CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

March 16, 2011, Calendar No. 9

IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, 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 elimination, discontinuance and closing of 162nd Street between 86th Avenue and Glenn Avenue; and
- the modification of grades necessitated thereby,

including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in Community District 8, Borough of Queens, in accordance with Map No. 5011, dated July 9, 2010 and signed by the Borough President.

The application (C 100228 MMQ) for an amendment to the City Map involving the elimination, discontinuance and closing of 162nd Street between 86th Avenue and Glenn Avenue, and the modification of grades necessitated thereby, was filed by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development on January 25, 2010, to facilitate the disposition of a City-owned residential property in the Briarwood area of Queens.

RELATED ACTION

In addition to the proposed amendment to the City Map, which is the subject of this report, implementation of the proposed project also requires action by the City Planning Commission on the following application which is being considered concurrently with this application:

C 100229 HAQ Urban Development Action Area designation and Project approval (UDAAP), and disposition of City-owned property

BACKGROUND

A full background description and discussion of this application appears in the report on the related UDAAP application (C 100229 HAQ).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This application (C 100228 MMQ), in conjunction with the application for the related action (C 100229 HAQ), 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 09HPD029Q. The lead agency is the Department of Housing Preservation and Development. After a study of the potential environmental impact of the proposed action, a Negative Declaration was issued on August 26, 2009.

UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW

This application (C 100228 MMQ), in conjunction with the application for the related action (C 100229 HAQ), was certified as complete by the Department of City Planning on November 15, 2010, and was duly referred to Community Board 8 and the Borough President of Queens in accordance with Title 62 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-02(b).

COMMUNITY BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

Community Board 8 held a public hearing on this application (C 100228 MMQ), in conjunction with the application for the related action (C 100229 HAQ), on December 14, 2010, and on that day, by a vote of 33 to 3, with 0 abstentions, adopted a resolution recommending approval of the application with the condition that [HPD] transfers the triangular portion of the street to [the] affected adjoining property owner for the nominal fee of \$1."

BOROUGH PRESIDENT RECOMMENDATION

The Borough President did not submit a recommendation on this application (C 100228 MMQ).

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

On, January 26, 2011 (Calendar No. 9), the City Planning Commission scheduled February 16, 2011 for a public hearing on this application (C 100228 MMQ). The public hearing was duly held on February 16, 2011 (Calendar No. 31), in conjunction with the public hearing for the related application (C 100229 HAQ).

There were a number of speakers as described in the report on the related UDAAP application (C 100229 HAQ), and the hearing was closed.

CONSIDERATION

The City Planning Commission believes that this amendment to the City Map is appropriate.

A full consideration of the issues and reasons for approving this application appears in the report on the related UDAAP application (C 100229 HAQ).

RESOLUTION

Therefore, the City Planning Commission, deeming the proposed amendment to the City Map and any related acquisition or disposition to be appropriate, adopts the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission finds that the action described herein will have no significant impact on the environment; and be it further

RESOLVED, by the City Planning Commission, 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, that based on the environmental determination and the consideration described in this report, the application (C 100228 MMQ) for the amendment to the City Map involving:

- the elimination, discontinuance and closing of 162nd Street between 86th Avenue and Glenn Avenue; and
- the modification of grades necessitated thereby,

including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in Community District 8, Borough of Queens, in accordance with Map No. 5011, dated July 9, 2010 and signed by the Borough President, is approved; and be it further

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 5-432 of the New York City Administrative Code, the City Planning Commission determines that "such closing or discontinuance will further the health, safety, pedestrian or vehicular circulation, housing, economic development or general **RESOLVED** that, pursuant to Section 5-433 of the New York City Administrative Code, the City Planning Commission adopts the legally required number of counterparts of Map No. 5011, dated July 9, 2010, providing for the discontinuance and closing of 162nd Street between 86th Avenue and Glenn Avenue, more particularly described as follows:

Starting at a **Point of Beginning**, located by traversing the following two courses from the southwesterly corner of the intersection of 164th Street and 86th Avenue: running 206.90 feet southwesterly along the westerly line of 86th Avenue to a point; thence running 113.89 feet southerly along the westerly line of 86th Avenue, which line forms an angle of 203 degrees, 55 minutes, and 20 seconds on the west with the last mentioned course, to the **Point of Beginning**, as said streets are shown on Map No. 5011, dated July 9, 2010;

- Thence running 101.09 feet northwesterly, along a line forming an angle of 66 degrees,
 4 minutes, and 40 seconds on the north with the last mentioned course, to a point;
- 2. Thence running 65.64 feet southerly, along a line forming an interior angle of 66 degrees, 4 minutes and 40 seconds with the last mentioned course, to a point;
- Thence running 101.09 feet southeasterly, along a line forming an interior angle of 113 degrees, 55 minutes, and 20 seconds with the last mentioned course, to a point on the westerly line of 86th Street;
- Thence running 65.64 feet northerly, along a line forming an interior angle of 66 degrees, 4 minutes and 40 seconds with the last mentioned course, to the Point of Beginning.

Said area consists of 6065.4 square feet (0.14 acre), more or less.

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. 5011 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;

b. The subject street 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.

The above resolution (C 100228 MMQ), duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on March 16, 2011 (Calendar No. 9), 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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