



# SPECIAL GARMENT CENTER DISTRICT PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT

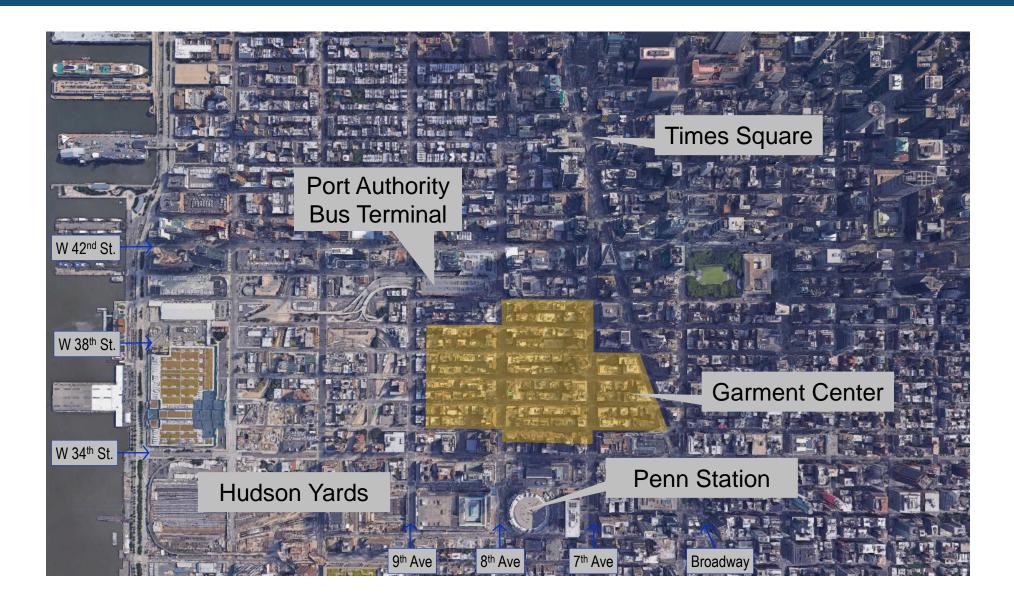
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### **Special Garment Center District**







## **Garment Center History**

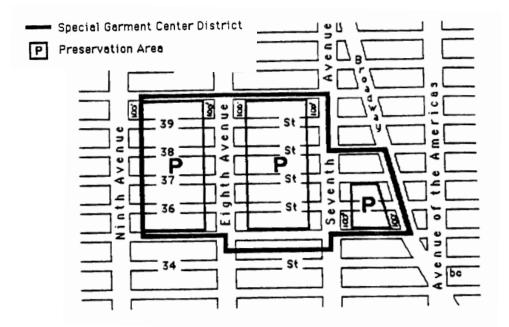


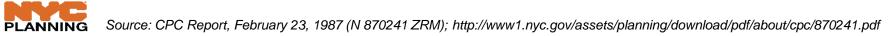




- Special Garment Center District established in 1987
- Preservation Area were created on side street blocks that restricted uses to manufacturing, wholesale showroom, or retail
- Office conversions in Preservation Area allowed only with a Chair certification confirming that another space has been preserved for manufacturing or warehouse



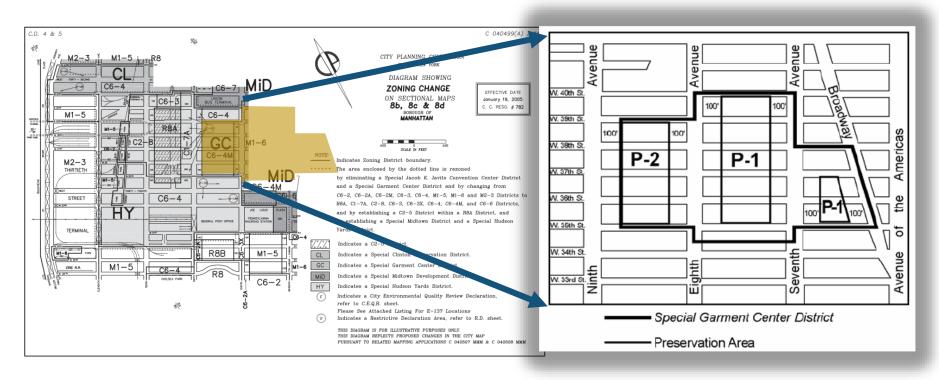






In conjunction with Hudson Yards rezoning, several amendments were made to the Special Garment Center District in 2005:

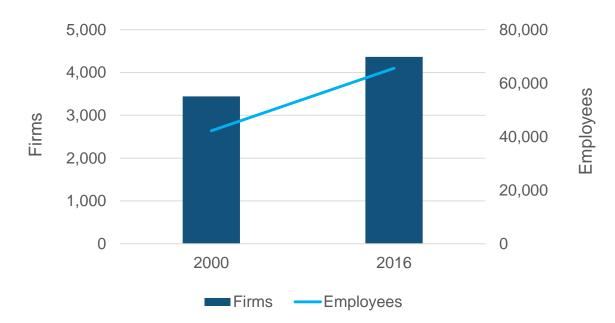
- $_{\odot}$  Preservation Area divided into P-1 (unchanged) and P-2.
- P-2 permitted new residential and conversion of smaller buildings (<70,000 sf)</li>
- P-2 permitted conversion of buildings >70,000 sf to office, hotel, or residential only if an equivalent amount of manufacturing or warehouse space was preserved.





### **Current land use and employment trends in the Garment Center**

- Between 2000 and 2016, the Garment Center added 23,000 jobs (56% growth).
- Fashion industry continues to thrive:
  - NYC has more fashion showrooms and trade shows than any other city in the world.
  - Fashion-related companies represent 43% of all tenants in the Garment Center BID.
- The Garment Center has also seen significant growth in advertising, non-profits, architecture, software companies, and hotels.



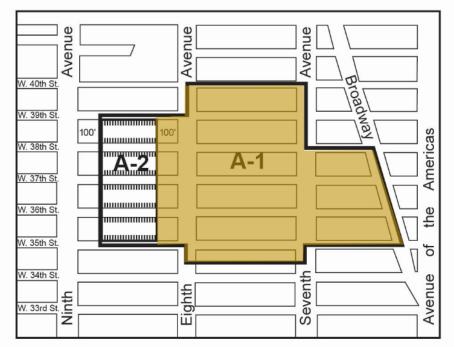
Job Growth in Garment Center



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#### A-1 Area:

- Retain M1-6 zoning
- Lifting manufacturing preservation requirements
- Modify height and setback regulations in M1-6 to create a better envelope for offices while reinforcing existing neighborhood character



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- A-2 Garment Center Subdistrict A-2

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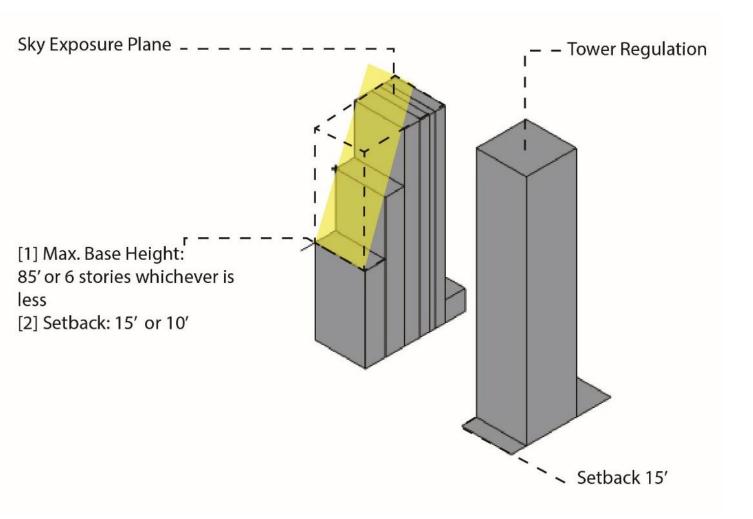


# **Existing Conditions: Bulk Envelope**

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#### Existing M1-6 Bulk Regulations

Plaza Bonus

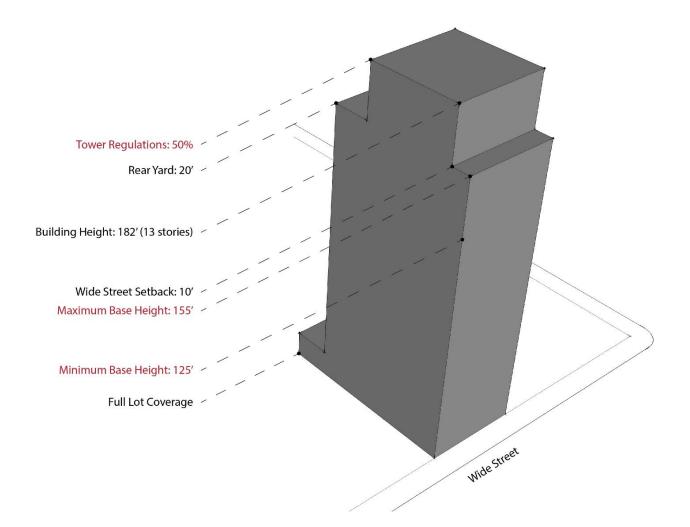






## **Proposed M1-6 Height and Setback Changes**



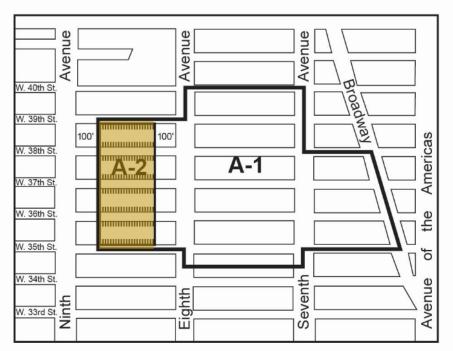






#### A-2 Area:

- Maintain existing C6-4M
- Remove manufacturing preservation requirements
- For existing buildings > 70,000 sf:
  - Eliminate CPC authorization for conversion
  - $\circ~$  Not allow conversions to residential use
- Flashing signs will no longer be permitted



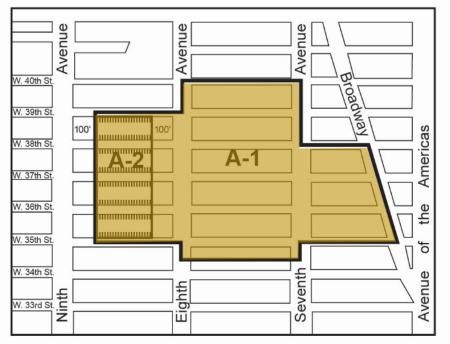
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- Apply C6-4 sign regulations to entire district.
- Permit new hotels only by CPC Special Permit.





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## **Hotel Special Permit**

- Remaining developable sites are mostly small and would likely be developed as hotels in the absence of a Special Permit.
- Special Permit would attempt to ensure that remaining sites would be developed with a diverse mix of uses.
- Transient facilities operated for a public purpose would continue to be permitted within the district as-of-right.

Zoning District	CPC Special Permit Finding
M1-6	The proposed hotel is consistent with facilitating a diverse business district
C6-4M	The proposed hotel is consistent with a diverse mix of residential and commercial uses





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