October 23, 2013/Calendar No.8

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 510 Gates Avenue (Block 1814, Lot 23), (New York City Department of Probation Offices) Community District 3, Borough of Brooklyn.

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2013 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 510 Gates Avenue (Block 1814, Lot 23), Community District 3, Borough of Brooklyn, which is intended for use as an office by the New York City Department of Probation (DOP); and

WHEREAS, this application (N 140094 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 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 14DME002K. The lead agency is the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development.

After a study of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action, a Negative Declaration was issued on July 24, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent was referred by the Department of City Planning to Brooklyn Community Board 3 and to all Borough Presidents pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Brooklyn Community Board 3 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 October 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a representative from the Department of Probation spoke in favor of the application; and

WHEREAS, there were no other speakers and 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 proposed facility at 510 Gates Avenue is of sufficient size and will be appropriately renovated for cost-effective operations. The space will require minimal work to make it suitable for the Department of Probation's needs. When the renovation work is complete, the facility will be fully handicapped accessible.

b) **Suitability of the site for operational efficiency.** The site is suitable for operational efficiency due to its central location for providing services to residents of Bedford-Stuyvesant. The proposed site is accessible by subway, bus and private vehicles. The A and C subway lines stop about eight blocks away at both the Nostrand and Kingston Avenue stations. The G subway line station at Bedford Avenue is also within walking distance. Additionally, the B52 bus runs along Gates Avenue and the B43 and B44 lines are less than two blocks away. There is no parking as part of the lease but there is some available on-street parking.

c) Consistency with locational and other specific criteria for the facility stated in the Statement of Needs. The facility was not listed in the Citywide Statement of Needs but does fulfill DOP's siting criteria of being within the targeted community and near surface and rail public transportation.

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 site is not located within a 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 September 25, 2013, for use of property located at 510 Gates Avenue (Block 1814, Lot 23), (New York City Department of Probation Offices) Community District 3, Borough of Brooklyn, is hereby **APPROVED**.

The above resolution, duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on October 23, 2013 (Calendar No. 8), 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, FAICP, Chair KENNETH J. KNUCKLES, Esq., Vice-Chairman ANGELA M. BATTAGLIA, RAYANN BESSER, IRWIN G. CANTOR, P.E., ALFRED C. CERULLO, III, BETTY Y. CHEN, MICHELLE R. DE LA UZ, JOSEPH DOUEK, RICHARD W. EADDY, ANNA HAYES LEVIN, ORLANDO MARIN, Commissioners