



IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development, pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the acquisition of property located at 437 West 126th Street (Block 1967, Lot 5) for use as an open landscaped walkway, Borough of Manhattan, Community District 9.

This application for the acquisition of property was filed on September 27, 2018 by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), in conjunction with the related action, to facilitate the development of an open landscaped walkway. The property to be acquired is located at 437 West 126th Street (Block 1967, Lot 5), within Manhattan Community District 9.

RELATED ACTION

In addition to the application for the acquisition of property, which is the subject of this report (C 190127 HAM), implementation of the proposed development also requires action by the City Planning Commission on the following application which is being considered with this application:

C 190128 HAM: Urban Development Action Area designation and project approval, and disposition of city-owned property

BACKGROUND

A full background discussion and description of this application appears in the report for the related action (C 190128 HAM).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This application (C 190127 PQM), in conjunction with the related action (C 190128 HAM) 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 Rules of Procedure of 1991 and

Executive Order No. 91 of 1977. The lead agency is the Department of Housing Preservation and Development. This application was determined to be a Type II action, which requires no further environmental review.

UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW

This application (C 190127 PQM) was certified as complete by the Department of City Planning on December 17, 2018, and was duly referred to Manhattan Community Board 9 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

Manhattan Community Board 9 held a public hearing on this application (C 190127 PQM) on January 23, 2019, and on that date, by a vote of 18 in favor, one opposed, and no abstentions, the board adopted a resolution recommending approval of the application with conditions.

A summary of the Community Board's resolution appears in the report for the related action (C 190128 HAM).

Borough President Recommendation

This application (C 190127 PQM) was considered by the Manhattan Borough President, who on March 14, 2019 issued a recommendation to approve the application.

City Planning Commission Public Hearing

On March 13, 2019, (Calendar No. 7), the City Planning Commission scheduled March 27, 2019 for a public hearing on this application (C 190127 PQM). The hearing was duly held on March 27, 2019 (Calendar No. 31), in conjunction with the hearing on the application for the related action (C 190128 HAM). There were two speakers in favor of this application and none in opposition, as described in the report for the related action (C 190128 HAM), and the hearing was closed.

CONSIDERATION

The Commission believes that the acquisition of property located at 437 West 126th Street (Block 1967, Lot 5) for use as an open landscaped walkway is appropriate.

A full consideration and analysis of the issues and the reasons for approving this application appear in the related report for the related action (C 190128 HAM).

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 of the New York City Charter, that this application submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the acquisition of property located at 437 West 126th Street (Block 1967, Lot 5) for use as an open landscaped walkway, is approved.

The above resolution (C 190127 PQM), duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on May 8, 2019 (Calendar No. 6) 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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