East New York Commitments

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

APPLICATION #: EAST NEW YORK REZONING- 160035 ZMK/ 160036 ZRK/ 160037 HUK/ 160042 HDK/ 160050 ZRK

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Reporting			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Issue annual progress reports on local affordable housing development and preservation	HPD	N/A	2017-ongoing
Publish demographic and housing analyses to evaluate neighborhood change and determine whether policy changes are needed	HPD	N/A	2019-ongoing
Preserve Affordable Housing			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Launch Community Retrofit NYC to boost participation in the Green Housing Preservation Program	MOS/ HPD	N/A	2016-2019
Finance the rehabilitation of existing housing to preserve affordability	HPD	N/A	Ongoing
Continue to identify and remediate housing quality issues	HPD	N/A	Ongoing
Build New Affordable Housing			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
HPD will only finance buildings that are 100% affordable and target low and extremely low incomes	HPD	N/A	2016-2024
 Break ground on 1,200 units of affordable housing. Possible sites include: Phipps Site (formerly Chloe Foods) Dinsmore-Chestnut Christopher-Glenmore NIHOP and NCP clusters 	HPD	N/A	2016-2018
Study the feasibility of affordable housing development on the Grant Avenue municipal parking lot	DOT/HPD	N/A	2016-2017
Support Homeowners			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Market loans and grant-funding to ENY low-income homeowners for critical repairs	HPD	N/A	2016-ongoing
Launch an ENY Homeowner Helpdesk to connect homeowners to free financial and legal counseling	HPD	\$250K**	2016-2017
Study the feasibility of a basement legalization pilot program	HPD/City Hall	\$12MM**	2016-ongoing
Support local organizations in effort to establish a cease and desist zone to protect homeowners from unwanted solicitation	City Hall/ HPD	N/A	2016-ongoing
Provide Permanent Stable Housing			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Transition Hector's Court shelter and shelter units at 1801 Pitkin Ave and 247 Vernon Ave out of operation	HRA	N/A	FY16-FY17*
Dedicate rental assistance to help move 500 families out of shelters and into stable, affordable housing	HRA/HPD	N/A	2016-ongoing
Protect Tenants			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Continue to provide free legal representation to tenants experiencing harassment	HRA/HPD	N/A	2015-ongoing
Continue to proactively engage tenants to report housing quality issues	PEU-TSU	N/A	2015-ongoing

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Strengthen Commercial Corridors			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Conduct a commercial district needs assessment of ENY retail corridors	SBS	N/A	2016
Award competitive funding to nonprofits for commercial revitalization services	SBS	\$300K**	2016-2020
Complete streetscape enhancement projects along commercial corridors	Various	\$500K	2016-ongoing

Industrial Business Development			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Renovate the city-owned industrial buildings to create modern industrial space for 6 industrial companies	EDC	\$6MM	2016-2019
Improve connectivity and streetscape in and around the Industrial Business Zone (IBZ)	DOT/EDC	\$8.2MM	2017-2020
Select IBZ service provider to help IBZ businesses access incentives and navigate government	SBS	N/A	2016
Work with East Brooklyn BID to create a digital marketing campaign to promote IBZ businesses and real estate	EDC	N/A	2016-2017
Bring affordable high-speed broadband to businesses in the IBZ	EDC/ DOITT	\$2.5MM	2017-2020
Assist IBZ businesses and property owners to adopt solar energy	EDC	N/A	2016-ongoing
Conduct a land use study of the IBZ to identify opportunities to densify industrial uses along key corridors	EDC/DCP	N/A	2017-2018
Improve the public realm through expanded area-wide maintenance for the IBZ and the installation of banners	EDC	N/A	2016-ongoing
Work with local partners to develop new industrial space	EDC	N/A	2016-ongoing
Activate publicly-owned sites with job generating uses through strategic property dispositions	EDC	N/A	2016-ongoing

Support Small Businesses			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Launch an East New York-based business training course	SBS	N/A	2016-ongoing
Pilot a Neighborhood Retail Preservation program requiring subsidized new development to include discounted space for local businesses	HPD/SBS	N/A	2016-ongoing
Provide support to small businesses with commericial lease negotiations	SBS	N/A	2016-ongoing
Expand opportunities for Minority and Women-owned Businesses (M/WBEs) in the Affordable Housing Development Industry	HPD	N/A	2016-ongoing
Increase bidding opportunities for local IBZ businesses in upcoming local real estate projects	EDC	N/A	2016-ongoing

Training & Jobs			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Establish a Workforce1 Career Center in ENY	SBS	N/A	2016
Expand local hiring incentives in HPD-financed developments	HPD	N/A	2016-ongoing

Broadway Junction			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Conduct a study to identify opportunities to bring regional-scale uses to Broadway Junction	DCP/EDC	N/A	2017-2020

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

School & Childcare Capacity			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Make improvements to existing school facilities	SCA	\$17.45MM	2016-2020
Build a new 1,000 seat school	SCA	\$98MM	2017-2020
Support the construction of a new child care center in ENY	City Hall/ ACS	\$2.8MM	FY17*

More & Improved Open Space			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Make improvements to Highland Park with new play equipment, pathways, picnic	DPR	\$13.1MM	Lower playground 2016–2019
tables, and landscaping	DFR		Upper Highland Park 2018 start
Convert an asphalt area of City Line Park into a new green recreational space	DPR	\$5.2MM	2016-2019
Renovate Callahan-Kelly Playground to provide more diverse recreational options	DPR	\$18.1MM	FY17-FY20*
Open new Schoolyards to Playgrounds sites at PS 677 and PS 345; Resurface and install new playground equipment at PS 345	DPR/DOE/ SCA	\$1.3MM	2017-2018
Upgrade handball and basketball courts at Sperandeo Brothers Playground	DPR	\$400K	2016-2017
Make upgrades to the playground at NYCHA's Fiorentino Plaza	NYCHA	\$500K	2017 start
Street & Transportation Improvements			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline

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Make Atlantic Avenue safer for pedestrians with a raised, planted median and other improvements	DOT	\$40.8MM	2016-2019
Resurface portions of Fulton Street and Ridgewood Avenue	DOT	\$412K	2016-2017

Neighborhood Resources			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Create a new community center at 127 Pennsylvania Avenue	NYPD	\$10MM	2016-2017
Bring high-speed broadband to residential areas	DOITT	\$1.7MM	2016-2019

Water Management			
Commitment	Agency	Funding	Timeline
Install new bioswales at strategic locations	DEP	\$21MM	2017-2020
Upgrade sewer infrastructure at targeted locations	DEP	\$17MM	2018-2021

*Fiscal Year (July 1-June 30)

** Denotes expense funding; all other dollar amounts represent capital funding.

Note: This tracker only includes funding amounts listed by letter from a representative designated by the mayor to the Council that relate to the East New York land use actions listed at the top of page one. Items denoted N/A may have other funding sources not specified in the original commitment letter.