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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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July 10, 2023
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HELD AT: COMMITTEE ROOM - CITY HALL

B E F O R E: Rafael Salamanca, Jr., Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shaun Abreu
Joseph C. Borelli
Erik D. Bottcher
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers
Shekar Krishnan
Farrah N. Louis
Darlene Mealy
Francisco P. Moya
Kevin C. Riley
Carlina Rivera
Pierina Ana Sanchez

2 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning. This is a
3 microphone check for the Committee on Land Use.
4 Today's date is July 10, 2023, located in the
5 Committee Room, recording done by Pedro Lugo.

6 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning and
7 welcome to today's Committee of Land Use.

8 Place all electronic devices to vibrate
9 mode. Thank you for your cooperation.

10 Chair, we are ready to begin.

11 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: [GAVEL] All right,
12 good afternoon, and welcome to the Committee on Land
13 Use. I am Council Member Rafael Salamanca, Chair of
14 this Committee.

15 I would like to welcome my esteemed
16 Colleagues who have joined us today. We've been
17 joined by Council Members Moya, Rivera, Chair Louis,
18 Chair Riley, Abreu, Brooks-Powers, Bottcher, Council
19 Member Krishnan, Mealy, Sanchez, and Borelli.

20 I would like to thank Chair Louis and
21 Chair Riley for their work on our two Subcommittees.

22 Before we begin today's meeting, I would
23 like to recognize the Committee Counsel to review the
24 hearing procedures.

2 COMMITTEE COUNSEL HUH: Thank you, Chair
3 Salamanca. I am Arthur Huh, Counsel to this
4 Committee.

5 Council Members who would like to ask
6 questions or make comments should indicate verbally
7 or, if participating remotely, by using the Zoom
8 raise hand function. The Chair will recognize Members
9 to speak.

10 Chair Salamanca will now continue with
11 today's agenda.

12 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you,
13 Counsel.

14 Today, we will vote to approve LUs 237
15 and 238 for the 1656 West 10th Street Rezoning
16 proposal in Council Member Yeger's District in
17 Brooklyn. This proposal would change an existing R5
18 zoning district to an R6A zoning district and
19 establish an MIH program area utilizing Option 1 and
20 2 to facilitate the construction of a new six-story
21 mixed-use building.

22 We will also vote to disapprove LU 231
23 related to 43rd Avenue Demapping proposal in Council
24 Member Paladino's District in Queens. The applicant
25 sought to legalize a retaining wall that encroaches

2 onto 43rd Avenue. For the reasons stated by Chair
3 Riley and Chair Paladino at the Zoning Subcommittee
4 meeting earlier today, the Council should disapprove
5 the application.

6 Finally, I note that the application for
7 LU 230 relating to the 189-10 Northern Boulevard
8 Commercial Overlay also in Council Member Paladino's
9 District in Queens has been withdrawn. Therefore,
10 pursuant to Council Rule 11.60b, LU 230 is void, and
11 I make a motion to file the item to remove it from
12 the Council's calendar.

13 At this time, I would like to welcome my
14 Colleagues who might wish to ask questions or make
15 remarks.

16 Seeing none, I now call for a vote with
17 the support of the local Council Members to approve
18 LUs 237 and 238 and to disapprove LU 231 and to adopt
19 a motion to file LU 230. Would the Clerk please call
20 the roll?

21 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good
22 afternoon. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call
23 vote Committee on Land Use. All items are coupled.
24 Chair Salamanca.

25 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Aye on all.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Moya.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Rivera.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

6 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Louis.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: I vote aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Riley.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: I vote aye.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Abreu.

11 COUNCIL MEMBER ABREU: Aye.

12 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Brooks-

13 Powers.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: Aye.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Bottcher.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHER: Aye.

17 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hanks.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: (NO RESPONSE)

19 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Krishnan.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye.

21 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Mealy.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Aye.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Sanchez.

24 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: Aye.

25 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Borelli.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER BORELLI: Aye.

3 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: By a vote
4 of 12 in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and
5 no abstentions, all items have been adopted as
6 indicated by the Chair.

7 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you. That
8 concludes today's business.

9 I would like to thank the members of the
10 public, my Colleagues, Land Use and our Council
11 Staff, and the Sergeant-at-Arms for attending today's
12 meeting.

13 This meeting is hereby adjourned. [GAVEL]

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Date July 14, 2023