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May 1, 2025

Procurement Policy Board (PPB) Rule amendment

Title: New York City Charter § 311(b) amendment by Local Law 107 of 2024

PPB REFERENCE NO.: 2025 RG 028

RULE TITLE: Amendment of Rule Relating to Vendor Protests

Comment on Proposed Rules by NYC Council Member Julie Won

I strongly support the proposed rule amendments under consideration by the New York City policy procurement board (PPB). The proposed rule amendments are being made in accordance with the amendment to the New York City Charter § 311(b) pursuant to Local Law 107 of 2024, which originated from legislation I proudly authored to strengthen fairness and transparency in our City's procurement process. Local Law 107 of 2024 requires the PPB to authorize the submission of a protest by a vendor or a vendor's designated representative of a determination of any procurement action by an agency, except for determinations related to accelerated procurements, emergency procurements, and small purchases.

This rule amendment would provide third parties the ability to protest a determination of an agency procurement action on behalf of a vendor. By allowing third parties to submit protests on behalf of vendors, we are opening the door to greater oversight and reinforcing public confidence in how the City conducts its business. These amendments will increase efficiency, economy, and flexibility in City procurement; to maximize the City's purchasing power; to promote inclusive competition (particularly among small businesses and minority and women owned businesses/enterprises) and to safeguard against corruption, waste, fraud, and abuse.

In addition, this amendment will help ensure broader public access to contracting information and strengthen equity in the hiring and employment practices of contractors and subcontractors working with the City.

I believe this amendment is necessary and long overdue. For these reasons, I fully support the proposed amendments. Thank you to the PPB for your work on behalf of all New Yorkers.

Sincerely,

Council Member Julie Won
26th District
New York City Council



MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Comment on Proposed Rules
May 1, 2025, at 11:00 AM
255 Greenwich Street, 9th Floor
New York, New York

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Laborers' Local 1010 **STRONGLY SUPPORTS** the proposed rules being considered by the New York City policy procurement board ("PPB"). These proposed rule amendments are being made consistent with the amendment to the New York City Charter § 311(b) pursuant to Local Law 107 of 2024. Local Law 107 of 2024 requires the PPB to promulgate rule amendments authorizing the submission of a protest by a vendor or a vendor's designated representative of a determination of any procurement action by an agency, except for determinations related to accelerated procurements, emergency procurements, and small purchases.

This rule amendment would provide third parties the ability to protest a determination of an agency procurement action on behalf of a vendor. This amendment will provide for increased public confidence in New York City's public procurement procedures as well as the opportunity "to provide for increased efficiency, economy, and flexibility in City procurement activities and to maximize to the fullest extent the purchasing power of the City; to foster effective broad-based competition from all segments of the vendor community; including small businesses, minority and women-owned and operated enterprises; to safeguard the integrity of the procurement system and protect against corruption, waste, fraud, and abuse; to ensure appropriate public access to contracting information, and to foster equal employment opportunities in the policies and practices of contractors and subcontractors wishing to do business with the City."

We believe this amendment is desperately needed and long overdue. For these reasons, Laborers' Local 1010 **STRONGLY SUPPORTS** the amendment of the New York City Charter § 311(b) by Local Law 107 of 2024 and the inclusion of a vendor's designated representative.