October 6, 2021 / Calendar No. 15

C 180039 MMK

**IN THE MATTER OF** an application submitted by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection and The New York City Department of Citywide Administrative Services, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 199 of the New York City Charter for an amendment to the City Map involving:

- 1) the elimination of Douglass Street between Nevins Street and the Gowanus Canal;
- 2) the adjustment of grades and block dimensions necessitated thereby;

including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in accordance with Map No. N-2752 dated July 2, 2019 and signed by the Borough President.

This application for a city map amendment by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was filed on August 1, 2017. This application, in conjunction with the related site section and acquisition ( C 200319 PCK), site selection (C 200321 PSK) and city map amendment (C 180320 MMK), would facilitate the construction of combined sewer overflow (CSO) control facilities and the onsite relocation of a DSNY salt and equipment storage facility in the Gowanus neighborhood of Brooklyn, Community District 6.

# **RELATED ACTIONS**

In addition to the City Map amendment (C 180039 MMK) that is the subject of this report, implementation of the plan also requires action by the City Planning Commission (CPC) on the following applications, which are being considered concurrently with this application:

C 200319 PCK

Site selection and acquisition of real property by the City for salt and equipment storage, environmental education activities and additional space as needed for the CSO control facility.

C 200320 MMK City map amendment for the elimination of Fifth Street between Second

Avenue and the Gowanus Canal.

C 200321 PSK Site selection of real property by the City to facilitate new CSO

infrastructure.

### **BACKGROUND**

A full background discussion and description of this application appears in the report for the related site selection and acquisition action (C 200319 PCK).

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This application (C 180039 MMK), in conjunction with the related applications (C 200319 PCK, C 200321 PSK and C 200320 MMK), 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 lead agency is DEP. The designated CEQR number is 17DEP040K.

A summary of the environmental review appears in the report on the related application for a site selection and acquisition (C 200319 PCK).

# **UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW**

On May 3, 2021, this application (C 180039 MMK) and related applications (C 200319 PCK, C 200321 PSK and C 200320 MMK) were certified as complete by the Department of City Planning and were duly referred to Community Board 6 and the Brooklyn Borough President, in

accordance with Title 62 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-02(b).

# **Community Board Public Hearing**

Brooklyn Community Board 6 held a public hearing on this application (C 180039 MMK) and the related applications (C 200319 PCK, C 200321 PSK and C 200320 MMK) on June 24, 2021 and, on July 6, 2021, by a vote of 14 in favor, one opposed and two abstaining, adopted a resolution recommending approval of the application with conditions.

A summary of the Community Board's recommendations appears in the report for the related site selection and acquisition action (C 200319 PCK).

# **Borough President Recommendation**

The Brooklyn Borough President held a public hearing on this application (C 180039 MMK) and the related applications (C 200319 PCK, C 200321 PSK and C 180320 MMK) on July 7, 2021.

On August 12, 2021, The Brooklyn Borough President issued a conditional approval of the application.

A summary of the Borough President's recommendations appears in the report for the related site selection and acquisition action (C 200319 PCK).

## **City Planning Commission Public Hearing**

On July 28, 2021 (Calendar No. 13), the City Planning Commission scheduled August 28, 2021, for a public hearing on this application (C 180039 MMK) and related actions. The hearing was duly held on August 18, 2021 (Calendar No. 57) in conjunction with the public hearing on the applications for related actions.

There were 13 speakers in favor and none in opposition, as described in the report for the related site selection and acquisition action (C 200319 PCK), and the hearing was closed.

### WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM CONSISTENCY REVIEW

This application (C 180039 MMK) was reviewed by the City Coastal Commission for consistency with the policies of the New York City Waterfront Revitalization Program (WRP), as amended, approved by the New York City Council on October 30, 2013 and by the New York State Department of State on February 3, 2016, pursuant to the New York State Waterfront Revitalization and Coastal Resources Act of 1981 (New York State Executive Law, Section 910 *et seq.*). The designated WRP number is 16-194. This action was determined to be consistent with the policies of the New York City Waterfront Revitalization Program.

### CONSIDERATION

The Commission believes that this application for a City Map amendment (C 180039 MMK), in conjunction with the related applications (C 200320 ZMK, C 200319 PCK and C 200321 PSK), is appropriate. A full consideration and analysis of the issues and the reasons for approving the application appear in the report for the related site selection and acquisition action (C 200319 PCK).

## RESOLUTION

Therefore, the City Planning Commission, deeming the proposed amendment to the City Map and to be appropriate, adopts the following resolution:

**RESOLVED,** that having considered the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), for which a Notice of Completion was issued on February 1, 2018, with respect to this application (CEQR No. 17DEP040K), the City Planning Commission finds that the requirements of the New

York State Environmental Quality Review Act and Regulations have been met and that:

- 1. Consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations from among the reasonable alternatives available, the action is one which avoids or minimizes adverse environmental impacts to the maximum extent practicable; and
- 2. The adverse environmental impacts disclosed in the FEIS will be minimized or avoided to the maximum extent practicable by incorporating as conditions to the approval those project components related to the environment and mitigation measures that were identified as practicable.

The report of the City Planning Commission, together with the FEIS, constitutes the written statement of facts, and of social, economic and other factors and standards, that form the basis of the decision, pursuant to Section 617.11(d) of the SEQRA regulations; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** by the City Planning Commission, pursuant to Section 197-c and 199 of the New York City Charter, that based on the environmental determination and the consideration described in this report, the application (C 180039 MMK), for an amendment to the City Map involving:

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including authorization for any acquisition or disposition of real property related thereto, in accordance with Map No. N-2752 dated July 2, 2019 and signed by the Borough President.

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. N-2752 dated July 2, 2019 are filed with the appropriate agencies in accordance with Section 198 subsection c of the New York City Charter.

The above resolution (C 180039 MMK), duly adopted by the City Planning Commission on October 6, 2021 (Calendar No. 15), 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.

ANITA LAREMONT, Chair KENNETH J. KNUCKLES, ESQ., Vice Chairman DAVID J. BURNEY, ALFRED C. CERULLO III, JOSEPH I. DOUEK, RICHARD W. EADDY HOPE KNIGHT, ANNA HAYES LEVIN, LARISA ORTIZ, RAJ RAMPERSHAD, Commissioners

