

# The New York City Council Council Agenda

## Stated Meeting

November 13, 2008

1:30 PM

### Council Chambers - City Hall

**1. Roll Call**

**2. Invocation**

*Delivered by: Rev. Jevon Caldwell-Gross, Associate Minister,  
Concord Baptist Church of Christ, 833 Gardner Taylor Blvd,  
Brooklyn, NY 11216.*

*Motion to spread the invocation in full upon the record by  
Council Member Vann.*

**3. Adoption of Minutes**

*Motion that the Minutes of the Stated Meetings of September 4  
and September 24, 2008 be adopted as printed by Council  
Member Dilan.*

**4. Messages & Papers from the Mayor**

*None*

## 5. **Communications from City, County & Borough Offices**

*None*

## 6. **Petitions and Communications**

*None*

## 7. **Land Use Call-Ups**

### **M 1209-2008      ULURP, Via Verde/The Green Way, Bronx (C080520ZSX)**

By the Chair of the Land Use Committee Council Member Katz

Pursuant to Rule 11.20(c) of the Council and Section 197-d(b)(3) of the New York City Charter, the Council hereby resolves that the action of the City Planning Commission on Uniform Land Use Procedure Applications no. C 080519 ZSX, a special permit, C 080520 ZSX, a special permit, and C 080521 PQX, an acquisition, shall be subject to Council review. These applications are related to applications no. C 080517 ZMX, N 080518 ZRY and C 080522 HAX that are subject to Council review pursuant to Section 197-d of the New York City Charter.

*Coupled on Call-Up Vote*

### **M 1210-2008      Zoning, 151-45 6th Road, Whitestone Partners, LLC, Queens (C080203ZMQ)**

By the Chair of the Land Use Committee Council Member Katz

Pursuant to Rule 11.20(c) of the Council and Section 197-d(b)(3) of the New York City Charter, the Council hereby resolves that the action of the City Planning Commission on Uniform Land Use Procedure Application nos. C 080204 MMQ and C 080207 (A) ZSQ shall be subject to Council review. These items are related Uniform Land Use Procedure

Application no. C 080203 ZMQ.  
*Coupled on Call-Up Vote*

**8. Communication from the Speaker**

**9. Discussion of General Orders**

**10. Reports of Special Committees**

*None*

**11. Reports of Standing Committees**

**Report of the Committee on Economic Development**

**Int 0860-2008      The industrial and commercial abatement program.**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the industrial and commercial abatement program.

*Adopted and Laid Over*

**Report of the Committee on Finance**

**Int 0808-2008      Belmont business improvement district.**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the establishment of the Belmont business improvement district.

*Coupled on GO*

**Int 0841-2008      Authorizing an increase in the amount to be expended in 13  
BIDs.**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to authorizing an increase in the amount

to be expended in thirteen business improvement districts  
*Coupled on GO*

## Report of the Committee on Land Use

- Res 1687-2008**      **LU 779 - ULURP, Willets Point Development Plan, Queens (C080221MMQ)**
- Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080221 MMQ, an amendment to the City Map (L.U. No. 779).  
*Coupled on GO*
- Res 1688-2008**      **LU 780 - ULURP, Willets Point Development Plan, Queens (C080381ZMQ)**
- Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080381 ZMQ, a Zoning Map change (L.U. No. 780).  
*Coupled on GO*
- Res 1689-2008**      **LU 781 - Zoning Reso., Willets Point Development, Queens (N080382ZRQ)**
- Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on Application No. N 080382 ZRQ, for amendments of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, concerning the addition of Article XII, Chapter 4 (Special Willets Point District), and modifications of related sections, establishing a special district in Community District 7, Borough of Queens (L.U. No. 781).  
*Coupled on GO*
- Res 1690-2008**      **LU 782 - ULURP, Willets Point Urban Renewal Area, Queens (N080383HGQ)**
- Resolution approving the designation of the Willets Point Urban Renewal Area (N 080383 HGQ; L.U. No. 782).  
*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1691-2008 LU 783 - ULURP, Willets Point Urban Renewal Plan, Queens (C080384HUQ)**

Resolution approving the Willets Point Urban Renewal Plan, approving the designation of the area and approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080384 HUQ (L.U. No. 783).

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1692-2008 LU 784 - ULURP, Willets Point Renewal Area, Queens (C080385HDQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080385 HDQ, for the disposition of city-owned property comprising the sites within the Willets Point Urban Renewal Area, Borough of Queens (L.U. No. 784).

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1693-2008 LU 906 - Zoning, Special Southern Hunters Point District, Queens (N080363ZRQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on Application No. N 080363 ZRQ, for an amendment of the text of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, concerning the addition of Article XII, Chapter 5 (Special Southern Hunters Point District) to establish a special district and modify related regulations, in Community District 2 (L.U. No. 906).

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1694-2008 LU 907 - Zoning, Hunts Point South Rezoning, Queens (C080364PPQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080364 PQQ (L.U. No. 907), for the acquisition of property located at 2nd Street (Block 1, lots 1 and 10; Block 5, lot 1; Block 6, lots 1, 2, and 14); the bed of 54th Avenue between 2nd Street and the East River; and the bed of 55th Avenue between 2nd Street and the East

River), Borough of Queens, to facilitate new development in Hunter's Point.

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1695-2008 LU 908 - Zoning, Hunter's Point South, Queens (C080365HAQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on an application submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, ULURP No. C 080365 HAQ, approving the designation of property located at 2nd Street (Block 1, Lots 1 and 10), 54-02 2nd Street (Block 5, Lot 1), 51-24, 51-20, and 52-50 2nd Street (Block 6, Lots 1, 2, and 14), and de-mapped portions of 54th and 55th Avenues, Borough of Queens, as an Urban Development Action Area, approving the project for the area as an Urban Development Action Area Project, and approving the disposition of such property to a developer selected by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (L.U. No. 908; C 080365 HAQ).

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1696-2008 LU 909 - Zoning, Hunters Point South, Queens (C080276MMQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080276 MMQ, an amendment to the City Map (L.U. No. 909).

*Coupled on GO*

**Res 1697-2008 LU 917 - Zoning, Hunters Point South, Queens (C080362ZMQ)**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 080362 ZMQ, a Zoning Map amendment (L.U. No. 917).

*Coupled on GO*

## **Report of the Committee on Transportation**

**Int 0812-2008-A Allowing parking at missing or broken meters or muni-meters**

**up to the maximum time permitted in that parking meter zone.**

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the City of New York, in relation to allowing parking at missing or broken meters or muni-meters up to the maximum time permitted in that parking meter zone.

*Amended and Laid Over*

## **12. General Orders Calendar**

**T2006-0001 Commissioner of Deeds**  
Commissioner of Deeds  
*Coupled on GO*

### **Coupled on General Order Calendar**

#### **Finance**

**Int 0808-2008 Belmont business improvement district.**  
*GO*

**Int 0841-2008 Authorizing an increase in the amount to be expended in 13**  
**BIDs.**  
*GO*

#### **Land Use**

**Res 1687-2008 LU 779 - ULURP, Willets Point Development Plan, Queens**  
**(C080221MMQ)**  
*GO*

**Res 1688-2008 LU 780 - ULURP, Willets Point Development Plan, Queens**  
**(C080381ZMQ)**  
*GO*

- Res 1689-2008**      **LU 781 - Zoning Reso., Willets Point Development, Queens  
(N080382ZRQ)  
GO**
- Res 1690-2008**      **LU 782 - ULURP, Willets Point Urban Renewal Area, Queens  
(N080383HGQ)  
GO**
- Res 1691-2008**      **LU 783 - ULURP, Willets Point Urban Renewal Plan, Queens  
(C080384HUQ)  
GO**
- Res 1692-2008**      **LU 784 - ULURP, Willets Point Renewal Area, Queens  
(C080385HDQ)  
GO**
- Res 1693-2008**      **LU 906 - Zoning, Special Southern Hunters Point District,  
Queens (N080363ZRQ)  
GO**
- Res 1694-2008**      **LU 907 - Zoning, Hunts Point South Rezoning, Queens  
(C080364PPQ)  
GO**
- Res 1695-2008**      **LU 908 - Zoning, Hunter's Point South, Queens (C080365HAQ)  
GO**
- Res 1696-2008**      **LU 909 - Zoning, Hunters Point South, Queens  
(C080276MMQ)  
GO**
- Res 1697-2008**      **LU 917 - Zoning, Hunters Point South, Queens (C080362ZMQ)  
GO**

## **General Order Calendar**

**T2006-0001**      **Commissioner of Deeds**



*GO*

**13. Introduction & Reading of Bills**

**See Attached**

**14. Discussion of Resolutions**

**15. Resolutions**

*None*

**16. General Discussion**

**17. Extension of Remarks**

**INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS**

**Res 1680-2008**      *By The Speaker (Speaker Quinn) and Council Members Comrie Jr. and Seabrook*

Resolution concerning the establishment of the Hudson Square Business Improvement District in the Borough of Manhattan and setting the date, time and place for the public hearing to hear all persons interested in the establishment of such district.

*Finance*

**Int 0861-2008**      *By Council Members Avella, James and Palma*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to evaluation of sites for hidden driveway signs.

*Transportation*

**Int 0862-2008**      *By Council Members Brewer, Comrie Jr., Felder, Palma and*

*Seabrook*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to renumbering a duplicate section number in title 19.

***Transportation*****Int 0863-2008**

*By Council Members de Blasio, Gioia, Brewer, Gonzalez, James, Koppell, Palma, Seabrook, Stewart, Weprin, Gerson, White Jr., Mark-Viverito and Liu*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the department of transportation to conduct traffic studies for any school with students at or below the eighth grade level.

***Transportation*****Int 0864-2008**

*By Council Members Dickens, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Gonzalez, James, Liu, Palma, Seabrook, Sears, Vann, Weprin, Gerson, White Jr., Jackson, Arroyo, Foster, Mendez, Nelson, Reyna and Mealy*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York in relation to requiring the department of buildings to establish an emergency notification system.

***Housing and Buildings*****Int 0865-2008**

*By Council Members Dickens, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Fidler, Gonzalez, James, Lappin, Liu, Nelson, Palma, Recchia Jr., Seabrook, Sears, Weprin, Gerson, Jackson and Mendez*

A Local Law to amend the New York city building code, in relation to inspection of cranes.

***Housing and Buildings*****Res 1681-2008**

*By Council Members Dickens, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Felder, Fidler, Gonzalez, James, Liu, Nelson, Palma, Sanders Jr., Seabrook, Vann, Weprin, Gerson, Jackson, Arroyo, Mendez and Garodnick*

Resolution calling upon upon Congress and New York State to provide a specific allocation of capital funding for elevators at New York City Housing Authority projects.

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***Housing and Buildings***

**Res 1682-2008** *By Council Members Felder, Vallone Jr., Brewer, Comrie Jr. and Seabrook*

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass S.4164/A.2989, an act to amend the civil practice law and rules, in relation to equalizing the treatment of collateral sources in tort actions against public defendants by applying the same standard used in cases against private defendants.

***State and Federal Legislation***

**Int 0866-2008** *By Council Members Gerson, Comrie Jr. and Gonzalez*

A Local Law to amend the New York City Charter, in relation to limiting the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of the Department of Parks and Recreation to Parks Department property.

***Parks and Recreation***

**Res 1683-2008** *By Council Members Gerson, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Felder, Fidler, James, Koppell, Liu, Palma, Sanders Jr., Seabrook, Vann, Weprin and Mark-Viverito*

Resolution calling upon the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ensure that veterans in VA facilities are able to exercise their right to vote.

***Veterans***

**Int 0867-2008** *By Council Members Nelson, Brewer, Fidler, Koppell, Gerson and White Jr.*

A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to the waterfront management advisory board.

***Waterfronts***

**Res 1684-2008** *By Council Members Stewart, Avella, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Eugene, James, Liu, Palma, Seabrook, Yassky and Barron*

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature and the Governor to amend State law to allow non-citizens who

have served in the United States military to become police officers and firefighters.

***Immigration***

**Res 1685-2008**

*By Council Members Stewart, Palma, Sanders Jr., Sears and Gerson*

Resolution calling on the State Legislature to pass legislation that would require the owners of dangerous dogs to obtain liability insurance for personal injury or death of any person, resulting from an attack of such dangerous dog.

***Health***

**Int 0868-2008**

*By Council Members Vacca, Brewer, Fidler, James, Liu, Nelson, Palma, Recchia Jr., Sears, Gerson and Lappin*

A Local Law to amend the New York city building code, in relation to independent inspection of cranes.

***Housing and Buildings***

**Int 0869-2008**

*By Council Members Vacca, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Felder, Fidler, James, Liu, Palma, Sears, Gerson, White Jr., Mark-Viverito and Vann*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to creating a centralized system for information on real property.

***Housing and Buildings***

**Int 0870-2008**

*By Council Members Weprin and Comrie Jr. (by request of the Mayor)*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the establishment of the Hudson Square business improvement district.

***Finance***

**Int 0871-2008**

*By Council Members Yassky, Brewer, Comrie Jr., Gonzalez, James, Koppell, Palma, Mendez, Gerson, Felder, White Jr., Vallone Jr., Foster, Mark-Viverito, Garodnick, Weprin, Seabrook, Gennaro, Nelson, Fidler, Gioia, de Blasio, Reyna, Gentile, Jackson, Barron,*

*Crowley, Sanders Jr., Sears and The Public Advocate (Public Advocate Gotbaum)*

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to bicycle access to office buildings.

***Housing and Buildings***

**Res 1686-2008**

*By Council Members Yassky, Brewer and Stewart*

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to adopt, and the Governor to sign, legislation which would allow real estate developers to defer payment of New York City's mortgage recording taxes on new construction projects until after the construction of such projects are complete.

***Finance***

**LU 0928-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Application no. 20095174 HAM, an amendment to an Urban Development Action Area Project known as UHAB HDFC, located in Community Board 3, Council Districts no. 1 and 2, Borough of Manhattan. This matter is subject to Council review and action pursuant to Article 16 of the New York General Municipal Law, at the request of the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development.

***Planning, Dispositions and Concessions***

**LU 0929-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Application no. 20095181 HAX, submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, pursuant to the Private Housing Finance Law for the acquisition, rehabilitation and a related tax exemption for property located at 2950 Park Avenue and 635 Morris Avenue, Council District no. 17, Borough of the Bronx.

***Planning, Dispositions and Concessions***

**LU 0930-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 090071 HAM, an Urban Development Action Area Designation and

Project, located at 567 West 183rd Street, and the disposition of such property, Borough Manhattan, Council District no. 10. This matter is subject to Council Review and action pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter and Article 16 of the General Municipal Law.

***Planning, Dispositions and Concessions***

**LU 0931-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Uniform land use review procedure application no. C 090073 HAX, an Urban Development Action Area Designation and Project, located at 1157 Fulton Avenue, and the disposition of such property, Borough of the Bronx, Council District no. 16. This matter is subject to Council Review and action pursuant to §197-c and §197-d of the New York City Charter and Article 16 of the General Municipal Law.

***Planning, Dispositions and Concessions***

**LU 0932-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Application no. C 080203 ZMQ submitted by the 151-45 sixth Road Whitestone Partners, LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 7d.

***Zoning and Franchises***

**LU 0933-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Application no. C 080204 MMQ pursuant to Sections 197-c and 199 of the New York City Charter and Section 5-430 et. seq. of the New York City Administrative Code By the 151-45 Sixth Road Whitestone Partners, LLC for an amendment to the City Map.

***Zoning and Franchises***

**LU 0934-2008**

*By Council Member Katz*

Application no. C080207 (A) ZSQ submitted by the 151-45 Sixth Road Whitestone Partners, LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter and proposed

modification pursuant to Section 2-06 (c) (1) of the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Section 78-312(f) of the Zoning Resolution to modify the requirements of Section 23-711.

***Zoning and Franchises***