Mayor

Bill Thompson (D)

I'm Bill Thompson. As your mayor I'll work to improve public safety, reform education, and make New York affordable for the working people who make this city work.

We can make New York the safest big-city by putting 2000 more police on the street.

We'll launch a new era of community policing where we put our best officers in the toughest areas.

I grew up in Brooklyn and watched how violence destroys neighborhoods. We have to rebuild trust in our communities by changing stop and frisk. Stop and frisk should be a tool to get guns off the street and stop violence.

As mayor, I'll make sure it is never used as an excuse for racial profiling.

We must reform the way the education system works. I'm committed to that.

My mother was a teacher. Teachers are not the enemy, they must be given the tools to succeed and to be held accountable.

We know what works:

Getting kids in the classroom starting at a younger age, more parental involvement, cut down the never-ending cycle of standardized tests, teach critical thinking to better prepare our students for college, and increase career and technical training.

As controller, I helped lead the effort to create new affordable housing units. People who work here, who have raised their families here, should not be priced out of the city.

That's why I have a plan for 120,000 more affordable apartments.

People who live in the outer boroughs and pay taxes like everybody else should not be denied their fair share of services.

And to create better opportunities I'll make a commitment to small business — identify taxes, fines, and fees that unfairly hamper growth and jobs.

More opportunity for all people, in every part of this great city. That is my goal. I'm Bill Thompson and I would appreciate your vote.

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