

Queens Borough President Recommendation

APPLICATION: ULURP #190396 PCQ

COMMUNITY BOARD: Q10 & Q14

DOCKET DESCRIPTION

IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), and the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS), pursuant to Section 197-c of the NYC Charter, for the site selection of properties located at:

Bayview Avenue & Broadway (Block 14225, Lots 178 & 180), 25 Bayview Avenue (Block 14225, Lot 209), Bayview Avenue & Broadway (Block 14228, Lot 210), 145 Broadway (Block 14228, Lot 771) 160-69 Broadway (Block 14234, Lot 500), 66 Broadway (Block 14234, Lot 505), 4 Bridge Street (Block 14234, Lot 537) 25 102 Street (Block 14234, Lot 538) 2 Bridge Street (Block 14234, Lot 539), 7 Bridge Street (Block 14234, Lot 574), Broadway & 102 Street (Block 14234, Lots 580, 584 & 588), 75 Broadway (Block 14234, Lot 586), 73 Broadway (Block 14234, Lot 587) for a marsh restoration project;

592 Beach 43 Street (Block 15961, Lot 102), 596 Beach 43 Street (Block 15961, Lot 103), 598 Beach 43 Street (Block 15961, Lot 104) for a recreational use area;

455 Beach 37 Street (Block 15954, Lot 54) for an expansion to Bayswater Park: and

74-16 Hillmeyer Avenue (Block 16061, Lot 33) for an expansion of the Brant Point Wildlife Sanctuary. (Related ULURP Nos. 190397 PQQ, 190398 PPQ)

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held in the Borough President's Conference Room at 120-55 Queens Boulevard on Thursday, July 11, 2019, at 10:30 A.M. pursuant to Section 82(5) of the New York City Charter and was duly advertised in the manner specified in Section 197-c (i) of the New York City Charter. The applicant made a presentation. There was one other speaker. The hearing was closed.

CONSIDERATION

Subsequent to a review of the application and consideration of testimony received at the public hearing, the following issues and impacts have been identified:

- This application proposes site selection of the listed properties that will be assigned to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). DPR will use the properties for the creation of new park areas and for addition to existing parks;
- Following Hurricane Sandy in 2012, federal Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) funding was secured by the city to facilitate the City's Build It Back Acquisition, Relocation and Buyout Program. Many properties were restored for residential use. The remaining properties subject to this application have been identified for open space uses because redevelopment would not be feasible or would be better used for flood mitigation;
- Community Board 10 (CB 10) conditionally approved this application by a vote of thirty-seven (37) in favor with none (0) against or abstaining at a public hearing held on June 6, 2019. CB 10's condition of approval is that all properties to be leased or sold to adjoining lot owners or assigned to city agencies must have an agreement mandating maintenance of the property and the abutting sidewalks, curbs and paving;
- Community Board 14 (CB 14) conditionally approved this application and the related applications for acquisition and disposition of storm damaged properties. CB 14's condition of approval was further discussion with HPD regarding seven properties designated for the Housing Managed Redevelopment. CB 14's concerns are about process, the AMI range and availability to the general public of the public auction.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the above consideration, I hereby recommend approval of this application with the condition that these properties are always well kept and properly maintained.



PRESIDENT, BOROUGH OF QUEENS

8/27/19

DATE