

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

of the

COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

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April 21, 2009
Start: 10:27 am
Recess: 10:35 am

HELD AT: Hearing Room
 250 Broadway, 16th Fl

B E F O R E: MELINDA R. KATZ
 Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
 Melinda R. Katz
 Tony Avella
 Charles Barron
 Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.
 Simcha Felder
 Eric N. Gioia
 John C. Liu
 Miguel Martinez
 Larry B. Seabrook
 Helen Sears
 Albert Vann
 Sara M. Gonzalez
 Annabel Palma

A P P E A R A N C E S

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Maria del Carmen Arroyo
Inez E. Dickens
Daniel R. Garodnick
Jessica S. Lappin
Rosie Mendez
Elizabeth Crowley
Vincent Ignizio

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2 CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Good morning,
3 everyone. What time is it? It's 10:30. We have
4 a very quick agenda this morning. There will be
5 announcements at the end so let's get through this
6 quickly if we can. Preconsidered LU is Liberty
7 Fountain Apartments in Council Member Dilan's
8 district. It's a ULURP UDAAP to provide low-
9 income housing with onsite services.
10 Preconsidered LU, Waterfront Zoning text amendment
11 and it is citywide. It's an amendment to the
12 waterfront zoning text to update design and
13 operational standards and the review procedures
14 for public access areas. ULURPs 090281 and 282
15 are related. They're the North Flushing rezoning.
16 They are two related applications amending the
17 zoning text and the zoning map to preserve the
18 built context of North Flushing. The text
19 amendment created R12A. Preconsidered LU of PS
20 160-K is the annex. It is a school siting for the
21 annex of PS 160 in Council Member de Blasio's
22 district. Community Health Academy is also a
23 school siting. It is a new high school for
24 Council Member Jackson's district. Council Member
25 Mendez has the landmarking of consolidated Con Ed

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2 Company building. Council Member Gerson has the
3 landmarking of One Chase Manhattan Plaza. Council
4 Member Vann's district is the landmarking of Alice
5 and Agate Courts. Council Member Garodnick's
6 district has the Sidewalk Café at La Goulue
7 Restaurant, 746 Madison Avenue. LU 1051 is 150
8 Amsterdam Avenue, amendment to the zoning map to
9 facilitate the inclusion of retail uses in a new
10 building. That is Council Member Brewer's
11 district. LU 152 is 354 Clarkson Avenue. It's a
12 rezoning in Council Member Eugene's district to
13 produce mixed use development. The rest are
14 UDAAPs. LU 974 is in Council Member Jackson and
15 Council Member Dickens' district and it is a
16 UDAAP. Council Member Mark-Viverito district has
17 LU 986 for East 120th street and it's also a
18 UDAAP. Any questions or comments? Call the role
19 please.

20 WILLIAM MARTIN: William Martin,
21 Committee Clerk, role call on the Committee on
22 Land Use. Council Member Katz?

23 CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Aye on all.

24 WILLIAM MARTIN: Avella?

25 COUNCIL MEMBER AVELLA: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Comrie?

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COUNCIL MEMBER COMRIE: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Martinez?

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COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ: Aye on

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Seabrook?

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COUNCIL MEMBER SEABROOK: Aye on

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Sears?

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COUNCIL MEMBER SEARS: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Vann?

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COUNCIL MEMBER VANN: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Palma?

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COUNCIL MEMBER PALMA: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Arroyo?

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COUNCIL MEMBER ARROYO: Aye on all.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Dickens?

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COUNCIL MEMBER DICKENS: Aye on

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Garodnick?

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COUNCIL MEMBER GARODNICK: Aye.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Lappin?

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COUNCIL MEMBER LAPPIN: Aye.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Ignizio?

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER IGNIZIO: Yes.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Felder?

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COUNCIL MEMBER FELDER: Yes.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Council Member

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COUNCIL MEMBER LIU: Yes.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: By a vote of 15 in

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the affirmative, zero in the negative and no

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abstentions all items have been adopted. Council

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Members please sign the committee reports. Thank

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Can I have your

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attention just for a moment for some technical

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issues for the committee? We had to call a new

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meeting for tomorrow. I want to point out that

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meeting, it doesn't say it's a continuation of

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meeting. It's an additional meeting. That's the

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word that tells you that it's a brand new meeting.

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So whether you're present at this meeting is not

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going to be held for the next one. So you can't

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vote on the next one for things that happened at

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this meeting. So it's an additional meeting.

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2 We're going to have to close the meeting today.
3 So that we don't have to bring everyone in early
4 and if people don't like this idea they should
5 just talk to me afterwards. Instead of bringing
6 everyone in tomorrow at 9:30 when we need to have
7 a new Zoning Committee and Land Use, we're going
8 to do it at 11:30 because there is only two items,
9 so it's a little easier to do. When there are
10 several items, just so you know, it's hard to do
11 it later in the day because the staff has to get
12 everything ready for session. But considering
13 that there's only two items tomorrow we're going
14 to do 11:30 a.m. and 11:45 will be Land Use. That
15 will be in the Council Committee room. Is there
16 any discussion? We'll just it probably right
17 after rules. The rules never starts on time.
18 We'll be in the committee room. We're going to
19 leave this meeting open until 11:00 when the room
20 has to be used. Thank you. We'll see you
21 tomorrow at 11:30.

22 [Pause]

23 CHAIRPERSON KATZ: The meetings
24 tomorrow are in the Committee Room across the
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[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Council Member Barron, how do you vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: Aye on all.

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Thank you very much.

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: I did. That's why we're here. Council Member Mendez, how do you vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER MENDEZ: I vote aye.

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Thank you very much. Are we done now with everybody?

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Council Member Gioia, how do you vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER GIOIA: Thank you, Madame Chair. I vote yes.

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Thank you.

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Elizabeth Crowley, how do you vote?

COUNCIL MEMBER CROWLEY: I vote aye on all.

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: Thank you.

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Council Member

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Gonzalez?

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COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ: Aye on

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WILLIAM MARTIN: Final vote on the

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Committee on Land Use is now 20 in the

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affirmative, zero in the negative and no

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abstentions. Thank you.

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CHAIRPERSON KATZ: The meeting of

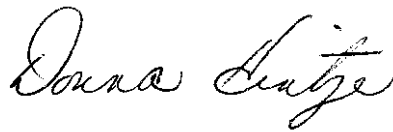
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the Land Use Committee is hereby adjourned.

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Donna Hintze certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.



Signature_____

Date May 6, 2009_____