

**Appendix F:
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New York City Landmarks Preservation



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The LPC is in receipt of the following chapters of the draft FEIS, dated 6/19/07: Historic Resources, Shadows, Historic Resource comments, and photos of additional potential architectural properties. The chapters are acceptable.

Determinations of the additional potential architectural properties are as follows:

1. 115-90 Ave., All Nations Apostolic Tabernacle, not eligible.
2. 89-31 161 St., S/NR eligible.
3. 162-10 Hillside Ave., Old Jamaica HS, LPC and S/NR eligible.
4. 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Queens County Superior Court, LPC and S/NR eligible.
5. 89th Ave. and 153rd St., Mary Immaculate Hospital, S/NR eligible.
6. Parsons Blvd. at 89th Ave., Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church Complex, S/NR ~~eligible~~ listed.
7. 163-08 Jamaica Ave., S/NR eligible
8. 89-60 164th St., First Presbyterian Church in Jamaica Complex, not eligible.
9. 93-05 168th St, 104th Field Artillery Armory, S/NR eligible.

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The LPC is in receipt of the, "Downtown Jamaica Redevelopment Plan, Archaeological Assessment Report Parts I and II," prepared by Dr. Celia Bergoffen and dated January 15, 2006.

The LPC concurs with Dr. Bergoffen's conclusions that B 9754 Lot 25, B 9764 L 77, 97, B 9908 L 10, B 10095 L 32, B 10107 L 73, 82, 84, 86, 130, B 10108 L 305, 348, B 10109 L 31, 44, B 10115 L 53, B 10151 L 7, and B 10156 L 17 may have the potential to contain potentially significant archaeological resources which may be impacted by this action. We also concur that B 10107 L 77, 138, 142, B 10108 L 312, 319, 316, B 10113 L 71, and B 10151 L 75 and 116 do not have such potential. We further note that B 9754 L 25 has the potential to contain human remains.

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The LPC is in receipt of the EAS of May 20, 2005. The following are architectural comments only. Archaeology comments are under separate cover.

The following properties are within the project area and are LPC designated. S/NR determinations are listed in the text:

First Reformed Church of Jamaica, 153-10 Jamaica Ave., S/NR
Rufus King House, Jamaica Ave. and 150th St., S/NR
Grace Episcopal Church and Graveyard, 155-03 Jamaica Ave., S/NR
La Casina, 90-33 160th St., S/NR
Suffolk Title and Guarantee Co. Building, 90-04 161 St.
Sidewalk Clock, 161-11 Jamaica Ave., S/NR
Loew's Valencia Theater, 165-11 Jamaica Ave.
J. Kurtz and Sons Store, 162-24 Jamaica Ave., S/NR
The Register, 161-04 Jamaica Ave., S/NR
St. Monica's Church, 94-20 160th St., S/NR
Prospect Cemetery, 159 St. at Beaver Rd., S/NR

The following property has been LPC heard and is S/NR listed:

Jamaica Savings Bank, 161-02 Jamaica Ave.

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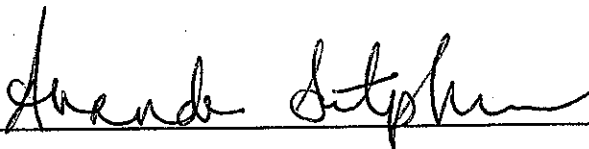
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supplement / addendum 9/8/2005, Portions of the study area appear to be disturbed by 20th century construction of building(s) on the front and rear portions of the lot(s) or to have low archeological potential. There are no further archeological concerns for these lots indicated as follows:
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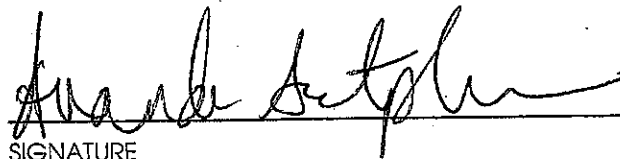
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LPC review of archaeological sensitivity models and historic maps indicates that there is potential for the recovery of remains from human burials, 19th Century and Native American occupation for the Borough, Block and Lot locations within the study area as indicated in the attached table. Accordingly, the Commission recommends that an archaeological documentary study be performed for these locations to clarify these initial findings and provide the threshold for the next level of review, if such review is necessary (see CEQR Technical Manual 2001).

Portions of the study area appear to be disturbed by 20th century construction of building(s) on the front and rear portions of the lot(s) or to have low archeological potential. There are no further archeological concerns for these lots as indicated in the attached table.

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The LPC is in receipt of Chapter 6, "Shadows", dated 1/8/07, including Figures 6-44 through 6-54, of the DEIS. Comments regarding project generated shadow impacts to Grace Episcopal Church and Graveyard, 155-03 Jamaica Ave., (LPC designated and S/NR listed) are as follows.

Based on guidance provided in the CEQR Technical Manual: 2001, Chapter E, "Shadows": section 323, "What Shadow is Attributable to the Proposed Action", page 3E-14; section 324, "Duration of the Project Shadows", page 3E-14; section 325, "Estimating the Relative Loss of Sunlight from Project Shadows", page 3E-18; and section 400, "Determining Impact Significance", page 3E-19, the LPC notes that there appears to be a potential for a significant adverse impact to the historic property as a result of the duration and incremental coverage of project generated shadows on the sun sensitive historic resource during all four analysis periods (Table 6-2) on page 6-6.

Options for mitigation, and alternatives that reduce or eliminate the impacts should be disclosed and discussed in the DEIS.

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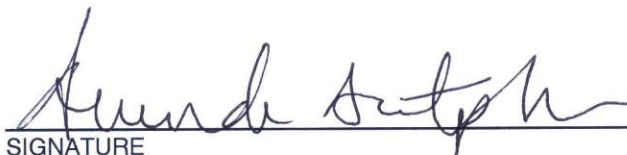
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For archaeological resources only:

The LPC is in receipt of the draft chapter 7 dated August 2, 2006. We note that although chapter 24 is referred on page 7-19, we did not receive a copy.

The LPC notes that the DCP has determined that Projected Development Sites 161, 246, and 417 and Potential Development Sites 118, 411, 416, 420, and 423 are expected to be developed with or without this action, and therefore DCP has determined that the destruction of archaeological resources on these sites would not be considered an impact. DCP has also determined that impacts to potentially significant archaeological resources in potential development sites 160, 401, 410, 463, and 475 may occur as a result of these actions, but that such impacts are unavoidable adverse impacts. These decisions are within the purview of DCP as lead agency.



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