Digital City Map



Consolidates five borough map offices into a single digital system maintained by the Department of City Planning.

"YES" vote creates one digital map under DCP.

"No" keeps five separate borough systems.

Conclusion: A modernization measure with minimal policy impact.

### **Question 6 – Move City Elections to Presidential Years**

Aligns city elections with presidential elections.



"Yes" moves local elections to presidential years, but would extend current terms by one year.

"NO" keeps city elections in odd-numbered years.

Conclusion: Risks local issues being overshadowed by national politics.



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