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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK RESOLUTION NO. 1875

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 130155 PPQ, for the disposition of a lease of city-owned property located northerly of United Nations Avenue North, between Meridian Road and Path of Americas (Block 2018, p/o Lot 1) within Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, Borough of Queens (L.U. No. 852).

By Council Members Comrie and Levin

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission filed with the Council on June 7, 2013 its decision dated May 22, 2013 (the "Decision") on the application submitted pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter by the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation and the USTA National Tennis Center, Inc., for the disposition of a lease of city-owned property located northerly of United Nations Avenue North, between Meridian Road and Path of Americas (Block 2018, p/o Lot 1) within Flushing Meadows-Corona Park (Application No. C 130155 PPQ), Community Districts 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9; Borough of Queens (the "Application");

WHEREAS, the Decision is subject to review and action by the Council pursuant to Section 197-d(b)(3) of the New York City Charter;

WHEREAS, upon due notice, the Council held a public hearing on the Decision and Application on June 20, 2013;

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the land use implications, environmental issues and other policy issues relating to the Decision and Application; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the relevant environmental issues and the Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS") for which a Notice of Completion was issued on May 10, 2013 (CEQR No. 12DPR005Q);

RESOLVED:

Having considered the FEIS with respect to the Decision and Application, the Council finds that:

- (1) The FEIS meets the requirements of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 617;
- (2) From among the reasonable alternatives thereto, the actions to be approved are ones which minimize or avoid adverse environmental impacts to the maximum extent practicable;
- (3) The adverse environmental impacts revealed in the environmental impact statement will be

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minimized or avoided to the maximum extent possible by incorporating as conditions to the approval those mitigative measures that were identified as practicable; and

(4) The Decision together with the FEIS constitute the written statement of facts, and of social, economic and other factors and standards, that form the basis of the decision, pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.(c)(3).

Pursuant to Section 197-d of the City Charter and on the basis of the Decision and Application, and based on the environmental determination and consideration described in this report, C 130155 PPQ, incorporated by reference herein, the Council approves the Decision for disposition of a lease of city-owned property located northerly of United Nations Avenue North, between Meridian Road and Path of Americas (Block 2018, p/o Lot 1) within Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, provided that this disposition shall not be made unless and until the following shall have occurred:

The USTA surrenders to the City of New York the following two parcels of park land totaling 1.56 acres and located east of David Dinkins Circle that are currently part of the premises alienated and leased to the USTA by the Department of Parks and Recreation: Parcel 1, measuring 0.75 acres; and Parcel 2, measuring 0.81 acres, for purposes of active and passive recreation in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park. Such surrender shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations with respect to Parcel 2: a). that the USTA shall not utilize the tennis courts on Parcel 2, except during the US Open when the USTA may be granted permission to have exclusive use of such courts, provided further that the USTA may seek permission from the Department of Parks and Recreation for use of the 5 tennis courts for other tournaments; and b). the USTA shall remain responsible for maintenance of the five tennis in a state of good repair for purposes of their use by the general public.

Adopted.

Office of the City Clerk, }
The City of New York, } ss.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution passed by The Council of The City of New York on July 24, 2013, on file in this office.

City Clerk, Clerk of The Council