

HOUSING NEW YORK: Zoning for Quality and Affordability

COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE

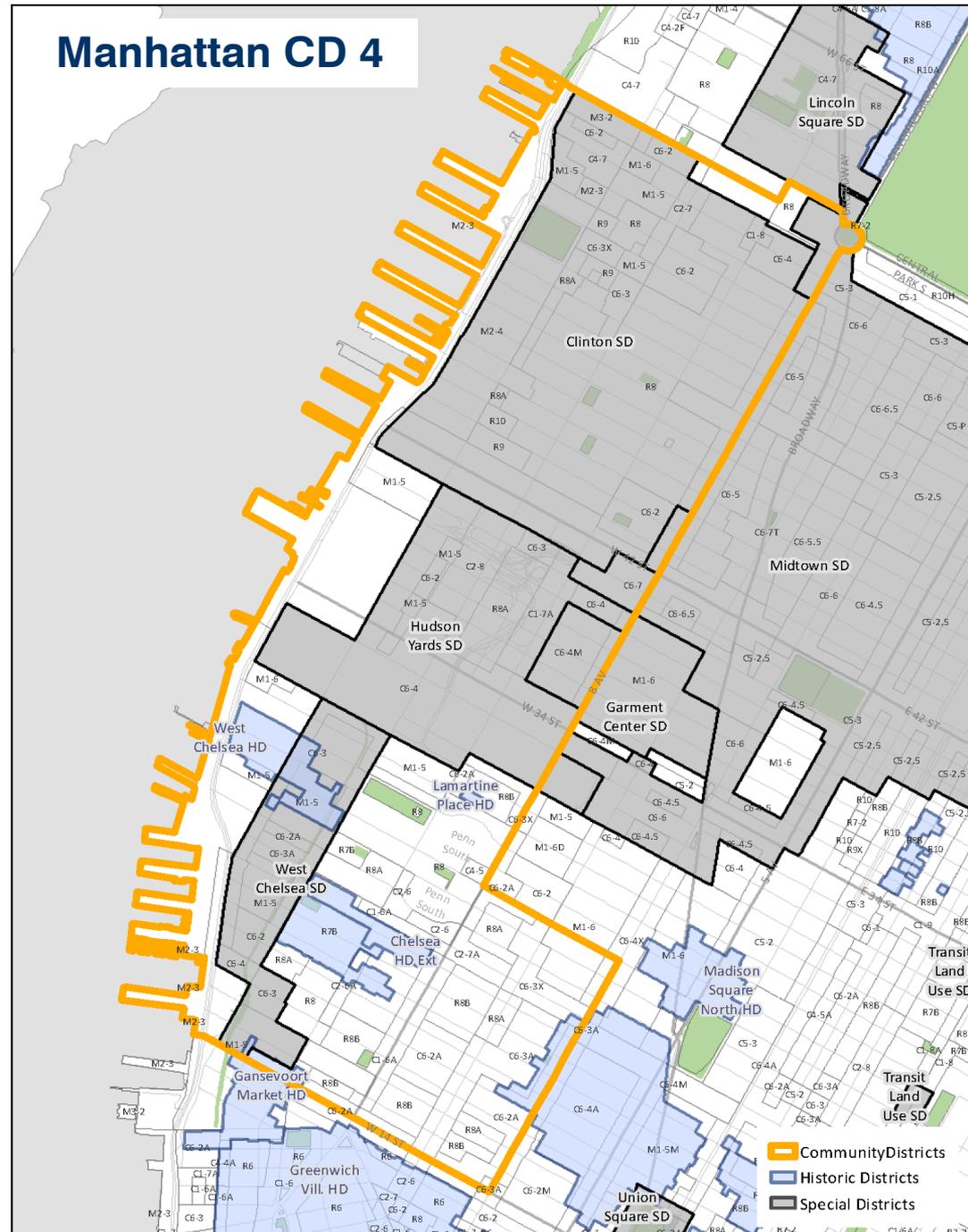
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Purpose: To promote affordable housing and foster diverse, livable neighborhoods

Applicability: Manhattan CD 4

- **Basic Residential Height Changes**
 - Contextual
 - Non-Contextual
- **Senior Housing FAR and Height Changes**
 - Contextual
 - Non-Contextual
- **Parking Changes**
 - No applicability
- **Zoning Special Districts and Areas**
- **Other reference maps**

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- Community Districts
- Historic Districts
- Special Districts

Basic Residential height changes

PURPOSE: In many instances, changing regulations and building practices have made it difficult to fit floor area already permitted today within existing building envelopes. Current regulations limit design flexibility and can result in buildings that lack the variation and texture of older apartment buildings. The proposal also provides minor increases in height to encourage housing production and increase design flexibility.

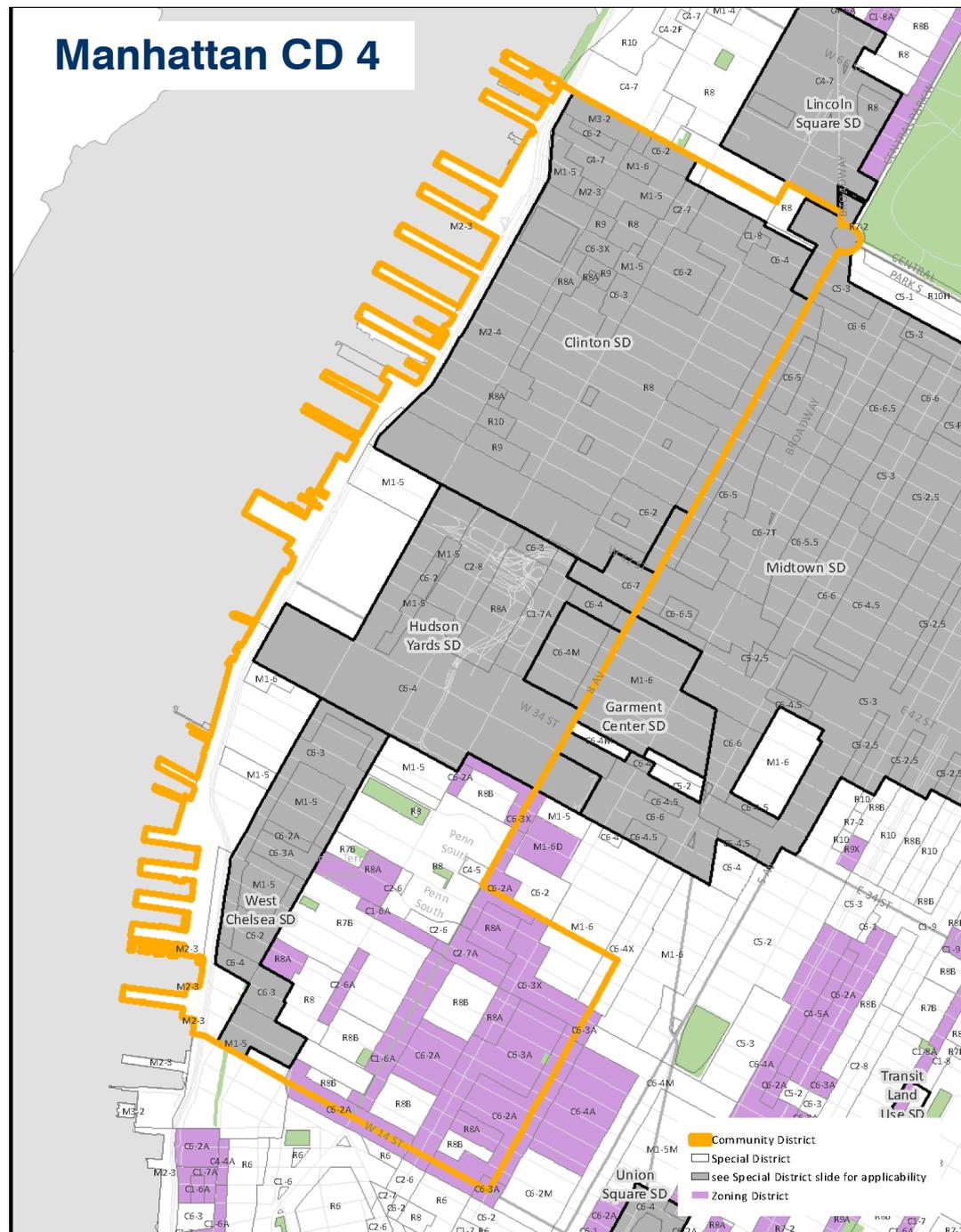
APPLICABILITY: Residential development in moderate and high density zoning districts and their commercial district equivalents.

Contextual Districts: Basic Residential changes

- In order to fit all permitted floor area and allow better design, maximum heights would be updated in the contextual districts shaded on the map.

Residential Equivalent	Zoning District	Existing Max Height	Basic Modifications	
			Basic Proposed Stories	Basic Height Difference
R7A	C1-6A	80'	85' (8)	5'
	C2-6A	80'	85' (8)	5'
R8A	C6-2A	120'	125' (12)	5'
	R8A	120'	125' (12)	5'
R9A (narrow)	C2-7A	135'	145' (14)	10'
	C6-3A	135'	145' (14)	10'
R9A (wide)	C2-7A	145'	155' (15)	10'
	C6-3A	145'	155' (15)	10'
R9X	C6-3X	160'	175' (17)	15'

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Affordable Senior Housing height and floor area changes

PURPOSE: Older New Yorkers are a diverse and rapidly growing segment of the city's population. There is an increasing need for a range of housing and long-term care options for our seniors. The proposal encourages greater housing production and a greater variety of residential options for older New Yorkers.

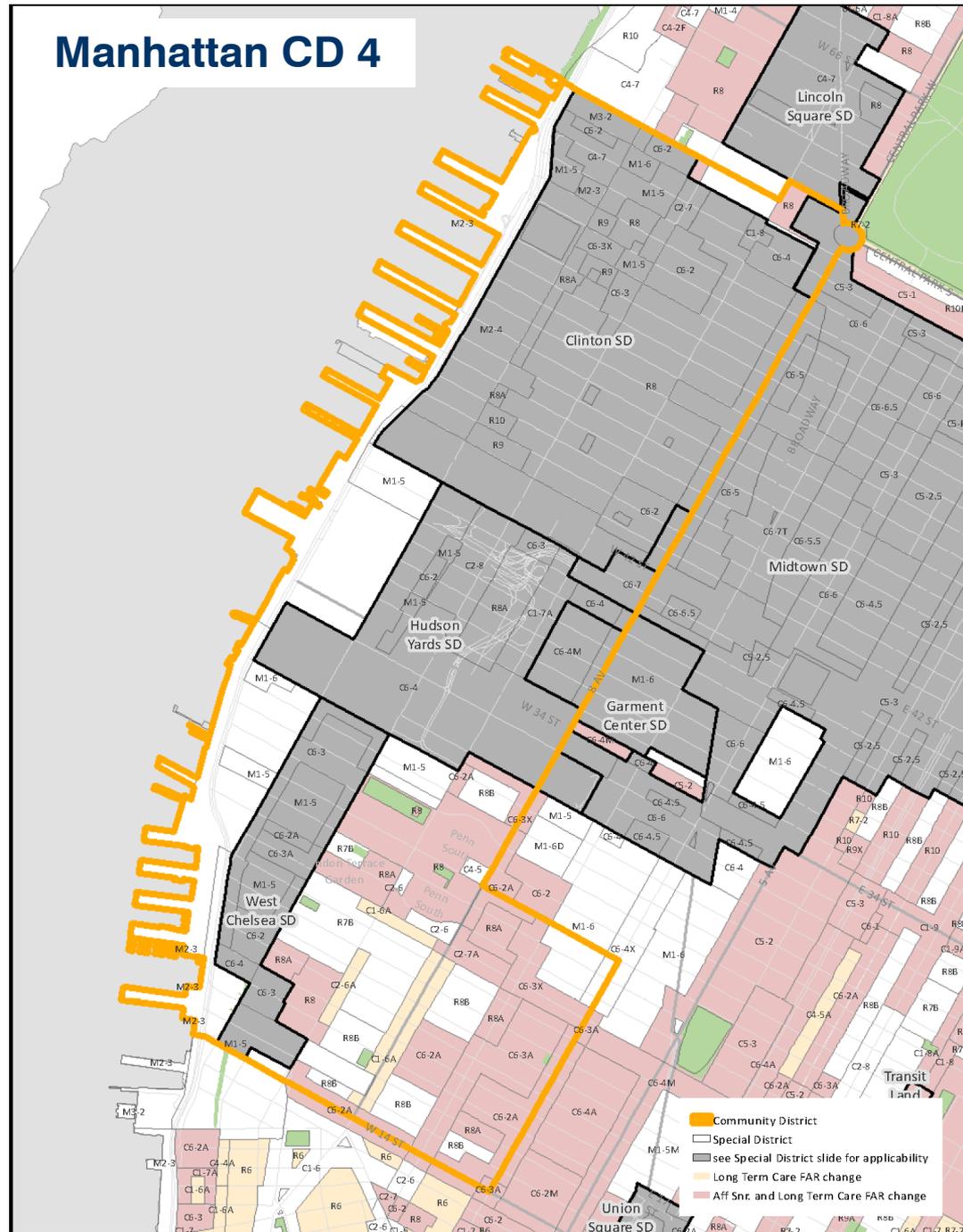
APPLICABILITY: Affordable Independent Residences for Seniors (AIRS) and Long Term Care Facilities (LTCF) in R3-R10 zoning districts and their commercial district equivalents.

Affordable Senior Housing and Long Term Care Floor Area

- Floor area ratio maximums would be updated for certain types of affordable senior housing and long term care facilities in the districts shaded on the map.

				PROPOSED
Res. Equiv.	Zoning District	Existing nonprofit residences for the elderly (FAR)	Existing Nursing Home and Health Related Facilities (FAR)	Proposed Affordable Independent Residences for Seniors and Long Term Care (FAR)
R7A	C1-6A	5.01	4	5.01
	C2-6A	5.01	4	5.01
R8	R8	6.02	6.02	7.2
	R8A	6.02	6.02	7.2
R9	C2-7	7.52	7.52	8
	C2-7A	7.52	7.52	8.5
R9A	C6-3A	7.52	7.52	8.5
	C6-3X	9.00	9	9.7
R10	C6-6	10.00	10	12

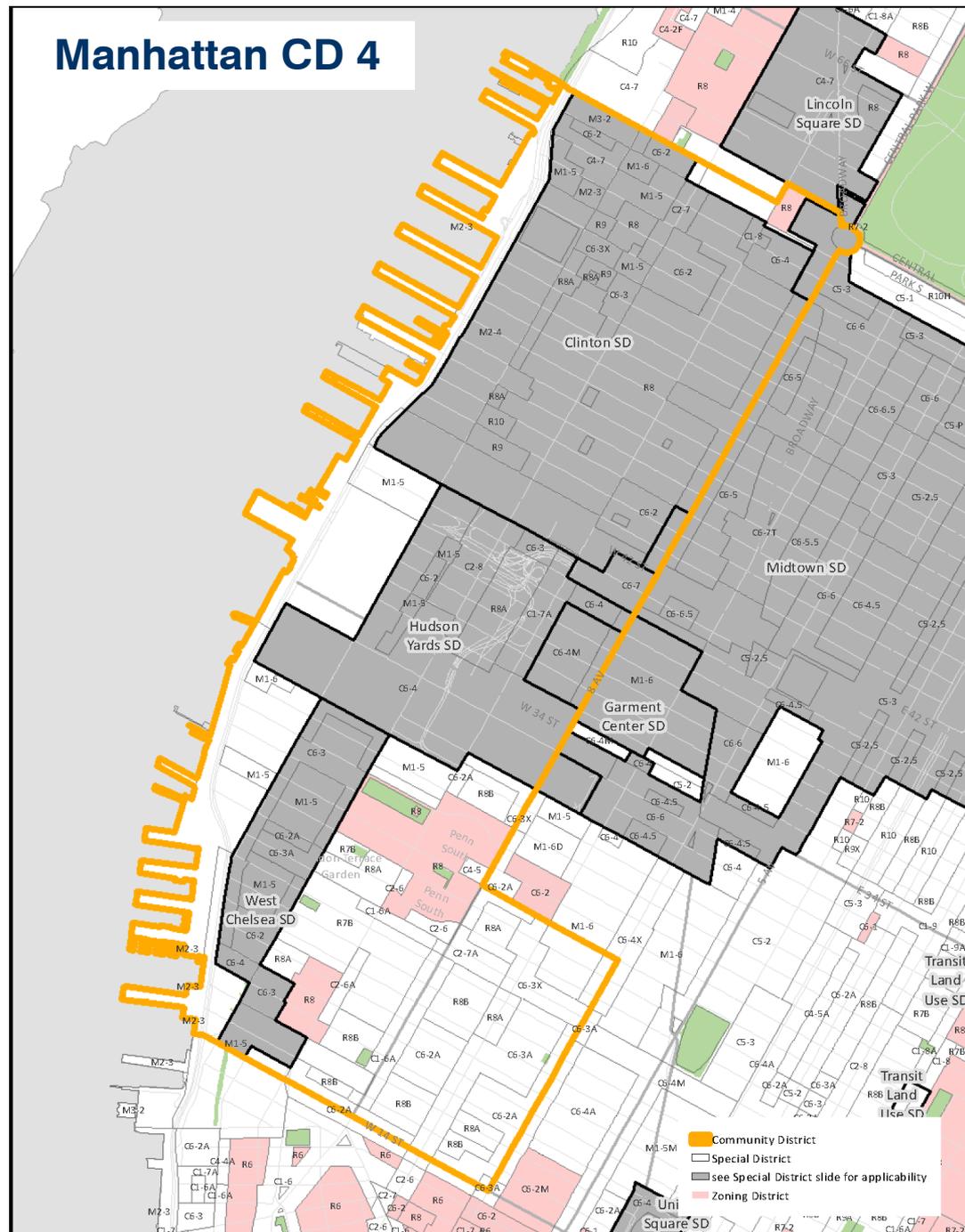
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Affordable Senior Housing and Long Term Care: Non-Contextual districts

- Currently affordable senior housing developments in non-contextual districts may choose between a height factor building, without fixed height maximums, or a Quality Housing option, which creates a contextual envelope.
- Buildings providing affordable senior housing or long-term care facilities would be able to utilize the enhanced Quality Housing envelope applicable for that zoning district.

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Transit Zone parking changes

PURPOSE: The cost of providing off-street parking can hamper the production of affordable housing. In transit-accessible neighborhoods, low-income households own many fewer cars, and often don't use the parking that has been provided. The proposal eliminates or reduces parking requirements for a range of affordable and senior housing units.

APPLICABILITY: Affordable and affordable senior housing in moderate and high density zoning districts where car-ownership is low.

Transit Zone: Off-street parking requirements

- Manhattan CD 4 does not currently have off-street parking requirements.

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Zoning Special Districts and Areas

PURPOSE: Where appropriate, the proposal will modify regulations in special zoning areas to promote the overall goals of the Zoning for Quality and Affordability text amendment. The proposal will not modify regulations that are essential to the character and purpose of the special areas.

APPLICABILITY: Special Districts, Waterfront Areas

Zoning Special Districts

The **Hudson Yards Special District** is intended to foster a mix of uses and densities and extend the Midtown central business district.

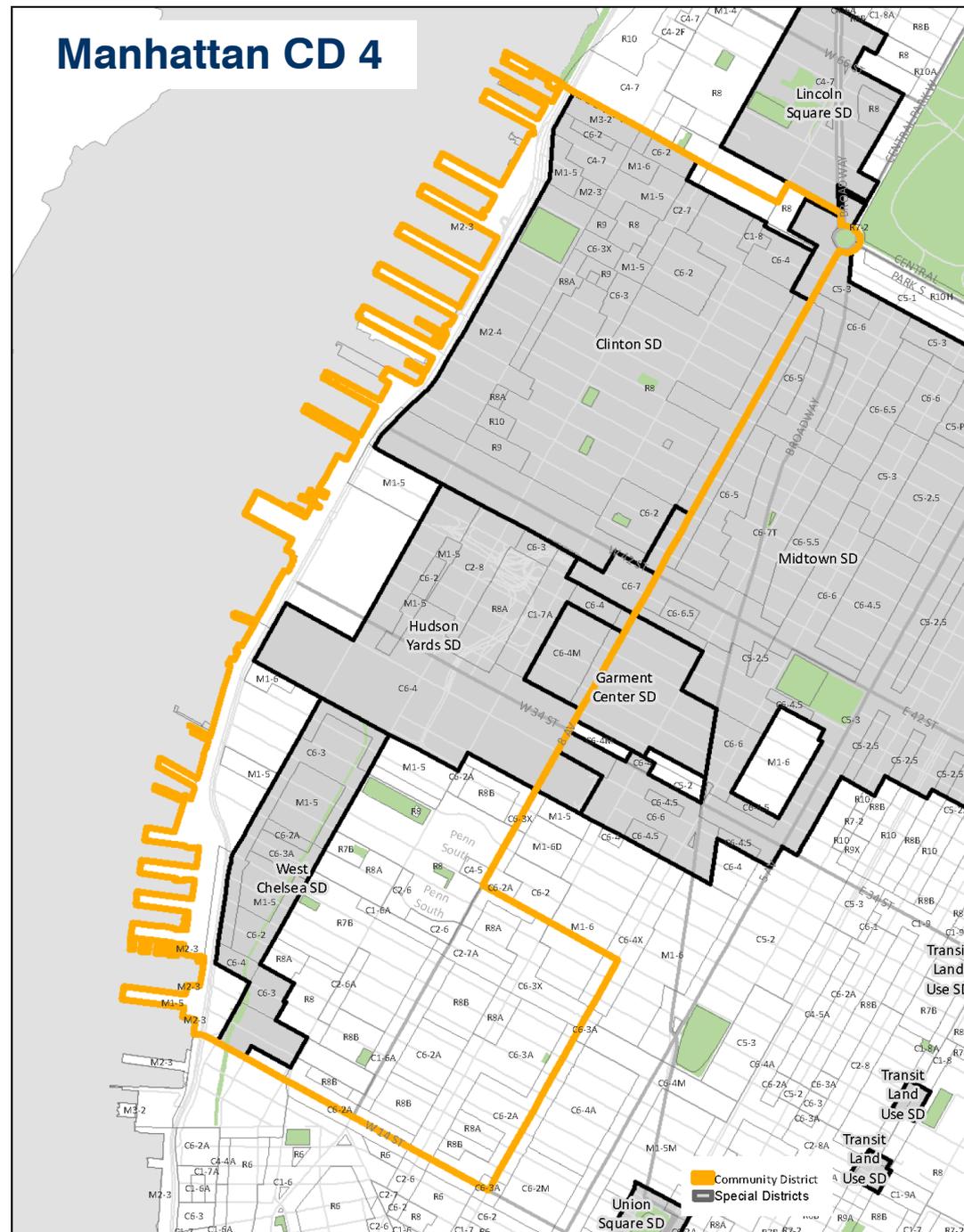
The district includes special regulations for use, bulk, urban design and parking. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 93-13, 14 – updates to the ground floor transparency and depth requirements to bring in line with rules Citywide.

All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged. ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations are not modified by the Special District and would be applicable. These include:

- Modifications to street wall and maximum heights in the R8A districts mapped in the Special District (Subareas D4 and D5)
- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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Zoning Special Districts

The **West Chelsea Special District** is intended to facilitate the continued development of a dynamic mixed-use neighborhood around the High Line.

The district includes special regulations for use, bulk and urban design. ZQA proposes the following changes:

ZR 98-122 – corrects use location provisions to bring in line with underlying regulations that allow residential and community facility uses on the same floor

ZR 98-423 – update the street wall and maximum heights listed for C6-2A and C6-3A districts (mapped along West 23rd Street) in the height chart to reflect proposal, including:.

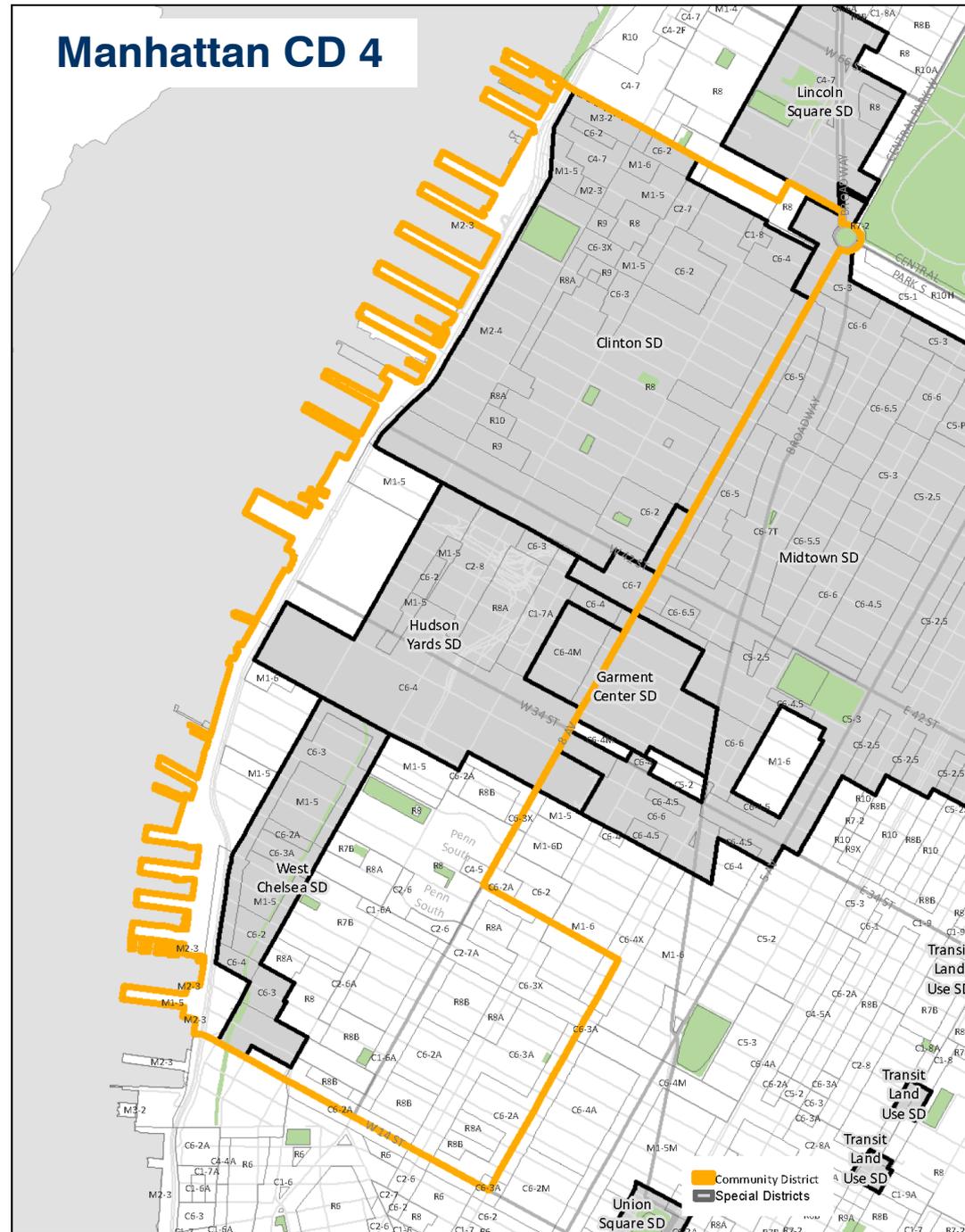
- Maximum height for C6-2A districts would increase from 120 to 125 feet, and to 145 feet for buildings providing affordable senior housing or long-term care facilities.
- Maximum height for C6-3A districts (on wide streets) would increase from 145 to 155 feet, and to 175 feet for buildings providing affordable senior housing or long-term care facilities.

All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged.

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- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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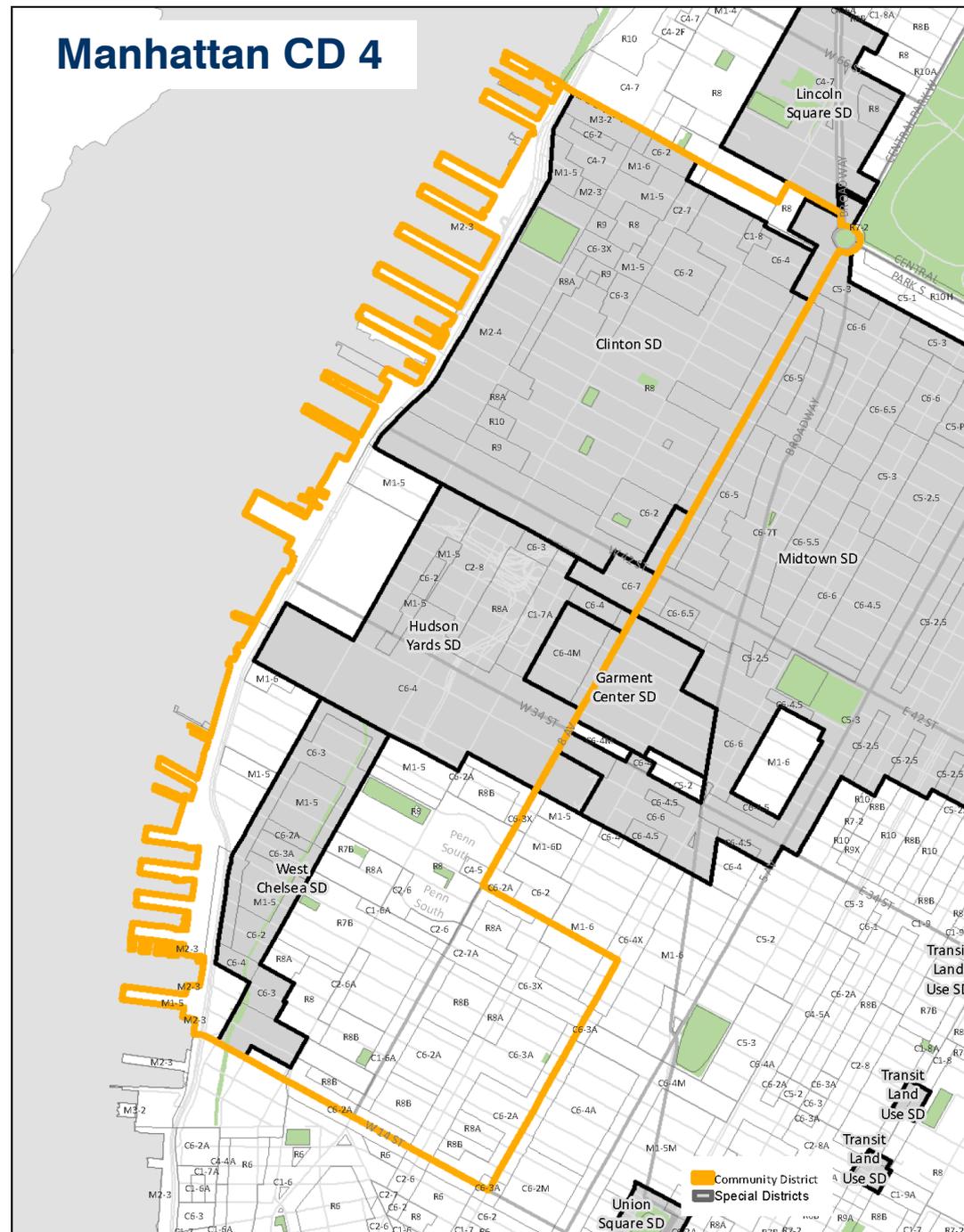
The **Midtown Special District** is intended to guide the development of the high-density central business district.

ZQA proposes no changes to the special district's regulations which include use, bulk and urban design controls.

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- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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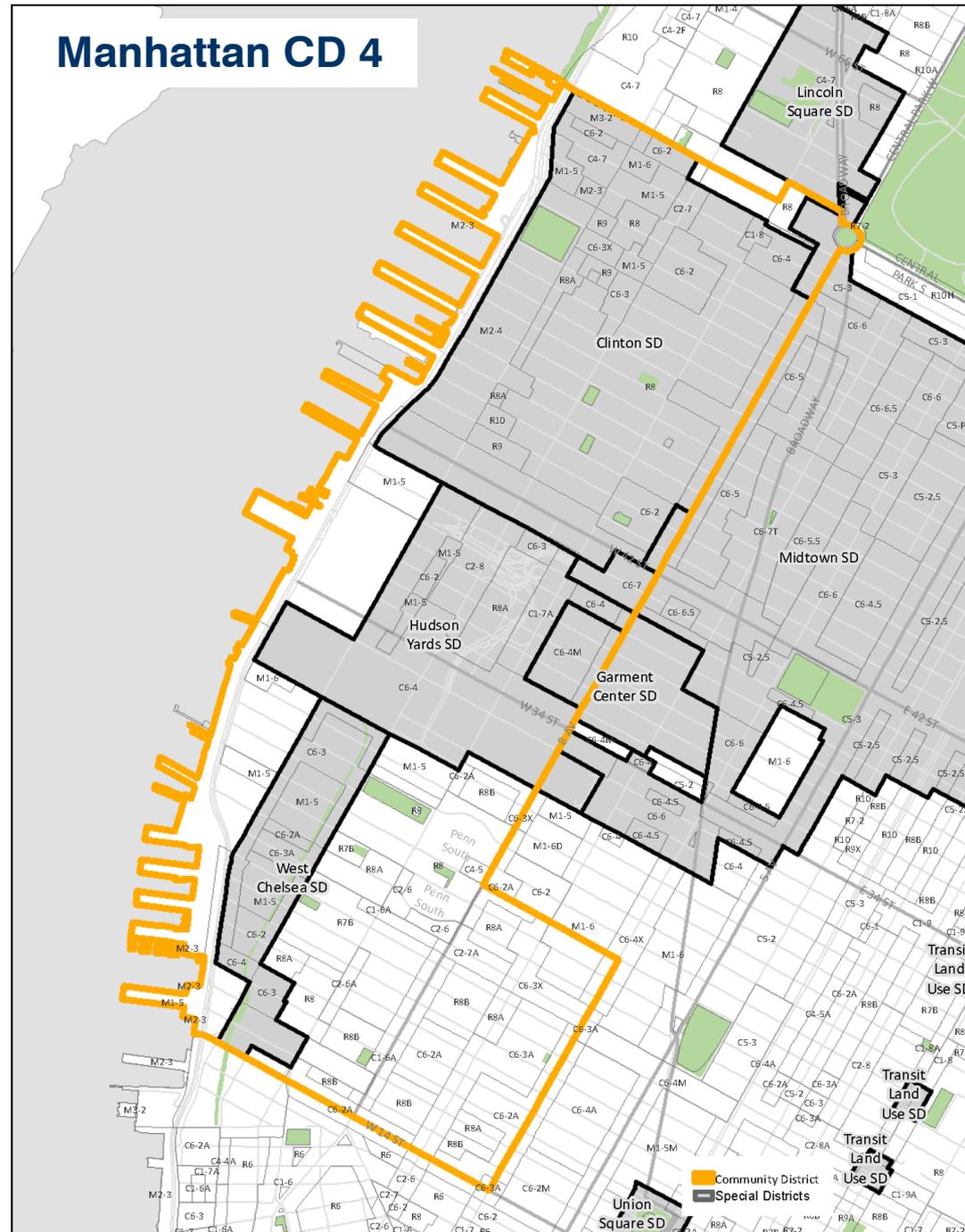
The **Garment Center Special District** The special district is intended to maintain opportunities for manufacturing uses in designated Preservation areas.

ZQA proposes no changes are proposed to the special district's regulations which include use and bulk controls.

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- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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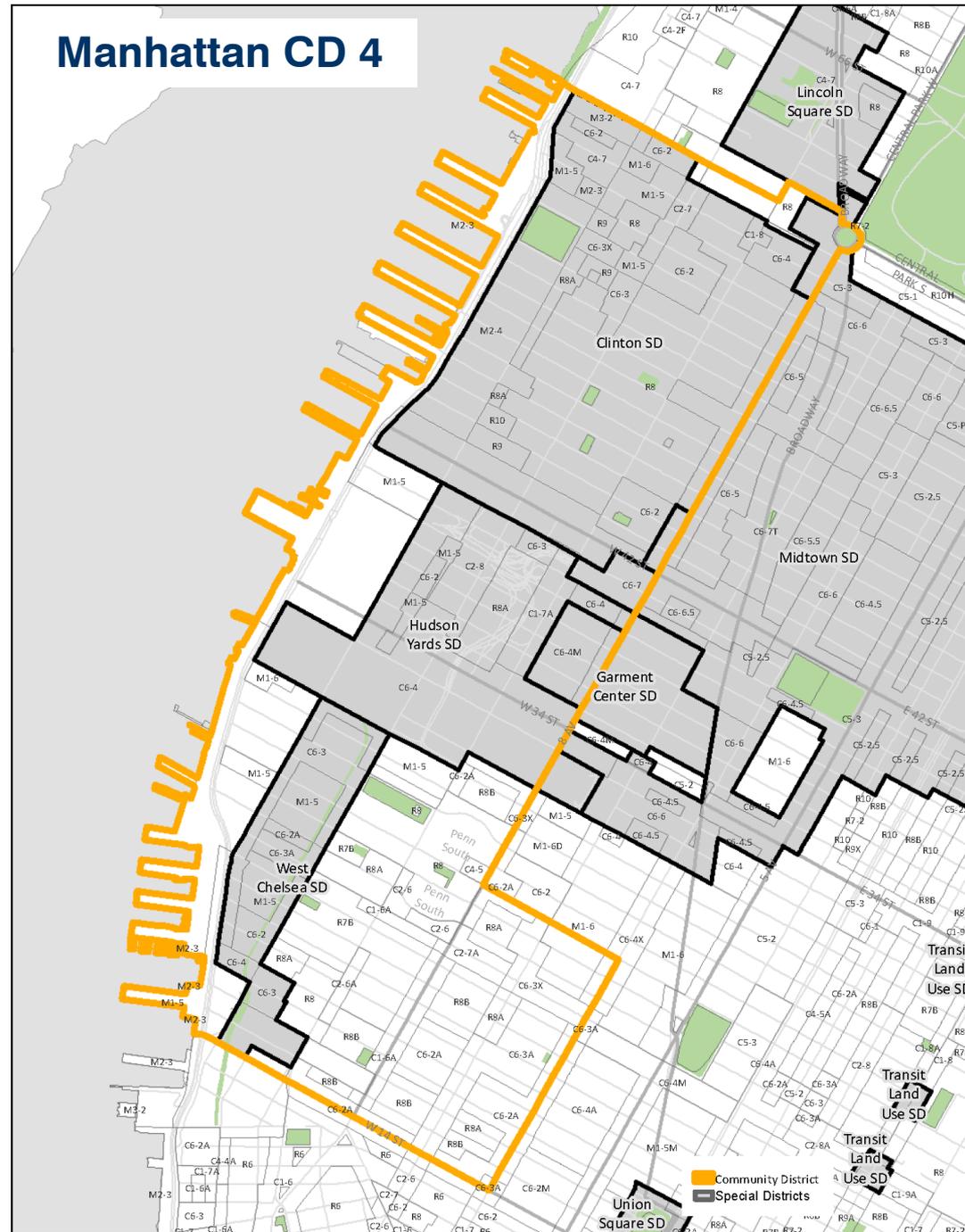
The **Clinton Special District** is intended to preserve and strengthen the residential character of the community bordering Midtown. The district includes special regulations for use and bulk. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 96-21 – updates to the ground floor transparency and use requirements in the 42nd Street perimeter area to bring in line with rules Citywide.

All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged. ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations are not modified by the Special District and would be applicable. These include:

- Modifications to street wall and maximum heights in the R8A and R9 districts in Western Subarea C2 and the C6-3X district in the Excluded Area
- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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Special Areas

Waterfront Area

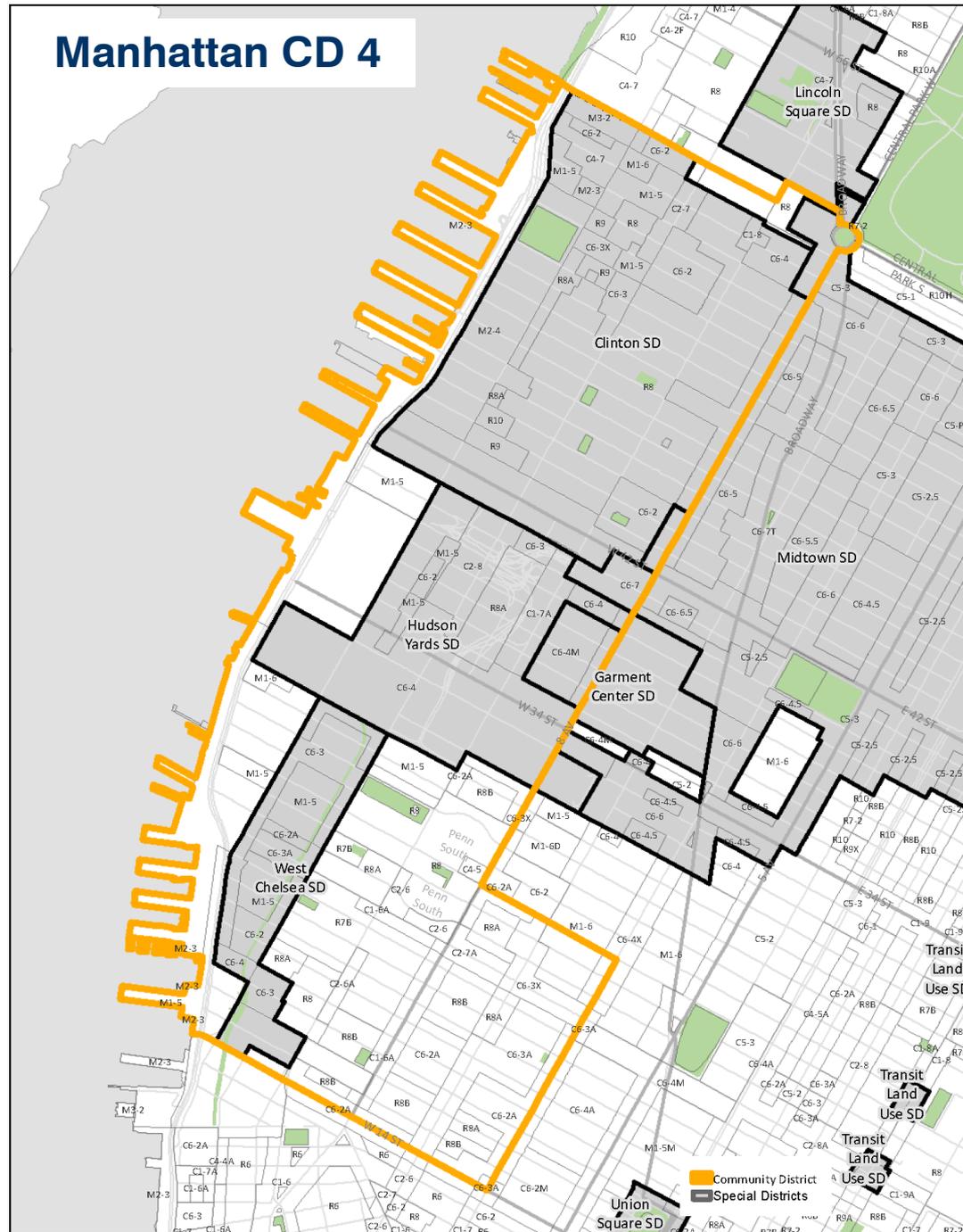
Waterfront zoning is intended to maximize the public's access to the city's waterfront resources while enabling appropriate redevelopment along the shoreline. The district includes special regulations for use, bulk and urban design. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 62-323 – updates regulations for non-profit residences for the elderly to bring in line with rules Citywide for affordable senior housing and care facilities.
- ZR 62-341(d) – updates the base and maximum heights to reflect proposed changes to underlying contextual districts.
- ZR 62-354(f) – updates to the ground floor transparency and use requirements within Waterfront Access Plan to be consistent with rules Citywide.

ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations which are not modified by Waterfront zoning would be applicable. These include:

- Provisions for design flexibility applicable in R6+ districts (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots applicable in R6+ districts (such as shallow lot regulations)

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Other Reference Maps

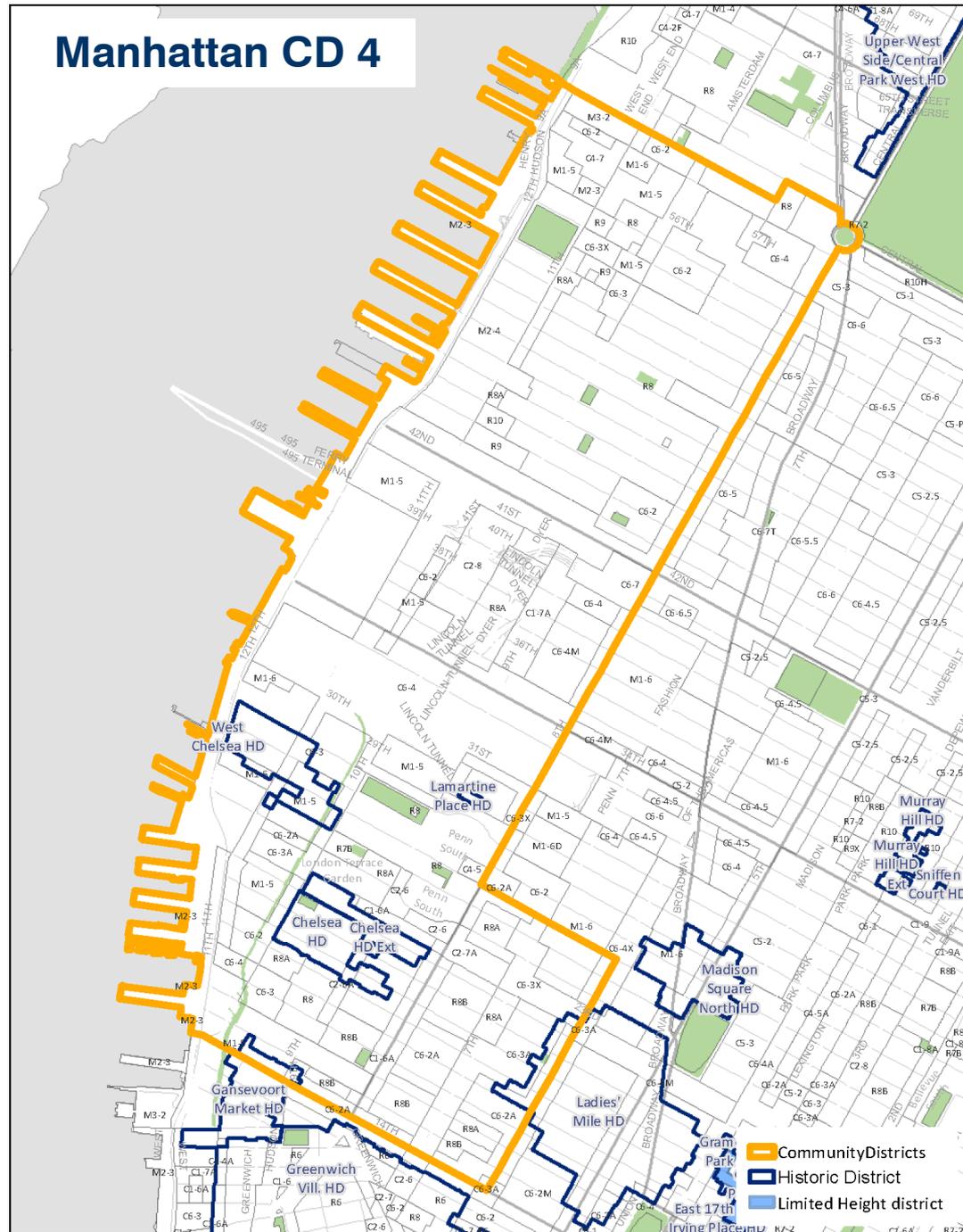
For informational purposes we are providing reference maps for other areas in this Community District.

Special Areas

Historic Districts

- The proposal will not alter Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) review of all modifications and new buildings in historic districts. No additional height would be permitted without public input and LPC approval.

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Community Districts
Historic District
Limited Height district

Special Areas

FEMA Flood Zone

- Maximum heights will increase with underlying districts and continue to be measured from the Flood Resistant Construction Elevation (FRCE).

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