

city of yes for Housing Opportunity

Help Campuses Add Buildings

City of Yes for Housing Opportunity is a plan to tackle our housing shortage by making it possible to build a little more housing in every neighborhood. Together, we can make our city more affordable without dramatic changes in any one community.

An important part of this plan is to make it easier for campuses to add new buildings, bringing in money for repairs, facilities, and housing.

How it works

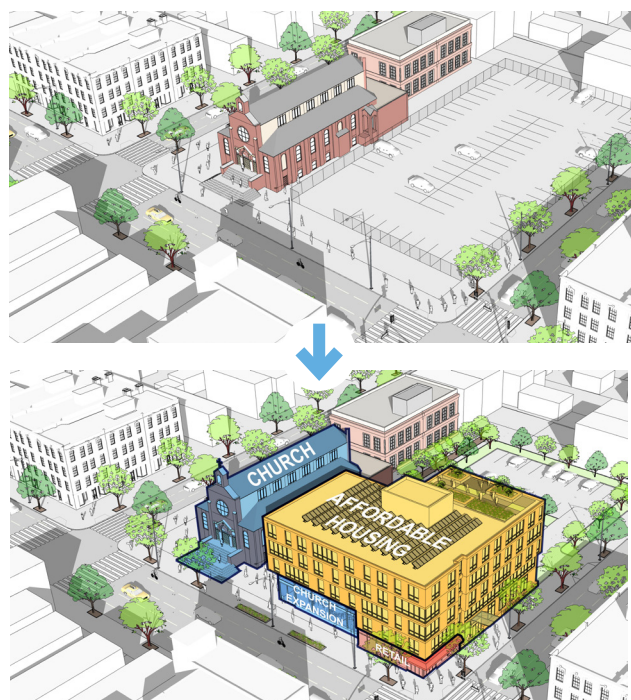
Many campuses, including churches, have underused space that they could turn into housing. That new construction can pay to fix existing buildings, breathe new life into community institutions, and help address our housing crisis.

Today, arbitrary zoning rules get in the way. If existing buildings are too tall or too far back from the street, for instance, zoning prohibits new developments on the property – even if they would comply with current height limits and other regulations.

By removing obstacles and streamlining outdated rules, City of Yes for Housing Opportunity would make it easier for campuses to add new buildings. These new buildings could bring money for repairs, new facilities, and housing!

What comes next

City of Yes for Housing Opportunity will enter public review in spring of 2024, receiving input from community boards and borough presidents before going to the City Planning Commission for a vote. If passed, it is anticipated to come for a vote before the City Council by the end of the calendar year.



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