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HELD AT: REMOTE HEARING - VIRTUAL ROOM 2

B E F O R E: Rafael Salamanca, Jr, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Joseph C. Borelli  
Erik D. Bottcher  
Selvena N. Brooks-Powers  
Kamillah Hanks  
Ari Kagan  
Shekar Krishnan  
Farah N. Louis  
Francisco P. Moya  
Kevin C. Riley  
Carlina Rivera  
Pierina Ana Sanchez

2 SERGEANT POLITE: Sergeants, start your  
3 recordings.

4 SERGEANT BRADLEY: PC recording is up.

5 SERGEANT POLITE: Recording to the cloud  
6 all set. One second while I check the livestream,  
7 please.

8 SERGEANT BRADLEY: Livestream is good.

9 ARTHUR HUH, MODERATOR: Chair, you may  
10 take it away.

11 SERGEANT POLITE: One second. Sorry for  
12 the delay.

13 Good afternoon, and welcome to the remote  
14 hearing on Land Use. Will Council Members and staff  
15 please turn on their video at this time? Thank you.

16 To minimize disruption, please your cell  
17 phones and electronics to vibrate.

18 Testimony can be submitted to  
19 [landusetestimony@council.nyc.gov](mailto:landusetestimony@council.nyc.gov). Once again, that's  
20 [landusetestimony@council.nyc.gov](mailto:landusetestimony@council.nyc.gov).

21 Chair, we are ready to begin.

22 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you. Good  
23 afternoon. I am Council Member Rafael Salamanca. I am  
24 the Chair of the Committee on Land Use. I want to  
25 welcome my esteemed Colleagues who have joined us

2 today. We've been joined by Council Members Bottcher,  
3 Hanks, Kagan, Krishnan, Chair Louis, Moya, Chair  
4 Riley, Rivera, Sanchez, Brooks-Powers, Minority  
5 Leader Borelli, and I think I've covered everyone.

6 Today, we will vote on applications  
7 referred out of our Landmarks Subcommittee.

8 Before we begin, I would like to  
9 recognize the Committee Counsel to review the hearing  
10 procedures.

11 ARTHUR HUH, MODERATOR: Thank you, Chair  
12 Salamanca. I am Arthur Huh, Counsel to this  
13 Committee.

14 Council Members who would like to ask  
15 questions or make remarks should use the Zoom raise  
16 hand function. The raise hand button should appear at  
17 the bottom of your participant panel. Chair Salamanca  
18 or I will then recognize Members to speak.

19 We ask that you please be patient if any  
20 technical difficulties arise today.

21 Chair Salamanca will now continue with  
22 today's agenda items.

23 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Thank you,  
24 Counsel. Today, we will vote to approve LU 34 for the  
25 2nd Avenue Subway Phase 2 Disposition requested by

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2 the MTA and related to property in Deputy Speaker  
3 Ayala's district. This approval will facilitate the  
4 transfer of city-owned property to the MTA and the  
5 construction of a transit station entrance and  
6 ancillary structure at 125th Street and Park Avenue  
7 as part of the northward extension of the 2nd Avenue  
8 Subway Phase 2.

9 We will also vote to approve LU 44 for  
10 the Mount Neboh and Mount Carmel Cemetery Merger  
11 Request related to property in Council Member  
12 Holden's district. The approval will facilitate a  
13 merger between Mount Carmel Cemetery and the adjacent  
14 Mount Neboh Cemetery in Queens.

15 Are there any Council Members who wish to  
16 give remarks or ask questions?

17 I see none.

18 I now call for a vote in accordance with  
19 the Subcommittee recommendations to approve LUs 34  
20 and 44. Will the Clerk please call the roll?

21 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Good  
22 afternoon. William Martin, the Committee Clerk. Roll  
23 call vote Committee on Land Use. Both items are  
24 coupled. Chair Salamanca.

25 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Aye on all.

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2 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Moya.

3 COUNCIL MEMBER MOYA: I vote aye.

4 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Rivera.

5 COUNCIL MEMBER RIVERA: I vote aye.

6 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank  
7 you. Louis.

8 COUNCIL MEMBER LOUIS: I vote aye.

9 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Riley.

10 COUNCIL MEMBER RILEY: I vote aye.

11 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank  
12 you. Brooks-Powers.

13 COUNCIL MEMBER BROOKS-POWERS: I vote aye.

14 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK:  
15 Bottcher.

16 COUNCIL MEMBER BOTTCHER: Aye.

17 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Hanks.

18 COUNCIL MEMBER HANKS: I vote aye.

19 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Kagan.

20 COUNCIL MEMBER KAGAN: I vote aye.

21 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK:  
22 Krishnan.

23 COUNCIL MEMBER KRISHNAN: Aye.

24 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Sanchez.

25 COUNCIL MEMBER SANCHEZ: I vote aye.

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2 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Borelli.

3 MINORITY LEADER BORELLI: I vote aye.

4 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Thank

5 you. One moment. Okay, by a vote of 12 in the

6 affirmative, 0 in the negative, and no abstentions,

7 both items have been adopted by the Committee. Mr.

8 Chair, we have one Member outstanding, Council Member

9 Mealy.

10 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: I would like to

11 thank the members of the public and my Colleagues at

12 Land Use and Council staff and Sergeant-at-Arms for

13 attending today's hearing. I will leave the roll open

14 for 5 minutes. Thank you all.

15 WILLIAM MARTIN, COMMITTEE CLERK: Chair

16 Salamanca, you can close at your convenience, sir.

17 CHAIRPERSON SALAMANCA: Yes, Counsel. All

18 right, I would like to thank members of the public,

19 Council, and Land Use staff for attending today's

20 hearing. This hearing is hereby adjourned.

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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 July 6, 2022