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SPEAKER'S OFFICE

November 29, 2017

City Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Re: East River Fifties Text Amendment
ULURP No. N 180082 ZRM
Borough of Manhattan

Honorable Members of the Council:

The City Planning Commission (the "Commission") has received the attached correspondence, dated November 22, 2017, from the City Council regarding the proposed modifications to the above-referenced application submitted by the East River Fifties Alliance, and co-applicants, for a zoning text amendment modifying the bulk regulations of Article II, Chapter 3, Article II, Chapter 4 and Article III, Chapter 5, and related Sections, within R10 Districts located in Community District 6 east of First Avenue and north of East 51st Street.

In accordance with Section 197-d(d) of the New York City Charter, the Commission, on November 29, 2017, has determined that the City Council's proposed modifications raise no land use or environmental issues requiring further review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth J. Knuckles".

Kenneth J. Knuckles
Vice-Chair

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November 22, 2017 (Revised)

BY HAND

Honorable Marisa Lago, Chair
City Planning Commission
120 Broadway, 31st Floor
New York, NY 10271

**RE: East River Fifties-Sutton Place
Application No.: N 180082 ZRM (Pre L.U.)**

Dear Chair Lago:

This letter supersedes my letter of November 21, 2017 regarding the above-referenced matter. Please accept this revision in its place.

On November 21, 2017, the Land Use Committee of the City Council, by a vote of 17-0-1 recommended modifications of the City Planning Commission's decision in the above-referenced matter. Pursuant to Section 197-d(d) of the City Charter and Section 11.70 of the Rules of the Council, I hereby file the proposed modifications with the Commission:

Matter in underline is new, to be added;

Matter in ~~strikeout~~ is to be deleted;

Matter with # # is defined in Section 12-10 or 81-613;

Matter in double ~~strikeout~~ is old, deleted by the City Council;

Matter in double underline is new, added by the City Council;

* * * indicates where unchanged text appears in the Zoning Resolution

ARTICLE II: RESIDENCE DISTRICT REGULATIONS

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Chapter 3 - Residential Bulk Regulations in Residence Districts

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**23-60
HEIGHT AND SETBACK REGULATIONS**

**23-61
Applicability
R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10**

In all districts, as indicated, height and setback regulations for a #building or other structure# shall be as set forth in Section 23-60, inclusive.

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Special height and setback provisions are set forth in Sections 23-67 (Special Height and Setback Provisions for Certain Areas) for #zoning lots# adjoining a #public park#, as well as for certain areas in Community Districts 4, 6, 7 and 9 in the Borough of Manhattan. Additional provisions are set forth in Sections 23-68 (Special Provisions for Zoning Lots Divided by District Boundaries) and 23-69 (Special Height Limitations).

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**23-67
Special Height and Setback Provisions for Certain Area**

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**23-675
Provisions for certain R10 Districts within Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan**

Except as set forth in Paragraph (c) of this Section, in Community District 6 in the Borough of

Manhattan, for #buildings developed# or #enlarged# with towers in R10 Districts located east of First Avenue and north of East 51st Street, the tower provisions of paragraph (a) of Section 23-65 (Tower Regulations) shall be modified to require that the tower-on-a-base provisions of Section 23-651 apply to all #buildings# where more than 25 percent of the total #floor area# of the #building# is allocated to #residential uses#. However, for #zoning lots# with #narrow street# frontages, such provisions shall be modified in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

a) Tower modifications

The tower regulations of paragraph (a) of Section 23-651 shall be modified as follows:

- (1) For #buildings# that do not meet the location criteria of paragraph (a)(2) of Section 23-65, the provisions of paragraph (a)(3) of Section 23-651 shall be modified to require at least 45 percent of the total #floor area# permitted on the #zoning lot# to be located in #stories# located either partially or entirely below a height of 150 feet. In addition, when the #lot coverage# of the tower is less than 40 percent, the required 45 percent of the total #floor area# distribution, within a height of 150 feet, shall be increased in accordance with the following requirement:

<u>Percent of #lot coverage# of the tower portion</u>	<u>Minimum percent of total #building floor area# distribution below the level of 150 feet</u>
<u>40.0 or greater</u>	<u>45.0</u>
<u>39.0 to 39.9</u>	<u>45.5</u>
<u>38.0 to 38.9</u>	<u>46.0</u>
<u>37.0 to 37.9</u>	<u>46.5</u>
<u>36.0 to 36.9</u>	<u>47.0</u>

<u>35.0 to 35.9</u>	<u>47.5</u>
<u>34.0 to 34.9</u>	<u>48.0</u>
<u>33.0 to 33.9</u>	<u>48.5</u>
<u>32.0 to 32.9</u>	<u>49.0</u>
<u>31.0 to 31.9</u>	<u>49.5</u>
<u>30.0 to 30.9</u>	<u>50.0</u>

- (2) For #buildings# that do not meet the location criteria of paragraph (a)(2) of Section 23-65, the tower setback provisions of paragraph (a)(4) of Section 23-651 shall be modified to permit such required setback along a #narrow street# to be reduced by one foot for every foot that the #street wall# is located beyond the #street line#. However, in no event shall a setback of less than seven feet in depth be provided.
- (3) The tower location restrictions of paragraph (a)(5) of Section 23-651 shall not apply. In lieu thereof, towers shall be permitted on a #narrow street# beyond 100 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#.
- (4) For the purposes of determining the permitted tower coverage and the required minimum distance between #buildings# or portions thereof on #zoning lots# with both #narrow street# and #wide street# frontage, that portion of a #zoning lot# located either within 125 feet from the #wide street# frontage along the short dimension of a #block# or within 100 feet from the #wide street# frontage along the long dimension of a #block#, shall be treated as a separate #zoning lot# from that portion beyond, with frontage along a #narrow street#.

(b) #Building# base modifications

The #building# base regulations of paragraph (b) of Section 23-651 shall be modified as follows:

- (1) For #buildings#, or portions thereof, fronting on a #narrow street# beyond 125 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#, the #street wall# location provisions of paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of Section 23-651 shall be modified to require that at least 70 percent of the #aggregate width of street walls# in the #building# base be located within eight feet of the #street line#.
- (2) For #buildings#, or portions thereof, fronting on a #narrow street# beyond 100 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#, the height of #street wall# provisions of paragraph (b)(2)(ii) of Section 23-651 shall be modified so that where the height of an adjacent #building# is between 60 feet and 85 feet, one of the three matching alternatives set forth in paragraphs (b)(2)(i)(a) through (b)(2)(i)(c) shall be applied.
- (3) The dormer provisions of paragraph (b)(3) of Section 23-651 shall be modified to permit dormers on #narrow streets# beyond 70 feet of its intersection with a #wide street#.

~~(c) Vesting modifications~~

~~In the event that a building permit has been issued authorizing construction pursuant to the regulations of this Resolution in effect prior to [date of adoption], and foundations were commenced but not completed before [date of adoption], such construction may continue, provided that all foundations have been completed prior to [date of adoption + 1 year]. Such date shall be the effective date for applying the provisions of Section 11-332 (Extension of period to complete construction).~~

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Chapter 4 - Bulk Regulations for Community Facilities in Residence Districts

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24-56

Special Height and Setback Provisions for Certain Areas

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

- a) For Zoning Lots Directly Adjoining Public Parks

In all districts, as indicated, a #public park# with an area of between one and fifteen acres shall be considered a #wide street# for the purpose of applying the regulations set forth in Section 24-52 (Maximum Height of Walls and Required Setbacks) to any #building or other structure# on a #zoning lot# adjoining such #public park#. However, the provisions of this Section shall not apply to a #public park# more than 75 percent of which is paved.

- (b) Community District 6, Manhattan

In Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan, for #buildings developed# or #enlarged# with towers in R10 Districts located east of First Avenue and north of East 51st Street, the provision of paragraph (a)(1) of Section 24-54 (Tower Regulations) shall be modified to require that the tower-on-a-base provisions of Section 23-651 apply to all #buildings# where more than 25 percent of the total #floor area# of the #building# is allocated to #residential uses#, irrespective of whether the #building# has #wide street# or #narrow street# frontage#. However, such provisions shall be modified in accordance with the provisions of Section 23-675 (Provisions for certain R10 Districts within Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan).

- (b)(c) Community District 7, Manhattan

Within the boundaries of Community District 7 in the Borough of Manhattan, all #buildings or other structures# located in R10 Districts, shall comply with the requirements of Section 23-672 (Special height and setback regulations in R10 Districts within Community District 7, in the Borough of Manhattan).

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~~(e)~~(d) Community District 9, Manhattan

Within the boundaries of Community District 9 in the Borough of Manhattan, all #buildings# located in R8 Districts north of West 125th Street shall be #developed# or #enlarged# pursuant to the #residential bulk# regulations of Section 23-674 (Special height and setback regulations for certain sites in Community District 9, in the Borough of Manhattan).

24-57

Modifications of Height and Setback Regulations

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, for certain #community facility uses# in specified situations, the Board of Standards and Appeals may modify the regulations set forth in Sections 24-50 through 24-55, inclusive, and paragraphs (b) ~~and through~~ ~~(e)~~(d) of Section 24-56, relating to height and setback regulations, in accordance with the provisions of Section 73-64 (Modifications for Community Facility Uses). However, for #Quality Housing buildings# utilizing the height and setback regulations of Article II, Chapter 3, as required by Section 24-50, the Board shall not permit modification to the provisions of Sections 23-67 through 23-69, inclusive.

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ARTICLE III: COMMERCIAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS

Chapter 5 - Bulk Regulations for Mixed Buildings in Commercial Districts

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35-61

Applicability

C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6

In the districts indicated, height and setback regulations are modified for #mixed buildings# in 35-60 (MODIFICATION OF HEIGHT AND SETBACK REGULATIONS), inclusive.

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Height and setback modifications applicable to C1 or C2 Districts mapped within R1 through R5 Districts, and C3 and C4-1 Districts are set forth in Section 35-62 (Commercial Districts with an R1 through R5 Residential Equivalent).

Height and setback modifications applicable to C1 or C2 Districts mapped within R6 through R10 Districts, and #Commercial Districts# with a residential equivalent of R6 through R10 Districts, are set forth in Sections 35-63 (Basic Height and Setback Modifications), 35-64 (Special Tower Regulations for Mixed Buildings) and 35-65 (Height and Setback Requirements for Quality Housing Buildings), as applicable. Special rules for certain areas are set forth in Section 35-66 (Special Height and Setback Provisions for Certain Areas).

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35-66

Special Height and Setback Provisions for Certain Areas

Community District 6, Manhattan

In Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan, for #buildings developed# or #enlarged# with towers in #Commercial Districts# mapped within R10 Districts located east of First Avenue and north of East 51st Street, the provision of paragraph (a) of Section 35-64 (Tower Regulations) shall be modified to require that the tower-on-a-base provisions of Section 23-651 apply to all #buildings# where more than 25 percent of the total #floor area# of the #building# is allocated to #residential uses#, irrespective of whether the #building# has #wide street# or #narrow street# frontage. Such provisions shall be modified in accordance with the provisions of Section 23-675 (Provisions for Specified R10 Districts within Community District 6 in the Borough of Manhattan), except that the #building# base modifications set forth in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of Section 35-64 shall apply.

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ARTICLE VII – ADMINISTRATION

Chapter 3 – Special Permits by the Board of Standards and Appeals

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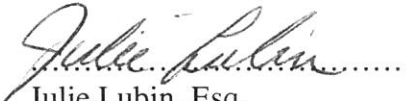
Integration of new buildings or enlargements with existing buildings

For any such new #building# or #enlargement#, subject to the required findings set forth in this Section, the Board of Standards and Appeals may permit modifications of the applicable regulations in Sections 24-38, 33-28 or 43-28 (Special Provisions for Through Lots), or in Sections 24-50 through 24-55, inclusive, paragraphs (b) and through ~~(e)~~(d) of Section 24-56, Sections 33-40 through 33-45, inclusive, or Sections 43-41 through 43-45, inclusive, relating to Height and Setback Regulations, or in Sections 24-61 through 24-65, inclusive, Section 33-51, or Section 43-51, relating to Court Regulations and Minimum Distance between Windows and Walls or Lot Lines, provided that on December 15, 1961, the applicant owned the #zoning lot# or any portion thereof, and continuously occupied and used one or more #buildings# located thereon for a specified #community facility use#, from December 15, 1961, until the time of application. However, for #Quality Housing buildings# utilizing the height and setback regulations of Article II, Chapter 3, as required by Sections 24-50 and 33-40, the Board shall not permit modification to the provisions of Sections 23-67 through 23-69, inclusive.

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Please feel free to contact me at (212) 482-5185 if you or your staff has any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,


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