



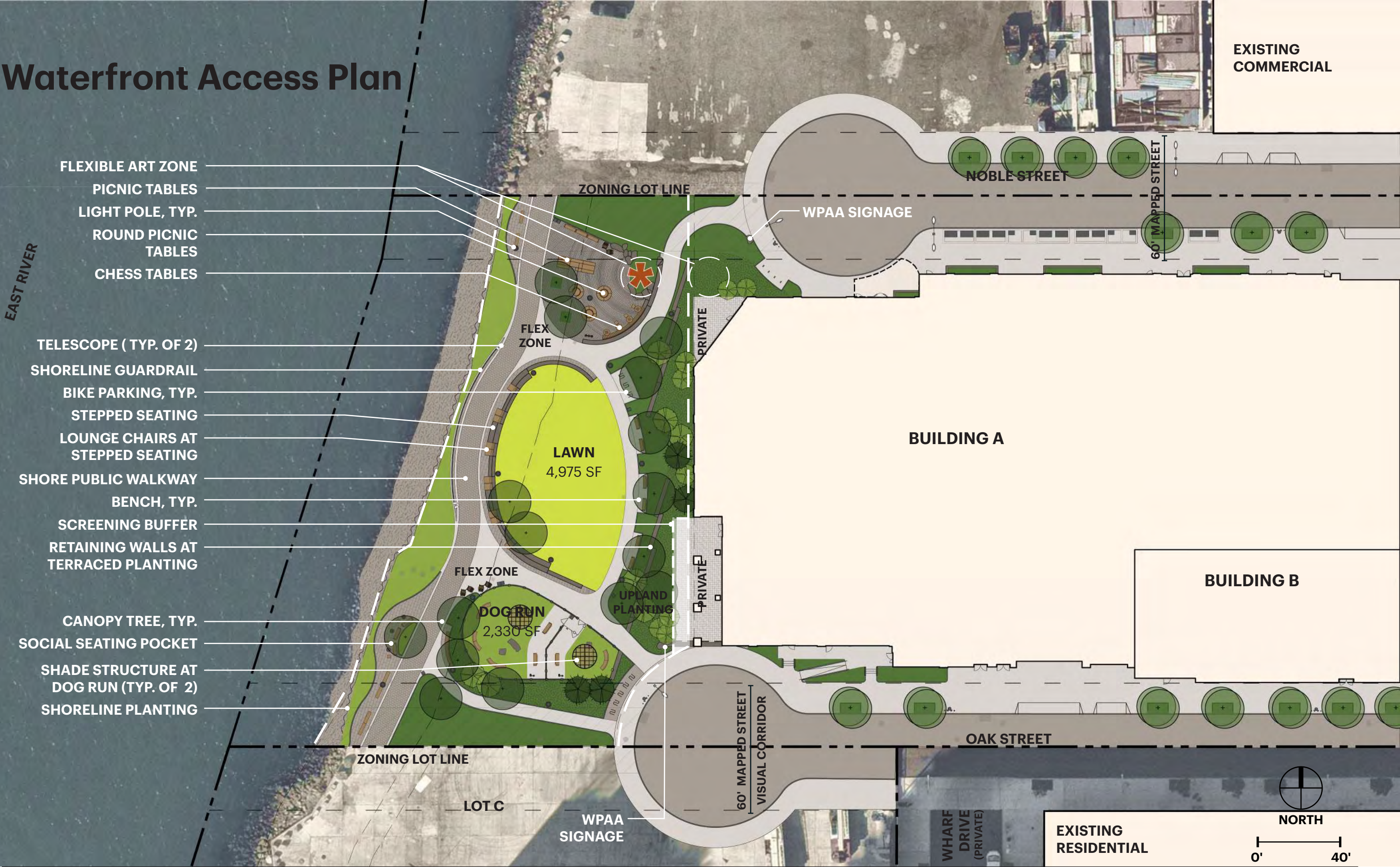
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Waterfront Access Plan





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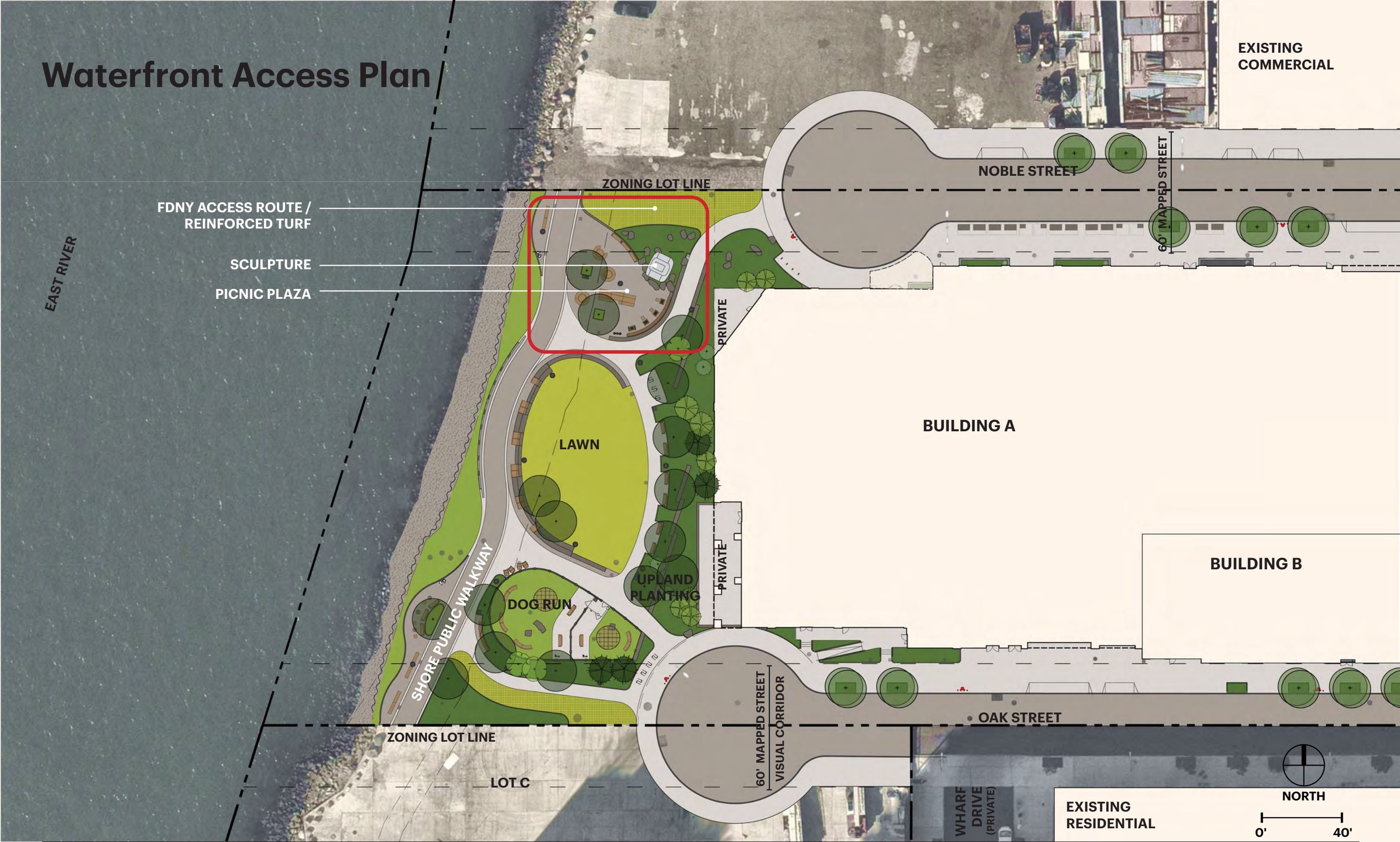
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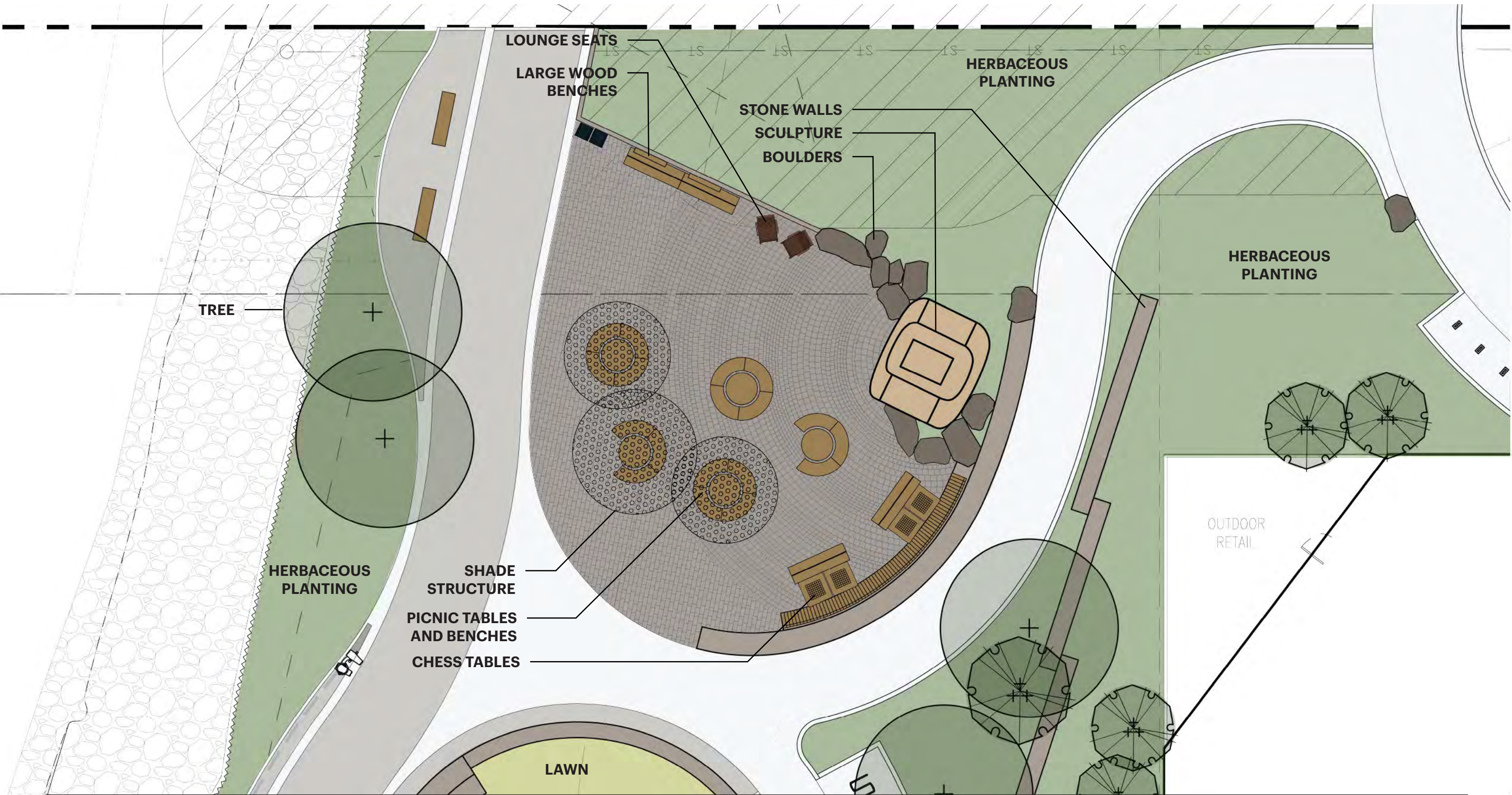
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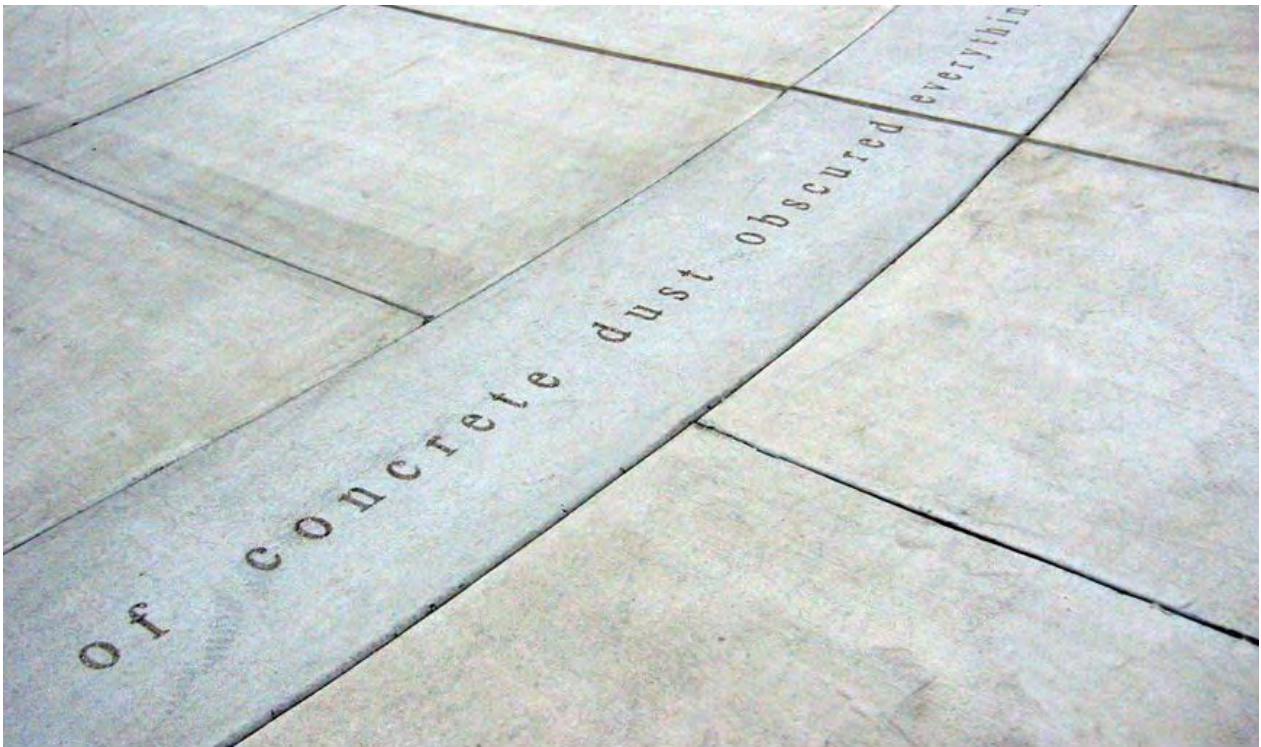


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SOURCE: GUSTAVO BONEVARDI

Precedents / Examples

ENGRAVED PAVING

QUOTE LENGTH AND
LETTERING SCALE ARE
FLEXIBLE, DESIGNED TO
ACCOMMODATE VIEWING
DISTANCE.
PAVING MATERIAL
OPTIONS: CONCRETE AND/
OR GRANITE



ENGRAVED BOULDERS

SHORT QUOTES, REQUIRES
OBSERVER TO BE IN CLOSE
PROXIMITY TO OBJECT.



Building B Canopy



What is UAP?

Established December 2024 under the NYC Zoning Resolution, UAP allows buildings in medium- and high-density residential districts to build 20% more housing — if the additional homes are permanently affordable.

R6 / C2-4 – R8

Zoning Districts

The Site's lot has split zoning:
36,034 SF within **R6**
104,000 SF within **R8**
33,800 SF within **R6 / C2-4**

60%

Max Weighted Average AMI

The affordable units serve residents at
a weighted average **59.96%** Area
Median Income

+20%

Bonus Floor Area

The Base FAR of the lot is 741,058 SF,
increasing to **888,994 SF** with the
bonus floor area (**requiring 147,936 SF**
of UAP housing)

**The Project proposes 207,397 SF of
UAP housing for an 880,295 SF
development.**

To increase FAR, affordable housing must meet the following AMI criteria:

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Income Band Limits

No more than three income bands are permitted and no single income band may exceed 100% AMI:

-56 units at 40% AMI

-109 units at 60% AMI

-102 units at 70% AMI

**267 UAP units relative to the
1,060 unit project**

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Deep Affordability Floor

For sites with 10,000+ sq ft of Affordable Floor Area (AFA), at least 20% of the AFA must be at or below 40% AMI.

-Over 20% of AFA at 40% AMI

Bedroom Mix & Unit Size Requirements

Bedroom Mix

ZR §27-16(c)

Option A (Applicable)

At least **50%** must be 2+ bedrooms

At least **75%** must be 1+ bedroom

- **Studio: 25%**
- **1Br: 25%**
- **2Br: 50%**

— OR —

Option B (Not Applicable)

Bedroom mix between affordable and market-rate units must be proportional.

Unit Size Minimums

ZR §27-16(d)

Average UAP unit size must not be less than the average non-UAP size, or the minimums below — whichever is less (**this criteria is met**):



Studio

400 sq ft



One-Bedroom

575 sq ft



Two-Bedroom

775 sq ft



Three-Bedroom

950 sq ft



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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT

Education & Youth Committee

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Ms. Sonia Iglesias, Committee Chair
Mr. Giovanni D'Amato, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Education & Youth Committee Report from May 14, 2026

The Education & Youth Committee met on the evening of May 14, 2026, at the District Office at 435 Graham Avenue (Corner of Frost Street), Brooklyn, NY 11211 at 5:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Iglesias, Chair; D'Amato, Co-Chair; Aguilar; Niedermayer* (*) *Non-Board Member*

Absent: Cabrera; Carbone; Duran; Horowitz; Sinclair* (*) *Non-Board Member*

Five members constitute a quorum for this committee; a quorum was not achieved.

AGENDA

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

1. NYC Early Intervention Program:

Presented by: Dolores Giurdanella, Director of Regional Office Operations

Sharon Gooding, Director of the Brooklyn Regional Office

Representatives from the NYC Health Department Division of Family and Child Health presented an overview of the NYC Early Intervention (EI) Program and Developmental Monitoring services. Presenters included Dolores Giurdanella and Sharon Gooding.

Topics discussed included:

- Purpose and history of the Early Intervention Program
- Eligibility and referral process for children from birth to age three

- Developmental Monitoring services for at-risk children
- Statistics on NYC EI referrals and services
- Service coordination and evaluation procedures
- Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs)
- Transition planning for children aging out of EI services
- Resources available for families, providers, and community organizations

The committee also reviewed the new online referral portal and outreach efforts to connect families with developmental support services.

Open Discussion

During discussion following the presentation on the NYC Early Intervention Program, several community members voiced concerns regarding lengthy turnaround times in receiving responses and services after referrals are made. Members stated that delays can create significant interruptions in obtaining necessary support for children during critical developmental periods.

Representatives from the agency acknowledged these concerns and emphasized the importance of continued parent and provider advocacy throughout the process. The presenters stressed that if initial supports or interventions are not adequately addressing a child's needs, families and providers should continue escalating concerns and requesting additional evaluations or services as appropriate.

2. Bushwick Library Construction and Interim Services Update:

Representatives from the Brooklyn Public Library presented updates regarding the temporary closure of the Bushwick Library branch for major capital improvements.

Topics discussed included:

- Roof repairs and installation of a new HVAC system
- Anticipated 18-month construction timeline
- Final day of public service scheduled for June 5, 2026
- Continued use of the site as a poll location on June 23, 2026 before construction begins
- Interim community services including:
 - Weekly bookmobile service
 - Community tabling and outreach
 - Partnerships with local organizations
 - Programming at schools and community centers
 - Plans for a temporary interim library space if feasible

Representatives emphasized ongoing efforts to maintain library access and programming throughout the closure period.

Open Discussion

Following the presentation regarding the temporary closure of the Bushwick Library branch, community members voiced strong opposition and concern about the closure, emphasizing the library's importance as a critical educational, cultural, and community resource for local residents. Attendees expressed concern about reduced access to books, programming, internet services, and safe community space during the construction period.

Representatives from the library acknowledged these concerns and stated that they are actively exploring alternative locations and additional methods to continue serving the community throughout the closure. The library discussed plans for interim programming, book distribution efforts, bookmobile service, community partnerships, and potential temporary spaces to help maintain access to library resources and services while construction is underway.

Motion

A motion was made by Giovanni D’Amato and seconded by Karina Aguilar requesting that the NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC) present to the full Community Board 1 and the Education Committee within one month of the start of construction to provide an anticipated project timeline and expected completion schedule for the Bushwick Library renovations.

Due to the absence of a quorum, the motion was passed by vote of acclamation. All four committee members present supported the motion.

Open Agenda

Lloyd Feng, Chair of the Human Services Committee, shared information regarding two important child savings and investment initiatives: NYC Kids RISE and Trump Accounts. The committee discussed the potential impact these programs could have on students and families within the district. Committee members agreed to review the provided materials further and explore inviting speakers and representatives to present on these topics at a future Education Committee meeting.

NYC Kids RISE

The NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program automatically enrolls K–4 students attending NYC public schools, including participating charter schools, into a free NYC Scholarship Account seeded with \$100 regardless of family income or immigration status. Funds are invested in a 529 college savings account managed by NYC Kids RISE, and families may earn up to an additional \$175 through participation incentives and program milestones.

The funds may be used for a variety of post-secondary educational expenses including four-year colleges, community colleges, trade schools, and apprenticeship programs. Discussion centered around opportunities for Community Board 1 to help promote awareness of the program among local families, schools, community organizations, and businesses. Members also discussed the possibility of encouraging local businesses and community partners in Williamsburg and Greenpoint to directly invest in children and families through the initiative.

Trump Accounts

The committee also reviewed information regarding Trump Accounts, established under the One Big Beautiful Bill Act signed on July 4, 2025. The program creates tax-deferred investment accounts for children under 18 years old. Parents, relatives, employers, nonprofits, and other contributors may deposit up to \$5,000 annually into the accounts. Children born between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2028 who are U.S. citizens with valid Social Security numbers receive a one-time federal seed contribution of \$1,000. Upon the child turning 18, the account converts into an IRA and becomes subject to standard IRA withdrawal rules.

Committee members discussed the program as another possible avenue for building long-term partnerships with businesses and organizations interested in supporting local children and families through financial investment opportunities.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at **7:15 P.M.**



Save for College Program

What is the Save for College Program?

The NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program provides families, schools, and communities with a way to work together to save for and invest in their children's futures.

It is a scholarship and savings program designed to make college and career training more accessible for public school students. The Program was created so that **every NYC public school student** can dream big, build financial assets for college and career training, and receive community support along the way. NYC Kids RISE, a non-profit organization, manages the Save for College Program in **partnership with NYC Public Schools and the City of New York**.

How does the Program work?

Eligible children are **automatically enrolled and receive a free NYC Scholarship Account with an initial \$100** unless their parents or guardians choose not to participate and opt out. Families can earn **up to \$175 in rewards by completing steps**, and **communities can support by contributing additional money** to groups of children's NYC Scholarship Accounts through **Community Scholarships**. Funds allocated to NYC Scholarship Accounts are invested in a 529 account that is owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE on behalf of participating students.

After activating their child's NYC Scholarship Account, families can open and connect a separate college and career savings account that they own for the benefit of their child. Then, they can start saving money in ways and amounts that make sense for their financial circumstances.

Who can participate?

As of school year 2025-2026, students in **kindergarten through fourth grade** at NYC public schools (including participating charter schools) are eligible to participate in the Program, **no matter what their family income or immigration status is**.

Because the Program was piloted in geographic School District 30 starting in 2017, every kindergarten through fifth-grade student in the 39 pilot schools is eligible to participate.

When can I activate my child's free NYC Scholarship Account?

My child is starting kindergarten or entering grades 1-4 in a NYC public school (or participating charter school) for the first time

You can activate and view your child's NYC Scholarship Account in **January 2026**! Your school and NYC Kids RISE will notify you when your child's account is ready.

If you already activated an NYC Scholarship Account for another child, you will be able to log back in to Savings Tracker at nyckr.org/intro-login and add your newly eligible child in January.



For now, learn more about the Program at nyckidsrise.org or join a virtual workshop at nyckr.org/events-cal.

My child is currently in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade and attended a NYC public school (or participating charter school) in the 2024-2025 school year

Congratulations! If you did not opt out of the Program, your child already has a free NYC Scholarship Account with an **initial \$100** for college and career training. Take the steps below to activate and view the account and **earn an additional \$25**.



Visit nyckr.org/st-register. Enter your child's home ZIP code, date of birth, and Student ID Number. Then, click "Submit." You can also ask your school for support!

Most Frequently Asked Questions

1. What can money in the NYC Scholarship Account be used for?

Money in the NYC Scholarship Account is invested in a 529 account and can be used for a variety of higher education expenses at any eligible institution in the U.S. and abroad. In addition to traditional four-year colleges and universities, other types of eligible institutions include community colleges, trade and vocational schools, eligible apprenticeship programs, and online degree programs. The scholarship funds can be used for tuition, fees, equipment, some room-and-board expenses, and even textbooks, which are often not covered by other scholarships.

2. How does immigration status affect my ability to participate?

It doesn't! All eligible students can participate in the Save for College Program regardless of immigration status. Families **do not** need to provide a Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for their child to be enrolled in the Program and receive an NYC Scholarship Account.

3. What happens to my child's scholarship account if we leave our current school district before my child graduates from high school?

Once your child has received an NYC Scholarship Account, they continue to have access to that account if they move to any other public district or charter school in New York City. Your child will also continue to be eligible for all the benefits that come with participating. If your child leaves the NYC public school system, your child will still be

able to use the funds already in their NYC Scholarship Account, but will not be eligible to earn any additional rewards.

4. How does having an NYC Scholarship Account affect qualification for public benefits?

Because NYC Scholarship Accounts are owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, having this scholarship account **does not** impact a student's or family's application for public benefits. If a family saves money in their own college and career savings account, that asset may impact certain benefits.

5. How does having an NYC Scholarship Account affect qualification for financial aid?

Because NYC Scholarship Accounts are owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, having this scholarship account **does not** impact a student's eligibility for financial aid while the money is in the account. As your child gets closer to college and career training, NYC Kids RISE will provide more information about how using the scholarship account money for your child's education could impact their eligibility for financial aid once the money is spent. There may or may not be an impact. If a family saves money in their own college and career savings account, these savings may impact the student's financial aid package.



For more details about the Save for College Program and additional frequently asked questions, please visit nyckr.org/faq.



Frequently Asked Questions About the Save for College Program

School Year 2025-2026



Top 5 Things Families Should Know

1. All families with kindergarten, first grade, second grade, third grade, or fourth grade students enrolled in NYC public schools (including participating charter schools) are eligible to participate in the Save for College Program, no matter their income or immigration status.
2. If eligible, your child will be **automatically enrolled** in the Program unless you choose not to participate and opt out.
3. Once enrolled, you will receive a Welcome Booklet with information on how to activate your child's free NYC Scholarship Account, which will have an initial \$100 from NYC Kids RISE on your child's behalf.
4. After you activate your child's NYC Scholarship Account, you can complete other foundational steps—known as Building Blocks—to earn additional rewards.
5. Money in the NYC Scholarship Accounts can be used for a variety of college or career training expenses.



1. What is the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program?

The NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program is a scholarship and savings program designed to make college and career training more accessible for all NYC public school students, no matter their family income or immigration status.

Starting in kindergarten, every student enrolled in NYC public schools (including participating charter schools) automatically receives an NYC Scholarship Account with an initial \$100 for their future higher education, unless their parents or guardians “opt out” of the Save for College Program. Families can earn additional scholarship rewards that will be allocated to this account by opening and/or connecting a college and career savings account that they own for the benefit of their child through the Program. Then, families can start saving in ways and amounts that make sense for their financial circumstances. Communities can also contribute additional money to groups of students’ NYC Scholarship Accounts through Community Scholarships to demonstrate their community’s support for every child’s success.

The funds allocated to the NYC Scholarship Accounts are invested in an account in New York’s 529 College Savings Program *Direct Plan*¹ that is owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, a nonprofit organization, on behalf of participating students.

2. Why was the Save for College Program created?

It can be difficult to save for a child’s educational future. For many families, sending their children to college may seem out of reach. NYC Kids RISE, in partnership with the City of New York and NYC Public Schools, started the Save for College Program to support families to begin saving and planning for college and career training from their child’s very first days of school. Research shows that children with a college savings account of between \$1 and \$500 are three times more likely to enroll in college and more than four times more likely to graduate. Research also shows that children who attend college earn a significantly higher salary over their lifetimes and are less likely to be unemployed.

3. Who is eligible to participate in the Save for College Program?

As of school year 2025 through 2026, every kindergarten, first grade, second grade, third grade, and fourth grade student enrolled in an NYC public school (including participating charter schools) can participate, no matter their family’s income or immigration status.

Every kindergarten through fifth-grade student in the 39 pilot schools in geographic School District 30 is eligible to participate.

Eligible students must attend a participating school for at least 60 days to be enrolled in the Save for College Program. Unless you have chosen to opt out of the Program, your eligible child will be automatically enrolled in the Save for College

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Program in September or January. NYC Kids RISE will create an NYC Scholarship Account with an initial \$100 on your child's behalf.

4. How do I participate?

If your child is eligible, it's easy to get started with the Save for College Program! Here's how:

- **Simply take no action** when you receive notice from your child's school that the Opt-out Period has started (you will receive information about the Opt-out Process at that time).
- After the Opt-out Period is over, your child will be automatically enrolled in the Save for College Program and NYC Kids RISE will create an NYC Scholarship Account with an initial \$100 on your child's behalf.
- You will receive a **Welcome Booklet** with additional information and instructions from NYC Kids RISE. If you do not opt out in the fall, you should expect to be able to activate your child's account starting in January of the new year. (The timeframe of when you can activate your child's account may vary if you enroll at a later date.)
- After receiving your Welcome Booklet, go to nyckr.org/activate-faq to **activate** your child's NYC Scholarship Account. After you register or login to the online platform, Savings Tracker, you will be able to track your child's NYC Scholarship Account over time. You will also receive information about how to take other foundational steps in the Program.

5. How does the "scholarship" part of the Save for College Program work?

Once your child is enrolled in the Program, NYC Kids RISE will create an NYC Scholarship Account and automatically allocate \$100 toward your child's educational future. Parents and guardians cannot make deposits to or withdrawals from the NYC

Scholarship Accounts, which can only be used for qualified higher education expenses by the participating student when they graduate. Over time, NYC Kids RISE will offer opportunities for your family to earn more money for your child's NYC Scholarship Account. Community organizations, businesses, neighbors, and others can also add to groups of students' NYC Scholarship Accounts to help your child reach their college and career goals.

NYC Kids RISE, a nonprofit organization, owns and manages the scholarship funds on behalf of participating students, and invests the funds in the NY 529 *Direct Plan*, a type of investment account specifically designed to help save for higher education. NYC Scholarship Accounts can gain or lose money over time, depending on financial markets and the performance of the investment.

If you are the parent or guardian of an eligible child, as long as you do not opt out of the Program, NYC Kids RISE will create and fund this NYC Scholarship Account on your child's behalf. You will receive a Welcome Booklet from NYC Kids RISE when your child's NYC Scholarship Account is created.

To activate and view the scholarship funds allocated to your child's NYC Scholarship Account over time:

- You will **NOT** be required to deposit money
- You will **NOT** be required to provide your Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), bank account, or credit card information
- You will **NOT** be required to provide economic or immigration status information
- There is **NO** maximum or minimum income to participate

6. When can I activate my child's free NYC Scholarship Account?

My child recently started kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th Grade in an NYC public school (or participating charter school) for the first time in fall 2025

You can activate and view your child's NYC Scholarship Account starting in **January 2026!** Your school and NYC Kids RISE will notify you when your child's account is ready to activate.

If you already activated an NYC Scholarship Account for another child, you will be able to log back in at nyckr.org/log-in-faq to the Savings Tracker and add your newly eligible child in January.



For now, learn more about the Program at nyckr.org/start-faq or join a virtual workshop at nyckr.org/events-faq.

My child is currently in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade and they attended an NYC public school (or participating charter school) in School Year 2024-2025

If you did not opt out of the Program, your child already has a free NYC Scholarship Account with an **initial \$100** for college and career training. Take the steps below to activate and view the account and **earn an additional \$25**.



Visit nyckr.org/register-faq. Enter your child's home ZIP code, date of birth, and Student ID Number. Then, click "Submit." You can also ask your school for support!

7. How does the "savings" part of the Save for College Program work?

After your child receives their NYC Scholarship Account, you will receive more information on how to create a college and career savings plan that is right for you and your family. To build on the money invested for your child's NYC Scholarship Account, you can open and/or connect a college and career savings account that you own for the benefit of your child through the Program.

Unlike the NYC Scholarship Account that is owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, your family owns your connected account. You, your relatives, and your friends can contribute directly to this account. Depending on which type of savings account you choose, your family can track your own savings balance along with your child's NYC Scholarship Account online, through the NYC Kids RISE Savings Tracker.

Learn about your savings account options by visiting nyckr.org/options-faq, attending an NYC Kids RISE virtual workshop at nyckr.org/events-faq, calling our hotline at 833-KID-RISE (833-543-7473), emailing us at info@nyckidsrise.org, or making an appointment to speak with an NYC Kids RISE representative.

You can also make a free financial counseling appointment at an NYC Financial Empowerment Center. Book an appointment at nyc.gov/talkmoney.

8. What can the money in the NYC Scholarship Account be used for?

Money in the NYC Scholarship Account is invested in the NY 529 *Direct Plan* and can be used for a variety of qualified higher education expenses. Even though the 529 account is called a college savings account, the account can be used to pay for qualified higher-education expenses at any eligible institution in the U.S. and abroad. In addition to traditional four-year colleges and universities, other types of eligible institutions include community colleges, trade and vocational schools, eligible apprenticeship programs, and online degree programs. The scholarship funds can be used for tuition, fees, equipment, some room-and-board expenses, and even textbooks, which are often not covered by other scholarships. Visit nysaves.org for a full list of qualifying higher education expenses.

If a student in the Program does not claim their NYC Scholarship Account funds within 20 years after they complete kindergarten, then those funds will go back to NYC Kids RISE to support future Save for College Program students.

Money in the NYC Scholarship Account cannot be used for any kindergarten through grade 12 expenses, including those that qualify under federal law.

9. If I do not opt out, what information does NYC Kids RISE receive about my child and me to enroll my child in the Save for College Program?

NYC Kids RISE receives the following information from NYC Public Schools for every participating student:

- Student identification number that is unique to the Program;
- Student's full name;
- Student's birth date;
- Student's home address;
- Whether the student's home address changes;
- Student's home phone number;
- Student's school name;
- Student's current grade level;
- Language(s) spoken at student's home;
- Transfers made to other schools, if any, both inside and outside the NYC public school system.

NYC Kids RISE also receives the following information for up to two parents or guardians per participating student:

- Parent identification number unique to the Program;
- Parent or guardian full name;
- Parent or guardian email address;
- Parent or guardian cell and/or other phone number.

This is similar information to what you submit on the "blue card" when you enroll your child in school. This data allows NYC Kids RISE to set up an NYC Scholarship Account for every participating child and make an initial allocation of \$100 toward each one. NYC Kids RISE follows strict privacy and confidentiality guidelines for all family information.

10. What if I don't want to participate?

To tell your school that you do not want your child to be enrolled in the Save for College Program, you must return a signed opt-out form or opt out in your NYC Schools Account within a 30-day period. Taking either of these actions means your child will not receive an NYC Scholarship Account, the initial \$100 investment, or future funds. Please refer to your child's opt-out form or visit nyckr.org/NYCPS for specific details.

11. If I choose not to participate in the Save for College Program now, can I enroll my child at a later date?

Yes, parents and guardians who opted out but later change their minds and would like their child to participate can re-enroll at a later date. Families have until the end of their child's fifth-grade year to re-enroll. Visit nyckr.org/NYCPS for specific details.

12. Can I cancel my child's participation in the Save for College Program after the Opt Out Notice deadline?

Yes, you may cancel your child's participation after being initially enrolled. Visit nyckr.org/NYCPS for specific details and instructions.

13. How does immigration status affect my ability to participate?

It doesn't! All eligible students can participate in the Save for College Program regardless of immigration status.

Families **do not** need to provide a Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for their child to be enrolled in the Program and receive an NYC Scholarship Account.

However, when considering whether to open a college and career savings account that you own for the benefit of your child to save alongside the NYC Scholarship Account, please note that the savings account options do require either an SSN or an ITIN to open. In addition, if you choose to open and connect a NY 529 *Direct Plan* as your savings option, you must meet the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) definition of U.S. citizen or permanent resident with a verified U.S. address.

You **do not** need to open your own account for your child to receive the free NYC Scholarship Account that is created and managed by NYC Kids RISE on your child's behalf.

14. How does having an NYC Scholarship Account affect qualification for public benefits?

Because the NYC Scholarship Accounts are owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, having a scholarship account **does not** impact a student's or family's application for public benefits. If a family saves money in their own college and career savings account, that asset may impact certain benefits. For more information on how contributing to your own college and career savings account may impact your benefits, visit nyckr.org/infomaterials-faq and download "The Save for College Program and Public Benefits" handout for more information.

15. How does having an NYC Scholarship Account affect qualification for financial aid?

Because the NYC Scholarship Accounts are owned and managed by NYC Kids RISE, having a scholarship account **does not** impact a student's eligibility for financial aid while the money is in the account. As your child gets closer to college and career training, NYC Kids RISE will provide more information about how using the scholarship account money for your child's education could impact their eligibility for financial aid once the money is spent. There may or may not be an impact.

If a family saves money in their own college and career savings account, these savings may impact the student's financial aid package. For more information on how contributing to your own college and career savings account could impact your child's eligibility for financial aid under current financial aid rules, visit nyckr.org/infomaterials-faq and download "The Save for College Program and Impact on Future Financial Aid" handout for more information. Please note that these financial aid rules often change over time.

16. Will this scholarship prohibit my child from receiving other scholarships in the future?

Having an NYC Scholarship Account and receiving Community Scholarship(s) through the NYC Kids RISE Save for College Program should not prohibit your child from receiving other types of scholarships through other programs and organizations in the future, though that may depend on the terms of those other scholarships. Please review the terms of those scholarships.

17. What if my child does not go to college?

If a child in the Save for College Program does not attend a college or university, the money in their NYC Scholarship Account can still be used for fees and qualified expenses at trade and vocational schools, eligible apprenticeship programs, and online degree programs. If a student in the Program does not claim their NYC Scholarship Account funds to cover qualified higher education expenses at any eligible institution within 20 years after they complete kindergarten, then those funds will go back to NYC Kids RISE to support future Save for College Program students.

LEARN MORE: Talk to your child's school or contact NYC Kids RISE at 833-543-7473 or info@nyckidsrise.org or visit nyckidsrise.org.

NYC Kids RISE is a nonprofit organization working with the City of New York and NYC Public Schools (the NYC Department of Education) to manage the Save for College Program.

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Division of Family and Child Health

NYC Early Intervention Program and Developmental Monitoring

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Director of the Brooklyn Regional Office



Objectives

- I. The Purpose of the Early Intervention (EI) Program
- II. The Developmental Monitoring Unit
- III. The Early Intervention Process
- IV. NYC Bureau of Early Intervention resources



The Early Intervention Program

The Early Intervention Program (EIP) works with families to provide service coordination, evaluation, therapeutic and educational services to infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities.

The Program also provides Developmental Monitoring to children at risk of developing a delay.

History of New York's Early Intervention Program



1986

Federal
Part C of
IDEA



1993

NY State
DOH
Article 25
PHL



1993

NYC
DOH
BEI
5 Boroughs

31 years!



NYC Early Intervention Program (EIP) Statistics

- Administered by **NYC Health Department** with approximately **220** staff in six locations that include five regional borough offices.
- **New York State Department of Health (SDOH)** contracts with about **170** provider agencies for service coordination, evaluation and services in NYC with about 7,000 interventionists.
- Nearly **32,000** children were referred to EI or Developmental Monitoring (Child Find) in 2025.
- Almost **50,000** children received one or more EI services: service coordination, evaluation, and/or services



Program General Info

- Birth to three
- Available to all families **regardless** of
 - Race
 - Ethnicity
 - Immigration status
- Services are provided at **no** out-of-pocket cost to families
- Family's participation is **voluntary** and **confidential**.
- To receive **NYC** Early Intervention (EI) services, families must reside within the five boroughs.



Early Help Matters!

According to Zero to Three, **1 in 3** infants and toddlers who receive Early Intervention services did not need special education later in preschool.

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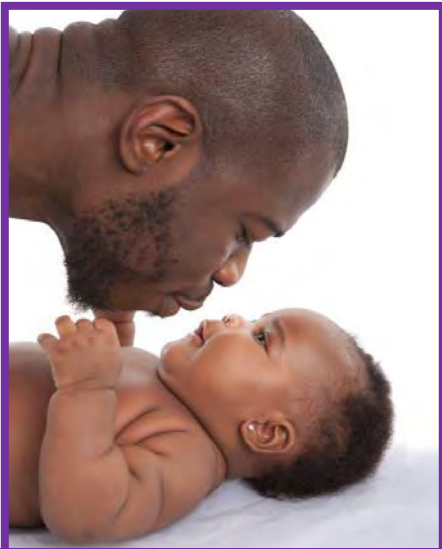
Intervention is more effective and less costly when it's provided earlier rather than later.

Sources: Zero to Three (2009): <https://www.zerotothree.org/resources/83-making-hope-a-reality-early-intervention-for-infants-and-toddlers-with-disabilities>

ECTA: <https://ectacenter.org/~pdfs/pubs/importanceofearlyintervention.pdf>

Making Referrals to EI by the Community

[As long as the parent does not object]



Parents



Medical Staff



Social Workers

Early
Intervention
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Agencies



Family Members

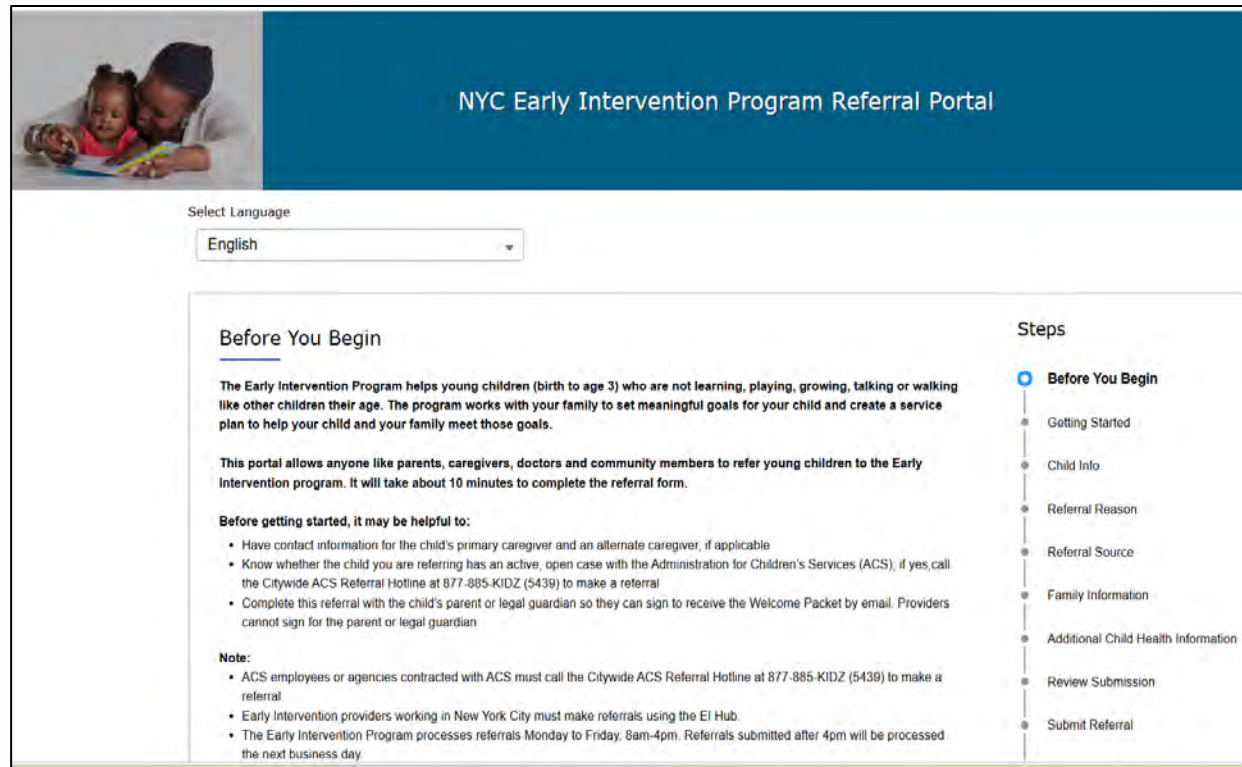


Child Care Providers



Online EI Referral Portal

You can now make a referral to Early Intervention or Developmental Monitoring anytime from your computer, smartphone, or other mobile device



The screenshot displays the NYC Early Intervention Program Referral Portal. At the top left is a photograph of a parent and a young child. The header is a dark blue bar with the text "NYC Early Intervention Program Referral Portal". Below the header, there is a "Select Language" dropdown menu currently set to "English". The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "Before You Begin", contains introductory text about the program's purpose, a statement about who can use the portal, a list of helpful tips for getting started, and a "Note" section with specific instructions for ACS employees, providers, and processing times. The right column, titled "Steps", features a vertical list of eight steps: "Before You Begin" (highlighted with a blue circle), "Getting Started", "Child Info", "Referral Reason", "Referral Source", "Family Information", "Additional Child Health Information", "Review Submission", and "Submit Referral".

NYC Early Intervention Program Referral Portal

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This portal allows anyone like parents, caregivers, doctors and community members to refer young children to the Early Intervention program. It will take about 10 minutes to complete the referral form.

Before getting started, it may be helpful to:

- Have contact information for the child's primary caregiver and an alternate caregiver, if applicable
- Know whether the child you are referring has an active, open case with the Administration for Children's Services (ACS); if yes, call the Citywide ACS Referral Hotline at 877-885-KIDZ (5439) to make a referral
- Complete this referral with the child's parent or legal guardian so they can sign to receive the Welcome Packet by email. Providers cannot sign for the parent or legal guardian

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- The Early Intervention Program processes referrals Monday to Friday, 8am-4pm. Referrals submitted after 4pm will be processed the next business day

Steps

- Before You Begin
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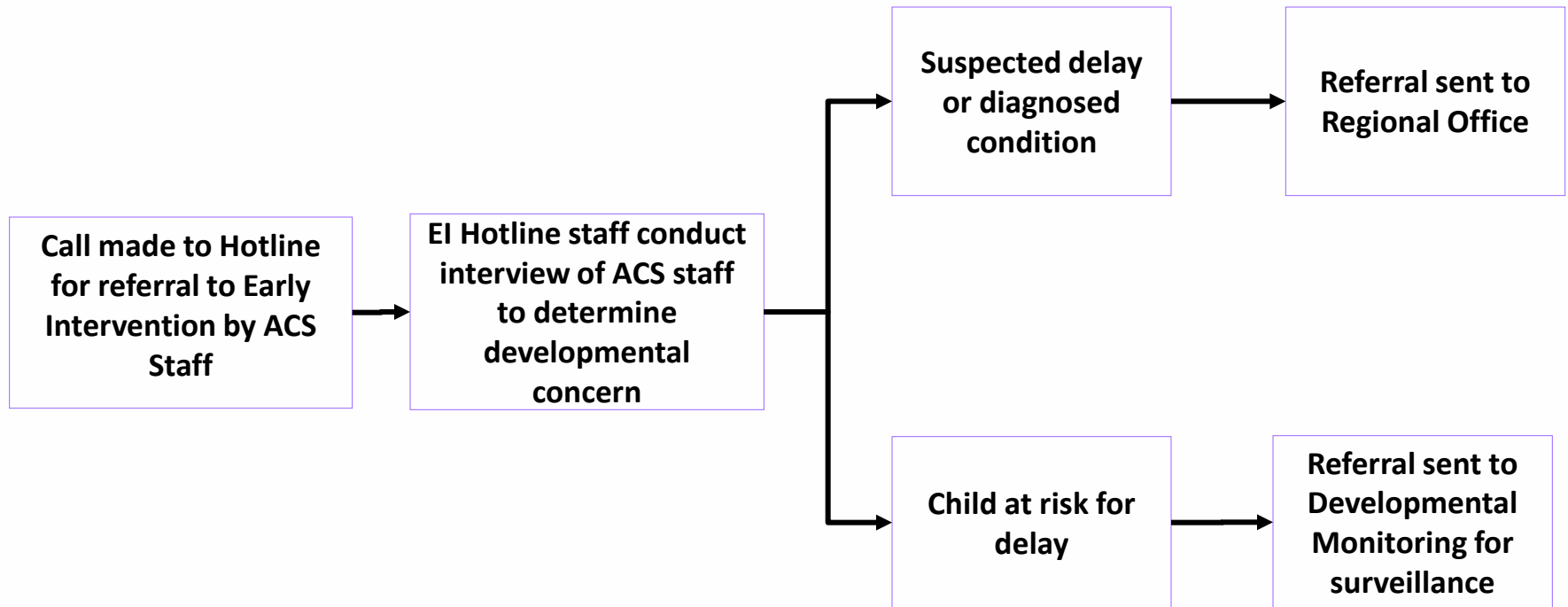
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ACS Hotline Intake Process





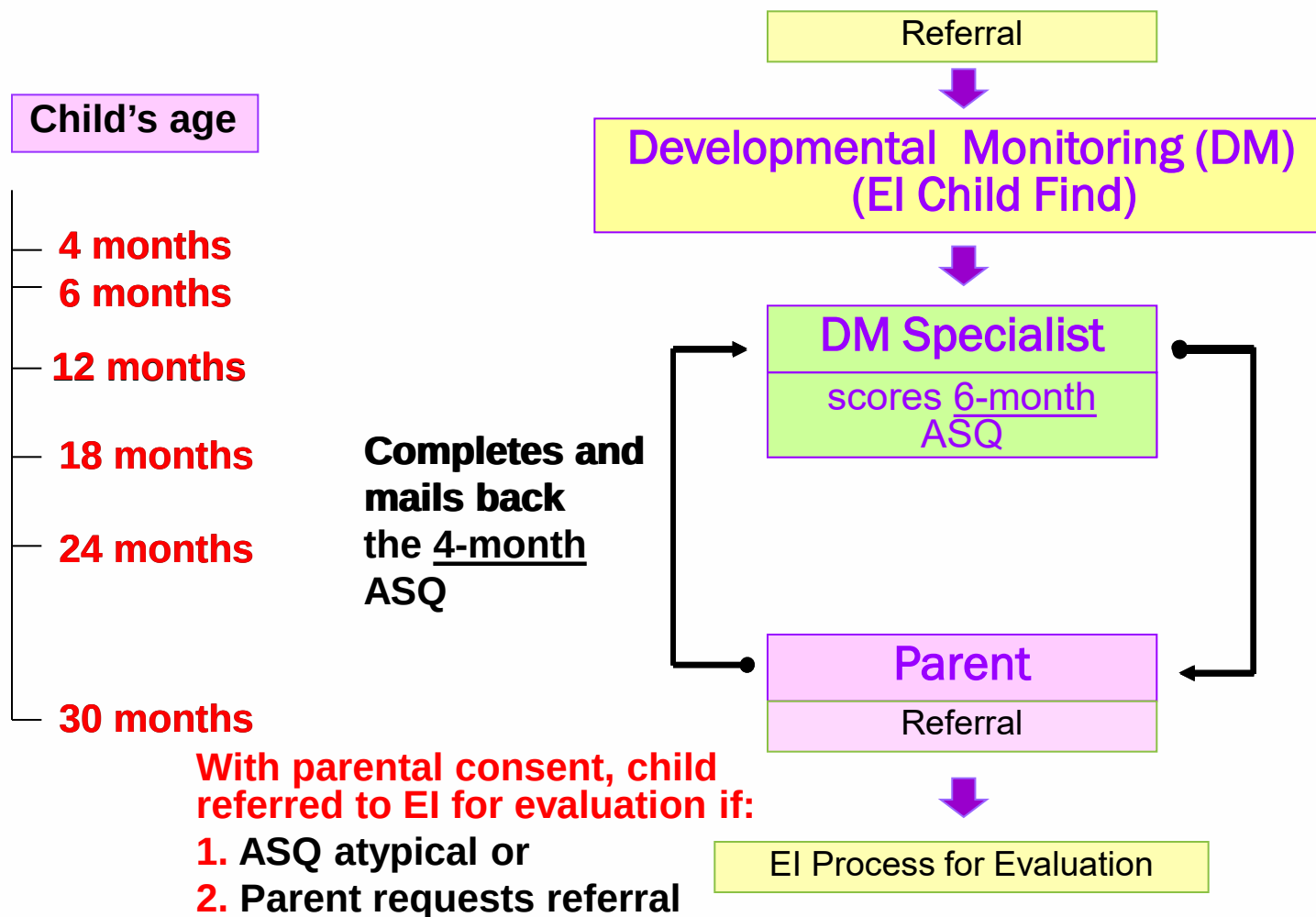
At-Risk Children

- **Developmental Monitoring (DM)** tracks children who are at-risk for delay, but who might not currently show delays that would make them eligible for EI services.

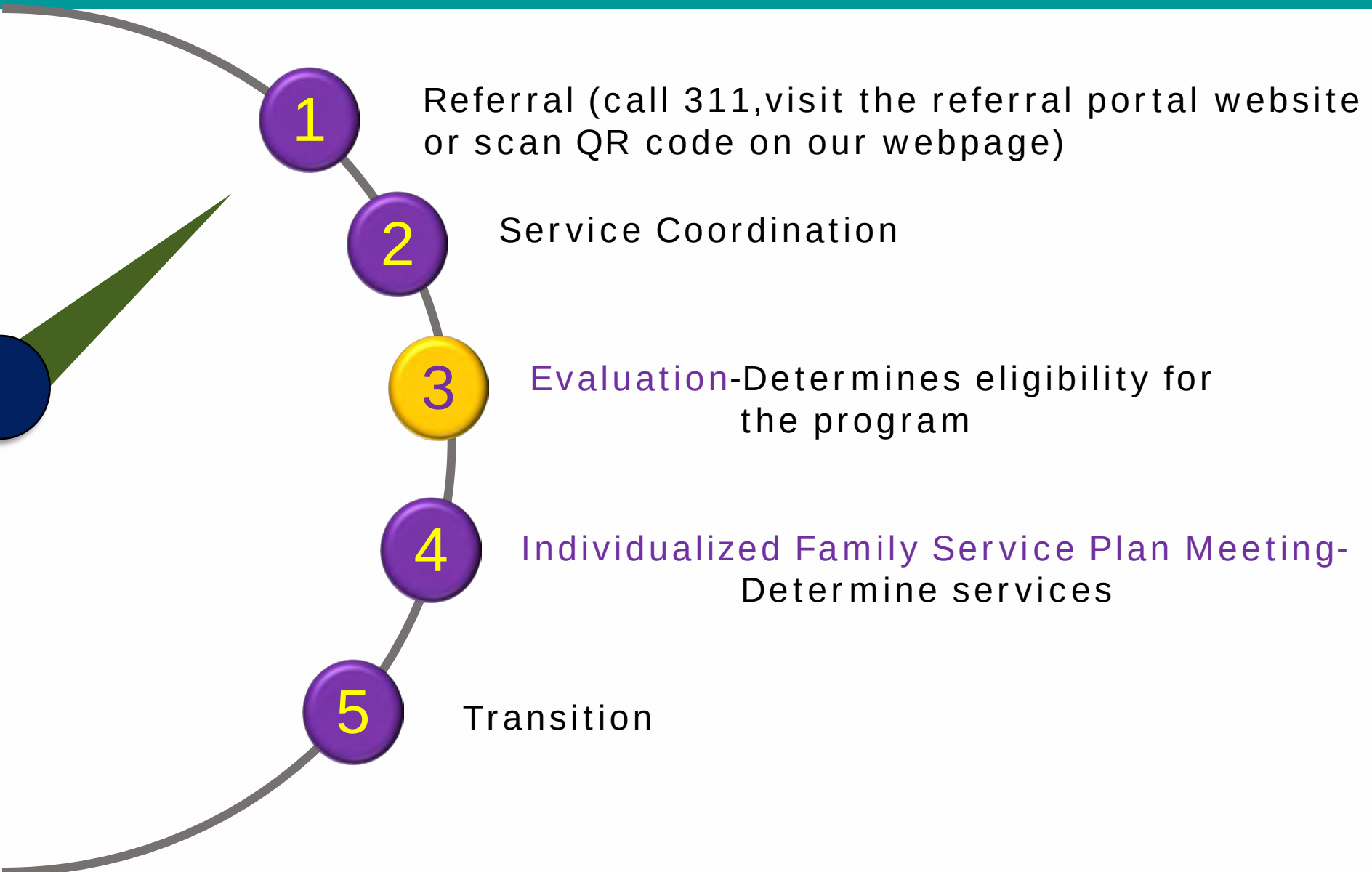
- Examples of ***at-risk*** conditions:
 - No initial newborn hearing screening, or failed screening
 - Lead exposure
 - Parental substance abuse
 - 10 or more days in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
 - Homelessness
 - Abuse or neglect
 - No prenatal care
 - Low birth weight (less than 3.4 lbs.)
 - Premature birth (less than 33 weeks)

How does Developmental Monitoring work?

Example: A 4-month old child who is at risk



Steps in Early Intervention Process



Initial Service Coordination



- The Citywide Early Intervention Referral Unit assigns **Initial Service Coordination Agency** that will assign an **Initial Service Coordinator (ISC)** to the family. The ISC will:
 - Explain the program and the process to parent(s)
 - Assist parent(s) in choosing an EI evaluation agency
 - Help the family plan next steps

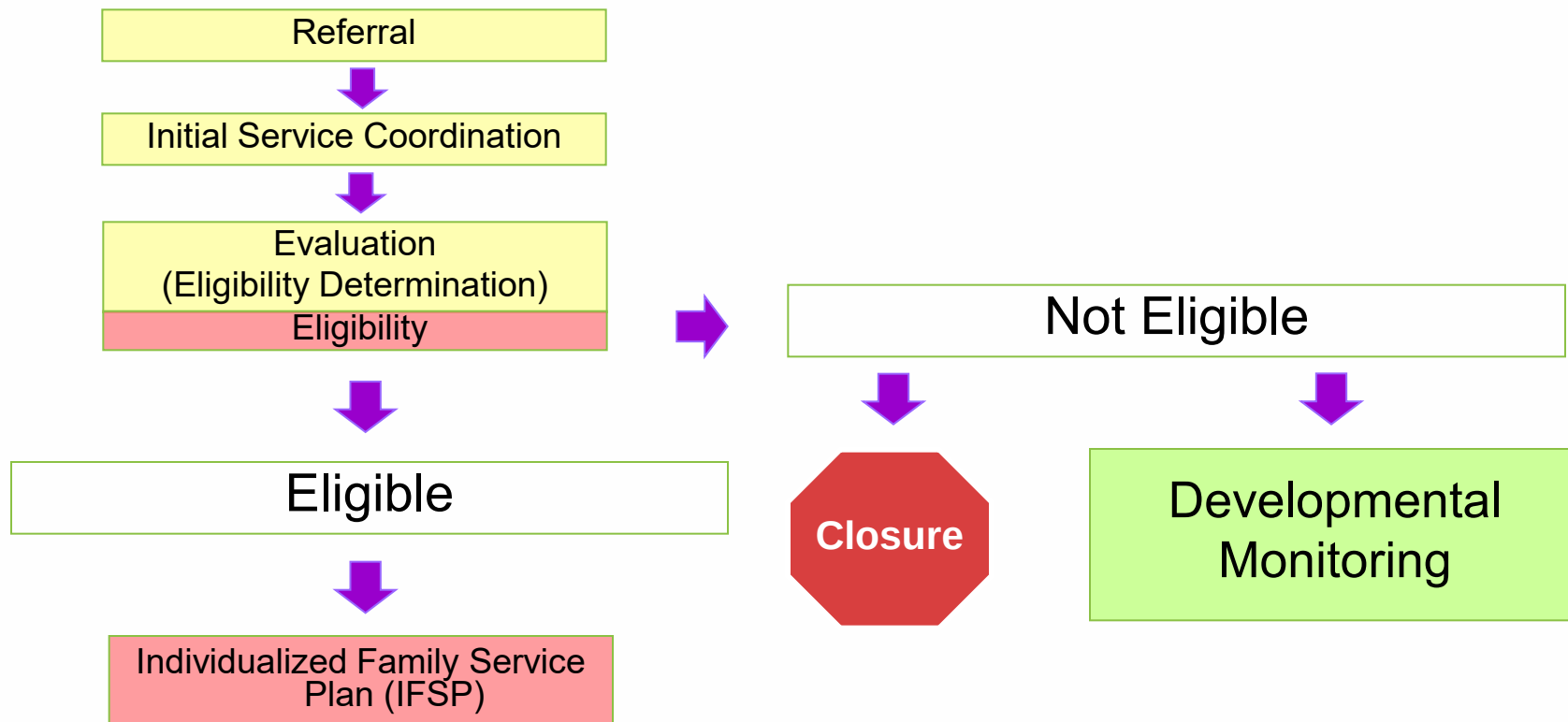
- The service coordinator works with the family to ensure that the EIP is working for them.

Multidisciplinary Evaluations to Determine Eligibility for EI

- Bilingual when appropriate
- The **Multidisciplinary Evaluation** (MDE) includes:
 - Assessment of the child's level of functioning in the five areas of development:
 - *Physical (including vision and hearing)*
 - *Cognitive*
 - *Communication*
 - *Social/Emotional*
 - *Adaptive*
 - Evaluation of transportation needs
- Childcare provider may participate, with parental consent



“Eligible” vs. “Not Eligible”



Individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP) for Eligible Children

The IFSP Meeting

Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) meeting must be held within 45 days of the referral.

- Parents' concerns, priorities, and resources reviewed to develop the functional outcomes
- The following must attend the IFSP meeting:
 - The parent(s)
 - The initial Service Coordinator
 - The Early Intervention Official Designee (EIOD)
 - A representative from the Evaluation team
 - Any other people the family would like to attend the meeting





NYC Early Intervention Program Family Concerns, Priorities and Resources (CPR) Form

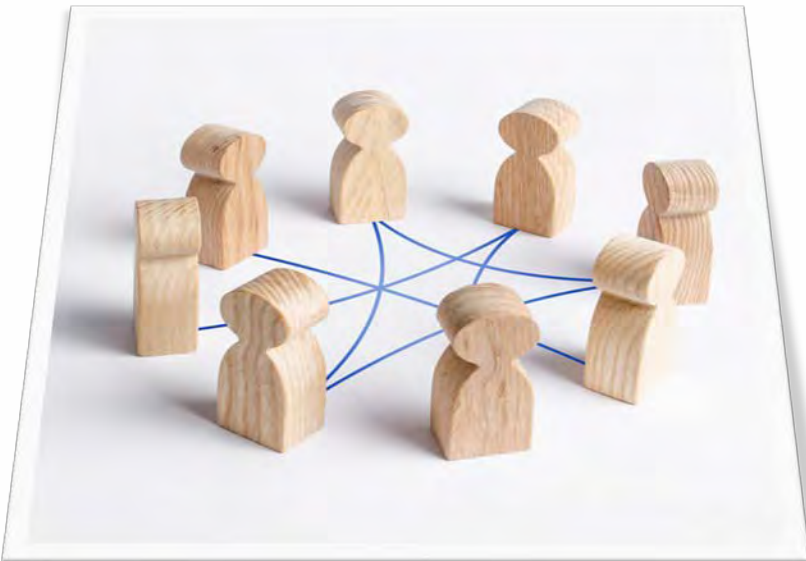
Instructions: The CPR form must be completed by the Initial Service Coordinator during the initial meeting with parents to help them prepare for the multi-disciplinary evaluation (MDE) and, if found eligible, for the IFSP meeting. The CPR form should also be completed before each IFSP review. *The ISC must attach the completed CPR Form in the developmental assessment panel in EI-Hub. Refer to the ISC Responsibilities Policy.*

Child's Name:	Milagros Chan-Lopez	EI#	Example	Service Coordinator:	Lola Sanchez
Parent name(s): Gustavo Lopez and Mei Chan					
Date CPR form completed:		Example		CPR Form Page #	1
				Total number of pages:	2
1- Family Concerns - What concerns do the parents have about their child's development and their routine activities? Gustavo concerned when he doesn't know why Milagros is upset. Concern about inconclusive hearing examination (would like a follow-up appointment). Concern she has not lifted her head when she lays on her stomach and does not turn her head to one side when they play with her or put her in the bed. Concern grade 1 retinopathy of prematurity is affecting her vision. Concerned that they're maybe swaddling too much.					
1a-Routine activities - Describe what the child currently does and what they would like the child to be able to do in each routine activity that is a concern. <i>If there are more than 3 routine activity concerns, complete another CPR Form.</i>					
Concern # 1 Routine Activity Bed-based activities (sleeping, napping) (please see notes on page 2)					
• What child currently does: has not lifted her head when she lays on stomach, does not turn head to one side					
• Would like child to do: have ability/control to lift head when she lays on her stomach and turn head to side					
Concern # 2 Routine Activity Social/play activities with family					
• What child currently does: does not consistently look at faces or toys during social/play activities					
• Would like child to do: consistently look at faces or toys during social/play activities					
Concern # 3 Routine Activity Bathing/cleaning activities					
• What child currently does: she moves her hands a lot, but not her legs					
• Would like child to do: have ability/control to move her legs					
2-What are the Family Priorities? What concerns do the parents consider most important and should be focused on in the IFSP and why. • For Milagros to have all appointments to check health, hearing, vision, development, and neurological concerns so they can identify any areas needing support. • To check/monitor if her muscle tone and motor development is alright. • For Milagros: achieve developmental milestones and to get help in any areas that need strengthening/support. • Milagros' head circumference and weight is on target - they want to make sure that this continues.					
3-What are the Family Resources? What strengths, abilities, and formal and informal supports can be used to address the family concerns? What are the child's strengths and what routines do they find enjoyable? • The family has the support of Mei's parents: Li and Qiang Chan, and younger siblings: sister Ai (21 years old), brother Wei (20 years old), and Gustavo's older brother, Miguel Lopez (28 years old). • Parents have jobs with flexible schedules so they are able to participate in the evaluations and EI sessions. • Since Mei's parents own a grocery store, they do not have issues in accessing food. Continued on page 2.					

Example of Family Concern, Priorities, and Resources Form

- Completed by the Initial Service Coordinator with the family
- Reviewed by the EIOD
- Used to create the functional outcomes at the IFSP meeting

DISCUSSION AT THE IFSP MEETING



- Review the information gathered about the child and discuss family's resources, concerns and other needs.
- Discuss families' critical role and involvement in services.
- Explain who will provide what services, where and how often.
- Appoint an Ongoing Service Coordinator.



NYC Early Intervention Services

• TYPES OF EI SERVICES:

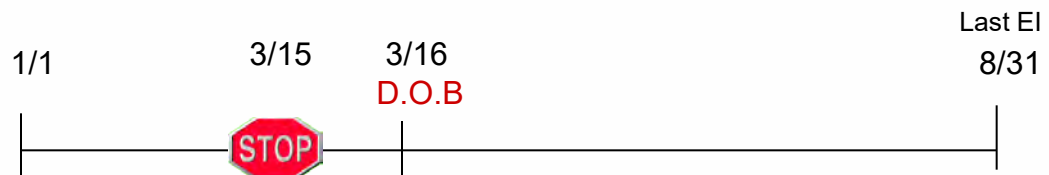
- Special instruction
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy
- Social work
- Assistive technology
- Respite
- Family training
- Service coordination
- Evaluation
- Counseling

• QUALIFIED PERSONNEL : • LICENSED OR CERTIFIED

- Early childhood special educator (Birth to Grade 2)
- Physical therapist
- Occupational therapist
- Speech-language pathologist
- Social worker
- Nutritionist

Preparing Families for Transition from the EI Program

- Transition plan is developed for all children aging out of EI.
- EI services will end the day before the child's 3rd birthday, unless eligible for Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE).



Regional Offices

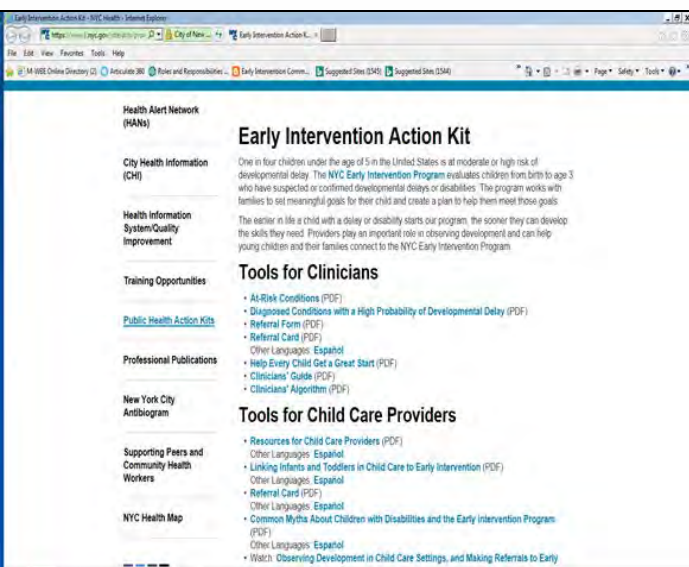


Follow-up questions about a child's case should be directed to the EI Regional Office in the borough where the child lives.

Regional Office Phone Numbers

- ☐ **Bronx: 718-838-6887**
- ☐ **Brooklyn: 718-694-6000**
- ☐ **Manhattan: 212-436-0900**
- ☐ **Queens: 718-553-3954**
- ☐ **Staten Island: 718-568-2300**

Resources for Parents, Community Partners, Doctors, City Agencies, and EI Providers: **The NYC BEI Public Health Action Kit Page**



The **BEI Public Health Action Kit** page was launched in May 2019 and includes:

- Clinician Tool Kit
- Child Care Provider Tool Kit
- Six EI videos with former EI parents – share these with parents who want to see what EI is about.
- Family-friendly education materials about EI and Developmental Monitoring are available in ten languages: Spanish, Chinese, English, Haitian Creole, Russian, French, Bangla, Arabic, Korean, and Urdu

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/providers/resources/public-health-action-kits-early-intervention.page>



For Outreach email: EINOW@health.nyc.gov

Quality Initiatives: EmbeddedCoaching@health.nyc.gov

BUSHWICK LIBRARY

CONSTRUCTION + INTERIM SERVICE UPDATE

COMMUNITY BOARD ONE
EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMITTEE
MAY 14, 2026



BUSHWICK

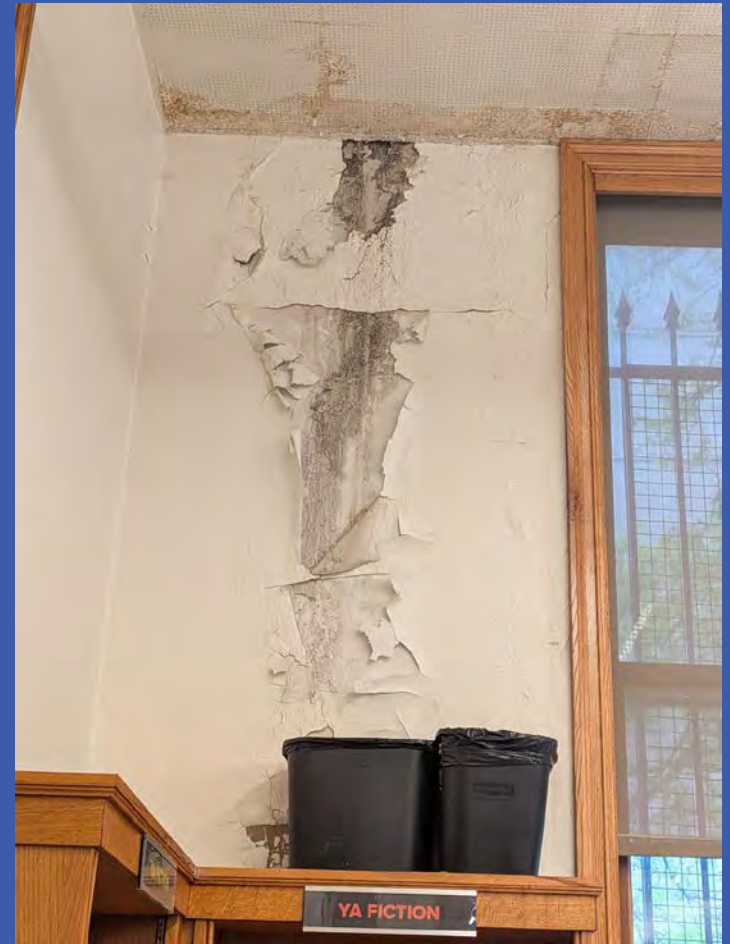
WHY IS THE LIBRARY CLOSING?

ROOF REPAIR

- The Roof has mostly been held up thanks to a tarp for years, but that's not a long-term solution!

NEW HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS (HVAC)

- The Bushwick Library will be in the very fortunate position to have a new HVAC ready to go while the current one is still working.



HOW LONG WILL THE LIBRARY BE CLOSED?

NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC) expects this project to take 18 months. BPL will need additional time to bring back books and turn the space back into a library.

- **Last day of Bushwick Library Public Service:** Friday, June 5, 2026
- Although Bushwick Library will close on June 5, Bushwick Library will be open as a poll site on Primary Day – June 23, 2026, before active construction begins.
- There is an accessibility project currently in-design at Leonard Library. That project is at least 18 months from entering construction.

STAYING CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY

CURRENT PLANS

- **Bookmobile Service** in front of the Bushwick Library on Mondays 10 AM-4PM for the initial closure period.



STAYING CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY

CURRENT PLANS

- Weekly tabling outside the Bushwick Library on Wednesdays with Community Partners (exact times TBA)
- Once Monthly (to start) collaborations with St. Nick's BK Story Voyager
- Programming at Local community centers, schools, etc.
- Hosting a Book Hub at Moore St. Market

STAYING CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY

LONG TERM PLANS

- Ideally, we hope to find an interim space
 - The space does have to meet certain requirements for us to use it, such as meeting accessibility requirements and having space to be appropriately staffed
- Continuing to work with Community Partners
 - We will be continuously looking for opportunities to engage with and support Community Partners throughout building closure
- Deposit Collections
- Programming

QUESTIONS

You can also reach out to us with questions that arise after this meeting!

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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT

Cannabis Review Committee

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. William Vega, Committee Chair
Mr. Raffaello VanCouten, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Cannabis Review Committee Report from May 18, 2026

The Committee met on the evening of May 18, 2026, at the District Office at 435 Graham Avenue (Corner of Frost Street), Brooklyn, NY 11211 at 6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Vega, Chair; VanCouten, Co-Chair; Cabrera; Love; Valentin

Absent: Kaminski; Sofer; Abbott* (*) *Non-Board Member*

Five members constitute a quorum for this committee; a quorum was achieved.

AGENDA

RENEWAL

1. Jean R Levasseur, DBA Twisted Vibration, 301 Broadway, (Retail Dispensary) OCM-CAURD-24-000191
On April 20, 2026, the applicant attended our scheduled Cannabis Review meeting. Applicant presented an incomplete application with missing supporting documents. We granted the applicant an extension to complete the application package. The applicant's rep emailed the district office the requested documents and the office forwarded the committee the missing documents. The committee reviewed the documents and voted via email, to approve the processing of the application. We recommend OCM, to renew Jean R Levasseur, DBA Twisted Vibration, 301 Broadway, (OCM-CAURD-24-000191), retail dispensary license.

The Committee vote was four to approve and one to disapprove

BUSINESS STRUCTURE CHANGE

2. Fignolecar Inc, DBA Indoor Treez, 175 Grand Street, (Retail Dispensary)
OCM CAURD 2022-000443
Changed business name from Fignolecar LLC to Fignolecar Inc. Business provided district office and committee NYS Dept of State document showing legal proof of business name change.
OCM CAURD 2022-000443.

No committee vote was necessary

On Thursday, May 14th our District Manager and I attended an OCM internet meeting. OCM is staffed with new personnel, the event was a meet and greet for OCM and CB Cannabis Committee Chairs. We advised OCM, we need 90 days to review applications and in Brooklyn, CBs are closed for the summer months of July and August. For renewals, since OCM reviews the financial books of applicants, they should issue waivers to businesses which are struggling to make a profit, regarding sharing revenue with the community.

The Committee reviewed one Cannabis Retail Dispensary renewal Application:
The Committee approved the one renewal application

The next meeting of the Cannabis Review Committee is scheduled as follows:

WHEN: Monday, June 22, 2026
TIME: 6:00 PM
WHERE: CB1 District Office
435 Graham Avenue
(Corner of Frost Street)



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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT Environmental Protection Committee

TO: Chairperson Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Stephen Chesler, Committee Chair
Environmental Protection Committee

RE: Committee Report from May 19, 2026

The Committee met on the evening of May 19, 2026, at 6:15 PM at the CB1 District Office, 435 Graham Avenue. Brooklyn, NY 11222

Members: Chesler, Chair; Vega, Co-Chair; Bruzaitis; Espinal; Costa*; Hofmann*; Holowacz*; Torres*. (*) *Non board committee member.*

(5 Members constitutes a quorum for this committee)

Present: Chesler, Chair; Costa*; Hofmann*; Torres*.

Absent: Vega, Co-Chair; Bruzaitis; Espinal; Holowacz*.

4 members were present. A quorum was not achieved.

MEETING

1) National Grid: Address reports of a slowed and problematic remediation process for the former Williamsburg Works (Manufactured Gas Plant) site, NYS DEC cleanup Site No. 224055, at undeveloped sections of Bushwick Inlet Park.

As reported by Committee Chair, Steve Chesler, who serves as Vice-President of Friends of Bushwick Inlet, and Katherine Thompson, their president. On hand was Mary Salig, District

Administrator for NYC Parks, Community District #1. See the attached DEC fact sheet regarding this cleanup site. Mr. Chesler and Ms. Thompson attend monthly Bushwick Inlet Park status meetings with Council Member Lincoln Restler and his staff, other local elected representatives and their staff, NYC Parks Department representatives and numerous participants from NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

Steve Chesler: This cleanup program is taking place on two parcels of land within the development of Bushwick Inlet Park (BIP), a future 27-acre public park that is in phased development, bordered by the East River, Kent Ave/Franklin Street, N 9th Street and the northern bank of Bushwick Inlet beyond N 15th Street. These two specific parcels, referred to as Citi Storage North, are bordered by the East River, N 11th Street, N 12th Street and the open 50 Kent section of Bushwick Inlet Park along its eastern border. Historically the entire swath of land expanding from the East River across Kent Avenue was the site of the Williamsburg Gas Works, a manufactured gas plant where coal was burned to produce gas in homes for heating, lighting, etc. Its toxic byproduct is coal tar, a viscous non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) that does not dissolve in water. It is estimated that the coal tar plume permeating the groundwater at this site has migrated to the sites north (Bayside/Pratt) and south (Citi Storage South). A site characterization is required at both adjacent sites to provide a general determination of the chemical state there as it pertains to coal tar. National Grid is the prime responsible party required to perform a remedial investigation and action at Citi Storage North, and potentially being responsible for portions of remediation at the adjacent sites. As reported in the BIP meetings by CM Restler and DEC, National Grid has been a bad actor in this process by moving slowly on required processes, missing deadlines, delaying action and results and litigating against the other responsible parties, contributing to further delays. CM Restler has reported National Grid refuses to participate in a high-level meeting with the council member and other elected officials.

The City of New York promised to fully build out Bushwick Inlet Park over 21 years ago. On three sections of the park, totaling about 8 acres, has opened to the public. The remaining 19 acres are mired in a long remediation process, adding insult to injury with the park's incredibly slow progress. As tens of thousands of new residents have migrated to Greenpoint and Williamsburg since the massive city-led rezoning was implemented starting in 2005. BIP was to provide crucial mitigation for these residents. There is another bad actor in this remediation, Chevron with regard to the Bayside site. Exxon and New York City are the two other responsible parties and are considered better actors. However, National Grid is in focus because of their role in the remediation of potentially up to four park parcels. They are close to completing the remedial investigation stage of Citi Storage North, and they have made progress with their contamination characterization of portions of Bayside and Citi Storage South. But the consensus is they need to perform better.

Kevin Costa: National Grid possibly missing their deadlines because they are obligated to have governance and risk management in place and like to have processes that they would normally implement in their business operations, and being a publicly traded company the remediation process and cost could be exposing them to risk for their shareholders.

Mary Salig noted that currently capital construction costs increase almost 10% annually. So, the more that the BIP remediation is delayed the more costly the development of the remaining sections of the park will be.

Steve Chesler: it should be considered to have the Bayside responsible parties converge into an organized entity as has been done with the Newtown Creek Superfund site, for the purposes of a focused efficient remedy process.

Discussion amongst committee members concurred that writing letters to National Grid, DEC and the City, directly and separately would be in good order here, citing the problems with the process and urging the ceasing of delaying activities and expediting remediation processes, and urging both the state and city exert much more pressure on National Grid to act in a much more efficient and timely manner.

The committee also recommended including the threat of National Grid incurring fines for not meeting deadlines and complying with their consent order with DEC.

It was further suggested and accepted that direct engagement with National Grid and the community and the community board would be in order, as well—such as requesting to appear before a joint meeting of the Parks and Environmental Protection Committees after the board's summer recess, to discuss the BIP remediation process and to provide a clear timeline to complete their required tasks .

Explore with Sane Energy (e.g., through their ED Kim Frazcek) the possibility of leveraging environmental justice organizations and institutional investors to apply shareholder pressure on National Grid regarding Bushwick Inlet Park remediation.

Considering all of the above, committee members were in consensus to put forth the following motion:

A motion was made to recommend the board submit letters to National Grid, NYS DEC and the Mayor's office urging National Grid to cease all means of delaying the remediation of 4 Bushwick Inlet Park parcels and compliance with their consent order with DEC, and that DEC and NYC exert much more pressure on National Grid to expedite and comply with this remediation, as National Grid is making the painful delay in the development of Bushwick Inlet Park unnecessarily extended and even more painful, and more costly to the City to build, and request National Grid appear before a near future joint meeting of CB1 Parks and Environmental Protection Committees to commit to a set remediation timeline.

By Julie Torres

Second: Kevin Costa

Yes votes 4 (1 board member, 3 non-board members)

No votes 0

Abstentions 0

Motion carried (consensus vote)

2) US EPA Investigation at the Brooklyn Union Gas-Equity Works Site: -

Assess U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's completion of its radiological investigation of the NYSDEC coal tar contamination cleanup site (SITE No. 224050) at the 222 Maspeth Avenue property. The cleanup is being performed by National Grid.

Steve Chesler transposed a report (attached) from the EPA sent to the board regarding their investigation at the former Brooklyn Union Gas Equity Worksite of radiation contamination discovered during the process of remediating coal tar from a former manufactured gas plant that was located at this site. They concluded there is no threat to nearby properties and workers, and that DEC is overseeing National Grid's remediation of the radioactive areas going forward as a part of the manufactured gas site cleanup, but details post-2024 are lacking. They noted that radiation can naturally exist in fill imported into a site. In discussion the committee recommended the board send a letter to DEC requesting more information regarding the radiation aspect of the site remediation.

A motion was made to recommend the board submit a letter to NYS DEC requesting details on how radioactive water and soil will be remediated on this site.

By Laura Hofmann

Second: Julie Torres

Yes votes 4 (1 board member, 3 non-board members)

No votes 0

Abstentions 0

Motion carried (consensus vote)

3) Greenpoint Oil Spill: Response to the DEC project website being taken down.

Reported by Steve Chesler: NYS DEC's Greenpoint Oil Spill project website was removed. He noted the project has now been incorporated into Exxon's corporate website. It lacks independence and full project details.

In discussion there was concurrence amongst committee members that the original DEC project website be restored for the sake of accuracy, neutrality and transparency. Additionally, Laura Hofmann urged that updated project maps be included there (an expanded extent map based on the study funded by Congresswoman Velazquez).

A motion was made to recommend the board submit a letter to NYS DEC requesting their Greenpoint Oil Spill Project website be restored with inclusion of an expanded extent map based on the study funded by Congresswoman Velazquez.

By Kevin Costa

Second: Laura Hofmann

Yes votes 4 (1 board member, 3 non-board members)

No votes 0

Abstentions 0

Motion carried (consensus vote)

Old Business

1) Williamsburg Houses - updates

Steve Chesler will follow up with Lucas Greer and the NYSHA regional representative to confirm whether the brown water and ongoing odor issues at Williamsburg Houses have been resolved and to understand any remaining health concerns.

Steve Chesler has been in communication with Matthew Rooney, CEO MDG Contracting, Wavecrest's contractor at WH, raising the need for independent air and environmental monitoring at Williamsburg Houses, including use of Summa canisters, and to explore options for implementing such monitoring. Research EPA and other Summa canister programs and options for deploying extended Summa canister monitoring in Williamsburg Houses apartments to measure indoor air quality and potential health hazards.

Also, he has been providing Steve Chesler with boiler violation remedy documents. They will be distributed relevantly to the board when they are fully received.

2) 287 Maspeth Ave Remedial Investigation:

Steve Chesler reported: This National Grid property is adjacent to the current Meeker Avenue Plume superfund site border. Separate responses to a CB1 letter requesting contamination testing results from DEC and National Grid. National Grid noted a positive test result for the plume's contaminants of concern. DEC countered this by asserting the testing and analysis is ongoing and inconclusive so far. (letter copies attached).

3) Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility Projects

- Gateway to Greenpoint open space project has broken ground and is actively under construction. Excellent news!
- The board received a notice (see attached) from DEP expressing its intent to perform an environmental review for replacement of gas holders that are a part of the waste to gas system. DEP presented this project to the committee in 2025.

New Business

None.

Meeting adjourned.

K - Williamsburg Works

Operable Unit 1

State Superfund Program

Site No. 224055

Kent Ave. & 12th St.

Brooklyn, NY 11249



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

November 2025

Investigation Completed at State Superfund Site; Results will Help Evaluate Alternatives to Address Contamination

A detailed environmental study has been completed by National Grid ("remedial party") for Operable Unit 1 (OU-1) of the K – Williamsburg Works site ("site") located at Kent Ave. & 12th St. in Brooklyn, Kings County. Please see the map for the site location.

National Grid has prepared, through its engineering consultant, a "Remedial Investigation Report (RIR)" that describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a cleanup plan to address contamination that has been found.

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/224055/>.
- Documents also are available at the locations identified under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report

- Investigations were conducted at the site to determine how far contamination from the site property has spread. The contaminant of concern at this site is MGP-related non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL), commonly referred to as coal tar, and its chemical constituents that typically resulted from historic manufactured gas operations on-site.
- NAPL impacts were observed near former gas holders, former oil separators, and former tar and oil tanks. These impacts were located on Parcels 2, 3, and 4.
- Groundwater at areas investigated moves through soil that contains both impacts associated with the former MGP operations and other non-MGP sources.
- Based on these findings, NYSDEC has recommended that a site cleanup be completed to remove the threat posed by the contaminants of concern in the soil, soil vapor, and groundwater.

Next Steps

An Alternatives Analysis will be prepared by National Grid based on information obtained during the investigation to:

- 1) Define the objectives of the site cleanup program;
- 2) Develop cleanup alternatives; and
- 3) Screen and analyze the alternatives.

NYSDEC will then develop a draft cleanup plan, called a "Proposed Decision Document." This plan describes the cleanup actions preferred by NYSDEC to address contamination related to the site. The Alternatives Analysis will explain the decision that led to the preferred cleanup by discussing each

alternative and the reasons for choosing or rejecting it. The goal of the plan will be to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will announce the availability of the draft cleanup plan in a future fact sheet and present it to the public for its review and comment during a 30-day comment period and at a public meeting.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description

The K - Williamsburg Works Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site is in a commercial/industrial area in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, New York. The site is approximately six acres in size and is composed of four parcels of land located on the east bank of the East River between North 11th and North 12th Streets on the west and east sides of Kent Avenue. The three parcels to the west of Kent Avenue comprise Operable Unit 1 (OU-1) and the parcel to the east of Kent Avenue comprises OU-2. Site features include a vacant concrete paved lot and the foundation slab of former warehouses and 50 Kent – Bushwick Inlet Park on the west side of Kent Avenue and a two-story commercial building on the east side of Kent Avenue. Previously, the site had been used as part of a larger gas manufacturing plant until operations ceased in approximately 1941.

Redevelopment plans include incorporation of the site into the larger developing Bushwick Inlet Park.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 224055) at:

<https://appfactory.dec.ny.gov/DERExternalSearch/ERDSearch>

State Superfund Program

New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination before committing State funds for investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the SSF, visit:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfield-and-state-superfund-programs/state-superfund-sites>

Stay Informed with DEC Delivers

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

Sign up to receive site updates by email:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/environmental-cleanup-email-newsletters>

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

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WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/224055/>

<https://www.williamsburgmqpsite.com>

Site Location





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EPA's Investigation Results

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has finished testing soil found during National Grid's cleanup at a former manufactured gas plant site at 222, 252, and 254 Maspeth Avenue in Brooklyn, New York, for elevated levels of radiation.

EPA's investigation found that there is radiological contamination in the soil that could potentially impact people working outdoors on the property. Soil sampling results indicate that this radiological contamination has not migrated to other properties and therefore, in its current condition, does not present a risk to surrounding businesses or residences.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or NYSDEC, is currently overseeing the cleanup of coal tar contamination at the 222 Maspeth Avenue property and there is no ongoing exposure to outdoor workers due to the cleanup. NYSDEC will ensure that the radiological contamination is addressed as part of their ongoing cleanup of coal tar contamination.

If you have any additional questions or concerns about the site going forward, please reach out to the NYSDEC project manager **Marnie DeLuke** at 518-402-3262. Project related health questions may be directed to the New York State Department of Health project manager **Johnathan Robinson** at 518-402-7881.



Figure 1. The site is outlined in yellow above.

Background

In January 2025, at the request of the NYSDEC, EPA took samples from the 222, 252, and 254 Maspeth Avenue properties, which make up the Brooklyn Union Gas-Equity Works Site. EPA's investigation found that the only property with radiological contamination at levels that pose a potential threat to people's health and the environment is the 222 Maspeth Avenue property.

Site History

From the late 1890s to late 1920s, Brooklyn Union Gas operated a gas manufacturing facility on the property. The facility produced gas which was piped to surrounding neighborhoods and used for cooking, lighting, heating, and commercial purposes. National Grid is currently cleaning up contamination from coal tar waste; a type of contamination found at many gas manufacturing sites.

Additional Resources

Coal Tar: www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/tfacts85.pdf

Radiation: www.epa.gov/radiation/radiation-basics

Radon: <http://www.epa.gov/radon>

NYSDEC Gas Manufacturing Facility Cleanup Program:
<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfields-state-superfund-programs/manufactured-gas-plants/mgp-program>

In late December of 2023, National Grid learned that soil removed from 222 Maspeth Avenue contained elevated levels of radiation. National Grid stopped their cleanup activities in the areas where elevated radiation was present. After investigating the cleanup area, under NYSDEC supervision, National Grid continued to complete cleanup activities in areas without elevated radiation. National Grid stopped cleanup activities in September 2024 so NYSDEC could coordinate with EPA to investigate the areas with elevated levels of radiation.





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Re: Contaminated State of 287 Maspeth Avenue National Grid Campus

Dear Commissioner Lefton and Mr. DeCicco,

On December 9, 2025, Brooklyn Community Board #1 voted unanimously to send this letter, based on a recommendation from its Environmental Protection Committee:

As reported by Environmental Protection Committee Chair, Steve Chesler, who is a member of both the Newtown Creek (Superfund) Community Advisory Group and the Meeker Avenue Plume CAG (Superfund), for years both CAGs have been anxious to know the true state of the contamination existing and the remedial action work plan development at the National Grid Greenpoint Energy Center located at 287 Maspeth Avenue in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, which lies within Brooklyn Community District #1.

It is known that this site is an ongoing source of contamination for Newtown Creek, but the detailed extent of this is unknown. Recently EPA and National Grid presented the latter's plans to construct a new saltwater pump house atop a platform over the creek. Some well samples provided a small picture of the contamination in the creek bed underneath the platform, but full details of the entire property remain elusive continuing to trouble CAG members and our board, as it may bog down an already arduous and incredibly time-consuming process for planning the creek's remediation.

Secondly, the current estimated border of the Meeker Avenue Plume Superfund contamination area ends adjacent to 287 Maspeth Avenue. This demarcation is concerning to this CAG's members and the board's Environmental Protection Committee members. Both are anxious to know how contamination at the Nation Grid site might be affecting the plume area, and visa versa. This site borders both business and especially residences. It contains former youth baseball fields that were forced into abandonment due to discovered contamination there. Across the street from 287 Maspeth Avenue at the former site of the Equity Gas Works, radioactivity was discovered within coal tar contamination. This situation raises even more concern about the chemical state of the National Grid campus site. Nearby residents, workers and business owners have a right to know about the state of the 287 Maspeth Avenue property and how it may be affecting their properties and National Grid's plan to clean up the contamination.

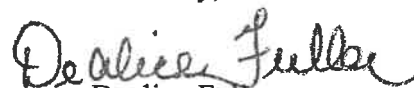
Last July a coalition of elected officials submitted a letter to DEC with a similar inquiry. To date the board is not aware of the requests made there being fulfilled. Meanwhile, the site investigation and remediation process has eclipsed a 20-year timeline and counting.

Therefore, Brooklyn Community Board #1 requests that the remedial investigation and subsequent work plan for remediating 287 Maspeth Avenue be expedited immediately. The very slow process so far is inhibiting critical planning for remediating the extensive contamination of the Newtown Creek and Meeker Avenue Superfund sites, and the addressing of the safety of nearby residents and workers. Additionally, the results of the remedial investigation and future plans should be shared by DEC and National Grid directly with our board on a regular basis and what was previously requested by the coalition, creation of a project website. The lack of communication regarding this process breeds distrust.

Brooklyn Community Board #1 takes the safety and well being of its community members very seriously

Working for Safer Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dealice Fuller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dealice" and the last name "Fuller" clearly distinguishable.

Dealice Fuller
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Re: Response to Community Board #1 Letter Regarding the Greenpoint Energy Center (287 Maspeth Avenue)

Dear Chairperson Fuller:

Thank you for your letter of December 16, 2025, regarding the Greenpoint Energy Center located at 287 Maspeth Avenue. National Grid appreciates the Community Board's continued engagement on environmental matters affecting the Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities, and we welcome the opportunity to provide an update on remediation activities at this site.

Site Investigation and Remediation Status

National Grid has conducted extensive Remedial Investigations at the Greenpoint Energy Center under a series of work plans that have been approved by NYSDEC in phases between 2011 and 2019. The initial draft Remedial Investigation (RI) Report was submitted to NYSDEC and NYSDOH in 2020 and National Grid has been working proactively with both agencies to address comments since that time. The final draft RI Report has been submitted to NYSDEC and is currently under review. Throughout the RI process, National Grid has completed multiple interim remedial measures approved by NYSDEC, including soil excavations and the proactive installation of soil vapor intrusion mitigation systems in on-site buildings. Manufactured gas plant byproducts are not typically found in indoor air and this observation was confirmed with indoor air sampling results at GPEC. However, vapor intrusion mitigation systems were installed at GPEC as a preventative measure.

The RI findings, including the most recent round of supplemental groundwater samples collected in 2024-2025, indicate that the Greenpoint Energy Center is not an ongoing

source of contamination to Newtown Creek. All on-site activities are performed under an interim site management plan with a community air monitoring program in place and there is no adverse exposure to off-site receptors.

Coordination with Federal Superfund Sites

Your letter raises important questions about the relationship between the Greenpoint Energy Center and the adjacent federal Superfund sites. We want to clarify the efforts there.

With respect to Newtown Creek, the sediment samples recently collected beneath the loading platform were taken as part of the Newtown Creek Superfund project as approved by USEPA, not as part of National Grid's upland site investigation. The loading platform extends out over the Newtown Creek sediments. Under the administrative order on consent, the Newtown Creek Study Area includes all sediments up to the high-water mark, which extends beneath the loading platform. Accordingly, sediments beneath the loading platform are in direct communication with the sediments outside the timber façade and are being addressed by USEPA as part of the Newtown Creek Superfund remedy. The Greenpoint RI activities do not affect the Newtown Creek Superfund process or schedule.

Regarding the Meeker Avenue Plume, National Grid has cooperated with USEPA by allowing sample collection on the Greenpoint site on multiple occasions. Response activities for the Meeker Avenue Plume are being led by USEPA. Groundwater data indicate that chlorinated solvents associated with the Meeker Avenue Plume are migrating onto the Greenpoint site from the north/northwest (upgradient). Chlorinated solvents are not associated with historical manufactured gas plant operations at the Greenpoint Site. Based on the available data, contamination from the Greenpoint Site is not affecting the Meeker Avenue Plume.

Equity Gas Works Site

The Community Board's letter references radioactivity discovered at the former Equity Gas Works site across Maspeth Avenue to the south. To clarify, technologically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive material (TENORM) was identified in soil during an ongoing interim remedial measure (IRM) at the Site. TENORM is not a byproduct of or associated with former manufactured gas plant operations. National Grid is coordinating with NYSDEC, USEPA, and the property owner concerning further investigation and handling of the TENORM in accordance with regulatory requirements and furtherance of the IRM.

Community Engagement

National Grid is committed to transparent communication with the community. We understand NYSDEC intends to schedule community meetings after the RI Report is finalized. In addition, National Grid is planning to meet with the Community Board Environmental Protection Committee, followed by a presentation to the full Community Board, in early 2026.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss the appropriate format for ongoing communication.

Thank you again for your letter. Please feel free to contact me or Community Engagement Director Eileen Cifone at eileen.cifone@nationalgrid.com with any questions.

Sincerely,



Philip A. DeCicco

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March 11, 2026

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Dear Chairperson Fuller:

Thank you for your December 16, 2025, letter to Commissioner Lefton regarding the status of the remedial investigation and remediation of the Greenpoint Energy Former MGP site (Site No. 224052) located at 287 Maspeth in Brooklyn, New York.

NYSDEC is currently reviewing the revised Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) prepared by National Grid; it is expected that this will be finalized and publicly available in Spring 2026. Once the RIR is finalized, and the Feasibility Study, which discusses the remedial alternatives, has been drafted, a public meeting for the site will be scheduled to convey this information to the community.

Although the RIR has not been finalized, there have been several Interim Remedial Measures completed at the site. This includes soil excavations to remove contaminated material and soil vapor intrusion sampling and mitigation of buildings at the site, where recommended by NYS Department of Health Soil Vapor Matrices. Annual soil vapor intrusion sampling continues under the Interim Site Management Plan for the site.

Regarding the adjacent Federal Superfund sites, NYSDEC continues to coordinate with the USEPA on the Meeker Avenue and Newtown Creek National Priorities List (NPL) sites. The Newtown Creek NPL site boundary has been defined under the administrative order as the sediment extending to the Ordinary High Water (OHW) mark and will be shown in the Greenpoint Energy Former MGP Site RIR. Sites upland of the OHW, such as Greenpoint Energy Former MGP, are managed under NYSDEC's regulatory programs. Cleanup of contamination related to each site will be outlined in the feasibility studies and Record of Decision (ROD) for each respective site.

The discovery of Technologically Enhanced Radioactive Material (TENORM) at the neighboring Equity Former MGP (Site No. 224050) during an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is being investigated by USEPA (Site Profile - Brooklyn Union Gas-Equity Works Site - EPA OSC Response).

NYSDEC is committed to keeping the community updated on the status of the investigation and remediation of the Greenpoint Energy Former MGP Site and will prepare a community update factsheet outlining the status and next steps for the site once the RIR is approved. The factsheet will announce the date of the public meeting.

In addition, NYSDEC's public document repository for the site can be found at <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator> , and National Grid maintains a webpage dedicated to the site (Greenpoint Energy Center - National Grid) that provides historical documents, reports, and updates on future work.

Thank you for continued interest in these sites.

Sincerely,



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**LEAD AGENCY DECLARATION AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

**NC-179 – Construction of New Gas Holders at
Newtown Creek Wastewater Resource Recovery Facility
CEQR No. 26DEP015K**

May 19, 2026

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is proposing to construct a new gas storage facility at the Newtown Creek Wastewater Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF), located at 329 Greenpoint Avenue (Block 2525, Lot 1) in Greenpoint, Brooklyn Community District 1. The new gas storage facility would consist of two 45-foot tall, approximately 60,000 cubic feet membrane gas holders, the installation of which involves the retrofit of two disused sludge thickening tanks within the WRRF complex. Ancillary project components include piping from existing digester complex to the new gas holders, and a new 735 sf blower building to be built next to the two gas holders. The project is expected to be completed by 2029. Once the new facility is up and running, DEP would demolish the existing gas tank, which is located at the edge of the WRRF complex near Kingsland Avenue. DEP would plant native trees and grasses on the site of the demolished tank.

Assuming lead agency status, DEP has classified the proposed project as an Unlisted Action and has prepared an Environmental Assessment Statement (EAS) in accordance with the requirements of the City Environmental Quality Review process as set forth in Executive Order 91 of 1977 and its amendments, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law establishing the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and its regulations as set forth in 6NYCRR Part 617. Parts I and II of the EAS may be accessed through CEQR Access using CEQR# 26DEP015K.

DEP will act as lead agency for the purpose of a coordinated environmental review with involved agencies and stakeholders. If you have any concerns with DEP serving as lead agency or any comments on the EAS, please contact Dana Taplin by June 18, 2026. Written comments on the attached materials should be addressed to: Dana Taplin, Project Manager, at the Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Environmental Planning and Analysis, 59-17 Junction Boulevard, Flushing, New York 11373, or by email at dtaplin@dep.nyc.gov.

Sincerely,



Phil Simmons, Managing Director
Environmental Impact Analysis and Technical Review

cc: Antonio Reynoso, Brooklyn Borough President
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June 9, 2026

EXECUTIVE BOARD

TO: CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Chairperson Dealice Fuller

RE: Executive Board Meeting Held on May 20, 2026

The Executive Board met on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 5:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE: Present: Chair Fuller; Teague; Barros; Heimlich.

Absent: Weiser; Iglesias; Caponegro.
(A quorum was achieved)

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Fuller opened the Meeting. and asked the committee members to review the agenda presentation requests list (See attached).

2. PREPARATION OF THE AGENDA FOR JUNE 9, 2026, COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD MEETING.

The Executive Board committee members reviewed the various requests received for the presentation. Chairperson Fuller asked for approval of the agenda and all present approved. Item # 1 Tabled for later this year or next year. Items # 5 and 6 presenters withdrew. Item # 7 tabled for next year.

3. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:

- 1) The Executive Board reviewed the following board member's request to be excused from being absent from the Combined Public Hearing & Board Meeting on April 14, 2026.

- Bozena Kaminski
- Bella Sabel

The Executive Board made a motion to excuse the above Members. Motion made by Ms. Teague and Seconded by Ms. Barros

The vote was as follows: 4 "YES" 0 "NO", 0 "ABS". Fuller; Teague; Barros; Heimlich.

DISCUSSION:

The Executive Board discussed the request from Mr. Kevin LaCherra regarding honoring Ms. Janice Peterson, The Executive Board determined that due to the many items on the agenda for the June 9, 2026, Full Board meeting, it was decided that it would be best to honor Janice Peterson at a future meeting to provide a proper tribute, along with recognition of other Board Members whose terms are expiring.

The Executive Board discussed the request from Mr. John Dereszewski (former District Manager CB4) regarding the idea of recognizing the 50th anniversary of the modern CB's, including CB 1, which will occur next year. The Executive Board determined that his request would be best organized through the Brooklyn Borough President's Office and the representative of the Community Boards. The Executive Board will ask Mr. Dereszewski to contact them directly.

The vote was as follows: 4 "YES" 0 "NO", 0 "ABS". Fuller; Teague; Barros; Heimlich

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin spoke about the offer from the Director of Human Resources Mr. Ricardo Newball, regarding CUNY being a partner with Borough Hall to host some of their graduate students to intern during the school year. The internship would be treated as a class, and they will have some flexibility with their hours. Mr. Newball asked if District Manager Ms. Pulgarin is interested in hosting a student beginning the first week of September 2026. District Manager Ms. Pulgarin stated that she definitely would like to host a student and she is going to request for a graduate student.

The Executive Board discussed about the request from John Waldman, EMPA Regional Sr. Director of Government and Community Relations American Red Cross, regarding recruiting Engaged / Involved Community Leaders & Stakeholders for a Community Relations Ambassador Position. The Executive Board decided to invite Mr. Waldman to attend any of our Public Hearings and he might address the public during the public session.

The Executive Board discussed the request from Brooklyn Commissioner, NYC Parks, Martin Maher regarding providing updates on the Metropolitan Pool at our Full Board

meetings in September and December 2026. The Executive Board decided to confirm to Commissioner Maher to provide the updates at the Full Board meetings in September and December 2026.

The Executive Board discussed about the email received from St. Nicks Alliance informing that the Swinging Sixties Senior Center will not be available for meetings after June 15th, 2026. The Executive Board decided to reach Riseboro Community Partnership and inquire about availability for the Borinquen Plaza Senior Center, 80 Seigel Street. To hold future meetings. This was previously voted on by the Executive Board for locations back in 2025.

The vote was as follows: 4 “YES” 0 “NO”, 0 “ABS”. Fuller; Teague; Barros; Heimlich

The Executive Board discussed about the request from Loredana Andargachew, Impact Production & Engagement Strategy, 9/11: Reclaiming Ground Zero. Regarding the 25th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, the organization is reaching out to cultural, arts, educational, and civic organizations in the New York Tri-State area about hosting screenings (in-person and virtual) this fall. The Executive Board decided to request the organization to send a link for the documentary *9/11: Reclaiming Ground Zero* to Community Board 1 and it will be shared with the board members.

The Executive Board discussed the Telework Draft Policy to be implemented with the staff at the District Office, The Executive Board thinks that working from home can be productive. Mr. Heimlich disagreed and shared some concerns. Borough President HR said that it only needs approval from the Chairperson of the Board before implementation. Chair Fuller agreed that Telework would be good and approved of the Policy. The Executive Board agreed to leave the implementation and timing of the telework pilot program at the discretion of the District Manager. If the pilot proves unsuccessful, all staff will return to working in the office five days per week, consistent with the current schedule. District manager Ms. Pulgarin said that other Community Boards are doing it and seem to be working so far. Ms. Pulgarin noted that this policy initiative originated from the New York City Mayor’s telework program introduced in 2023 (See attached Telework Draft Policy and NYC Press Release, This was recently extended for 2027, see attached). District Manager Ms. Pulgarin emphasized that the district office will remain open and operational five days a week throughout the pilot program.

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:40 pm.

PRESENTATION REQUEST LOG - REQUESTS RECEIVED TO PRESENT AT THE CB #1's COMBINED & PUBLIC HEARING – 06/09/2026

#	DATE RECEIVED	HOW	REQUEST FROM	PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION	ITEM ON A CLOCK?	CLOCK DETAILS
1.)	03/04/26	Via Email	Dustin Ridener Special Projects Administrator – NYC Emergency Management	Our team is excited to provide Flood Preparedness/Notify NYC presentations to you and your communities. These presentations will be geared around the hazards and preparations you can begin for the rainy season and discuss how you can be aware of these and all other hazards your community may face by using the Notify NYC program. These presentations will be running throughout March and June and are approximately 10-15 minutes in total. The best part of these presentations is that we can come to you! To request a presentation for your Community Board, please visit: https://forms.office.com/g/sbNpvkLBDz and fill out the short questionnaire and we will work to schedule a presenter. We generally need approximately 2 weeks' notice to secure a presenter. Our presenters can be available in-person or virtually. We look forward to having a member of our team work closely with your community to discuss flood hazards. As always, we will be continuing to do specific presentation topics throughout the calendar year and will reach out periodically to introduce the next topic and schedule. In June, we'll be discussing heat again!	NO	They were on the agenda of 06-24-25 and they did not show. Tabled for June There are also: Extreme Heat Preparedness presentations: Our team is excited to provide Heat Preparedness and Notify NYC presentations tailored to your Community Board. These 10–15-minute sessions will cover: The risks associated with extreme heat and how it impacts health. Who is most at risk, including older adults, young children, individuals with certain medical conditions, and outdoor workers How to stay safe at home—especially in homes without air conditioning How to prepare for possible power outages How Notify NYC can help keep your community informed during heat

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						advisories and other emergencies
2.)	04/15/26	Via Email	Grace Betancourt Powers, Esq. Partner, DL Partners	Universal Affordability Preference (UAP”) Application 88 Havemeyer St., Brooklyn, NY 11211, Block: 2368 Lots: 26, (formerly known as lots 26, 27 and 28. This email is to notify you of a new Universal Affordable Preference Program development project in your Community District. Please find the attached documentation regarding the 88 Havemeyer Street project located at 88 Havemeyer St., Brooklyn, NY 11211. Construction for the project will commence after HPD issues a Permit Notice letter.	NO	This notification has been shared with all Board Members. The development team is available to answer questions regarding the project or present to the board. Tabled for June
3.)	04/13/26	Via Email	Kenneth Lowenstein Holland & Knight Partner Holland & Knight LLP	This application is for a 100% affordable building (the “Project”) located at 2 Oak Street (the “Site”) (Block 2567, Lot 1). The Site is a vacant block bounded by the East River, Noble Street on the north, West Street on the west, and Oak Street on the South. The total Site area is approximately 173,834 square feet, of which 36,034 square feet is located within a R6 zoning district along the waterfront, 33,800 square feet within a C2-4/R6 zoning district running along West Street, and 104,000 square feet within a R8 zoning district in the middle of the Site. The Site will comply with the requirements of the BK-1 Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront	NO	This notification has been shared with all Board Members.

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				Access Plan and will provide approximately 30,857 square feet of publicly accessible waterfront area, including a 40-foot waterfront yard, supplemental public access areas, and a designated visual corridor.		
4.)	04/30/26	Via Email	Mr. Arthur Dybanowski, Chair SLA Review & DCA Committee	The applicant: Bark Barbecue Corp., 25 Thames Street, would like to present at our next Full Board meeting due to the large capacity venue.	NO	
5.)	04/30/26	Via Email	Mr. Arthur Dybanowski, Chair SLA Review & DCA Committee	The applicant: DLS Events LLC, 261-267 Driggs Avenue, would like to present at our next Full Board meeting due to the large capacity venue.	NO	
6.)	04/30/26	Via Email	Maria Cruz Office of the Brooklyn Borough Commissioner. DOT	Presentation on the Driggs Avenue & McGolrick Park Improvements	NO	
7.)	05/15/25	Via Email	Kevin LaCherra	Honoring Janice Peterson's many years of service to the Community Board and neighborhood at the 6/9 meeting. Similar to our celebration of Gerry a few years ago. I was hoping we could book the back room for a celebration to start at 5 and present a proclamation or citation during the board meeting. Please let me know if this is possible.	NO	
8.)	05/18/26	Via Email	Margaret Kim, AIA LEED AP Senior Architect	M250710 135 Broadway Brooklyn: I am reaching out on behalf of the Williamsburg Historical & Art Center and Yuko Nii Foundation (our clients) regarding the proposed restoration of the existing cast iron balustrades and the installation of a new ADA	NO	Requested to present in May. It was on the March Executive Board Agenda for April

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			RAND Engineering & Architecture, DPC	ramp. We are currently preparing the LPC drawings with supporting documents and would like to inquire about the upcoming CB1 public hearings scheduled for April 2026 as well as the next available hearing dates in May 2026.		
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DRAFT TELEWORK POLICY

PURPOSE: To allow employees the flexibility to work from home while ensuring the continuity of agency business operations. This policy does not supersede City rules, regulations, and policies applicable in the workplace, but rather is designed to facilitate the performance of City business in alternate work locations i.e., employees' homes. Eligible employees are allowed to do remote work up to **1 day per week**. Remote workdays may be consecutive; however, the days cannot be both Monday and Friday. Unused remote workdays cannot be banked and will not roll over from week to week. In the event of an emergency, such as severe weather conditions or office-related issues including broken air conditioning, lack of heating, flooding, or similar situations, this policy will apply to all employees on any day of the week.

[PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL BE TRIED FOR A 3 MONTH TRIAL PERIOD AND IF IT DOES NOT WORK, WE WILL REVERT BACK TO 5 DAYS A WEEK IN-PERSON 9 TO 5. IN ADDITION, KINDLY NOTE THAT THE OFFICE WILL REMAIN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 5 DAYS PER WEEK]

Definition

A telework site means a worksite alternate to the central worksite. It may be in the employee's home or in a building owned or leased by the state that is closer to the employee's home than the central worksite.

Telework/Remote work means a flexible work arrangement where selected employees work one or more days a week from their home or at a site near their home instead of physically traveling to the central worksite.

Eligibility

Employees will be eligible to telework if they meet the following criteria for participation:

- The employee is in an employee of Brooklyn Community Board 1.
- The employee's job function includes tasks which have measurable deliverables, do not require close supervision, and can be performed in an alternate work location. The ability to perform work at an alternate location includes the ability to shift work so that those tasks are performed on a telework day.
- The employee's job function does not require continued presence at the job location.
- There will not be a reduction in services provided to the public by an employee working remotely.
- The employee is deemed to have satisfactory performance based on their most recent performance evaluation. If the employee has not been evaluated within the last 12 months, performance will be presumptively deemed satisfactory.
- The employee is required to have a functional computer system with internet and Wi-Fi, and to be able to communicate with the board office via landline, telephone, and email.

The supervisor can suggest alternate days to work remotely due to unit needs or deny the request if the duties and tasks of the employee cannot be performed remotely.

Employees may be disapproved for participation for not meeting any of the eligibility or participation criteria outlined in the Eligibility section of this plan. A decision of disapproval will be communicated in writing to the employee by their supervisor. Notices of disapproval will also be sent to the employee's Human Resources department.

An employee who wishes to appeal a determination of disapproval of telework must discuss the issue with their supervisor or chairperson.

Employee Responsibilities

During the pilot, teleworking employees must demonstrate a continuing ability to:

- Meet the eligibility criteria for teleworking.
- Prioritize work to meet deadlines.
- Accomplish job duties with minimal supervision.
- Communicate effectively with clients, stakeholders, and team members.
- Manage time effectively.
- Be responsive in a timely manner.
- Ensure their remote work does not generate additional work for co-workers.
- Ensure their remote work does not impair the agency's ability to train and develop employees.
- Maintain their performance so that their performance is not negatively impacted during the duration of the pilot.

During their participation in the telework pilot, teleworking employees are responsible for the following:

- All terms and conditions of City employment will continue to apply.
- Continued compliance with the agency's policies including those outlined in the Employee Manual.
- Working their regularly scheduled hours. Any change or deviation must be approved by their supervisor.
- Overtime must be approved in advance.
- Leave time must be requested and processed in the same manner as in the workplace.
- Employees participating in the Telework Program are required to participate in conference calls and team meetings as scheduled.
- Employees who telework must follow all information security protocols when using City and/or electronic equipment and accessing systems.
- Employees must maintain any approved safeguards to protect agency records from unauthorized disclosure or damage and comply with the privacy requirements set forth by the City of New York.
- A teleworking employee must immediately report to their supervisor any work-related injuries sustained at the alternate work location and complete all ordinarily required documentation.

- The primary focus of employees teleworking must be their job duties for the City of New York. Telework should not be used to assume personal or other non-City obligations that will create distractions from job duties during a scheduled workday.
- Failure to comply with the conditions of the Remote Telework Acknowledgment form may result in termination of authorization to telework. Revocation of an individual employee's remote work authorization is not considered to be discipline.
- The board may terminate an individual employee's remote work authorization because of operational need upon one (1) week's written notice, or upon 24 hours written notice in the case of an emergency.

Supervisor Responsibility

The supervisor must work with the teleworking employee to ensure that the employee effectively manages their workload and should set expectations for responding to emails and phone calls during the telework day and maintain regular communication with the employee. Supervisors must identify Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to ensure productivity and accountability of agency operations during the telework program.

Agency Property/Equipment

Employees may use their own computer hardware equipment to perform assigned work at the telework location.

Compliance with the City of New York

All terms and conditions of City employment will continue to apply. All information security protocols must be followed when using City and/or electronic equipment and accessing systems.

Workplace rules prohibiting private activities during work hours must be followed notwithstanding the fact that employees are working from home.

Policy Adherence and Expectations

- Employees are expected to maintain normal productivity and performance, and must have an internet connection, reliable phone connection and must be available during their regular working hours. Unsatisfactory work performance may result in termination of the telework agreement.
- Just as with regular work hours, employees are expected to follow agency vacation and sick leave policies and procedures to request time off from telework to engage in non-work activities. Employees must use Annual leave or sick leave, for absences from work for personal business, illness, etc.
- It is the supervisor's responsibility to make sure their staff working remotely are completing their daily duties and responsibilities and they have the necessary equipment to complete their duties.
- Employees covered under collective bargaining agreement are required to clock in and out of work daily using the City Time system.

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Mayor Adams, DC 37 Executive Director Garrido Announce Launch of Flexible Work Pilot for City Employees

June 01, 2023

What you should know

- First-of-Its-Kind Pilot Will Allow Eligible City Employees to Work Remotely Up to Two Days Per Week

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employees. The flexible work pilot agreement, signed yesterday, May 31st, allows eligible employees to work remotely for up to two days per week — providing greater flexibility for

city workers while ensuring the administration continues to “Get Stuff Done” for New Yorkers.

“As we make this shift into a post-pandemic reality for offices, we must do it in a thoughtful way in partnership with our union leaders,” said **Mayor Adams**. “I have always said that any flexible work programs the city offers must acknowledge the reality that there are some roles that cannot be performed remotely. This new pilot program will protect core services that New Yorkers rely on while offering city workers additional flexibility in their schedules. I thank DC 37 for their partnership through this process.”

“We heard DC 37 workers loud and clear over the course of our latest round of contract negotiations and agreed to establish a flexible work committee as part of the agreement,” said **New York City Office of Labor Relations (OLR) Commissioner Renee Campion**. “This pilot program we are launching today is a testament to our collaboration with DC 37, and we want to thank Henry Garrido and his team for their partnership.”

“The world of work has changed, and this remote-hybrid pilot is one tool in our arsenal to provide a flexible workplace that still delivers the best services for New Yorkers,” said **DC 37 Executive Director Henry Garrido**. “Thank you to the members of the Flexible Work Committee, including our Local presidents and DC 37 staff, for conducting due diligence and representing the interests and varied needs of our membership. The committee will continue to review City agencies’ plans for implementing hybrid work along with compressed tours, flex time and other alternative schedules for those members whose job functions are not conducive to remote work. We’re appreciative of the partnership with Mayor Adams and Commissioner Campion for bringing this pilot program to life.”

Under the contract agreement between the city and DC 37, the parties agreed to establish a Work Flexibility Committee to discuss work flexibility and other measures to enhance employee morale and recruitment and retention. The parties set a joint goal of establishing a pilot program by June 1, 2023.

The city will work closely with DC 37 on implementation at the agency level. Employee participation in the pilot is strictly voluntary. The city and DC 37 have also agreed to continue meeting to discuss alternative work flexibility measures for those employees whose job functions are not eligible for remote work.

The program will run until May 31, 2025, and will be renewed for a year thereafter if both parties agree.

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March 6th, 2026

DC37 executive director Henry Garrido announced that the city has agreed to extend the Alternate Work Schedule (AWS) agreement, which includes the remote work program.

The program has been extended through May 2027, ensuring that eligible members will continue to have access to remote work and flexible scheduling options under the current program. The agreement also allows for the possibility of further extension beyond May 2027.

we will continue to share updates with the membership as our information becomes available.

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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT

PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Lloyd Feng, Committee Chair
Ms. Rosemary Espinal, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Public Safety & Human Services Committee Meeting of May 26, 2026

The Committee met on the evening of May 26, 2026, at 6:00 PM at Swinging Sixties Senior Center, 211 Ainslie St. Brooklyn, NY. 11211

Members of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee: Feng, Chair; Espinal Co-Chair; Aguilar; Bamonte; Barros; Drinkwater; Dybanowski; Kaminski; Leanza; Aprile*; Judelson*; Rozmus*. (*) *Non-Board Member*

(7 Members Constitute a Quorum for This Committee)

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Aguilar; Bamonte; Drinkwater; Leanza; Aprile*; Rozmus* (*) *Non-Board Member*

Absent: Feng; Espinal; Barros; Dybanowski; Kaminski; Judelson*. (*) *Non-Board Member*

Excused: Feng; Espinal; Barros; Judelson*. (*) *Non-Board Member*

(A quorum was not achieved)

AGENDA

Frank Lang, St. Nick's Alliance provided a presentation describing the Kingsland Commons Project Overview that includes approximately 553 units of affordable and senior housing; the 200 bed Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter; and the use of commercial and community facility space. Currently, building 1 opened in March as the new Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter. Building 2 has 311 affordable housing units and is scheduled to end construction in 2026. Buildings 3 and 4 which are proposed as the 107 units for senior housing and 138 units of affordable housing, respectively, will go under construction once DHS no longer uses it as a backup for the 30th St. Assessment Center. A PowerPoint was provided with a site plan outlining the buildings and green area.

Project Renewal speakers included Jaime Madden, COO; Katie Bower, Chief Shelter and Housing Officer; and Charles Mulham, Director of Security. Project Renewal has been in operation and supporting the homeless population since the 1960's. They currently run seven shelters. At the 200 beds for single men Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter, they provide a medical clinic, social services, programming, and occupational therapy. The shelter is currently full, and their highest need is mental health services. In their experience, people stay in the shelter approximately 8 months until they find permanent housing and when followed at the 1-year mark, 98% are still in permanent housing. As for security, there are 1 supervisor and 8 guards every shift (24/7), and the personnel do community rounds in the facility every 30 minutes. They have a Good Neighbor Policy where they expect residents to conduct themselves as "good neighbors" inside and outside of the shelter. It was reported that some residents are single men that work one or two jobs and still cannot afford to pay rent in NYC, therefore find themselves in the shelter system and pose no identified threat to the community. If any situation arises, they would like the community to call them on a 24-hour line - 347-638-3847.

NYC DHS was represented by Assistant Deputy Commissioner Yuri Sanchez to share an update on the scheduled move 30th Street Intake Center in Manhattan (also known as the Bellevue shelter). The dilapidated center is losing over 800 beds and has identified a number of buildings throughout the city to accommodate their assessment center. At this time, the intake center is still open at 30th street and the assessment center have not moved into the old Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter. However, there is no timeline agreed upon on when they will start and end using the old Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter. The community members present, including Cooper Park Houses Council, neighbors and CB1 board members, expressed their strong opposition which included:

- This decision by DHS did not take into account the community plans for the buildings. This decision interferes with the progress of Kingsland Commons (as explained by St. Nick's Alliance).

- Note that the site DHS is planning to use is the same, the city acknowledged to be an outdated infrastructure and have quality-of-life issues, which prompted the New York City Department of Homeless Services (DHS) to initiate a major redevelopment.
- Our community's aging population has been waiting 40 years to see the old Greenpoint Hospital fulfill its promise to turn it into affordable housing for our community members.
- The community members were offended by DHS continuous Right to Shelter language as if CB1 was pushing back on housing unhoused people. It is important to note that our community members are not against shelters and the Barbara Kleiman homeless shelter on the very same block is a testament to their inclusivity. The opposition is stemmed on the fact that our community is being held back from progression on a four-decade project.

Meeting Adjourned.

June 9, 2026

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB #1 Board Members
FROM: Mr. Eric Bruzaitis, Committee Chair
RE: Committee Report for Wednesday, May 27, 2026

The Transportation Committee met Wednesday, May 27, 2026 (CALLED TO ORDER: 6:40 PM; ADJOURNED: 9:20 PM) at The Polish Slavic Center, 176 Java Street, Brooklyn 11222.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Bruzaitis; Goldstein; Itzkowitz; Klagsbald; LaBorde; Pferd; Weiser;
*Breitner; *Radesky.
Absent: Espinal; Drinkwater; Kaminski; Talati; Vega; Sabel.

A QUORUM WAS MET

AGENDA

1. **Berry Street Traffic Study Request:** Requesting that DOT conduct a study for a reversal on Berry Street between North 12th Street and North 14th Street to improve pedestrian safety while retaining industrial access. Presented by Ms. Kelly McCabe, Office of Council Member Lincoln Restler.

Council Member Lincoln Restler explained the request for a the street reversal (one page treatment attached). He noted the number of crashes near or at this location. In conversations with DOT, this location was suggested to avoid a conflict with changes to Nassau Ave. He also raised the issue of the conversion of the asphalt courts at McCarren to grass and other improvements would lead to increased pedestrian and cyclist traffic to the area. He committed to working with business that would be effected by the reversal. Council Member stated that a study was appropriate at this location because the Northside Greenpoint Williamsburg Industrial Business Zone (IBZ) is 13% of the area and since the rezoning it has evolved from its historic manufacturing and industrial uses, unlike the East Williamsburg IBZ which is larger and more contained.

Committee/Board Members:

Mr. Pferd asked if DOT requires CB approval, and that he had concerns that trucks should not be transiting near McCarren Park. It was explained that it is DOT policy to consult the board before street reversals.

Ms. Breitner noted the presentation by the Bankers Anchor stewards at the April Transportation Committee meeting and that any study should include their improvement plan. She supports the reversal.

Ms. LaBorde supported the reversal and suggested that Nassau Ave and Leonard be included in

the study.

Ms. Deny Horowitz explained that the reversal was suggested as part of an earlier plan to extend the Berry Open Street to Nassau Ave. CM Restler suggested that DOT should do a holistic study for the area to assess overall changes to the Northside.

Mr. Weiser raised serious concerns that this reversal could have serious effects on the businesses and that a safety study would be appropriate, but making trucks harder to access businesses is not a sensible idea. He also noted that because businesses are not available to attend the meeting a vote should be postponed until they can attend a future meeting, and suggested that DOT will move ahead with whatever they want without addressing the concerns.

Before acknowledging the public comments, Chair Bruzaitis stated that because of scheduling conflicts, the businesses who would be most effected were not able to attend the committee meeting. He raised concerns that the committee would be voting on this request without direct input from them.

In lieu of business representation, Chair Bruzaitis read out a statement from Ms. Karen Nieves of Evergreen (letter attached).

Public:

Mr. John Rozmus opposes the street reversal and renewed his concerns for emergency vehicle access and addressed the issues that continue to be a problem at the intersections of Bedford Ave, Nassau Ave & Leonard St.

The following members of the public spoke in support of the reversal citing the upgrades to McCarren Park and increased foot and cycle traffic; illegal parking and need for additional daylighting; enhanced crosswalks, inclusion of a bi-directional bike lane; historic ask from Berry OSP & Bankers Anchor supporters/volunteers and need to work with businesses:

Mr. Casey Fitzpatrick; Ms. Rachel Smith; Mr. Brent Bovenzi; Mr. David Ruperti; Mr. Allen Minor; Ms. Kaylee Avner; Mr. Kevin Costa; Ms. Solveig Entwistle; Mr. James Leonzio; Mr Michael Murtha; Mr. Kevin La Cherra.

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SECOND: Ms. LaBorde

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NAY: Mr. Goldstein; Mr. Itzkowitz; Mr. Klagsbald; Mr. Weiser.

ABSTENTIONS: NONE.

MOTION PASSED (*NON-BOARD MEMBERS).

2. **El Puente Street Co-Naming:** Request to Co-name the corner of South 4th and Roebling St as El Puente Way.

Presented by Ms. Asenhat Gomez.

Ms. Gomez explained the history and extensive contributions El Puente has made to the North Brooklyn community for almost four decades. Since El Puente will be moving locations from the corner of Roebling Street and South 4th Street, the organization would like to memorialize the corner to preserve their history.

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3. **Review of Outstanding Transportation Committee Items.**

TABLED.

4. **Review of District Needs Statement.**

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5. **Old Business.**

North 6th Street directional conversion completed.

Marcy Ave Bus Lane improvements completed.

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6. **New Business.**

Mr. Weiser informed the committee that there is an unsafe crosswalk condition at Williamsburg Street East & Wythe. He has reached out to NYC DOT but has not received a response. He also suggested that NYC DOT should conduct a study of crosswalks in North Brooklyn to prioritize remarking. Chair Bruzaitis agreed but stated that there is a process within NYC DOT to survey

crosswalks in advance of marking season, but suggested that the committee provide a list of dangerous crosswalks to expedite the process.

Mr. David Kupferberg appeared to update the committee on a vote by Community Board 9 and their resolution on updating bus routes. He encouraged CB1 to follow suit with a similar resolution. (email attached).

Ms. Astrid Malter appeared to relate her story of being struck by a hit and run driver on Greenpoint Avenue & Leonard Street on April 10, 2026. Fortunately, she recovered from her injuries, but the committee was concerned by the response of the 94th Precinct and the light summons issued to the driver (who appeared about a half hour after the crash). Ms. Malter was informed that the committee has taken up the issues with Greenpoint Avenue in different sections and encouraged her to attend future meetings to give insights on design changes.

Ms Christina Grunwald, a parent of 2 children at the Carrig Montessori School on Olive Street between Maspeth Ave and Sharron/Orient Streets, appeared to state her concerns that the conditions at drop off and dismissal have become very unsafe due to the increase in construction traffic. She noted that the enrollment has risen to 59 students due to higher grade level additions. The window for a new traffic study will be open in July of 2026. The committee suggested that she attend a future Transportation Cmte meeting in the fall to discuss the parameters of a new study request. Chair Bruzaitis also mentioned that he will reach out to Christine Carrig (the schools proprietor) to discuss a pre-meeting walk-thru or other action.

Mr. Pferd noted the need for yet another fatality letter. Mr. Goldstein shared footage of the victim moments before his tragic death on May 1st.

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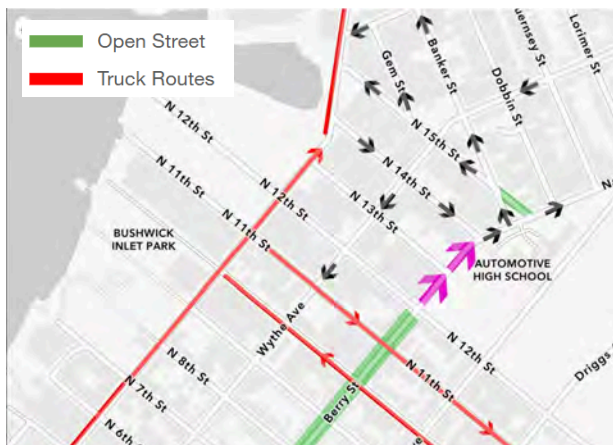
Request for Block Reversal Traffic Study:

Berry Street between North 12th Street & North 14th Street

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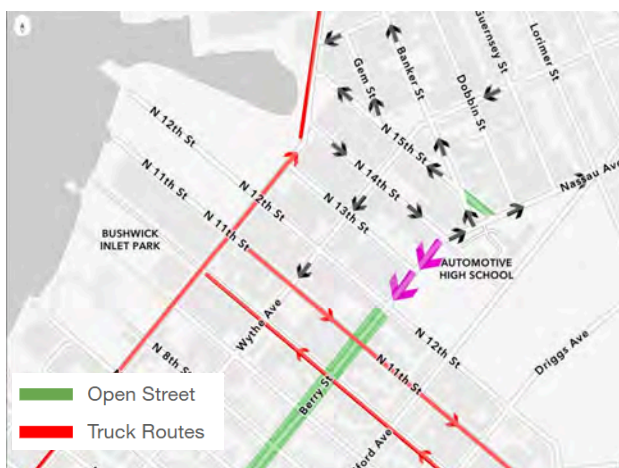
We are requesting CBI support for the Department of Transportation to study safety improvements on this stretch of Berry Street between North 12th and North 14th Streets and as Berry converts into Nassau Ave.

Existing Conditions



- Trucks use Berry St. to enter IBZ, leaving designated truck routes early
- Cars travel at high speed, using Berry St. as a cut-through route to Greenpoint
- Increasing foot traffic between Bushwick Inlet & McCarren Park
- In the past five years, there have been twelve collisions with three injuries on this stretch of Berry St.

Proposed Change



- Reverse traffic flow on two blocks to remove cut-through route
- Redirect truck traffic to existing truck routes
- Provide safe bidirectional bike connection between Greenpoint and Berry Open Street



May 27th, 2026

On behalf of Evergreen: Your North Brooklyn Business Exchange, we are writing regarding the proposed study of the Berry Street reversal from North 12th Street to North 14th Street.

Unfortunately, the Evergreen team is unable to attend and speak at this evening's Transportation Committee meeting due to our Annual Celebration event.

Evergreen supports open space initiatives and efforts to improve street safety within the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Industrial Business Zone (IBZ). We also recognize that the corridor has evolved significantly in recent years, with increased pedestrian activity and changing neighborhood uses, particularly surrounding developments such as Bankers Anchor. We understand the importance of improving safety and accessibility for the growing number of pedestrians utilizing the area and believe these considerations should be thoughtfully balanced alongside the operational needs of IBZ businesses and freight movement. With that being said, we want to ensure that any street redesign within the IBZ does not impede the daily operations of local businesses and that businesses can continue to safely and efficiently receive deliveries without additional conflicts or barriers.

As it currently stands, many businesses are already experiencing challenges with vendors who are increasingly reluctant to make deliveries into New York City. This creates significant operational hardships for businesses within the district.

The IBZ was specifically designated to provide a safe and functional environment for industrial and manufacturing businesses to operate and thrive. As discussions move forward regarding potential changes to Berry Street, we urge the Committee to carefully consider the needs of the industrial business community and the importance of maintaining reliable access for deliveries, freight movement, and business operations.

If Community Board 1's Transportation Committee supports the study of the proposed reversal of Berry Street from North 12th Street to North 14th Street, we respectfully request that the following conditions be included as part of the study process:

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We appreciate the opportunity to share our concerns and look forward to continuing to work collaboratively on solutions that support both street safety and the long-term viability of businesses within the IBZ.

If you have any questions, please contact me at knieves@evergreenexchange.org or 718-388-7287 ext 160.

Sincerely,

Karen Nieves, Manager Business Expansion & Retention, Evergreen



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nurture belonging, sacred practice, and common history to activate individuals and groups for collective self-determination.

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articulate skills and practices essential for self-determination, and develop leaders in commitment to that struggle.

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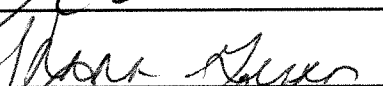
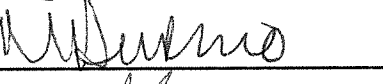
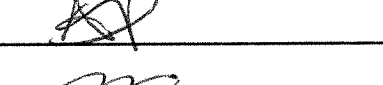
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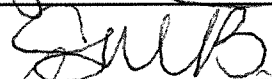
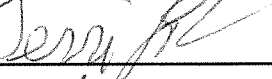
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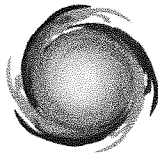
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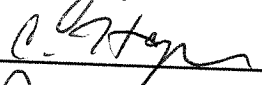
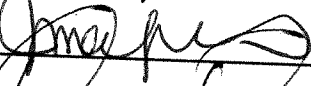
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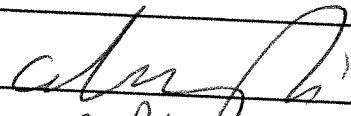
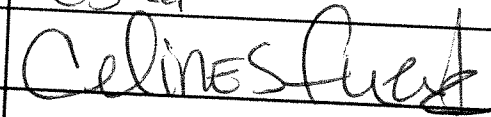
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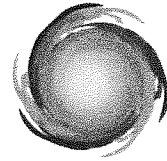
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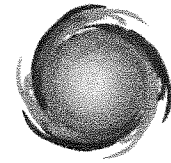
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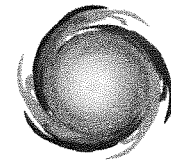
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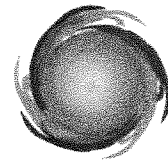
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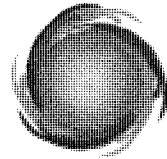


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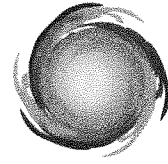


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Brooklyn Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225

Transportation Committee
May 13, 2026

Chair: Ethan Norville; Vice Chair: Andrew Magnus; Secretary: Paco Abraham

Attendance (Board Members): Ethan Norville; Andrew Magnus; Felice Robertson; Khurshid Abdul-Mutakabbir; Theresa Westerdahl; Isaiah Pecou

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Paco Abraham; Valerie Fleming; Calista DeJesus

Absent (Board Members): None

Absent (Community Resident Members): Vadim Gaboys

Guests: David Kupferberg (NYC Passengers United)

CB9 Staff: Allison Henry, Community Associate

Agenda:

- I. Welcome/Greetings
 - a. The meeting is called to order at 7:09 pm.
 - b. Chairman Baptiste thanks the committee for its continued service.
- II. Approval of April Minutes
 - a. Review of past meeting minutes.
 - b. Chairman Norville flags a typo in April minutes under items 7-F-i... the word “Unanimously approved” has a typo. It should read “Unanimously approved.”
 - c. Teresa Westerdahl notes the minutes reference a letter that was sent out by the district office and asks if CB9 has any formal system for sharing letters that have gone out to agencies. Group discussion about best practices for sharing CB correspondence.
 - d. Andrew Magnus moves to approve the minutes with the above typo corrected
 - i. Roll Call vote. 6 out of 7 approve with one abstention. **Motion passes.**
- III. DOT Street Improvement: Rochester Avenue between Fulton Street and East New York Avenue
 - a. Chairman Norville presents a summary of a DOT plan previously presented to CB8 in June of 2025. It includes painted neckdowns, enhanced crossings, loading

zones, and turn calming treatments and is set for installation in coming weeks. A few intersections affected do fall within CB9, prompting committee review.

Conversation included -

- Crash statistics, and consideration of Rochester as a Vision Zero priority corridor (which it is)
- Questions about Rochester as a truck corridor (which it is not)
- Concern about safety of the painted neckdowns. Teresa and Valerie discuss it potentially being a false sense of safety and that “paint is not enough”. Paco agreed that “something physical” would be better.
- Felice references the similarity in design of Rochester Avenue with Washington Avenue, which the committee long ago requested DOT provide safety enhancements for. Valerie asks if the committee can again follow up on the existing request to DOT. Andrew agrees and asks, “Where are we with Washington Avenue?” Ethan says DOT has our request and the ball is in their court.
- Andrew asks if this Rochester project was an internal project of DOT or if it was the result of a specific request by the community or elected officials.
- Ethan says we do not need a vote necessarily on this project as the information was simply given to CB9 for awareness it is proceeding, but he reminds the committee he has asked DOT to show up in the meeting and address this corridor, along with last month’s request for details on school safety speed limit changes proposed, and the long standing request for safety enhancements to Washington Avenue.
- Felice reads correspondence from board member Rod Herbert which flagged concern with DOT decision to advance new school slow zones on Kingston and Rutland Road, as well as a school safety project on Brooklyn and Kingston Avenue (only one of which is a vision zero corridor) ahead of any speed limit changes near two schools, M.S. 061 Dr. Gladstone H. Atwell & P.S. 221 Toussaint L'Ouverture, both of which sit on Empire Blvd, which was already identified as a Vision Zero Corridor.

IV. Review Brooklyn Bus Network redesign, determine district needs and redesign framework

- a. David Kupferberg from NYC Passengers United offers a general assessment of the current Brooklyn Bus redesign plan on the table from the MTA. He leads a group discussion about elements which he and his colleagues oppose in the proposed changes. A broad-ranging conversation noted concerns with the lack of any 24-hour east/west route in CB9, that many bus stops don’t have shelters or

comfortable infrastructure, and there are concerns with the terminus of the B16 and the wait time for the B44 on weekends.

- b. Chairman Norville leads the conversation to a consensus with several guiding principles and committee votes on each idea.
 - i. Chairman Norville moves to propose a standard for the MTA's bus redesign where they optimize for overall travel time rather than just bus speed. Calista seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - ii. Andrew moves that the MTA makes bus stop environments more pleasant and enhance the pedestrian experience so that any route changes should come in tandem with infrastructure improvement (i.e. seating, shade, lighting etc.) Paco seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - iii. Ethan moves that the MTA provide our district with a true east-west route, running 24 hours a day (i.e. the to-be-created B10 running along Empire Blvd is not sufficient if its hours are only 6a to 8p as currently planned). Paco seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - iv. Ethan moves that the MTA aims to balance the frequency of service across the district. Calista seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - v. Andrew moves to prioritize subway connections over bus-to-bus transfers (i.e. having the B16 termination at Utica Ave to connect with the B46 is less useful than extending it to the Sutter Avenue–Rutland Road station served by the 3 train. Paco seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - vi. Ethan moves that the MTA set a hard cap of 1200 feet between subway stops (approximately six street-to-street lengths) with a preference for 1000 feet or less between stops (i.e. removing the B48 bus stop at Washington/ Sullivan adds 250 feet between bus stops). Andrew seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.
 - vii. Paco moves that the MTA & DOT consult with the CB about new uses for any curb space made available by the removal of bus stops in the redesign. Ethan seconds. No opposition and so the motion passes by unanimous consent.

V. New Business

- a. Paco inquiries about the long stretch of time between committee votes and next steps by the executive board and/or district office. The committee discussed how to ensure items do not get lost in the mix and that existing spreadsheets are

updated. Ethan agrees to let the committee know when relevant letters have been sent out to agencies. Andrew and Valerie note adding a column for turnaround time on spreadsheets would be wise and help show transparency of communication, such as a 60 day (~2 meeting) stretch for updates.

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 8:56pm.



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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT

SLA REVIEW AND DCA COMMITTEE

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
And CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Arthur Dybanowski, Chair
SLA Review & DCA Committee

RE: Committee Meeting May 28, 2026

The SLA Review & DCA Committee met at Swinging Sixties Senior Center, 211 Ainslie Street (Corner of Manhattan Ave) at 6:30 pm on May 28, 2026, Representatives of the Community Board and other Community Board members participated in the discussion and review of the applications. Applicants were advised that the meeting was to end at 9:00 pm and those applications not reached would be postponed to the next Committee meeting. Prior to the meeting, the List of New and Renewal applications that had been posted at the Public Hearing was provided to the 90 and 94 Precincts of the NYPD for their review.

Members of the SLA Review & DCA Committee:

Dybanowski, Chair; Bachorowski, Co-Chair; Bruzaitis; Dennis; Foster; Sofer; Talati; Van Couten; Cohen*; Kun*; Weiser (+)

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Dybanowski; Bruzaitis; Dennis; Foster; Sofer; Van Couten; Weiser;
Cohen*; Kun*. (*Non-Board Member)

Absent: Bachorowski; Talati.

The quorum was achieved.

LIQUOR LICENSES

NEW

1. 180 West Hospitality LLC, 180 West Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Backyard) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL with STIPULATIONS: Signatures required from next door neighbors.**
1. 1122 Events Venue Corp., 141 Meserole Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Wine, Beer & Cider, Catering Facility (Private Events Only) **Applicant requested POSTPONEMENT.**
2. Agency Sixty Five Inc., DBA TBD, 361 Metropolitan Avenue, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Live Music: Soft Indie, Patron Dancing) **Applicant will be presenting at the Full Board meeting on June 9, 2026. Due to large capacity.**
3. Atmosphile, LLC, DBA TBA, 413 Graham Avenue, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
4. Avant Gardner, LLC, 111 Gardner Avenue & 140 Stewart Avenue, (Alteration, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Cabaret (Musical or Other Entertainment with 600 or More Patron Capacity), Live Music: All Types, Patron Dancing, Employee Dancing, Third Party Promoters, Patio or Deck, Rooftop, Open Space Within Property) **Applicant WITHDREW the application.**
5. BLK Iris Express Inc. I, DBA Black Iris, 128 Metropolitan Avenue, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Rooftop) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL with STIPULATIONS: Outdoor Sunday to Thursday 10 PM. Friday, Saturday 11 PM. Umbrellas for soundproof required.**
6. Brew York City LLC, DBA Glory Days, 544 Union Avenue, Unit 1, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Live Music: Occasional Acoustic, Sidewalk Cafe, Roadway Seating) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
7. Brown Eyed Hen Group LLC, DBA TBD, 577 Lorimer Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Three Piece Jazz Set) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
2. Hidden Dynasty LLC, DBA TBD, 54 North 11th Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Cultural Performance Dance, Employee Dancing) **Applicant requested POSTPONEMENT.**

8. La Luz Del Puente Restaurant Inc, 231 South 4th Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Live Music: Non-Amplified Acoustic Jazz) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
9. Mad Records NYC Corp, DBA Mad Radio, 395 Wythe Avenue, (Alteration, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
10. New Esquina Del Sabor Corp, 572 Grand Street, (Corporate Change & Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Sidewalk Cafe) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
11. Other Half Brewing Company, Inc., 12 South 3rd Street, (Request for Letter of No Objection to More than 4 One-Day Alcohol Permits:
Sugar, Sugar! - June: 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25
Unheard Series – July 23, August 20, September 17
Movie Nights – July 7, July 21, August 18, September 1, September 15) **Committee recommended DENIAL the applicant did not show.**
12. Paint 367 LLC, DBA Bar Madonna, 367 Metropolitan Avenue, (Alteration, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Roadway Cafe) **N/A Listed on Sidewalk Café & Roadway Café.**
13. Pizza Pasta Salad LLC, DBA Salsa Pizza Napoletana, 40 Clifford Place, (Class Change, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Sidewalk Cafe) **Committee recommended DENIAL the applicant did not show.**
14. Premier Choice Concepts LLC, 278 Grand Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Backyard) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL with STIPULATIONS: Soundproof outdoor space, Umbrellas, Outdoor Hours: Sunday to Thursday 10 PM. Friday, Saturday 11 PM.**
15. Top Star Brooklyn LLC, DBA Pending, 46 Norman Avenue, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**

SIDEWALK CAFÉ & ROADWAY CAFÉ:

1. ETA 125 Corp, DBA Mugs Ale House, 125 Bedford Avenue **Committee recommended DENIAL the applicant did not show.**
2. Paint 367 LLC, DBA Bar Madonna, 367 Metropolitan Avenue **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**

RENEWALS

1. 18 Bedford Ave LLC, DBA Five Leaves, 18 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Sidewalk Cafe, Roadway Cafe)
2. 33 1/3 Inc, DBA Iona, 180 Grand Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Backyard)
3. 94 Wythe F&B LLC, DBA Desert 5 Spot New York, 94 Wythe Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Live Music: Live / DJ Music, Country Music Bands, Patron Dancing)
4. 104 South 4th Inc., DBA Keg & Lantern Brewing, 104 South 4th Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Sidewalk Cafe, Roadway Cafe)
5. 644 Driggs Ave LLC, DBA Woodhul Winebar, 644 Driggs Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)
6. 1118 Lorimer Cafe LLC, DBA The Noble, 148 Noble Street, (Renewal, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Patio or Deck, Outdoor Seating Within Property Line)
7. Dow Young Group I Inc, 579 Meeker Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Patio or Deck)
8. Enlightenment Wines Farm and Meadery LLC, DBA Honey's, 99 Scott Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Cocktail Bar With Occasional Guest DJs, Patio or Deck, Rooftop)
9. Esse Taco Williamsburg LLC, DBA Esse Taco, 142 North 5th Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Taqueria, Sidewalk Cafe)
10. GFLC Market LLC, DBA Greenpoint Fish & Lobster Company, 114 Nassau Avenue Store, (Renewal, Wine, Beer & Cider, REst)
11. Greenpoint Truck Stop Inc, 278 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, Beer & Cider, Gas Station)
12. Hah Restaurant Group LLC, DBA Ringolevio, 490 Humboldt Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Backyard)
13. Hana Makgeolli LLC, 201 Dupont Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest Brewer, Live Music, Sidewalk Cafe)
14. Healthy as a Motha LLC, DBA Haam, 234 Union Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Steel Plan, Closing Time to 3 A.M. on Friday, Saturday & Sunday)
15. Kim & Hua Holding LLC, DBA Nan Xiang Express Soup Dumplings, 167 Grand Street, (Renewal, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest)
16. Maloya LLC, 983 Flushing Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest)
17. Masquerade Brooklyn I LLC, DBA Masquerade, 351 Broadway, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Backyard)
18. McCarren Park House LLC, DBA McCarren Park House, 855 Lorimer Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Jazz and Local Bands Local DJs, Patio or Deck)

19. Mendez & Avelar Inc, DBA La Superior, 295 Berry Street, South 2nd Street & Berry Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest)
20. Million Goods LLC, 88 Franklin Street, (Renewal, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Backyard)
21. My Kismet LLC, DBA Little Rascal Bar, 130 Franklin Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Backyard)
22. New Mon Sang Rest Corp, DBA New Apolo Restaurant, 508 Grand Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest)
23. Night Rafter LLC, DBA Kilo Bravo; Wing Jawn, 180 North 10th Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)
24. NYSF Ventures LLC, DBA Horses and Divorces, 285 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)
25. Ox Collar LLC, DBA Goldies, 195 Nassau Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Backyard)
26. Pieintheskybrooklyn LLC, DBA Paulie Gee's, 60 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Local Bands, Acoustic, Singer Songwriters, Sidewalk Cafe, Roadway Cafe)
27. She Said NYC LLC, DBA With Others Brooklyn, 340 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Patio or Deck)
28. Stella Mae Brooklyn LLC, DBA Rocka Rolla, 486 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Live Music, Backyard)
29. Xixa LLC, DBA Xixa, 241 South 4th Street, (Renewal, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest)

Renewal licenses were posted at the Public Hearing of the Community Board, and all members were encouraged to review the list and report any issues or concerns to the SLA Review Committee. The list was also provided to both the 90 and 94 Precincts of the NYPD. After review, the Committee recommends the **APPROVAL** of all Renewal applications.

ITEMS PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED

3. 99 Scott Studio LLC, DBA 99 Scott, 99 Scott Avenue, Unit G, (Alteration, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Catering Facility (Private Events Only), Live Music: Rock/Alternative/Jazz/Soul/Funk, Patron Dancing, Patio or Deck, Courtyard) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**
4. ASMH 127 East 7 LLC, DBA Dokidoki, 160 Havemeyer Street S5, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest) **Committee Recommended APPROVAL.**

5. Bark Barbecue Corp., 25 Thames Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest, Live Music: Merengue Tipico Bands, Patio or Deck) **Applicant will be presenting at the Full Board meeting on June 9, 2026. Due to large capacity.**
6. DLS Events LLC, 261-267 Driggs Avenue, (Method of Operation, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern, Live Music: Rock, Acoustic, Jazz, Outdoor Storage Area for Alcohol. No Outdoor Service) **Applicant WITHDREW the application.**
7. Family Group Enterprises Inc., DBA Patrizia Pizza & Pasta, 35 Broadway, (Class Change, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest) **Applicant requested POSTPONEMENT.**
8. Green Street Music & Arts LLC, DBA Pending, 259-277 Green Street, (New Application & Temporary Retail Permit, Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Venue for the Arts, Live Music: Various, Patron Dancing, Rooftop, Garden/Grounds) **Applicant will be presenting at the Full Board meeting on September 8, 2026. Due to large capacity.**

The next meeting of the SLA Review & DCWP Committee is scheduled as follows:

WHEN: Monday, June 15, 2026
TIME: 6:30 PM
WHERE: Swinging Sixties Senior Center
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June 9, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT

Land Use, ULURP, and Landmarks (Subcommittee) Committee

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Ms. Del Teague, Committee Chair
Mr. Stephen Chesler, Committee Co-Chair
Ms. Bozena Kaminski, Landmarks Subcommittee Co-Chair

RE: Land Use Committee Report from June 1, 2026

The Committee met on the evening of June 1, 2026, at 6:00 PM at CB1 District Office, 435 Graham Avenue (Corner of Frost St), Brooklyn, NY. 11211

Members of the Land Use, ULURP and Landmarks [subcommittee] Committee Teague, Chair; Chesler, Co-Chair; Kaminski, Landmarks Subcommittee Co-Chair; Isaacs; Kawaguchi; Rabbi Niederman; Pferd; Sofer; Vega; Weiser; Kantin*; Kawochka*; Nieves*; Salgado* (*) *Non-Board Member*.

Present: Teague; Chesler; Kaminski; Isaacs; Kawaguchi; Niederman; Pferd; Vega; Weiser; Kantin*; Nieves*. (*) *Non-Board Member*.

Absent: Dennis; Sofer; Kawochka*; Salgado*; (*) *Non-Board Member*

11 members present. A quorum was achieved.

AGENDA:

1. **PRESENTATION EVERGREEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:** Evergreen's Community Development Fellow, Wayne Chen, will present the Greenpoint/Williamsburg IBZ District Needs Assessment Findings.

Please see attachment The following is a summary:

Research shows that re-zoning has really changed the character of the neighborhood and has had a significant effect on the effort to protect industry. In 2017 the city provided industrial bonuses. In 2024 the City of Yes provisions modernized the overall industrial plan. The Greenpoint/Williamsburg IBZ encompasses 57 acres in south Greenpoint and north Williamsburg. It does not change the underlying zoning but is merely a designation. Although there has been two decades of attrition of traditional industrial usage in this IBZ, its provision of jobs and business usage is not insignificant. At this point it is responsible for approximately 3,400 jobs; 130 businesses; and \$920M annual economic activity. Since 2006, 79% of the businesses tracked are no longer there. Usage has changed to activities such as light industry, fitness, design, retail, and food related businesses, which still create jobs. However, the business usage is not uniform throughout the IBZ but is concentrated in "hot spots".

A prime reason for the attrition is the significantly lower rental value of industrial space vs. residential space. Because of the diminished industrial usage in this IBZ, the City of Yes has placed it in the lowest tier for industrial protection.

Given the change in the character of business usage, the attrition of heavy industrial use, the financial attraction of residential use, and our need for housing, we may want to look at the possibility of MX re-zoning. Mr. Chen suggested that we look at the GMDC Brownsville Industrial Center.

2. **PRESENTATION BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY AND NYC DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION (DDC):** Brooklyn Public Library and NYC DDC will present on the second phase of Leonard Library's construction to Community Board 1, in advance of submitting the designs to the Public Design Commission. This final phase focuses on full accessibility for the branch: upgrading and adding ADA-accessible bathrooms, installing an elevator for lower-level accessibility, installation of new code compliant egress from the lower-level (including a new exterior staircase), and new exit doors. Presenter: Brooklyn Public Library, Senior Director of Government & Community Relations, Michael Fieni.

The presenter explained that the renovations had to be done in two phases because of a lack of funding. This, unfortunately, results in the library having to be closed twice, along with the second disadvantage of possibly overlapping with the upcoming renovation closure of the Bushwick library. The committee members and residents in attendance were very concerned about the possibility that both libraries will have overlapping closures, because each library is the natural alternative for usage by residents in the event either one is closed. The representatives from the library and DDC assured us that they will try to avoid the

overlapping closures. However, they explained that once everything is in place to move forward, a delay in the starting time can result in significant cost increases and the possible need to comply with ever-changing codes.

The scope of work includes upgrading the bathrooms for ADA accessibility; adding an ADA accessible bathroom on the main level, providing additional egress; installing an elevator for access to the lower level; installing new flooring on the main level; and adding additional security cameras.

The committee members and residents all agreed that the ADA accessibility that these Phase 2 renovations will provide is critically needed. Accordingly, the committee voted to support the scope of work with the strong request that BPL and DDC make every effort to avoid or minimize the overlapping closures.

The following motions were unanimously approved:

-1- To write a letter to BPL and DDC in support of the design with a request that they make every effort to avoid or minimize overlap with the Bushwick library closure, and that they work with CB1 to minimize disruptions.

-2- To write a letter to the mayor saying that our community has been unfairly affected by the double closure of this library. More comprehensive funding could have avoided the upcoming second closure, which is compounded by the possible overlap with the upcoming planned renovation/ closure of the Bushwick library.

Vote on both motions: 11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions

3. PRESENTATION 289 KENT AVENUE REZONING APPLICATION

C260087ZMK, CEQR # 26DCP046K: IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by Web Holdings LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 12d: 1. changing from an M3-1 District to an M1-3A/R7X District property bounded by South 1st Street, a line 200 feet 3 northwesterly of Wythe Avenue, South 2nd Street, and Kent Avenue; 2. changing from an M3-1 District to an M1-2A District property bounded by a line midway between South 1st Street and South 2nd Street, Wythe Avenue, South 2nd Street, and a line 200 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue; and 3. establishing a Special Mixed Use District (MX-8) bounded by South 1st Street, a line 200 feet northwesterly of Wythe Avenue, South 2nd Street, and Kent Avenue; as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated April 13, 2026, and subject to the conditions of CEQR Declaration E-905. Presenter: Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson LLP, Jeremy Kozin.

This is a rezoning application to convert 3 lots from an M 3-1 district and to bring in an MIH district. The applicant appeared informally before the committee on January 5, 2026, to hear our questions and receive feedback prior to the formal public hearing. The applicant owns 2 of the 3 lots.

The lots to be developed contain the building where Vice Media was located. The building is in part 3 stories and in part 1-2 stories. The applicant says the relief is justified based on the ground that the building is underutilized property in an area that was not re-zoned as part of a broader re-zoning. The presenter stated that the proposed development will provide a mixed-use re-development consistent with current usage. The applicant is willing to give up 10 feet of sidewalk property to allow for a wider sidewalk along Kent Avenue. The committee acknowledged the usefulness and desirability of the proposed enlarged sidewalk.

The finished product will have 17 floors and 278 residential units, 56 to 83 being affordable, depending on the option chosen. When asked which option the applicant is leaning towards, the presenter stated they have no control over the choice and do not know which way City Council is leaning.

The loading dock for ground floor retail will be located on S1st Street. The renditions showed solar panels and greenery on the roof. The applicant is flexible with respect to the make-up of the retail spaces. At the prior meeting the applicant told us that it has no plan for office space.

At the January meeting we asked the applicant to address providing us with an additional community benefit, such as assistance to Grand Ferry Park, and /or an offer of more than the minimum required affordability. We also explained that we are looking for apartments that would accommodate families, and that we need at least some deep affordability. However, upon tonight's return, the applicant could not give us its intended breakdown of the intended size or AMI of the apartments in the two possible option choices. Nor did the applicant have any concrete feedback on possible community benefits. The presenter stated there was a meeting with Council member Restler, but that there was no outcome to report as a result of the meeting. The presenter suggested it was too early in the process to address these issues. The committee informed the presenter that it is routine for developers to come to us at this point with answers to these questions. The presenter then divulged that the applicant has not actually retained a developer. He explained that the owner had been considering handling the development himself but now may want to retain an independent developer. Accordingly, the committee was left with uncertainty about who will be developing this project and whether the plans presented would be deemed realistic by an independent developer.

Several residents who came to object to the proposed development felt the applicant was not offering sufficient community benefit to warrant the increased density, strain on the infrastructure, and burden on the quality of life caused by the construction noise and dirt. They also commented that they thought it was disrespectful for the applicant not to have followed up on our community benefit requests.

The following motion was unanimously approved:

To deny the application because of:

- 1) The lack of reasonable follow-up on the board's request that the applicant be prepared to discuss community give back either with help to the nearby park or affordability;
- 2) The lack of an identified developer;
- 3) The refusal or inability to provide the committee with critical information regarding the make-up of the apartments or the amount of affordability projected. This failure denied the committee the opportunity to meaningfully evaluate the application and the effect it will have on the community.

Vote: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions

4. **DISCUSSION: Response received from Lucia Marquez Reagan, Senior Borough Planner, to our request for MX District Information.**

The committee was provided with the information for further discussion. Board members can examine the attached exhibit.

TWENTY YEARS ON

Findings from the Greenpoint–Williamsburg IBZ

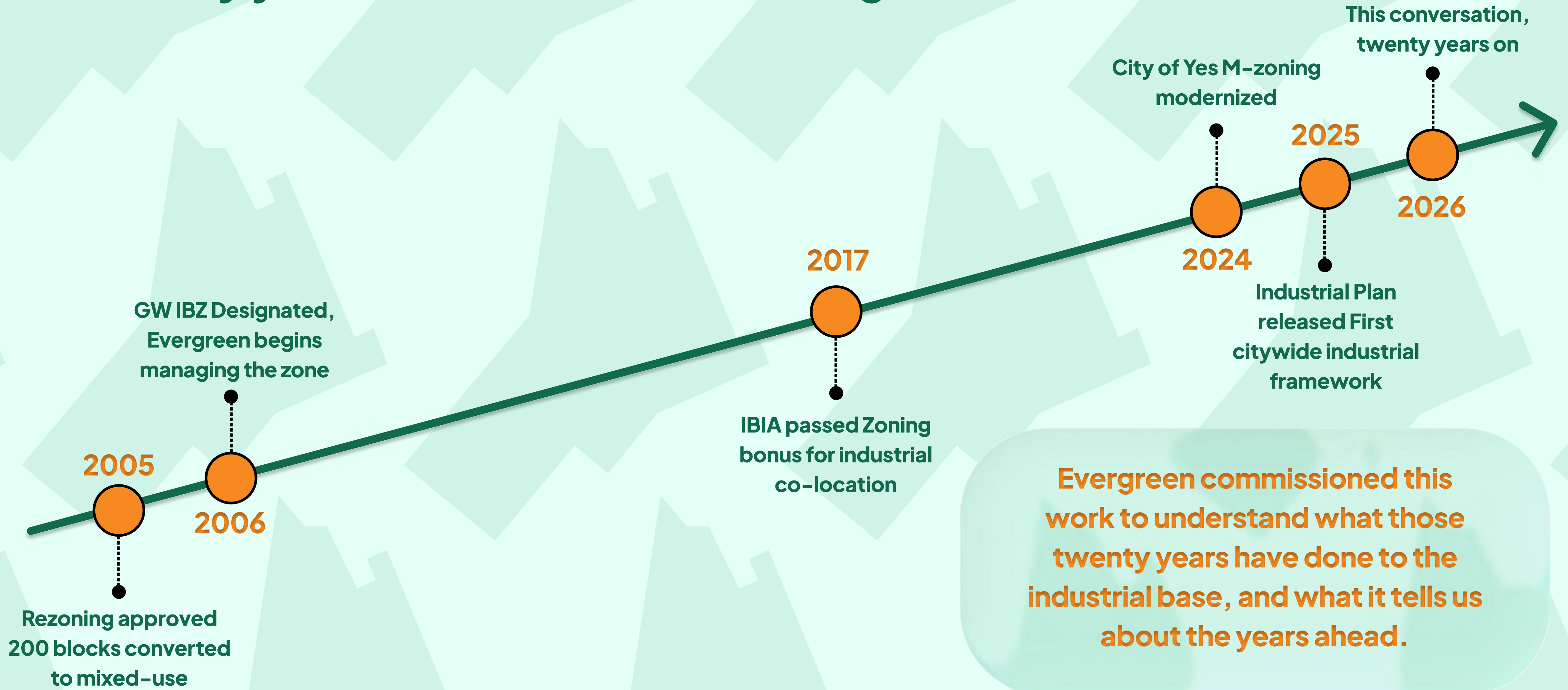
Wayne Chen

ANHD Community Development Graduate Fellow
Brooklyn CBI Land Use Committee
June 1, 2026



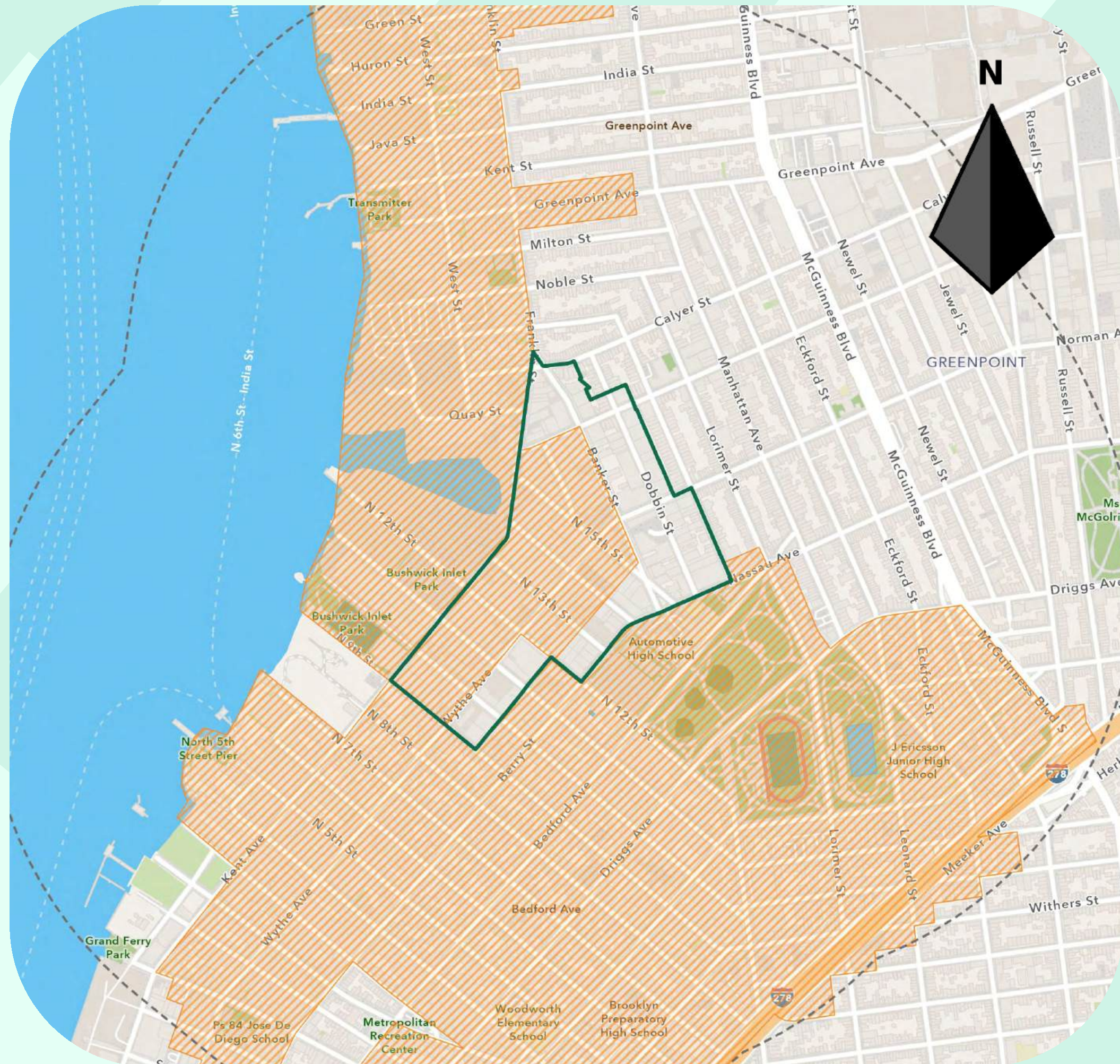
Context.

Twenty years after the 2005 rezoning



Context.

What the GW IBZ is, and what it does



- 57 acres in southern Greenpoint and northeast Williamsburg, designated in 2006
- Provides tax incentives for industrial businesses + a city-designated managing organization (Evergreen)
- Does not carry zoning force on its own

~130 active businesses
~3,400 jobs supported
~\$920M annual economic activity across NYC

Findings.

79%

of industrial businesses Evergreen has tracked in the GW IBZ are no longer operating there.

54 operating

203 closed or relocated

In the same space, 78 commercial businesses are currently operating.
design studios, fitness, food service, retail

Both are employment. **Both are economic activity in the zone today.**

Methodology.

How I went about this

What the records show

- MapPLUTO (land use)
- ACRIS (property sales)
- DOB (permits and conversions)
- 311 (complaints)
- DOT (curb and loading)

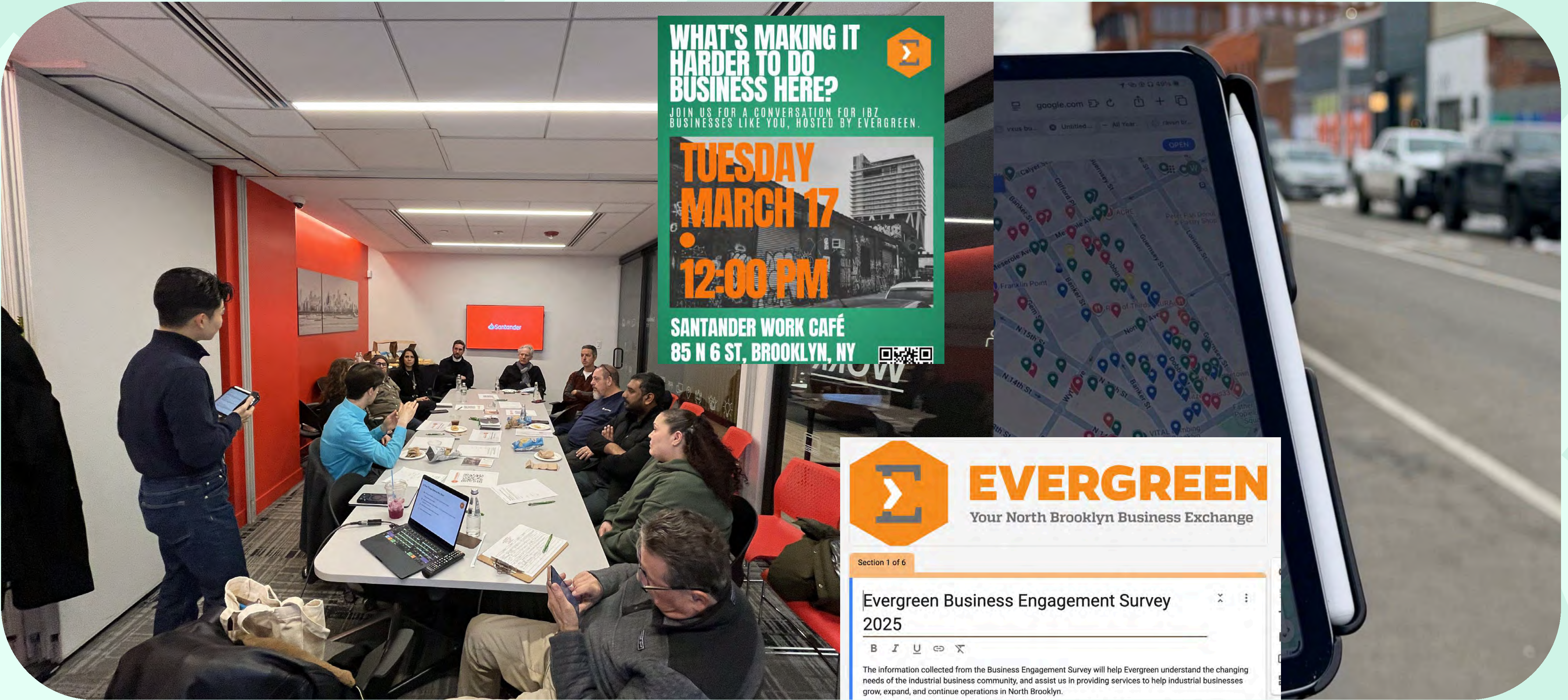
What businesses say

- Evergreen surveys 2023–2026
- March 2026 focus group
- December 2025 property tour

Every block-level claim is confirmed by at least two independent sources. Full methodology is in the report being passed around.

Methodology.

Views from the field

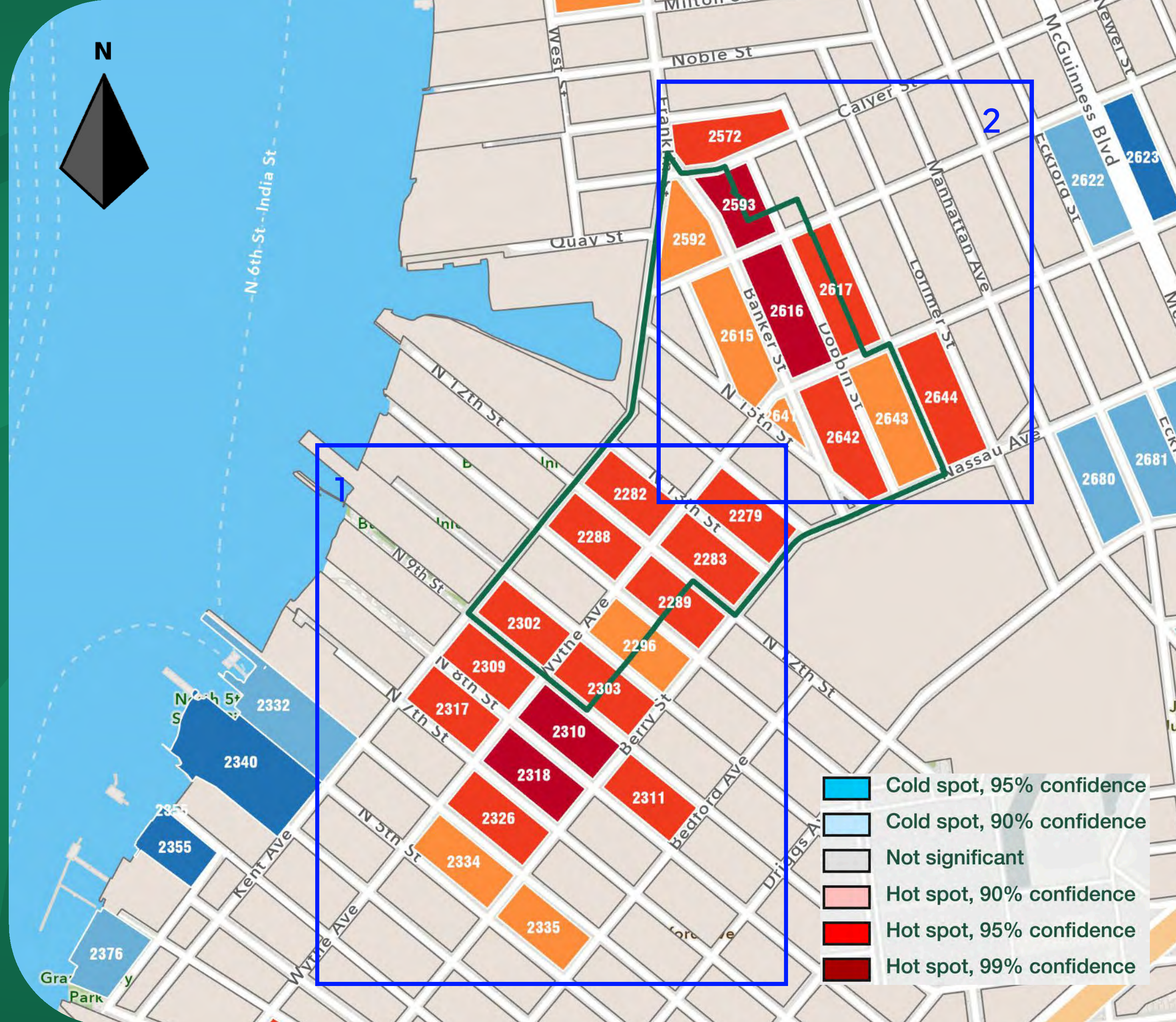


Findings.

Where the pressure concentrates

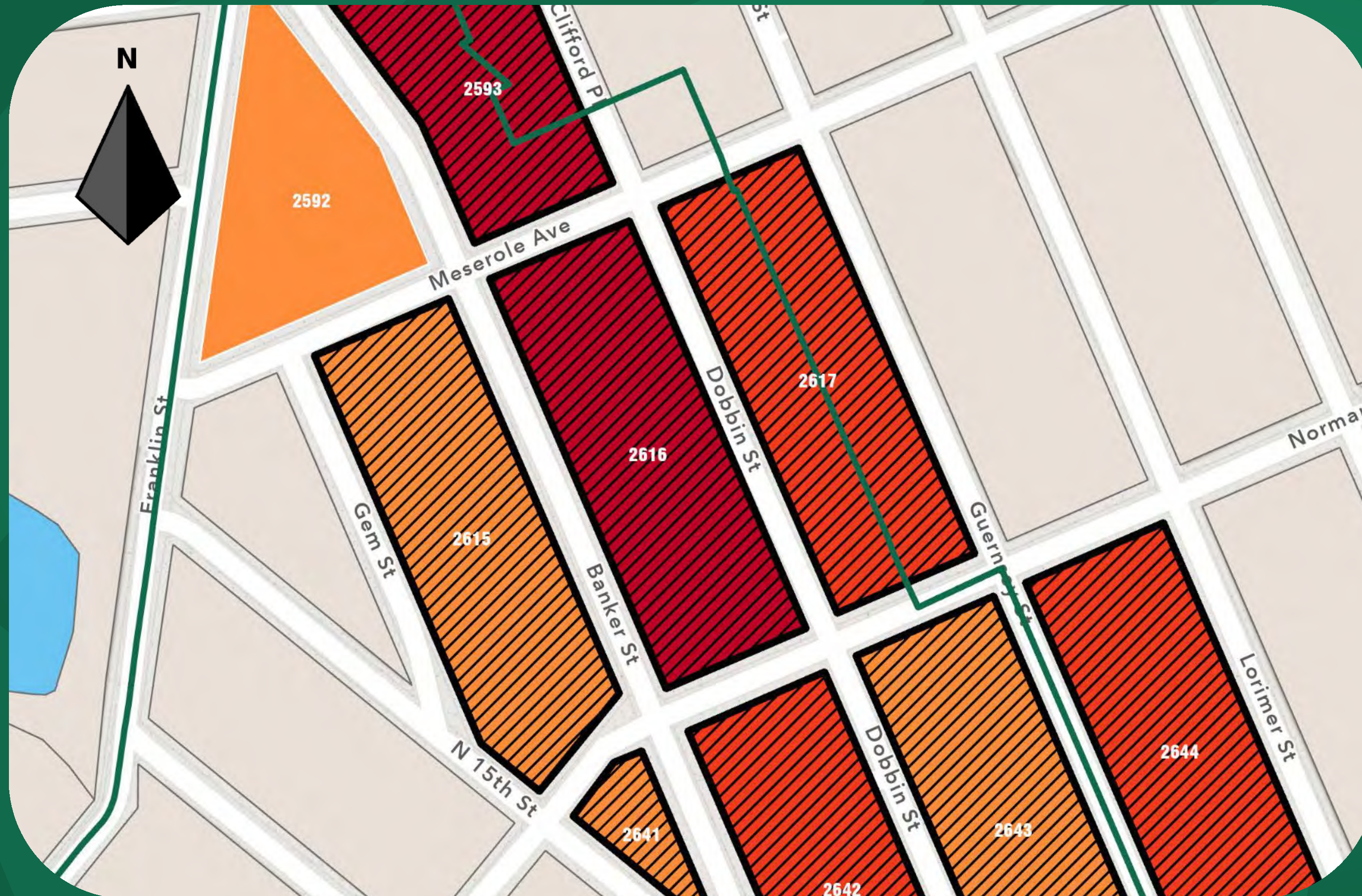
Two areas inside the zone:

1. Berry-Kent-Wythe
2. Banker-Dobbin-Norman



A closer look.

Highest-pressure block in the IBZ

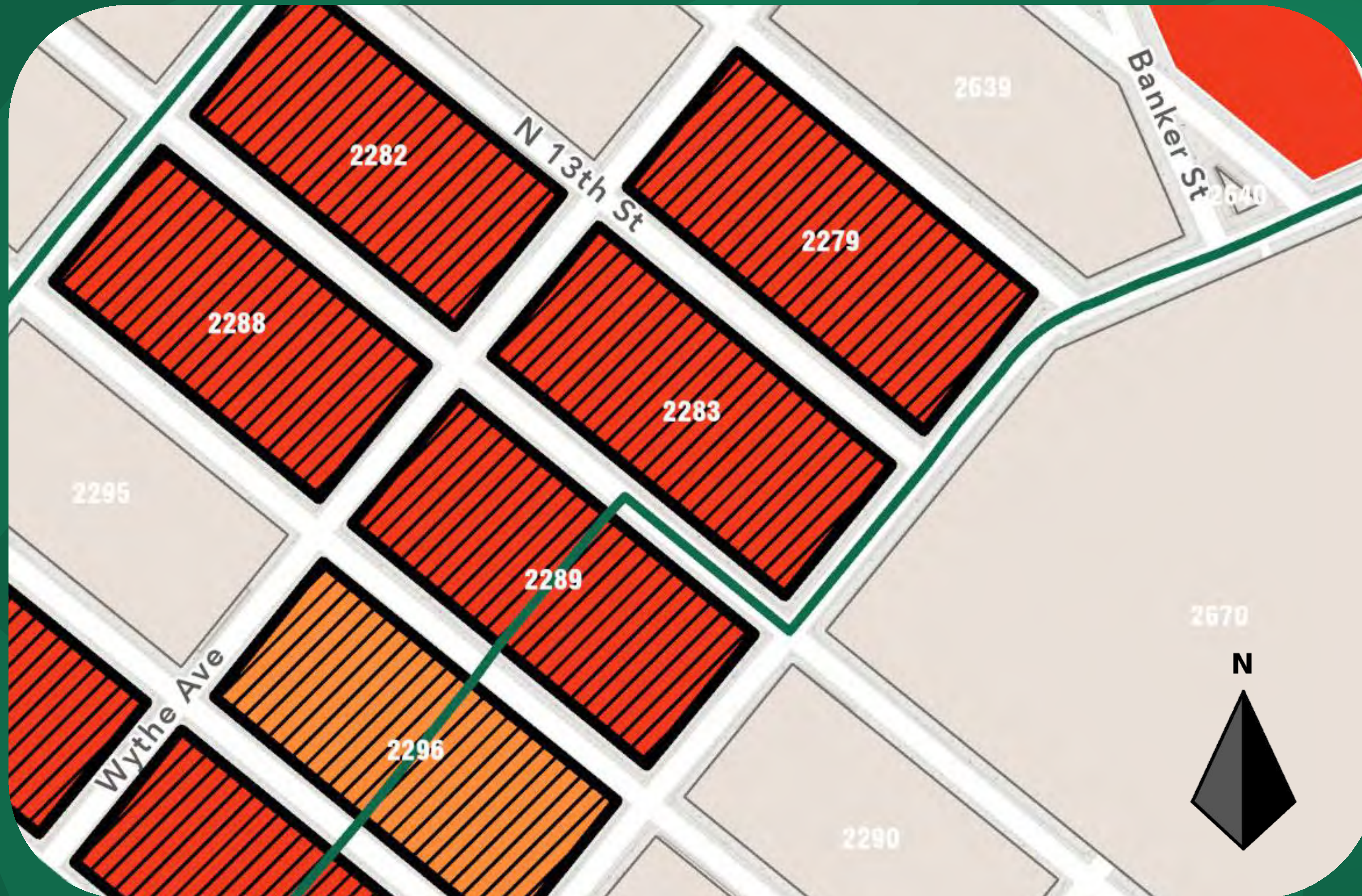


Block 2616 (193–233 Banker Street)

- 99% confidence hot spot (z-score 3.24), the strongest signal anywhere in the study
- ABC Stone (234 Banker): 28 years in the neighborhood, under a year left on its lease, receiving operation already moved to Long Island
- Next door, 233 Banker: sold and converted into a \$3M private art gallery

A closer look.

5:1 to 12:1 Rent Gap



Block 2283 (20–24 Berry Street)

- Industrial rents on these blocks: \$8–15/sf. Non-industrial on the same blocks: \$40 to \$100+/sf
- The owner, after three years of losses, is pursuing his own ground-up mixed-use redevelopment (~18% maker space)
- The building now functions mostly as storage

A closer look.

What businesses are telling us

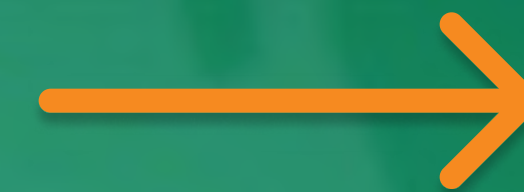
We asked about plans to stay or leave, lease security, operating conditions, and the pressures businesses face.

Earlier Survey

2026

Smoked-fish Producer
Gem Street

“We plan to stay”
2023 survey



“Evaluating Options”
2026

Berry street manufacturer
20 Berry Street

“Downsize”
2024 survey



Mixed-use development
2026

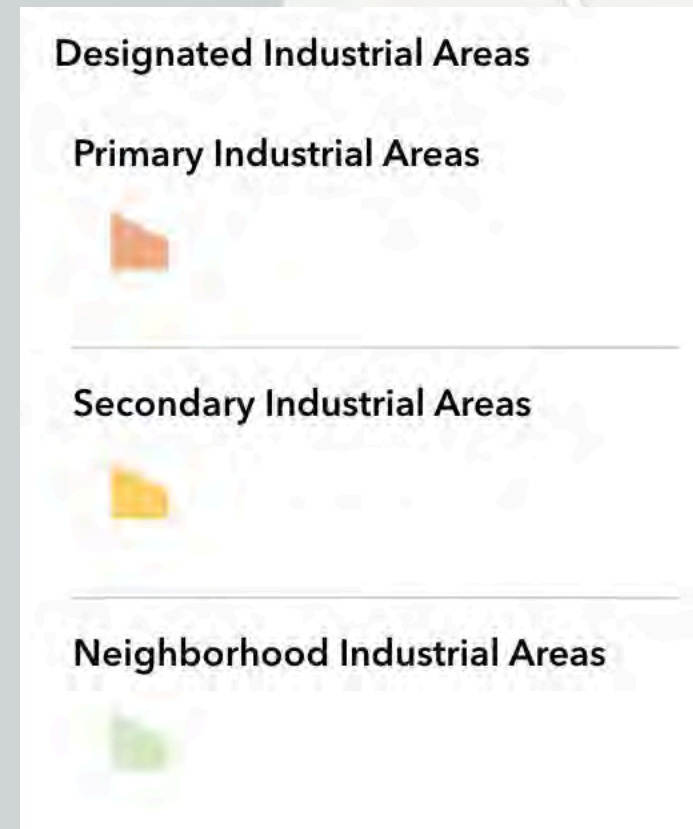
“It's not our turn anymore.”

– Importer, Berry street

Sources: Evergreen engagement surveys 2023–2025, 2026 DNA survey, March 2026 focus group.

Synthesis.

The City's first ever Industrial Plan



- Released December 2025, required every 8 years under local law
- Covers ~545,000 industrial jobs citywide
- Three new tiers: Primary (strongest protection), Secondary, and Neighborhood (weakest)
- The GW IBZ: about two blocks Secondary, the rest Neighborhood, none Primary

The Plan does not directly change the IBZ designation. It signals where the City sees long-term industrial use as a priority, and almost all of the GW IBZ, as currently mapped, is in the weakest tier.

Synthesis.

805 Rockaway Ave – GMDC Brownsville Industrial Center



Opened late 2024 · 39,000 sf light manufacturing · 174 units of affordable and supportive housing

- Industrial rents \$14.50–\$17.50/sf, within reach of production businesses
- 10 industrial units leased, 54 workers
- **Zero complaints** between residential and industrial tenants since opening

Synthesis.

Where this points

- **The IBZ today is a working mix of industrial and commercial activity, both providing jobs**
- **The pressures are concentrated, visible, and now trackable year over year**
- **Evergreen would value staying in conversation with CBI as this work continues**

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*Underlying research: *Where the Zone Ends*, Columbia GSAPP, May 2026. Fellowship funded by ANHD.*

Investing in the Future of **Leonard Library**

Brooklyn Community Board 1



Department of
Design and
Construction

MAY 12, 2026

Introductions

- **BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY**

- Lauren Comito, Branch Manager
- Alanna Lauter, Project Manager
- Michael Fieni, BPL Community Engagement Team Member

- **NYC DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

- Anna Killion, Outreach Coordinator
- Tirso Tavaréz, Assistant Director, Intergovernmental Affairs, Communication and Policy

- **RZAPS | RICARDO ZURITA ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING P.C.**

- Ricardo Zurita, Principal

Agenda

- Leonard Library Phase I Project Overview – *Completed 2025*
- Leonard Library Phase II Project Scope and Details
- Construction Schedule
- Library Services During Closure
- Contact Information
- Questions

Leonard Library Phase I Project Overview

- Installed major infrastructure upgrades, including a modern HVAC system, updated fire safety systems, and improved building management systems.
- Restored and preserved key historic features of the Carnegie building, including the laylight, roof, and other architectural elements.
- Refreshed interior spaces with new lighting, paint, ceiling tiles, and more.
- Completed Summer 2025

Leonard Library Phase I Project Overview



1910s



2025

Leonard Library Phase II Project Details

- **Project Team**

- Architect: RZAPS | Ricardo Zurita Architecture & Planning P.C.
- Construction Management: NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC)

- **Project Funding: \$5 Million**

- \$2 Million from Council Member Gutierrez
- \$3 Million in Proceeds from the redevelopment of Brooklyn Heights Library

Leonard Library Phase II Project Scope

- Upgrade existing bathrooms for ADA accessibility
- Add an additional accessible bathroom
- Install an elevator for lower level accessibility
- Provide code-compliant egress from the lower level
- New flooring of the main level
- One new interior egress stair
- Two exterior stairs
- New exit doors at rear side of the library

Leonard Library Phase II Project Details

- **Major Design Considerations**



- o Prioritize full accessibility, public-facing elevator access, and facility upgrades aligned with current library use.
- o Minimize impacts on the historical structure and elements, both interior and exterior, while optimizing capital funding.
- o Encourage creative reorganization and modification of spaces if beneficial and within budget.
- o Use durable, tamper-resistant, easy-to-maintain materials. Choose equipment and fixtures with easily replaceable parts and simple maintenance requirements.

Site Location and Background

- o Leonard Library is in Williamsburg, Brooklyn.
- o It's one of Brooklyn Public Library's original Carnegie branches.
- o Designed by William B. Tubby, built and opened in 1908.
- o One-story building with a lower level.
- o Interior has been renovated several times; exterior remains largely unchanged.
- o Major rehabilitation project completed in 1965.



SITE LOCATION IN CITY CONTEXT

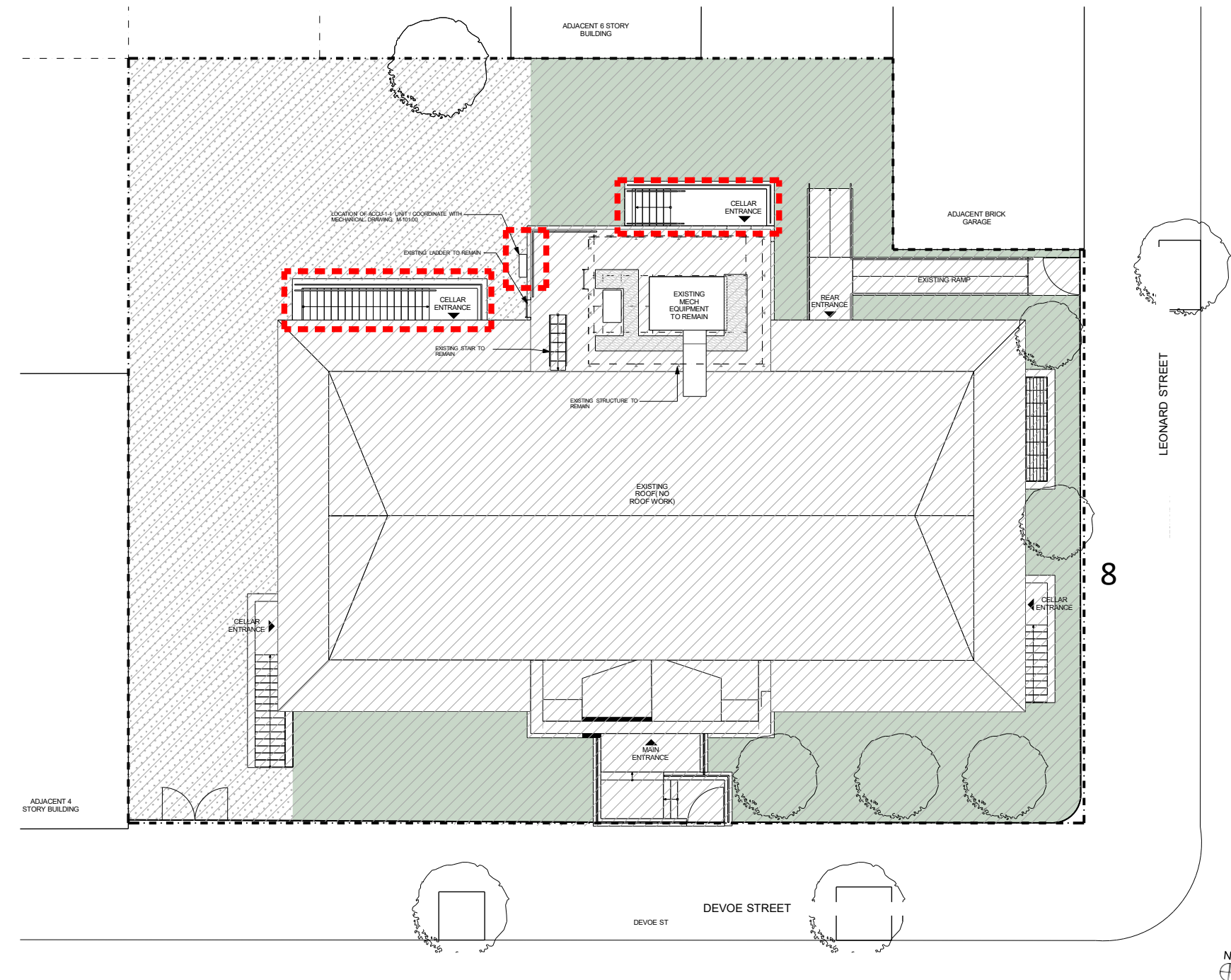
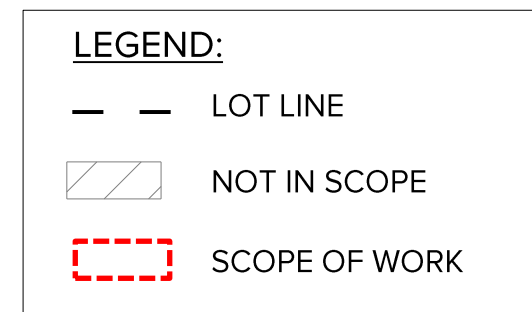


SITE LOCATION IN NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT

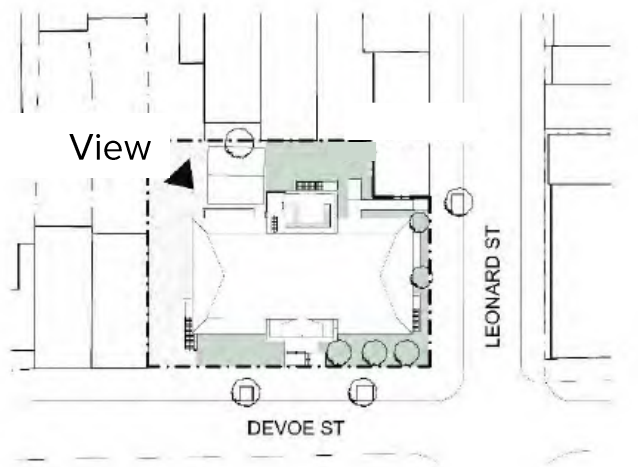
Proposed Site Plan

EXTERIOR SCOPE:

1. REMOVAL OF EXISTING SHED
2. (2) TWO NEW CONCRETE STAIRS, INCL. RETAINING WALLS, RAILINGS AND BUILDING EXIT DOORS



Rear Yard Photo



Main Level Plan Demolition

EXTERIOR SCOPE:

1. REMOVAL OF EXISTING SHED
2. REMOVAL OF EXIST. CONCRETE STAIR, INCL RAILING, RETAINING WALLS
3. REMOVAL OF LIGHT WELL, METAL GRADE AND RETAINING WALLS

INTERIOR SCOPE:

1. REMOVING OF EXISTING INTERIOR STAIRS
2. PARTIAL REMOVAL OF EXISTING HORIZONTAL STRUCTURE
3. REMOVAL OF LULA LIFT
4. REMOVAL OF SELECTED FURNITURE
5. REMOVAL OF FLOORING ON MAIN LEVEL

LEGEND:

— —	LOT LINE		REMOVE EXISTING HORIZONTAL STRUCTURE
- - -	REMOVE EXISTING CONSTRUCTION		REMOVE EXISTING FLOOR FINISH
	EXISTING WALL TO REMAIN		SCOPE OF WORK
	NOT IN SCOPE		

