

The New York City Council

*New York City Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007*



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 13, 2008

10:00 AM

Committee Room - City Hall

Committee on Land Use

Melinda R. Katz, Chair

*Members: Maria Del Carmen Arroyo, Tony Avella, Maria Baez, Charles Barron,
Leroy G. Comrie, Inez E. Dickens, Simcha Felder, Daniel R. Garodnick, Eric N. Gioia,
Sara M. Gonzalez, Vincent M. Ignizio, Robert Jackson, Jessica S. Lappin, John C. Liu,
Miguel Martinez, Michael E. McMahon, Rosie Mendez, Annabel Palma, Joel Rivera,
Larry B. Seabrook, Helen Sears, Albert Vann and James Oddo*

Roll Call

Present,

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent,

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

Other Council Members Attending: Reyna, Addabbo and Monserrate

LU 0779-2008

Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 080221 MMQ, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 197-d of the New York City Charter, changes to the City Map, Borough of Queens, Council District no. 21. This matter is subject to Council Review and action only if appealed to the Council pursuant to §197-d(b)2 of the Charter or called up by a vote of the Council pursuant to §197-d(b)3 of the Charter and Section 11.20 of the Rules of the Council.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -

Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -

Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0780-2008 Uniform Land Use Review Procedure application no. C 080381 ZMQ pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter, concerning changes to Sections 10a and 10b of the zoning map, Borough of Queens, Council District no. 21.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -

Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -

Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0781-2008 Zoning resolution amendment application no. N 080382 ZRQ, pursuant to Sections 197-d and 201 of the New York City Charter, for an amendment relating to Article XII, Chapter 4 to establish the Willets Point Special District, Borough of Queens, Council District 21.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -

Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -
Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -
Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0782-2008 Application no. N 080383 HGQ pursuant to §504 of the General Municipal Law concerning the proposed designation of the Willets Point Urban Renewal Area, Borough of Queens, Council District no. 21.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -
Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -
Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -
Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0783-2008 Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 080384 HUQ pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the Charter of the City of New York and §505 of the General Municipal Law concerning the approval of the proposed Willets Point Urban Renewal Plan, Borough of Queens, Council District no. 21.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -

Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -

Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0784-2008

Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 080385 HDQ, pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter, concerning the disposition of city-owned property located within the proposed Willets Point Renewal Area, in Council District no. 21, Borough of Queens. This application is subject to review and action by the Land Use Committee only if appealed to the Council pursuant to Section 197-d(b)(2) of the Charter or called up by vote of the Council pursuant to §197-d(b)(3) of the Charter.

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Press Advisory, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning 10/17/08, Hearing Testimony - Planning Con't 10/17/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Planning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08, Press Release

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 19 -

Katz, Arroyo, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Negative, 2 -

Avella and Barron

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0906-2008 **Application no. N 080363 ZRQ submitted by the Department of City Planning pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter, for amendment to the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York concerning the addition Article XII, Chapter 5, (Special Southern Hunters Point District), to establish a special district and modify related regulations.**

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 21 -

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0907-2008 **Application no. C 080364 PPQ, pursuant to §197-c of the New York City Charter, for the acquisition of property located at 2nd Street (Block1, Lots 1 and 10; Block 5, lot 1; Block 6, Lots 1,2 and 14); the bed of 54th Avenue between 2nd Street and the East River; and the bed of 55th Avenue between 2nd Street and the East River.**

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 21 -

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0908-2008

Application no. C 080365 HAQ, an Urban Development Action Area Designation and Project known as Hunter's Point South and the disposition of city owned property, Community Board 2, Borough of Queens, Council District no. 26. This matter is subject to Council Review and action pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter and Article 16 of the General Municipal Law.

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 21 -

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0909-2008

Application no. C 080276 MMQ submitted by the New York City Economic Development Corporation, pursuant to §197-c and 199 of the New York City Charter and Section 5-430 of the Administrative Code an amendment of the City Map, Community Board 2, Borough of Queens, Council District 26.

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

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A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 21 -

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

LU 0917-2008

Application no. C 080362 ZMQ submitted by the New York Economic Development Corporation pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter, for an amendment to the Zoning Map, Section No. 8d.

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

This Land Use Application was Hearing Held by Committee

Attachments: Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/16/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/20/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Testimony - Zoning 10/24/08, Hearing Transcript - Zoning 11/13/08, Hearing Transcript - Land Use 11/13/08

A motion was made that this Land Use Application be Approved by Committee with Companion Resolution approved by Roll Call.

Affirmative, 21 -

Katz, Arroyo, Avella, Barron, Comrie Jr., Dickens, Felder, Garodnick, Gioia, Gonzalez, Jackson, Lappin, Liu, Martinez, McMahon, Mendez, Oddo, Palma, Seabrook, Sears and Vann

Absent, 3 -

Baez, Ignizio and Rivera

AND SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY BE NECESSARY