

No Greenville Hosp vote

An expected resolution supporting Jersey City Mayor Jerramiah Healy's pledge of \$1.4 million to keep the 100-bed Greenville Hospital open failed to materialize at Wednesday's City Council meeting. But Jersey City Business Administrator Brian O'Reilly said the city has until mid-December to make that happen.

Healy made his pledge at a hearing of the state Health Planning Board last week. LibertyHealth Systems, which owns Greenville, Jersey City Medical Center and Meadowlands Hospital Medical

Center, wants to close Greenville as an acute care facility.

O'Reilly said he received a call from the state Local Finance Board saying they read about the mayor's pledge and he was warned that the city cannot raise the \$1.4 million by issuing bonds or using a grant the city might obtain.

"They want to know specifically where the money will come from," O'Reilly said. "But I think before the end of 60 days we have to come up with the funds."

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