

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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May 25, 2011
Start: 12:00 pm
Recess: N/A

HELD AT: Committee Room
250 Broadway - 14th Fl.

B E F O R E:
LEROY G. COMRIE, JR.
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Maria del Carmen Arroyo
Charles Barron
Inez Dickens
Daniel R. Garodnick
Sara M. Gonzalez
Robert Jackson
Rosie Mendez
Annabel Palma
Joel Rivera
James Sanders, Jr.
Albert Vann
Stephen T. Levin
Mark S. Weprin

A P P E A R A N C E S

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Daniel J. Halloran, III

Vincent M. Ignizio

Peter A. Koo

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CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Quiet please.
We're going to start the Land Use Committee for
May 25th, 2011. I am Leroy Comrie. I am joined by
Council Members Mark Weprin from Queens, Annabel
Palma from the Bronx, Council Member Al Vann from
Brooklyn, Council Member Inez Dickens Manhattan--
the great borough of Harlem, Council Member Peter
Koo from Queens, Dan Garodnick from Queens, Vinny
Ignizio from Staten Island--Garodnick from
Manhattan--Gonzalez is from Brooklyn, Majority
Leader Joel Rivera is from the Bronx and Charles
Barron, James Sanders, Dan Halloran and Robert
Jackson. Alright, so we have a quorum
established.

We have to just to remind members
that this is the Land Use Meeting. There's a Land
Use Committee/Finance Hearing upstairs that will
be starting as soon as the Consumer Affairs
hearing, which is ongoing, finishes. That is a
separate meeting and you will be marked separately
for that meeting, so if you want to be marked
present, you have to go upstairs to the 16th floor
for the Finance Hearing, where we will have DUIT
[phonetic], City Planning, Landmarks, and am I

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2 missing-DUIT, City Planning and Landmarks. That's
3 it and that will commence right after this
4 hearing.

5 We only have five items on today's
6 agenda. The first item is an item in Council
7 Member Dickens' district; Land Use No. 314, Item
8 No. 2011541 HAM in Manhattan Community Board 12.
9 It's known as the Harlem Park Houses plan and
10 project. It's an Article 5 amendment to our
11 housing project for a modification to the plan and
12 property located at Block 1736, Lot 1, Council
13 District 9. We also have Land Use No. 315. It's
14 related. It's the conveyance for Harlem Park
15 Houses, Item No. 20115419 HAM.

16 We have two sidewalk cafés, one
17 enclosed in Council Member Reyna's district, Land
18 Use Item No. 390, Item No. 20105769 TCK, Brooklyn
19 Community Board 1, known as Fortunato Brothers
20 Café and Bakery at 289 Manhattan Avenue. The
21 other one is an unenclosed sidewalk café, Land Use
22 No. 391, Item No. 20115504 TCM in Speaker Quinn's
23 district, Manhattan Community board 12. It's a
24 bistro known as Lyon. Lyon, excuse me. Lyon at
25 118th Greenwich Avenue.

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2 And then we have a UDAP in Council
3 Member Barron's district. It's Land Use No. 392,
4 Item No. 20115751 HAK, 660 Jerome Street, 741
5 Barbey Street in Brooklyn. They're both Section
6 202, supportive housing for the elderly.

7 Again, the budget hearings is going
8 to be upstairs on the 16th floor, subcommittees are
9 scheduled for June 2nd and June 7th. I would
10 recommend a yes vote on all items on today's
11 calendar. All items have been heard and vetted in
12 the subcommittees. Does anyone desire to speak on
13 any of the items on today's calendar? Seeing no
14 hands raised, I would recommend a yes vote to all.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK: William Martin,
16 committee clerk, roll call vote in the Committee
17 on Land Use. Council Member Comrie?

18 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Aye on all.

19 COMMITTEE CLERK: Garodnick?

20 COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK: Rivera?

22 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye
23 on all.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Barron?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Aye on all.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Jackson?
COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON: Aye on
all.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Sanders?
COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERS: Aye on
all.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Vann?
COUNCIL MEMBER VANN: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Gonzalez?
COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ: Aye on
all.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Palma?
COUNCIL MEMBER PALMA: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Dickens?
COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye on
all.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Weprin?
COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Ignizio?
COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Halloran?
COUNCIL MEMBER HALLORAN: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK: Koo?
COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye on all.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 14
3 in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no
4 abstentions, all items have been adopted. Members
5 please sign the Committee reports. Thank you.

6 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: We are
7 scheduled for 12:30 upstairs. I know Consumer
8 Affairs is still ongoing, but you may want to
9 check in. We will start quickly. We will leave
10 the roll open for five minutes and we will
11 therefore adjourn the meeting here of the
12 Committee and there will be a separate meeting,
13 the budget meeting for the Land Use Committee,
14 will commence at approximately 12:30 upstairs on
15 the 16th floor. With that, the meeting is
16 dismissed. Held open for five minutes. We're
17 waiting for whoever can get—okay. She's upstairs
18 or anyone who's upstairs—for Maria to come
19 downstairs, but the meeting is adjourned. Thank
20 you.

21 [long pause]

22 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Quiet, please.
23 We have a member who needs to vote.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK: Arroyo?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye on all.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote now
3 stands at 15 in the affirmative, no abstentions
4 and no negatives.

5 [pause]

6 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member
7 Mendez?

8 COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: I vote aye.

9 COMMITTEE CLERK: The vote now
10 currently stands at 16 in the affirmative.

11 [pause]

12 COMMITTEE CLERK: Council Member
13 Levin?

14 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: I vote aye
15 on all.

16 COMMITTEE CLERK: The finale vote
17 in the Committee on Land Use is now 17 in the
18 affirmative, zero in the negative and no
19 abstentions.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Thank you.
21 This meeting is adjourned.

22 [gavel]

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Kimberley Uhlig certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.

Signature

Kimberley Uhlig

Date May 31, 2011