

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 10, 2022

Introduced by M. of A. SEAWRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to requiring certain directors of the Roosevelt Island operating corporation to be residents of Roosevelt Island and to require the appointment of certain vacant board positions within sixty days

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 2799-cccc of the public
2 authorities law, as added by chapter 383 of the laws of 2019, are
3 amended to read as follows:

4 2. The board of directors of the corporation shall be composed of nine
5 members. One member shall be the commissioner, who shall serve as the
6 chair; one member shall be the director of the budget; and seven public
7 members shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent
8 of the senate. Of the seven public members, two members, one of whom
9 shall be a resident of Roosevelt Island, shall be appointed upon the
10 recommendation of the mayor of the city; and four additional members
11 shall be residents of Roosevelt Island. Each member shall serve for a
12 term of four years and until his or her successor shall have been
13 appointed and shall have qualified, [~~except~~] provided that any public
14 member appointed on the basis of being a resident of Roosevelt Island
15 shall resign such membership upon ceasing to be a resident of Roosevelt
16 Island, and provided further that the commissioner and the director of
17 the budget shall serve so long as they continue to hold their respective
18 offices. Any action taken by the directors of the corporation shall be
19 taken by majority vote of the directors then in office. The elected
20 public officials who represent Roosevelt Island shall be representatives
21 to the board of directors of the corporation entitled to receive notice
22 of and attend all meetings of such board but shall not be entitled to
23 vote. Failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of any
24 action taken at a meeting of such board.

25 3. The governor [~~may~~] shall fill any vacancy which occurs on the board
26 of directors of the corporation in a manner consistent with the original

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscoring) is new; matter in brackets
[~~-~~] is old law to be omitted.

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1 appointment within sixty days. Vacancies occurring otherwise than by
2 expiration of term of office shall be filled by appointment for the
3 balance of the unexpired term. Any member of the corporation may be
4 removed by the governor for cause, but not without an opportunity to be
5 heard, in person or by counsel, in his or her defense, upon not less
6 than ten days' written notice.

7 § 2. Subdivision 7 of section 2799-dddd of the public authorities law,
8 as added by chapter 383 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as
9 follows:

10 7. Appoint officers, agents and employees, prescribe their duties
11 [~~and~~], fix their compensation in accordance with a staffing and compen-
12 sation plan submitted to and approved by the director of the budget, and
13 make available to the public and post on the corporation's website all
14 notices of corporation employment vacancies;

15 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.