



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 188 West 230th Street (Block 3264, Lot 104) (Taxi and Limousine Commission office), Borough of the Bronx, Community District 8.

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2018, 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 use of space located at 188 West 230th Street (Block 3264, Lot 104) Community District 8, Bronx, which is intended for use as office space by the Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC); and

WHEREAS, this application was reviewed pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and the SEQRA requirements set forth in Volume 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations, Section 617.00 et seq. and the New York City Environmental Quality Review 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 Bronx Community Board 8 and to all Borough Presidents pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Bronx Community Board 8 has not submitted a recommendation on this matter; and

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

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

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2018 the City Planning Commission duly advertised February 28, 2018 for a public hearing on this application (N 180239 PXX); and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission held a public hearing on the application on February 28, 2018 (Calendar No. 24); and

WHEREAS, one speaker, a representative from the TLC, spoke in favor of the application. He described the project to the Commission and stated that the TLC had taken into consideration the accommodation of the employees moving from the Queens location to the proposed location at 188 West 230th Street in the Bronx. For example, staff residing the furthest away from the proposed location might be assigned to work in a nearby borough.

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 for the TLC has considered the following criteria of Article 7 of the Criteria for the Location of City Facilities as adopted by the City planning Commission of December 1990 pursuant to Section 203 (a) of the New York City Charter:

7.1a Suitability of the Site to Provide Cost Effective Operations

The proposed space at 188 West 230th Street is of sufficient size to meet the needs of TLC. The space is currently vacant and in unbuilt condition, and will require renovations to make it suitable for the agency's needs. Additionally, the site is fully Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant.

7.1b Suitability of Site for Operational Efficiency

The 188 West 230th Street office building has good access to public transportation. The No. 1 train subway line is within two blocks of the building with a station on Broadway.

The site is also only a block from the Bx1 bus line on 231st Street. Several Bronx bus lines run within walking distance from the building as well.

7.1c Consistency with the Locational and Other Specific Criteria for the Facility Stated in the Citywide Statement of Needs

The proposed relocation was not included in the Citywide Statement of Needs. However, the siting criteria used here, such as access to public transportation, sufficient conference and hearing rooms and ADA accessibility, conform to the criteria used in the Citywide Statement of Needs.

7.1d Whether the Facility can be Located so as to Support Development and Revitalization of the City's Regional Business Districts

188 West 230th Street is not located in one of the City's regional business districts. However, the location and parking fulfills the needs of the TLC.

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 February 15, 2018 pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City charter for use of property located at 188 West 230th Street (Block 3264, Lot 104), as office space (Taxi and Limousine Commission offices), Borough of the Bronx, Community District 8, is hereby **APPROVED**.

The above resolution is duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on March 12, 2018 (Calendar No. 1), is filed with the Office of the Speaker, City Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 195 of the New York City Charter.

MARISA LAGO, *Chair*

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