

## New York City Council

### Memorandum in Support of Legislation

This memorandum is authored by the sponsor and explains the need for the legislation referenced below, in accordance with Rule 6.00(d) of the Rules of the Council.

Legislative Service Number:

- LS No. 21508

Prime Sponsor:

- Council Member Sandy Nurse

Bill Title:

- A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to restrictions on the location of buildings and other structures on Eastern parkway

Submitted by:

- Council Member Sandy Nurse

### Justification

Subdivisions a and b of section 18-112 of the Admin Code require a 30-foot setback and other restrictions for buildings along eastern parkway, stretching through many Council Districts. Many existing buildings do not comply with this Admin Code provision, and while this law is not being enforced, it does prevent new developments – especially proposed affordable developments – from receiving funding and support if they know their building would be noncompliant, if built. In order to bring existing buildings back into compliance, and to “legalize” responsible affordable housing development, this antiquated part of the Admin Code should be removed.

In sum, the bill would amend subdivisions a and b of section 18-112 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York (“Administrative Code”) to remove the 30-foot setback requirement and other restrictions on buildings and other structures on the Eastern Parkway extension from Ralph Avenue to Bushwick Avenue (except on the southern side of Eastern Parkway from Ralph Avenue to Pitkin Avenue, where the restrictions would remain).