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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

The documents described herein were collected by the late Judge David G. Trager during his service as a member of two successive New York City Charter Revision Commissions, the first constituted during the period December 1986 to November 1988, and the second during the period December 1988 to November 1989.

Documents #1-79B, currently stored in drawers 1-2 were originally housed in 24 looseleaf binders, arranged in rough chronological sequence. They consist of background materials prepared for the NYCCRC, including correspondence, notices, proposals, speeches, testimony, and transcripts. Documents #1-15 relate to hearings held in 1987 by the first Commission; documents #16-68 relate to hearings held in 1988 by the first Commission; and documents #69-79B relate to hearings held in 1989 by the second Commission.

Documents #80-359, currently stored in drawers 2-3 consist of a variety of materials including memoranda, correspondence, drafts, proposals and responses to proposals, publications, and reports related to the work of both Commissions. While documents that were originally together have been kept together, they are arranged in neither chronological nor subject order.

Documents #360-368, currently stored in drawer 3 consist of bound volumes of transcripts of some of the public hearings held by both Commissions, as well as the second Commission's final report.

Documents #369-752, currently stored in drawers 3-4, consist of bound and unbound reports, memoranda, correspondence, drafts, proposals and responses to proposals, and publications, nearly all from the period 1987-1989.

For the convenience of researchers and without disturbing the original order, the processing archivist has arranged the entire record group into the following eight subject categories:

A: General (documents #1-469)

B: Voting Rights (documents #470-542): including minority representation, weighted voting for members of the Board of Estimate, filling vacancies, special elections, approval voting, and voter assistance

C: Mayoral Inability (documents #543-551)

D: The City Council (documents #552-581)

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E: Local Voice in Government (documents #582-592): including community boards, community governance in general, and decentralization of government services

F: Land Use (documents #593-680): including landmark preservation, historic districts, and disposition of public properties

G: Ethics (documents #681-706): including conflicts of interest and campaign finance reform

H: Internal Controls (documents #707-752): including contracting process, procurement, budget process, City Administrative Procedure Act, and Civilian Complaint Review Board

HISTORICAL NOTE:

The New York City Charter establishes the basic form of organization and administration for New York City’s government, setting forth both its structure and the manner in which it operates.

In 1777, with the adoption of the state Constitution, the State of New York recognized the British colonial charter, known as the Montgomerie Charter of 1731, for what is now known as New York City.2 The City Charter could not be amended by its citizens; rather amendments required an act by the New York State Legislature. From 1777 to 1890, the City Charter went through fifteen revisions.3 Cities within New York State did not easily gain the right to amend their own charters. This fight became known as the struggle for municipal home rule. The first major victory for cities came with the New York State Constitutional Convention of 1894. The New York State Legislature divided cities into three classes by population. This enabled the legislature to pass general laws to address the problems of cities of equal size.4

While the New York State Legislature relaxed its control of small- and medium-sized cities, it enacted a series of charters that tried to control the power of New York City. Of particular note is the Charter of Greater New York (1898), under which Manhattan, the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, and Staten Island were merged into the City of New York (informally, New York City). Thus did these former cities and communities become the five boroughs of what is now New York City.5 From 1898 to 1923, the New York State Legislature placed a number of checks on New York City’s powers.

- Under the 1898 Charter, the mayor’s powers were reduced, the offices of the borough presidents were created, and the power of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was

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4 Div. of Local Gov’t Servs., New York State Dep’t of State, REVISING CITY CHARTERS IN NEW YORK STATE 2 (James A. Coon Local Gov’t Technical Series, 1998).
5 See Jackson, supra note 3 at 205-206.
The Board was composed of eight ex officio members: the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the President of the Board of Aldermen (which would eventually evolve into the City Council), each of whom was elected citywide and had two votes; and the five borough presidents, each having one vote.6

● The 1901 Charter decentralized New York City government by strengthening the borough presidents and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.7 The Board was given authority to set the City’s budget and exercise residual powers.8

● By 1914, the Legislature gave all the cities in the state except New York City a role in defining their charters.9

New York City was finally granted the power to amend its charter without special action by the Legislature in 1924.10 By 1963, when the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law was enacted, the 1924 law was incorporated without substantial change.11

In the 1980’s, a number of federal lawsuits over equal representation had consequences for the system of governance used by New York City.12 Of particular note is the action commenced in 1982 by three registered voters of the Borough of Brooklyn who sought declaratory and injunctive relief to remedy claimed disproportionate representation of their borough on the Board of Estimate.13 In 1986, U.S. District Judge Edward R. Neaher of the Eastern District ruled that the voting structure of the Board of Estimate was unconstitutional.14

In response to the Eastern District’s ruling, New York City Mayor Edward I. Koch (1924-2013; mayoralty 1978-1989) appointed a charter revision commission led by Richard Ravitch (born 1933) in December 1986. The first or “Ravitch Commission” was an independent 15-member body with broad authority to study and recommend changes to the structure of the City’s government. On October 8, 1987, the

6 Id.
7 Id. at 207-208.
8 Id. at 122-123.
9 Id. at 208.
10 See Div. of Local Gov’t Servs., New York State Dep’t of State, supra note 3.
11 Id.
12 See Jackson, supra note 3 at 208.
Morris decision was affirmed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, which ordered the implementation of a remedy within a one year. In April 1988, the United States Supreme Court granted certiorari of Morris as the Ravitch Commission was beginning its final deliberations. As a result, it deferred any proposal relating to the methods of election and powers of elected officials until the Supreme Court issued its decision. But the Ravitch Commission proceeded with its other work, presenting its recommendations to the citizens of New York City in the general election held in November 1988. The proposals were overwhelmingly approved and the authority granted to the Ravitch Commission expired.

On January 19, 1989, Mayor Koch appointed Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. (born 1935) as the new chairman of a reconstituted NYCCRC (second or “Schwarz Commission”), as well as re-appointing all former members who were willing to continue their service and appointing four new members. On March 22, 1989, the Supreme Court unanimously affirmed Morris. The voters of New York City approved the Schwarz Commission’s final proposals in the general election held on November 7, 1989, as well as electing a new mayor, David N. Dinkins (born 1927; BLS Class of 1956; mayoralty 1990-1993). As had the 1988 referendum on Charter revision, the 1989 referendum marked the end of the NYCCRC’s mandate.

City charter revisions seldom galvanize masses of voters. Usually, they are approved by a majority of 4 to 1. In 1989, the Schwarz Commission’s proposals were only approved by majority of 5 to 4. But the approved final proposals of the Schwarz Commission had to survive one final test: Under the Voting Rights Act, the United States Justice Department needed to decide whether the proposed changes in government structure would diminish the voting strength of New York City’s minority residents. On December 13, 1989, the Department of Justice approved the new municipal government structure, which therefore took effect on January 1, 1990.

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15 Morris v. Bd. of Estimate, 831 F.2d 384 (2d Cir. 1987).
BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Judge David G. Trager (December 23, 1937 - January 5, 2011) was born in Mount Vernon, New York. He completed his undergraduate studies at Columbia University (1959) and graduated from Harvard Law School (1962).

In 1963, he began his legal career in private practice in New York City (1963-1967) under the tutelage of the great trial lawyer Emile Zola Berman.

In 1967, David Trager left private practice to pursue a legal career in public service. He first served as an Assistant Corporation Counsel for New York City (1967), then as a law clerk to New York State Court of Appeals Judge Kenneth B. Keating (1968-1969) and New York State Court of Appeals Chief Judge Stanley H. Fuld (1969). He also worked as an Assistant United States Attorney and Chief of the Appeals Division for United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York (1970-1972). In 1972, David Trager began to teach law, joining the faculty of Brooklyn Law School as an Associate Professor of Law (1972-1974).

Two years later, Trager, a Republican known for political independence, was appointed as United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York (1974-1978). He remained in office during the presidential administrations of Gerald R. Ford, a Republican, and Jimmy Carter, a Democrat.

In 1978, David Trager returned to Brooklyn Law School as Professor of Law (1978-1983). In 1983, he was appointed Dean of Brooklyn Law School (1983-1993). During his tenure as dean, Trager expanded the school’s faculty, supported the development of legal clinical programs, and expanded the school’s facilities by building an annex and opening the first student residence hall.

While working at Brooklyn Law School, Dean Trager continued his public service as a member of two successive New York City Charter Revision Commissions (1986-1989). He also served on the New York City Mayor’s Committee on the Judiciary (1981-1990), as Chair of the Temporary New York State Commission on Investigations (1983-1990), and as President of the Federal Bar Council (1983-1990).

After three decades as a lawyer, state investigation commissioner, federal prosecutor, and law school professor and dean, David Trager was appointed to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York by President Bill Clinton in 1993. Judge Trager assumed senior status on March 1, 2006.

Judge Trager died on January 5, 2011 at the age of 73.

PROCESSING ARCHIVIST’S NOTES:

1. Document control number is indicated by superscript at the end of the description of the item it denotes.
2. Letters are copies unless otherwise indicated.
3. A few item-specific conservation issues are indicated by bold capitals.
4. Highlighted documents have been digitized.


Formerly Housed In Looseleaf Binders Acquired In 2011
Binder 1(Folders A1-A4): Briefing Book, Summer 1987 (some materials dated 1/12/88; see documents #216-220A)

1. Cover page on card stock with cutout
2. Title Page
3. Table of Contents
4. Tab: “Introduction” (n.b. Contents missing.)
5. Tab: “Elected Officials”
   a. Contents Page covering Sections II-A – II-E
   b. Mayor (Section II-A)
   c. President of the Council (Section II-B)
   d. Comptroller (Section II-C)
   e. Borough Presidents (Section II-D)
   f. Board of Estimate (Section II-E)
   g. Letters (7) from the Borough Presidents
   h. City Council (Section II-F)
   i. Summary of Proportional Representation Charter Used In New York City
   j. Newspaper clippings on Proportional Representation
6. Tab: “Community Governance”
   a. Contents Page covering section [III?] (n.b. This section not divided by subsection; only by headings.)
   b. Briefing materials
7. Tab: “Executive Branch Organization” (n.b. Contents missing.)
8. Tab: “Line Agencies/Functions”
   a. Contents Page covering Sections V-C and V-D
   b. Land Use Planning and Project Review (Section V-C)
   c. Franchises and Revocable Consents (Section V-D)
9. Tab: “Staff Agencies/Functions (Financial)”
   a. Contents Page covering Sections VI-A – VI-D, VI-F, VI-G
   b. Expense Budget (Section VI-A)
   c. Capital Planning and Budgeting (Section VI-B)
   d. Debt Management (Section VI-C)
   e. Cash Management (Section VI-D)
   f. Auditing (Section VI-F)
   g. Accounting and Financial Reporting (Section VI-G)
10. Tab: “Staff Agencies/Functions (Other)”
    b. Contracting and Procurement (Section VII-A)
    c. Administrative Rule-Making (Section VII-B)
    d. Program Planning (Section VII-C)
    e. Personnel Management (Section VII-D)
    f. Performance and Other Non-Financial Reporting (Section VII-E)
    g. Property Management (Section VII-F)
    h. Records Management (Section VII-G)
    i. City Clerk (Section VII-H)
    j. Corporation Counsel (Section VII-I)
    k. Public Construction (Section VII-J)
11. Tab: “Special Issues”
a. Contents Page covering Sections VIII-A, VIII-C
b. Ethics (Section VIII-A)
c. Internal Control Framework (Section VIII-B)
d. Public Participation Requirements (Section VIII-C)

1. Alternate table of contents for “Briefing Book / Summer, 1987”

Binder 2 (Folder A5): Materials for Private Hearings on Council President
1. Contents
2. Title Page: “Annotated Charter Provisions” followed by Xerox copies of pages from McKinney’s
3. Title Page: “Briefing Paper on the President of the Council”
   a. Contents page (numbered II-B-1)
   b. Charter Provisions (numbered II-B-3) – list of provisions relevant to Office of City Council President
   c. Materials and questions re: Office of Council President
4. Title page: “Summary of Testimony”
   a. Outline
   b. Appendix A – Alphabetized list of speakers
   c. Appendix B
      i. Public Hearing, Staten Island, 4/22/87 (List of speakers)
      ii. Public Hearing, Brooklyn, 4/23/87 (List of speakers)
      iii. Public Hearing, Queens, 4/28/87 (List of speakers)
      iv. Public Hearing, Bronx, 4/29/87 (List of speakers)
      v. Public Hearing, Manhattan, 4/30/87 (List of speakers)
      vi. Public Hearing, Citywide, 5/7/87 (List of speakers)
5. Title page: “Goodman Report”
   a. Summary box of Council President’s job
   b. Contents page
   c. Discussion of Council President’s job and Alternatives
   d. Appendix A – List of Mayor’s and Council Presidents 1938 – 1973
   e. Appendix B – Current Charter provisions
6. Title page: “Municipal Year Book”
   a. 72 Municipal Year Book Table 1/7 Mayor as Council Member, and Presiding Officer of Council
7. Title page: “Mario Cuomo Article”
   a. Press Release from Lieutenant Governor’s Office: “Cuomo Asks Full-Time Pledge from Lieutenant Governor Candidates” and “A Proposal” (2 copies)
8. Title page: “Legislative Report on Lieutenant Governor”
   a. Report, including cover page and table of contents
   b. Appendix Cover page
      i. Letter from former Lt. Gov. Malcolm Wilson
10. Cover page: “12 and 14 Amendments to the U.S. Constitution” (photocopy)
Binder 3 (Folder A6): Materials re: First Private Hearing (Ethics)

1. Original, signed letter dated 9/14/87 from Eric Lane to David G. Trager detailing enclosures
2. Cover memorandum dated 10/6/87 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: summary of questions & answers at private hearing on ethics held 9/22/87
3. Memorandum to file dated 9/29/87 from Linda Gibbs re: “Summary of the Private Hearing on Ethics”
4. Tab: January 20, 1989
   a. Minutes of 1/20/89 meeting of NYCCRC
   b. Transcript of same
5. Tab: February 16, 1989
   a. Minutes of 2/16/89 meeting of NYCCRC
   b. Transcript of same
6. Tab: March 31, 1989
   a. Record of Motions and Votes March 31, 1989 Meeting

Binder 4 (Folder A7): Cover memorandum dated 10/6/87 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Private Hearings on Contracting”; “Also enclosed as further background for the hearing are the following materials” (See Binder A1)

Binder 4 (Binder A1): Title from original cover: Contracting and Procurement: Materials for Private Hearings: October 15 and 20, 1987; table of contents transcribed below

2. Briefing Paper on Contracting and Procurement
3. Summary of Testimony on Contracting from Public Hearings
5. [cover memorandum dated 10/5/87 from Linda Gibbs to Frank J. Mauro and Eric Lane;] Summary of the Model Procurement Code
7. Report by the State Comptroller [“Reforming the Contract Process in New York City” dated 9/11/86]
8. Bill and Memorandum in Support by the State Comptroller [“Regan Bill”]
9. Recommendations by the Non-Profit Coordinating Committee of New York
10. Recommendations of the Institute of Public Administration [executive summary]
11. State of the Art in Procurement by the Institute of Public Administration
12. Bibliography
13. Tables

Folders A8-A9:

1. Transcript: “Public Meeting - 8/10/88”: Tapes 1-5 (CRC members; 284 pp. total)
2. Transcript: “Public Meeting 8/23/88” (unidentified speakers; 43 pp.)
3. Transcript: “Meeting of the / New York City / Charter Revision Commission // Bar Association / 42 West 44th Street / New York, New York // Tuesday / September 20, 1988 / 8:15 a.m.” (64 pp.)

Binder 5 (Folder A10): Miscellaneous materials pertaining to public meetings
1. “Public Notice” of 5/18/88 meeting to be held at Brooklyn Law School; directions to restrooms etc.
2. Memorandum dated 5/10/88 from Lynn Miller to Eric Lane re: “Summary of voting history ... Mayoral Inability Proposal”
3. “Mayoral Inability” (outline)
4. “Mayoral Inability / draft-A 5-18-88”
5. Tab
   a. Cover memorandum dated 5/13/88 from Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members re: Materials on Internal Controls
   b. Internal Control Framework, including table of contents, schematic of Charter provisions
   c. Internal Controls Proposal
   d. Charter provisions – marked wth brackets and underlining for proposed revisions
   e. Memorandum dated 5/11/88 from E. Sullivan to Frank J. Mauro re: Recommendations of Committee on Municipal Affairs on DOI
   f. Committee on Municipal Affairs report: “The New York City Department of Investigation”
   g. Codification of Statements on Auditing Standards / Numbers 1 to 23 by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants: “AU Section 320” (photocopy)

6. Tab
   a. Cover memorandum dated 5/16/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: enclosed materials (2 copies)
   b. Summary of Motions/Votes at May 9, 1988 Public Meeting (2 copies; n.b. differs from document #36)
   c. Memorandum dated 5/16/88 from Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: Proposal to adopt City Administrative Procedure Act (2 copies)
   d. Draft: “Chapter 00 / City Administrative Procedure Act” (2 copies)
   e. Letter dated 5/9/88 from Gene Russianoff (Citizens for Charter Change) to Eric Lane, Linda Gibbs re: “Prohibitions on Solicitation of Campaign Contributions by Ranking City Officials” (for second copy, see document #86; n.b. attachments missing)
   f. Letter dated 12/31/87 from Queens Borough President Claire Shulman to Richard Ravitch re: ethics and conflicts of interest provisions, with attachments
   g. “Questions Concerning Independent Legal Representation For Elected Officials And Entities of City Government”
   h. “Questions Concerning Independent Legal Representation For Elected Officials And Entities of City Government” (on Charter Commission letterhead)

Binder 6 (Folder A11): Materials for June 3, 1988 meeting (see also document #406)
1. Cover memorandum dated 5/26/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members
2. Tab
Text content
2. Cover memorandum dated 6/9/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Materials for Meeting, June 13, 1988” with attached Table of Contents
   a. 3. Mayoral Inability – Cover page and 3 documents
   b. 4. Filling Vacancies – Cover page and 3 documents
   c. 5. Internal Control – 3 documents
   d. 6a. Appeals of Excise & other non-property taxes – 2 documents
   e. 6b. Staff responses to agency proposals and letters from commissioners/agencies requesting revisions (see documents #238-239)
   f. 9. Infrastructure maintenance – Staff recommendation + explanatory statement
      i. Cover memorandum dated 6/10/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Additional Materials For June 13 Meeting”
      ii. Cover memorandum dated 6/10/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Draft Proposals On Other Administrative Reforms” with revised draft Charter chapters attached

Binder 8 (Folders A13-A14): NYCCRC Label on Cover “Public Meeting, June 13, 1988”
1. Agenda
2. directions to restrooms etc. (2 copies)
3. Table of Contents
4. Tab: “1” – Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members and amended proposed chapter on “Conflicts of Interest”
5. Tab: “2”
   a. Letter from Richard Ravitch to Commission Members re: Campaign Finance Reform
   b. Materials on Campaign Finance (Table of Contents)
      i. Proposed Charter Language on Campaign Finance Reform
      ii. Comparison of Local Law 8 and Proposed Charter Language On Campaign Finance Reform
   c. Campaign Finance Reform for New York City, A Critical Analysis of Local Law 8 of 1988
   d. Public Campaign Financing, Issues and Options
   e. Local Law 8 and a Summary (2 copies of pages 15-25 of Local Law 8 and Summary
6. Tab: “3” – Mayoral Inability
   a. Proposal approved at 5/18/88 public meeting
   b. Staff memorandum from Lynn Miller to Commission Members re: Proposed amendments to mayoral inability proposal approved 5/18/88
   c. Mayoral Inability Proposal with amendments
7. Tab: “4” – Filling Vacancies
   a. Table of Contents
   b. Proposals for filling vacancies in City Council, Borough President and Comptroller, as adopted by the Commission
   c. Memorandum from Staff to Commission members re: (i) revisions to Commission’s adopted proposals for filling vacancies; and (ii) proposed Charter amendments for special elections to fill vacancies
   d. Proposals, with amendments, for filling vacancies in City Council, Borough President and Comptroller
8. Tab: “5” – Internal Control
a. Memorandum from Frank J. Mauro to Commission Members re: Internal Control (Revised Proposal and Supporting Materials)

b. “Options For Strengthening the Internal Control Responsibilities . . .” report by A. Confas, consultant to Commission

c. “An Internal Control Perspective on Charter Revision” report by A. Confas, consultant to Commission

d. Sections 1-13 of Charter

9. Tab: “6” – City Administrative Procedure Act (Draft, 6/10/1988)

10. Tab: “6A” – Proposed Tax Appeals Tribunal

a. Cover memorandum from Roger Furman to NYCCRC members

b. Memorandum from Department of Finance re: Proposed Tax Tribunal

c. Cover memorandum from Roger Furman to Eric Lane and Frank J. Mauro re: Tribunal for Determining appeals of Dep’t of Finance’s Nonproperty Tax Determinations

d. Proposed chapter for Charter “Excise and Non-Property Tax Appeals Tribunal

11. Tab: “6B” – Agency Proposals

a. Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to Richard Ravitch re: Proposals of Agencies

b. Outline of agency proposals and staff recommendations

c. Suggested language for proposals the staff recommends

d. Various memoranda re: proposed amendments to/from agencies, Mayor Koch and the Commission

e. Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: Draft Proposals on Other Administrative Reforms

f. Revised Charter Chapters (drafts)

12. Tab: “7”

a. Questions Concerning Independent Legal Representation (on NYCCRC letterhead)

b. Memorandum (stamped “DRAFT”) from Roger Furman to Eric Lane re: “Proposals for providing Elected Officials, [...] the Express Right to Retain Counsel Independent of the Corporate Counsel.”

13. Tab: “8” – Voter Assistance

a. Draft chapter for Charter “Voter Assistance”

b. Memorandum from J. Travis to Eric Lane re: Proposed Voter Assistance Provisions

14. Tab: “9”

a. Memorandum from Staff to Commission Members re: Infrastructure maintenance

b. Cover letter from Edward V. Regan to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: proposed Charter amendments concerning maintenance of public capital facilities

c. Explanatory Statement re: Proposed Amendments to New York City Charter on Maintenance of the Capital Plant

d. Proposed amendments re: Capital Plant Maintenance

e. Marked pages showing changes to Charter for proposed amendments 2, 4 and 5

f. Appendix B – Legislative History of Assembly Bills Relating to Infrastructure maintenance Budgeting with attached Assembly Bills

Binder 9 (Folder A15): Label on Front Cover “PRELIMINARY PROPOSALS (June 21, 1988)”

1. Cover memorandum dated 6/21/88

2. 10 Tabbed (unlabeled) sections (topical) except as detailed below, each tab contains:
   Overview of Commission’s work; summary of goals/proposals; full text of new proposals
a. Administrative Procedures  
b. Reorganizing the Charter  
c. Special Elections  
d. Internal Controls – this tab has overview, summary of proposals, discussion of proposals and a report from consultant A. Cofnas. No full text of new proposals  
e. Voter Assistance – this tab has overview and proposed new Chapter, no summary. Pages were duplicated out of sequence  
f. Campaign Finance Reform – also has questions/clarification re: proposal  
g. Conflicts of Interests  
h. Tax Appeals  
i. Infrastructure Maintenance  
j. Mayoral Inability

1. Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to NYCCRC Members  
2. Tab “Staten Island”  
a. Transcript – June 27, 1988, 6:15 p.m.  
3. Tab “Bronx”  
a. Transcript – June 28, 1988, 5:30 p.m.  
4. Tab “Queens”  
a. Transcript – June 29, 1988, 6:00 p.m.  
5. Tab “Brooklyn”  
a. Transcript – June 30, 1988, 9:30 a.m.  
6. Tab “Manhattan”  
a. Transcript – June 30, 1988, 5:30 p.m.

1. Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to NYCCRC Members re: Written Testimony divided into testimony (a) read into the record (subdivided by borough), (b) submitted without oral presentation and (c) mailed (see documents #409 and 414)  
2. Tab labeled “Bronx”  
a. letter dated 6/28/88 from Christina North to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch and NYCCRC members, attaching 6/10/88 letter to Mayor Koch and flyer dated 1/23/88  
3. Tab labeled “Queens”  
a. Queens Borough President Claire Shulman’s testimony  
b. Ridgewood Bushwick Senior Citizens Council’s testimony  
c. Mid-Queens Community Council’s statement  
d. Briarwood Community Association’s recommendations; Queens Chamber of Commerce’s remarks  
4. Tab labeled “Brooklyn”  
a. Testimony of E. I. Koch (Mayor of City of NY)  
b. Executive Order No. 101 (Dec 8, 1986)  
c. Agency-Based Voter Registration
d. New York City Managerial Employees Association cover letter and proposed amendment to Charter and memorandum in support
e. Testimony of Howard Golden (President of the Borough of Brooklyn)
f. Testimony of C.W. Neu (The Schip Program)
g. Testimony by Alvin M. Berk (Community Board 14, Brooklyn)
h. Statement of J.D. Feerick (Dean, Fordham Law School; Chairman, NYS Commission on Government Integrity)
i. Testimony presented on behalf of The New York Building Congress and The Council of Business and Labor
j. Testimony of Monsignor H. Basler (Catholic Charities Diocese of Brooklyn)
k. Testimony of E. Mililli
l. Testimony of C. North
m. Testimony of R. Ashford
n. Testimony of Citizens Union of the City of New York (2 copies)
o. Comments of New York State Common Cause
p. Testimony of Center for Law and Social Justice
q. Testimony of The Creator’s Educational Crusade, Inc.

5. Tab labeled “Manhattan”
   a. Testimony of Edward V. Regan (NYS Comptroller)
   b. Testimony of Women’s City Club of New York, Inc.
   c. Testimony of Gene Russianoff (New York Public Interest Research Group, Inc.)
   d. Testimony of L. Davidoff (Executive Director, Human Service Employees Registration and Voter Education Campaign)
   e. Testimony of Ms. L. Guanlo (Director, The Little Missionary’s Day Nursery)
   f. Testimony of R. Levinson (Co-Chair, Committee on NYC Tax Matters, Tax Section of NYS Bar Association)
   g. Testimony of Neighborhood Open Space Coalition
   h. Testimony of L. Altschuler, President and H. Sheldon, Director, City Affairs of League of Women voters of The City of New York
   i. Testimony of New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc.
   j. Testimony of D. Corrigan, District Leader, Female, 64 AD, Part A
   k. Statement of A. Chelioites (President, Communications Workers of America, Local 1180)
   l. Testimony of Ruth Messinger (City Council Member; Co-Chair, Citizens for Charter Change)
   m. Photocopied clipping: G.N. Spitz, “City Funds For Media Gurus?”, Newsday, 5/5/88
   n. Testimony of K. Conlin (President, NYC Chapter National Organization of Women)
   o. Letter from M.L. Madison to CB Charter Action Committee
   p. Flyer re: protest over Salvation Army in Harlem
   q. Copy of article “Like It Was” by Mary McLeod Bethune re: black history
   r. Copy of “Letter to the Editor” from M.L. Madison re: anti-Semitism not different from any other form of racism
   s. Testimony of W. Armstrong (President, Park West Village Tenants Association)
   t. “Recommendation for Longer Term Economic Measures in Project Evaluation and City Planning” (author not identified, but address and phone number appear)

6. Tab labeled “Staten Island (no written testimony)”
7. Tab labeled “Submitted/no oral presentation”
a. David N. Dinkins (Borough President, Manhattan) Charter Revision Commission Testimony
b. Comments of M. Brendle
c. Testimony of Sister Joan Kirby (President of Homes for the Homeless)
d. Testimony of Co-Op City Council
e. Statement of B. Benepe (Vice President, Fine Arts Federation)
f. Statement of Helen D. Henkin (Chairperson, Brooklyn Community Board 14)
g. Recommendations of the Brooklyn District Managers (2 copies)

8. Tab labeled “Submitted by mail”
a. Note from D. Feldman (Member of Assembly)
b. Letter from M. Friedlander (Council Woman)
c. Testimony of A. Boyers
d. Statement by H. Carter (President, Emanuel Pieterson Historical Society) before a public forum: City University Graduate Center
e. Cover letter with attached articles from P.D. Moss to Eric Lane re: campaign finance “reform”

Binder 12 (Folders A20-A24):
1. Memorandum dated 8/23/88 from Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC presenting draft Charter revision ballot questions with handwritten alteration; memorandum dated 8/24/88 from Linda Lange to David G. Trager re: “Charter Book”; cover letter dated 8/23/88 from NYCCRC to City Clerk re: Charter revision ballot questions (n.b. Post-It note formerly attached: “insert in left cover sleeve”); Ballot Questions’ (revised) (see documents #402-407 and 415); Notice Of Effectuation; memorandum dated 8/24/88 from Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members re: “Separation Of Proposed Revisions If Question 1 Is Approved But Question 2 Isn’t, And Vice Versa”; Conformity of Written Draft to Final Proposals for Filing with the City Clerk Adopted at the Meeting of August 10, 1988 (2 copies); Revised / Conformity of Written Draft to Final Proposals for Filing with the City Clerk Adopted at the Meeting of August 10, 1988; Alternate Chapter 52 (n.b. Post-It note formerly attached: “insert after page 391”); pages 5, 93-94, 115, 195-196, 265, 294, 342, 353, and 384 of proposed Charter (n.b. Post-It note formerly attached: “replacement pages”)

2. Charter of the City of New York – proposed by the New York City Charter Revision Commission, August 1988 (draft; changes to then existing Charter indicated by brackets and underlining, one handwritten revision noted on page 5)

Binder 13 (Folders A25-A27):
1. Memorandum from Eric Lane dated 9/9/88 to NYCCRC members re: Final Charter (in front pocket of binder)


Binder 14 (Folders A28-A30):
1. “The Money-Go-Round / Part 5 / A Visual Aid Toward Understanding New York City’s Contract Process” [by the] League of Women Voters of the City of New York Education Fund; n.b. bleeding from Table of Contents of binder on cover page
2. Label on front cover: “Public Hearing / Contracting And Procurement / March 1, 1989” with handwritten “DAVID TRAGER”. New York City Charter Review Commission Label on front cover; Post-It note on front cover: “II”
3. Table of Contents – heading on page is “Exhibit Book – Contracting and Procurement, March 1, 1989” HOLE TORN
4. Tab “I”
   a. Hearing Plan, Contracting and Procurement, March 1, 1989 (Outline of 4 sessions)
   b. List of guest witnesses, divided into 4 panels
   c. Chapter 13, Contracts and Purchases (draft?)
   d. Chapter 1 of Title 6 of New York Administrative Code (Xerox copy of [McKinney’s] and Cumulative Supplement
   e. Charter Exceptions to Generally Applicable Procurement Rules
   f. Public Participation in the Contracting Process
5. Tab “IIA”
   a. Background Statement: Source Selection and Contract Approval (prepared for use at public hearing March 1, 1989)
6. Tab “IIB”
   a. Background Statement: Performance Evaluations and Contract Information (prepared for use at public hearing March 1, 1989)
7. Tab “IIB”
   a. Background Statement: Contract Dispute Resolution Mechanisms in New York City (prepared for use at public hearing March 1, 1989)
8. Tab “IIIA”
   a. Subtabs 1.a-1.k, 2.a-2.f, 3.a-3.e – assorted documents related to process for awarding contracts TABS ARE VERY FRAGILE AND LOOSE, ATTACHED TO BLUE SLIPSHEETS, MAY NEED REGLUING OR REPLACING
9. Tab “IIIB”
   a. Subtabs 1.b, 2, 3.a-3.e -- various documents related to administrative procedures for contract process (request for proposal, computer coding, evaluation) NO TAB 1.A. TABS FRAGILE AND LOOSE
10. Tab “IIIC”
    a. Subtabs 1, 2, 4 – materials relating to debarring vendors NO TAB 3
11. Tab “IIID”
    a. Subtabs 1-4—various reports on contracting process in NYC

Binder 15 (Folder A31): label on front cover: “Public Hearing / Franchising / March 14, 1989”; NYCCRC label on front cover; label: “Please Do Not Remove” on front cover.
1. Table of Contents
2. Tab “1”
   a. Witnesses at hearing (divided into 3 Panels)
3. Tab “2”
   a. Paper re: Franchises, Revocable Consents, Concessions, Licenses and Permits
4. Tab “3”
   a. Approval Process for Franchises (Chart)
5. Tab “4”
   a. Agencies To Whom Petitions [for franchising] are Circulated
6. Tab “5”
7. Tab “6”
   a. Executive Order No.9, March 16, 1978
8. Tab “7”
   a. Opinion No. 46-79 from Corporation Counsel to Howard Golden (Borough President of Brooklyn)
9. Tab “8”
   a. Concessions Review Committee Rules (As amended, to 2-25-83)
10. Tab “9”
    a. Actions taken by Concessions review Committee 7/1/87 – 6/30/88
11. Tab “10”
    a. Glossary

Binder 16 (Folders A32-A33): label on front cover: “Public Hearing / Budgeting / March 15, 1989” [illegible on photocopy]; NYCCRC label also on front cover.
1. Table of Contents DOESN’T MATCH INDIVIDUAL TAB TOCS
2. Tab “1”
   a. Contents
   b. Public Hearing Panels
   c. 4 charts / tables describing budget process
   d. Report prepared for CRC describing Budget process
3. Tab “2”
   a. Contents - 1989 Adopted Budget Summary/Resolutions
   b. 9 documents re: amendments/adoptions of budget
4. Tab “3”
   a. Contents
   b. 4 documents re: financial estimates and plans
5. Tab “4”
   a. Contents
   b. Fiscal Year 1990 Police Dept. estimates
6. Tab “5”
   a. Contents
   b. Extension of Charter-Mandated Budget Submission Due Dates
   c. Community Board Budget Requests
7. Tab “6”
   a. Contents
   b. 3 documents re: Budget Preparation Instructions
8. Tab “7”
   a. Contents
   b. 2 documents – Charter chapters 6 and 9 re: budgets
9. Tab “8”
   a. Contents
   b. 7 documents re: Dept. of Juvenile Justice Budget
10. Tab “9”
    a. Contents
    b. 9 documents re: Financial Plans, Estimates, Budgets for Fiscal Years 1987-1992
11. Tab “10”
   a. The Implementation of the Capital Budget
12. Tab ‘11”
   a. Capital Budget Findings and Preliminary Recommendations
13. Tab “12”
   a. Adopted Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 1989
14. Tab “13”
15. Tab “14”
   a. C.S. Standards
16. Tab “15”
   a. Executive Order No. 24, October 27, 1978, establishing office of Director of Construction
17. Tab “16”
   a. Preliminary Scope and Cost Limitation for construction of Brooklyn 1 & 4 Garage
   b. Preliminary Scope and Cost Limitation for construction of Manhattan Boro Repair Shop
18. Tab “17”
   a. 7 “CPs” (contract proposals?) -- preliminary scope approvals
19. Tab “18”
   a. Model “DACS Project Schedule”

1. Cover memorandum from Eric Lane to Commission Members
2. Table of Contents WRINKLED, TEXT SMUDGED, OFFSET
3. Tab “Manhattan”
   a. David Dinkins – 4 documents
4. Tab “Messinger”
   a. Ruth Messinger – 2 documents
5. Tab “Staten Island”
   a. Ralph Lamberti – 3 documents
6. Tab “Queens”
   a. Queens Borough President’s Charter Revision Proposals (Claire Shulman)
7. Tab “Brooklyn”
   a. Statement by Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden
8. Tab “Vallone”
   a. Charter Revisions Proposals of Majority Leader Vallone
   b. 2 additional documents
9. Tab “Multi Member”
   a. Summary Position Paper on Charter Revision
10. Tab “Greitzer”
   a. Letter to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch
11. Tab “Bronx”
   a. Fernando Ferrer – 2 documents
12. Tab “Leffler”
   a. Letter from Sheldon Leffler to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch
13. Tab “Comptroller”
   a. Sections of Charter with proposals

Binder 18 (Folders A36-A38): May and June 1989 public hearings on NYCCRC proposals; **APPEARS TO BE MISSING A LABEL FROM FRONT COVER**
1. Tab “Staten Island”
   a. Staten Island Hearing, May 31, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (30 speakers)
2. Tab “Brooklyn”
   a. Brooklyn Hearing, June 1, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (25 speakers)
3. Tab “Bronx”
   a. Bronx Hearing, June 5, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (39 speakers)
4. Tab “Manhattan”
   a. Manhattan Hearing, June 6, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (49 speakers)
5. Tab “Queens”
   a. Queens Hearing, June 7, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers; page numbers added for Table of Contents) (63 speakers)

Binder 19 (Folder A39): **Handwritten label on front cover: “Draft / Charter Language / Trager”**:

Binder 20 (Folder A40):
1. "Draft Charter Language" (n.b. two different “Table of Contents” pages; sections separated by blue and white slipsheets; pages for Section 29 are misnumbered 28-1, etc.; no slipsheet following section 49)

Binder 21 (Folder A41):
1.1 "Draft Language / Of Charter Proposals" with NYCCRC label on cover and address label (“David Trager, Dean [etc.]”); Table of Contents with chapter numbers referring to sections of Charter. Charter proposals indicated by brackets and underlining. Each chapter numbered separately, beginning with “X-1” except chapters 2 and 2a which begin with “2-19” and run continuously; n.b. Last chapter (FISA/OPA) either missing or never included.
Binders 22-23 (Folders A42-A44): NYCCRC label on front cover: “Written Testimony / From Public Hearings / July 17-18, 1989”

1. Tab “Staten Island”
   a. Staten Island Hearing, July 17, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker (10 speakers)
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (38 speakers)

2. Tab “Manhattan”
   a. Manhattan Hearing, July 18, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker (51 speakers)

3. Tab “Queens”
   a. Queens Hearing, July 19, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   b. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (45 speakers) (n.b. Table of Contents is missing William Scarborough [back of p. 19]);

4. Tab “Bronx”
   c. Bronx Hearing, July 20, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   d. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (29 speakers)

5. Tab “Brooklyn”
   e. Brooklyn Hearing, July 21, 1989 -- Table of Contents showing Name, title and affiliation of speaker
   f. Written text of oral testimony (presumably provided by speakers) (page numbers added for Table of Contents) (38 speakers)\(^{78}\)

Binder 24 (Folder A45):

2. Cover memorandum dated 8/16/89 from Linda Lange to NYCCRC members re: “Charter and Summary of Final Proposals”\(^ {79A}\)
3. Title page, foreword
4. Table of contents
5. Marked Charter\(^ {79B}\) (n.b. new language underlined, deleted language in brackets)

Formerly Housed In Expandable Folders Acquired In 2011

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1. Cover memorandum dated 7/26/88 from Eric Lane\(^ {80}\)
2. Record of Votes at June 13, 1988 Meeting\(^ {81}\)
3. Agency Head responses to proposed City Administrative Procedures Act and Summary of responses with cover memorandum from Rosemarie Maldonado dated 6/29/88\(^ {82}\)
4. Letter dated 6/28/88 from P. Faber (Kaye, Scholer . . .) to Roger Furman re: NYC Tax Appeals Tribunal Proposal\(^ {83}\)
5. Mayor’s Office proposed revisions to draft bill on Voter Assistance Program with 2 cover memoranda dated 6/24/8884
6. Letter dated 5/11/88 from Claire Shulman (Borough President of Queens) to Richard Ravitch re: Ethics Proposal prohibiting council members and borough presidents from serving on Community Boards with attachments85 (2 copies; see document #271: identical letter to Trager)
7. Memorandum dated 5/9/88 from Gene Russianoff re: “Prohibitions on Solicitation of Campaign Contributions by Ranking City Officials”86 (for first copy, see document #31; n.b. attachments missing)
8. Transcript of Public Meeting December 8, 198787
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12. Statement of State Senator Franz S. Leichter before NYCCRC April 6, 198991
13. Comments [of Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer] at hearing April 6, 198992
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21. Cover memorandum dated 8/8/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members100A; “proposal[] on Infrastructure Maintenance [draft Charter: Section 1110-a (‘Capital plant inventory and estimates’)]” dated 8/8/88100B (see document #732); memorandum dated 8/8/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Reorganizing the Charter: Suggested Changes Recommended for Inclusion in Commission’s Final Proposal”100C; n.b. third enclosure (“slightly modified ethics proposal”) missing
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17. Written testimony from Frank J. Barbaro (Assemblyman), July 18th, 1988
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19. Memorandum from Gretchen Dykstra to NYCCRC members with attached newspaper clippings from March 1989

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1. Memorandum dated 9/23/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: Page Changes in the Charter, with attached pages
2. Memorandum dated 7/5/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: Charter Language, n.b. enclosures missing
3. Preliminary Proposals, May 1989 (2 copies)
5. Memorandum dated 6/16/89 from J. Travis to Frederick A.O. Schwarz re: Response to Preliminary Proposals
6. Response to the Preliminary Proposals of the New York City Charter Revision Commission, June 1989, Edward I. Koch, Mayor
7. Proposals by NYCCRC Commissioners Richard Ravitch and David G. Trager, 1988
9. Cover memorandum dated 4/19/89 and attached article "Maps and Misreadings: the Role of Geographic Compactness in Racial Vote Dilution Litigation" from Archibald R. Murray (Executive Director and Attorney-in-Chief, Legal Aid Society) to Eric Lane; handwitten note on memorandum referencing pages 221-236
10. Letter dated 4/18/89 from Lewis H. Hartman to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: additional observations and suggestions
11. Memorandum dated 4/21/89 ("This was unfortunately omitted from my letter of April 18, 1989.") clipped to first copy of "A Proposal for Charter Revision Presented by Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden" (2 copies)
12. Letter dated 4/27/89 from City Councilman Enoch Williams to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: concern about suggestion for bi-cameral legislature
16. "Recommendations of Citizens Union to the New York City Charter Revision Commission" dated 4/19/89; Citizens Union pamphlet
17. Letter dated 4/7/89 from District Council 37 Executive Director Stanley W. Hill to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz re: issue raised in original testimony before Commission, with attachment
18. Cover memorandum dated 4/5/89 from Howard Golden, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz; memorandum dated 3/25/88 from Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, consultants to Board of Estimate, to NYCCRC re: Voting Act’s Problem
20. 1989 Charter Revision Proposals, submitted by Claire Shulman, President of the Borough of Queens (Velo bound)
22. Original, signed letter dated 4/14/89 from Claire Shulman, President of the Borough of Queens to David G. Trager re: requested preliminary memorandum of law; memorandum of law dated 4/14/89 from Nicholas G. Garaufis and Benjamin Chevat to Frederick A.O. Schwarz and NYCCRC members
23. Cover letter dated 4/28/89 from Peter Vallone to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr., “Response of Majority Leader Peter F. Vallone and Council Member Hilton B. Clark [...] to the Chair’s Recommendations for Charter Revision of April 24, 1989” (2 copies)
24. Memorandum dated 4/27/89 from Eric Lane to Commission members; letter dated 4/17/89 from Andrew J. Stein, President of the Council, to F.A.O. Schwarz Jr. with attached documentation on activities of Ombudsman Unit
25. Cover memorandum dated 4/26/89 from Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members with two attached memoranda prepared by Richard Briffault, a consultant to the Commission, on powers of the City and State Comptrollers
27. Chapter 17-Congressional Budget Office (copy of federal statute)

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2. Letter dated 7/20/88 from David Eichenenthal to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch, with attached letter to Peter Vallone, re: ethics/conflicts proposal
3. Letter dated 7/19/88 from Leonard X. Farbman to NYCCRC members re: Administrative Procedures No. 7 (2 copies)
4. Memorandum dated 7/19/88 from Peter L. Zimroth to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch and Eric Lane re: draft for “Infrastructure”
5. Letter dated 7/19/88 from Harrison J. Goldin to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: comments on initial proposals of Commission
6. Letter dated 7/18/88 from William G. Van Note, Jr. to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: comments on proposed internal controls amendment

7. Cover memorandum dated 7/18/88 from Rosemarie Maldonado to Eric Lane with attached comments of Department of Transportation and Fire Department

8. Cover memorandum dated 7/15/88 from Rosemarie Maldonado to Eric Lane with attached comments of various city departments


11. “Index to Draft Charter Sections distributed at June 20, 1989 Meeting”


15. Cover memorandum dated 11/14/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members; “Part III Detailed Analysis of Charter Revisions”

16. Memorandum dated 7/17/88 from Roger Furman to Commission Members re: Tax Appeals

17. 6 memoranda to NYCCRC members, 9/23/87-3/18/88: 3 from Richard Ravitch, 3 from Eric Lane re: Briefing Book (document #1); “Land Use Decisions” dated 6/20/89; pencil annotations on first page

18. Cover memorandum dated 11/12/87 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members with attached materials provided by Harrison J. Goldin for private hearing held 11/10/87

19. “Land Use Decisions” dated 6/20/89; pencil annotations on first page

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1. Note to David G. Trager from Alvin M. Berk re: attached letters expressing concerns about proposals (see Binder 7, Folder A12, Item 2e)

2. Statement by Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden, 12/14/87 (see Binder 17, Folder A35, Item 7)


4. Summary of Final Proposals / August 1989

5. Index to Draft Charter Language

6. 4 paperclipped documents: Letter dated 5/24/88 from Manhattan Community Board 2 Chairperson Rosemary McGrath re: “Resolutions, Charter Revision” and “Community Boards”; memorandum dated 6/8/88 from Citizens Union to NYCCRC members re: ballot pamphlet; Board of Elections page showing text and abstract of proposed amendments; Massachusetts / Information for Voters: Ballot Questions ‘82

7. Original, signed letter dated 3/18/88 from Queens Borough President Claire Shulman to David G. Trager, Commissioner, re: Charter reform recommendations with attachment

8. 1988 / Queens Borough President’s Charter Revision Proposals


10. 1989 Adopted Expense Budget: Bronx Borough President Additions


12. Draft Charter (undated)

Expandable Folder 6 (Folders A74-A82):
1. Memorandum dated 8/23/89 from Gretchen Dykstra to NYCCRC members re: Brief Synopsis of Education Plans
2. Memorandum dated 8/14/89 from Gretchen Dykstra to NYCCRC members re: Dissenting Report from Bernard Richland (attached)
3. Memorandum from Eric Lane to David Hunter re: Errors, August 11, 1989 letter (attached)
4. Letter dated 6/21/89 from New York State Comptroller Edward V. Regan to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: size of City Council
5. Letter dated 6/23/89 from Councilman Enoch Williams to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: size of City Council and redistricting
7. “Changes Proposed by the Chair to the Adopted Preliminary Proposals As the Result of Public Testimony and Comment / June 15, 1989” (2 copies, second with hand annotations; see document #103)
8. “City Council Response to the June 15, 1989 Changes Proposed by the Chair of the Charter Revision Commission” (see documents #103 and 357)
9. German Ballot with translation (see Item 62)
10. Memorandum dated 3/28/88 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: Recommendations, with attachments
11. Memorandum dated 4/4/88 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: Detailed Recommendations, with attachments
12. Memorandum dated 3/17/88 from W. Bernard Richland to NYCCRC members re: weighted-vote Board of Estimate, with attachments
14. Letter dated 3/16/88 from Edward N. Costikyan of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison to NYCCRC members re: preservation of the Board of Estimate (for second copy, see document #498)
15. Letter dated 6/10/89 from Patricia Dolan of Queens Valley Home Owners’ Civic Assn. to Members re: elucidate and enlarge upon previous comments
17. Letter dated 3/18/88 from Edward N. Costikyan of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: preservation of the Board of Estimate (2 copies; see document #495 et seq.)
18. Original, signed letter dated 5/11/88 from Queens Borough President Claire Shulman to David G. Trager, Commissioner re: ethics proposal, with attachment (see document #85: identical letter to Ravitch)
20. Letter dated 7/18/89 from Ralph J. Lamberti (Staten Island Borough President) and Claire Shulman (Queens Borough President) to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: concerns about Charter language regarding budget process (see also document #49)
21. Letter dated 6/12/89 from Leon Weaver (Professor Emeritus, Michigan State University, Elections Research Project) to David G. Trager re: relative merits of representation and electoral systems built on the single-member district, with attachments (2 copies)
22. Memorandum dated 5/18/88 from David G. Trager to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: Basic Structuring of New York City Government
23. Memorandum dated 7/13/89 from Anthony Shorris (Commissioner of Finance) to Jeremy Travis (Special Advisor to Mayor) re: Charter Revisions with cover memorandum dated 7/17/89 from Eric Lane
24. Memorandum dated 5/26/89 from Gene Russianoff and Joseph G. Rappaport to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: Commission on Public Information and Communication, with attachment
(for photocopy, see document #597)
26. Memorandum dated 6/9/89 from Queens County Builders & Contractors Association, Inc. to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: zoning and land use provisions of revised City Charter, with attachment
27. Original, signed letter dated 6/2/89 from Steven Sanders and Pete Grannis (Members of Assembly) to David G. Trager re: elaboration of remarks on land use review
29. “Transition in Land Use” (June 27, 1989)
30. Original, signed letter dated 5/16/88 from John Glasel, President of Local 802, Associated Musicians of Greater New York, to David G. Trager re: land-use agenda for Nov. 1988 election
31. Original, signed letter dated 4/4/88 from Steven Spinola, President of the Real Estate Board of New York, Inc. to David G. Trager, Commissioner re: reforms of land-use related matters, with attached recommendations
32. Memorandum dated 3/4/88 from Richard Briffault to Eric Lane re: One Person, One Vote Issues for Various Land Use Regulatory Proposals with cover memorandum dated 3/30/88 from Eric Lane
33. Memorandum dated 7/18/89 to NYCCRC re: “The Role of the City Council in Landmark Determination and Other Related Issues”
34. Original, signed letter dated 7/17/89 from Katherine Kennedy, Project Attorney, the Natural Resources Defense Council to David G. Trager re: June 1989 Revised Proposals
35. Opinion No. 3-89 dated 8/1/89, on factors which can be considered in acting on designation of the Landmark Preservation Commission, addressed to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. by Corporation Counsel Peter L. Zimroth
36. Memorandum dated 7/31/89 from The Interfaith Commission to Study the Landmarking of Religious Property to NYCCRC Members re: update on Landmark Preservation Commission’s belief concerning spiritual and human services mission of religious congregations, with appendices
37. Original, signed letter dated 8/1/89 from Landmarks Preservation Commission Chairman David F.M. Todd to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr., re: Section 25-309 of the Landmarks Law
38. Letter dated 7/28/89 from Mayor Koch to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposals before the NYCCRC
39. Statement dated 7/20/89 of the Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund (see document #465)
40. Statement dated 7/18/89 of Leslie H. Lowe, member of Community Board 2 (see document #465)
42. Letter dated 5/31/88 from Brooklyn Community Board 14 to Eric Lane, Counsel and Executive Director, re: comments on draft Commission proposals
43. Letter dated 6/1/88 from Brooklyn Community Board 14 to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: comments on draft Commission proposals
44. “Fair Share Plan / Locating City Facilities” (2 flowcharts)
45. Recommendations re: Charter revision from “a possible candidate for Comptroller of New York City” (Elizabeth Holtzman? n.b. pp. 8-12 only)
47. Letter dated 6/22/89 from Mayor Koch to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposal to replace Taxi and Limousine Commission
48. Materials for NYCCRC members re: “Ballot Question” with fax cover sheet dated 8/8/89 (see also document #77)
49. Letter dated 7/18/89 from Ralph J. Lamberti (Staten Island Borough President) and Claire Shulman (Queens Borough President) to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: concerns about Charter language regarding budget process with fax cover sheet (from Nicholas G. Garaufis) dated 7/18/89 (see also document #20)
50. Letter dated 7/7/89 from Hadley W. Gold, Commissioner, Dept. of General Services to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: “ULURP Exclusion for Certain City Acquisitions” transmitted via fax [7/27/89]
51. Draft of “Sec. XXX. Independent Budget Office”
52. Memorandum dated 6/23/89 from Mayor Koch to NYCCRC Members re: “Borough Presidents’ Role in the Budget Process” (hand notation in upper-right corner: “Call Nick Garaufis”)
53. Cover memorandum dated 3/31/88 from Ruth Lock to All Commission Members re: “corrected copy of page seven of Richard Ravitch’s recommendations for the Land Management Board” (attached)
54. Cover memorandum dated 2/2/88 from Mayor Koch to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch with attached proposals for changes in City Charter: 1) memorandum dated 1/21/88 from Sylvia Deutsch, Chairperson of the City Planning Commission to Mayor Koch; and 2) memorandum dated 1/5/88 from Paul Dickstein, Director of the New York City Office of Management and Budget to Mayor Koch
55. Memorandum dated 6/12/89 from Terry Molloy to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: “Preliminary Proposal Modifications” (hand notation on verso of last page: “David / Just some thoughts I had--just between you me--like your comments / Terry”)
56. Memorandum dated 6/15/89 from NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. to Commission Members re: “Agenda for June 15-27 meetings”
57. Flyer: “1989 / Public Hearings on Charter Revision”
58. “Updated Schedule / 1989 Public Meetings And Hearings”
59. “Agenda / June 26, 1989 Meeting”
60. “Agenda / June 27, 1989 Meeting”
62. “A Proposal for Broader Political Representation in an Expanded New York City Council / By David G. Trager” with German ballot and translation attached (2 copies)
63. Memorandum dated 5/18/88 from David G. Trager to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: “Basic Structuring of New York City Government”
64. “White/Non-White Democratic Primaries for Board of Estimate Seats”: table showing minority candidates’ percentage of black vote and order of finish in elections from 1961 through 1985
65. Letter dated 5/31/89 from Mayor Koch to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposals before the NYCCRC
66. Draft Charter language: “Reallocation of Services”
67. List: “Reallocation of Services”
68. Draft Charter language: “Sec. 16. Report to Council. The mayor shall submit an annual report to the council....”
69. Draft Charter language: “In taking any action pursuant to this section, the council and the mayor may consider the historic, aesthetic, cultural and other factors relied upon by the commission as a basis for a designation....”
70. Memorandum dated 8/15/89 from Therese M. Molloy, Commissioner re: “Objections to Charter Revision Proposals” with fax cover sheet (from Eric Lane) dated 8/23/89
72. Draft Charter: p. 8
73. Draft Charter: Chapter 35 (“Personnel Management”) (n.b. hand annotations)
75. Memorandum dated 6/14/89 from Jeffrey D. Friedlander, City of New York Law Department re: “City Administrative Procedure Act Notice Provisions” with cover memorandum dated 6/19/89 from Eric Lane to David G. Trager and Judah Gribetz (handwritten: “Is there Index”[?])
77. Memorandum dated 8/10/89 from Commissioner Bernard Richland re: “Ballot question” with fax cover sheet dated 8/15/89 (see also document #48)
78. “Brooklyn Law School Commencement Address / by Dean David G. Trager / June 13, 1989 / Avery Fisher Hall” (discusses NYCCRC)
83. Draft Charter: Chapter 47 (“Access To Information”; “6/18”)
85. Draft Charter: pp. 8-23 through 8-24
86. Draft Charter: Chapter 51 (“Transitory Provisions”; “6/26”)
87. “Public Notice” re: 7/13/89 public meeting

88. *New York Newsday*, 6/29/89, pp. 31-32 and 121-122; archival photocopy of two items pertaining to Charter revision on p. 31


90. Draft Charter: Chapter 2-A (“Districting Commission”; “6/26/89 9:00 PM (15)”)  

91. Draft Charter: Chapter 47 (“Public Access To Meetings And Information”; “6/26”) (2 copies)


95. Memorandum dated 7/10/89 from Ruth Messinger and Stanley W. Hill to Concerned Citizens and Groups re: NYCCRC hearings

96. Letter dated 7/27/89 from Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and NYCCRC members re: clarification and expanded commentary on testimony; second copy with fax cover sheet (from Ferrer to David G. Trager)

97. “Land Use Decisions” (Comparison of Board of Estimate and Proposed Charter) (2 copies)

98. Statement submitted 7/28/89 by Marcy Benstock, Executive Director of NYC Clean Air Campaign, Inc.

99. “Board of Estimate Review Where the City Planning Commission Fails to Act”; dated 7/31/89

100. Memorandum dated 8/1/89 from Sylvia Deutsch to Chair and Members re: ULURP applications, with attached memorandum to her from Lance I. Michaels dated 7/31/89 re: “Rates of Certification/ Duration of Pre-Certification Period”

101. Letter dated 7/25/89 from Willa Appel, Executive Director of Citizens Housing and Planning Council to Mr. Frederick A.O. Schwarz re: problems in Commission’s proposals

102. “Addendum To City Council Response To The June 15, 1989 Changes Proposed By The Chair Of The Charter Revision Commission” dated 6/20/89 (see document #261)

103. Original, signed letter dated 6/20/89 from Mitchell S. Bernard and Katherine Kennedy of the Natural Resources Defense Council to David G. Trager re: May 1989 Preliminary Proposals

104. Transcript of Testimony / Brooklyn Public Hearing / April 23, 1987

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2. Summary of and Comments on Initial Proposals and Index to the Public Hearing Transcripts / June 27-30, 1988; n.b. broken at spine; needs rebinding


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2. Memorandum dated 9/23/87 from Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: “Schedule of Activities” (n.b. inscription to David G. Trager and other hand annotations), with the following attachments: “Appendix A / Commission Activities To Date”, “Appendix B / Planned Commission Events”, and “Appendix C / City Government Events Of Interest”370
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4. Directions to restrooms etc. for attendees of 4/14/88 meeting at New York Society for Ethical Culture

5. List dated 4/14/88 of seven “Recommended Subjects For November 1988 Ballot” (see document #407)

6. “Public Notice” of 5/9/88 meeting to be held at New York University School of Law (2 copies, 1 annotated), directions to restrooms etc. for attendees

7. Memorandum dated 6/3/88 from Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: “November 1988 Ballot Proposals” (see documents #64A-64C and 64F)

8. Directions to restrooms etc. for attendees of 6/3/88 meeting at Association of the Bar of the City of New York (see documents #35-57)

9. Letter dated 6/10/88 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to Alvin M. Berk and Helen D. Henkin re: recommended ballot items for 11/88 election (see document #402)


11. Cover memorandum dated 7/15/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Additional Testimony” (see document #62)

12. “Public Notice” of 7/26/88 meeting to be held at the Association of the Bar of the City of New York

13. Letter dated 7/28/88 from George A. Davidson and William Josephson of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: Committee on Municipal Affairs’s comments on “proposals with respect to special elections, mayoral inability and administrative procedures”

14. Cover memorandum dated 8/4/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Drafts of Commission Proposals” concerning 5 topics (n.b. missing)

15. Cover memorandum dated 8/5/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Drafts of Commission Proposals” concerning 3 topics (n.b. missing)

16. Cover memorandum dated 8/5/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Additional Testimony” (see document #62)

17. Cover letter dated 9/20/88 from Eric Lane; “September 20, 1988 / Charter Ballot Questions” (see documents #64A-64C, 64F, and 402-407)
18. Letter dated 9/21/88 from City Clerk Carlos Cuevas to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: responsibilities of the City Clerk.  

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3. “Schedule Necessary to Place Charter Proposals on the November Ballot” [1989]  
5. Letter dated 4/18/89 from Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: highlights and revisions of his Charter reform proposal  
6. Letter dated 4/17/89 from Park Slope Fifth Avenue Local Development Corporation President Albert Cabbad and Executive Director David Brickman to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: role of borough presidents and Board of Estimate in budget process  
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13. Letter dated 5/2/89 from Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: public meetings between NYCCRC and commissioners of NYC agencies  
14. Cover memorandum dated 5/3/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Relevant Recommendations on Charter Revision”, letter dated 4/7/89 from Queens Valley Home Owners’ Civic Association President Patricia Dolan to NYCCRC; letters dated 4/19/89 and 5/2/89 from Simeon H.F. Goldstein to NYCCRC; letter dated 5/4/89 from Chinatown
Voter Education Alliance Vice-President Gail Kong and Treasurer Larry Lee to NYCCRC, accompanied by 7-page statement

15. “Agenda” for 5/10/89 meeting (2 copies)

Folder A89:

1. Cover memorandum dated 5/12/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Enclosed documents”

2. Agenda for May 13, 1989 meeting (2 copies);

3. Regarding fiscal impact statements: A provision of Maryland State law requiring fiscal impact notes on state legislation; The New York State law requiring fiscal notes to accompany pension bills;

4. Regarding tax benefit analysis: The California State law requiring an annual report on tax expenditures; The Maine State law requiring legislative review of property tax exemptions; The Michigan State law requiring a tax expenditures report as an appendix to the executive budget, and an excerpt of the most recent report prepared pursuant to this provision;

5. City Council President proposal;

6. Regarding the Vice Mayor: Testimony of Councilmember Hilton B. Clark at April 4, 1989 Commission hearing; Slating by Gerald Benjamin [see document #572 (double-sided copy)]; Excerpt from The Number of Citywide Elected Officials, by Gerald Benjamin;


Folder A90:

1. Letter dated 5/30/89 from Kevin Ranaghan and Maria A. Thomson of the Woodhaven Residents’ Block Association to David G. Trager re: role of borough presidents in budget process

2. Letter dated 6/2/89 from Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway Executive Director David Edelstein to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: role of borough presidents and Board of Estimate in budget process, with attached copy of editorial from The Riverdale Press, 5/18/89

3. Original, signed letter dated 6/5/89 from Thalia Spanish Theatre Administrative Director Kathryn Giaimo to David G. Trager re: role of borough presidents in budget process


5. Original, signed letter dated 6/8/89 from Colden Center for the Performing Arts Acting Executive Director Vivian Charlop to NYCCRC Commissioner Patrick J. Murphy re: role of borough presidents in budget process
6. Letter dated 6/9/89 from Queens Council on the Arts Executive Director Constance Evans to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and NYCCRC members re: role of borough presidents in budget process

7. Citizens Union Reports: summer 1989

8. Original, signed letter dated 7/3/89 from St. John’s Episcopal Hospital South Shore Administrator Bruce B. Davidow to David G. Trager re: role of borough presidents in budget process

9. “Recommendations of Citizens Union to the New York City Charter Revision Commission” dated 7/20/89

10. Draft memorandum dated 7/27/89 from NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. to NYCCRC members re: “Thoughts re the Forthcoming Hearing” transmitted 7/28/89 with fax cover sheet (from Schwarz to David G. Trager)

11. “Public Notice” re: 8/11/89 submission of NYCCRC’s proposed Charter revisions to U.S. Justice Department (verso, Spanish translation), with attached list of public libraries where “Copies of the entire submission” may be examined

12. Cover letter dated 9/15/89 from Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden to NYCCRC member David G. Trager re: “enclosed […] copy of my submission to the United States Department of Justice asking that the proposals submitted by the New York City Charter Revision Commission be rejected; letter dated 9/6/89 from Golden to U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Acting Chief Barry H. Weinberg, with several attachments

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1. Cover “Notice” from NYCCRC re: “documents, sent to the Justice Department by the Charter Revision Commission, in response to objections filed with the Justice Department”

2. Letter dated 9/28/89 from NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and Counsel/Executive Director Eric Lane to U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Acting Chief Barry H. Weinberg re: “Comments on Objections Regarding the Process of the New York City Charter Revision Commission” bound with several exhibits

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1. Table of contents; letter dated 9/29/89 from NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and Counsel/Executive Director Eric Lane to U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division Acting Chief Barry H. Weinberg re: “Comments on Objections to Proposed Amendments to the New York City Charter” with the following attachments: “1 - ‘In New York Real Estate Market, Buy or Build?’ from the New York Observer, September 25, 1989”; “2 - Board of Estimate Votes: 1985 to 1987”; “3 - August 23, 1989 Letter from Queens Borough President Claire Shulman”; “4 - Response to Objections Regarding Budgeting and Procurement Proposals”; “5 - Response to Objections to Land Use Proposals Filed by Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc. and by Leslie H. Lowe, Esq.” (see documents #294-295)

Folder A92:


2. Original, initialed cover note from Mayor’s Task Force On Charter Implementation Chair Eric Lane dated 10/4/90 (n.b. attached Post-It note: “Dorothy Li / For Charter / Revision”)

3. Letter dated 9/28/90 from Lane to Mayor Dinkins re: fulfillment of Task Force’s task, accompanied by “Charter Implementation Timetable” dated 9/28/90
Folder A93:
1. VHS Video Tape: *Bringing the Constitution Home: The Challenge of Charter Revision*, New York City Charter Revision Commission, Fall 1987


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10. Amended “Exhibit A” **482** (n.b. not included in original notebook);
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2. Letter dated 2/11/88 from Edward N. Costikyan of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: preservation of the Board of Estimate\(^{487}\)

3. Original, signed letter dated 2/29/88 from Manhattan Borough President David N. Dinkins to David G. Trager re: “the minority community’s concerns with possible reduction in executive powers now exercised by the Board of Estimate”\(^{488}\), press release dated 2/29/88 from the office of the Manhattan Borough President, with attached “Statement By Manhattan Borough President David Dinkins, Congressman Charles Rangel And Former Congressman Herman Badillo On Charter Revision And Minority Representation” dated 2/29/88\(^{489}\)


5. Letter dated 3/22/88 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to Edward N. Costikyan re: Voting Rights Act\(^{495}\) (see document #270)


7. Original, signed letter dated 3/23/88 from City Council [Legislative Panel on Charter Revision] Vice Chairman Peter F. Vallone to David G. Trager re: 3/16/88 letter from Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison\(^{497}\); copy of 3/16/88 letter\(^{498}\) (see document #267); contract dated 2/25/88 between the Board of Estimate and Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison\(^{499}\)


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1. Photocopy of handwritten analysis of the effect of weighted voting upon the Board of Estimate, with handwritten additions\(^{501}\); attached tables showing racial and ethnic breakdown of populations of the five boroughs of New York City, with handwritten additions\(^{502}\)

2. 59 tables (prepared by Frank J. Mauro?) analyzing various schemes for weighted voting, including those proposed by Staten Island Borough President Ralph J. Lambert, NYCCRC member W. Bernard Richland, Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer, and Manhattan Borough President David N. Dinkins (n.b. hand annotations)\(^{503}\)


4. 5 maps “Prepared For The New York City Charter Revision Commission”: “Bronx County / 1984 Congressional Districts”; “Kings County / 1984 Congressional Districts”; “New York County / 1984 Congressional Districts”; “Queens County / 1984 Congressional Districts”; “Richmond County / 1984 Congressional Districts”\(^{506}\)

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1. Original, signed letter dated 3/24/88 from Manhattan Borough President David N. Dinkins to David G. Trager re: weighted voting, with attached tables
2. Letter dated 3/24/88 from W. Bernard Richland to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: Voting Rights Act
3. Memorandum dated 3/25/88 from Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison to the NYCCRC re: “The Voting Rights Act’s Problem Incident To Restructuring the Board of Estimate”
4. Letter dated 3/28/88 from Staten Island Borough President Ralph J. Lambert to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: proposed abolition of the Board of Estimate
5. Memorandum dated 3/31/88 from Manhattan Borough President David N. Dinkins to the NYCCRC re: weighted voting, with attached tables

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4. Cover letter dated 5/20/88 from Edward N. Costikyan of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch; cover letter dated 4/15/88 from Prof. Henry Paul Monaghan of Columbia University School of Law to Costikyan; letter dated 4/14/88 from Monaghan to Costikyan re: “my opinion with respect to the impact of the Voting Rights Act on various plans for restructuring the Board of Estimate”

Folder B8:
1. “Filling Vacancies / In / The Council And Borough Presidencies // Prepared For The New York City Charter Revision Commission / By / Gerald Benjamin”
2. Cover sheet: “Vacancies And Special Elections” with attached draft Charter sections corresponding to each of three options: “Approval Voting”; “Open Primary and Run-Off Election, If Necessary”; and “Party Nomination”;
3. “Approval Voting // Prepared by Douglas Muzzio / with the assistance of the Charter Revision Commission Staff”
5. Draft Charter chapter531 ("Voter Assistance"; “June 1, 1988”; handwritten: “corrected version”; see document #53)
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3. 8 tables showing the projected results of expanding the City Council in accordance with 8 different proposals,
7. Cover memorandum dated 2/17/88 from Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members
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2. Draft Charter: Chapter 2 (“Council”; “8/5 5:30pm”)

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1. Cover memorandum dated 5/3/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Enclosed Documents”
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   d. “3 charts summarizing the above proposals with respect to land use, budgeting and contracting”
   e. “Papers prepared for the Commission by Gerald Benjamin on the following topics: The Size of the City Council [with Doug Muzzio: ‘An Excerpt From The Election, Organization And Operation Of The City Council’]; The Selection and Role of the City Council President; and] Slating (see document #447, which includes single-sided copy);
   f. Memorandum dated 5/2/89 from Richard Briffault to Eric Lane re: “The One Person, One Vote Doctrine and an Appointive Land Use Board”
2. Cover memorandum dated 5/5/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Enclosed Documents”:
   a. “Memo from Frank Mauro on District Size and Minority Representation”;
   b. “Memo [dated 5/4/89] from Frank Mauro on One Person, One Vote Aspects of Proposal to Include Borough Presidents in City Council”;
   d. “Summary of Proposals for Powers of the Borough Presidents”;
   e. “Options for oversight role of the council President”;
   f. “May 3, 1989 letter from [City Council Chair, Legislative Panel on Charter Revision Hilton Clark and Vice Chairman and] Majority Leader Peter Vallone” (2 copies)

Folder D4:


Binder E1:
1. Cover memorandum dated 9/27/88 from Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members re: “Community Governance and Decentralization of Service Delivery”: “This notebook includes the following information on the above referenced subject: Tab 1[:] Staff Briefing Paper on ‘Community Governance’ (previously distributed)[;] Tab 2[:] Summary of Testimony Received at Initial Public Hearings on ‘Community Governance’[;] Tab 3[:] Summary of Testimony Received at Initial Public Hearings on ‘Community Board Input in the Land Use Process[;] Tab 4[:] ‘Community Governance and [the] Decentralization of Service Delivery’[: draft] Paper [dated 12/2/87] prepared for the Commission by Joseph P. Viteritti and Robert F. Pecorella” (See Document #1)

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   E. Memo to Executive Board Members from District Manager with Tally of Board Members' Priorities
   F. Community Board Service Program Priorities Sheet Submitted to OMB

9. FY 89 Departmental Estimates - Geographic Reports for Expense Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

10. Register for the Preliminary Expense Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

11. Geographic Report - Fiscal Year 1989 Capital Budget Departmental Estimates (relevant to Queens CD 5)

12. Register for the Preliminary Capital Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

13. FY 89 Executive Budget - Geographic Reports for Expense Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

14. Register for the Executive Expense Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

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16. Register for the Executive Capital Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

17. Geographic Report for FY 89 Executive Capital Budget Project Details (CAPIS) - 5/16/88 (relevant to Queens CD 5)

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19. Register for the Adopted Expense Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

20. FY 89 Adopted Budget - Geographic Report for Capital Budget (relevant to Queens CD 5)

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2. “Community Board Six - Brooklyn / District Service Cabinet”: list of “Regular Attendees” and “Infrequent Or Inconsistent Attendees” by agency or office name
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5. “Land Planning And Land Management: Glossary”
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   b. “2. [cover note to David (G. Trager) re: “Hardship”]; The Landmarks Preservation and Historic Districts Law, Title 25, Chapter 3 of the New York City Administrative Code” (n.b. hand annotations);
   c. “3. ‘New York: The Historic City,’ by the Historic City Committee (a/k/a the ‘Conklin Commission’) of The New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission” (for first copy, see document #186);
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   e. “5. Letter dated 5/16/89 from Landmarks Preservation Commission Chairman David F.M. Todd to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: “Charter Revision-related changes to the Landmarks Law being discussed” with attached letter dated 3/22/88 from The New York Historic City Committee Chairman William J. Conklin and Members of the Committee to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: recommendations on future of Landmarks Preservation Commission (see documents #184 and 612-613);
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1. Original, signed cover letter dated 6/28/89 from Civitas President Genie Rice to David G. Trager; “Recommendations of the Civitas Board on the Land Use Section of the New York City Charter Revision Proposal”

2. Original, signed cover letter dated 7/10/89 from George J. McCormack of Cusack & Stiles to David G. Trager; memorandum dated 7/10/89 from The Interfaith Commission to Study the Landmarking of Religious Property to NYCCRC re: “Reform in the Landmarking of Churches and Synagogues Is a Vital and Appropriate Element of Charter Revision”

3. Letter dated 7/10/89 from Rev. Karl W. Gillmeister and Ron Wilkoc of The Church of the Covenant to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposed changes to landmarks law

4. Original, signed letter dated 7/11/89 from Elizabeth O’Brien to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law

5. Letter dated 7/13/89 from the Udalls Cove Preservation Committee Founder Aurora Gareiss to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposed changes to process governing land use, etc.

6. Original, signed letter dated 7/17/89 from Rabbi Stanley M. Davids of Central Synagogue to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law


8. Cover memorandum dated 7/18/89 from Edythe W. First and Annette Y. Rosen of the Women’s City Club of New York to NYCCRC; letter dated 7/17/89 from First and Rosen to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposed changes to landmarks law


10. Letter dated 7/19/89 from the Metropolitan Historic Structures Association to NYCCRC Members re: proposed changes to landmarks law

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13. Memorandum dated 7/21/89 from The Interfaith Commission to Study the Landmarking of Religious Property to NYCCRC re: “Two Recent United States Supreme Court Decisions Bearing on Landmarking by Municipalities”

14. Letter dated 7/21/89 from The Committee to Oppose the Sale of St. Bartholomew’s Church Chairman and President J. Sinclair Armstrong to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and NYCCRC members re: proposed changes to landmarks law

15. “Statement by the Brooklyn Heights Association Before the Charter Revision Commission on the Subject of Land Use Decisions” dated 7/21/89

16. Letter dated 7/24/89 from Rev. John C. Fisher of The Church of the Epiphany to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposed changes to landmarks law

17. Memorandum dated 7/28/89 from Marla G. Simpson of New York Lawyers for the Public Interest to NYCCRC members re: “dispositions of City-owned residential properties” with fax cover sheet (from Simpson to David G. Trager)


19. Original, signed letter dated 7/28/89 from The Romanesque Revival Society President David M. Hollister to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law

20. Original, signed letter dated 7/28/89 from Save the Theatres Acting Executive Director Curtis R. Hagedorn to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law

21. Letter dated 7/28/89 from Francine Weinberg et al. to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law

22. Original, signed letter dated 7/31/89 from Architectural Record Senior Editor Charles K. Hoyt to David G. Trager re: proposed changes to landmarks law


Folder G1:
3. “A Proposal For Revising Chapter 68 (‘Ethics’) / Of The New York City Charter // For Discussion At A Public Meeting / Of The / New York City Charter Revision Commission // December 8, 1987” (n.b. hand annotations)
5. Cover memorandum dated 12/10/87 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members; memorandum dated 12/9/87 from Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: “Ethics Proposal”
7. Original, signed letter dated 12/14/87 from Citizens for Charter Change Ethics Committee Co-Chair Gene Russianoff to David G. Trager re: “views on the ethics proposals now being considered by the Charter Revision Commission” with attached “Comparison of Proposals of Charter Revision
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8. Original, signed cover letter dated 12/16/87 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to David G. Trager\textsuperscript{690}; draft Charter: Chapter 68 ('Ethics'; n.b. hand annotations)\textsuperscript{691}

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2. Memorandum dated 4/21/88 from NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch to NYCCRC members re: “Options on the Composition and Jurisdiction of the Board of Ethics”\textsuperscript{696}

3. Cover memorandum dated 4/29/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Materials on Ethics” in preparation 5/9/88 public meeting\textsuperscript{697} (n.b. enclosures missing)


5. Letter dated 5/27/88 from Citizens Union of the City of New York to NYCCRC members re: creation of “a more powerful and independent Board of Ethics”\textsuperscript{700}

6. Cover note dated 6/13/88 from Brooklyn Community Board 14 Charter Revision Committee Chair Alvin M. Berk to David G. Trager\textsuperscript{701}; letter dated 6/10/88 from Berk and Helen D. Henkin to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: “express right to independent counsel by certain City officials and entities”\textsuperscript{702}

7. Cover memorandum dated 7/21/88 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members\textsuperscript{703}; “City Council Response To / Charter Revision Commission Proposals // July 19, 1988”: “City Administrative Procedure Act” dated 7/18/88; “Conflicts of Interest Boards” dated 7/19/88; “Conflicts of Interest Code” dated 7/19/88; “Advice and Consent over Appointments to the Tax Appeals Tribunal and Executive Conflicts of Interest Board” dated 7/19/88; “Public Campaign Financing” dated 7/19/88; and “Voter Assistance” dated 7/19/88\textsuperscript{704}

8. Cover letter dated 7/29/88 from Manhattan Borough President David N. Dinkins to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch; Manhattan Borough Board resolution dated 7/28/88 on “Conflict of Interest for Borough Board and Community Board members”\textsuperscript{705}

9. Letter dated 7/6/89 from New York City Campaign Finance Board Chairman Joseph A. O’Hare to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. re: proposed changes to campaign finance law\textsuperscript{706}


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1. Cover memorandum dated 5/13/88 from Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members re: “Materials on Internal Controls”\textsuperscript{707}; “Briefing Paper on Internal Control Framework - previously distributed”\textsuperscript{708}; “Draft bill, with summary” (2 versions)\textsuperscript{709-710}; memorandum dated 5/11/88 from Eileen Sullivan to Frank J. Mauro re: “Recommendations of Committee on Municipal Affairs on DOI” (n.b. hand annotations)\textsuperscript{711}; “Paper on the New York City Department of Investigation by the Committee on
Municipal Affairs of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York"; American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, “The Auditor’s Study and Evaluation of Internal Control” (11/72), from Codification of Statements on Auditing Standards: Numbers 1 to 23

2. “Internal Controls: Proposal” (2 copies, second stamped “Draft” and “May 18 1988”)

3. Original, signed letter dated 7/19/88 from Eric Lane to David G. Trager re: evidentiary standard for hearings under the City Administrative Procedure Act; memorandum dated 7/12/88 from New York City Law Department Legal Counsel Division Chief Paul T. Rephen to Eric Lane re: “Substantial Evidence”

4. Letter dated 7/19/88 from The Plumbing Foundation City of New York Vice Chairman Leonard X. Farbman to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: public participation in city agency oversight hearings

5. Letter dated 7/25/88 from New York State Comptroller Edward V. Regan to NYCCRC Chairman Richard Ravitch re: “proposed City Charter amendments covering maintenance of the City’s capital plant”

6. Cover letter dated 7/25/88 from New York City Department of General Services Hadley W. Gold to Eric Lane; draft Charter: Chapter 59 (“Department of General Services”)

Folder H2:

1. Letter dated 7/26/88 from Helen D. Henkin and Alvin M. Berk of Brooklyn Community Board 14 to Eric Lane re: proposed changes to City Administrative Procedure Act (for second copy, see document #723)

2. Cover note dated 7/27/88 from Brooklyn Community Board 14 Charter Revision Committee Chair Alvin M. Berk to David G. Trager; letter dated 7/26/88 from Helen D. Henkin and Berk to Eric Lane re: proposed changes to City Administrative Procedure Act (for first copy, see document #721); letter dated 5/31/88 from Berk and Henkin to Lane re: proposed changes to City Administrative Procedure Act

3. Cover letter dated 7/27/88 from Gerald C. Tobin of Cusack & Stiles to Eric Lane; memorandum from The New York County Lawyers’ Association Committee on the City of New York, Subcommittee on Charter Revision: “Comments on the Proposed City Administrative Procedure Act”

4. Letter dated 7/29/88 from William W. Buzbee of the Natural Resources Defense Council to the NYCCRC re: availability to public of regulatory agendas of city agencies and mayoral responses thereto under the City Administrative Procedure Act


7. Draft Charter: Chapter 45 (“City Administrative Procedure Act”; “8-5-88”)

8. Draft Charter: Section 1110-a (“Capital plant inventory and maintenance”) (see document #100B)

9. Letter dated 4/10/89 from District Council 37 Executive Director Stanley W. Hill to NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz re: “reforms of New York City’s contracting system”

10. Cover memorandum dated 5/8/89 from Frank Mauro to NYCCRC members re: “State Comptroller’s Authority to Approve Contracts”: “Attached for your information are: 1. the provision of state law [7 Finance Law §§ 111-115] requiring the comptroller to approve state contracts; 2. [cover letter dated 4/7 from New York State Comptroller Edward V. Regan to
NYCCRC Chairman Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. and “a memo [dated 3/89] from State Comptroller Ned Regan outlining how the Comptroller’s office executes this responsibility; 3. a memo [dated 12/13/87] from Richard Briffault [to Eric Lane] discussing the state comptroller’s authority under the statute; and 4. relevant case law and opinions of the Attorney General on the subject [Opinions of the Attorney-General, 2/1/15; Belmar Contracting Co. v. State of New York, 233 N.Y. 189 (1922); Opinions of the Attorney-General, 9/12/34; Opinions of the Attorney-General, 1/14/43; Opinions of the Attorney General, 12/21/51; Deverho Construction Co. v. State of New York, 94 Misc.2d 1053 (Court of Claims 1978); Becker v. State of New York, 65 A.D.2d 65 (3d Dept. 1978); Matter of Konski Engineers v. Levitt, 69 A.D.2d 940 (3d Dept. 1979); Flaherty Corp. v. State of New York, 102 Misc.2d 438 (Court of Claims 1979); Matter of Kick v. Regan, 110 A.D.2d 934 (3d Dept. 1985)).”

Folder H3:
1. Cover memorandum dated 5/11/89 from Eric Lane and Frank J. Mauro to NYCCRC members re: “Enclosed Materials” (list transcribed below):
   1) Regarding the Comptroller:
      Draft: Selection of the Comptroller and Functions of the Office [dated 10/1/88] by Gerald Benjamin
      May 9, 1989 letter from Assemblyman Alan Hevesi
   2) Regarding “off budget” funds:
      New York City Planning Commission Accountability for Cash Contributions [dated 8/15/88] by the Office of the State Comptroller
      [photocopy from reporter:] Anderson v. Regan [53 N.Y.2d 356 (1981)]

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3) Regarding impoundment:
   The federal impoundment law [photocopy of 2 USC §§ 681-687]
   Relevant State Finance Law provisions [photocopy of case notes 3-9 on 4 Finance Law § 41, and text of 4 Finance Law § 42]
   [photocopy from reporter: County of] Oneida v. Berle [49 N.Y.2d 515 (1980)], which deals with the governor’s impoundment authority
   An article I have written on this issue [photocopy of Eric Lane, “Legislative Oversight of an Executive Budget Process: Impoundments in New York,” 5 Pace Law Review 211 (1985)]
4) Regarding the use of performance information in the budget process:
   Sets of budgets for Corrections Departments (or their equivalents) from the following governments:
   New York City (Executive Budget [for FY 1988] & Mayor’s Management Report [dated 9/87])
   San Mateo County, California [FY 1987-88]
   Westchester County, New York [1989]
   San Diego County, California (Detention Facility Services) [1988-89]
   Santa Clara County, California (Sheriff Custody Operations) [FY 1988]
5) May 9, 1989 letter from the League of Women Voters [President Laura Altschuler to the
Editor of the New York Times]

Folder H5:
1. Original, signed letter dated 6/7/89 from United Way of New York City Executive Vice President Horace W. Morris to David G. Trager re: contracting, with original envelope attached
3. Draft of 7/10/89 “background memorandum, prepared by staff”: “Civilian Complaint Review Board” (n.b. hand annotations; Post-it note on first page: “Chapter 18 / Police Dept.”; see documents #740 and 745)

Folder H6:
1. Cover memorandum dated 7/10/89 from David G. Trager to NYCCRC members (for copy, see document #745); draft of 7/10/89 “background memorandum, prepared by staff: “Civilian Complaint Review Board” (see documents #738 and 745; n.b. inscription: “David [G. Trager]: The figures are part of an unreleased study to which we do not have access. Eric [Lane]” and other hand annotations); “Statement by Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward on the Final Report of C.C.R.B. on the Tompkins Square Park Incident” dated 4/18/89, with attached Operations Order No. 72 dated 6/29/89 re: “Issuance of New Department Helmets and Shield Number Decals”
2. Cover memorandum dated 7/11/89 from Eric Lane to NYCCRC members re: “Enclosed Documents”:
   “July 10, 1989 memo from Commissioner Trager with staff memo on the Civilian Complaint Review Board” (for original, see document #739; see also documents #738 and 740); “Memo from Frank Mauro on the Exclusion of Operating Expenses from the Capital Budget”
4. Cover letter dated 11/2/89 from Frank J. Mauro to Brooklyn Community Board 14 District Manager Terry Rodie re: “requested estimates of the costs and savings of the proposed revision of the New York City Charter”:
   1. “Summary of Fiscal Impact of Revised New York City Charter by Subject”;
   2. “Required Costs, Desirable Costs and Savings Related to the Charter Revision Commission Proposals”;
   3. “Comparison of Borough President Golden’s Estimates of the Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Charter with Those of the CRC Staff”;
   4. “Comparison of OMB and CRC Staff Estimates of FY 1990 Fiscal Impact of Proposed Charter Revision”;