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## The Week That Was

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### 1) Trump Triumphs, Tells Cox to KO Cuomo

#### *Our Spin*

Let the games begin! Just days after President Donald J. Trump was said to have had a positive meeting with Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo in New York, Trump maybe working behind the scenes to take the Governor down in the next election cycle.

#### *The Story*

On Wednesday President Donald Trump and Governor Cuomo had their first face to face meeting since the election, to discuss "issues of importance to New Yorkers." Not long after, Trump proposed "an assignment" to New York Republicans on Thursday: remove Bill de Blasio and Andrew Cuomo from office. Ed Cox, chair of the New York GOP, told an audience of state party members that the president-elect provided the mandate in a phone call. The assignment wasn't specific. After Thursday's event, Cox told The Real Deal that his organization is yet to choose a candidate to back. He said he's sure that indictments against de Blasio will eventually materialize, and that the party is waiting to see what happens before launching their full-scale opposition. Cox made the statement at a Republican gathering in Washington D.C., one of many events planned in the lead up to the presidential inauguration.

#### [The Real Deal](#)

### 2) Some Razzle Dazzle for NYC's Bridges.

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#### *Our Spin*

Seven bridges operated by the MTA could soon be covered in synchronized color-changing lights that would give the skyline a run for its money. The question is -- will Governor Cuomo continue with his progressive agenda syncing the lights with Jay Z and Beyonce's "Empire State of Mind," or will he go the more traditional route, syncing the lights to Frank Sinatra's "New York New York"?

#### *The Story*

New York City's bridges will soon be installed with choreographed lights programmed to blink and change color according to music or other cues. The LED lights will be installed on all seven bridges operated by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Speaking with reporters on Tuesday evening, Cuomo said, "Nothing like this have been done on the planet... Imagine New York Harbor, with all those bridges, and all of it choreographed." The Democrat says that while the choreographed lights have been installed on bridges in other cities and states, he envisions a spectacle unlike anywhere else. The new lights will actually save money because LED lights last longer and are more energy efficient than regular lights. Critics have dismissed the idea as a gimmick.

#### [NY Daily News](#)

### 3) Beer or Wine at the Movies? Why not

### *Our Spin*

The movies might just get a bit more entertaining, unless you're planning on going to see the new Frozen – EXPLAIN WHY FROZEN WOULD BE EXEMPT. Under the Governor's new proposal, movie theaters will be allowed to sell alcohol, regardless of whether they have a kitchen, bar or table seating. Just think...Before we know it, we might be able to go to the movies, get a little tipsy and not have to worry about driving home. Just take an Uber!

### *The Story*

Gov. Andrew Cuomo wants to allow alcohol in all New York state movie theaters. Cuomo's proposal would authorize the State Liquor Authority to issue alcohol licenses to all movie theaters and "incentivize" sales of drinks from New York breweries and wineries. According to the proposal, alcohol would only be allowed for movies rated PG-13 or higher and only one drink could be sold to a customer at a time. "The intent is to provide licenses to serve alcohol in theatres, with the focus on beer and wine," Cuomo budget spokesman Morris Peters said in an email Thursday. Current state law prohibits movie theaters from serving alcohol, unless they serve restaurant-style food and have table seating available for all patrons. While the proposal doesn't restrict the type of alcohol movie theaters can serve, the State Liquor Authority could limit it later through regulations.