



**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 400 Liberty Avenue (Block 3705, Lot 16), Community District 5, Borough of Brooklyn. (DOP Offices)

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**WHEREAS**, on January 9, 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 400 Liberty Avenue (Block 3705, Lot 16), Community District 5, 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 130163 PXX) 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 New York City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) 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 Brooklyn Community Board 5 and to all Borough Presidents pursuant to Section 195 of the New York City Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, Brooklyn Community Board 5 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 January 23, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives from DOP spoke in favor of the application; and

**WHEREAS**, 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 400 Liberty Avenue is of sufficient size and will provide modern office facilities for DOP's offices. The space is in good condition and does not require an office build-out to make it suitable for DOP's needs. Additionally, the site is fully ADA Compliant.

b) **Suitability of the site for operational efficiency.** The proposed site is well served by public transportation, with the C subway line within a block of the site. Three bus lines serve the immediate area. The location also provides easy vehicular access to Pennsylvania Avenue and Atlantic Avenue, two major arterial roads.

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. However, the siting criteria used here, such as public transit, sufficient office and meeting rooms, and handicapped accessibility, conform to the criteria used in the Citywide Statement of Needs for similar facilities.

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 space is not located within a regional business district, however it is well located to serve DOP's anticipated clients who would be living in the surrounding area of East New York.

**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 January 9, 2013, for use of property located at 400 Liberty Avenue (Block 3705, Lot 16), Community District 5, Borough of Brooklyn, is hereby **APPROVED**.

The above resolution, duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on February 6, 2013 (Calendar No. 6), is filed with the Office of the Speaker, City Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 195 of the New York City Charter.

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