CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

January 21, 2009/Calendar No. 11

N 090245 PXK

IN THE MATTER OF a Notice of Intent to acquire office space submitted by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services, pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter for use of property located at 1 Metro Tech Center (Block 147, Lot 4) (Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department's Mental Hygiene Legal Services), Community District 2, Borough of Brooklyn.

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2008, the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS) submitted a Notice of Intent to acquire office space pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter for the use of space located at 1 Metro Tech Center (Block 147, Lot 4), Community District 2, Borough of Brooklyn, which is intended for use as offices by the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department's Mental Hygiene Legal Services; and

WHEREAS, this application (N 090245 PXK) 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 <u>et seq.</u> and the New York City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) Rules of Procedure of 1991 and Executive Order 91 of 1977. This application was determined to be a Type II action which requires no further environmental review; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent was referred by the Department of City Planning to Brooklyn Community Board 2 and to all Borough Presidents pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Brooklyn Community Board 2 has not submitted a recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough President of Brooklyn has not submitted a recommendation; and

WHEREAS, no recommendations were received from other Borough Presidents; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission held a public hearing on the application on January 7, 2009 (Calendar No. 27); and

WHEREAS, there were no speakers present; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was closed; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission, in reviewing the proposed location of office space has considered the following criteria of Article 7 of the Criteria for the Location of City Facilities as adopted by the City Planning Commission on December 3, 1990 pursuant to Section 203 (a) of the New York City Charter:

a) **Suitability of the site to provide cost-effective operations.** The space will be utilized by staff of the Mental Hygiene Legal Services. It is currently vacant, of sufficient size and will be appropriately built-out for the specific needs of the staff. The space will comply with the provisions of the American With Disabilities Act.

b) **Suitability of the site for operational efficiency.** 1 Metro Tech Center is located in a C6-1A zoning district within the Special Downtown Brooklyn District. . Public transportation is excellent, with the 2, 3, 4, 5, A, C, D, F, G, M, R, and Q subway all within walking distance of 1 Metro Tech Center. Numerous bus lines are also within walking distance from the site. Additionally, the location provides easy vehicular access to the Brooklyn Bridge, Manhattan Bridge and the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway.

c) Consistency with locational and other specific criteria for the facility stated in the Statement of Needs. The facility was not listed in the <u>Citywide Statement of Needs</u>.However, the facility meets the criteria established for the siting, such as access to public transportation and major thoroughfares, and proximity to the area to be served.

 d) Whether the facility can be located so as to support development and revitalization of the city's regional business districts without constraining operational efficiency. The proposed space is located within the city's regional business district. **WHEREAS,** the Commission has determined that the application warrants approval and therefore adopts the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the City Planning Commission that the Notice of Intent to acquire office space submitted by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services on December 23, 2008 for use of property located at 1 Metro Tech Center (Block 147, Lot 4). Community District 2, Borough of Brooklyn, is hereby **APPROVED**.

The above resolution, duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on January 21, 2009 (Calendar No. 11), is filed with the Office of the Speaker, City Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 195 of the New York City Charter.

AMANDA M. BURDEN, AICP, Chair KENNETH J. KNUCKLES, Esq., Vice-Chairman ANGELA M. BATTAGLIA, IRWIN G. CANTOR, P.E. ANGELA R. CAVALUZZI, A.I.A., ALFRED C. CERULLO, III, BETTY Y. CHEN, MARIA M. DEL TORO, RICHARD W. EADDY, NATHAN LEVENTHAL, SHIRLEY A. MCRAE, JOHN MEROLO, Commissioners