

Hello. My name is David Yassky and I am running for New York City Comptroller.

For the past seven years, I have represented the vibrant and diverse neighborhoods of North Brooklyn in the City Council from Greenpoint to Park Slope. Before that, I worked for Chuck Schumer in Washington and as a budget analyst for Mayor Ed Koch - and also as a mergers and acquisitions lawyer so I know how the private sector works, too.

I'm running for Comptroller because in these difficult times, we need to root out waste in every corner of the budget, to demand accountability and results for every dollar we're spending and to do everything we can to get the City economy back on track.

We need a progressive fighter who will free up the money to keep police on the

streets and teachers in the classroom and make sure we don't close firehouses and senior centers.

That's just what I've done in the City Council. I found millions of dollars of waste at the Housing Department, I exposed it, did a hearing on it and got it canceled. I passed the False Claims Act to crack down on contractors who defraud the City.

And I put the whole City budget online at [www . ItsYourMoneyNYC . com](http://www.ItsYourMoneyNYC.com) because it's not the government's money - it's your money and we need to make sure every penny is spent correctly.

As Comptroller, I will be an aggressive watchdog over City budgets. My audits will identify the 10 percent of each agency's budget that can be cut and spent smarter.

And make no mistake, behind every dollar of waste, there is a special interest

making money, so we need a Comptroller who is tough enough to stand up to them and that's just what I've done throughout my career.

I've stood up to big business and special interests. As Chief Counsel to Chuck Schumer, I took on the NRA and the powerful gun lobby in Washington to help pass the Brady Law and Assault Weapons Ban.

In the City Council, I took on the real estate lobby and closed a loophole that gave away millions to luxury developers. I took on the taxi industry to force them to do clean air, fuel efficient taxi cabs because one out of eight children in the City has asthma. And I sued Exxon-Mobil to get them to clean up their oil spill in Greenpoint after 50 years of neglect.

During these tough times, middle class families deserve a Comptroller who is a progressive fighter, who will get rid of the

waste so we can spend that money where we really need it, in the classrooms, in the senior centers for Meals On Wheels for people trying to get through this tough period.

This is no time for politics as usual. This is a time of challenge like we have not seen in decades. I'm running for Comptroller to take on those challenges. As your Comptroller, the buck will stop with me and I will watch every penny.

And I'm asking for your help and for your vote on September 15th.

Thank you.

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