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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to collection of safety and route information regarding helicopters operating on city-owned property

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

1 Section 1. Subchapter 2 of chapter 8 of title 22 of the administrative code of the city of
2 New York is amended by adding a new section 22-826 to read as follows:

3 § 22-826. Heliport operations. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following
4 terms have the following meanings.

5 Helicopter. The term “helicopter” means a rotary-wing aircraft capable of vertical takeoff
6 and landing. Such term shall not include military helicopters, media helicopters or helicopters used
7 by the fire department, police department, coast guard or emergency services.

8 Heliport. The term “heliport” means a designated land area used for helicopter operations
9 and any appurtenant areas, including fueling facilities, terminal buildings and maintenance and
10 repair facilities.

11 b. The commissioner shall require any contracted entity operating, managing or otherwise
12 responsible for a heliport on any property owned by the city of New York to collect the following
13 documentation regarding each helicopter that takes off or lands at such heliport:

14 (1) The most recent airworthiness certificate for such helicopter in accordance with subpart
15 H of part 21 of subchapter C of chapter I of title 14 of the code of federal regulations;

16 (2) The most recent aircraft registration certificate for such helicopter in accordance with
17 subpart B of part 47 of subchapter C of chapter I of title 14 of the code of federal regulations;

18 (3) The most recent aircraft inspection report for such helicopter in accordance with section
19 91.409 of subchapter F of chapter I of title 14 of the code of federal regulations;

1 (4) The route taken by such helicopter prior to landing at such heliport; and

2 (5) The planned route of such helicopter after taking off from such heliport.

3 c. Beginning on January 1, 2021, the commissioner shall require any contracted entity
4 collecting information pursuant to subdivision b of this section to make available to the council
5 upon request any such information collected during the six months prior to such request.

6 § 3. This local law takes effect immediately.

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