



**The City of Buffalo Common Council**

1413 City Hall  
Buffalo, NY 14202

Meeting: 07/16/19 02:00 PM  
Department: Common Council  
Category: Resolution  
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**ADOPTED**

**AGENDA ITEM 19-950**

**Pridgen - Investigation into Predatory Booting**

Whereas The City of Buffalo Common Council has received numerous complaints concerning predatory use of vehicle immobilization devices by private companies in unregulated lots in Buffalo;

Whereas The Council has a responsibility to maintain fair and equitable laws for people in The City;

Whereas in order protect people in The City, it is important to verify compliance with the legislative intent of City ordinances: Now, Therefore Be It

*Resolved that The City of Buffalo Common Council-*

- 1) Will commence an investigation of Lightning Towing in the matter of predatory immobilization devices in The City of Buffalo;
- 2) Requests that principal officers or managers of Lightning Towing appear before The Council, during the Community Development meeting to be held on July 2, 2019, at 02:00pm in Council Chambers; and
- 3) Directs Council Staff to send copies of this resolution to Lightning Towing, Permits & Inspections, Parking Enforcement, Corporation Counsel, and Mayor Brown.

Representative from Lightning Towing to speak.

**HISTORY:**

06/11/19 Common Council ADOPTED

Adopted resolves, sent remainder to Committee on Community Development.

06/18/19 Community Development Committee TABLED  
Next: 07/02/19

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Next: 07/16/19