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Ms. Amy M. Loprest
Executive Director
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New York, New York 10006

Re: Run-Off Primary for Comptroller

Dear Ms. Loprest:

I am writing on behalf of my client, John C. Liu, to request an advisory opinion from the Campaign Finance Board that a run-off primary in the 2009 Democratic Party Primary Election is reasonably anticipated under the circumstances that now exist.

The candidates who have filed designating petitions in the Democratic Primary for Comptroller are John C. Liu, David Yassky, David I. Weprin and Melinda R. Katz. All four of these candidates are currently holding office and are campaigning vigorously. They have all qualified for the ballot. (A fifth candidate, Salim Ejaz, filed petitions. Based on the completed BOE Clerk's Report on Objections filed to his petition, it is anticipated that his name will be removed from the ballot this morning by the Board of Elections.)

The July 15 campaign finance disclosure reports disclose the following amounts have been raised by the four candidates:

John C. Liu	\$3,184,332
Melinda R. Katz	\$2,386,780
David I. Weprin	\$2,268,964
David Yassky	\$1,985,231

From these numbers, it is apparent that all four candidates have raised sufficient funds to wage a competitive citywide election campaign. Receipt of matching funds will enhance the ability of each of these candidates to convey their respective messages to voters.

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The most recent public polling data is from the Quinnipiac University poll released last week. The poll shows that registered Democrats surveyed were divided as follows:

Liu	17%
Katz	10%
Yassky	8%
Weprin	5%

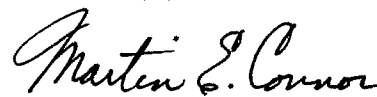
55% of Democrats polled were undecided with seven weeks remaining to Primary Election Day. Putting the poll numbers in some perspective, for candidate Liu to achieve the 40% needed to win the primary outright, he would have to hold his 17% and win 42% of the undecided voters. For candidate Katz to achieve 40%, she has to hold the 10% and win 55% of the undecided vote. The other two candidates have even more unlikely numbers to win from the undecided voters to reach 40%.

Given the competitive fundraising situation, the fact that all four candidates are experienced campaigners and visible City Council Members, and the poll results, I respectfully submit that a run-off primary can be said to be “reasonably anticipated”.

I have enclosed a copy of the full Quinnipiac poll as well as stories from the New York Times and the New York Daily News discussing the poll results in the Comptroller’s race.

On behalf of my client, John C. Liu, I am asking that you recommend to the Campaign Finance Board that it find that a run-off primary for Comptroller in the Democratic Party Primary is reasonably anticipated and that it issue an advisory opinion to that effect.

Very truly yours,



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Who's the strongest Democratic candidate for City Controller? Don't Know
BY Michael Roberts, Zak Failla, Irving Dejohn and Erin Einhorn
DAILY NEWS WRITERS

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Fifty percent of registered voters told Quinnipiac University pollsters this month that "don't know" was their preferred candidate for controller - a powerful official in charge of city finance functions.

"Wouldn't it be funny if somebody changed his name to 'I don't know.' He'll probably win," said Quinnipiac poll director Maurice Carroll.

City Councilman John Liu (D-Queens), trails far behind 'Don't Know' with just 19% of the vote while Councilwoman Melinda Katz (D-Queens) gets 13%, David Yassky (D-Brooklyn) gets 10% and David Weprin (D-Queens) has just 5% of Dems in his corner.

The four hopefuls, who have all been City Council members for eight years and held major leadership posts, also have abysmal face recognition, an informal Daily News poll found.

Of 75 New Yorkers shown photos of the four candidates, 60 recognized none of them. There were 11 who recognized Liu including one who said he only knew him because he'd interviewed him for a high school documentary.

"I have heard bad things about him in the news, but he was a cool dude in the interview," said Dave Taub, 21, a photographer from the upper West Side.

Taub guessed from Weprin's picture that he was "someone in the police department because a lot of cops have moustaches," that clean-cut Yassky was "like a Microsofty dude or a techy fellow" and pantsuit-wearing Katz "a business lady of some sort."

Weprin was recognized by four people and Katz by five - all in Forest Hills, Queens, near their districts. Yassky was recognized by two people in Queens and five in his downtown Brooklyn district.

"Don't know" is also a major contender in the race for public advocate, where the poll shows a statistical dead heat between "don't know" and former advocate Mark Green.

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Poll Suggests Mayor May Be Losing Ground

By DAVID W. CHEN

Seth Wenig/Associated Press Michael R. Bloomberg and William C. Thompson Jr., his leading rival in the race for mayor.

Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg appears to be losing some ground in both his approval ratings and his probable race in November against City Comptroller William C. Thompson Jr. for a third term, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released on Tuesday.

By a margin of 63 to 29 percent, New York City voters approve of Mr. Bloomberg's job performance. That is down slightly from a 66-27 margin on June 16, and is the lowest since his second term began in 2005.

Voters view Mr. Bloomberg favorably by a 59-34 percent margin. A majority of voters still do not know enough about Mr. Thompson, a Democrat who has been comptroller since 2002, to form an opinion, but those who do know enough view him favorably by a 38-9 percent margin. More than three-quarters of voters, meanwhile, do not know enough about the other major contender in the Democratic primary in September, City Councilman Tony Avella.

"Mayor Mike's approval is down a bit, but still better than most elected officials in state Quinnipiac University surveys," said Maurice Carroll, director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute. "And 59 percent of New York City voters are satisfied with the way things are going, not bad in a recession and a budget crisis."

The Quinnipiac poll does not take stock of whether Mr. Bloomberg is doing a good job handling two crucial issues that are at the heart of the campaign: education (especially in light of the fight in Albany over the mayor's control of the schools), and the economy (especially given the city's rising unemployment rate).

But in a hypothetical matchup against Mr. Thompson, Mr. Bloomberg leads by 47 to 37 percent. Mr. Thompson, who is black, has made strides in particular among black voters, who support him by 56-30 percent, and Democrats, who narrowly support him by 45 to 42 percent.

In the previous Quinnipiac poll, released on June 16, Mr. Bloomberg led Mr. Thompson by 54 to 32 percent, and led among blacks and Democrats. But there is an important difference: in the June poll, Mr. Bloomberg was identified as an independent, while in the

July one, he is identified as an independent and a Republican, suggesting that party labels are beginning to help Mr. Thompson.

More voters also say that Mr. Bloomberg, who has spent \$36 million of his fortune on the campaign so far, is “a case of overkill,” according to the poll, with 61 percent saying so in July, and 56 percent saying so the previous month.

Naturally, both the Thompson and Bloomberg campaigns interpreted the polls differently.

“Mike Bloomberg has spent nearly \$40 million to see his poll numbers decline,” said Carly Lindauer, communications director for the Thompson campaign. “It’s clear that after eight years of a Republican mayor who’s been focused on those at the top, New Yorkers want change in City Hall. Over the next several months, Bill Thompson will continue meeting with voters across all five boroughs, working hard to earn their votes.”

But Howard Wolfson, a spokesman for the Bloomberg campaign, noted the wording changes, and said that Mr. Bloomberg still enjoyed high approval ratings. Indeed, 59 percent of voters said that they were either very satisfied or somewhat satisfied with the way things are going in the city — a figure that has actually been increasing since January 2009.

“This shows that when you change the wording of any poll, no matter how good, you get a different result,” Mr. Wolfson said. “The fact is Mike Bloomberg is an independent who governs in a nonpartisan way, which is why roughly two thirds of New Yorkers consistently approve of his job performance and why he has double digit leads over both of his opponents.”

In the race for public advocate, the poll finds that Mark Green, the former public advocate, still leads by a wide margin, based largely on name recognition, trailed by Norman Siegel, the civil liberties lawyer, and two city councilmen, Bill de Blasio and Eric N. Gioia. But Mr. Green does not break the 40 percent threshold needed to avoid a runoff.

In the race for comptroller among four members of the City Council, the poll finds that there is no overwhelming favorite. John C. Liu of Queens has 17 percent, followed by Melinda Katz with 10 percent, David Yassky with 8 percent and David Weprin with 5 percent.

The poll of 1,290 New York City registered voters was conducted July 21–27, with a margin of error of 2.7 percentage points. The survey includes 793 Democrats; the margin of error is 3.5 percent points.

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July 28, 2009 - Thompson Cuts Bloomberg's Lead In Half In Mayoral Race, Quinnipiac University Poll Finds; Green And 'Don't Know' Lead In Other Races

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New York City Comptroller William Thompson, the top Democratic challenger, trails Mayor Michael Bloomberg 47 - 37 percent among New York City voters, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today. This 10-point gap is less than half of Mayor Bloomberg's 54 - 32 percent lead June 16.

Thompson's biggest gains are among black voters, who back him 56 - 30 percent, compared to 43 - 42 percent for Bloomberg June 16. Democrats shift from 49 - 40 for Bloomberg to a 45 - 42 percent for Thompson today. Bloomberg's 70 - 14 percent Republican backing is virtually unchanged while independents shift from 59 - 26 percent for Bloomberg to 49 - 27 percent today, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds.

In the June 16 survey, New York City voters were asked to choose between "Thompson the Democrat" and "Bloomberg the independent." In today's survey, Bloomberg is identified as "running as both a Republican and an independent."

By a 51 - 28 percent margin, Bloomberg tops Queens City Council member Tony Avella, compared to 57 - 27 percent June 16, before the label change. Thompson tops Avella in a Democratic primary 44 - 11 percent, with 39 percent undecided.

"It was starting to look as if they might hold an election and no one would come. But now there's a little life in the mayoral race as Comptroller Bill Thompson gains some ground on Mayor Michael Bloomberg," said Maurice Carroll, director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute. "It could be Thompson's increased attacks on the Mayor; it could be that more voters, 61 percent, say Bloomberg's campaign spending is overkill, but Thompson is closer than Democrat Fernando Ferrer was at this point in 2005, when he lost by 19 points."

"Mayor Mike's approval is down a bit, but still better than most elected officials in states Quinnipiac University surveys," Carroll said. "And 59 percent of New York City voters are satisfied with the way things are going, not bad in a recession and a budget crisis."

New York City voters approve 63 - 29 percent of the job Bloomberg is doing, compared to 66 - 27 percent June 16. This is his lowest approval since his second term began in 2005.

New York City voters give the Mayor a 59 - 34 percent favorability. Thompson gets a 38 - 9 percent favorability, but 52 percent don't know enough about him to form an opinion. For Avella, 78 percent don't know enough about him to form an opinion.

Voters approve 53 - 10 percent, with 37 percent undecided, of the way Thompson is handling his job as Comptroller.

Comptroller, Public Advocate Races

With 55 percent, "undecided" is the winner in the Democratic primary for New York City Comptroller. Among the City Council members vying for the job, John Liu has 17 percent, with 10 percent for Melinda Katz, 8 percent for David Yassky and 5 percent for David Weprin.

Former Public Advocate Mark Green leads the Democratic primary pack for his old position with 37 percent, followed by 13 percent for Norman Siegal, 10 percent for City Council member Bill de Blasio and 7 percent for Council member Eric Gioia.

Green is the only candidate in the Comptroller or Public Advocate field with any name recognition, getting a 48 - 19 percent favorability.

For each of the other candidates, 63 to 85 percent of New York City voters say they don't know enough about them to form an opinion.

"Except for the only familiar name, Mark Green, the big winner is 'don't know' for Comptroller and Public Advocate," Carroll said. "Can Green get 40 percent and avoid a runoff in the Public Advocate race? In the Comptroller's race, it's anybody and everybody's guess."

From July 21 - 27, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,290 New York City registered voters, with a margin of error of +/- 2.7 percentage points. The survey includes 793 Democrats with a margin of error of +/- 3.5 percentage points.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio and nationwide as a public service and for research. For more data or RSS feed - <http://www.quinnipiac.edu/polling.xml>, or call (203) 582-5201.

1. (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Mayor were being held today and the candidates were Tony Avella and William Thompson, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

Avella	11%
Thompson	44
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4
DK/NA	39

TREND: (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Mayor were being held today and the candidates were Tony Avella and William Thompson, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

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Avella	11	8
Thompson	44	36
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	4
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	5
DK/NA	39	46

2. (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Public Advocate were being held today and the candidates were Mark Green, Norman Siegal, Bill de Blasio, and Eric Gioia, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

Green	37%
Siegal	13
de Blasio	10
Gioia	7
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2
DK/NA	30

TREND: (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Public Advocate were being held today and the candidates were Mark Green, Norman Siegal, Bill de Blasio and Eric Gioia, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

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Green	37	35
Siegal	13	14
de Blasio	10	10
Gioia	7	5
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2
DK/NA	30	34

3. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - Mark Green favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	48%
Unfavorable	19
Hvn't hrd enough	31
REFUSED	2

4. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - Norman Siegal favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	27%
Unfavorable	9
Hvn't hrd enough	63
REFUSED	1

5. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - Bill de Blasio favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	17%
Unfavorable	6
Hvn't hrd enough	76
REFUSED	1

6. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - Eric Gioia favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	12%
Unfavorable	3
Hvn't hrd enough	84
REFUSED	1

7. (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Comptroller were being held today and the candidates were Melinda Katz, David Weprin, John Liu, and David Yassky, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

Katz	10%
Weprin	5
Liu	17
Yassky	8
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4
DK/NA	55

TREND: (If registered Democrat) If the 2009 Democratic primary for Comptroller were being held today and the candidates were Melinda Katz, David Weprin, John Liu and David Yassky, for whom would you vote?

REGISTERED DEMS

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Katz	10	13
Weprin	5	5
Liu	17	19
Yassky	8	10
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	3
DK/NA	55	50

8. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - Melinda Katz favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	14%
Unfavorable	4
Hvn't hrd enough	81
REFUSED	1

9. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - David Weprin favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	10%
Unfavorable	4
Hvn't hrd enough	85
REFUSED	1

10. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - John Liu favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	25%
Unfavorable	4
Hvn't hrd enough	70
REFUSED	1

11. (If registered Democrat) Is your opinion of - David Yassky favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED DEMS

Favorable	12%
Unfavorable	5
Hvn't hrd enough	82
REFUSED	1

12. If the 2009 election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were William Thompson the Democrat and Michael Bloomberg running as both a Republican and an Independent, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Thompson	37%	14%	45%	27%	26%	56%	34%
Bloomberg	47	70	42	49	58	30	44
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	-	1	1	-	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	3	1	3	2	3	2
DK/NA	14	10	11	18	12	12	18

	Brnx	Knxs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Thompson	44%	42%	32%	32%	28%	35%	38%
Bloomberg	39	42	55	47	54	48	46
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	1	1	2	3	2	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	2	1	3	5	2	2
DK/NA	16	14	11	15	10	14	14

TREND: If the 2009 election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were William Thompson the Democrat and Michael Bloomberg running as both a Republican and an Independent, for whom would you vote?(*Michael Bloomberg the Independent)

	Jul 28 2009	Jun 16 2009*	Mar 24 2009*	Feb 24 2009*	Jan 27 2009*	Nov 25 2008*
Thompson	37	32	35	33	34	34
Bloomberg	47	54	49	50	50	49
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	2	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	1	1	2	1	2
DK/NA	14	12	14	13	13	14

13. If the 2009 election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Tony Avella the Democrat and Michael Bloomberg running as both a Republican and an Independent, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Avella	28%	17%	34%	19%	20%	38%	32%
Bloomberg	51	63	49	56	61	38	49
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	3	1	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	3	2	4	2	6	4
DK/NA	17	15	15	18	15	17	14

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Avella	34%	29%	21%	30%	21%	27%	29%
Bloomberg	43	49	57	50	61	54	49
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	2	2	5	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	4	3	3	4	2	4
DK/NA	20	17	17	15	10	15	18

TREND: If the 2009 election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Tony Avella the Democrat and Michael Bloomberg running as both a Republican and an Independent, for whom would you vote?(*Michael Bloomberg the Independent)

	Jul 28	Jun 16
	2009	2009*

Avella	28	27
Bloomberg	51	57
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	2
DK/NA	17	12

14. Is your opinion of - Tony Avella favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Favorable	16%	11%	20%	10%	13%	17%	19%
Unfavorable	6	8	5	7	6	5	6
Hvn't hrd enough	78	80	75	83	80	77	75
REFUSED	1	1	-	-	1	1	-

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Favorable	28%	11%	12%	19%	8%	16%	16%
Unfavorable	4	5	6	7	2	8	4
Hvn't hrd enough	68	83	81	73	89	76	80
REFUSED	-	1	1	1	1	-	1

TREND: Is your opinion of - Tony Avella favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jul 28	Jun 16
	2009	2009

Favorable	16	9
Unfavorable	6	4
Hvn't hrd enough	78	87
REFUSED	1	1

15. Is your opinion of - William Thompson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Favorable	38%	14%	49%	27%	34%	56%	32%
Unfavorable	9	19	6	11	11	4	10
Hvn't hrd enough	52	62	44	62	54	39	56
REFUSED	1	5	1	1	1	1	1

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Favorable	41%	40%	42%	33%	31%	38%	38%
Unfavorable	6	8	11	11	7	11	7
Hvn't hrd enough	51	52	46	54	60	49	53
REFUSED	2	1	1	2	1	1	2

TREND: Is your opinion of - William Thompson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jul 28 2009	Jun 16 2009	Mar 24 2009	Feb 24 2009	Jan 27 2009	Nov 25 2008
Favorable	38	29	25	22	25	25
Unfavorable	9	6	5	5	5	4
Hvn't hrd enough	52	63	68	71	69	70
REFUSED	1	2	2	1	2	1

16. Is your opinion of - Michael Bloomberg favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Favorable	59%	67%	58%	62%	66%	47%	57%
Unfavorable	34	27	35	31	29	46	31
Hvn't hrd enough	3	1	3	3	1	4	6
REFUSED	4	5	4	4	4	3	6

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Favorable	48%	56%	68%	61%	62%	59%	59%
Unfavorable	44	37	26	31	31	35	33
Hvn't hrd enough	6	4	1	2	1	2	3
REFUSED	3	4	5	6	6	4	5

TREND: Is your opinion of - Michael Bloomberg favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jul 28 2009	Jun 16 2009	Mar 24 2009	Feb 24 2009	Jan 27 2009	Nov 25 2008
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Favorable	59	64	62	62	66	61
Unfavorable	34	30	31	32	28	31
Hvn't hrd enough	3	3	3	2	3	4
REFUSED	4	3	4	4	3	3

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michael Bloomberg is handling his job as Mayor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Approve	63%	67%	64%	65%	69%	54%	62%
Disapprove	29	27	29	29	26	36	29
DK/NA	8	6	8	6	5	10	9

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Approve	55%	54%	73%	68%	70%	65%	62%
Disapprove	37	35	21	26	23	29	30
DK/NA	8	11	5	6	8	7	8

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michael Bloomberg is handling his job as Mayor? (*High also 75% on 10/03/08, 3/12/08, 1/16/07 & 11/17/05)

	Jul 28 2009	Jun 16 2009	Mar 24 2009	Feb 24 2009	APPROVE.....		DIS..
					High Oct 21 2008*	Low Jul 2 2003	High Jul 2 2003
Approve	63	66	64	65	75	31	31
Disapprove	29	27	28	29	20	60	60
DK/NA	8	7	8	6	6	8	8

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Ray Kelly is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Approve	67%	83%	62%	73%	80%	50%	64%
Disapprove	20	9	23	19	10	34	20
DK/NA	13	8	15	8	10	16	16

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Approve	64%	65%	66%	71%	77%	67%	67%
Disapprove	23	22	22	15	14	23	17
DK/NA	13	14	11	14	9	10	15

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Ray Kelly is handling his job as Police Commissioner? (*High also 70% on 2/3/06)

					APPROVE.....	DIS..
					High	Low
	Jul 28	Jun 17	Feb 24	Jan 27	Mar 9	Jan 16
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2006*	2007

Approve	67	63	64	67	70	52	52
Disapprove	20	22	20	19	17	34	34
DK/NA	13	14	16	14	13	14	14

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way William Thompson is handling his job as City Comptroller?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Approve	53%	35%	60%	48%	51%	65%	48%
Disapprove	10	17	9	9	9	9	12
DK/NA	37	47	31	43	40	26	40

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Approve	56%	49%	53%	54%	57%	53%	52%
Disapprove	11	12	8	11	7	13	9
DK/NA	33	39	39	35	36	34	39

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way William Thompson is handling his job as City Comptroller? (* High also 53% Oct 3 2008)

					APPROVE.....	DIS..	
					High	Low	High
	Jul 28	Jun 16	Mar 24	Feb 24	Jul 28	Feb 26	Jul 2
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2003	2003
Approve	53	50	41	46	53	35	38
Disapprove	10	10	12	11	10	13	20
DK/NA	37	40	47	44	37	52	42

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Approve	74%	30%	91%	61%	63%	92%	80%
Disapprove	20	61	6	28	32	3	14
DK/NA	6	10	3	11	5	5	6

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Approve	84%	70%	80%	71%	59%	67%	79%
Disapprove	12	22	14	23	38	27	14
DK/NA	4	9	6	6	3	6	6

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Jul 28 2009	Jun 16 2009	Feb 25 2009
Approve	74	79	78
Disapprove	20	16	13
DK/NA	6	6	9

21. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in New York City today? Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Very satisfied	8%	8%	7%	7%	9%	4%	10%
Smwht satisfied	51	50	53	51	54	50	46
Smwht dissatisfied	26	24	27	25	24	29	25
Very dissatisfied	14	15	11	17	12	16	18
DK/NA	1	2	1	1	1	1	2

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Very satisfied	4%	6%	13%	8%	2%	7%	8%
Smwht satisfied	54	47	53	53	49	52	50
Smwht dissatisfied	27	30	22	25	30	25	27
Very dissatisfied	15	16	10	14	18	15	13
DK/NA	-	2	2	-	1	1	1

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in New York City today?
 Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	VERY+SMWHT...						
				High	Low		
	Jul 28	Jun 16	Mar 24	Feb 24	Jan 28	Feb 11	Jul 2
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	1998	2003
Very satisfied	8	8	8	5	8	18	7
Smwht satisfied	51	51	45	44	47	58	23
Smwht dissatisfied	26	27	31	33	30	18	32
Very dissatisfied	14	13	14	17	15	5	38
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

22. Some people say that Mayor Bloomberg's campaign spending is a case of overkill. Do you agree or disagree?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Wht	Blk	Hisp
Agree	61%	57%	62%	61%	65%	58%	54%
Disagree	30	35	29	29	28	32	37
DK/NA	9	8	8	10	7	10	9

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	Men	Wom
Agree	60%	60%	63%	62%	63%	63%	60%
Disagree	28	29	30	31	32	28	31
DK/NA	11	11	7	7	5	9	9

TREND: Some people say that Mayor Bloomberg's campaign spending is a case of overkill. Do you agree or disagree?

	Jul 28	Jun 16
	2009	2009

Agree	61	56
Disagree	30	36
DK/NA	9	9

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