



CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

July 25, 2007/Calendar No. 20

C 070350 PPM

IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services and the Department of Small Business Services, pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the disposition of city-owned property located under the FDR Drive and Piers 15 and 35, Community Districts 1 and 3, Borough of Manhattan.

The application for the disposition of city-owned property was filed by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services and the Department of Small Business Services on February 14, 2007, to facilitate development of property located under the FDR Drive and Piers 15 and 35.

RELATED ACTION

In addition to disposition of city-owned property which is the subject of this report, implementation of the proposed development also requires action by the City Planning Commission on the following application which is being considered concurrently with this application:

C 070349 PSM Site Selection

BACKGROUND

A full background discussion and description of this application appears in the report on the related application for site selection of property (C 070349 PSM).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This application (C 070350 PPM), in conjunction with the applications for the related action (C 070349 PSM), was reviewed pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and the SEQRA regulations set forth in Volume 6 of the

New York Code of Rules and Regulations, Section 617.00 et seq. And the City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) Rules of Procedure of 1991 and Executive Order No. 91 of 1977. The designated CEQR number is 07LMD001. The lead agency is the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation.

A summary of the environmental review and the Final Environmental Impact Statement appears in the report on the related application for an amendment of the Zoning Map (C 070349 PSM).

UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW

This application (C 070350 PPM) in conjunction with the applications for the related action (C 070349 PSM) was certified as complete by the Department of City Planning on February 26, 2007, and was duly referred to Community Board 1, Community Board 3, the Borough Board, and the Manhattan Borough President, in accordance with Title 62 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-02(b).

Community Board Public Hearing

A summary of the Community Boards recommendations appears in the report on the related application for site selection (C 070349 PSM).

Borough President Recommendation

This application was considered by the Borough President, who issued a recommendation May 29, 2007, approving the application as described in the report on the related application for site selection (C 070349 PSM).

Borough Board Recommendation

This application was considered by the Borough Board who issued a recommendation on May 29, 2007, approving the application as described in the report on the related application for site selection (C 070349 PSM).

City Planning Commission Public Hearing

On May 23, 2007, (Calendar No. 15) the City Planning Commission scheduled, June 6, 2007, for a public hearing on this application (C 070350 PPM). The hearing was duly held on June 6, 2007 (Calendar No. 27) in conjunction with the applications for the related action (C 070349 PSM), Calendar No. 26.

There were 3 speakers in favor of the application and no speakers in opposition, as described in the report on the related application for site selection (C 070349 PSM), and the hearing was closed.

Waterfront Revitalization Program Consistency Review

This application (C 070350 PPM), in conjunction with the applications for the related actions (C 070349 PSM), was reviewed by the Department of City Planning for consistency with the policies of the New York City Waterfront Revitalization Program (WRP), as amended, approved by the New York City Council on October 13, 1999 and by the New York State Department of State on May 28, 2002, pursuant to the New York State Waterfront Revitalization and Coastal Resources Act of 1981 (New York State Executive Law, Section 910 et seq.). The designated WRP number is 07-010.

This action was determined to be consistent with the policies of the New York City Waterfront Revitalization Program.

CONSIDERATION

The Commission believes that the disposition of city-owned property is appropriate.

A full consideration of the issues, and the reasons for approving this application, appear in the report on the related application for site selection (C 070349 PSM).

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that having considered the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), for which a Notice of Completion was issued on September 14, 2006, with respect to this application (CEQR No. 07LMD001), the City Planning Commission finds that the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and Regulations have been met and that, consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations:

1. 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; and
2. The adverse environmental impacts revealed in the FEIS will be minimized or avoided to the maximum extent practicable by incorporating as conditions to the approval those mitigative measures that were identified as practicable.

The report of the City Planning Commission, together with the FEIS, constitutes the written statement of facts and of social, economic and other factors and standards that form the basis of the decision, pursuant to Section 617.11(d) of the SEQRA regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission, in its capacity as the City Coastal Commission, has reviewed the waterfront aspects of this application and finds that the proposed action is consistent with WRP policies; and be it further

RESOLVED, by the City Planning Commission, pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, that the disposition of city-owned properties located under the FDR Drive and Pier 15 and 35, Community District 1 and 3, Borough of Manhattan, proposed in an application by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services and the Department of Small Business Services, dated February 14, 2007, is approved.

The above resolution (C 070350 PPM), duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on July 25, 2007 (Calendar No. 20), is filed with the Office of the Speaker, City Council, and the Borough President in accordance with the requirements of Section 197-d of the New York City Charter.

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