

APPENDIX A

AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

DEPUTY MAYOR FINANCE/ECO DEV/06DME010Q

10/9/2008

Project number

Date received

Project: Flushing Commons

Properties with archaeological significance:

37-10 37 AVENUE, BBL 4049780025

37-16 UNION STREET, BBL 4049780046

Archaeology review only.

Comments: The LPC notes that the application now includes the Macedonia Plaza project which has the potential to impact burials. The text of the DEIS must be revised to state that a plan will be developed in consultation with LPC which appropriately addresses: (1) how the area with the potential for burials will be appropriately archaeologically tested and that any proposed subsurface construction work in the vicinity will be redesigned as much as possible in response to the results of the testing (2) what will occur should any burials be encountered (3) that this plan will be developed in consultation with the appropriate descendant community and (4) all appropriate mitigation measures as approved by LPC will be completed. We note that the plan should determine what will happen to any remains that may be encountered before the testing occurs. Finally, the language pertaining to the other potential archaeological resources in the project area is acceptable.

cc: SHPO



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Project: FLUSHING COMMONS

Comments: Architectural comments only. The LPC is in receipt of chapters 1, 7, and 20 of the PDEIS, dated 2/11/08. Comments are as follows. Table 7-1, "Architectural Resources within Project Site and Study Area", on page 7-9, the Flushing Armory appears LPC eligible. The Flushing Bankers Trust Co. appears LPC and S/NR eligible. The Macedonia AME Church and 38-05 Main St. appear S/NR eligible. With these changes to the Table, the text appears acceptable for architectural resources. The text of chapter 20, "Mitigation", also appears acceptable for architectural resources.

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Project: FLUSHING COMMONS AND MACEDONIA PLAZA DEVELOPMENT

Comments: Architectural comments only. The LPC is in receipt of the revised DEIS chapters for Historic Resources and Mitigation dated 10/8/08. These chapters include the Macedonia Plaza Development. The Historic Resources chapter appears acceptable. However, to complete the review, the shadow analysis for Macedonia AME Church (S/NR eligible) should be submitted for review and comment.

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2/12/2008

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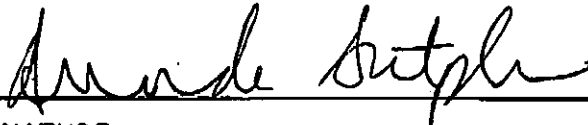
The following properties possess architectural or archaeological significance:

37-10 37 AVENUE, BBL 4049780025
37-16 UNION STREET, BBL 4049780046

Comments:

Archeology review only.

Previous LPC review dated 5/11/06 (copy attached) approves text as indicated in EIS. There is no change to this LPC review.



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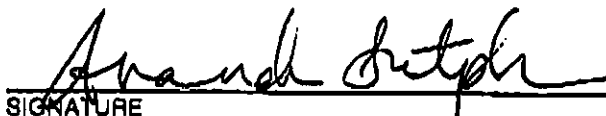
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- ☒ May be archaeologically significant; requesting additional materials

COMMENTS

The LPC is in receipt of the, "Addendum: Review of Flushing Center Archaeological Evaluations (1986 and 1988) as per Revised LPC Review Regulations (2002) and Current Research Issues," prepared by HPI and Dated May 1, 2006.

The LPC concurs with the report's findings. Please submit another bound copy of the report to the LPC for archival distribution.

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COMMENTS

Architectural comments only. Archaeological comments under separate cover. The LPC is in receipt of the EAS and scope of work for EIS (SEIS) March, 2006. The EAS and SEIS are acceptable for architectural resources.

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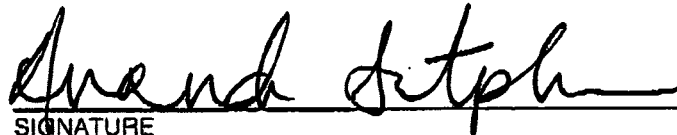
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The LPC is in receipt of the Draft EAS dated March 2006 and the Draft Scope of Analyses for an EIS dated March 2006. The LPC concurs that the site has the potential to contain significant archaeological resources, including human remains, which may be impacted by the proposed project. The methodology outlined on page 14 of the draft scope of analyses is appropriate for archaeology and the Commission notes that we have already requested that additional research be undertaken as noted might occur in task 7, b. This was submitted as an addendum on April 4, 2006. Please note that the LPC has asked for additional information from the consultant regarding whether or not any of the sites in question may have been linked to the Underground Railroad, as portions of the research suggest, and are waiting for a response before issuing findings about this Addendum.



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COMMENTS

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The LPC concurs with the report's findings. Please submit another bound copy of the report to the LPC for archival distribution.


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COMMENTS

The LPC is in receipt of the EAS and Scope of work for EIS dated 5/17/06. The documents are acceptable for architectural resources.

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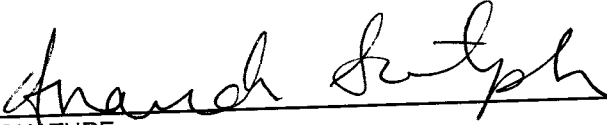
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COMMENTS

For Archaeology only:

The LPC is in receipt of the EAS, Positive Declaration dated May 17, 2006, and the Draft Scope of Analyses for an Environmental Impact Statement. The LPC notes that the potential for substantial impacts to archaeological resources is identified in these documents and that measures to avoid, reduce, and mitigate such impact will be developed in consultation with the LPC. Therefore, the Commission concurs with the findings regarding archaeology.


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Amanda Sutphin
Director of Archaeology

December 30, 2008

Assistant Commissioner Shampa Chanda
HPD
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New York, NY 10038

Re: Macedonia Plaza Project

Dear Ms. Chanda:

Thank you for meeting with me last week to discuss this project. As we discussed, I have reviewed the information and materials that the Macedonia AME Church provided with my colleague Arthur Bankoff and we compared them with the relevant archaeological reports.

As you know, several archaeological studies have been completed since the inception of the Flushing Commons project in the 1980s and have all recommended that there be a 15' buffer area to insure that the project will not impact burials. Given that current plans call for development in this area, LPC recently recommended that archaeological testing occur to ensure that this work will not impact any burials. We also recommended that a plan be developed to determine what would happen should burials be found during this testing, which could mean that they be disinterred and moved to a location selected by the church.

As promised, we reviewed the information presented at the meeting against the earlier studies and still recommend that either archaeological testing occur or the project be redesigned to avoid impacting the 15' buffer area. According to the plans submitted by Geppaul Architects at the meeting, the current plans include pilings within the sensitive area but no additional excavation meaning that as it is currently envisioned, only the piling locations would need to be tested.

We recommend that HPD stipulate these recommendations in the EIS. If you have any questions, I may be reached at the number above.

Sincerely,

Amanda Sutphin

Cc: Michael Polo, HPD

Sarah Ashcroft, EDC
Kate Daly, LPC
Reverend Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed, Macedonia African Methodist Episcopal Church
James Stuckey, Verdant Properties