

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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July 24, 2013
Start: 1:24 p.m.
Recess: 1:40 p.m.

HELD AT: Council Chambers
City Hall

B E F O R E:
LEROY COMRIE
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Annabel Palmer
Maria Del Carmen Arroyo
Jessica S. Lappin
Daniel R. Garodnick
Vincent M. Ignizio
Peter A. Koo
Diana Reyna
Ruben Wills
Joel Rivera
Charles Barron
Inez E. Dickens
Sara M. Gonzalez
Julissa Ferreras

A P P E A R A N C E S

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Stephen T. Levin
Robert Jackson
Mark S. Weprin
Jumaane D. Williams
Rosie Mendez
Brad S. Lander

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MALE VOICE: [off mic] the Governors
Island still? [interpose]

MALE VOICE: Quiet please.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Yeah.

[gavel]

MALE VOICE: Quiet please.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Quiet please; we... we
are about to start a Committee meeting; we need quiet
in the chambers, please. We're convening the full
Land Use Committee Meeting.

MALE VOICE: Quiet.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: For Wednesday, July
24th, 2013, present in the room are Council Members
Annabel Palmer, Maria Del Carmen Arroyo, Jessica
Lappin, Dan Garodnick, Vinny Ignizio, Peter Koo,
Diana Reyna, Ruben Wills, Joel Rivera, Charles
Barron, Inez Dickens, Sara Gonzalez and Julissa
Ferrereras.

I believe we have a quorum and we are
just going to be voting through some items that have
been discussed and reviewed and have now come to a
final resolution and that's Land Use Numbers 0852 and
related regarding the UST expansion encompassing
Queens Community Boards 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, File Number

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2 C130155PPQ and also Land Use Numbers 0861 and 0862
3 dealing with the Special Governors Island District in
4 Manhattan Community Board 1, File Number N130189(A)
5 ZRM and C130190 ZRM; those are the... the two things
6 that are being voted on by the Committee today. They
7 encompass Council Member Margaret Chin with the
8 Governors Island, who is not here to speak and
9 Council Member Ferreras, who spoke at the
10 Subcommittee; do you wanna make any additional
11 statement for the full committee? Not... not forcing
12 you to make one.

13 FEMALE VOICE: No; Vinny is.

14 CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Vinny is... Vinny is?
15 Oh, alright, sorry. I can't... I can't look this way
16 and that way at the same time, so we'll see. Alright
17 and at... I just wanna congratulate both Council
18 Members on doing the negotiations necessary to fight
19 for the primary needs of their district; with that I
20 would recommend a yes vote on both items on today's
21 Land Use full calendar and I would ask the Clerk,
22 William Martin, to call the roll.

23 COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: William Martin,
24 Committee Clerk role call vote Committee on Land Use.
25 Council Member Comrie.

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COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE: Aye on all.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Garodnick.
COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Lappin.
COUNCIL MEMBER LAPPIN: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Rivera.
COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Reyna.
CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Don't forget to sign
the Subcommittee reports; the next meetings are
August 19th and 20th.
COUNCIL MEMBER REYNA: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Barron.
COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: I'll pass.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Gonzalez.
COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ: Aye on all.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Palmer.
COUNCIL MEMBER PALMER: Aye on all.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Arroyo.
COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Dickens.
COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye on all.
COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Koo.
COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Levin.

COUNCIL MEMBER LEVIN: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Wills.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLS: On Land Use Number
0852... I'm sorry; I'm readin' Barron's speech... aye on
all.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Ignizio.

[interpose]

MALE VOICE: It didn't work... it didn't
work... [interpose]

COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: Aye.

MALE VOICE: it did not work.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Pass me that pen
next to Dian... pass me the pen next to Diana. Thanks.

[background comments] [off mic]

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: I don't know why.
I'm sorry.

FEMALE VOICE: [off mic]

[pause]

[background comments] [off mic]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member
Barron.

COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: I vote no on...
hold one second.

[pause]

COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Are you puttin' pressure on me? After further information and talkin' to the Council Member from the area and getting more information that I needed, I wanna change my vote from the Planning, the... from... the no for LU 0852 is turning to a... is turning to a yes. So I'm gonna vote yes on the tennis project after talkin' to those involved; a lot'a concessions were made and aye on all the rest.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: By a vote of 14 in the affirmative, 0 in the negative and no abstentions, all items have been adopted. Members, please sign the Committee reports.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: We're going to adjourn today's Land Use Committee Meeting; we're gonna hold the roll open for 10 minutes while some members that are outside at a pre-scheduled press conference work their way back in.

COMMITTEE COUNSEL: August 19...

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: August 19th are the next Subcommittee meetings and August 20th is the...

[interpose]

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COMMITTEE COUNSEL: [off mic] a couple of members...

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: we have a couple of members that just arrived.

COMMITTEE COUNSEL: Still goin'? We're still on the record?

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: Still on the record?

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member Jackson.

COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON: Aye.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Weprin.

COUNCIL MEMBER WEPRIN: Okay. Aye. Sorry.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Roll now currently stands at 16 in the affirmative.

CHAIRPERSON COMRIE: 'Kay, meeting is adjourned, say for 10 minutes because I know that Council Members Lander and Williams are at a press conference.

[pause]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member Williams.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS: Aye.

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COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Vote now
currently stands at 17 in the affirmative.

[pause]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member
Mendez.

COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: I vote aye on
all.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Vote is 18 in
the affirmative.

[pause]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Council Member
Lander.

COUNCIL MEMBER LANDER: Aye on all.

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: Final vote in
Committee on Land Use is now 19 in the affirmative, 0
in the negative and no abstentions.

[pause]

[gavel]

COMMITTEE CLERK MARTIN: This meeting is
adjourned.

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is no interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date 07/29/2013