

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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December 6, 2011  
Start: 11:35 a.m.  
Recess: 11:47 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  
Sara M Gonzalez  
Robert Jackson  
Jessica S. Lappin  
Rosie Mendez  
Annabel Palma  
Diana Reyna  
Joel Rivera  
James Sanders, Jr.

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

## COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Larry B. Seabrook  
James Vacca  
Albert Vann  
Brad S. Lander  
Stephen T. Levin  
Mark S. Weprin  
Jumaane D. Williams  
Daniel J. Halloran III  
Vincent M. Ignizio  
Peter A. Koo

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2 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Okay. We're  
3 ready to start the Land Use Committee meeting for  
4 December 6<sup>th</sup>. You can tell any members that are in  
5 the hall to come in. I am joined by Council  
6 Member Brad Lander from Brooklyn, James Sanders  
7 from Queens, Al Vann from Brooklyn, Dan Garodnick  
8 from Manhattan, Mark Weprin from Queens, Vinny  
9 Ignizio from Staten Island, Dan Halloran from  
10 Queens, Majority Leader Joel Rivera and Maria del  
11 Carmen Arroyo from the Bronx, Peter Koo from  
12 Queens, Jumaane Williams from Brooklyn, Annabel  
13 Palma from the Bronx, Diana Reyna from Brooklyn  
14 and Queens, Inez Dickens from Harlem and - - ,  
15 Brad Lander from Brooklyn, Charles Barron from  
16 Brooklyn, Jessica Lappin from Manhattan and Rose  
17 Mendez. I think we have a quorum.

18 We have some items on the agenda.  
19 If we can have a little quiet so they can hear the  
20 numbers as I read them in the record. We have a  
21 sidewalk café in Council Member Reyna's district,  
22 Land Use No. 529 called Fabiane's Café and Pastry,  
23 Brooklyn Community Board 1. It's Item No.  
24 20125095 TCK. It's to continue to maintain a  
25 sidewalk café at 142 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Another one

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2 in Council Member Reyna's district, Land Use Item  
3 No. 530, known as Atlas Café, also in Brooklyn  
4 Community Board 1, Item No. 20115397 TCK. The  
5 continue to operate a sidewalk café at 116  
6 Havemeyer Street. The next one is in Speaker  
7 Quinn's district, Land Use No. 531, Manhattan  
8 Community Board 2, the location is known as Gusto,  
9 Item No. 20125072 TCM to continue to operate a  
10 sidewalk café located at 60 Greenwich Avenue. The  
11 next one is in Council Member Chin's district,  
12 sidewalk café, Land Use No. 532 known as Lunella  
13 in Manhattan Community Board 2 also, Item No.  
14 20125093 TCM to continue to operate a sidewalk  
15 café located at 173 Mulberry Street. The next one  
16 is in Council Member Garodnick's district known as  
17 Nello's, Land Use No. 533, Manhattan Community  
18 Board 8, Item No. 20125095 TCM to continue to  
19 operate a sidewalk café at 696 Madison Avenue.  
20 Council Member Reyna again with a sidewalk café in  
21 Brooklyn Community Board 1, Land Use No. 534,  
22 known as Clem's, Item No. 20125121 TCK to continue  
23 to operate a sidewalk café located at 264 Grand  
24 Street. Back to Council Member Chin's district  
25 again, Land Use Item No. 535, a sidewalk café,

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2 Manhattan Community Board 2, known as Ristorante  
3 S.P.Q.R., Item No. 20125123 TCM to continue to  
4 operate a sidewalk café at 133 Mulberry Street.

5 We have two Landmarks in Council  
6 Member Mendez's district. The first one is Land  
7 Use No. 537, the Madison Belmont Building, and  
8 also the interior Landmark for the Madison Belmont  
9 Building, Item No. 538. The item numbers are  
10 under 20125152 HKM and 20125153 HKM. They're to  
11 create the landmark at the Madison Belmont  
12 Building, both the exterior and the interior  
13 located at 181 Madison Avenue to be a historic  
14 landmark.

15 And finally we have a school site  
16 selection in Council Member Ignizio's district.  
17 Land Use No. 539 in Staten Island Community Board  
18 3, Item No. 20125038 SCR. It will be known as  
19 P.S. 62 in Staten Island. It will be a 444 seat  
20 primary school facility located at Crabtree Avenue  
21 at Block 7092, Lots 39 and 75 in Staten Island  
22 Community School District 31.

23 As you know, they have been vetted  
24 in the subcommittees and full discussion has been  
25 had. Would any member like to speak to anything

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2 on today's agenda? Seeing none, then we can call  
3 the roll. Everybody's in a rowdy mood this  
4 morning. I guess the Finance Committee meeting  
5 got everybody riled up and ready to talk, but if  
6 we can call the roll... We've been joined by Council  
7 Member Darlene Mealy and Robert Jackson is lurking  
8 about in the hallway. So if the clerk could call  
9 the roll, is Mr. Martin here?

10 COMMITTEE CLERK: William Martin,  
11 Committee Clerk. Roll call vote Committee on Land  
12 Use. Council Member Comrie?

13 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Aye on all. I  
14 recommend an aye vote on all.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK: Rivera?

16 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye  
17 on all.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK: Reyna?

19 COUNCIL MEMBER REYNA: Aye on all.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK: Barron?

21 COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Aye on all.

22 [background conversation]

23 COMMITTEE CLERK: Jackson?

24 COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON: I vote aye  
25 on all.

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COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Sanders?

COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERS: My Chair  
says aye on all; I do too.

[background conversation]

COMMITTEE CLERK: Vann?

COUNCIL MEMBER VANN: Yes. Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Palma?

COUNCIL MEMBER PALMA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Arroyo?

COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Dickens?

COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye?

COMMITTEE CLERK: Garodnick?

COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lappin?

COUNCIL MEMBER LAPPIN: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Mendez?

COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Vacca?

COUNCIL MEMBER VACCA: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Lander?

COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK: Levin?

COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye on all.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Weprin?

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COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Williams?

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COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Ignizio?

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COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Halloran?

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COUNCIL MEMBER HALLORAN: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: Koo?

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COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK: By a vote of 21

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in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no

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abstentions, all items have been adopted.

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Members, please sign the Committee Reports.

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CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: We're going to

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adjourn the meeting and leave the roll open for

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ten minutes. The next Subcommittee meetings are

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on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please note that on December

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15<sup>th</sup>, the full meeting will be held at 1 p.m., not

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10 a.m. Please note your calendars that there's a

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time change for the full Committee on December

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15<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at 1pm. With that—December

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15<sup>th</sup>, the full Committee meeting time change 1 p.m.

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is the new time, and you'll get a memo as well.



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With that, we will adjourn the meeting and hold

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the roll open for ten minutes in case the last two

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members show up. I haven't heard from them. With

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that, thank you all for being here.

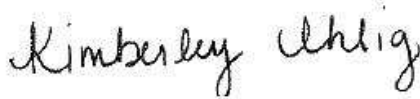
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[gavel]

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Kimberley Uhlig 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

Handwritten signature of Kimberley Uhlig in cursive script, written over a horizontal line.Date 1/2/11