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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ZONING AND
FRANCHISES

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Tuesday, May 16, 2023
Start: 10:26 a.m.
Recess: 10:49 a.m.

HELD AT: 250 BROADWAY, 14th Floor,
COMMITTEE ROOM

B E F O R E: Kevin C. Riley, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shaun Abreu
Erik D. Bottcher
David M. Carr
Kamillah Hanks
Francisco P. Moya
Lynn C. Schulman

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Can we start the live stream
3 please? Can we start the Zoom?

4 ZOOM HOST: Webinar has been started, thank you.

5 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Thank you. Good morning, and
6 welcome to the New York City Vote on the Subcommittee
7 on Zoning and Franchises. Please silent all
8 electronic devices. Chair, we are ready to begin.

9 [GAVEL]

10 CHAIRPERSON RILEY: Good morning, and welcome to
11 a meeting of the Subcommittee of Zoning and
12 Franchises. I am Councilmember Kevin Riley, Chair of
13 the Subcommittee. This morning, I am joined by
14 Councilmembers Bottcher, Schulman, Hanks, and
15 virtually by Councilmember Moya. Today, we will vote
16 on three rezoning proposals in Queens that we heard
17 by the Subcommittee on May 2nd. Before we begin, I
18 recognize the Subcommittee Counsel to review the
19 hearing procedures.

20 COUNSEL: Thank you, Chair Riley. I am Angelina
21 Martinez-Rubio, counsel to the subcommittee. This
22 meeting is being held in hybrid format, so
23 Councilmembers who would like to ask questions, who
24 are here in the room should just indicate so
25 verbally, or if you are participating remotely, you

2 can let us know by using the Zoom raise hand
3 function. The Chair will recognize members to speak.
4 We ask all participants for your continued patience
5 should any technical difficulties arise. Chair Riley
6 will now continue with today's agenda items.

7 CHAIRPERSON RILEY: Thank you, Counsel. Today,
8 we will vote to approve pre-considereds, LU-207 for
9 the 26-50 Brooklyn Queens Expressway West Rezoning
10 Proposal in Councilmember Cabán's district in Queens.
11 This proposal will rezone the existing M1-1 Zoning
12 District to an M1-2 Zoning District. This approval
13 will facilitate the expansion of an existing gym.
14 Councilmember Cabán is in support of this
15 application.

16 We will also vote to approve pre-considered LU-
17 208 relating to the 61-10 Queens Boulevard Rezoning
18 Proposal in Councilmember Won's district in Queens.
19 This proposal seeks to rezone the existing R7-1/C1-2
20 and R6/C1-2. This will be changed to an R7-1/C2-4,
21 and an R6/C2-4 zoning district. These approvals will
22 facilitate the expansion of an existing gym.
23 Councilmember Won is in support of this proposal.

24 We will also vote to approve with modifications
25 pre-considereds LU-209 and LU-210 relating to the

2 141-05 109th Avenue Rezoning Proposal in Speaker
3 Adams' district in Queens. This proposal will rezone
4 an existing R3A zoning district to an R6B/C2-3 zoning
5 district, to establish an MIH program area utilizing
6 MIH options 1 and 2. The Council will modify this
7 application to strike MIH option 2 and add the deep
8 affordability option. Speaker Adams is in support of
9 this proposal as modified.

10 Members of the Subcommittee who have questions or
11 remarks about today's item should use the raise-hand
12 button now. Council will announce members in the
13 order that hands are raised. Counsel, are there any
14 Councilmembers with questions or remarks at this
15 time?

16 COUNSEL: Chair, it doesn't look like there are
17 Councilmembers with questions at this time.

18 And the meeting will stand at ease for just a few
19 minutes.

20 CHAIRPERSON RILEY: I now call for a vote to
21 approve LU-207 relating to the 26-50 Brooklyn Queens
22 Expressway West Rezoning Proposal, to approve LU-208
23 relating to the 61-10 Queens Boulevard Rezoning
24 Proposal, to approve modifications I have described
25 to LU-209 and LU-210 relating to the 141-05 109th

2 Avenue Rezoning Proposal. Counsel, please call the
3 roll.

4 COUNSEL: Chair Riley?

5 CHAIRPERSON RILEY: Aye.

6 COUNSEL: Councilmember Moya?

7 COUNCILMEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

8 COUNSEL: Councilmember Abreu?

9 COUNCILMEMBER ABREU: Aye.

10 COUNSEL: Councilmember Bottcher?

11 COUNCILMEMBER BOTTCHER: Aye.

12 COUNSEL: Councilmember Hanks?

13 COUNCILMEMBER HANKS: Aye.

14 COUNSEL: Councilmember Schulman?

15 COUNCILMEMBER SCHULMAN: Aye.

16 COUNSEL: The vote currently stands at 6 in the
17 affirmative, no negatives, no abstentions. We will
18 hold the vote open for a few minutes.

19 Continuing the vote, Councilmember Carr, how do
20 you vote?

21 COUNCILMEMBER CARR: Aye.

22 COUNSEL: The final vote is 7 in the affirmative,
23 no negatives, no abstentions. The items are approved
24 and will be referred to the full Land Use Committee.

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2 CHAIRPERSON RILEY: Thank you, Counsel. That
3 concludes today's business. I would like to thank
4 the members of the public, my colleagues,
5 subcommittee Counsel, Land Use, and other Counsel
6 staff, and the Sergeant at Arms for participating in
7 today's meeting. This meeting is hereby adjourned.

8 [GAVEL]

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