

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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September 17, 2008

Start: 10:00am

Recess: N/A

HELD AT: Committee Room
City Hall

B E F O R E:
MELINDA R. KATZ
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Joel Rivera
Tony Avella
Charles S. Barron
Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.
Robert Jackson
John C. Liu
Michael E. McMahon
Larry B. Seabrook
Helen Sears
Annabel Palma
Daniel R. Garodnick
Jessica S. Lappin
Vincent Ignizio

A P P E A R A N C E S

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

James S. Oddo
Inez E. Dickens
Simcha Felder
Joel Martinez
Albert Vann
Rosie Mendez
Eric N. Gioia
Maria Del Carmen Arroyo

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2 CHAIRPERSON KATZ: I want to thank
3 everyone for coming on time. And we will hold the
4 vote open for the buildings folks, but we need to
5 let them know that they have to come over and
6 vote, okay? I'm looking for acknowledgement from
7 the Sergeant-At-Arms. Sir, can someone-- Jay?
8 Make sure the Sergeant-At-Arms tells them they
9 need to come over and vote. Okay. This is the
10 Land Use Committee meeting. It should be brief,
11 so I'll go through the agenda, any questions and
12 then we'll take a quick vote. Charles, they want
13 you at Buildings. PS 89 in Brooklyn, Cypress
14 Hills Community School. It's in Councilmember
15 Dilan's District. And it's a site selection.
16 Let's have some order. LU numbers 873 through 840
17 are all related. They are in Speaker Quinn's
18 district. They are four applications, an
19 amendment to the zoning resolution, a site
20 selection, an acquisition of the property;
21 disposition and a special permit to facilitate the
22 expansion for the Whitney Museum, a good step for
23 the City of New York. A zoning text amendment,
24 site selection and acquisition is LU number 838.
25 LU number 839 is the disposition of the property

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2 and the special permit is LU number 840. LU
3 number 864 is the sidewalk café in Councilmember
4 Gerson's district, Mole Mexican Bar and Grill. LU
5 number 865 is Papa John's Pizza, sidewalk café, in
6 Jessica Lappin's district. LU number 867 and 868
7 are related. They're in Councilmember
8 Monserrate's district. They are the 88th Street
9 rezoning. It is an amendment to the City map and
10 an amendment to the zoning map to facilitate the
11 expansion of a car rental facility. LU number 869
12 is the Waldheim rezoning that we have been
13 discussing, contextual rezoning, to ensure that
14 the future development corresponds to the
15 character of the community. It is an amendment to
16 the zoning map. LU number 762 is a UDAP, and it
17 is Councilmember Barron's district. Any
18 discussion? Call the roll.

19 MALE VOICE: Councilmember Katz.

20 CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Aye on all.

21 MALE VOICE: Rivera.

22 JOEL RIVERA: I vote aye on all.

23 MALE VOICE: Avella.

24 TONY AVELLA: Aye on all.

25 MALE VOICE: Barron.

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CHARLES S. BARRON: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Comrie.

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LEROY G. COMRIE, JR.: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Jackson.

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ROBERT JACKSON: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Liu.

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JOHN C. LIU: Yes.

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MALE VOICE: McMahon.

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[Break in Audio]

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MALE VOICE: Seabrook.

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LARRY B. SEABROOK: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Sears.

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HELEN SEARS: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Palma.

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ANNABEL PALMA: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Garodnick.

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DANIEL R. GARODNICK: Aye.

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MALE VOICE: Lappin.

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JESSICA S. LAPPIN: With a big

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thank you to Pete Janicek [phonetic] for

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negotiation the sidewalk café in my district, I

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vote aye.

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MALE VOICE: Ignizio.

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VINCENT IGNIZIO: With a big thank

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you to Peter Janicek, I vote aye.

MALE VOICE: Oddo.

JAMES S. ODDO: With a big thank
you to Peter Janicek, I vote aye.

MALE VOICE: Dickens.

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MALE VOICE: Felder.

SIMCHA FELDER: Yes.

MALE VOICE: By a vote of 17 in the
affirmative, zero in the negative and no
abstentions, all items have been adopted.
Members, please sign all committee reports. Thank
you.

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Councilmember
Dickens?

INEZ E. DICKENS: Aye on all.

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Councilmember
Dickens votes aye on all.

[Break in Audio]

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: We're going to
leave the vote open for 10, 15 minutes until the
Buildings folks come over.

[Break in Audio]

MALE VOICE: Councilmember

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2 Martinez.

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: How do you vote?

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JOEL MARTINEZ: Aye.

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Joel Martinez

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votes aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Councilmember Vann.

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ALBERT VANN: Aye.

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[Break in Audio]

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Can the

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Sergeant-At-Arms call down to the lounge?

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Apparently the bell didn't ring down there.

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[Break in Audio]

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MALE VOICE: Councilmember Mendez.

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ROSIE MENDEZ: Aye on all.

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MALE VOICE: Councilmember Gioia.

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ERIC N. GIOIA: Thank you. I vote

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yes.

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[Break in Audio]

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MALE VOICE: Councilmember Arroyo.

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MARIA DEL CARMEN ARROYO: Aye.

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MALE VOICE: Final vote on the

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Committee on Land Use now stands at 22 in the

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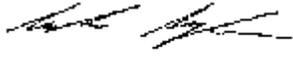
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abstentions. Thank you.

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Erika Swyler, 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_____

Date September 23, 2008