

THE SENATE
STATE OF NEW YORK



TONY AVELLA
SENATOR, 11TH DISTRICT

ASSISTANT CONFERENCE LEADER
FOR POLICY & ADMINISTRATION OF THE
INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE

CHAIR
CHILDREN & FAMILIES
TASK FORCE ON THE
DELIVERY OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN NYC

VICE-CHAIR
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

COMMITTEES
BANKS
CULTURAL AFFAIRS, TOURISM,
PARKS & RECREATION
EDUCATION
ELECTIONS
HOUSING
INSURANCE
JUDICIARY
TRANSPORTATION
NYC EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE
LIBRARIES SELECT COMMITTEE

ALBANY OFFICE: ☐
ROOM 902, LOB
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12247
(518) 455-2210 OFFICE
(518) 426-6736 FAX

DISTRICT OFFICE: ☑
38-50 BELL BOULEVARD
SUITE C
BAYSIDE, NEW YORK 11361
(718) 357-3094 OFFICE
(718) 357-3491 FAX

INTERNET ADDRESS:
AVELLA@NYSENATE.GOV

December 5, 2016

Hon. Bill de Blasio
Mayor
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Hon. Vincent Sapienza
Acting Commissioner
Department of Environmental Protection
59-17 Junction Boulevard
Flushing, NY 11373

Fax & Mail

Immediate Attention Required

Dear Mayor de Blasio and Acting Commissioner Sapienza:

I am writing to you regarding the December 1st Conference Call to discuss the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) new proposal for homeowners who are designated to receive a bioswale.

While I appreciate the options presented by DEP, I made it clear during this conference call that I am insisting on a full opt-out for **all homeowners who do not wish to receive a bioswale, without exception.**

Since December 1st I have received feedback from Civic Associations who were not on the call concurring that only a full opt-out is acceptable.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Avella".

Tony Avella
State Senator
11th Senatorial District

TA: kl