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COMMITTEE

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CHAIRWOMAN

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LEGISLATOR MAZI MELESA PILIP VICE CHAIR
LEGISLATOR LAURA SCHAEFER
LEGISLATOR C. WILLIAM GAYLOR
LEGISLATOR DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON RANKING
LEGISLATOR ARNOLD DRUCKER
LEGISLATOR JOSHUA LAFAZAN

MICHAEL PULITZER Clerk of the Legislature

A L S O A P P E A R E D :

ANN DESIMONE, HEALTH DEPARTMENT

COMMISSIONER NANCY NUNZIATA, DSS

JOANNE OWEIS, COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: I'd like to call the Health and Social Services Committee together and I'll ask the Clerk to please take the roll. The clerk stepped away, so I will take the roll.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER:
Legislator Joshua Lafzan?

LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Here.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
Arnold Drucker?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
Deriggi-Whitton?

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
C. William Gaylor, III?

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Present.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
Schaefer.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Here.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
Pilip?

LEGISLATOR PILIP: Here.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: And myself, I am

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2 here. We have a quorum. Before we
3 start, I'm going to ask for a motion to
4 suspend the Rules. Legislator Gaylor,
5 seconded by Legislator Drucker. All in
6 favor of suspending the rules, signify by
7 saying aye.

8 (Whereupon, all members of
9 the Health and Social Services
10 Committee respond in favor.)

11 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: There are two
12 items on the agenda.

13 The first is Clerk Item 383-22. It's
14 an ordinance supplemental to the annual
15 appropriation ordinance in connection
16 with the Health Department. May have a
17 motion please? By Legislator Schaefer,
18 seconded by Legislator Drucker. How are
19 you?

20 MS. DESIMONE: Good afternoon. Ann
21 DeSimone, Health Department. There are
22 actually four items under 383-22.

23 The first one is for \$490,000 for
24 the Sexually Transmitted Disease
25 Intervention Services Grant. This grant

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2 is funded through the New York State
3 Department of Health. The program
4 provides disease intervention services to
5 reduce morbidity and mortality from
6 syphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia.

7 Staff in this grant confirms
8 diagnosis, treatment of the infection
9 with the health provider. Patient is
10 interviewed, counseled, education is
11 provided. Partner notification and
12 referrals for testing are also provided.

13 Any questions?

14 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Questions on
15 that particular part?

16 (Whereupon, no verbal
17 response.)

18 MS. DESIMONE: The second is a
19 supplemental appropriation in the amount
20 of \$70,000 for the Child Fatality Review
21 Team.

22 This is 100% grant funded as well
23 through the New York State Office of
24 Children and Family Services. The Child
25 Fatality Review Team reviews all deaths

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2 of children who reside and die in Nassau
3 County and whose death is unexplained or
4 unexpected. Any questions?

5 (Whereupon, no verbal
6 response.)

7 MS. DESIMONE: The third
8 appropriation is in the amount of
9 \$147,667 for the Children and Youth With
10 Special Healthcare Needs Program. The New
11 York State Department of Health is
12 awarding the County additional funding to
13 provide information to families of
14 children and youth who fall into the
15 definition of special healthcare needs
16 and there is a special caveat to this
17 grant. We will be required to have one
18 full-time employee as a requirement to
19 accept this new funding. Any questions
20 there?

21 (Whereupon, no verbal
22 response.)

23 MS. DESIMONE: The fourth is the
24 amount of \$124,486 from the New York
25 State Department of Health AIDS Institute

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2 and Health Research to continue and
3 enhance the Expanded Partners Services
4 Program.

5 Any questions on that one?

6 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any questions
7 from any of the legislator, comments,
8 public comment?

9 (Whereupon, no verbal
10 response.)

11 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Okay. All those
12 in favor of Clerk Item 383-22, signify by
13 saying aye.

14 (Whereupon, all members of
15 the Health and Social Services
16 Committee respond in favor.)

17 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: And opposed?
18 Any abstained?

19 (Whereupon, no verbal
20 response.)

21 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: No. Then this
22 will go on to finance. Thank you very
23 much.

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CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Clerk Item

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391-22 is an ordinance supplemental for

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Services. Motion by Legislator Pilip,

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seconded by Legislator Lafazan.

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How are you?

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COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Nancy

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Nunziata, Commissioner DSS, and I'm here

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with Joanne Oweis, who is our contracts

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attorney.

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The item that we're discussing is an

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allocation from New York State OTDA. They

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allocated money to every county in New

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services. Right now, it's a one year

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allocation but according to the State

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they suspect that this will be continued

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in several years to come.

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Basically what they were looking for

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are creative solutions to homelessness.

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So this particular program is going to be

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targeting our chronically homeless

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population. We have chronically homeless

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2 single adults and we have chronically
3 homeless families. We define chronically
4 homeless as people who've been in our
5 system for over two years. Right now we
6 have over a 100 people in that category.

7 What we're looking to do is work
8 with several of the -- well, we're not
9 going to be. They're going to be
10 subcontracting it. I'll let Joanne speak
11 to the RFP that's going out. We're going
12 to be looking to engage a nonprofit
13 provider who would work with several of
14 the hotel/motels who would be setting
15 aside units to provide permanent housing.

16 For many of our chronically
17 homeless, they've been in the same
18 hotel/motel for two years, three years.
19 It's essentially become their home. This
20 program would bring in case management
21 services, behavioral therapy. It would
22 also require that there be a lease
23 agreement between the homeless individual
24 and the hotel. They would have to
25 contribute towards their housing.

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2 Essentially, we would take those units
3 and instead of them just being a homeless
4 housing room, it would become permanent
5 housing. So they would come off our
6 homeless housing rolls and really give
7 people a shot at developing the skills
8 that they need to live permanently.

9 This plan, we had to submit our plan
10 to the State and the State reviewed the
11 plan and they have approved our plan.

12 Maybe, Joanne, can you just speak
13 briefly about the RFP because you have
14 put it together.

15 DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY OWEIS:

16 Joanne Oweis, Deputy County Attorney. The
17 RFP that's going to be issued is just for
18 the not for profit administrator of the
19 program and out of the two million plus
20 funding, 15% of it can get allocated to
21 administrative costs. That would be
22 covered under the non for profit who
23 would, through the intake, provide the
24 support of services that the Commissioner
25 mentioned and also enter into the lease

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2 agreement. We plan to issue that RFP
3 hopefully at the end of this week.

4 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Would we be
5 trying to work with these hotels/motels
6 and make it more than just a hotel room?
7 Because, like you said, there are
8 families I know that have been in a room
9 with three children, in a hotel room for
10 years like and you know what do they
11 have? Maybe the hotel might have some
12 place where there's a microwave or
13 something. But these little families live
14 -- I mean not really conducive to a home.

15 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah,
16 absolutely. The idea would be the single
17 rooms, that they become like an
18 efficiency unit. So the hotel owner would
19 put in a microwave, refrigerator,
20 whatever it is, bare minimum of what
21 people need. The same thing with the one
22 bedrooms. That's where usually the
23 families are. Again, they would become
24 more of an efficiency apartment versus
25 just a hotel room.

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2 So you know it's different. We're
3 trying to do some out-of-the-box
4 thinking. Because we have people who,
5 essentially, this room has been their
6 home for a long time. Our oldest person
7 has been there over 3,000 days. That's a
8 long time.

9 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Exactly. I see
10 it bad enough for a single individual,
11 but for a little family, kids start
12 getting bigger, they're trying to do
13 schoolwork. It's not a home situation.
14 It's nice to go stay in a hotel for a
15 short time and kids get excited, but not
16 when that's all you have.

17 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: The good
18 thing here is we're allowed to have the
19 wrap around services, which has been
20 really hard to fund. The nonprofit would
21 bring with them case managers and
22 behavior therapists that we can also
23 start looking at some of the issues. A
24 lot of our long term homeless they
25 generally have some mental health issues.

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2 That's one of our hardest populations to
3 work with.

4 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any other
5 legislators? Legislator Schaefer.

6 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Hi,
7 Commissioner, how are you?

8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Good.

9 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Good. I have
10 some questions. So the hotels that
11 you're talking about, are they going to
12 be different from the ones they're
13 currently in?

14 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: No. The
15 hotels or where they're currently living.
16 We have about four hotel owners who
17 really do a marvellous job and are very
18 committed to the population. So those
19 would be the folks that we're reaching
20 out. We've already been in discussion
21 with them.

22 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: And you
23 mentioned also that the families would be
24 contributing somehow.

25 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah. Right

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2 now, we pay the hotels. We pay for a
3 single room at \$76 a night and I forget,
4 for the one bedroom. But here this would
5 be a requirement, because we do have
6 people living who have so security income
7 or whatever income, and they'd have to
8 pay up to 30% of their income. We can't
9 charge them and we wouldn't charge them
10 any more. But so that's the other piece
11 of it. It really begins to get people
12 understanding that there's a relationship
13 between where they live and how much you
14 have to pay, that it's not totally free
15 which is how it is now.

16 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: So is that
17 part of the determination process as to
18 who will be going in?

19 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah. The
20 provider, whomever we pick, they will
21 have to do a whole intake and part of
22 that will be a financial screening to
23 take a look at what resources people
24 have.

25 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Obviously, the

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2 people who can't pay and will stay in the
3 situation they're in.

4 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Sure.

5 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: And then, I
6 guess my other question was sort of how
7 did you determine? Will it be the
8 company that we choose for the RFP that
9 determines how they are chosen, like
10 who's chosen to get in or who qualifies?

11 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah. You
12 want to speak to it?

13 DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY OWEIS: I
14 think during the intake they'll be
15 reporting requirement. They'll have to
16 go, like the Commissioner said, get all
17 the information. I think the selected
18 vendor will have to work with the Long
19 Island Coalition of Homeless and
20 continued care to develop who will be
21 part of this program.

22 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Got is. Then
23 you mentioned wraparound services that
24 going to be part of this program. That's
25 going to be part of this. What happens

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2 now? Are we able to offer those services
3 to people that are in hotels?

4 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: We're
5 definitely there for the folks that are
6 here, but the bottom line is at the
7 Department, we don't have the case
8 management resources to outsource to
9 where folks are living. This will provide
10 that which is also a very big plus.

11 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Do they
12 currently have this program somewhere
13 else; in New York City or anywhere else
14 that you know?

15 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: No. There's
16 a lot of creative thinking going around
17 the state, because everybody's struggling
18 with what to do with this particular
19 population, chronically homeless, because
20 we all have 'em, some more, some less.
21 So, no, this was just really this was an
22 internal discussion that we had at the
23 Department to see if we could figure out
24 ways to use this money, which is free
25 money. We had no idea that this money was

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2 being allocated, so it's not like we had
3 to apply for it. It was money that the
4 State gave out and, essentially, they
5 said to us this is the time to think
6 outside the box, so this is what we're
7 doing.

8 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Ok, so you
9 came up with the program?

10 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah, we
11 came up with it.

12 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Well, it
13 sounds very good to me. I wish you luck
14 with it.

15 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
16 Gaylor.

17 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: How do kids get
18 to school and what school do they go to?

19 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Well,
20 children who are homeless, under the
21 McKinney-Vento Act, they have to be bused
22 to whichever school their parent wants.
23 So if a parent, if they're in placement,
24 say in Massapequa but they're school, is
25 in Freeport, we have to make

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2 arrangements. That Department makes those
3 arrangements for the busing to bring the
4 kids to school. Because oftentimes the
5 school is the most permanent piece that
6 children have going for them. So it's a
7 parent's choice. Most parents keep their
8 children in their school district of
9 origin. And what's also interesting is if
10 a parent does choose to change their
11 children's school to have them closer to
12 the shelter or the motel, the school
13 district of origin must still pay for
14 that child. So it doesn't impact
15 financially that school district. But
16 they have to go to school. We do the
17 stack forms that have to be done for all
18 of these children.

19 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Is that a yellow
20 bus pulls up and picks them up?

21 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah. Just
22 like, just like any other kids get picked
23 up for school. Same thing.

24 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Is that part of
25 what we can spend this money on?

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2 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah.

3 That's just part of the package. I mean
4 whatever families we work with, we have
5 to make sure the kid's going to school.
6 That's by law.

7 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: And these are
8 predominantly single rooms or one bedroom
9 apartments?

10 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: They are
11 predominantly single. Let's see, we've
12 allocated for 97 single rooms and 21 one
13 bedrooms in the funding that we receive.

14 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: What do you do
15 with a family that's two parents and two
16 teenage kids, but one male and one
17 female. How do you squeeze them all in
18 and respect their privacy?

19 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Well,
20 sometimes in that situation we would use
21 two rooms. That's what we would have to
22 do. So that's what we do right now and we
23 would pay. So it's one family, but
24 they're occupying two units.

25 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you.

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2 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: I'm sorry, you
3 just said you allocated how many single
4 rooms in how many one bedroom?

5 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Ninety seven
6 single and 21 one bedroom.

7 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: My question
8 was going to be: How many families do you
9 think you could help with this amount of
10 money?

11 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: At least 20.
12 Right now we have over a 100 chronically
13 homeless single adults. That's the big
14 bulk of the population. The chronically
15 homeless population in Nassau County
16 predominantly are single adults.

17 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay. Thank
18 you.

19 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Once someone is
20 placed in a home, what about the ones who
21 don't get placed? They just have to wait
22 and eventually you try to place them
23 somewhere?

24 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Our system
25 we use now to place people will still be

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2 the same system. We're just going to
3 target a specific group for this program.
4 My hope would be that if we get more
5 money next year, we open up the program
6 further. We will have taken care of a
7 portion. Now the State has given
8 indication that we're going to all be
9 getting this money again. So that's --

10 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: And we hope so
11 because we certainly wouldn't want to
12 then say, oh, sorry, you can't live here.

13 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Right. And
14 what we're hoping is, if the model is
15 successful, and again we won't know until
16 we try, that it's something that we could
17 replicate when the additional money
18 comes. That would be the plan.

19 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: And there is
20 still Section Eight housing.

21 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yeah, the
22 Department of Social Services doesn't
23 manage that.

24 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Okay. Any other
25 legislators? Legislator Drucker.

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2 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you,
3 Legislator Walker. Hello, Commissioner.

4 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Hi, how are
5 you?

6 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Good. The four
7 hotels that you said do a fantastic job,
8 I would imagine you're not referring to
9 the two dilapidated places in Jericho on
10 Jericho Turnpike.

11 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: No. We're
12 not.

13 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I think it's
14 really a stretch to call some of these
15 places hotels. It's even a stretch to
16 call them motels. Are you still housing
17 homeless people in the two Jericho
18 Hotels?

19 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yes, we are.

20 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: And that's
21 going to be in the foreseeable future
22 too?

23 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Unless the
24 numbers start changing.

25 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: What numbers

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2 are you referring to?

3 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: The homeless
4 numbers. Unless they start changing and
5 going down, which they're not, yeah, we
6 need the beds, especially this time of
7 year when we have Cold Blue, where we
8 have to house anyone once it hits 32
9 degrees in the evening. We have to house
10 anyone that is unhoused and that's even
11 people that are undocumented, and that's
12 by law, and this will happen through
13 March.

14 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: And what about
15 the habitability of those particular
16 places? They're really not habitable.
17 Anyone I speak to, police, fire
18 department, they go there all the time
19 and they can't imagine how people can
20 live there.

21 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Listen. I
22 couldn't agree with you more.

23 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: The project
24 that was going to convert the Hampton Inn
25 was a laudable project because it offered

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2 so much in terms of auxiliary services
3 that these homeless people crave for and
4 require, but there were other factors
5 that were impacted on that project. But I
6 would like to see the emphasis to be on
7 the services that are going to be
8 provided, because it's mental health,
9 it's health in general, it's just social
10 welfare, academic, recreational. There's
11 so many services that we need to offer
12 them rather than a one room efficiency
13 that house one or more people in a
14 family, and I think we're doing a
15 disservice to homeless people. It's not
16 enough to just say, well, the numbers are
17 what they are, so we got to stick them in
18 places like those two motels in Jericho,
19 which are just terrible.

20 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Well, I
21 don't think I'm saying that the numbers
22 are what they are, we just stick em
23 anywhere. There's no stronger advocate
24 for homeless people than the person
25 you're looking at.

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2 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I agree with
3 you. I agree with you.

4 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: So I think
5 what we're doing is taking what we have,
6 which isn't a great system, and trying to
7 make it better. This money will allow us
8 to bring some of those services at least
9 to a portion of the people that are
10 currently housed. If there are other
11 alternatives -- listen, there's all kinds
12 of shelters one could build, but we
13 already know how difficult that is. So
14 this is really, again, an attempt at
15 bringing the services to people that
16 probably need them the most, which are
17 the folks that are chronically homeless,
18 that just can't seem to get out of that
19 cycle. So that's what we hope to do. My
20 ears are always open for any other
21 alternatives as well. You have a very
22 strong homeless advocate standing in
23 front of you.

24 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I know that you
25 are, Commissioner; I know that you are.

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2 Are there any other projects on the
3 horizon like there were at the Hampton?
4 Is there anything else that you guys are
5 contemplating?

6 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: No. We're
7 possibly talking to, and again that's not
8 me, because it's coming out of the
9 Administration, is talking to one or two
10 other hotel owners that are in much
11 better shape, but we're not there yet.
12 You know these things take time, and I
13 think we all learn lessons with the
14 Hampton Inn and I've certainly learned a
15 few myself. Thank you very much.

16 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Sure.

17 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Legislator
18 DeRiggi-Whitton.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Hi,
20 Commissioner and thank you for all that
21 you do.

22 If you have the money for a 100
23 rooms, do you have a 100 rooms available?

24 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: People are
25 already living in these rooms, so what

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2 we're going to do is essentially clean up
3 these rooms, make them efficiency units.
4 So it's not a question of finding rooms
5 for people. This has already been
6 people's homes. When you're living
7 somewhere two and three years, it's your
8 home, it's their comfort zone. So what
9 we're hoping with this money to do is
10 first of all clean up those units, make
11 them efficiency units and then provide
12 the services to these folks.

13 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.
14 So you have enough rooms available
15 already.

16 COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Yes, we do.

17 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any other
18 legislators have any concerns or comments
19 or questions?

20 (Whereupon, no verbal
21 response.)

22 CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any public
23 comment?

24 (Whereupon, no verbal
25 response.)

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CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Hearing, none.
All in favor of Clerks Item 391-22
signify by saying aye.

(Whereupon, all members of
the Health and Social Services
Committee respond in favor.)

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Any nays or
abstention?

(Whereupon, no verbal
response.)

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Then this will
move on to Finance. Commissioner, thank
you. Thank you both very, very much.

COMMISSIONER NUNZIATA: Thank you.

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: There's no other
items before this Committee. May I have
a motion to adjourn? By Legislator
Schaefer, seconded by Legislator Drucker.
All in favor of adjourning, signify by
saying aye.

(Whereupon, all members of
the Health and Social Service
Committee respond in favor with
aye.)

CHAIRWOMAN WALKER: Next is Finance.

(Whereupon, Health and
Social Services Commission
adjourns, 4:12 p.m.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 : SS.:
COUNTY OF NASSAU)

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

That the above is a correct transcription
of my stenographic notes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand this 15th day of December, 2022.

Karen Lorenzo
KAREN LORENZO

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