So Quinn new deputy mayor in a third term because she could not get elected again or be chosen speaker!!
Bloomberg the new leader of billionaire Junta. All the more reason to throw the bums out.
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CITY Council Speaker Christine Quinn's support for a term-limit extension for Mayor Bloomberg comes at a price, according to City Hall insiders. They say that Quinn, who has lost the confidence of her colleagues, will not be re-elected speaker. Rather than go back to being an ordinary council member and have to give up her big staff and SUV, Quinn will leave the council and become a deputy mayor under Bloomberg. The deal for extending term limits also includes Bloomberg - who regards Quinn highly - endorsing her for mayor in 2013.

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Christine Quinn is gambling for her political life

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Mayor Bloomberg and City Council Speaker Christine Quinn have finally consummated their political marriage of convenience.

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City Council Speaker Christine Quinn (Smith for News)

He needs her to realize his dream of extending term limits legislatively and seeking reelection next year.

She wants to be mayor, but needs time to rebuild her reputation after the slush fund scandal - and protection in the event of a City Council leadership coup.

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"She wants to stay in office, the Council wants to stay in office and the mayor wants to stay in office - after that, all bets are off," said political consultant Hank Sheinkopf. "It's a risky gamble

for everyone."

If Bloomberg manages to win a third term but can't make good on his promise to steer the city smoothly through the fiscal crisis, Quinn's decision to forgo her own mayoral ambitions and pick the independent mayor over a fellow Democrat will have been in vain. His endorsement will be worthless.

But with the <u>U.S.</u> attorney's slush fund investigation still open and her increasingly slim chances of winning a Democratic mayoral primary next fall against <u>Rep. Anthony Weiner</u> or city <u>Controller William Thompson</u>, what better choice did Quinn have?

"She's perceived as dead in the water," said a source close to Bloomberg. "This way, she stays a citywide player, takes her lumps in the short term and has 3-1/2 years to rebuild." First, she has to deliver the Council.

"I hope she has the votes, because if she doesn't this is the stupidest thing she's done, politically speaking," said one City Hall observer after Quinn announced her support for extending term limits but acknowledged there's no "consensus" among her colleagues.

The last time Quinn went to bat for Bloomberg resulted in an unusually close 30-to-20 vote on his congestion-pricing bill. Anything less than that on term limits could increase her vulnerability among unhappy rank-and-file Council members.

The leadership vote for Council speaker is over a year away. Even with the economic crisis putting a dent in the budget pork barrel, she still has incumbency - and the mayor - on her side.

"There is no force in politics stronger than inertia," said <u>Brooklyn City Councilman Lew Fidler</u>, who has been mentioned as a possible speaker contender but insists he's not interested.

"It would take a huge, huge event to take her out." ebenjamin@nydailynews.com