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ROOM 3

B E F O R E: Sandy Nurse, Acting Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Justin L. Brannan
Amanda Farías
Oswald Feliz
Christopher Marte
Yusef Salaam

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SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good morning, good morning. This is a microphone check on the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Sitings and Dispositions, recorded by James Marino on 12-18-2025, in Hearing Room 3.

Good morning, good morning. Welcome to the New York City Council hearing on the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Sitings and Dispositions.

At this time, please silence all electronics and do not approach the dais.

Chair, you may begin.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON NURSE: [GAVEL] Good morning. Welcome to a meeting of the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Sitings and Dispositions. I am Council Member Nurse, and I'm Acting Chair of the Subcommittee. I'm joined by my Colleagues today, Mealy, Salaam, Marte, Feliz, and Brannan.

Today, we will vote on one application which was previously heard by this Subcommittee. We will vote to approve Land Use Item 414 for the 2149-2153 Pacific Street Article XI request, which is an application for a 40-year Article XI property tax exemption retroactive to April 1, 2018, under Section 577 of the Private Housing Finance Law, to facilitate

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the rehabilitation of three existing buildings at the
site for a total of approximately 24 affordable
housing units. This exemption will replace an
existing real property tax exemption, which is set to
expire in 2032 and will be retroactively terminated.
The project is located in Council Member Mealy
District in Brooklyn.

Council Member Mealy, do you have a
statement today?

Okay. I'll turn it over to you.

COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY: Thank you. I just
want to let the City and this community, this Chair,
and this Body. This Article XI has been going on
since 40 years ago. We gave them funding to fix up
these three buildings. They did nothing. And here it
is, we giving them another 40 years for a tax
abatement. How many Americans right now losing their
homes for two years if they in arrears of a lien, or
if a water bill, or a tax bill? I feel this is an
injustice to the average man and woman, and this Body
is giving someone 80 years to never pay taxes. I wish
I had two years to not pay taxes, and this Body think
it's okay to give one entity 80 years to not pay
taxes. This is an injustice to the city. It's a shame

on this city to do that just for one entity. How many other small homeowners need a tax break? So I am not voting for this because if you say they are going to fix it up, they should have fixed it up 40 years ago. And now I went, I have looked at the building. It's in my District. Not one person came and said, not one issue. I have some buildings that do not have heat. This has never happened with this building. So I will be voting no because least I know the average man and woman would not get this opportunity to not pay taxes, and it's a shame on this Body that will let this go on 40 more years. Imagine how many people have lost their homes, and HPD have taken homes, and I don't feel this is right to the city, and I will be voting no. And I hope my Colleagues have a conscience to think about this. 80 years. When you think, when you about to lose your house for taxes, you'll think about when somebody else got 80 years to not pay taxes. Thank you, Chair.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON NURSE: Thank you,
Council Member Meely.

Members of the Subcommittee who have any questions or remark about today's items, please let me know.

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Okay, I will now call for a vote to
approve Land Use 414 for 2149-2153 Pacific Street,
Article XI.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
Brannan.

COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNAN: I vote aye.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
Feliz.

COUNCIL MEMBER FELIZ: Aye.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
Marte.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTE: No.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
Nurse.

COUNCIL MEMBER NURSE: I vote aye.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: Council Member
Salaam.

COUNCIL MEMBER SALAAM: Abstain.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON NURSE: Okay. Well, we
are putting this meeting in recess. Thank you.

Okay. We're ready to start back up.

I'm going to recognize Council Member
Farías to record your vote.

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COUNCIL MEMBER FARÍAS: Thank you, Chair.

I vote aye.

SUBCOMMITTEE COUNSEL: With a vote of four
in the affirmative, one in the negative, and one
abstention, the items are adopted and referred to the
Full Land Use Committee.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON NURSE: I close this
meeting. [GAVEL]

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 that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date December 29, 2025