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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK RESOLUTION NO. 879

Resolution approving the First Amended Urban Renewal Plan for the Saratoga Square Urban Renewal Area and approving the decision of the City Planning Commission on ULURP No. C 190163 HUK (Preconsidered L.U. No. 389).

By Council Members Salamanca, Jr. and Moya

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission filed with the Council on March 29, 2019 its decision and report dated March 27, 2019 (the "Decision"), on the application submitted by the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development, pursuant to Section 505 of Article 15 of the General Municipal Law of New York State and Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the First Amendment to the Saratoga Square Urban Renewal Plan (URP), which in conjunction with the related actions would modify the use restrictions associated with the URP to facilitate the development of a new 14-story mixed-use building containing approximately 235 units of affordable housing plus one superintendent's unit, as well as ground-floor retail and community facility space at 1921 Atlantic Avenue in the Bedford Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, Community District 3, (ULURP No. C 190163 HUK) (the "Application");

WHEREAS, the Application is related to applications C 190160 HAK (Pre. L.U. No. 386), an Urban Development Action Area Project (UDAAP) designation, project approval and disposition of City-owned property; C 190161 ZMK (Pre. L.U. No.387), a zoning map amendment to eliminate an MX-10 Special District, change the underlying M1-1/R7D zoning district to an R8A zoning district, and establish a C2-4 commercial overlay; and N 190162 ZRK (Pre. L.U. No. 388), a zoning text amendment to Appendix F to establish a Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) area coterminous with the rezoning area;

WHEREAS, the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development submitted to the Council on March 26, 2019 its request for approval of the First Amended Urban Renewal Plan for the Saratoga Square Urban Renewal Area, dated March 25, 2019 (the "Plan");

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission has certified that the Plan for the Area is an appropriate plan for the Area and conforms to the provisions of Section 502(7), Article 15 of the General Municipal Law and the finding set forth in Section 504, Article 15 of the General Municipal Law, and conforms to the comprehensive community plan for the development of the municipality as a whole;

WHEREAS, the Decision is subject to review and action by the Council pursuant to Section 197-d(b)(1) of the City Charter;

WHEREAS, the Plan is subject to review and action by the Council pursuant to Section 505 of the General Municipal Law;

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WHEREAS, upon due notice, the Council held a public hearing on the Decision and the Plan on April 2, 2019;

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

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the relevant environmental issues, including the negative declaration issued on November 9, 2018 (CEQR No. 18HPD104K) (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.

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 the report, C 190163 HUK, incorporated by reference herein, and the record before the Council, the Council approves the Decision.

The Council finds that the Area is a substandard or insanitary area, or is in danger of becoming a substandard or insanitary area, and tends to impair or arrest the sound growth and development of the municipality.

The Council finds that the financial aid to be provided to the municipality is necessary to enable the project to be undertaken in accordance with the Plan.

The Council finds that the Plan affords maximum opportunity to private enterprise, consistent with the sound needs of the municipality as a whole, for the undertaking of an urban renewal program.

The Council finds that the Plan conforms to a comprehensive community plan for the development of the municipality as a whole.

The Council finds that there is a feasible method for the relocation of families and individuals displaced from the Area into decent, safe and sanitary dwellings, which are or will be provided in the Area or in other areas not generally less desirable in regard to public utilities and public and commercial facilities, at rents or prices within the financial means of such families or individuals, and reasonably accessible to their places of employment.

The Council finds that the undertaking and carrying out of the urban renewal activities in stages is in the best public interest and will not cause an additional or increased hardship, to the residents of the Area.

The Council approves the designation of the Area pursuant to Section 504 of the General Municipal Law.

The Council approves the amendment of the Plan pursuant to Section 505 of the General Municipal Law and Section 197-d of the Charter.

Adopted.

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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 8, 2019, on file in this office.

City Clerk, Clerk of The Council