

#### **COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

# CALENDAR OF THE LAND USE COMMITTEE FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12 - JULY 16, 2010

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#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON ZONING AND FRANCHISES

The Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises will hold a public hearing on the following matters in the 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, New York City, New York 10007, commencing at **9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 15, 2010**:

# L.U. No. 136 FLUSHING COMMONS

# **QUEENS CB - 7**

C 100206 PPQ

Application submitted by NYC Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS), pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the disposition of one (1) city-owned property located at 38-15 138<sup>th</sup> Street (Block 4978, p/o Lot 25), pursuant to zoning.

# L.U. No. 137 FLUSHING COMMONS

#### **QUEENS CB - 7**

C 100207 ZMQ

Application submitted by Flushing Commons LLC and the NYC Economic Development Corporation pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 10a, by changing from a C4-3 District to a C4-4 District property bounded by Congressman Rosenthal Place, Union Street, 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 138<sup>th</sup> Street, as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated January 25, 2010, and subject to the conditions of CEQR Declaration E-247.

# L.U. No. 138 FLUSHING COMMONS

### **QUEENS CB-7**

C 100208 ZSQ

Application submitted by Flushing Commons LLC and the NYC Economic Development Corporation pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of special permits pursuant to the following sections of the Zoning Resolution:

- 1. Section 74-743(a)(2) to allow the location of buildings without regard for the height and setback requirements of Sections 23-632, 33-432 and 35-60, the rear yard requirements of Sections 23-532 and 35-53, the rear yard setback requirements of Section 23-663, the minimum distance between buildings and minimum distance between legally required windows and building walls regulations of Section 23-711;
- <u>2.</u> Section 74-743(a)(4) to allow the maximum floor area ratio permitted pursuant to Section 23-142 without regard for height factor or open space ratio requirements;
- 3. Section 74-744(b) to allow residential and non-residential uses to be arranged within buildings without regard for the requirements of Section 32-42.

to facilitate a proposed mixed use development, on property located at 38-15 138<sup>th</sup> Street a.k.a. 37-10 Union Street (Block 4978, p/o Lot 25), in a C4-4 District, within a General Large Scale Development.

# L.U. No. 139 FLUSHING COMMONS

# **QUEENS CB-7**

C 100209 ZSQ

Application submitted by Flushing Commons LLC and the NYC Economic Development Corporation pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Section 74-512 of the Zoning Resolution to allow a public parking facility with a maximum capacity of 1600 spaces, including 908 self-park spaces and 692 attended parking spaces, on portions of the ground floor, 1<sup>st</sup> level cellar, 2<sup>nd</sup> level cellar and the 3<sup>rd</sup> level cellar, in connection with a proposed mixed use development, on property located at 38-15 138<sup>th</sup> Street a.k.a. 37-10 Union Street (Block 4978, p/o Lot 25), in a C4-4 District, within a General Large-Scale Development.

L.U. No. 140

#### **FLUSHING COMMONS**

### **QUEENS CB-7**

N 100210 ZRQ

Application submitted by Flushing Commons LLC, pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter, for an amendment of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, concerning Section 74-743 (Special provisions for bulk modification), relating to open space, in General Large Scale Developments in C4-4 Districts in the Borough of Queens.

Matter in <u>underline</u> is new, to be added; Matter in <u>strikeout</u> is to be deleted; Matter with # # is defined in Section 12-10; \*\*\* indicated where unchanged text appears in the Zoning Resolution

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# 74-743 Special provisions for bulk modification

- (a) For a #general large-scale development#, the City Planning Commission may permit.
  - (1) Distribution of total allowable #floor area#, #rooming units#, #dwelling units#, #lot coverage# and total required #open space# under the applicable district regulations within a #general large-scale development# without regard for #zoning lot lines# or district boundaries subject to the following limitations:
    - (i) no distribution of #bulk# across the boundary of two districts shall be permitted for a #use# utilizing such #bulk# unless such #use# is permitted in both districts;
    - (ii) when a #general large-scale development# is located partially in a #Residence District# or in a Cl, C2, C3 or C4-1 District and partially in other #Commercial# or #Manufacturing Districts#, no transfer of commercial #floor area# to a #Residence District# or to a Cl, C2, C3 or C4-1 District from other districts shall be permitted;
  - (2) Location of #buildings#3 without regard for the applicable

#yard#, #court#, distance between #buildings#, or height and setback regulations;\

- (3) Variation in the location of primary business entrances and #show windows# along frontages adjacent to #zoning lots# outside the #general large-scale development# without regard to regulations applicable near #Residence District# boundaries; and
- (4) The maximum #floor area ratio# permitted pursuant to Section 23-142 (In R6, R7, R8 or R9 Districts) for the applicable district without regard for #height factor# or #open space ratio# requirements provided that the #general large-scale development# is located partially in a C6-1, C6-2, or C6-3 District within the boundaries of Community District 7 in Manhattan or located within a C4-4 District within the boundaries of Queens Community District 7 and that a minimum of 50 percent of the required #open space# is provided within the #general large-scale development#. Required #open space# for the purposes of paragraph (a) (4) of this Section shall be calculated by utilizing the smallest #open space ratio# at the maximum #floor area ratio# pursuant to Section 23-142 for the applicable district.
- (5) In an #Inclusionary Housing designated area# in a C4-6 or C5 District:
  - (i) a portion of the #lot area# that contains a wholly #commercial building# to be excluded from the calculation of #floor area# for any other #buildings# on the remainder of the #zoning lot#; or
  - (ii) community facility #floor area# located above the ground floor to be excluded from the calculation of the amount of #lower income housing# required pursuant to Section 23-942;

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(b) In order to grant a special permit pursuant to this Section for any #general large-scale development#, the Commission shall find that:

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(6) Where the Commission permits the maximum #floor area ratio# in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) (4) of this

Section, the #open space# provided is of sufficient size to serve the residents of new or #enlarged buildings#. Such #open space# shall be accessible to and usable by all residents of such new or #enlarged buildings#, have appropriate access, circulation, seating, lighting and paving, and be substantially landscaped. Furthermore, the site plan of such #general-large scale development# shall include superior landscaping for #open space# of the new or #enlarged buildings#.

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# L.U. No. 141 FLUSHING COMMONS

### **QUEENS CB - 7**

N 100211 ZRQ

Application submitted by Flushing Commons LLC, pursuant to Section 201 of the New York City Charter, for an amendment of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, concerning the Downtown Flushing Waterfront Access Plan (WAP Q-2) to allow public parking lots as-of-right and to exempt such parking from requirements for public access and visual corridors pursuant to Section 62-952 of the Zoning Resolution in the Borough of Queens.

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#### 62-952

#### Waterfront Access Plan Q-2; Downtown Flushing

Maps Q-2a through Q-2c in paragraph (e-) (f) of this Section show the boundaries of the area comprising the Downtown Flushing Waterfront Access Plan and the location of certain features mandated or permitted by the Plan. The plan area has been divided into parcels consisting of tax blocks and lots and other lands as established on September 17, 1998, as follows:

# (b) Special public access provisions by parcel

The requirements for #waterfront public access areas# of Sections 62-53 through 62-57 inclusive, and Section 62-60 (DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR WATERFRONT PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS), inclusive, are modified at the following designated locations which are shown on Map Q-2b in paragraphs (e)(f) of this Section:

#### (2) Parcel 2

#### (i) #Shore public walkway#

The requirements of Section 62-53 are modified to reduce the minimum required width of the #shore public walkway# to 20 feet. The quantity of public access area eliminated from the #shore public walkway# as a result of this width reduction shall be provided adjoining the intersection of the required #upland connection# and the #shore public walkway# and shall be improved pursuant to the standards for a #supplemental public access area#, as set forth in Section 6262.

#### (ii) #Upland connection#

An #upland connection# shall be located between College Point Boulevard and the #shore public walkway#, either: (1) within the flexible location zone indicated on Map Q-2b in paragraph (e)(D of this Section, having as its northerly boundary the straight-line extension of that portion of the boundary between Parcels 1 and 2 which intersects with College Point Boulevard and, as its southern boundary, the prolongation of the southerly #street line# of 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue; or (2) continuously adjoining the boundary between Parcels 1 and 2.

(iii) No public access shall be required for any #public parking lot#, provided such #public parking lot# was approved pursuant to Section 74-512 (In other Districts) and is an interim use that is limited to a term of not more than ten years.

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#### (c) Special visual corridor provisions by parcel

The designated locations for #visual corridors# pursuant to this Plan shall be as follows and are shown on Map Q-2c in paragraph (e)(f) of this Section:

### (1) Parcel 1

A #visual corridor# shall be provided through Parcel 1 to the pierhead line as the prolongation of the #street lines# of 36<sup>th</sup> Road. Any #building or other structure# existing on September 17, 1998, shall be a permitted

obstruction.

#### (2) Parcel 2

A #visual corridor# shall be provided through Parcel 2 to the pierhead line as the prolongation of the #street lines# of 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue. <u>However, no #visual corridor# shall be required for any #public parking lot#, provided such #public parking lot# was approved pursuant to Section 74-512 provided that the parking facility is an interim use limited to a term of not more than ten years.</u>

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### (e) Special use provisions by parcel

#### (1) Parcel 2

The City Planning Commission may permit #public parking lots# on #waterfront blocks# in accordance with applicable district regulations and Section 74-512 provided that the parking facility is an interim #use# limited to a term of not more than ten years.

(e)(f) Downtown Flushing Waterfront Access Plan Maps

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# L.U. No. 142 FLUSHING COMMONS

### **QUEENS CB - 7**

C 100212 ZSQ

Application submitted by Fulton/Max International (Holdings) Inc. pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Section 74-512 of the Zoning Resolution to allow a public parking lot with a maximum capacity of 647 spaces, including 201 self-park spaces and 446 attended parking spaces, on property located at 133-41 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Block 4972, Lots 8, 23 and 65), in a C4-2 District.

# L.U. No. 143 FLUSHING COMMONS

# **QUEENS CB - 7**

C 100213 ZSQ

Application submitted by Fulton/Max International (Holdings) Inc. pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Sections 62-835 and 74-512 of the Zoning Resolution to allow a public parking lot with a maximum capacity of 309 spaces, including 207 self-park spaces and 102 attended parking spaces, on property located at 37-02 College Point Boulevard (Block 4963, Lots 85), in a C4-2 District.

# L.U. No. 144 FLUSHING COMMONS

### **QUEENS CB-7**

C 100214 ZSQ

Application submitted by NYC Department of Transportation and the NYC Economic Development Corporation pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Section 74-512 of the Zoning Resolution to allow a public parking lot with a maximum capacity of 275 spaces, on property located at 135-17 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Block 4975, Lot 15), in a C4-2 District.

# L.U. No. 145 Macedonia Plaza

### **QUEENS CB - 7**

C 100216 HAQ

Application submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD):

- 1) pursuant to Article 16 of the General Municipal Law of New York State for:
  - a) the designation of property located at 37-10 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Block 4978, part of Lot 25) as an Urban Development Action Area; and
  - b) an Urban Development Action Area Project for such area; and
- 1) pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter for the disposition of such property to a developer to be selected by HPD;

to facilitate development of a 14-story building, tentatively known as Macedonia Plaza with approximately 140 residential units.

#### **OVERSIGHT HEARING**

The Zoning and Franchises Subcommittee jointly with the Technology Committee will hold a public hearing on the following matter at 1:30 p.m.

"Stuck in the Middle: Protecting Consumers from Cable/Broadcaster Disputes"