

# HOUSING NEW YORK: Zoning for Quality and Affordability

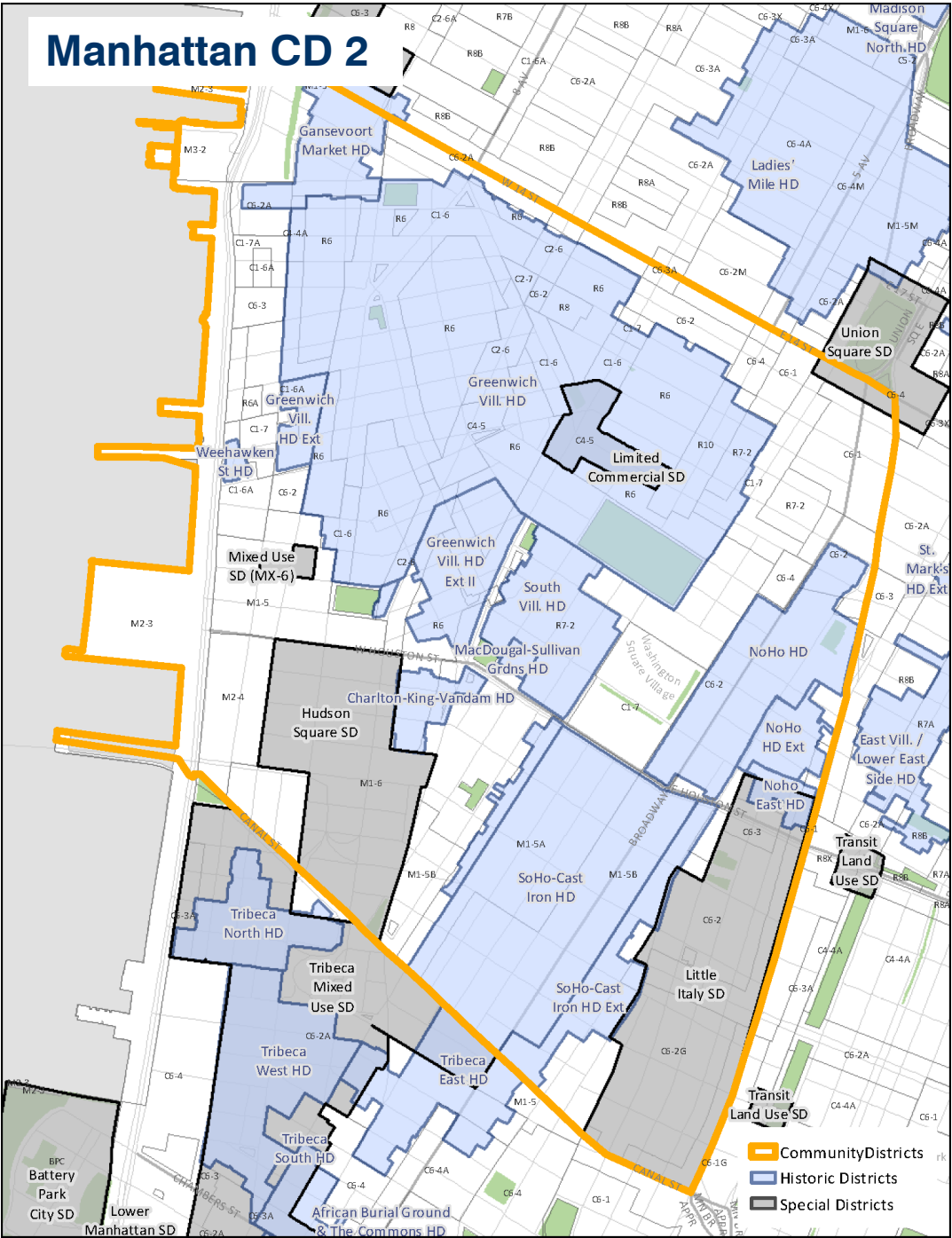
COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE

**Manhattan CD 2**

**Purpose:** To promote affordable housing and foster diverse, livable neighborhoods

## Applicability in Manhattan CD 2

- **Basic Residential Height Changes**
  - Contextual
  - Non-Contextual
- **Senior Housing FAR and Height Changes**
  - Contextual
  - Non-Contextual
- **Parking Changes**
  - No Applicability
- **Zoning Special Districts and Areas**
- **Other reference maps**



# Basic Residential height changes

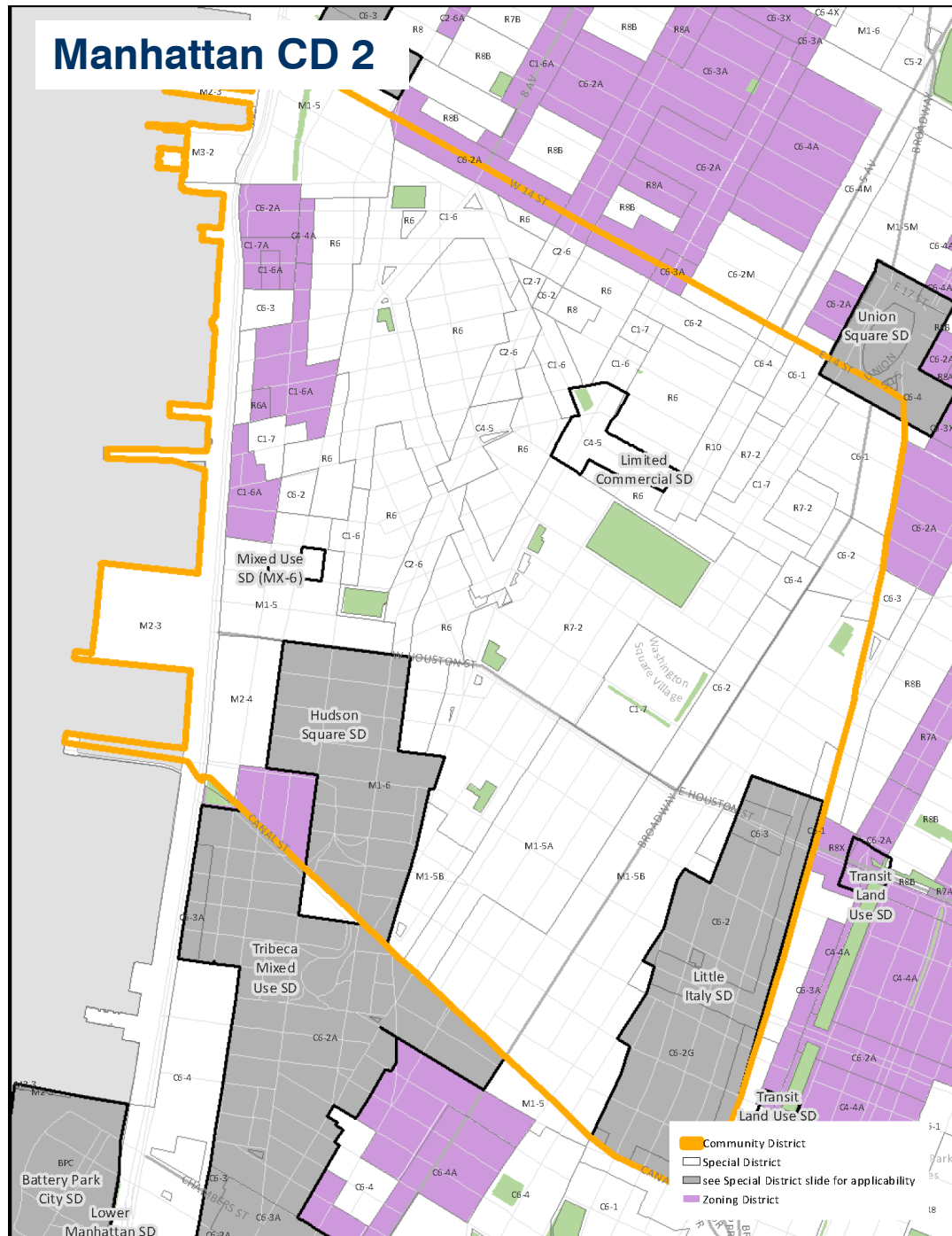
**PURPOSE:** In many instances, changing regulations and building practices have made it difficult to fit floor area already permitted today within existing building envelopes. Current regulations limit design flexibility and can result in buildings that lack the variation and texture of older apartment buildings. The proposal also provides minor increases in height to encourage housing production and increase design flexibility.

**APPLICABILITY:** Residential development in moderate and high density zoning districts R6-R10

# Contextual Districts: Basic Residential changes

- In order to fit all permitted floor area and allow better design, maximum heights would be updated in the contextual districts shaded on the map.

Residential Equivalent	Zoning District	Existing Max Height	Basic Modifications	
			Basic Proposed Stories	Basic Height Difference
R6A	R6A	70'	75' (7)	5'
R7A	C1-6A	80'	85' (8)	5'
	C4-4A	80'	85' (8)	5'
R8A	C1-7A	120'	125' (12)	5'
	C6-2A	120'	125' (12)	5'
R9A (narrow)	C6-3A	135'	145' (14)	10'
R9A (wide)	C6-3A	145'	155' (15)	10'





# Non-Contextual Districts: Basic Residential changes

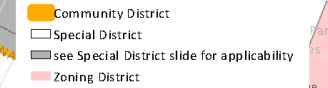
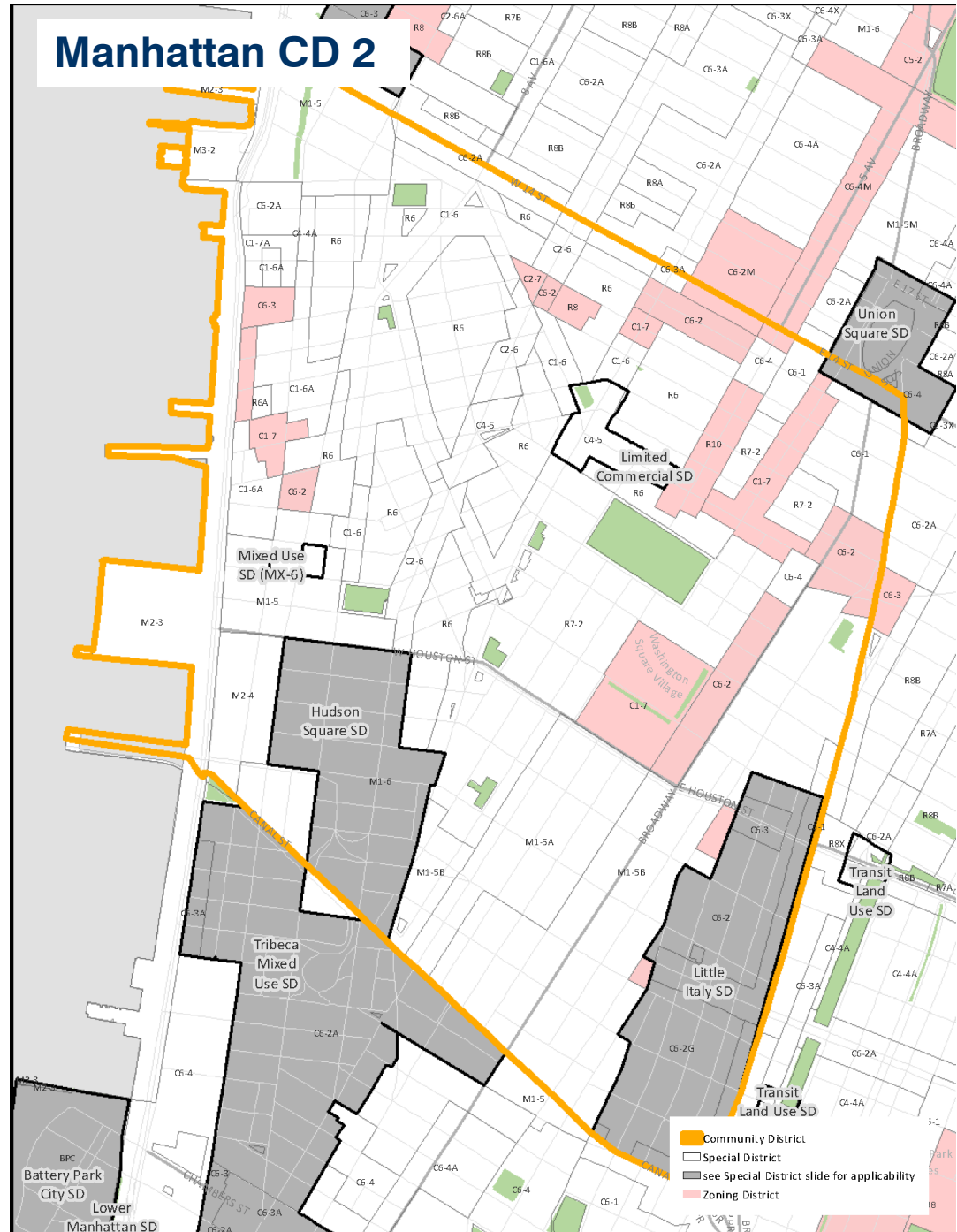
- In Non-Contextual Districts, buildings have a “Quality Housing option” similar to the Contextual envelope.
- In order to match the Contextual envelope, the Quality Housing option will be updated in the shaded districts.

## Basic Residential Modifications

Residential Equivalent	Zoning District	Existing Max Height	Basic Proposed Stories	Basic Height Difference
<b>R8 (narrow)</b>	C1-7	105'	125' (12)	20'
	C6-2M	105'	125' (12)	20'
	R8	105'	125' (12)	20'
<b>R8 (wide)</b>	C1-7	120'	125' (12)	5'
	C6-2M	120'	125' (12)	5'
	R8	120'	125' (12)	5'
<b>R9 (narrow)</b>	C2-7	135'	145' (14)	10'
	C6-3	135'	145' (14)	10'
	R9	135'	145' (14)	10'
<b>R9 (wide)</b>	C2-7	145'	155' (15)	10'
	C6-3	145'	155' (15)	10'
	R9	145'	155' (15)	10'
<b>R10 (narrow)</b>	C6-4M	185'	195' (19)	10'
	R10	185'	195' (19)	10'
<b>R10 (wide)</b>	C6-4M	210'	215' (21)	5'
	R10	210'	215' (21)	5'

\* In addition, developments in R6 through R10 districts could use the applicable Quality Housing option envelope.

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# Affordable Senior Housing height and floor area changes

**PURPOSE:** Older New Yorkers are a diverse and rapidly growing segment of the city's population. There is an increasing need for a range of housing and long-term care options for our seniors. The proposal encourages greater housing production and a greater variety of residential options for older New Yorkers.

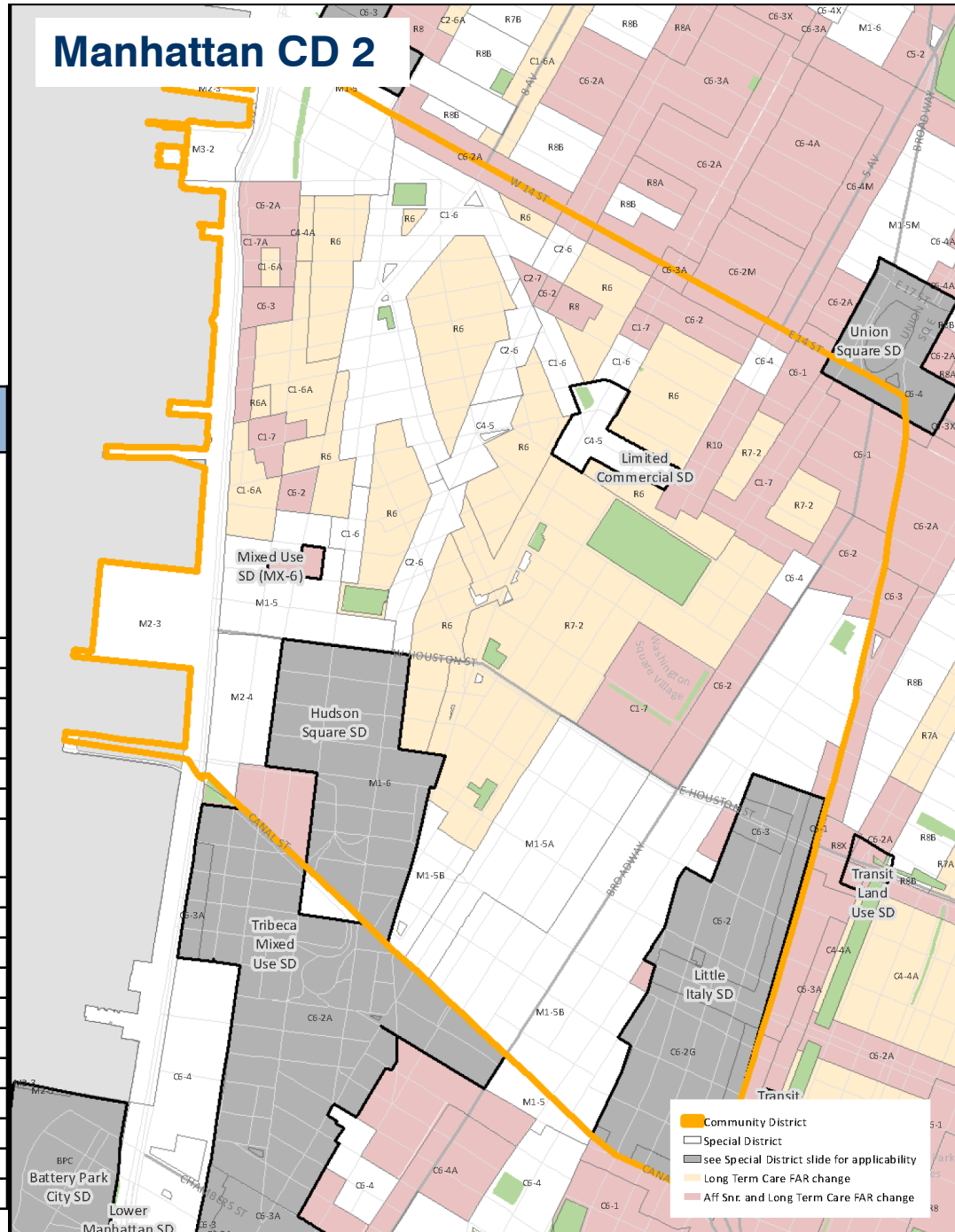
**APPLICABILITY:** Affordable Independent Residences for Seniors (AIRS) and Long Term Care Facilities (LTCF) in R3-R10 zoning districts and their commercial district equivalents.

# Affordable Senior Housing and Long Term Care Floor Area

- Floor area ratio maximums would be updated for certain types of affordable senior housing and long term care facilities in the districts shaded on the map.

				PROPOSED
Res. Equiv.	Zoning District	Existing nonprofit residences for the elderly (FAR)	Existing Nursing Home and Health Related Facilities (FAR)	Proposed Affordable Independent Residences for Seniors and Long Term Care (FAR)
R6	R6	3.9	2.43	3.9
R6A	R6A	3.9	3	3.9
R7	R7-2	5.01	3.44	5.01
	C6-1	5.01	3.44	5.01
R7A	C1-6A	5.01	4	5.01
	C4-4A	5.01	4	5.01
R7X	M1-5/R7X	5.01	5	6
R8	C1-7	6.02	6.02	7.2
	C6-2M	6.02	6.02	7.2
	C6-2	6.02	6.02	7.2
	R8	6.02	6.02	7.2
R8A	C1-7A	6.02	6.02	7.2
	C6-2A	6.02	6.02	7.2
R9	C2-7	7.52	7.52	8
	C6-3	7.52	7.52	8
R9A	C6-3A	7.52	7.52	8.5
R10	C6-4M	10.00	10	12
	R10	10.00	10	12

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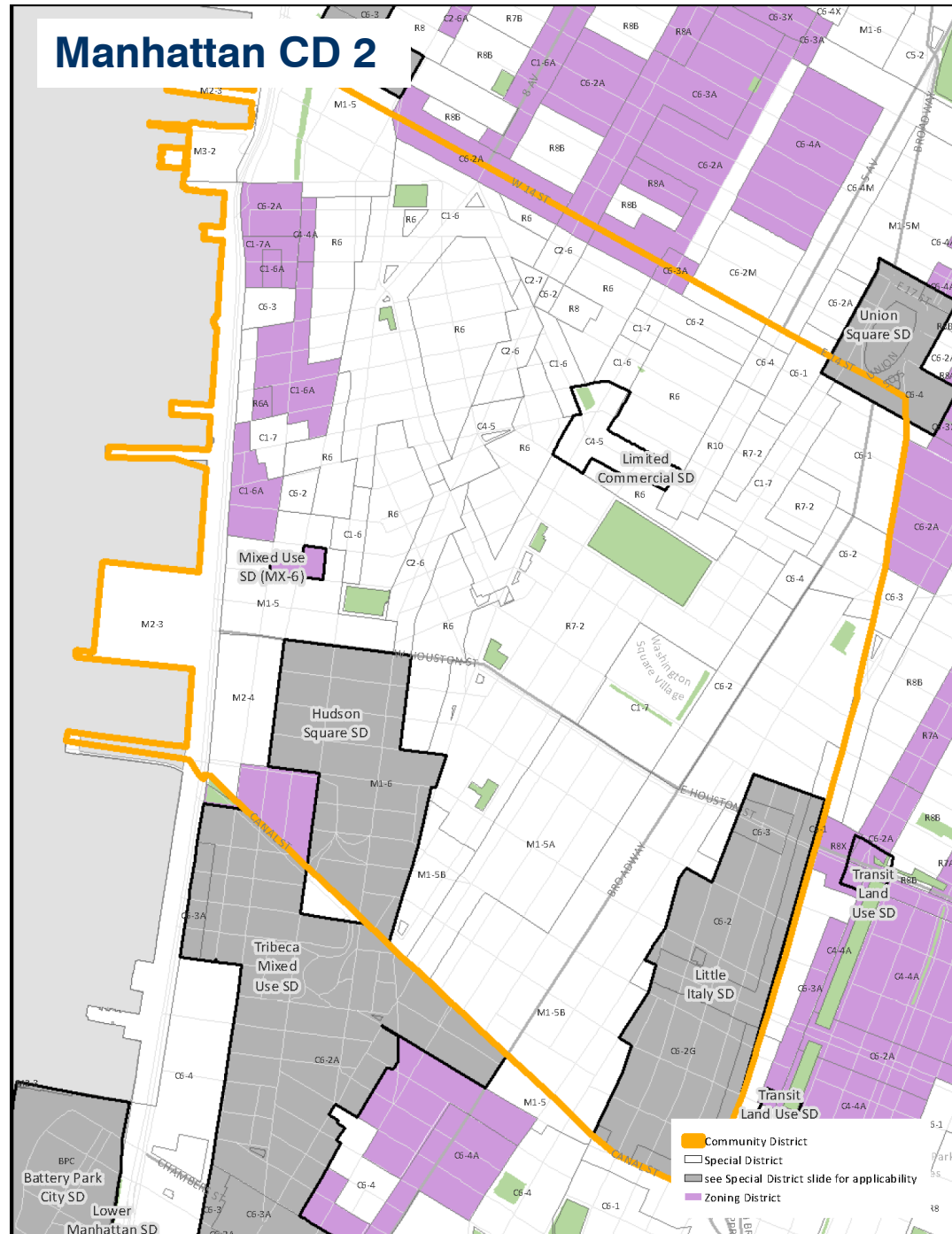


# Affordable Senior Housing and Long Term Care: Contextual districts

- To fit permitted floor area, maximum heights would be updated in the contextual districts shaded on the map.

Res. Equiv.	Zoning District	Existing Height (stories)	Senior Modifications	
			AIRS and LTCF Proposed (Stories)	AIRS and LTCF Height Difference
R6A	R6A	75' (7)	85' (8)	10' (1)
R7A	C1-6A	85' (8)	105' (10)	20' (2)
	C4-4A	85' (8)	105' (10)	20' (2)
R7X	M1-5/R7X	125' (12)	145' (14)	20' (2)
R8A	C1-7A	125' (12)	145' (14)	20' (2)
	C6-2A	125' (12)	145' (14)	20' (2)
R9A (narrow)	C6-3A	145' (14)	175' (17)	30' (3)
R9A (wide)	C6-3A	155' (15)	175' (17)	20' (2)

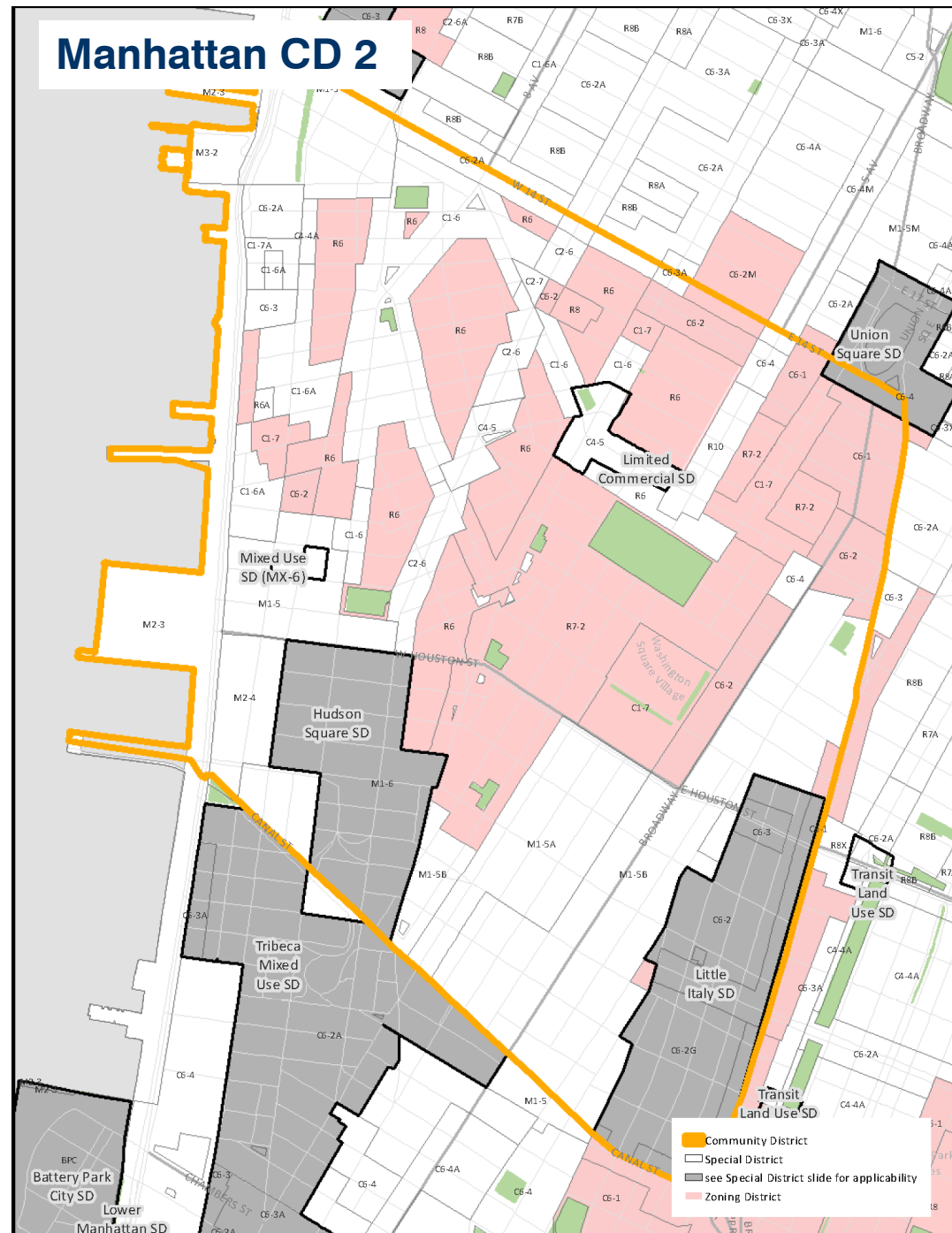
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# Affordable Senior Housing and Long Term Care: Non-Contextual districts

- Currently affordable senior housing developments in non-contextual districts may choose between a height factor building, without fixed height maximums, or a Quality Housing option, which creates a contextual envelope.
- Buildings providing affordable senior housing or long-term care facilities would be able to utilize the enhanced Quality Housing envelope applicable for that zoning district.



# Transit Zone parking changes

**PURPOSE:** The cost of providing off-street parking can hamper the production of affordable housing. In transit-accessible neighborhoods, low-income households own many fewer cars, and often don't use the parking that has been provided. The proposal eliminates or reduces parking requirements for a range of affordable and senior housing units.

**APPLICABILITY:** Affordable and affordable senior housing in moderate and high density zoning districts where car-ownership is low.

# Transit Zone: Off-street parking requirements

- Manhattan CD 2 does not currently have off-street parking requirements.



# Zoning Special Districts and Areas

**PURPOSE:** Where appropriate, the proposal will modify regulations in special zoning areas to promote the overall goals of the Zoning for Quality and Affordability text amendment. The proposal will not modify regulations that are essential to the character and purpose of the special areas.

**APPLICABILITY:** Special Districts, Waterfront Areas

# Zoning Special Districts

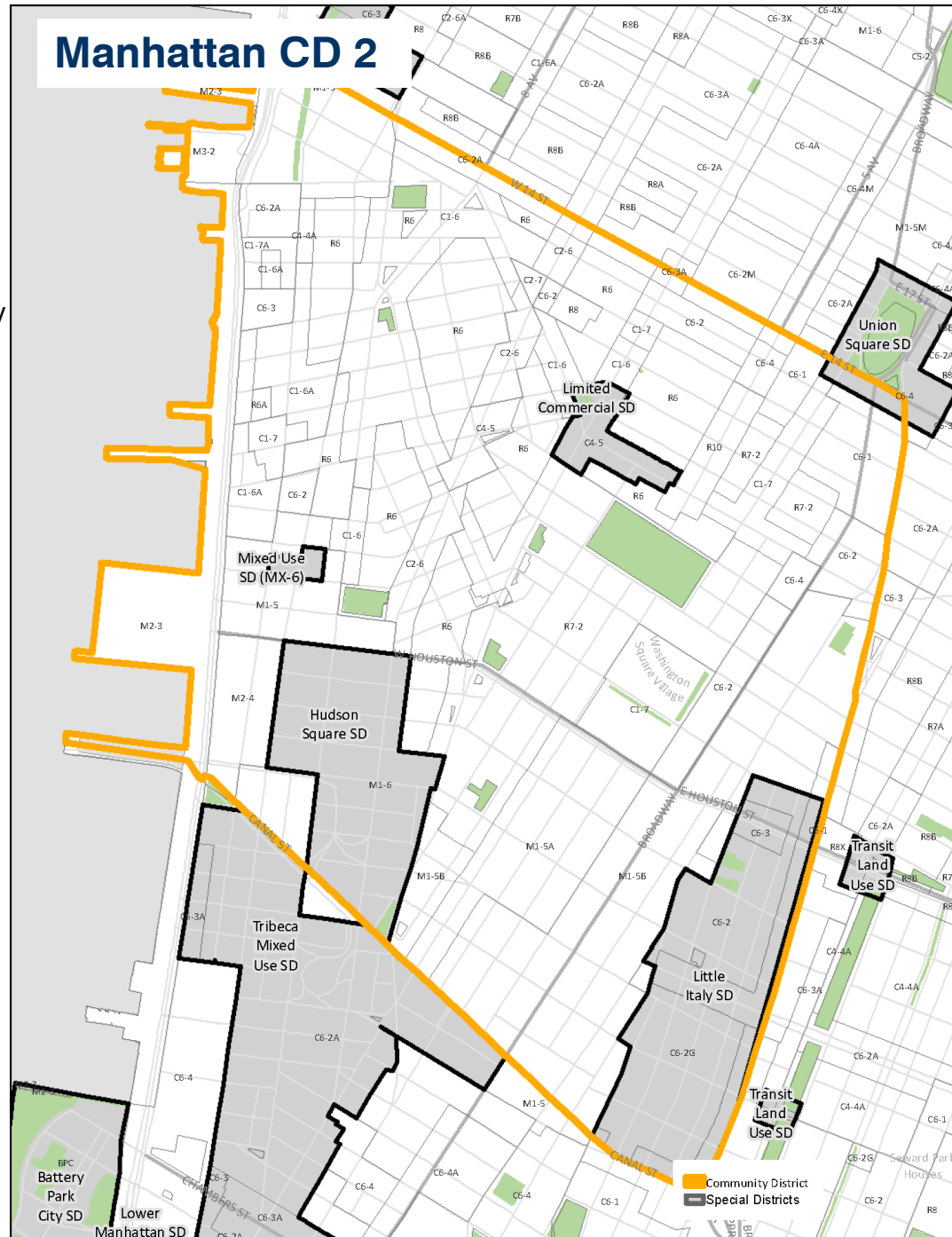
The **Hudson Square Special District** is intended to support the growth of a mixed-use neighborhood by permitting expansion and new development of residential, commercial and community facility uses while promoting the retention of commercial uses and light manufacturing uses. The district includes special regulations for use, bulk and parking. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 88-131 – updates to the ground floor transparency and use requirements to bring in line with rules Citywide.
- ZR 88-33 – updates the street wall and maximum heights allowed along narrow streets to what is proposed for underlying R10A narrow street locations. The maximum height would increase to 195 feet, and 235 feet for buildings providing affordable housing through the inclusionary housing program.
- Various sections – corrects use provisions that inadvertently require the retention of community facility floor area due to drafting error
- ZR 88-33 - Removal of special rear yard setback provision to bring in line with rules Citywide
- ZR 88-41 – updates to special rear yard provisions to bring in line with rules Citywide.
- Communicate with EHC, and Edison.

All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged. ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations are not modified by the Special District and would be applicable. These include:

- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)

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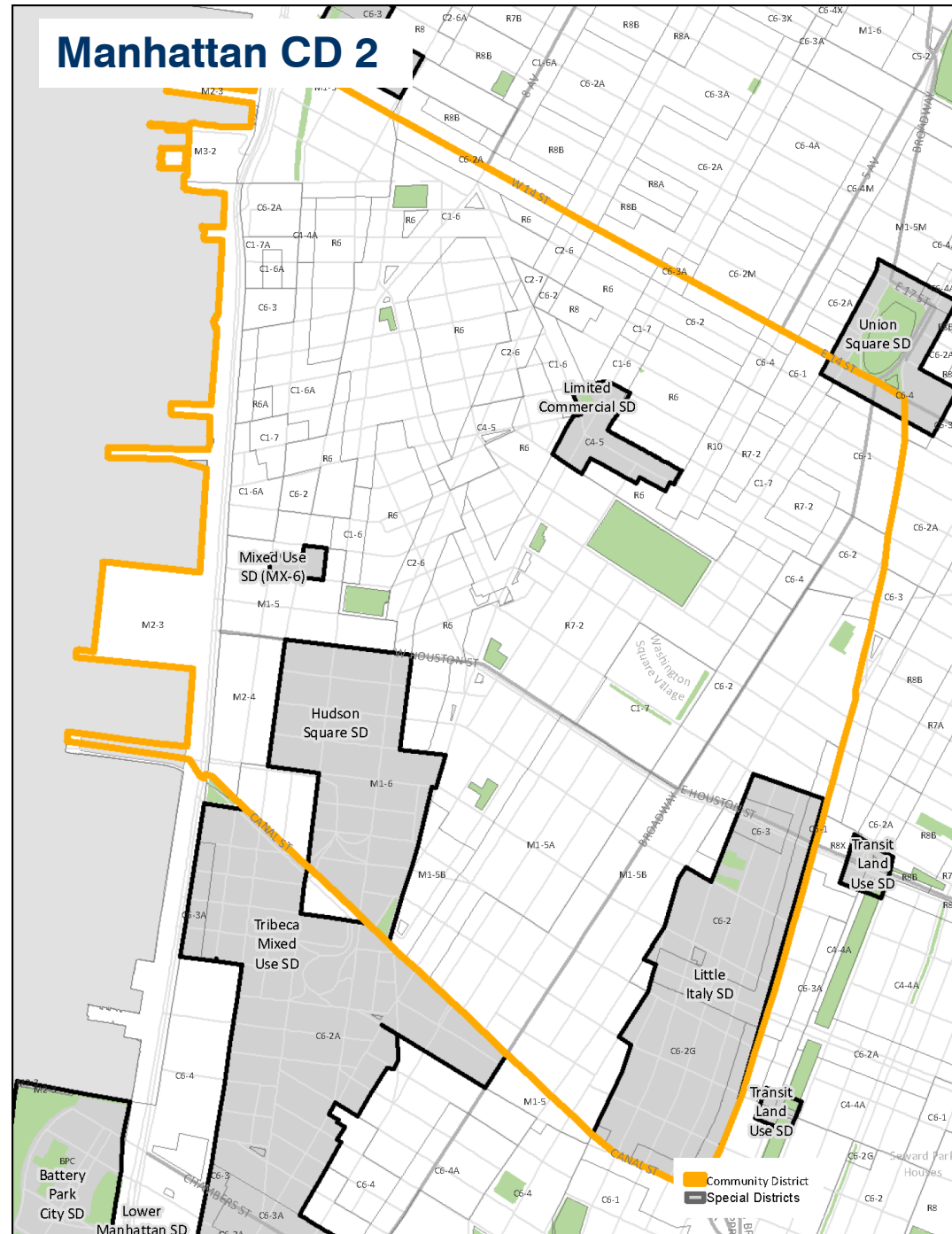
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The **Little Italy Special District** is intended to preserve and enhance the historic and commercial character of this area. The district includes special regulations for use and bulk. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 109-322 – updates the corner lot coverage rules for residential buildings to bring in line with rules Citywide.
- ZR 109-37 – updates the requirement for noise attenuation in Area B to bring it in line with updated requirements for MX districts.
- All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged.

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- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)



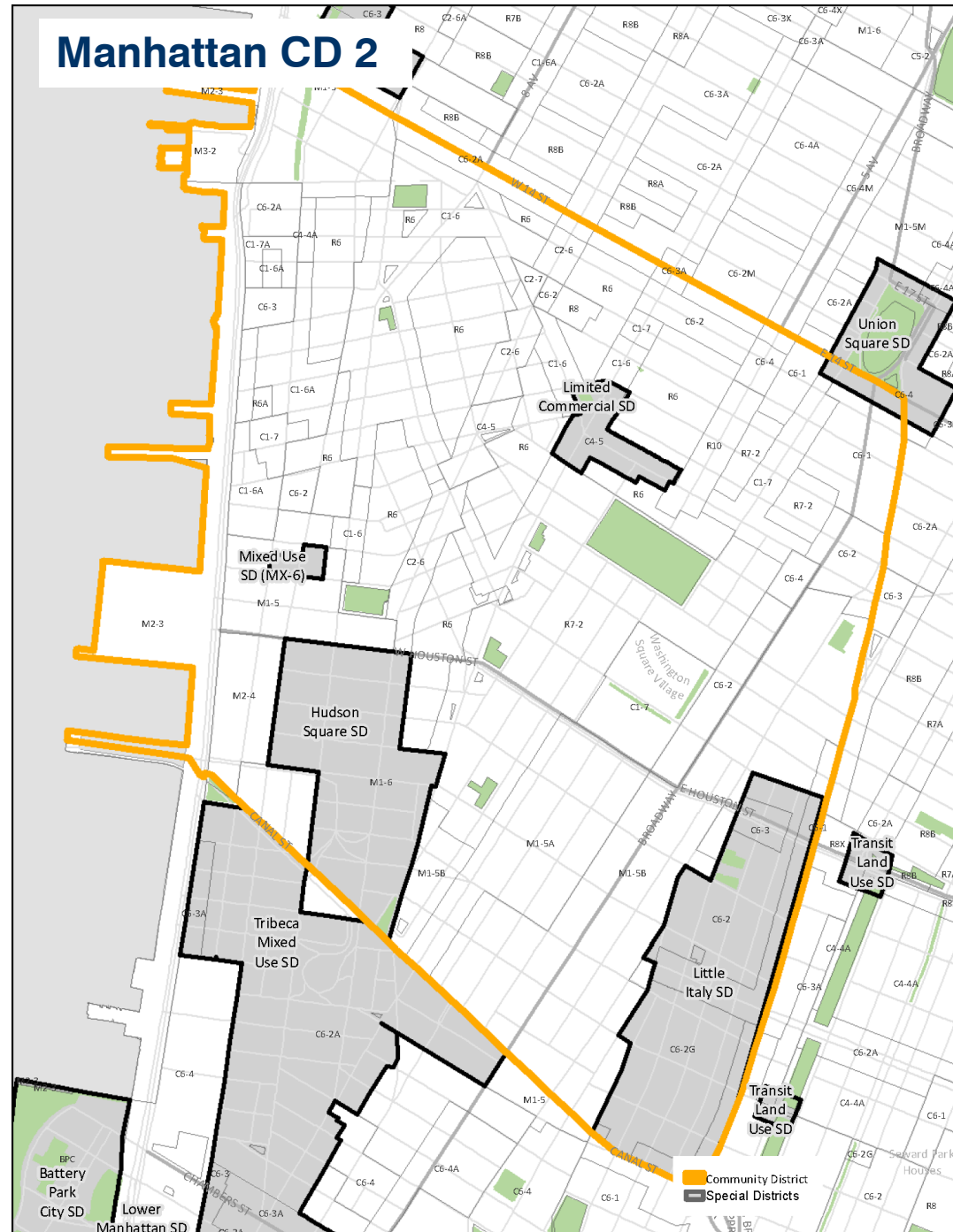
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The **Union Square Special District** is intended to revitalize the area around Union Square by encouraging mixed-use development. The district includes special regulations for use and bulk. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 118-43 – updates to the ground floor transparency and use requirements to bring in line with rules Citywide.
- ZR 118-51 – remove the requirement for double-glazed windows to bring in line with rules Citywide.
- All other regulations in the special district would be unchanged.

ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations are not modified by the Special District and would be applicable. These include:

- Provisions for design flexibility (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots (such as shallow lot regulations)



# Special Areas

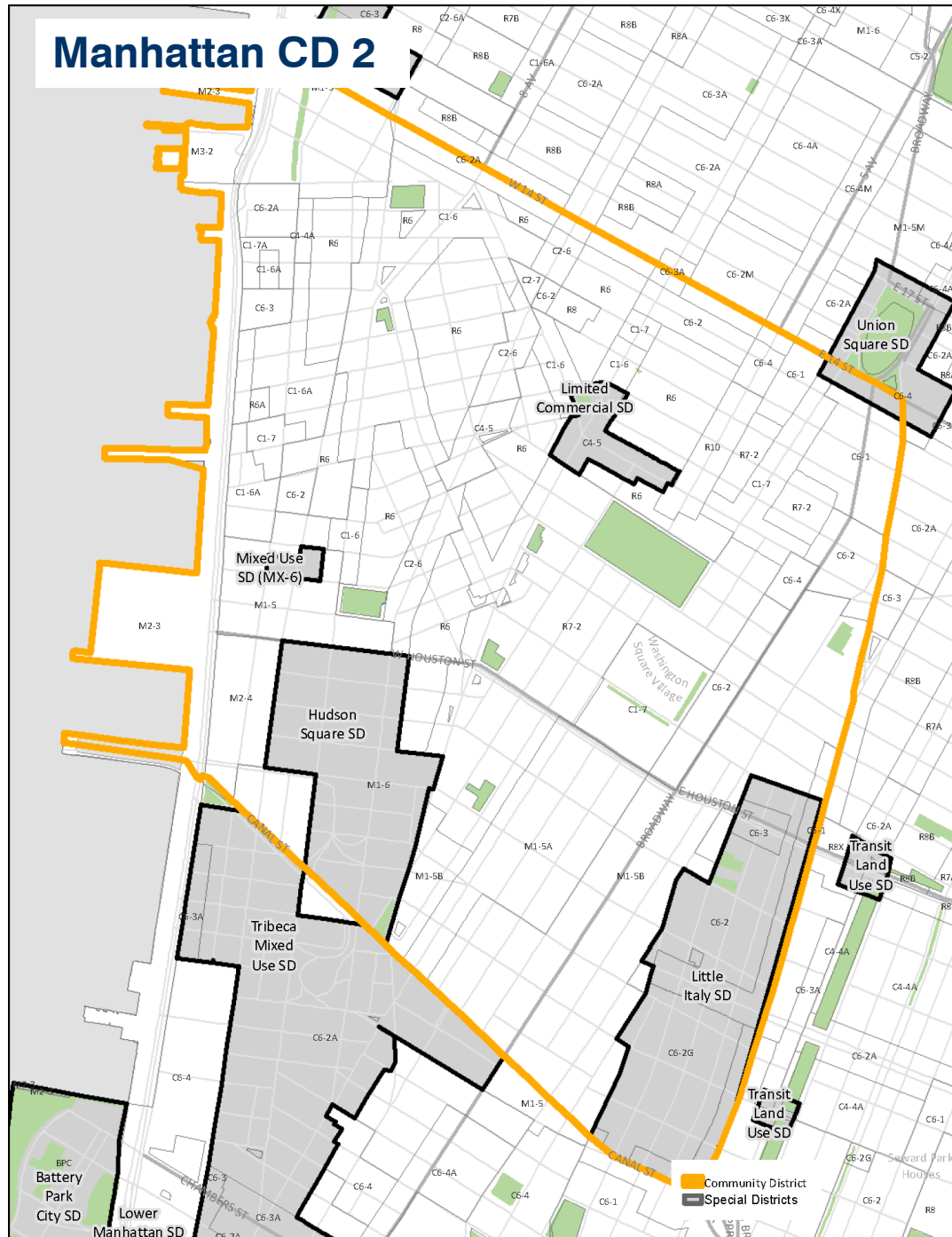
## Waterfront Area

Waterfront zoning is intended to maximize the public's access to the city's waterfront resources while enabling appropriate redevelopment along the shoreline. The district includes special regulations for use, bulk and urban design. ZQA proposes the following changes:

- ZR 62-323 – updates regulations for non-profit residences for the elderly to bring in line with rules Citywide for affordable senior housing and care facilities.
- ZR 62-341(d) – updates the base and maximum heights to reflect proposed changes to underlying contextual districts.
- ZR 62-354(f) – updates to the ground floor transparency and use requirements within Waterfront Access Plan to be consistent with rules Citywide.

ZQA's general changes to the underlying regulations which are not modified by Waterfront zoning would be applicable. These include:

- Provisions for design flexibility applicable in R6+ districts (such as court and density factor regulations)
- Provisions for constrained lots applicable in R6+ districts (such as shallow lot regulations)



# Other Reference Maps

For informational purposes we are providing reference maps for other areas in this Community District.

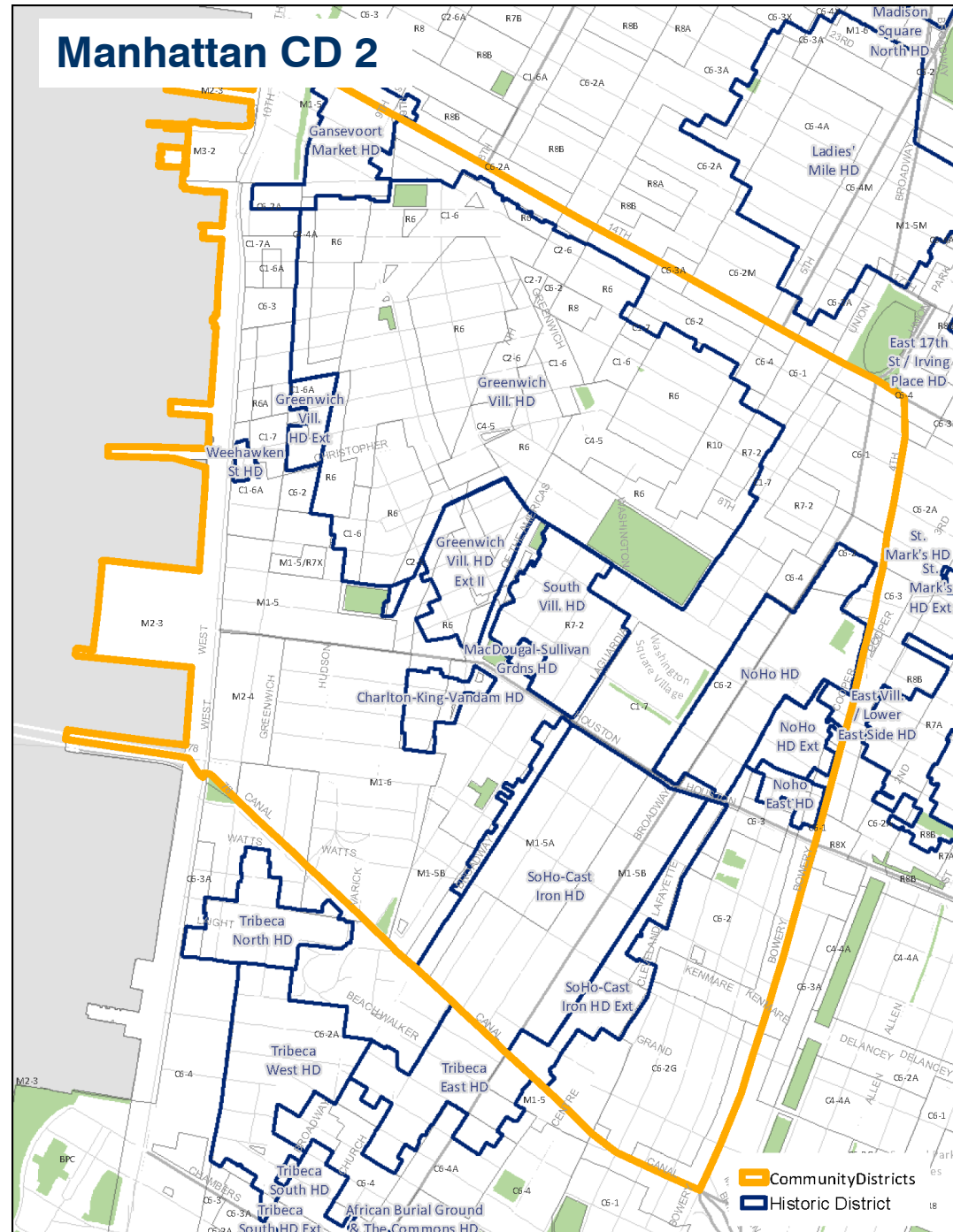


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## Historic Districts

- The proposal will not alter Landmark Preservation Commission (LPC) review of all modifications and new buildings in historic districts. No additional height would be permitted without public input and LPC approval.

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## FEMA Flood Zone

- Maximum heights will increase with underlying districts and continue to be measured from the Flood Resistant Construction Elevation (FRCE).

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