

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LANDMARKS, PUBLIC SITING AND
MARITIME USES

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November 12, 2014
Start: 1:58 p.m.
Recess: 2:01 p.m.

HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E:

PETER A. KOO
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Annabel Palma
Maria del Carmen Arroyo
Rosie Mendez
Stephen T. Levin
Inez D. Barron
Ben Kallos
Darlene Mealy

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

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2 CHAIRPERSON KOO: ...we are resuming the
3 recess from yesterday on Landmarks Subcommittee. We
4 are laying over Land Use Item 0135, Brownsville
5 Community Justice Center. We are voting on Land Use
6 0136, five borough shops [sic] in Council Member
7 Arroyo's district. Before voting, Council Member
8 Arroyo wants to make a statement.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Thank you, Mr.
10 Chair and thank you for your indulgence and support
11 on Land Use Item No. 0136, which is the siting of a
12 citywide garage for the Department of Parks and
13 Recreation. There were some concerns that Community
14 Board 1 in the Bronx, which is where this garage is,
15 if we approve this application, will be sited, raised
16 during the land use process and memorialized in the
17 City Planning documents that address the need for
18 Parks, if we're gonna host this garage in our
19 community, to be more responsive to the needs and the
20 concerns of Community Board 1. And in the process
21 we've been able to come to consensus on the
22 commitments that Parks has made to Community Board 1
23 for facilities that are not in the 17th Council
24 District but a part of Community Board 1.

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2 So I wanna thank the Land Use staff; in
3 particular, Alonzo Carr, Amy Levitan and Roger Doman
4 [sp?] for their diligence in the process, Ramon
5 Martinez for being so patient and taking all the
6 yelling that we usually do when we're not happy with
7 land use stuff. And in particular I wanna thank the
8 Parks Department Chairman, Chairman Silver, I mean
9 Commissioner Silver and his staff. We went back and
10 forth quite a bit, but I think we're in a place where
11 we can as a community welcome Parks and Recreation to
12 our neighborhood with a solid commitment from the
13 agency that they will do the right thing by Community
14 Board 1 and the amenities that we need to see created
15 and developed in our community as it relates to
16 Parks. So with that I urge my colleagues to vote yes
17 on Land Use 0136.

18 CHAIRPERSON KOO: I also wanna note for
19 the record; we are laying over Land Use Item 0138,
20 Crayton Hall.

21 We are joined by Council Member Arroyo,
22 Council Member Barron and Council Member Kallos on
23 this Subcommittee. I am calling a vote to approve
24 Land Use Item No. 0136 and I recommend a yes vote.
25 Will the counsel call the roll?

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2 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Chair Koo.

3 CHAIRPERSON KOO: Yes.

4 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
5 Arroyo.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: I vote aye and I
7 also would like to enter into the record a copy of
8 the letter that was provided by the Parks
9 Commissioner regarding all the commitments that were
10 made in the process of the discussions on this land
11 use item and with that I vote yes.

12 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member Arroyo
13 on all previously adopted items at Monday's
14 Subcommittee.

15 COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye.

16 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you. Council
17 Member Barron.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Aye.

19 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
20 Kallos.

21 COUNCIL MEMBER KALLOS: Aye.

22 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: By a vote of 4 in the
23 affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions;
24 Land Use Item 0136 is approved and referred to the
25 Full Land Use Committee.

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2 [pause]

3 CHAIRPERSON KOO: Meeting is adjourned.

4 [gavel]

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6 [gavel]

7 [background comments]

8 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member Levin,

9 LU 0136.

10 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye.

11 COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Thank you.

12 [background comments]

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Date November 14, 2014