Zoning Resolution

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15-024 - Special bulk regulations for certain pre-existing dwelling units and joint living-work quarters for artists

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(a) The minimum size, #yard# and density requirements of Sections 15-111 (Number of permitted dwelling units) and 43-17 (Special Provisions for Joint Living-Work Quarters for Artists in M1-5B Districts) may be replaced by the requirements of this Section for #dwelling units# and #joint living-work quarters for artists#:

(1) existing on September 1, 1980, for which a determination of #residential# or #joint living-work quarters for artists# occupancy has been made pursuant to paragraph (b) of Section 15-021 (Special use regulations), paragraph (b) of Section 42-314 (Use regulations in certain M1-1, M1-5 and M1-6 Districts), paragraph (c)(2) of Section 42-315 (Use regulations in M1-5B Districts); or

(2) that are registered Interim Multiple Dwellings or are found covered by the New York City Loft Board pursuant to Article 7C of the New York State Multiple Dwelling Law; or

(3) that the Loft Board determines were occupied for #residential use# or as #joint living-work quarters for artists# on September 1, 1980.

(b) Unless required by the Loft Board for the legalization of Interim Multiple Dwelling Units in the implementation of Article 7C of the New York State Multiple Dwelling Law, #dwelling units# or #joint living-work quarters for artists# described in paragraph (a) and existing on such dates may not be divided subsequently into units or quarters of less than 1,200 square

feet.

No #building# that meets the density requirements of Section 15-111, may subsequently add additional units or quarters except in accordance thereof. No #building# to which the regulations of this Section have been applied may subsequently add additional units or quarters except in accordance with the requirements of Sections 15-111.

(c) In lieu of the stated minimum size, #yard#, and density requirements of Sections 15-111 and 43-17, the following regulations shall apply:

(1) The minimum size of a #dwelling unit# or #joint living-work quarters for artists# may be no less than 415 square feet of #floor area#, provided that all of the following requirements are met:

(i) the unit or quarters shall contain one or more windows that open onto a #street# or 30 foot #yard#;

(ii) the area of such required window shall be not less than eight percent of the #floor area# of the unit or quarters and 50 percent of the area of such required window shall be openable; and

(iii) the interior dimension of the wall in which such required window is located shall be no less than 12 feet in width; or

(2) The minimum size of a #dwelling unit# or #joint living-work quarters for artists# may be no less than 600 square feet of #floor area#, provided that all of the following requirements are met:

(i) the unit or quarters shall contain one or more windows that open onto either:

(a) a 10 foot #yard#, where the window sill of such required window is at least 23 feet above #curb level#;

(b) a 15 foot #yard#, where the window sill of such required window is less than 23 feet above #curb level#;

(c) a #court# with a minimum dimension of 15 feet perpendicular to such required window and 375 square feet or more in area; or

(d) a #street#;

(ii) the minimum horizontal distance between such required window opening onto a #yard# and any wall opposite such window on the same or another #zoning lot# shall be at least 15 feet;

(iii) the area of such required window shall be no less than five percent of the #floor area# of the unit or quarters, and 50 percent of the area of such required window shall be openable;

(iv) the interior dimension of the wall in which such required window is located shall be no less than 12 feet in width;

(v) the average width of such unit or quarters shall be no less than 14 feet; and

(vi) not less than two-thirds of the #floor area# of the unit or quarters shall have a floor-to-ceiling height of nine feet or more.