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**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
RESOLUTION NO. 1065**

Resolution approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 050319 MMQ, an amendment to the City Map (L.U. No. 358).

By Council Members Greenfield and Dickens

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission filed with the Council on April 15, 2016 its decision dated April 13, 2016 (the "Decision"), on the application submitted by the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 199 of the New York City Charter, and Section 5-430 *et seq.* of the New York City Administrative Code for an amendment to the City Map involving:

- the establishment of Socrates Sculpture Park within an area generally bounded by 33rd Road, Vernon Boulevard, 30th Road and the U.S. Pierhead and Bulkhead Line; and
- the establishment of a Public Place west of Vernon Boulevard and the intersection of Broadway; and
- the elimination, discontinuance and closing of 31st Avenue and Broadway west of Vernon Boulevard; and
- the adjustment of grades and block dimensions necessitated thereby;

including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in accordance with Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015 and signed by the Borough President, (ULURP No. C 150319 MMQ), Community District 1, 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 City Charter;

WHEREAS, upon due notice, the Council held a public hearing on the Decision and Application on May 2, 2016;

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

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the relevant environmental issues, including the negative declaration (CEQR No. 05DPR003Q) issued on February 15, 2007, and the Technical Memorandum issued by DPR on March 20, 2016 updating the 2007 negative declaration, (the "Negative Declaration");

RESOLVED:

The Council finds that the action described herein will have no significant impact on the environment as set forth in the Negative Declaration and the Technical Memorandum.

Pursuant to Sections 197-d and 199 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 050319 MMQ, incorporated by reference herein, the Council approves the Decision for an amendment to the City Map involving:

- the establishment of Socrates Sculpture Park within an area generally bounded by 33rd Road, Vernon Boulevard, 30th Road and the U.S. Pierhead and Bulkhead Line; and
- the establishment of a Public Place west of Vernon Boulevard and the intersection of Broadway; and
- the elimination, discontinuance and closing of 31st Avenue and Broadway west of Vernon Boulevard; and
- the adjustment of grades and block dimensions necessitated thereby;

including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in Community District 1, Borough of Queens, in accordance with Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015 and signed by the Borough President as more particularly described as follows:

Pursuant to subdivision 1a of Section 5-433 of the New York City Administrative Code, public utility facilities within the subsurface of the streets cited herein which are to be discontinued and closed by this action, may be maintained in place or relocated within such subsurface by the public utility, so that such maintenance in place or relocation of such facilities is consistent with the proposed use of the closed portion or portions of such subsurface, and the requirements of other facilities located therein.

Pursuant to Section 5-432 of the New York City Administrative Code, the Council determines that “such closing or discontinuance will further the health, safety, pedestrian or vehicular circulation, housing, economic development or general welfare of the City”.

Pursuant to Section 5-433 of the New York City Administrative Code, the Council adopts the legally required number of counterparts of Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015 providing for the discontinuance and closing of Broadway and 31st Avenue west of Vernon Boulevard being more particularly described as follows:

ELIMINATION, DISCONTINUANCE AND CLOSING OF BROADWAY WEST OF VERNON BOULEVARD

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly line of Vernon Boulevard, said point being distant 677.71 feet from the corner formed by the intersection of the northwesterly line of Vernon Boulevard and the northerly line of 33rd Road, as said streets are shown on the Alteration Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015;

No. 1. Running thence northeasterly along the northwesterly line of Vernon Boulevard, for 85.41 feet to the former northerly line of Broadway, discontinued and closed;

No. 2 Thence westerly along the former northerly line of Broadway, discontinued and closed, forming an interior angle of 61 degrees 25 minutes 12.7 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 615.85 feet to the U.S.

Pierhead and Bulkhead Line;

No. 3 Thence southwesterly along the U.S. Pierhead and Bulkhead Line, forming an interior angle of 112 degrees 59 minutes 44.1 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 81.47 feet to the former southerly line of Broadway, discontinued and closed;

No. 4 Thence easterly along the former southerly line of Broadway, discontinued and closed, forming an interior angle of 67 degrees 00 minutes 15.9 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 606.82 feet to the northwesterly line of Vernon Boulevard, the point or place of beginning.
The area above described contains 45,850 square feet or 1.05 acres.

ELIMINATION, DISCONTINUANCE AND CLOSING OF 31ST AVENUE WEST OF VERNON BOULEVARD

Beginning at a point on the westerly line of Vernon Boulevard and the prolongation of the southerly line of 31st Avenue, as said streets are shown on the Alteration Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015;

No. 1 Running thence northerly along the westerly line of Vernon Boulevard, for 82.46 feet to the former northerly line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed;

No. 2 Thence westerly along the former northerly line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed, forming an interior angle of 75 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 50.00 feet to the former westerly terminus line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed;

No. 3 Thence southerly along the former westerly terminus line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed, forming an interior angle of 104 degrees 02 minutes 10 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 82.46 feet to the former southerly line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed;

No. 4 Thence easterly along the former southerly line of 31st Avenue, discontinued and closed, forming an interior angle of 75 degrees 57 minutes 50 seconds with the last mentioned course, for 50.00 feet to the westerly line of Vernon Boulevard, the point or place of beginning.

The area above described contains 4,000 square feet or 0.09 acres.

All such approvals being subject to the following conditions:

- a. The subject amendment to the City Map shall take effect on the day following the day on which certified counterparts of Map No. 4983 dated November 19, 2015 are filed with the appropriate agencies in accordance with Section 198 subsection c of the New York City Charter and Section 5-435 of the New York City Administrative Code; and
- b. The subject streets to be discontinued and closed shall be discontinued and closed on the day following the day on which such maps adopted by this resolution shall Be filed in the offices specified by law.

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 May 5, 2016, on file in this office.

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City Clerk, Clerk of The Council