

CITY COUNCIL
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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LANDMARKS, PUBLIC SITING AND
DISPOSITIONS

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November 12, 2019

Start: 11:49

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HELD AT: Committee Room - City Hall

B E F O R E: ADRIENNE E. ADAMS
Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Inez D. Barron
Peter A. Koo
I. Daneek Miller
Mark Treyger

A P P E A R A N C E S (CONTINUED)

2 (sound check) (pause) (gavel)

3 CHAIRPERSON ADAMS: Good morning. I'm

4 Council Member Adrienne Adams, and welcome to this

5 meeting of the Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public

6 Siting and Dispositions. Joining us this morning are

7 my subcommittee members Council Members Treyger, Koo,

8 Barron, Miller. We also have my colleagues Council

9 Member Ruben Diaz, Sr. Council Member Margaret Chin,

10 Council Member Carlina Rivera, Council Member Donovan

11 Richards, Council Member Francisco Moya, Chair

12 Salamanca, and Council Member Antonio Reynoso. Today

13 we're voting on one item, LU 563, an application

14 submitted by the Department of Housing, Preservation

15 and Department-Development for the Hunters Point

16 South parcels F and G Article XI Tax Exemption. This

17 tax exemption would facilitate the development of 847

18 units of affordable housing as part of a previously

19 approved Urban Development Area Project on property

20 located in Queens at Block 6, Lots 20 and 30. The

21 development is located in Council Member Van Bramer's

22 district and the Council Member supports the project.

23 I now call for a vote to approve LU 563. Counsel,

24 please call the roll.

25 LEGAL COUNSEL: Adams.

2 CHAIRPERSON ADAMS: I vote aye.

3 LEGAL COUNSEL: Barron.

4 COUNCIL MEMBER BARRON: I vote no.

5 LEGAL COUNSEL: Koo.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER KOO: Aye.

7 LEGAL COUNSEL: Miller.

8 COUNCIL MEMBER MILLERS: May I please
9 explain my vote?

10 CHAIRPERSON ADAMS: Council Member
11 Miller.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER: Thank you, Madam
13 Chair. While I have real concerns, I have real
14 concerns here about the process. Last week we were
15 asked to hear this very complex project and at the
16 same time consider voting on it, and subsequently, it
17 is a very complex project to take on. It has
18 potential impact that impacts the integrity of
19 affordable housing throughout the city as we move
20 forward, and I still have a lot of questions about
21 it, and—and—and something of this magnitude we have
22 not had an opportunity to really understand it, study
23 I and look at its impact on potential unintended
24 consequences to affordable housing as we move
25 forward, but that being said, I have been in talks

2 with obviously Land Use and—and others, and we want
3 to continue to work through this. At this moment, I
4 am not sufficiently satisfied, and so I will be
5 abstaining.

6 LEGAL COUNSEL: Treyger.

7 COUNCIL MEMBER TREYGER: Aye.

8 LEGAL COUNSEL: By a vote of 3 in the
9 affirmative, 1 in the negative with one abstention,
10 the item is recommended for referral to the full Land
11 Use Committee.

12 CHAIRPERSON ADAMS: I'd like to thank the
13 members of the public, my colleagues, counsel and
14 Land Use staff for attending today's hearing. The
15 meeting is hereby adjourned. Thank you. [gavel]

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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 November 23, 2019