

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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July 28, 2011  
Start: 10:38 am  
Recess: 10:44 am

HELD AT: Council Chambers  
City Hall

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Charles Baron  
Council Member Inez E. Dickens  
Council Member Daniel R. Garodnick  
Council Member Sara M. Gonzalez  
Council Member Vincent M. Ignizio  
Council Member Daniel J. Halloran III  
Council Member Robert Jackson  
Council Member Peter A. Koo  
Council Member Brad S. Lander  
Council Member Jessica S. Lappin  
Council Member Stephen T. Levin  
Council Member Darlene Mealy  
Council Member Diana Reyna  
Council Member Joel Rivera

## A P P E A R A N C E S

## COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member James Sanders, Jr.  
Council Member Larry B. Seabrook  
Council Member James Vacca  
Council Member Mark S. Weprin  
Council Member Jumaane D. Williams

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

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CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Here we go.

[background noise] All right, today is a Land Use continuation of the Land Use Committee Meeting held on July 26th. Today is Thursday, July 28th. We are finalizing one item, two items. We didn't do Truxton?

FEMALE VOICE: No, we didn't.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Oh, sorry, we're doing two items. One in Council Member Dilan's district, Land Use Item 389, the Truxton residence, Item No. C 100250 HAK in Community Board 16 in Brooklyn. It's a ULURP UDAAP to facilitate at a development project with 48 units of supportive housing, which will be targeted to residents of Community Board 16. We're also doing Land Use Item 434 in Council Member Van Bramer's district, known as the Gotham Center, Queens Community Board Two, Item No. C 110225 PPQ. It's a modification to a previously approved disposition to change the parking requirement. I recommend an aye vote on both items. Does anyone have any comments on either item on today's agenda?

COUNCIL MEMBER REYNA: [off mic] We

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CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Seeing none--  
you have a comment on, Council Member Mealy?

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COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: I would just  
like to talk about the supportive houses in  
Community Board 16. Thank you. We have been  
saturated with halfway houses and the community is  
totally against it. And I just hope we start  
considering how many halfway houses we put in each  
district. And so far, only in Brooklyn, Bedford-  
Stuyvesant and Brownsville, and I believe Eastern  
Bushwick and East New York is getting a whole, the  
gamut of halfway houses. And I wish I could vote  
on, well I will be voting on this, but I, I hope  
everyone consider how many halfway houses are  
coming into Brooklyn, and fair, to be fair, let it  
be shared in every district, and not just certain  
districts. Thank you.

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CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Thank you,  
I'll just remind folks that this project,  
particular project, was unanimously endorsed by  
the Community Board, the Council Member, the  
Borough President and everyone else that was  
involved in the project. So, I would recommend

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2 and aye vote on all items on today's calendar. We  
3 did receive a letter from the Administration  
4 regarding the project in Council Member Van  
5 Bramer's district, and we'll have the, Carol  
6 Shine, the Counsel for the Committee--Oh, the  
7 Clerk is here? Where? Oh, I couldn't find, oh,  
8 hey, Billy. Good morning. We'll have the Clerk  
9 call the roll. And I recommend an aye vote on  
10 everything on today's agenda. And Finance will  
11 happen immediately after this meeting, so don't  
12 leave.

13 CLERK MARTIN: William Martin,  
14 Committee Clerk, roll call vote on the Committee  
15 on Land Use. Council Member Comrie.

16 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Aye on all.

17 CLERK MARTIN: Rivera.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: Aye on all.

19 CLERK MARTIN: Reyna.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER REYNA: I vote aye.

21 CLERK MARTIN: Jackson.

22 COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON: Aye on

23 all.

24 CLERK MARTIN: Gonzalez.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ: Aye on

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CLERK MARTIN: And on previous  
items, Council Member Gonzalez.

COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ: Aye on  
all.

CLERK MARTIN: Dickens.

COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye on  
all.

CLERK MARTIN: Garodnick.

COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Lappin.

COUNCIL MEMBER LAPPIN: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Vacca.

COUNCIL MEMBER VACCA: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Lander.

COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Levin.

COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Weprin.

COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Williams.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Ignizio.

COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: I vote aye

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2 and ask universal consent to vote on the previous  
3 items. Aye.

4 CLERK MARTIN: Koo.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

6 CLERK MARTIN: Current items are  
7 adopted by a vote of 15 in the affirmative, zero  
8 in the negative, no abstentions, with previous  
9 items in the Committee on Land Use being adopted  
10 by a vote of 19 in the affirmative, zero in the  
11 negative, no abstentions.

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13 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: --keeping  
14 anything open, we're going to immediately state  
15 the Finance hearing. So, the meeting the now  
16 adjourned, for Land Use. And Finance will start  
17 forthwith. Thank you.

18 [gavel]

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, JOHN DAVID TONG 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John David Tong". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the printed word "Signature".

Date August 5, 2011