

**A. INTRODUCTION**

This chapter provides an assessment of the potential growth-inducing aspects of the proposed project. These generally refer to “secondary” impacts that could trigger additional development in areas outside of the project site that would not have such development without the proposed project. The 2012 *City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) Technical Manual* indicates that an analysis of the growth-inducing aspects of a proposed action is appropriate when an action:

- Adds substantial new land use, new residents, or new employment that could induce additional development of a similar kind or support uses, such as retail establishments to serve new residential uses; and/or
- Introduces or greatly expands infrastructure capacity.

The proposed project would convert the large, substantially vacant Armory building into productive use and create new employment, learning, and recreational opportunities for local residents. The proposed project would introduce a variety of uses, including ice rinks and related program space (including a wellness/off-ice training center, curling rinks, and lockers/equipment storage); related food and beverage, concession, and retail space; community facility space; and accessory parking (see Chapter 1, “Project Description,” for details).

While the new uses proposed for the existing Kingsbridge Armory building would contribute to growth in the local Bronx, City, and State economies, they would not be expected to induce notable growth outside of the project site. As described in Chapter 2, “Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy,” it is unlikely that the proposed project would alter land use patterns in surrounding neighborhoods. Overall, the ability of the proposed project to alter land use and economic patterns or induce substantial growth in the study area would be minimal. \*