Zoning Resolution

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Appendix E

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Appendix E - Special Regulations for Zoning Lots Utilizing the High Line Improvement Bonus and Located Partially Within Subareas D, E, G or I

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This Appendix sets forth additional requirements governing #zoning lots# located partially within Subareas D, E and G or within Subarea I between West 16th and 17th Streets over which the #High Line# passes, with respect to a #development# or #enlargement# which involves an increase in the applicable basic maximum #floor area ratio# of the #zoning lot# up to the amount specified in Section 98-22 (Maximum Floor Area Ratio and Lot Coverage in Subareas), with respect to: (1) the issuance of a building permit for such #development# or #enlargement# pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 98-25 (High Line Improvement Bonus); and (2) the performance or funding of improvements as a condition of issuance of temporary or permanent certificates of occupancy, pursuant to paragraph (c) of Section 9825, for #floor area# in such #development# or #enlargement# which exceeds the basic maximum #floor area ratio# of the #zoning lot#. The term "parties in interest" as used herein shall mean "parties-in-interest," as defined in paragraph (f)(4) of the definition of #zoning lot# in Section 12-10.

(a) Requirements for issuance of building permit pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 98-25

(1) As a condition of certification:

(i) Owner shall, subject to reduction pursuant to the other provisions of this Appendix E, deposit into the #High Line# Improvement Fund, or secure by letter of credit or other cash equivalent instrument in a form acceptable to the City, a contribution of $50.00 per square foot of #floor area# which exceeds the basic maximum #floor area ratio# of the #zoning lot#, up to the amount specified in Section 98-22; and

(ii) all parties-in-interest shall execute a restrictive declaration including easements to the City providing for: the location of and public access to and from a stairway and elevator on the #zoning lot# that will provide access to the #High Line# and for maintenance and repair by the City of such stairway and elevator; and the potential performance by the City of work under the provisions set forth below. In the case of #zoning lots# between West 16th and 17th Streets, Owner shall also provide the City with easements providing for City access to and from and for public use of the #High Line# Service Facilities on the #zoning lot# and for maintenance and repair by the City of such #High Line# Service Facilities. For #zoning lots# between West 18th and 19th Streets, in the event that the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation requires #High Line# Service Facility Work pursuant to paragraph (b)(4) of this Appendix, no easements shall be required relating to the location of and public access to a #zoning lot# nor from a stairway and elevator on the #zoning lot#. In such event, Owner shall instead provide the City with easements providing for City access to and from and for use of the #High Line# Service Facilities on the #zoning lot# and for maintenance and repair by the City of such #High Line# Service Facilities, as specified in paragraph (b)(4)(ii) of this Appendix, and any restrictive declaration previously executed under this paragraph (a)(1)(ii) in connection with an initial certification pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 98-25 shall be amended to provide for such easements. All easements described herein shall be in a form acceptable to the City and shall remain in force and effect irrespective of whether certificates of occupancy are issued pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c); and

(iii) submit plans for Stairway and Elevator Access Facilities and, where applicable, #High Line# Service Facilities that demonstrate compliance with the

provisions of this Appendix E, and are consistent with New York City Department of Parks and Recreation standards and best practices governing materials life cycle and maintenance for review and approval by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission.

(2) Upon the request of Owner, the City in its sole discretion, may elect to have Owner perform all #High Line# improvements (i.e., non-structural and non-remediation work) at its own expense within the #High Line# improvement area, as shown in Appendix C of this Chapter, on such #zoning lot # and over #streets# contiguous to such #zoning lot#. In that event, certification under Section 98-25, paragraph (a), shall also be made upon execution of an agreement, approved by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission, to perform such improvements, the cost of which shall be refunded or credited from the #High Line# Improvement Fund contribution to reflect the cost of such improvements. Such agreement may require Owner to reimburse the City for the costs of a full-time resident engineer to supervise such work.

(3) The location of #floor area# which would exceed the basic maximum #floor area ratio# and be subject to the provisions of Section 98-25 shall be considered to be the topmost portion of the #development# or #enlargement# unless, at the time of certification pursuant to Section 9825, paragraph (a), Owner designates, subject to the concurrence of the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission, an alternate location.

(b) Requirements for issuance of certificates of occupancy pursuant to paragraph (c) of Section 9825:

(1) Structural Remediation Work pursuant to paragraph (c)(2) of Section 9825

(i) Owner may, at its option, elect to perform Structural Remediation Work on the portion of the #High Line# within the #High Line# improvement area, as shown in Appendix C of this Chapter, on such #zoning lot# and over #streets# contiguous thereto in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph. Owner may exercise such option following receipt of the City's specifications for the Structural Remediation Work or upon the City's failure to provide such specifications, as set forth in paragraphs (b)(1)(iv) and (b)(1)(v), (unless such dates are extended by mutual agreement of the City and Owner), but in no event may exercise such option later than 90 days following receipt of a notice by the City of its intent to commence improvements to the #High Line# within the #High Line# improvement area applicable to the #zoning lot# within the next 24 months. In that event, the amount of contribution to the #High Line# Improvement Fund shall be reduced by $21.00 for each square foot of #floor area# which exceeds the basic maximum #floor area ratio# of the #zoning lot# up to the amount specified in Section 98-22 and the City shall refund or credit the Owner, as applicable, for any excess from or against the #High Line# Improvement Fund. In the event of exercise of such option, certification pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(2), with respect to the Structural Remediation Work shall be of substantial completion with respect to issuance of temporary certificates of occupancy, and of final completion with respect to issuance of final certificates of occupancy.

(ii) Such Structural Remediation Work shall include work on or under the #High Line# and above, at and below grade, which shall be of the same quality and performance standards (i.e., with respect to use, useful life, and maintenance requirements) as required for the remainder of the #High Line# (recognizing that there may be different standards for portions of the #High Line# that will be exposed to the public versus those that will not be so exposed) and

shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) Removal and disposal of all leadbased products in accordance with specifications provided by the City, and disposal of all waste, all in accordance with the rules and regulations of all appropriate regulatory agencies and disposal facilities;

(b) Repair of all damaged portions of the entire steel structure, including, but not limited to, railings, columns and footings, in accordance with the specifications provided by the City and all applicable rules, including those pertaining to historic preservation;

(c) Recoating of the entire steel structure with the types of products and numbers of coats specified by the City;

(d) Repairs to damaged concrete; removal, disposal, and replacement of any concrete that is found to contain hazardous materials; and recoating of the entire concrete portion of the #High Line# as specified by the City, all in accordance with the rules and regulations of all appropriate regulatory agencies and disposal facilities;

(e) Removal of any or all portions of the ballast material on the #High Line#, including, but limited to gravel, railroad ties and steel rails, trash, plant material, and any other objectionable materials (including, but not limited to, asbestos and pigeon guano) that are found on or under the #High Line#, as specified by the City, and disposal of all such material in accordance with the rules and regulations of all appropriate regulatory agencies and disposal

facilities. In the event that the City directs that any or all ballast material is to remain on the #High Line#, it shall be capped, as necessary, in accordance with the specifications provided by the City and the rules and regulations of all appropriate agencies. Any ballast material that is to remain, but also remain uncapped, shall be cleared and grubbed in accordance with specifications of the City; and

(f) Any work required to be performed below grade for the anticipated improvements of the #High Line# for reuse as open space.

(iii) The City shall consult with Owner regarding the drafting of the specifications for the Structural Remediation Work, and then provide Owner with such specifications by January 31, 2006, subject to such delays as are outside the reasonable control of the City (including, without limitation, litigation, but such delays shall not extend more than 180 days), unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner.

(iv) In the event Owner exercises the option to perform the Structural Remediation Work, Owner shall have 12 months to complete such work following June 23, 2005, or of the date of exercise of such option, whichever is later, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner, and subject to reasonable extension for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control.

(v) In the event that the City does not provide the specifications for the Structural Remediation Work within the timeframe set forth in paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this Appendix, Owner may exercise the option to perform such work and proceed with the Structural Remediation Work, and shall complete it within

12 months of the exercise of such option, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner, and subject to reasonable extension for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control, but may use its own specifications, consistent with the description of the Structural Remediation Work set forth above and sound, high quality engineering, construction and workmanship standards and practices.

(vi) If Owner exercises the option to perform the Structural Remediation Work, Owner shall reimburse the City for the reasonable cost of hiring or procuring the services of a fulltime resident engineer to supervise the Structural Remediation Work, with associated costs (e.g., trailer, computer, telephone), such reimbursement not to exceed $115,000.

(2) Stairway and Elevator Access Work pursuant to paragraph (c)(3) and, except where the provisions of paragraph (b)(4) of this Appendix E apply, paragraph (c)(4) of Section 98-25:

(i) Owner shall perform Stairway and Elevator Access Work subject to the provisions of this paragraph (b)(2). For temporary certificates of occupancy, certification pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(3), shall be of substantial completion of the Stairway and Elevator Access Work (i.e., the stairway and elevator could be made open and accessible to the public). For permanent certificates of occupancy, certification shall be of final completion of the work.

(ii) The Stairway and Elevator Access Work shall consist of one stairway and one elevator located directly adjacent to or below the #High Line#. Except as approved by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)(iii) of this Appendix, #curb level# entrances to such access

facilities must be located at the #street line#. Such access facilities shall be harmonious with the design of the #High Line# on the #zoning lot# and shall be visible and identifiable as #High Line# access facilities when viewed from Tenth Avenue. Such access facilities may be unenclosed or enclosed. When such access facilities are enclosed and located at the #street line#, any wall or facade separating the access facility from the #street# shall be substantially glazed and fully transparent from ground level to the full height of the access facility. Any wall or facade separating the access facility from the #High Line# shall be substantially glazed and fully transparent from the level of the #High Line bed# to the full height of the access facility. Stairways shall have a clear path of not less than six feet in width. Such access facilities shall be identified with signage placed at the #High Line# level and at street level that is consistent with guidelines specified in the signage plan as authorized by the City Planning Commission pursuant to the provisions of Section 98-15.

(iii) The Stairway and Elevator Access Work shall be completed within one year following the later of June 23, 2005, or the Chairperson's review and acceptance of the plans and specifications that demonstrate compliance with the provisions of paragraph (b)(2)(ii) of this Appendix, subject to reasonable extension for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner.

(iv) In no event however shall Owner be required to complete the Stairway and Elevator Access Work until the #High Line# improvements in the portion of the #High Line# improvement area, as shown in Appendix C of this Chapter, adjacent to the #zoning lot#, as shown on Diagram 4 or 5 of Appendix C, are substantially complete. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall Owner be entitled to certification, pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(3), until the Chairperson determines that the Stairway and Elevator Access

Work is substantially complete.

(3) #High Line# Service Facility Work pursuant to paragraph (c)(3) of Section 98-25:

(i) For #zoning lots# located between West 16th and 17th Streets, Owner shall perform #High Line# Service Facility Work subject to the provisions of this Appendix. For temporary certificates of occupancy, certification pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(3), shall be of substantial completion of the work. For permanent certificates of occupancy, certification shall be of final completion of the work.

(ii) #High Line# Service Facilities shall consist of satellite maintenance and operations space for the #High Line# open space as well as public restrooms, in accordance with the following standards:

(a) Location

Such facilities shall have a component located at the level of the #High Line bed#, or within five feet of such level (hereinafter referred to as the "upper service facility"). Such facilities shall also have a component located no higher than #curb level# (hereinafter referred to as the "lower service facility"). The upper facility must be located directly above the lower facility to enable placement of a trash chute connecting the upper and lower facilities. Where the upper facility is not located exactly at the level of the #High Line bed#, a fully accessible ramp must connect such level with the level of the upper facility. Where the lower facility is not located exactly at #curb level#, a means acceptable to the City of connecting the lower service facility to a #street# frontage shall be provided.

(b) Program and dimensions

(1) Lower service facilities

Lower service facilities shall contain a room which is accessible from #street# level and is no less than 50 square feet in area. Such facility shall contain the outlet of a trash chute from the upper service facility and shall also have a minimum of one electrical outlet furnishing a wattage consistent with its intended use within a maintenance and operations facility.

(2) Upper service facilities

Upper service facilities shall be no less than 350 square feet in area and shall contain, at a minimum, one public restroom not less than 250 square feet in area with separate restroom spaces for each gender, one storage room not less than 70 square feet in area, and one waste disposal room not less than 30 square feet in area and containing a trash chute to the lower service facility

Each room within such upper service facilities shall have a minimum of one electrical outlet furnishing wattage consistent with its intended use within a maintenance and operations facility.

(iii) The #High Line# Facility Work shall be completed within one year following the later of June 23, 2005, or the Chairperson's review and acceptance of the

plans and specifications that demonstrate compliance with the standards of paragraph (b)(3)(ii) of this Appendix, subject to reasonable extension for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner.

(iv) In no event, however, shall Owner be required to complete the #High Line# Facility Work until the #High Line# improvements in the portion of the #High Line# improvement area, as shown in Appendix C of this Chapter, adjacent to the #zoning lot#, as shown on Diagram 5 of Appendix C, are substantially complete. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall Owner be entitled to certification pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(3), until the Chairperson determines that the Stairway and Elevator Access Work is substantially complete.

(v) The cost to Owner of the #High Line# Facilities Work shall not exceed $1,150,000. The amount of contribution to the #High Line# Improvement Fund under paragraph (a)(1) of this Appendix E, made for purposes of Section 98-25, paragraph (a), shall be reduced by such at the time it is made.

(4) #High Line# Service Facility Work pursuant to paragraph (c)(4) of Section 98-25:

(i) For #zoning lots# located between West 18th and 19th Streets, in the event the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation elects to require improvements under this paragraph by providing Owner written notice thereof no later than 30 days following August 24, 2017, Owner shall perform #High Line# Service Facility Work subject to the provisions of this paragraph (b)(4). For temporary certificates of occupancy, certification pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (c)(4), shall be of substantial completion of the work. For permanent certificates of occupancy, certification shall be of final completion

of the work.

(ii) #High Line# Service Facilities under this paragraph (b)(4) shall consist of facilities that the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation determines will provide significant support services to the #High Line# in accordance with the following minimum standards:

(a) Components, Size and Location

The #High Line# Service Facilities shall consist of a space on one or more levels, with no less than 1,900 square feet of such space at a floor level at, or within three vertical feet of, the level of the #High Line bed#; a walkway connecting such space to the #High Line# of sufficient width and with sufficient load-bearing capacity to accommodate the movement of service equipment to and from the #High Line# and which satisfies the additional obligations of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and a stairway with a clear path of not less than 44 inches in width providing access from the #street# to the portion of the #High Line# Service Facilities located above.

(b) Other Features

The #High Line# Service Facilities shall include plumbing, electrical and utility infrastructure, including HVAC, as reasonably necessary to perform the service functions identified by the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation. Portions of any wall separating the #High Line# Service Facilities from the #High Line# and extending from the

level of the #High Line bed# to the full height of the #High Line# Service Facilities shall comply with the transparency requirements of Section 98-54.

(iii) The #High Line# Service Facility Work shall be completed within one year following the later of August 24, 2017, or the review and acceptance by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission of the plans and specifications that demonstrate compliance with the standards of paragraph (b)(4)(ii) of this Appendix, subject to reasonable extensions for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that, prior to an election by the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation under paragraph (b)(4)(i) of this Appendix, the City and Owner have agreed to an extension pursuant to paragraph (b)(2)(iii) of this Appendix, in connection with Stairway and Elevator Access Work, the #High Line# Facility Work shall be completed by such date, unless further extended by mutual agreement pursuant to this paragraph (b)(4)(iii).

(c) City performance in the event of failure to perform

(1) In the event Owner has not completed any of the #High Line# Improvement Work (where an agreement for performance of such work has been executed under paragraph (a)(1) of this Appendix), Structural Remediation Work (where Owner has exercised the option under paragraph (b)(1) of this Appendix) and the Stairway and Elevator Access Work (under paragraph (b)(3)), by a time at which the City has completed portions of the #High Line# (i.e., such that such portions are open and accessible to the public) immediately on either side of the #High Line# improvement area, as shown in Appendix C of this Chapter, for the #zoning lot#, as shown on

Diagram 4 or 5 of Appendix C, and a relevant deadline for performance of such work under paragraphs (b)(1), (b)(2) or (b)(3) of this Appendix, as applicable, has passed, subject to the provisions of such paragraphs relating to extension by mutual agreement or delay, the City, at its sole option, may, upon written notice to Owner, notify Owner of its intent to proceed with performance and/or completion of the relevant work at its own expense.

(2) The City may proceed with performance and/or completion of the work following such notice unless Owner:

(i) within 45 days following such notice, submits to the Department of City Planning a reasonable schedule (not to exceed 12 months in total) for completion of the relevant work, as applicable, which schedule shall be subject to review and reasonable approval by the City, unless such date is extended by mutual agreement between the City and Owner; and

(ii) completes the relevant work in accordance with such schedule, subject to reasonable extension for any delays beyond Owner's reasonable control.

(3) In the event Owner does not comply with the requirements of paragraph (c)(2) of this Appendix:

(i) the City may proceed with performance and/or completion of relevant work, and may obtain access to perform such work pursuant to the easements described in paragraph (a)(1) of this Appendix;

(ii) the City shall return to Owner any contribution made to the #High Line# Improvement Fund; and

(iii) no building permit may be issued pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (a), nor may any temporary or permanent certificates of occupancy be issued

pursuant to Section 98-25, paragraph (d), for #floor area# in a #development# or #enlargement# which exceeds the maximum #floor area# of the #zoning lot#.