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STATEMENTS BY CITY PLANNING COMMISSIONER AMANDA M. BURDEN ON CITY COUNCIL APPROVALS OF TWO CITY PLANNING INITIATIVES

*New Bike Parking Regulations Would Require Indoor Bike Parking in Home and Workplace
New Waterfront Design Standards Would Shape More Inviting Waterfront Public Spaces*

Bike Parking Requirement for New Buildings:

"Today's adoption by the City Council of our new [bicycle parking regulations](#) reinforces Mayor Bloomberg's commitment to PlaNYC and the Administration's goal to make New York City the greenest city in the nation. Our plan to require enclosed and secure bike parking in all new buildings, adopted today, combined with the City's efforts to increase bike lanes and outdoor bike parking, will promote ridership, a better quality of life and a healthier New York. As we celebrate Earth Day today, that's a vision of New York we have taken another step to achieve."

New Waterfront Zoning Regulations:

"From the beginning of the Bloomberg Administration, the Mayor has put a premium on reclaiming and revitalizing New York's more than 500 miles of waterfront. City Planning's [waterfront design requirements](#) adopted today by the City Council underscore the City's commitment to inviting and publicly accessible waterfront spaces throughout the city.

"New York is a city of five boroughs and four of them are islands. Our new waterfront zoning regulations will help enhance the quality of their waterfront public spaces. An inviting waterfront has plentiful and varied seating, places where you can get down and touch the water, launch a kayak or get your feet wet. Our waterfront should be accessible to all, for respite, recreation and water transport."

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