



## Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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# **73-16 - Public Transit, Railroad or Electric Utility Substations**

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In all #Residence# and #Commercial Districts#, and in M1 Districts in the #Special Downtown Jamaica District#, the Board of Standards and Appeals may permit electric utility substations (including transformers, switches, or auxiliary apparatus) or public transit or railroad electric substations, limited in each case to a site of not more than 40,000 square feet, and in the case of electric utility substations to a site of not less than 10,000 square feet, provided that the following findings are made:

- (a) that such #use# will serve either the residential community within which it is proposed to be located or the residential community immediately adjacent, and that there are serious difficulties in locating such #use# in a nearby district where it is permitted as-of-right;
- (b) in the case of public transit or railroad electric substations, that the site for such #use# has a minimum frontage of 50 feet and a minimum #lot area# of 4,500 square feet;
- (c) that the site for such #use# is so located in #Residence Districts# as to minimize the adverse effects on the integrity of existing and future development, or is so located in #Commercial Districts# as to minimize the interruption of the continuity of retail frontage;
- (d) that the architectural and landscaping treatment of such #use# will blend harmoniously with the rest of the area; and
- (e) that such #use# will conform to the performance standards applicable to M1 Districts.

The Board may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards to minimize adverse effects on the character of the surrounding area, including requirements for soundproofing, for the construction of fences, barriers, or other safety devices, for screening of apparatus, or for landscaping.