NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Statement of No Significant Effect

Pursuant to Executive Order 91 of 1977, as amended, and the Rules of Procedure for City Environmental Quality Review, found at Title 62, Chapter 5 of the Rules of the City of New York and 6 NYCRR, Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review, the Department of City Planning acting on behalf of the City Planning Commission assumed the role of lead agency for the environmental review of the proposed actions. Based on a review of information about the project contained in this environmental assessment statement (EAS) and any attachments hereto, which are incorporated by reference herein, the lead agency has determined that the proposed actions would not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

Reasons Supporting this Determination

The above determination is based on information contained in this EAS, which finds the proposed actions sought before the City Planning Commission would not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Reasons supporting this determination are noted below.

Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy

A detailed analysis of land use, zoning, and public policy is included in the EAS. The Applicant, Martin A Gleason Funeral Home, LLC, is seeking a zoning map amendment to rezone 10-15 150th Street, 10-25 150th Street, and 150-19 11th Avenue, Block 4515, Lots 1, 6, and 52, in the Whitestone neighborhood of Queens Community District 7 (the "Affected Area"), from an R2A zoning district to an R2A/C2-2 zoning district (the "Proposed Action"). The proposed zoning map amendment would permit the conversion of Lot 6 to an accessory parking lot for the Martin A Gleason Funeral Home as-of-right. The proposed parking lot would contain 22 new parking spaces for the funeral home and would generate two additional parking spaces on Lot 1 which would result in a total of 24 incremental parking spaces.

The analysis finds the Proposed Action would not result in a change in land use and zoning, however, it would affect public policy. The Proposed Action is supportive of a small business, therefore, the Proposed Action would be consistent with "Rebuild, Renew, Reinvent: A Blueprint for New York City's Economic Recovery". The Proposed Action would facilitate the construction of an accessory parking lot that would address the parking shortage at Martin A Gleason Funeral Home and help alleviate the congestion on the adjacent streets. The Proposed Action would address public safety and quality of life concerns to strengthen corridors where New Yorkers live, work, and play. It would be supportive of Rebuild, Renew, Reinvent: A Blueprint for New York City's Economic Recovery policy. Therefore, the Proposed Action would not result in significant adverse impact to public policy.

No other significant effects upon the environment that would require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement are foreseeable. This Negative Declaration has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (SEQRA). Should you have any questions pertaining to this Negative Declaration, you may contact Ibrahim Jobe at ijobe@planning.nyc.gov.

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