

CITY COUNCIL
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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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September 18, 2013
Start: 10:50 a.m.
Recess: 11:18 a.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers
City Hall

B E F O R E: Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Maria del Carmen Arroyo
Charles Barron
Inez E. Dickens
Daniel R. Garodnick
Sarah M. Gonzales
Robert Jackson
Jessica S. Lappin
Rosie Mendez
Annabel Palma
Diana Reyna
Joel Rivera
Albert Vann
Brad S. Lander

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

Council Members:

Stephen T. Levin

Mark S. Weprin

Jumaane Williams

Vincent M. Ignizio

Peter A. Koo

Ruben Wills

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Okay, we are ready to convene the Full Land Use Committee for Wednesday, September 18th, 2013. We're joined by Council Members Brad Lander, Mark Weprin, Al Vann, Peter Koo, Diana Reyna, Vinnie Ignizio, Rosie Mendez, Annabel Palma, Jessica Lappin, and Maria del Carmen Arroyo.

[laughter]

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: And we--and Council Member Ruben Wills and Jumaane Williams are lurking about the floor some place. We have a few things on today's agenda. I'll try to move them as quickly as possible. First is Land Use item 898, which is a motion to file pursuant to withdraw. Next is Land Use 899 which is a sidewalk café, unenclosed sidewalk café on Manhattan Community Board 12. It's known as the Community Board two, item #20135747TCM. It's to renew a--to establish a sidewalk café located at 196th Avenue. Next one's also in Speaker Quinn's District, Land Use 900, known as the John Dory Oyster Bar, Community Board Five, item #20135608TCM, to continue to maintain unenclosed sidewalk café at 1186

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2 Broadway. Motion to file pursuant--just a
3 motion to file. We're not voting on this
4 today. Oh, motion to file to vote today,
5 alright. Manhattan, in Council Member Dickens'
6 District, Land Use 901, Five Guys' Burgers and
7 Fries will operate a sidewalk café at 2847
8 Broadway, item #20135625TCM. And we have Land
9 Use 882 and 883 are related regarding the Crown
10 Heights West rezoning and text amendment, item
11 #n13212ZRK and #c130213zmk. It encompasses
12 Council Member Vann and James' District. Then
13 we have some landmark designations, Land Use
14 item 910, the landmark designation of New York
15 Public Library Seward Branch, Seward Park
16 Branch located at 192 East Broadway, Manhattan
17 Community Board Three, item #20145012HKM. Then
18 we have the St. Louis Hotel is for--being
19 considered as a landmark, Land Use 911 in
20 Council Member Mendez District, Manhattan
21 Community Board Five, item #20145013HKM located
22 34 East 32nd Street. Another one in Council
23 Member Chin's District, Land Use 912. It's
24 known as the Marine Midland Bank, Manhattan
25 Community Board One, item #20145014HKM. Again,

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2 it was originally the Marine Midland Bank at 89
3 Cedar Street. We have landmarks item in
4 Council Member Brewer's District, Land Use 913
5 known as the--that is the Church of Saint Paul
6 the Apostle, Manhattan Community Board Seven
7 20145015HKM, located at 120 West 60th Street.
8 We have then in Council Member Robert Jackson's
9 District, a landmark, Land Use 914, known as
10 the Beaumont Apartments in Manhattan Community
11 Board Nine, item #20145016HKM. It's the
12 designation of the Beaumont Apartments located
13 at 730 Riverside drive. We have three more
14 items on the--and one in Council Member Reyna's
15 District. It's Land Use 915, Catherina Lipsius
16 House in Brooklyn Community Board Four, item
17 #20145017HKK. It's the landmark that Catherina
18 Lipsius House located at 670 Bushwick Avenue.
19 We have now in Council Member Crowley's
20 District, Land Use 916, the Forest Park
21 Carousel, which encompasses Queens Community
22 Board Five, Six, and Nine; item #20145018HQK.
23 It's to landmark the Forest Park Carousel which
24 is within Forest Park at 8398 Woodhaven
25 Boulevard. And last, but not least, in Council

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2 Member Genarro's District, my alma mater.
3 Council Member Weprin's alma mater, I believe,
4 Jamaica High School in Queens Community Board
5 12, item #20145019HKQ, is to designate the
6 Jamaica High School, which I'm not going to
7 call it by its new name, but it's part of
8 Jamaica High School located at 16202 Hillside--
9 that's not the right address. That's not the
10 right address. 88-21 63rd Street is the right
11 address. It's not on Hillside Avenue. It's
12 above Hillside Avenue. With that, I would
13 recommend a yes a vote on all items, coupling a
14 vote on all items to approve except Land Use
15 898 and 909, which we are voting on motions
16 901, which we are voting on motions to file.
17 Does anyone have anything to comment on today's
18 agenda? Seeing none, I recommend a yes vote.
19 [laughter] I want to congratulate--I wasn't
20 looking for any. I want to congratulate the
21 Landmarks Committee and Chair Lander, they had
22 a long agenda, and Jenny on the block is here.
23 I want to congrats Jenny Fernandez for being
24 such an excellent person at the Landmarks
25 Committee, and with that I recommend an aye

2 vote, and I would ask the clerk, Mr. Martin, to
3 call the roll.

4 CLERK MARTIN: William Martin,
5 Committee Clerk, roll call vote Committee on
6 Land Use. Council Member Comrie?

7 COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE: Aye on all.

8 CLERK MARTIN: Reyna?

9 COUNCIL MEMBER REYNA: Aye on all.

10 CLERK MARTIN: Vann?

11 COUNCIL MEMBER VANN: Aye.

12 CLERK MARTIN: Palma?

13 COUNCIL MEMBER PALMA: Aye.

14 CLERK MARTIN: Arroyo?

15 COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye.

16 CLERK MARTIN: Lapin?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER LAPIN: Aye.

18 CLERK MARTIN: Mendez?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: Aye.

20 CLERK MARTIN: Koo?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

22 CLERK MARTIN: Lander?

23 COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER: Aye.

24 CLERK MARKTIN: Weprin?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Aye.

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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

CLERK MARTIN: Williams?

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Wills?

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLS: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: Ignizio?

COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: Aye.

CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of 13 in the affirmative, zero in the negative, no abstentions, all items have been adopted. Members, please sign the Committee report.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: We have a September 30th zoning meeting for the Committee. Mr. Council Member Ignizio, September 30th, please. Thank you. But your schedule is null? Oh, alright. Well, okay. Don't tell everybody. And Council Member Wills and Williams, please be here at 9:00 on September 30th. Say that--say that louder for the mic. Say that louder for the mic. [laughter] Okay. You guys have been trying to get me to laugh all meeting. It didn't work. Didn't work. And our regular scheduled committee meetings are October 2nd. So with-- and that includes another zoning meeting before

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2 the full meeting on October 2nd. So the Zoning
3 Chair has a full agenda over the next few
4 weeks. With that--did everyone--Council Member
5 Dickens is on her way, but we will adjourn the
6 meeting and hold the roll open until 3:00.
7 Alright. We will hold the roll open for 15
8 minutes, unless we've heard from any member
9 that said they're on their way and they are
10 actually in the building.

11 CLERK MARTIN: Council Member Levin?

12 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: I vote aye on
13 all.

14 CLERK MARTIN: Vote now currently
15 stands at 14 in the affirmative. Council
16 Member Dickens?

17 COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye on all.

18 CLERK MARTIN: Vote now stands--
19 Final vote in the Committee on Land Use is 15
20 in the affirmative, zero in the negative, and
21 no abstentions. Final vote, Committee on Land
22 Use is 15 in the affirmative, zero in the
23 negative, no abstentions.

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UNKNOWN: This meeting on Land Use
is adjourned.

[gavel]

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World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is no interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date 09/25/2013