

October 4, 2023

Commissioner Dan Garodnick City Planning Commission Chair New York City Department of City Planning 120 Broadway, 3rd Floor New York, NY 10271

Dear Commissioner Garodnick,

Greater Jamaica Development Corporation strongly supports the proposal entitled, City of Yes Carbon Neutrality."

This important step in modernizing zoning to facilitate green technologies and improve the environment is a critical element of an overall sustainability strategy for New York City. As a community-based organization with a strong interest in making this City (and specifically Southeast Queens) a better place to live and work, we view the proposal as essential.

Review of the proposal indicates it will advance climate goals, speed the transition for electric vehicles, facilitate rooftop solar panels, and generally remove existing barriers to improved energy efficiency.

The proposed amendment will directly benefit the people who live and work in the underserved communities we serve, and accordingly, we support its passage.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

President & CFO