Zoning Resolution

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For the purposes of this Section, the term "#buildings#" shall include #buildings or other structures#. No portion of any #building# may be built to a height greater than 85 feet above #curb level#, except that:

(a) any portion of a #building# required to have an exterior wall coincident with a 110–135 foot #mandatory front building wall line#, as provided in Section 84-132 (Mandatory front building walls), may be built to a height of up to 135 feet above #curb level# ;

(b) any portion of a #building# required to have an exterior wall coincident with a 110–230 foot #mandatory front building wall line#, as provided in Section 84-132 and subject to the requirements contained in paragraph (f) therein, may be built to a height of up to 230 feet above #curb level# ;

(c) portions of a #building# required to have an exterior wall coincident with a 150–250 foot #mandatory front building wall line#, as provided in Section 84-132, may be built to a height of up to 250 feet above #curb level# ;

(d) on the portion of any #zoning lot# designated as a #special height location# in Appendices 2.2 or 3.2, a #building# may be built to the height above #curb level# indicated in Appendices 2.2 or 3.2, subject to the following:

(1) on any #building# south of First Place and east of Battery Place, with a mandatory front #building# wall, the area of which, below the level of the second story ceiling, occupies 100 percent of the frontage along its #mandatory front building wall line#, a height of not more than 450 feet, provided, however, that a setback of not more than

10 feet may be provided at a height of 85 feet or more above #curb level#;

(2) on #zoning lots# located north of First Place, south of Third Place, and east of Battery Place, #special height locations# not to exceed heights of 135 feet or 360 feet above #curb level# are permitted as indicated in Appendix 2.2, provided that a setback of 10 feet is provided at a height of 85 feet above #curb level# along any #narrow street# frontage;

(3) on the #zoning lot# at the southeast corner of Chambers Street and North End Avenue, the #special height location# indicated in Appendix 3.2 shall apply only if such #zoning lot# is occupied by #school# and #residential uses# and the portion of the #building# above a height of 135 feet above #curb level# does not exceed a #lot coverage# of 40 percent; and

(4) on the #zoning lot# at the northeast corner of Murray Street and North End Avenue, a #special height location# of 320 feet above #curb level# is permitted as indicated in Appendix 3.2, subject to the requirements contained in Section 84-132, paragraph (f);

(e) Any portion of a #building# that exceeds an established height limit shall be subject to the following provisions:

(1) The obstructions set forth in Section 23-41 and 33-42, as applicable, along with heliostats, may penetrate a maximum height limit.

(2) The maximum permitted size of enclosure walls surrounding elevator or stair bulkheads, roof water tanks, cooling towers and #accessory# mechanical equipment may be increased by authorization of the City Planning Commission, provided the Commission finds that:

(i) the width of such additional enclosure wall at each #building# face does not exceed 80 percent of the width of the enclosure wall as allowed in paragraph (e)(1) of this Section;

(ii) the additional area of the enclosure wall at each #building# face is not more than 50 percent of the area permitted as-of-right; and

(iii) the enclosure wall is compatible with the #building# and the urban design goals of the Special District and complements the design by providing a decorative top; and

(f) in #special height locations# in Appendices 2.2 and 3.2 of this Chapter, no portion of a #building#, including permitted obstructions, shall exceed a height of 450 feet above #curb level#.