NOTICE

On Wednesday, August 10, 2022, a public hearing is being held by the City Planning Commission (CPC), accessible remotely, in conjunction with the above ULURP hearing to receive comments related to a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) concerning an application by Kaufman Astoria Bedrock I LLC and Silverstein Astoria Member LLC. The area subject to the Proposed Actions is the five city blocks bounded by 35th Avenue to the north, 43rd Street/Northern Boulevard to the east, 36th Avenue to the south and 37th Street to the west (the "Project Area") in the Astoria neighborhood of Queens in Community District 1.

The Proposed Actions include a rezoning of the Project Area (Blocks 641, 668, 669, 670, and 671) from M1-1 and C4-2A districts to a Special Mixed Use District (MX) consisting of M1-4/R7-3, M1-4/R7X, M1-4/R9, and M1-5/R9-1 districts; a zoning text amendment to amend Appendix F of the Zoning Resolution (ZR) to designate the rezoning area as an Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) area; a Special Permit under ZR Section 74-743 (LSGD) to allow floor area distribution without regard to zoning district boundaries and zoning lot lines, allow waivers of required rear yards and minimum distance between buildings, and allow waivers of height and setback regulations. The Proposed Actions also include zoning text amendments and special permits to modify various sections of the ZR related to the Large-Scale General Development. The Proposed Actions would facilitate the Applicant's Proposed Development, which would be controlled by an LSGD Special Permit and would include 12 buildings with approximately 2.9 million gross square feet (gsf) of space, comprised of approximately 2,843 dwelling units (DUs) (approximately 2.4 million gsf of residential area), of which 711 DUs would be affordable; approximately 250,000 gsf of office space; approximately 209,000 gsf of other commercial space; approximately 108,000 gsf of community facility space; 1,390 parking spaces; and approximately 2.17 acres of publicly accessible open space. 22 lots outside of the Development Site not controlled by the Applicant would be rezoned with approval of the Proposed Actions, which would facilitate the redevelopment of approximately 800,000 gsf of residential and commercial space. The anticipated Build Year is 2032.

Written comments on the DEIS are requested and will be received and considered by the Lead Agency through 5pm on Monday, August 22, 2022.

For instructions on how to submit comments and participate remotely, please refer to the instructions at the beginning of this agenda.

This hearing is being held pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR), CEQR No. 21DCP180Q.