



Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager: William Rivera

Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee Meeting Summary October 6, 2025

Committee Members Present: Mitchell Halpern, Andrea McLeod

Committee Description: The Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee represents the community's interests with regard to the use of land, zoning, landmark, building, etc. and acts as a liaison between community members and Department of City Planning, Department of Buildings & the New York City Economic Development Corporation.

I. Speakers

A. Jose Rodriguez, Propel NY

- They are planning to update the power grid and adding six new lines that will go through Suffolk County, Nassau County, parts of Queens and parts of the Bronx through Westchester County.
- They will come back with a more in-depth presentation explaining why this plan is important and how they will execute it.
- They have received support from Councilmember Farias, Public Advocate Williams, and multiple organizations, but they also want community support.

The following outlines a Q&A with the committee members:

- BM asked if they presentation will cover potential health risks?
 - Since they are underground, they are generally considered safe. They have and will continue do research to ensure the project is safe.
- BM asked if this is connected to the New York Industrial Plan?
 - No, it is not.
- BM asked if they are working with the Enviornmental Justice Commission?
 - They have collaborated with several environmental justice organizations.

B. Ryan Cote, New York City Commission to Strengthen Local Democracy

- Mr. Cote shared information in regard to ballot questions 2-4, which would limit City Council's power in land use decisions (see presentation attached).

Board Members emphasized that "fast-tracking" these developments would not solve issues of homelessness as some low-income apartments remain vacant due to lack of resources and funding at city agencies.

II. New Business

- **Next Meeting:** November 10th @ 7PM

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