

In Re NYC - Department of Sanitation Public Hearing Regarding
Implementation Schedule for the Bronx East, Bronx West Commercial
Waste Zones
May 23, 2025

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3 DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION

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4 PUBLIC HEARING

5 AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

6 ON PROPOSED RULES

7 RE: Implementation Schedule for the Bronx East
8 and Bronx West Commercial Waste Zones (CWZ)

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11 May 23, 2025

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2 A P P E A R A N C E S:

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MS. BADEA: Good morning and welcome. My name is Anissa Badea, and I'm an attorney in the Bureau of Legal Affairs of the Department of Sanitation. Thank you for attending this public hearing this morning.

DSNY is conducting this remote hearing in accordance with the requirements of the City Administrative Procedure Act. The purpose of this hearing is to receive comments from the public on DSNY's proposed rule relating to the implementation of the second and third commercial waste zones.

This rule was published by DSNY in the City record on April 23, 2025, with a scheduled hearing date of today, May 23, 2025. Additionally, DSNY e-mailed copies of the rule to all New York City local elected officials and the City's 59 community boards, media, and interested parties and published the proposed rule on its

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2 website.

3 In 2019, New York City enacted
4 Local Law 199 requiring the
5 establishment of a new program for the
6 collection of commercial waste. The
7 program knows the commercial waste
8 zone (CWZ) program is a safe,
9 efficient, and competitive collection
10 system designed to provide high
11 quality service to New York City
12 businesses, while advancing the City's
13 waste diversion and sustainability
14 goals. Pursuant to Local Law 199
15 codified in Title 16-B of the New York
16 City Administrative Code, the
17 geographic area of New York City has
18 been divided into 20 commercial waste
19 zones.

20 Pursuant to request for
21 proposals process, three private
22 carters providing commercial waste
23 collection services were selected by
24 the Department to serve businesses
25 within each CWZ, and five carters were

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selected to provide containerized commercial waste collection services from dumpsters and compactors city-wide. The selected carters were referred to as awardees. The resulting contract with the awardees include standards for pricing, customer service, safety, environmental health, and requirements to promote the City's commitment to recycling and sustainability.

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Local Law 199 requires the Department to issue rules setting forth an implementation start date and a final implementation date for each commercial waste zone established. Different implementation start dates and implementation end dates may be established for different commercial waste zones. The Department previously set the implementation start and end dates for the first zone, Queens Central, with an implementation start date of

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2 September 3, 2024 and an
3 implementation end date of January 2,
4 2025.

5 This rule sets the
6 implementation start date and final
7 implementation date for the next two
8 zones to be implemented: Bronx East
9 and Bronx West. Subsequent rules set
10 the implementation dates for the
11 remaining zones. DSNY's authority for
12 the rules is found in Section 753 and
13 Section 1043(g) of the New York City
14 Charter in Title 16-B of the New York
15 City Administrative Code.

16 A court reporter is present
17 today and will record the hearing.
18 You may present an oral statement or
19 submit written comments concerning the
20 proposed rule. We have been accepting
21 written comments on the proposed rule
22 since it was published. Today is the
23 deadline for submission of written
24 comments. Such comments may be
25 e-mailed directly to

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DSNY will make available
comments with all written comments
received through today together with
the hearing transcript for viewing on
its website within the next few weeks.
DSNY will be careful to consider all
comments it receives today at the
hearing and all written comments it
receives.

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I will begin calling those of
you who wish to speak this morning in
the order in which you have signed up
to testify. While the notice asked
that persons wishing to testify sign
up in advance of this hearing, anyone
wishing to testify at this time may do
so by indicating in the chat area that
you wish to testify with your name and
affiliation, if any.

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When you speak, please state
your name and affiliation, speak
slowly and clearly so that the court
reporter can understand and accurately

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record your statement. We also ask
that you limit your statement to
three minutes.

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No one has pre-signed up to
speak, so if anyone would like to
speak, please drop your name and
affiliation into the chat.

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(Whereupon, the record was left
open for testimony.)

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MS. BADEA: Thank you, Lacey,
for pointing that out.

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Does anyone -- would anyone like
to speak? I'll give people a few
minutes.

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(Whereupon, the record was left
open for testimony.)

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MS. BADEA: For those who just
joined, if you'd like to speak, please
write your name and affiliation into
the chat and I'll call on you.

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(Whereupon, the record was left
open for testimony.)

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MS. BADEA: Just to give
everyone a chance, if anyone would

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hold it open for about one more minute

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or two more minutes.

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open for testimony.)

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MS. BADEA: Seeing that no one

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wishes to testify, thank you,

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everyone, for coming today. Comments

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may still be submitted to the

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Department via e-mail at

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nycrules@dsny.nyc.gov today, and also

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may be posted on the NYC Rules

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website.

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Thank you.

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(TIME NOTED: 10:12 a.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

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COUNTY OF NASSAU)

I, Elbia Brumit, a Notary Public within
and for the State of New York, do hereby certify:

I reported the proceedings in the
within-entitled matter, and that the within
transcript is a true record of such proceedings to
the best of my ability.

I further certify that I am not related
to any of the parties to this action by blood or
marriage; and that I am in no way interested in
the outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand this 23rd day of May, 2025.


ELBIA BRUMIT

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Commercial Waste Zones		
1043g 6:13	attorney 2:23,4 2025	citywide 5:5 11
16b 4:15 6:14	authority 6:11	clearly 7:24
23rd 10:19	available 7:3	code 4:16 6:15
ability 10:13	awardees 5:6,7	codified 4:15
about 9:4	badea 2:4 3:2,3 8:11,18,24 9:8 (7)	collection 4:6,9,23 5:3 (4)
accepting 6:20	begin 7:12	coming 9:10
accordance 3:9	best 10:13	comment 5
accurately 7:25	blood 10:15	comments 3:13 6:19,21,24,24 7:4,4,9,10 9:10 (10)
act 3:11	boards 3:24	commercial 8 3:16 4:6,7,18,22 5:3,17,20 (9)
action 10:15	bronx 7,8 6:8,9 (4)	commitment 5:11
additionally 3:20	brumit 21 10:8	community 3:23
administrative 3:11 4:16 6:15	bureau 2:5 3:4	compactors 5:4
advance 7:17	businesses 4:12,24	competitive 4:9
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affiliation 7:21,23 8:8,20 9:3 (5)	calling 7:12	consider 7:8
agency 2:5	can 7:25	containerized 5:2
also 8:2 9:13	careful 7:8	contract 5:7
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anissa 2:4 3:3	central 5:24	county 10:6
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april 3:18	chance 8:25	customer 5:9
area 4:17 7:19	charter 6:14	cwz 8 4:8,25
ask 8:2	chat 7:19 8:8,21 9:3 (4)	date 3:19 5:15,16,25 6:3,6,7 (7)
asked 7:15	city 2 2:6 3:10,18,22 4:3,11,16,17 6:13,15 (11)	dates 5:18,19,23 6:10 (4)
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day 10:19	establishment 4:2025	(12) 12
deadline 6:23	everyone 8:25 9:10	implemented 6:8
department 2 2:6 3:5 4:24 5:14,21 9:12 (7)	f 10:2	include 5:8
designed 4:10	few 7:7 8:14	indicating 7:19
different 5:18,20	final 5:16 6:6	interested 3:24 10:16
directly 6:25	first 5:23	into 4:18 8:8,20 9:3 (4)
diversion 4:13	five 4:25	is 3:3,8,12 4:8 6:12,16,22 10:12 (8)
divided 4:18	forth 5:15	issue 5:14
does 8:13	found 6:12	its 3:25 7:7
drop 8:7 9:2	further 10:14	january 6:3
dsny 3:8,17,21 7:3,8 (5)	geographic 4:17	joined 8:19
dsny's 3:13 6:11	give 8:14,24	just 8:18,24
dumpsters 5:4	goals 4:14	knows 4:7
e 2:2,2 10:2,2 (4)	good 3:2	lacey 8:11
each 4:25 5:16	hand 10:19	law 4:4,14 5:13
east 7 6:8	has 4:17 8:5	left 8:9,16,22 9:6 (4)
efficient 4:9	health 5:10	legal 2:5 3:4
elbia 21 10:8	hearing 4 3:7,9,12,19 6:17 7:6,10,17 (9)	like 8:6,13,19 9:2 (4)
elected 3:22	held 15	limit 8:3
email 9:12	hereby 10:9	local 3:22 4:4,14 5:13 (4)
emailed 3:21 6:25	hereunto 10:18	make 7:3
enacted 4:3	high 4:10	marriage 10:16
end 5:19,23 6:3	hold 9:4	matter 10:11,17
environmental 5:10	i'll 8:14,21 9:3	may 11 3:20 5:19 6:18,24 7:18 9:11,14 10:19 (9)
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established 5:17,20	implementation 7 3:15 5:15,16,18,19,22,25 6:3,6,7,10	microsoft 15

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more 9:4,5	people 8:14	re 7
morning 3:2,7 7:13	persons 7:16	receive 3:12
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my 3:3 10:13,19	pointing 8:12	receives 7:9,11
n 2:2	posted 9:14	record 3:18 6:17 8:2,9,16,22 9:6 10:12 (8)
name 3:3 7:20,23 8:7,20 9:2 (6)	present 6:16,18	recycling 5:12
nassau 10:6	presigned 8:5	referred 5:6
new 2 2:6 3:22 4:3,5,11,15,17 6:13,14 10:4,9 (12)	previously 5:22	related 10:14
next 6:7 7:7	pricing 5:8	relating 3:14
no 8:5 9:8 10:16	private 4:21	remaining 6:11
notary 10:8	procedure 3:11	remote 3:8
noted 9:17	proceedings 10:10,12	reported 20 10:10
notice 7:15	process 4:21	reporter 6:16 7:25
nyc 9:14	program 4:5,7,8	request 4:20
nycrules@dsnynycgov 7:2 9:13	promote 5:11	requirements 3:10 5:10
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order 7:14	published 3:17,25 6:22	s 2:2
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outcome 10:17	pursuant 4:14,20	safety 5:9
	quality 4:11	sanitation 2 2:6 3:6

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scheduled 3:19	submit 6:19	viewing 7:6
second 3:15	submitted 9:11	waste 8 3:16 4:6,7,13,18,22 5:3,17,21 (10)
section 6:12,13	subsequent 6:9	way 10:16
seeing 9:8	such 6:24 10:12	website 4:2 7:7 9:15
selected 4:23 5:2,5	sustainability 4:13 5:12	weeks 7:7
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sign 7:16	those 7:12 8:18	who 7:13 8:18
signature 10:22	three 4:21 8:4	will 6:17 7:3,8,12 (4)
signed 7:14	through 7:5	wish 7:13,20
since 6:22	time 7:18 9:17	wishes 9:9
slowly 7:24	title 4:15 6:14	wishing 7:16,18
so 7:19,24 8:6	today 3:20 6:17,22 7:2,5,9 9:10,13 (8)	within 4:25 7:7 10:8,11 (4)
speak 7:13,22,23 8:6,7,14,19 9:2 (8)	together 7:5	withinentitled 10:11
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start 5:15,18,23,25 6:6 (5)	two 6:7 9:5	write 8:20
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1002 12		
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2019 4:3		
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