

**Public Notice Regarding 2025 Amendment of the Section 106 Review of New York City Housing Authority HUD-Funded Programs and Activities Programmatic Agreement**

November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The City of New York Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) is issuing this public notice as a part of its responsibilities under 36 CFR Part 800, the regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Section 106), as amended.

In accordance with 36 CFR 800, HPD, acting as Responsible Entity for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) under most 24 CFR Part 58 NYCHA projects and in coordination with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) – acting as the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) - has identified potential adverse effects pursuant to Section 106. These potential adverse effects are connected to certain activities to be facilitated by funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) grant programs such as the Capital Fund, Operating Fund, Rental Assistance Demonstration, and other HUD grant programs to NYCHA. These HUD-funded activities, described further below, may be undertaken by NYCHA at public housing facilities throughout New York City and are subject to environmental review procedures pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58, which requires Section 106 compliance for certain actions.

HUD administers grant programs such as the Capital Fund Program, the Operating Fund Program, Rental Assistance Demonstration, and other HUD grant programs, for financing, development, rehabilitation, modernization, maintenance, and operations of public housing agencies and their properties. NYCHA may commit HUD assistance funded by these and other grant programs to undertakings, such as maintenance and repair, rehabilitation, construction, demolition, acquisition, and disposition of NYCHA's public housing developments and their associated structures and facilities.

SHPO was consulted in connection with the proposed activities. Through this consultation it was determined that out of 185 NYCHA operated properties surveyed citywide subject to federal assistance originating from HUD, 42 are either listed or eligible for listing on the State and National Register (S/NR) of Historic Places, as confirmed through a 2025 NYCHA Programmatic Agreement 5-Year survey (see updated listing attached). For the purposes of Section 106, the Area of Potential Effect (APE) is identified as the 42 individual NYCHA developments listed below.

<b>Borough</b>	<b>Property</b>	<b>SHPO Determination</b>	<b>LPC Designation</b>
<b><i>Brooklyn</i></b>			
1	303 Vernon Avenue (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
2	Albany I and II	NR eligible	N/A
3	Brownsville Houses	NR eligible	N/A
4	Carey Gardens (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
5	Coney Island I (Site 1B) (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
6	Coney Island (Site 8) (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
7	Farragut Houses (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
8	Glenmore Plaza (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
9	Hughes Apartments (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	
10	Ingersoll Houses	entire complex NR eligible	N/A
11	Kingsborough Extension (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
12	Low Houses (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
13	Marcus Garvey Group A	NR eligible	N/A
14	Marlboro Houses	NR eligible	N/A
15	Nostrand (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
16	O'Dwyer Gardens (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
17	Red Hook Houses (east and west)	NR eligible	N/A
18	Roosevelt II (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
19	Surfside Gardens (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
20	Unity Plaza (Sites 17, 24, 25A) (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
21	Unity Plaza (Sites 4-27) (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A

22	Whitman Houses	entire complex NR eligible	N/A
23	Woodson Houses (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
24	Wyckoff Houses (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
<b><i>Bronx</i></b>			
25	1471 Watson Avenue (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	N/A
26	Bronx River Houses	NR eligible	N/A
27	Bronx River Addition (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
28	Claremont Rehab (Group 4) (2025 Amendment)	N/A	Eligible -- BLDG 8 & 9 (adjacent to Clay Avenue HD)
29	Gun Hill Houses	NR eligible	N/A
30	Sedgwick Houses	NR eligible	N/A
31	Throggs Neck Addition (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
<b><i>Manhattan</i></b>			
32	Amsterdam Houses	NR eligible	N/A
33	Baruch Houses	NR eligible	N/A
34	Carver Houses	NR eligible	N/A
35	De Hostos Apartments (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
36	Douglas Rehabs (241 West 101st St, 229 and 251 West 103rd St, 244 West 104th St)	NR eligible	LPC Riverside West End Historic District II
37	East River Houses	NR eligible	N/A
38	First Houses	NR listed	Individual Landmark
39	Holmes Towers (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	
40	Jacob Riis I and II	NR eligible	N/A
41	Johnson Houses (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
42	King Towers	NR eligible	N/A
43	Randolph Houses	NR listed	N/A

44	Lower East Side II (2025 Amendment)	N/A	Eligible -- Building 6 (adjacent to Sixth Street Community Center -- former Congregation Ahawath Shara Torah)
45	Smith Houses	NR eligible	N/A
46	Taft Rehabs	NR listed	N/A
47	Vladeck Houses and Vladeck II	NR listed	N/A
48	Washington Houses (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
49	Wilson Houses (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
50	Wise Rehab	NR eligible (54 West 94th St)	Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District
51	W.S.U.R.A. Brownstones (47 West 89th St, 15 and 38 West 90th St, 22 and 64 West 91st St)	NR eligible	Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District
<b><i>Queens</i></b>			
52	Carleton Manor (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	
53	Conlon LIHFE Tower (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	
54	Latimer Gardens (2025 Amendment)	Undetermined*	
55	Pomonok (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
56	Queensbridge North & South	entire complex NR eligible	N/A
57	South Jamaica I	NR eligible	N/A
58	Woodside (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
<b><i>Staten Island</i></b>			
59	Berry Houses	NR eligible	N/A
60	Cassidy-Lafayette (2025 Amendment)	NR eligible	N/A
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\* This Eligibility may warrant re-evaluation based on new information.

It is the intent of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) to outline certain maintenance and other activities that are of no concern to SHPO, as well as the specific activities that would be subject to consultation with SHPO under Section 106, and the steps that must be followed prior to the release of any funding connected to such activities. Establishment of the PA helps to eliminate uncertainties for SHPO consultation and streamline review of federally-funded capital improvements at NYCHA developments for the benefit of NYCHA residents. SHPO concurred that they have no concerns with the following proposed work activities:

- Local Law 11 work- repairs include stitching new matching\* brick into the existing brick facades, in-kind repairs or in-kind replacement of window lintels and sills, and repairs to existing expansion joints (\*New brick must match existing brick in terms of size, color, texture, coursing, and mortar joint tooling); Replacement of Garbage Disposal equipment (Interior and Exterior compactors and bulk crushers);
- Electrical work- replacement of electrical components such as light fixtures, switches, and outlets as needed. Perform electrical upgrades and all ancillary work.
- Heating work;
- Plumbing work;
- Boiler Replacement;
- Gas Riser replacement- removal of existing gas risers and replacement with new gas risers and associated piping, in the same location. Installation of new gas meters;
- Closed Circuit Television and Layered Access Control- Installation of CCTV and LAC systems and their associated components;
- Fire System Work;
- Replacement of Underground piping such as Steam Distribution and Condensate lines;
- Fire and Water Distribution lines- removal of existing lines and replacement with new lines in-kind (i.e. same horizontal and vertical dimensions within 1 to 2 feet); associated ground disturbance is less than 24 inches below the existing surface;
- Energy Performance Contracts (EPC): EPC work includes 1) interior lighting retrofits; 2) installation of apartment water measures such as low flow toilets, faucet aerators and shower heads; 3) apartment temperature sensors, 4) ventilation system clean / seal / balance; 5) instantaneous water heaters; and 6) boiler plant equipment replacement / retrofits;
- General apartment renovations (bathrooms and kitchens);
- Elevator Replacements- replace elevators in disrepair; and
- Roof Tank Vessel Replacement - repair and replacement of roof tank vessels only (does not apply to roof tank screening).

Additional exempted activities, as proposed, include:

- Waste Yards
- Energy-efficient window heat pumps

SHPO has agreed that all planned work at non-S/NR eligible or listed NYCHA properties (those not included in the 2025 updated listing)\* do not need consultation with the SHPO unless such proposed work includes:

- New construction;
- Demolition of buildings and/or structures (other than roof top communications equipment) on properties that are at least fifty years of age;
- Any other Significant Ground-Disturbing activities (work in or around any
- known and unknown archaeological site). Work in or around, or associated with, existing Federal Art Projects and other artwork at least fifty years of age.

\*Specific to NYCHA properties transferred from Section 9 to Section 8 under the Public/Private Partnership of the Permanent Affordability Commitment Together (PACT) program, the amended PA stipulates projects overseen by PACT partners, under the tax credit program, have a 5-year oversight window.

The overall intent of amending the PA is to update the list of maintenance and other activities that are of no concern to SHPO and re-evaluate NYCHA's portfolio to update the Historic Property List. The amended PA would maintain the outline of specific activities that would be subject to consultation with the SHPO under Section 106 and the steps that must be followed prior to the release of any funding connected to such activities.

This process is outlined in the Draft Amended Programmatic Agreement (DPA) between NYCHA, HPD, SHPO, which has been uploaded and is available on the HPD website (<https://www.nyc.gov/site/hpd/services-andinformation/environmental-review.page>).

Members of the public are encouraged to provide views on how the DPA may lead to potential adverse effects of NYCHA historic properties and ways that these effects may be avoided, minimized, or mitigated.

The comment period will begin the day after this publication. Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the DPA to NYC HPD electronically via email to [environmental\\_review@hpd.nyc.gov](mailto:environmental_review@hpd.nyc.gov) on or before the end of December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, or via mail addressed to:

Department of Housing Preservation and Development  
ATTN: Anthony Howard, Certifying Officer  
100 Gold Street, room 7-A3  
New York, NY 10038  
(212)-863-7248

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February 12, 2025

Taylor Goldman  
NYCHA  
24-02, 49th Ave.  
Long Island City, NY 11101

Re: HUD  
NYCHA Survey and Programmatic Agreement  
14PR03504

Dear Taylor Goldman:

Thank you for continuing to consult with the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the documentation submitted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

We have reviewed the proposed eligibility determinations that were submitted to our office for review on January 12, 2025, per the requirements of Stipulation VI.A.4 of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) in place between our agencies. Please refer to the table below for our office's determinations on State and National Register eligibility of the properties submitted. Please note that we were unable to make determinations for all of the properties, but that we will continue to review those that have an Undetermined status as we work towards refining the National Register of Historic Places Registration Requirements section of the draft Multiple Property Documentation Form currently under review by our staff.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (518)948-2067.

Sincerely,

Olivia Brazee  
Senior Historic Site Restoration Coordinator [olivia.brazee@parks.ny.gov](mailto:olivia.brazee@parks.ny.gov)

cc: CRIS list

via e-mail only

Name	Determination
303 Vernon Avenue	Undetermined

Carey Gardens	Undetermined
Coney Island I (Site 1B)	Undetermined
Coney Island I (Site 8)	Undetermined
Glenmore Plaza	Eligible (concur with consultant, previously not eligible in CRIS)

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Hughes Apartments	Undetermined
Kingsborough Houses Extension	Eligible (retain existing DoE)
Low Houses	Undetermined
O'Dwyer Gardens	Undetermined (previously not eligible in CRIS)
Roosevelt II	Undetermined
Saratoga Village	Undetermined (previously not eligible in CRIS)
Surfside Gardens	Undetermined (previously not eligible in CRIS)
Unity Plaza (Sites 17, 24, 25A)	Eligible
Unity Plaza (Sites 4-27)	Eligible (concur with consultant)
Woodson Houses	Undetermined
Wyckoff Gardens	Undetermined (previously not eligible in CRIS)





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## RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 6/26/2024  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: Farragut Houses (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: Brooklyn, NY 11201  
USN: 04701.025719

- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:
- ☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. ☒ Property meets eligibility criteria.
- ☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

**Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:**

- A. ☒ Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B. ☐ Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. ☒ Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
- D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

### SUMMARY STATEMENT

Farragut Houses is a public housing complex completed in 1952 for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) and designed by the architectural firm of Fellheimer, Wagner & Vollmer.

NYCHA program: Post World War II. State funded.  
Building type: High-rise (14 stories).  
Asterix tower.  
10 residential buildings.  
Site type: Superblock

The complex comprises ten buildings of fourteen stories. In plan they resemble five-pronged “asterisk”-type towers, which attempted to improve the efficiency of the “cross” type through maximizing the number of apartments served by the core. The L-shaped site is divided into three large blocks by Gold and Sands Streets and the buildings are roughly arranged around a diagonal line of symmetry running through buildings 5 and 6.

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The development has served as public housing since their completion and have undergone minimal alterations, retaining a high degree of integrity.

The complex is **locally significant** under **Criterion A** in the areas of *Social History* and *Politics/Government* as an intact example of a public housing complex constructed by NYCHA in the post-World War II period as a direct response to housing shortages in the city caused by an increase in population and returning veterans and their families. Planning for the Farragut Houses began at least as early as 1946, when the city acquired title to a twelve-block area near the Navy Yard. Building plans were filed in 1947 and the ceremonially ground breaking happened in 1949. The complex was officially opened May 7, 1952. The Farragut Houses were completed using State funding, which allowed NYCHA to build to higher standards and have “greater income flexibility” in tenant selection when compared to Federally-funded developments.

It is also **locally significant** under **Criterion C** in the area of *Architecture* as the first planned use of the fivepointed “asterisk”-type residential tower. As newspaper articles from the period noted, “The project will embody a five-point ground plan, which is described as a pattern never before used in residential construction in this country.” Furthermore, “The new design was adopted for its economy in operation as well as in original cost and for the fact that it insured three exposures for every apartment.” The Farragut Houses are nearly identical to the Albany I Houses, which were determined eligible on August 17, 2017. While the Albany Houses were the first to open, the Farragut Houses were planned and designed first.

The **period of significance** is **1946-52**, starting when the plans for the development were first announced and continuing through the date of completion as commemorated by the opening ceremony.

*Note that a context statement for Public Housing in New York City is currently being drafted. This determination is subject to re-evaluation once that planning document has been completed.*



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## RESOURCE EVALUATION

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DATE: 7/29/2024  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: Nostrand Houses (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: Brooklyn, NY 11229  
USN: 04701.025732

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- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:  
☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. **X** Property meets eligibility criteria.  
☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

### Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:

- A. **X** Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;  
B. ☐ Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;  
C. ☐ Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;  
D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

## SUMMARY STATEMENT

Nostrand Houses is a public housing complex completed in 1950 for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) and designed by the architects William E. Haugaard and Andrew J. Thomas.

NYCHA program: Post World War II. City III funded.  
Building type: Mid-rise (6 stories).  
Cross tower.  
16 residential buildings.  
Site type: Superblock

The complex comprises sixteen mid-rise buildings of six stories, as well as a large steam plant and boiler building. The residential buildings employ a modified double cruciform plan resembling a dumbbell, with perpendicular end wings flanking a narrow center section. The superblock site is divided into two sections by Avenue W; within each section the buildings are arranged symmetrically around large oval-shaped open spaces.

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The development has served as public housing since their completion and have undergone minimal alterations, retaining a high degree of integrity.

The complex is **locally significant** under **Criterion A** in the areas of *Social History* and *Politics/Government* as an intact and representative example of a public housing complex constructed by NYCHA in the post-World War II period as a direct response to housing shortages in the city caused by an increase in population and returning veterans and their families. The City Planning Commission officially approved the development in 1948 and the complex officially opened on December 14, 1950. Predating the Housing Act of 1949—which reauthorized federal funding for public housing following the war—Nostrand Houses was financed solely by New York City. This allowed the developments to be tailored to a specific need: that is, low-rent housing for middle-income New Yorkers, who did not qualify for subsidized housing and could not afford adequate private housing. It is one of fourteen no-subsidy housing complexes built by the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) on primarily vacant land for returning veterans and their families in the years between 1949 and 1952.

The **period of significance** is **1948-50**, starting when the plans for the development were first announced and continuing through the date of completion as commemorated by the opening ceremony.

*Note that a context statement for Public Housing in New York City is currently being drafted. This determination is subject to re-evaluation once that planning document has been completed.*





04701.025842: Building - Undetermined

303 Vernon Avenue (NYCHA)  
303 Vernon Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11206

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Overview

Inventory Data

NR Status (0)

MCDs (1)

Children (0)

Determinations (0)

Photos (1)

Atts. (0)

Agmts. (0)

Projects (0)

Surveys (0)

Submitted (0)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing:

Is Demolished:

Is in a Certified District:

Is a National Historic Landmark:

Is State Board Approved:

Is State Register Listed:

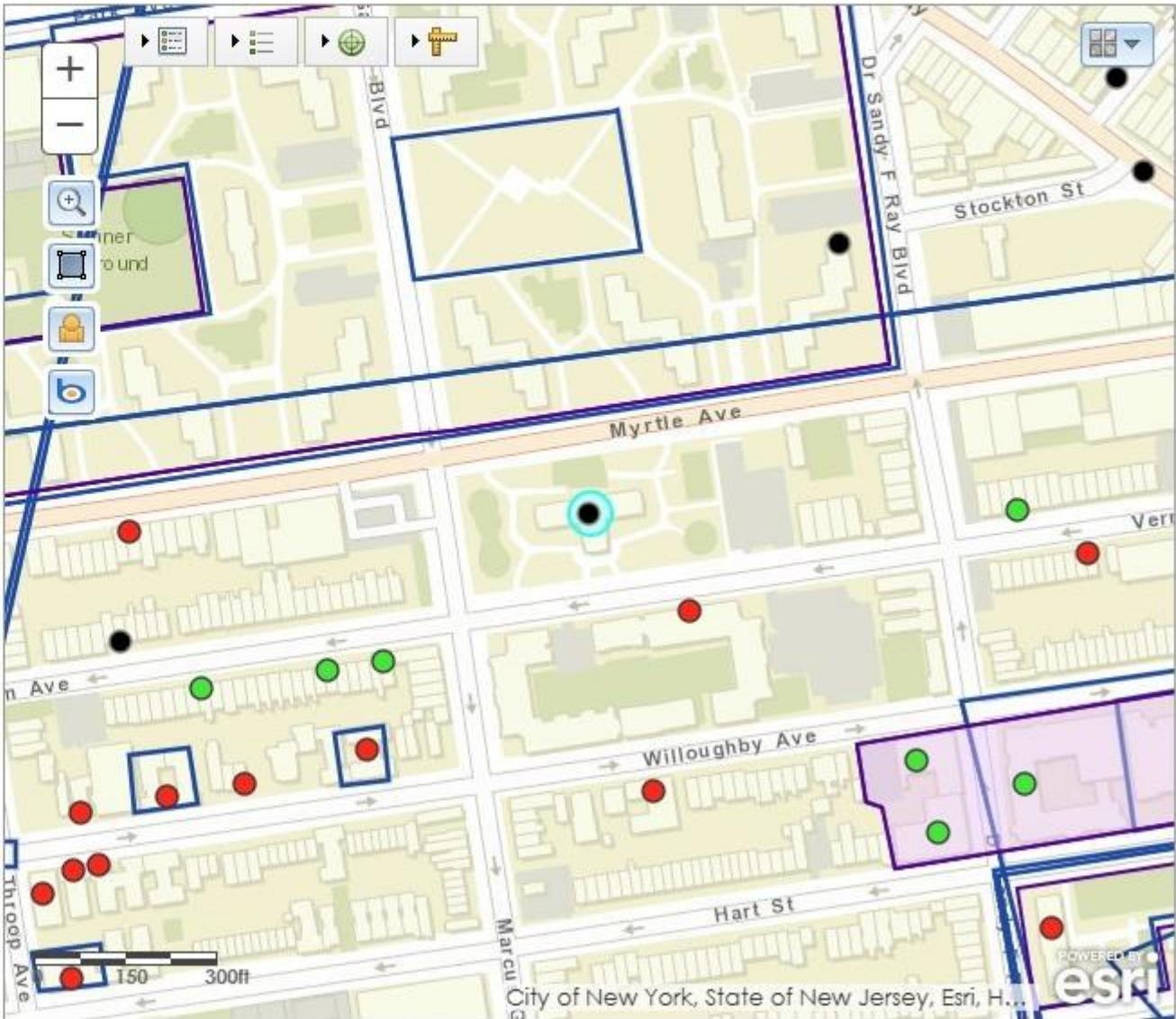
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Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





04701.025817: Building District - Undetermined

Carey Gardens (NYCHA)  
Building District

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- Overview
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- MCDs (1)
- Children (1)
- Determinations (0)
- Photos (0)
- Atts. (0)
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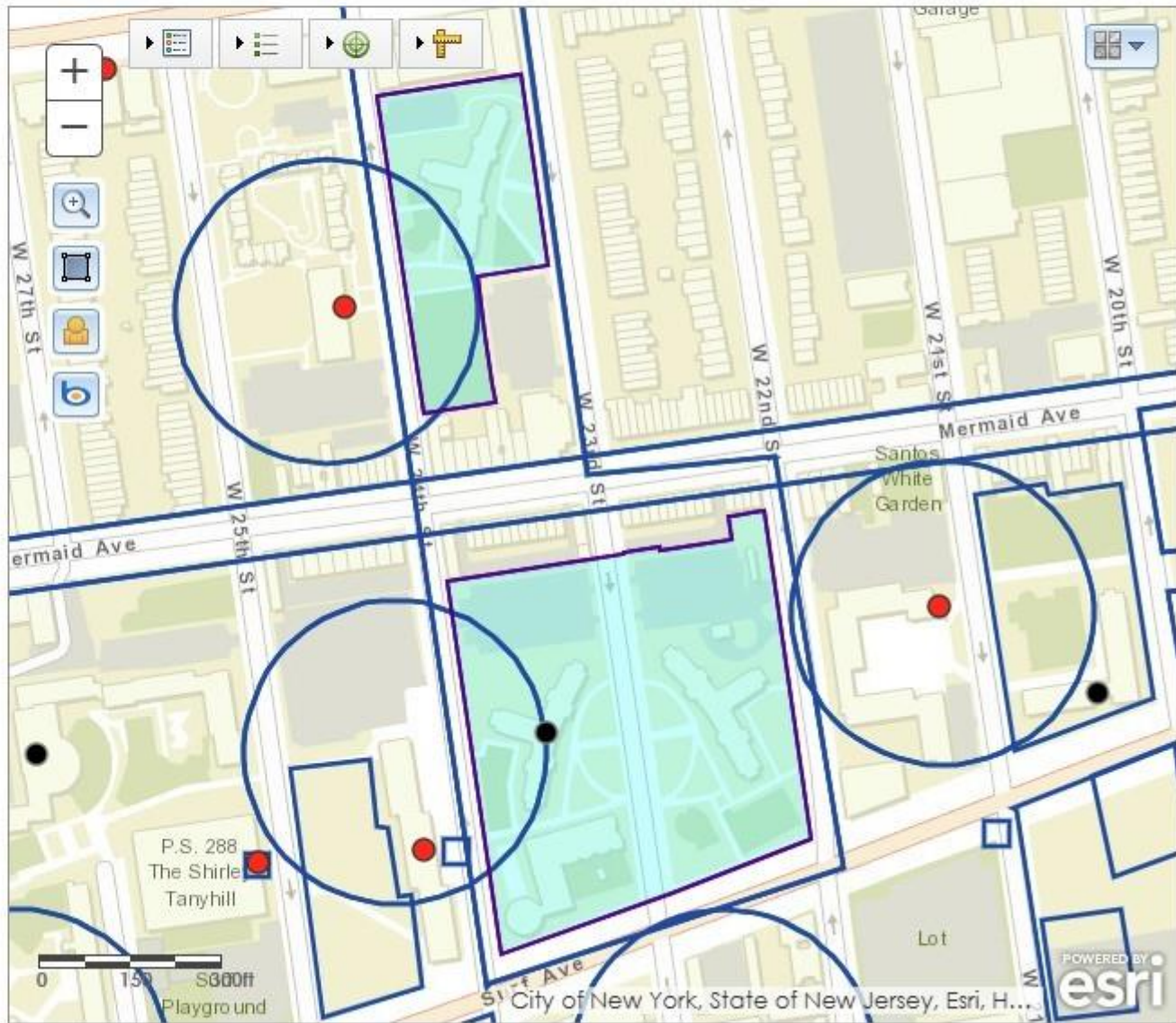
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Is State Register Listed:

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





04701.018826: Building - Undetermined

Coney Island I (Site 8) (NYCHA)  
2950 West 35th Street, Brooklyn NY

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Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing: False


Is Demolished: ☐

Is in a Certified District: ☐

Is a National Historic Landmark: ☐

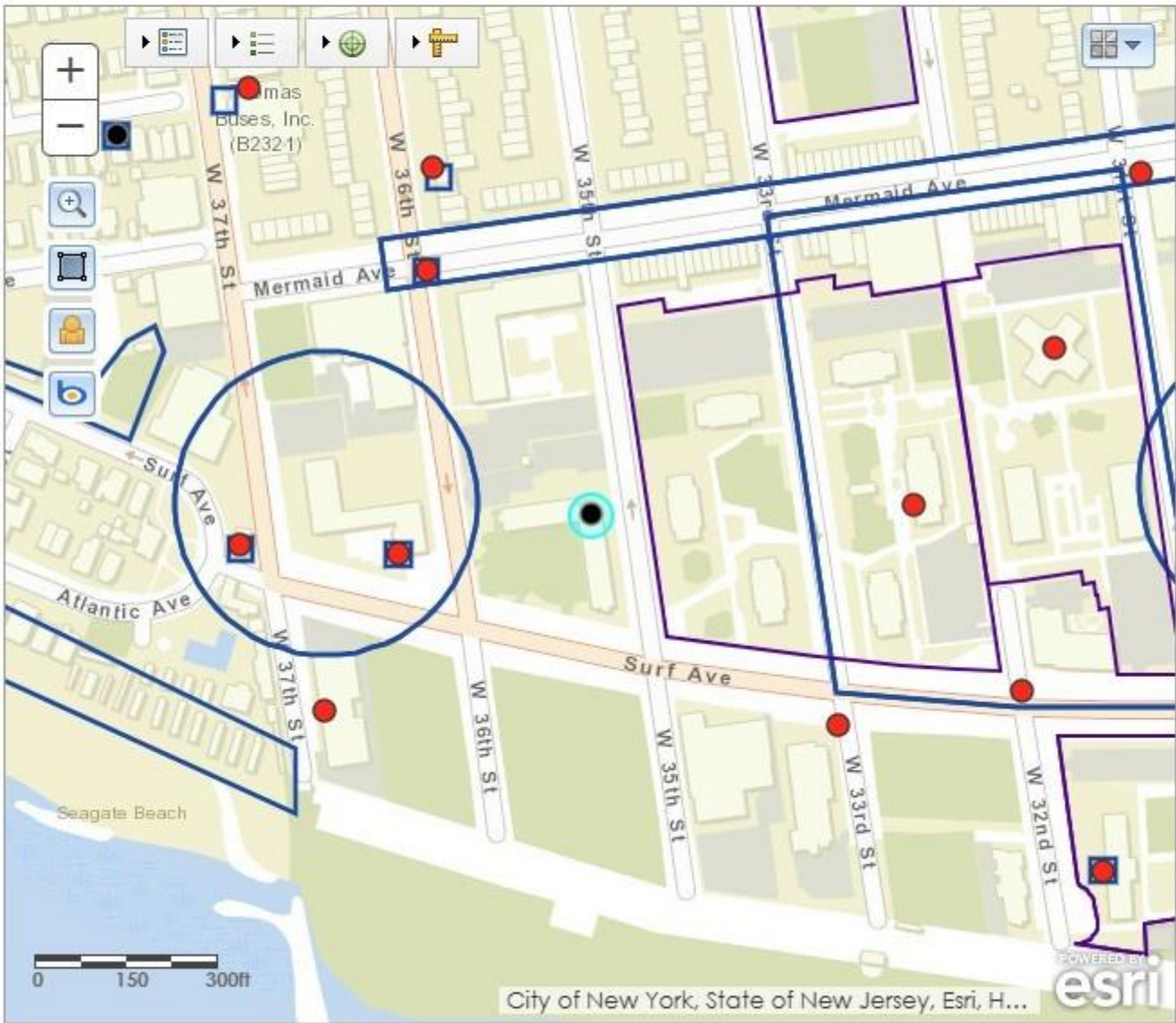
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Is State Register Listed: ☐



Eligibility: Undetermined  
Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





04701.025831: Building District - Undetermined

Glenmore Plaza (NYCHA)

Building District

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Classification: Building

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Is Contributing:

Is Demolished: ☐

Is in a Certified District: ☐

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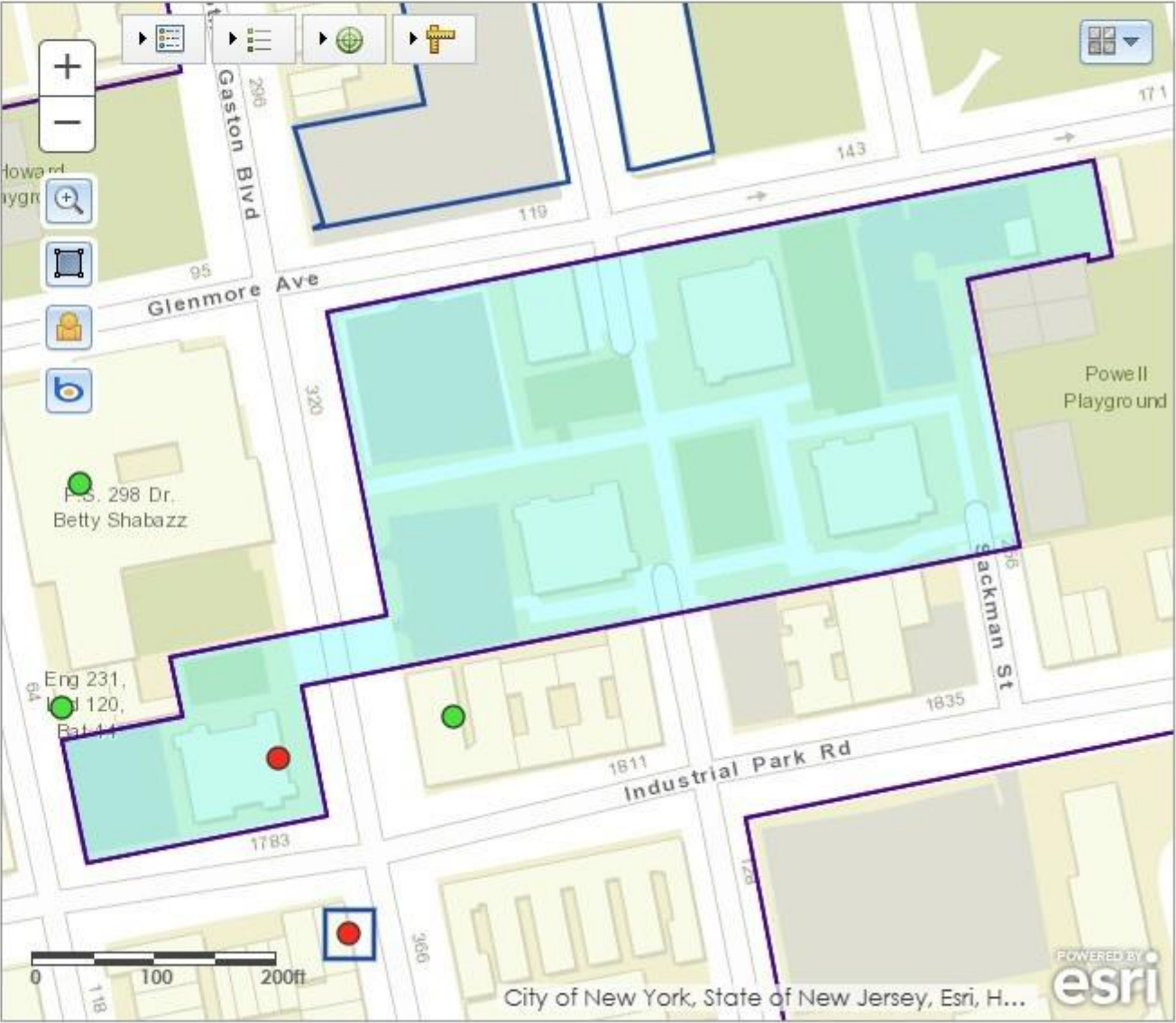
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Is State Register Listed: ☐

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)



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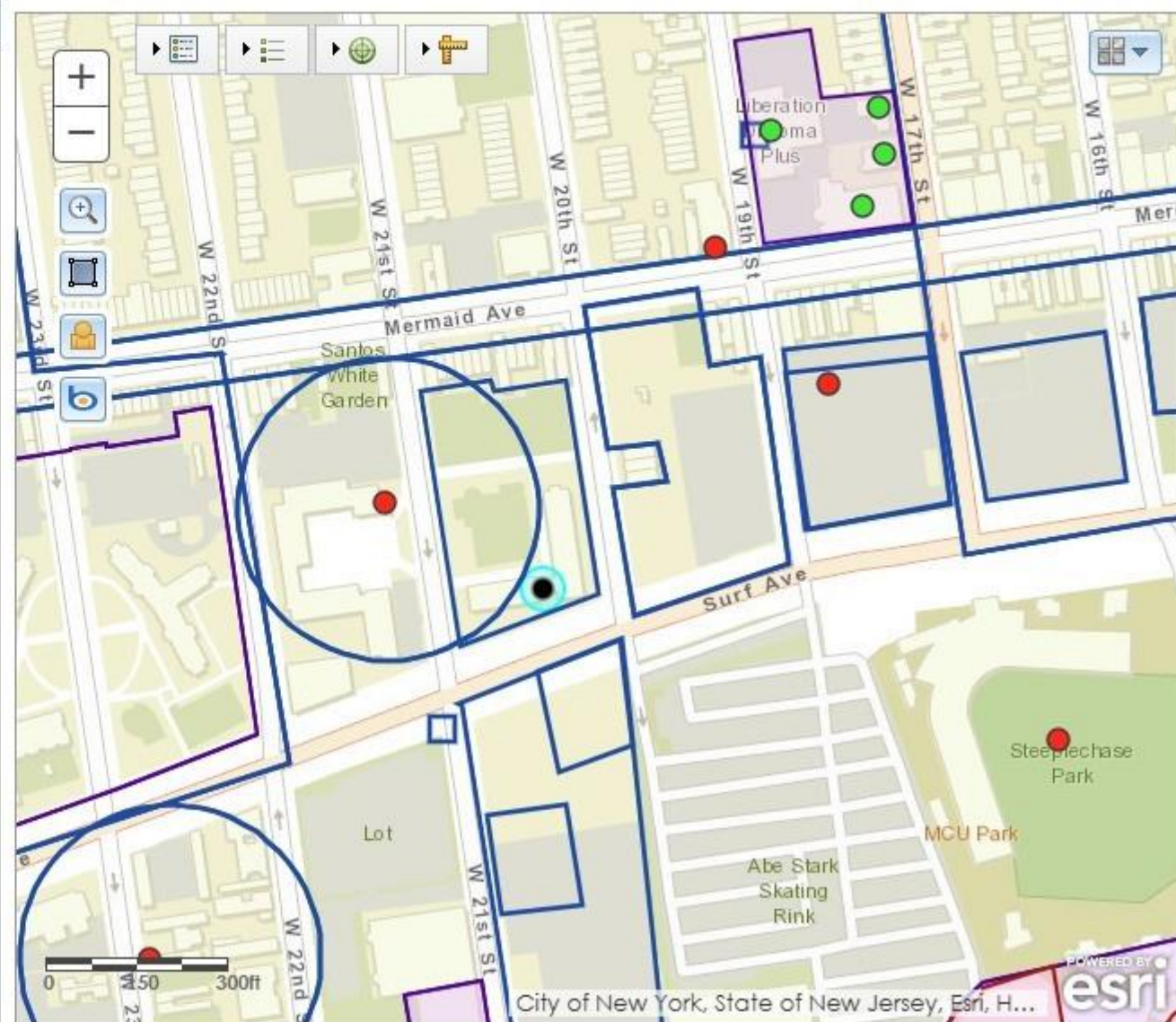
NYCHA Coney Island I (Site 1B)

2007 Surf Ave, Brooklyn NY 11224

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[Overview](#) [Inventory Data](#) [NR Status \(0\)](#) [MCDs \(1\)](#) [Children \(0\)](#) [Determinations \(0\)](#) [Photos \(4\)](#) [Atts. \(0\)](#) [Agmts. \(0\)](#) [Projects \(0\)](#) [Surveys \(0\)](#) [Submitted \(2\)](#)**Type:** Building**Classification:** Building**Parent USN:****Is Contributing:** False**Is Demolished:** ☐**Is in a Certified District:** ☐**Is a National Historic Landmark:** ☐**Is State Board Approved:** ☐**Is State Register Listed:** ☐**Eligibility:** Undetermined**Notes:**

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





04701.025833: Building District - Undetermined

Hughes Apartments (NYCHA)  
Building District

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Is in a Certified District:

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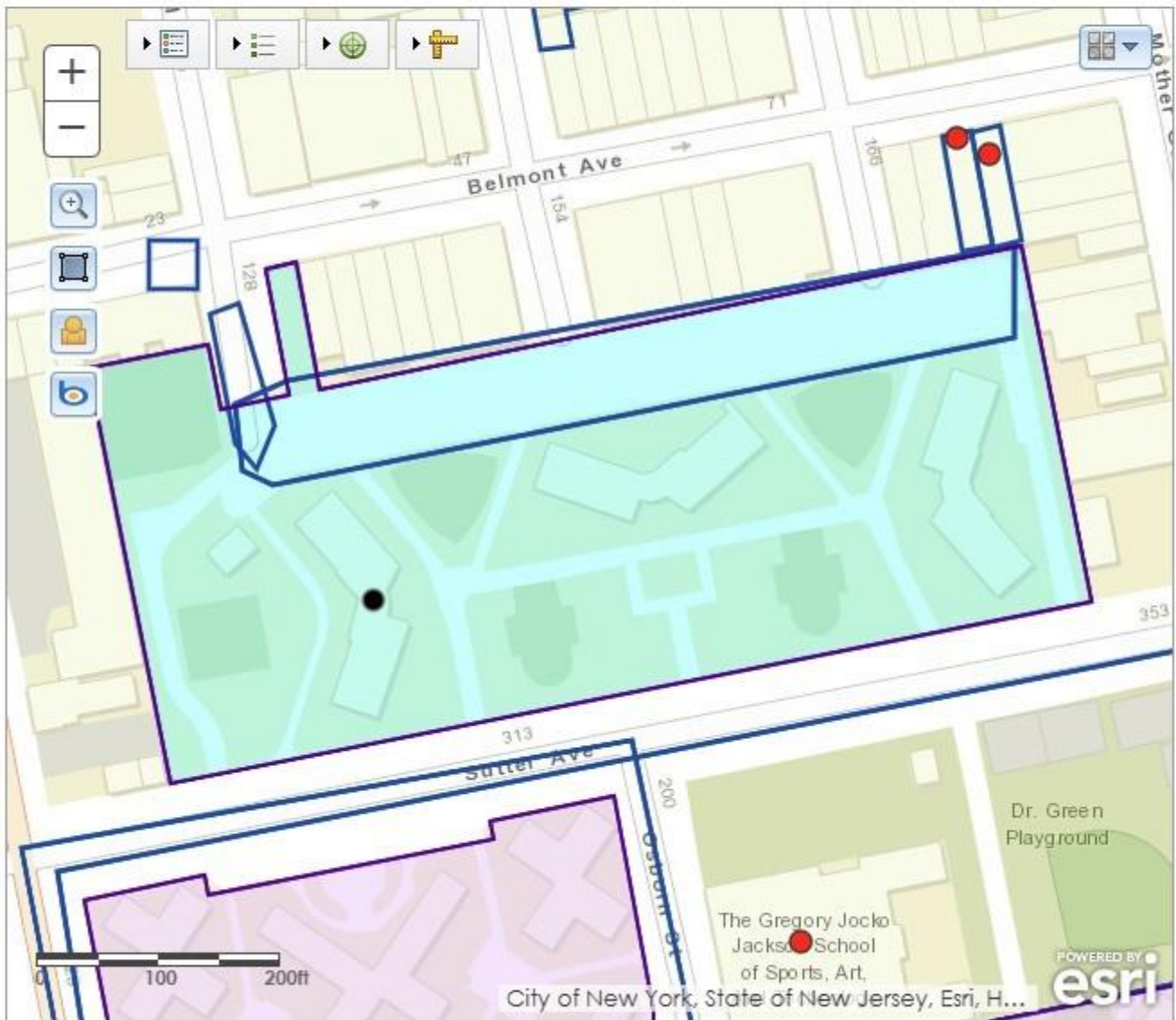
Is State Board Approved:

Is State Register Listed:

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)



04701.017332: Building - Eligible

Kingsborough Houses Extension (NYCHA)

1737 Bergen St, BROOKLYN NY

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- Projects (0)
- Surveys (0)
- Submitted (0)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN: Kingsborough Houses (NYCHA) (04701.025667)

Is Contributing: True

Is Demolished: ☐


Is in a Certified District: ☐

Is a National Historic Landmark: ☐

Is State Board Approved: ☐

Is State Register Listed: ☐

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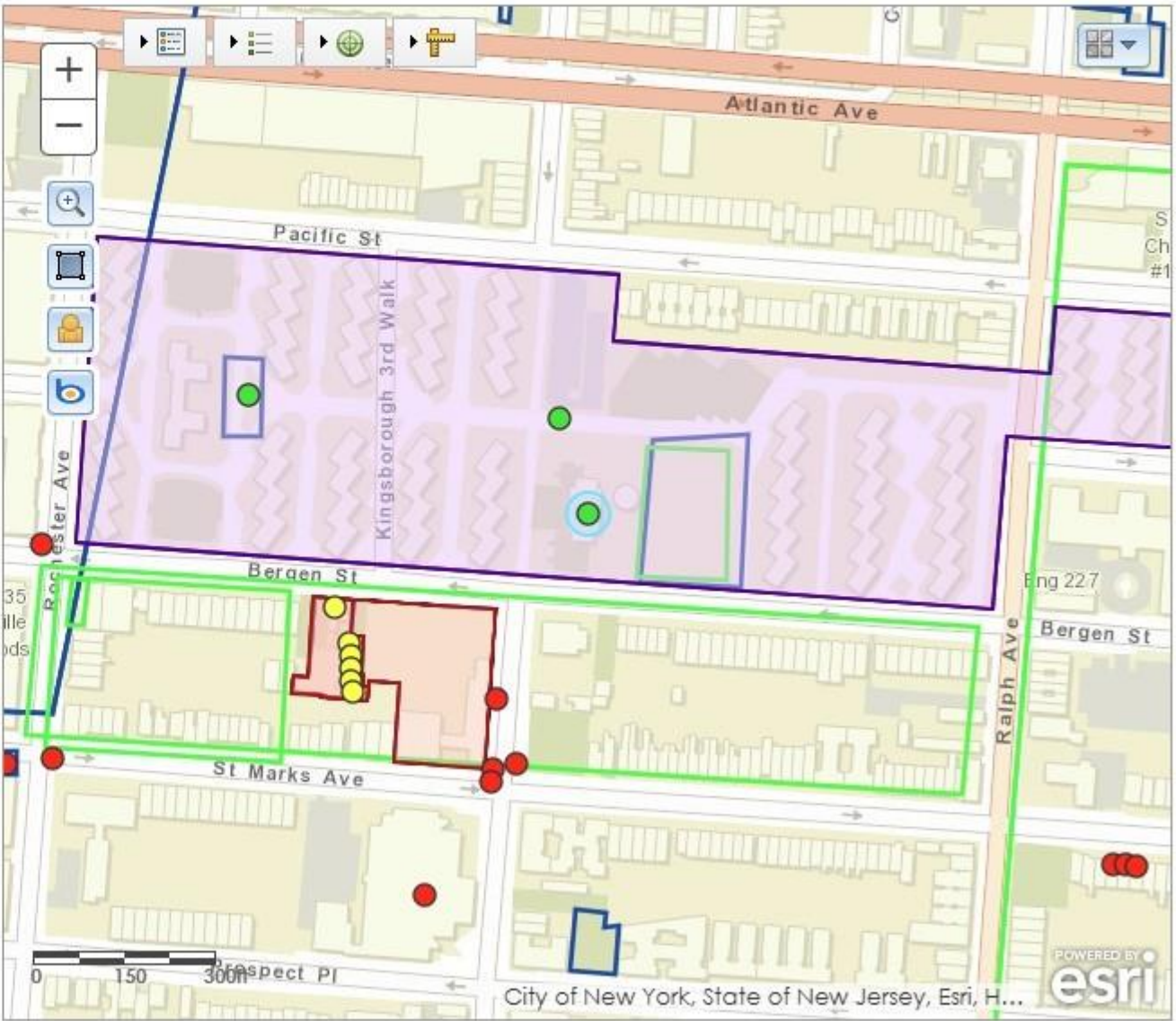


Eligibility: Eligible

Disclaimer: This eligibility may warrant re-evaluation based on new information

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





04701.025830: Building District - Undetermined

Low Houses (NYCHA)  
Building District

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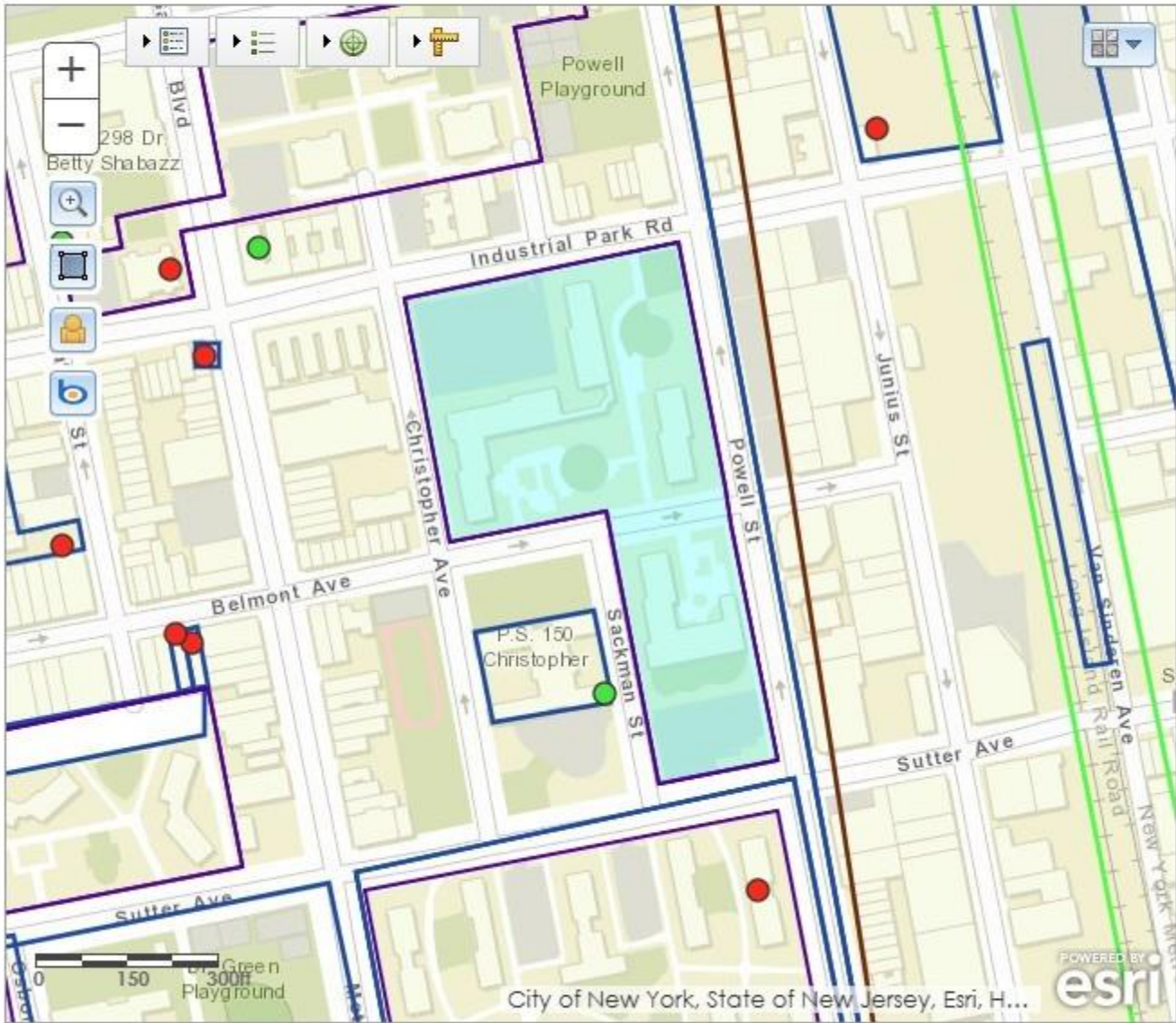
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Is State Register Listed:

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)



04701.025812: Building District - Undetermined

O'Dwyer Gardens (NYCHA)  
Building District

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (1)
- Determinations (0)
- Photos (0)
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- Projects (0)
- Surveys (0)
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Type: Building District

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing:

Is Demolished: ☐

Is in a Certified District: ☐

Is a National Historic Landmark: ☐

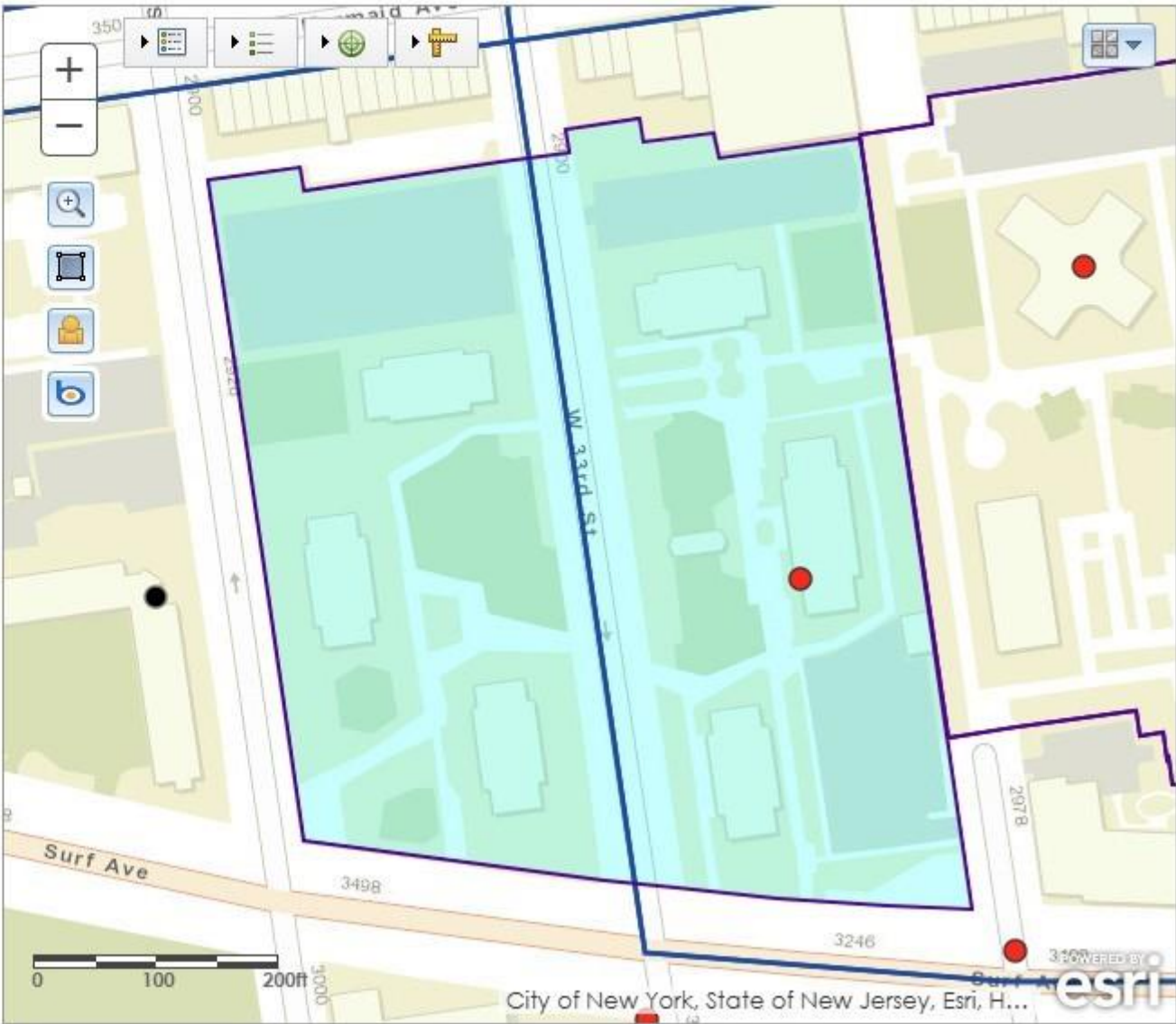
Is State Board Approved: ☐

Is State Register Listed: ☐

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





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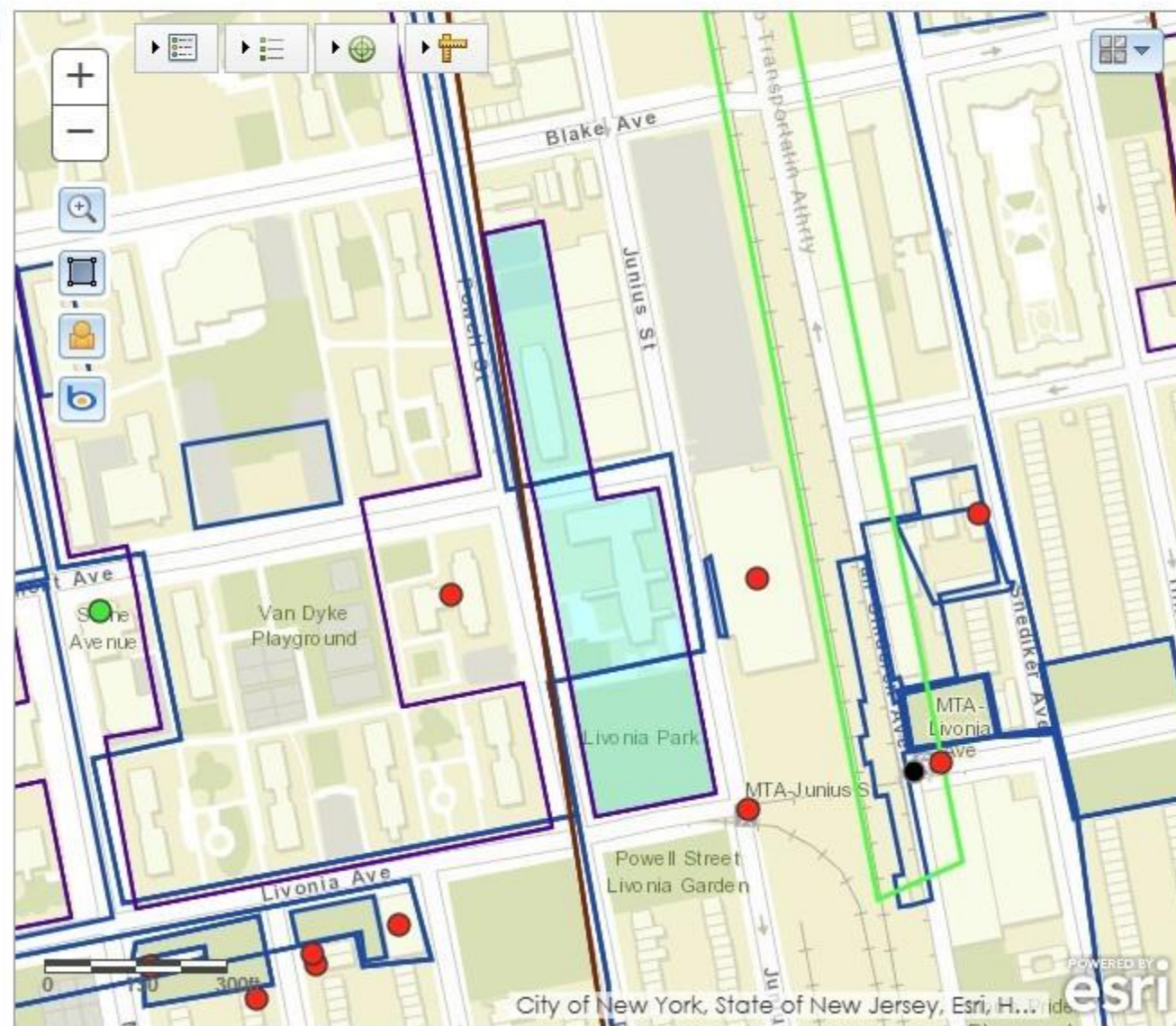
Woodson Houses (NYCHA)

Building District

Close

[Overview](#) [Inventory Data](#) [NR Status \(0\)](#) [MCDs \(1\)](#) [Children \(0\)](#) [Determinations \(0\)](#) [Photos \(0\)](#) [Atts. \(0\)](#) [Agmts. \(0\)](#) [Projects \(0\)](#) [Surveys \(0\)](#) [Submitted \(0\)](#)**Type:** Building District**Classification:** Building**Parent USN:****Is Contributing:****Is Demolished:** ☐**Is in a Certified District:** ☐**Is a National Historic Landmark:** ☐**Is State Board Approved:** ☐**Is State Register Listed:** ☐**Eligibility:** Undetermined**Notes:**

County	MCD
Kings	BROOKLYN (NYC Borough)





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April 29, 2025

Taylor Goldman  
NYCHA  
24-02, 49<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Long Island City, NY 11101

Re: HUD  
NYCHA Survey and Programmatic Agreement  
NY  
14PR03504

Dear Taylor Goldman:

Thank you for continuing to consult with the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the documentation submitted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

We have reviewed the proposed eligibility determinations that were submitted to our office for review on March 24, 2025, per the requirements of Stipulation VI.A.4 of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) in place between our agencies. Please refer to the table below for our office's determinations on State and National Register eligibility of the properties submitted.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (518)948-2067.

Sincerely,

Olivia Brazee  
Senior Historic Site Restoration Coordinator [olivia.brazee@parks.ny.gov](mailto:olivia.brazee@parks.ny.gov)

cc: CRIS list

via e-mail only

Borough	Name	SHPO Determination	Notes
Bronx	1471 Watson Avenue	Not Eligible	Recently left as "Undetermined" (consultation project 25PR02821).
	College Avenue-East 165th Street	Not Eligible	Retain 2017 "Not Eligible" determination in CRIS.



Teller Avenue-East 166th Street	Not Eligible	Recently determined "Not Eligible" (consultation project (consultation project 25PR03414).
Throggs Neck Addition	Eligible	Eligibility may cover both the original Throggs Neck Houses (previously <u>determined "Not Eligible"</u> ) and the Addition.

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00501.003753: Building - Undetermined

1471 Watson Avenue (NYCHA)  
1471 Watson Ave, Bronx NY 10472

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (0)
- Determinations (0)
- Photos (7)
- Atts. (0)
- Agmts. (0)
- Projects (0)
- Surveys (0)
- Submitted (2)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing:


Is Demolished:

Is in a Certified District:

Is a National Historic Landmark:

Is State Board Approved:

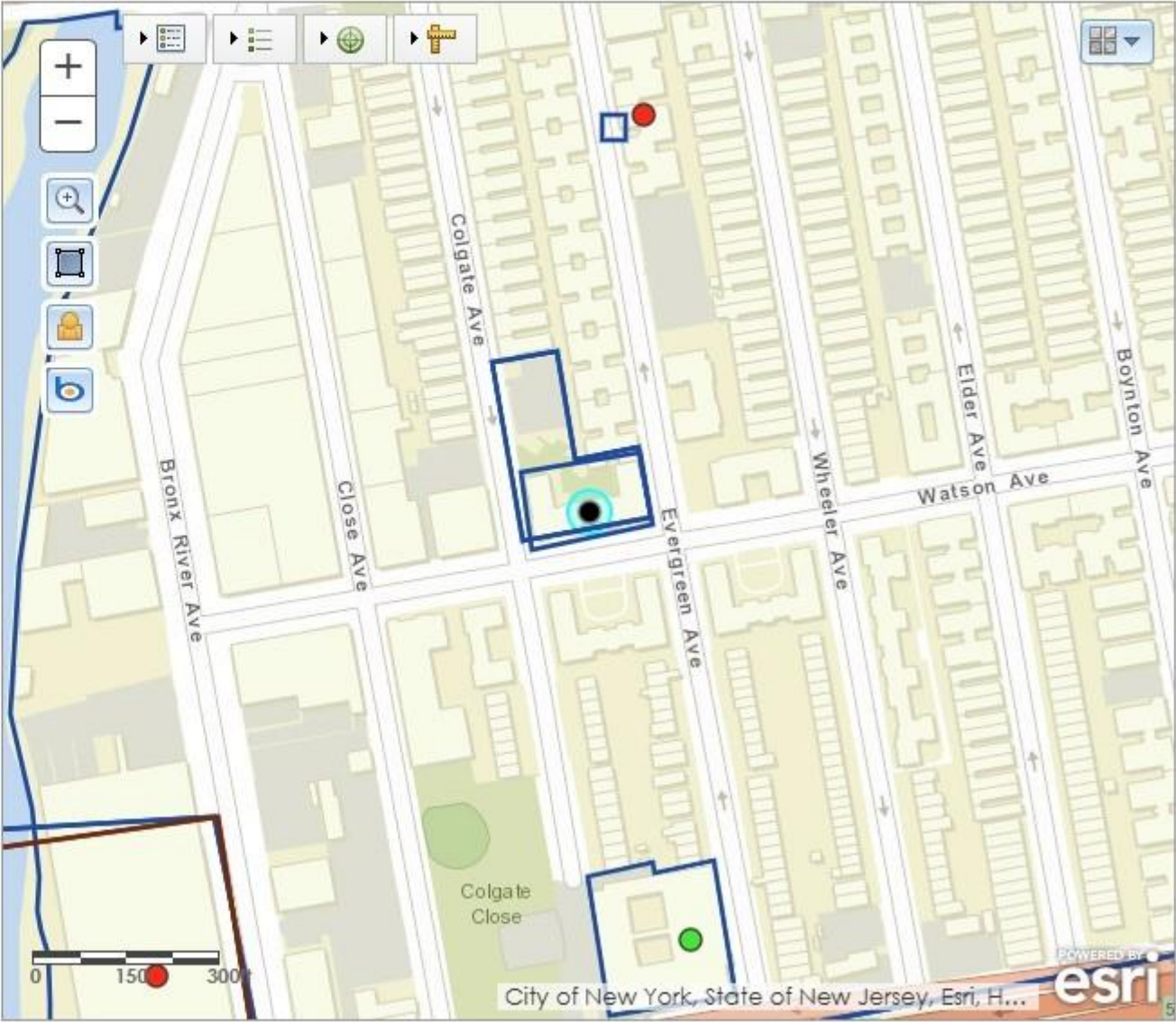
Is State Register Listed:



Eligibility: Undetermined

**Notes:** Additional information on how the Watson Houses fits into NYCHA's vest pocket program of the 1970s, as well as the complex's connection to the development of the surrounding Bronx neighborhood, is needed to make an eligibility determination. Therefore, the NYCHA Watson Houses will remain Undetermined, subject to reevaluation at the completion of the public housing MPDF historic context document. At this time, not enough is known about the complex to issue an informed opinion.

County	MCD
Bronx	THE BRONX (NYC Borough)





00501.002331: Building - Eligible

Bronx River Addition (NYCHA)

1350 Manor Ave, Bronx NY 10472

Close

Overview Inventory Data NR Status (0) MCDs (1) Children (0) Determinations (1) Photos (4) Atts. (0) Agmts. (0) Projects (0) Surveys (0) Submitted (3)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN: Bronx River Houses  
and Addition  
(NYCHA)  
(00501.002332)

Is Contributing: True

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District: ☐

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Is State Board  
Approved: ☐

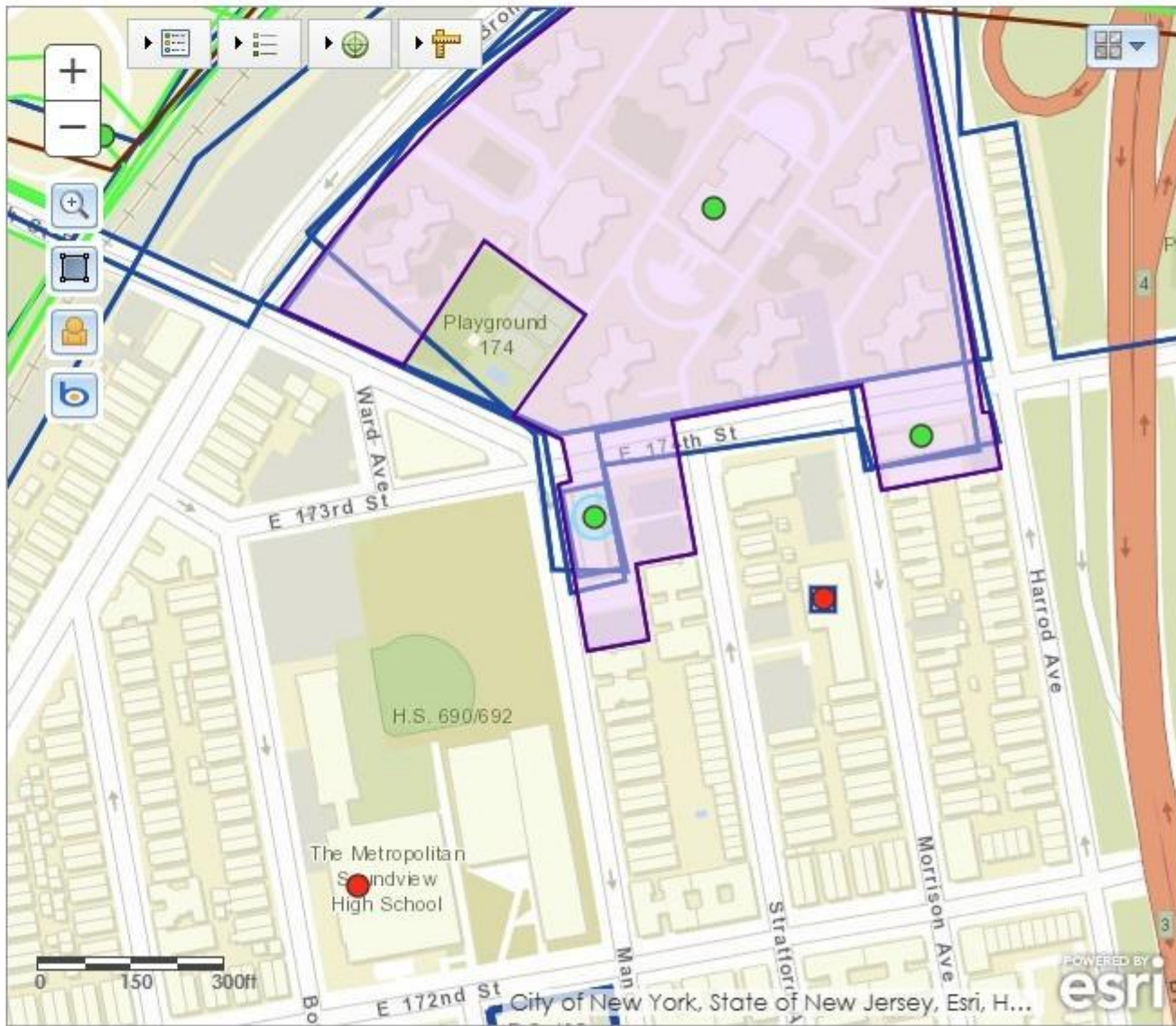
Is State Register  
Listed: ☐



Eligibility: Eligible

Notes:

County	MCD
Bronx	THE BRONX (NYC Borough)





00501.003757: Building District - Undetermined

Throggs Neck Houses and Addition (NYCHA)

Building District

X Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (1)
- Determinations (0)
- Photos (0)
- Atts. (0)
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- Submitted (0)

Type: Building District

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing:

Is Demolished: ☐

Is in a Certified District: ☐

Is a National Historic Landmark: ☐

Is State Board Approved: ☐

Is State Register Listed: ☐

Eligibility: Undetermined

Notes:

County	MCD
Bronx	THE BRONX (NYC Borough)





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March 20, 2025

Taylor Goldman  
NYCHA  
24-02, 49th Ave.  
Long Island City, NY 11101

Re: HUD  
NYCHA Survey and Programmatic Agreement  
NY  
14PR03504

Dear Taylor Goldman:

Thank you for continuing to consult with the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the documentation submitted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

We have reviewed the proposed eligibility determinations that were submitted to our office for review on February 14, 2025, per the requirements of Stipulation VI.A.4 of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) in place between our agencies. Please refer to the table below for our office's determinations on State and National Register eligibility of the properties submitted. Please note that we were unable to make determinations for all of the properties, but that we will continue to review those that have an Undetermined status as we work towards refining the National Register of Historic Places Registration Requirements section of the draft Multiple Property Documentation Form currently under review by our staff.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (518)948-2067.

Sincerely,

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Borough	Name	SHPO Determination	Notes
Manhattan	De Hostos Apartments	Eligible	

	Holmes Towers	Undetermined	Need more information to put into context.
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<b>Borough</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>SHPO Determination</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	Lower East Side I Infill	Not evaluated	Not yet 50 years old, submitted for LPC review only.
	Lower East Side II	Not evaluated	Not yet 50 years old, submitted for LPC review only.
	Lower East Side Rehab (Group 5)	Not evaluated	Rehab not yet 50 years old, submitted for LPC review only.
	Manhattanville Rehab (Group 2)	Not evaluated	Rehab not yet 50 years old, submitted for LPC review only.
	Polo Grounds Towers	Not eligible	Keep existing DoE in CRIS.
	Samuel (MHOP) II	Not evaluated	Already listed within the Central Harlem HD.
Queens	Beach 41st Street Houses	Eligible	
	Carleton Manor	Undetermined	Need more information to put into context.
	Conlon LIHFE Tower	Undetermined	Need more information to put into context.
	Latimer Gardens	Undetermined	Need more information to put into context.
Staten Island	Cassidy-Lafayette	Eligible	



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## RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 4/15/2025  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: de Hostos Apartments (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: 201 West 93rd Street, New York NY 10025  
USN: 06101.023380

- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:
- ☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. ☒ Property meets eligibility criteria.
- ☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

### Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:

- A. ☒ Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B. ☐ Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. ☐ Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
- D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

### SUMMARY STATEMENT

Based on available information, it appears the de Hostos Apartments in New York, NY are eligible for listing on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

NYCHA context: Vest-pocket housing.  
Building type: High-rise.  
One residential building.  
Site type: Vest-pocket.

The de Hostos Apartments are locally significant under **Criterion A** in the area of *Social History* and

*Politics/Government* as a representative example of NYCHA's vest-pocket program. The vest-pocket program was a direct response to the federal Housing Act of 1954, which shifted focus from "slum clearance" to "urban renewal," emphasized conservation and rehabilitation of existing building stock, and promoted targeted demolition and new construction on smaller sites scattered throughout a neighborhood. New York City, under Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Jr., initiated a pilot study for these federally funded "vest-pocket" developments, which were small sites of one to four buildings, typically a city block or less in size. This approach aimed to address criticism of larger high-rise projects by minimizing demolition and displacement while promoting targeted rehabilitation.

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The de Hostos Apartments were built on the former site of Public School 93. It was immediately adjacent to the West Side Urban Renewal Area, which was one of the earliest testing grounds for the new methods of neighborhood revitalization espoused by the Housing Act of 1954. The de Hostos Apartments were in fact intended to "be used in part for relocating families displaced from the West Side Urban Renewal Area." When completed, the de Hostos apartment contained 223 units, of which 94 were designated for seniors and had special safety features.

The **periods of significance** is **1969**, comprising the completion and official of the housing complex.

*Note that a context statement for Public Housing in New York City is currently being drafted. This determination is subject to re-evaluation once that planning document has been completed.*





06101.019022: Building - Undetermined

Holmes Towers (NYCHA)

1780 First Avenue, New York NY 10128

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (0)
- Determinations (1)
- Photos (1)
- Atts. (0)
- Agmts. (0)
- Projects (0)
- Surveys (0)
- Submitted (1)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing: False

Is Demolished:

Is in a Certified District:

Is a National Historic Landmark:

Is State Board Approved:

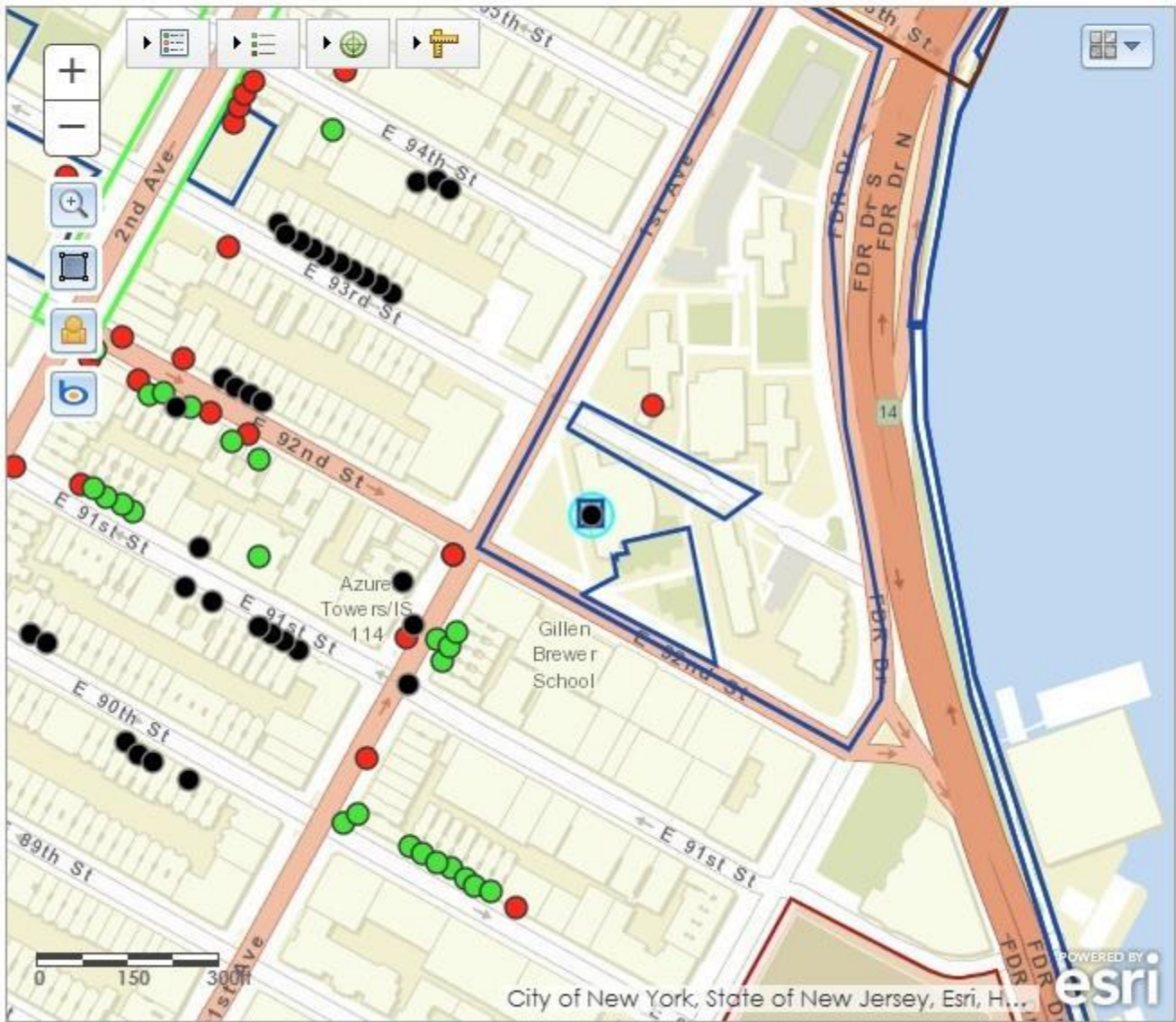
Is State Register Listed:



Eligibility: Undetermined

**Notes:** Additional information on how the Holmes Towers fits into NYCHA's vest pocket program during the late 1960s, as well as the complex's connection to the development of the surrounding Manhattan neighborhood, is needed to make an eligibility determination. Therefore, Holmes Towers have been left as Undetermined at this time, as there is not enough available information to make an informed determination.

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New York	MANHATTAN (NYC Borough)





06101.021769: Building - Eligible

Johnson Houses (NYCHA)  
1844 Lexington Ave, Manhattan NY 10029

Close

- Overview | Inventory Data | NR Status (0) | MCDs (1) | Children (0) | Determinations (1) | Photos (7) | Atts. (0) | Agmts. (0) | Projects (0) | Surveys (1) | Submitted (2)

**Type:** Building

**Classification:** Building

**Parent USN:** Johnson Houses (NYCHA)  
(06101.023397)

**Is Contributing:** True


**Is Demolished:** ☐

**Is in a Certified District:** ☐

**Is a National Historic Landmark:** ☐

**Is State Board Approved:** ☐

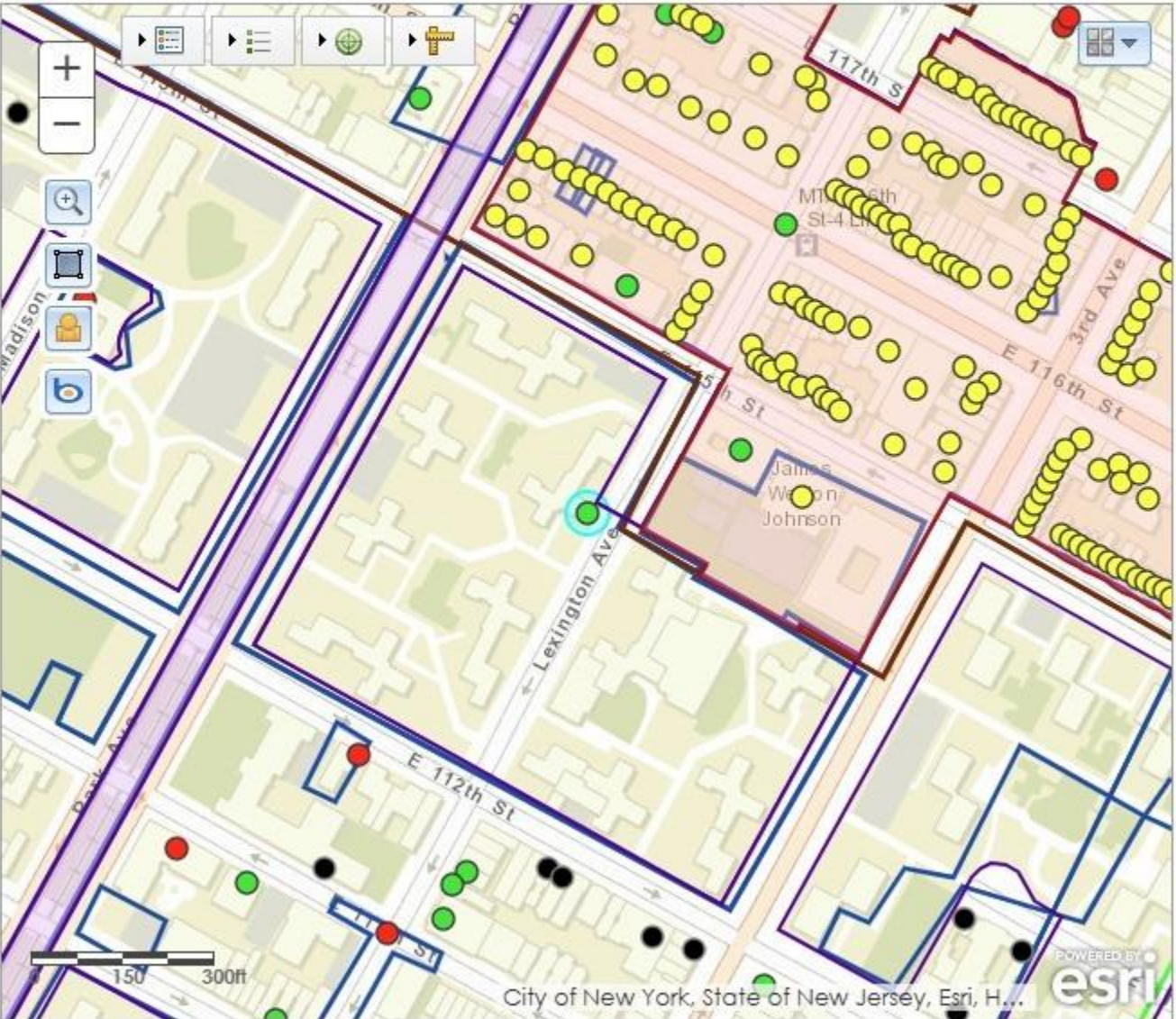
**Is State Register Listed:** ☐



**Eligibility:** Eligible

**Notes:**

County	MCD
New York	MANHATTAN (NYC Borough)





06101.018109: Building - Eligible

Washington Houses (NYCHA)

1785 Third Ave, Manhattan NY 10029

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (0)
- Determinations (1)
- Photos (3)
- Atts. (0)
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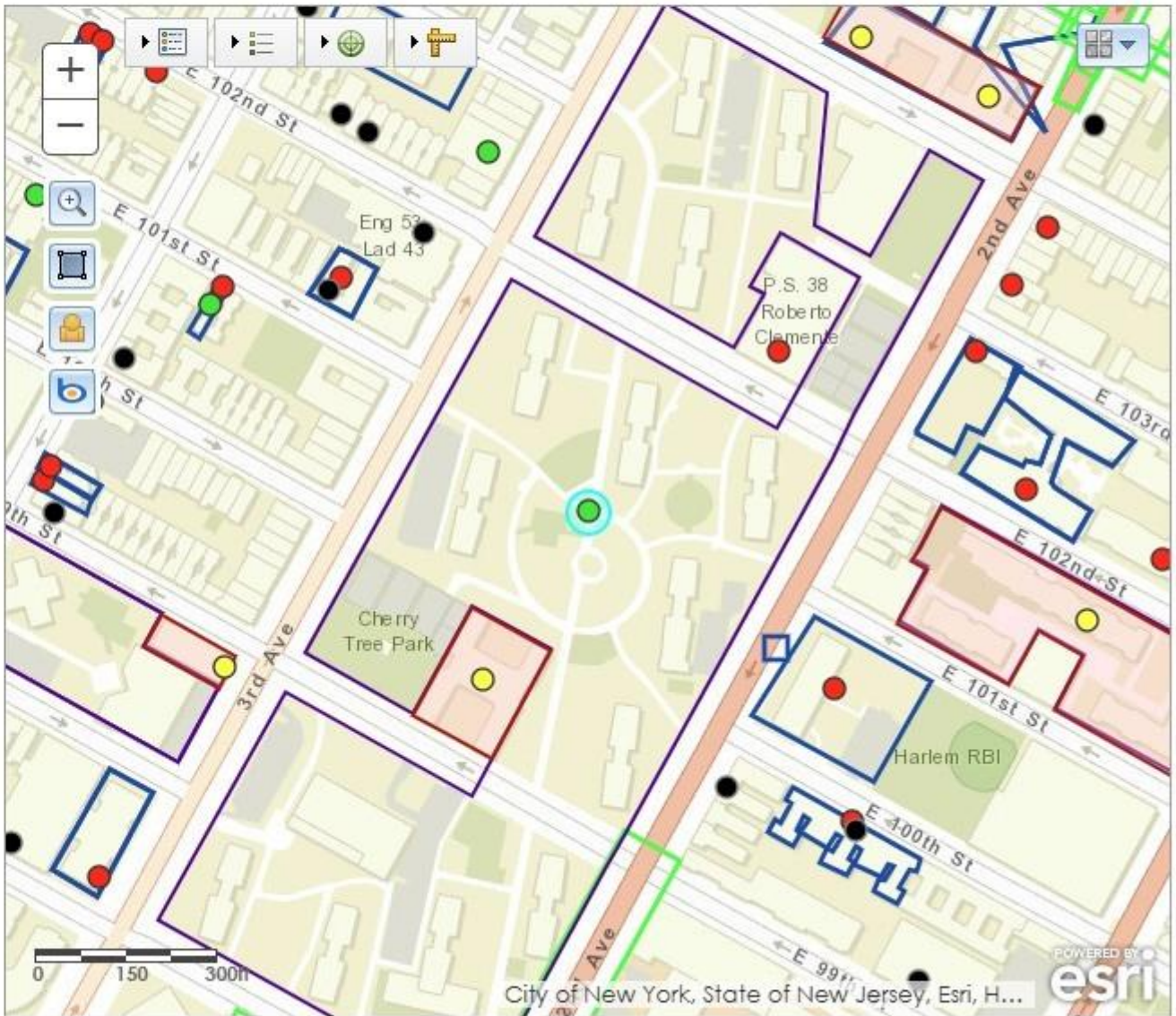
- Type: Building
- Classification: Building
- Parent USN: Washington Houses (NYCHA) (06101.023391)
- Is Contributing: True
- Is Demolished: ☐
- Is in a Certified District: ☐
- Is a National Historic Landmark: ☐
- Is State Board Approved: ☐
- Is State Register Listed: ☐



Eligibility: Eligible

Notes:

County	MCD
New York	MANHATTAN (NYC Borough)





# Eligibility Evaluation for USN 06101.023272

Unnamed USN

X Close

**Eligibility Determination:** Eligible

**Determined By:** Linda Mackey

**Determination Date:** 07/06/2023

**Edited By:**

**Edited Date:**

## Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register

- ☒ **A:** Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history
- ☐ **B:** Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past
- ☐ **C:** Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose component may lack individual distinction
- ☐ **D:** Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history

## Criteria Considerations

- ☐ **A:** owned by religious institution or used for religious purposes
- ☐ **B:** removed from its original location
- ☐ **C:** a birthplace or grave
- ☐ **D:** a cemetery
- ☐ **E:** a reconstructed building, object or structure
- ☐ **F:** a commemorative property
- ☐ **G:** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years

## Summary Statement of Significance:

The Woodrow Wilson Houses Complex is an intact public housing project constructed during the late post-war urban renewal phase of NYCHA housing. Located in the East Harlem neighborhood in upper Manhattan next to the Harlem River, the complex is significant under National Register Criterion A in the areas of Social History, Community Planning and Development, and Politics/Government.

Rising on a single block immediately north of the East River Houses, the three 20-story cruciform and t-shape towers of the state-funded Woodrow Wilson Houses were built to accommodate larger families. Some units in these buildings have five bedrooms. Simon Breines of Pomerance & Breines, the firm who designed this complex, was committed to pedestrian-friendly design and human-scale architecture. The architect located one of the three towers close to First Avenue instead of recessing it within the block as was typical. The main entrance, which has no steps, is enlivened with decorative concrete relief panels. Breines later became the first president of the New York Landmarks Conservancy, a preservation advocacy organization. Landscape Architect: Gilmore D. Clarke and Michael Rapuano



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# RESOURCE EVALUATION

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DATE: 4/11/2024  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: Woodside Houses (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: 50-51 Broadway, et. al.  
Queens, NY 11377  
USN: 08101.014177

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- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:  
☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. ☒ Property meets eligibility criteria.  
☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

### Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:

- A. ☒ Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
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- D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

### SUMMARY STATEMENT

Woodside Houses is a public housing complex built in 1949 and designed by architect Voorhees, Walker, Foley & Smith. The complex comprises twenty building, either double- or triple-cruciform in plan and six stories in height. It is locally significant under **Criterion A** in the area of *Politics/Government* and *Social History* as an intact example of a public housing complex constructed by NYCHA in the post-World War II period as a direct response to housing shortages in the city caused by an increase in population and returning veterans and their families. The complex developed under what became known as the City II Program, which was a limitedsubsidy program largely funded by the sale of bonds to ensure that no state and federal funding was needed and was a way to ensure that development could continue in New York City. The total number of sites under this City II Program would total five sites, one in each of the boroughs. The **period of significance** is **1949**, comprising the date of construction.

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## RESOURCE EVALUATION

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DATE: 6/26/2024  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: Pomonok Houses (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: Queens, NY 11367  
USN: 08101.014217

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- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:
- ☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. ☒ Property meets eligibility criteria.
- ☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

**Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:**

- A. ☒ Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B. ☐ Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. ☐ Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
- D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

## SUMMARY STATEMENT

Pomonok Houses is a public housing complex completed in 1952 for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) and designed by the architectural firm of Voorhees, Walker, Foley & Smith.

NYCHA program: Post World War II. City III funded.  
Building type: Low and Mid-rise (Three and seven stories).  
Garden apartment (perimeter block) and Zeilenbau (linear). 35 residential buildings.

Site type: Superblock.

This massive complex comprises 35 buildings of both three-story “garden apartment” (perimeter block) and seven-story, mid-rise “Zeilenbau” (linear) types. The rectangular site is divided by the east-west Jewel Avenue, as well as several internal roadways. The village-like campus features several large expanses of green space divided into semi-private courtyards with an extensive network of pedestrian pathways. The development has

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served as public housing since their completion and have undergone minimal alterations, retaining a high degree of integrity.

The complex is **locally significant** under **Criterion A** in the areas of *Social History* and *Politics/Government* as an intact example of a public housing complex constructed by NYCHA in the post-World War II period as a direct response to housing shortages in the city caused by an increase in population and returning veterans and their families. Planning for the Pomonok Houses began at least as early as 1949 and the complex was officially opened June 30, 1952. The development was completed under the City III program, which was a no-cashsubsidy program largely funded by the sale of bonds to ensure that no state and federal funding was needed and was a way to ensure that development could continue in New York City. This also allowed NYCHA to build to higher standards and have “greater income flexibility” in tenant selection when compared to State- and Federally-funded developments.

The **period of significance** is **1949-52**, starting when the plans for the development were first announced and continuing through the date of completion as commemorated by the opening ceremony.

*Note that a context statement for Public Housing in New York City is currently being drafted. This determination is subject to re-evaluation once that planning document has been completed.*





08101.011900: Building - Undetermined

Carleton Manor (NYCHA)

71-15 Beach Channel Drive, Brooklyn NY

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (0)
- Determinations (0)
- Photos (1)
- Atts. (0)
- Agmts. (0)
- Projects (0)
- Surveys (0)
- Submitted (1)

Type: Building

Classification: Building

Parent USN:

Is Contributing: False


Is Demolished:

Is in a Certified District:

Is a National Historic Landmark:

Is State Board Approved:

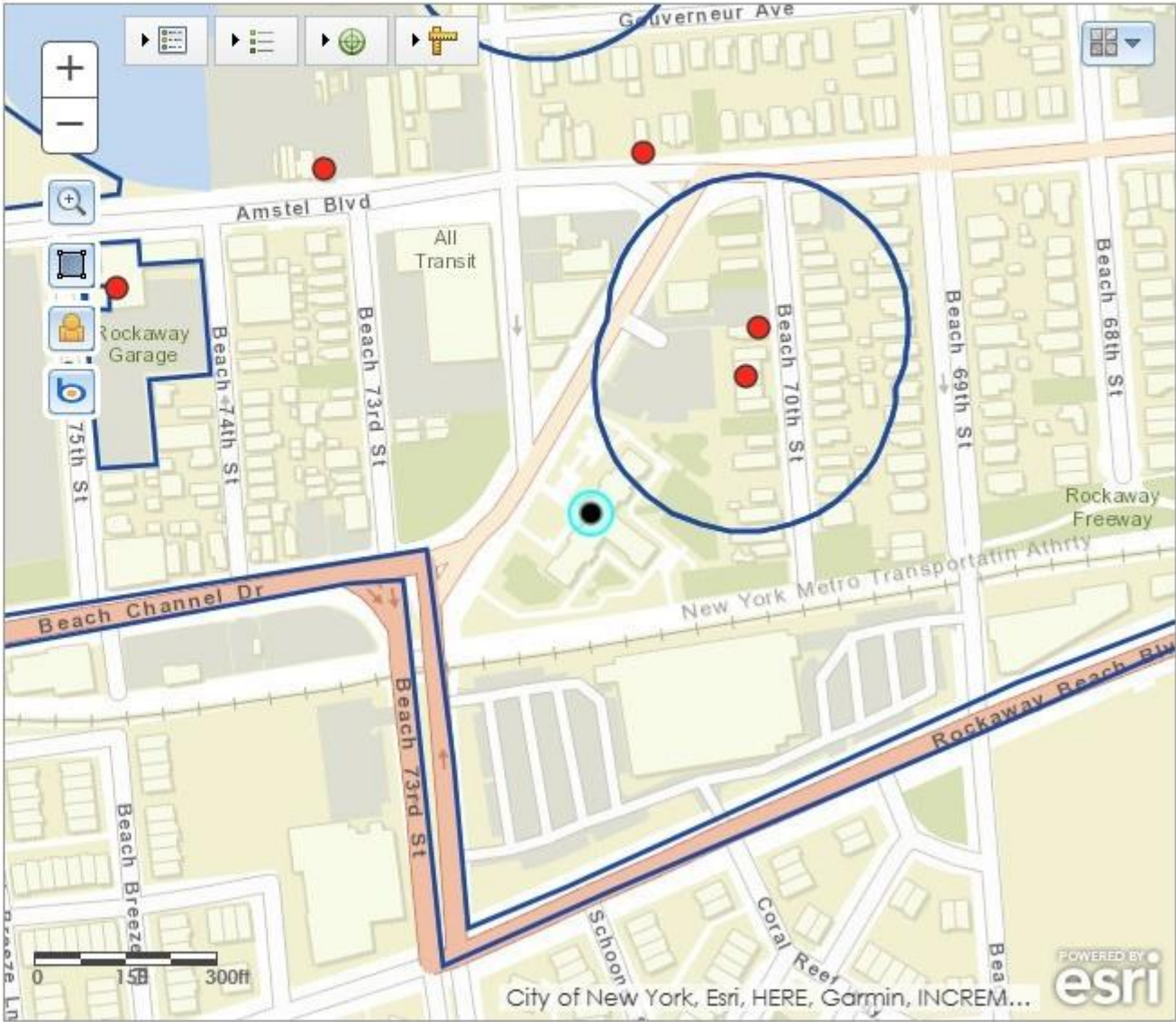
Is State Register Listed:



Eligibility: Undetermined

**Notes:** Additional information on how Carleton Manor fits into NYCHA's vest pocket program of the mid-to-late 1960s, as well as the complex's connection to the development of the surrounding Queens neighborhood, is needed to make an eligibility determination. Therefore, Carleton Manor has been left as Undetermined at this time, as there is not enough available information to make an informed determination.

County	MCD
Queens	QUEENS (NYC Borough)





08101.014216: Building - Undetermined

Conlon LIHFE Tower (NYCHA)

92-33 170th Street, Queens NY

Close

- Overview
- Inventory Data
- NR Status (0)
- MCDs (1)
- Children (0)
- Determinations (0)
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Type: Building

Classification: Building

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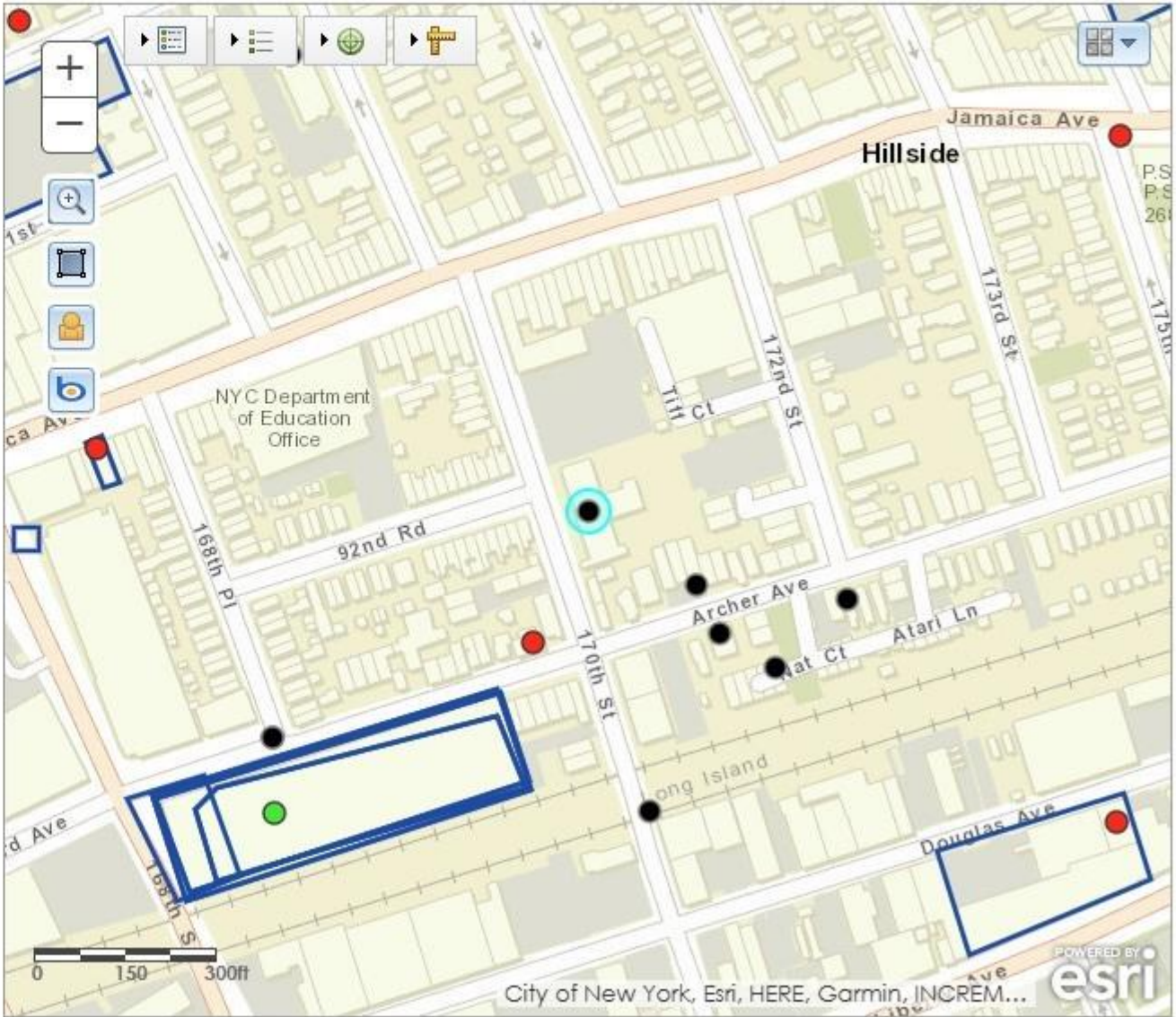
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Eligibility: Undetermined

**Notes:** Additional information on how the Conlon LIHFE Tower fits into NYCHA's vest pocket program during the early 1970s, as well as the complex's connection to the development of the surrounding Queens neighborhood, is needed to make an eligibility determination. Therefore, the Conlon LIHFE Tower has been left as Undetermined at this time, as there is not enough available information to make an informed determination.

County	MCD
Queens	QUEENS (NYC Borough)





**08101.014219: Building District - Undetermined**

Latimer Gardens (NYCHA)

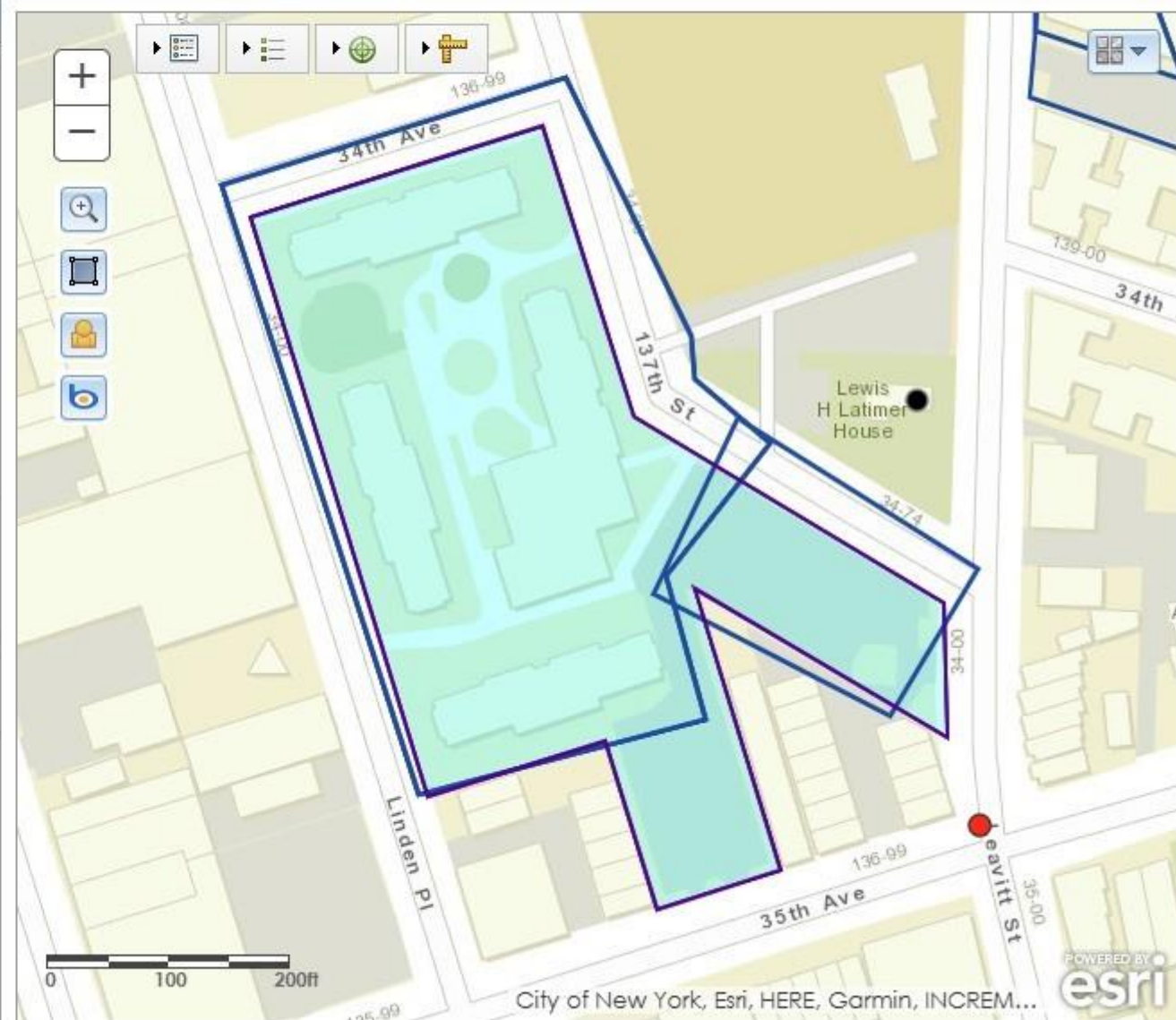
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Landmark:** ☐**Is State Board Approved:** ☐**Is State Register Listed:** ☐**Eligibility:** Undetermined

**Notes:** The Latimer Gardens will remain Undetermined, subject to reevaluation at the completion of the MPDF historic context document. At this time not enough is known about the complex to issue an informed opinion

County	MCD
Queens	QUEENS (NYC Borough)







## RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 4/15/2025  
STAFF: Christopher D. Brazee  
PROPERTY: Cassidy-Lafayette Houses (NYCHA)  
ADDRESS: Staten Island NY 10301  
USN: 08501.004482

- I. ☐ Property is individually listed on SR/NR:  
name of listing:  
☐ Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:  
name of district:
- II. ☒ Property meets eligibility criteria.  
☐ Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.

### Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:

- A. ☒ Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B. ☐ Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. ☐ Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
- D. ☐ Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

## SUMMARY STATEMENT

Based on available information, it appears the Cassidy-Lafayette Houses in Staten Island, NY are eligible for listing on the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The complex was completed in 1971 and was designed by architects Difiore & Giacobbe. It consists of five buildings: four six-story residential buildings; and a one-story senior center. The buildings are all clad in dark brown brick. The residential towers have a rectangular footprint with recessed sections located at the balconies and metal fire escapes. Projecting brick walls articulate the recessed balconies, which are enclosed with screens to maintain an open-air quality, have white picket balustrades, and the outer edges of the concrete floor slabs are painted kelly green.

NYCHA context: Scatter site.  
Building type: Mid-rise.  
Four residential buildings and one community center. Site  
type: Scatter site, partial block, vacant land.

The Cassidy-Lafayette Houses are locally significant under **Criterion A** in the area of ***Social History*** and ***Politics/Government*** as a particularly successful example of a “scatter-site” public housing development. The scatter-site housing program was initiated by New York City Mayor John Lindsay in March 1966 and soon codified into national housing policy later that year. As its name suggests, the scatter-site program was meant to distribute public housing more widely throughout the city. The program was also ostensibly intended to “foster

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economic and ethnic integration and stable balanced communities” by placing housing for low-income, often Black residents in more affluent, often white neighborhoods. Despite these idealistic goals, scatter-site housing developments often faced considerable opposition from local residents worried about property values, crime, and changing neighborhood demographics.

At the time of its construction, Cassidy- Lafayette was a small-scale and relatively noncontroversial example of the scatter-site program that generated so much anger in other parts of the city. Like many scatter site developments, it was intended to serve senior residents and was designed with specific safety features.

The **period of significance** is **1971**, comprising the completion and official opening of the housing complex.

*Note that a context statement for Public Housing in New York City is currently being drafted. This determination is subject to re-evaluation once that planning document has been completed.*

