

Zoning Resolution

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The "Special Hudson Yards District" established in this Resolution is designed to promote and protect public health, safety and general welfare. These general goals include, among others, the following specific purposes:

- (a) to facilitate and guide the development of an environmentally beneficial, transit-oriented business and residence district by coordinating high density development with expanded mass transit facilities, extended and improved subway lines, improved pedestrian access to mass transit facilities, improved pedestrian circulation and avoidance of conflicts with vehicular traffic;
- (b) to control the impact of buildings on the access of light and air to the streets and avenues of the Hudson Yards area and the surrounding neighborhoods;
- (c) to provide an open space network comprised of public parks, public open space and public access areas through the establishment of a large-scale plan and other controls and incentives;
- (d) to preserve the pedestrian orientation of ground floor uses, and thus safeguard a traditional quality of the City;
- (e) to preserve the low- and medium-scale residential character of the Hell's Kitchen area;
- (f) to provide a transition between the Hudson Yards District and the Clinton community to the north;
- (g) to provide a transition between the Hudson Yards District and the Midtown South Mixed Use District to the east;
- (h) to provide a transition between the Hudson Yards District and the West Chelsea area to the south;
- (i) to promote the use of the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center to the west by creating an active and attractive business district that facilitates pedestrian access to the Center;
- (j) to provide flexibility of architectural design within limits established to assure adequate access of light and air to the street, and thus to encourage more attractive and economic building forms;
- (k) to provide a transition between the Hudson Yards District and the Hudson River to the west;
- (l) to facilitate the restoration and reuse of the High Line elevated rail line as an accessible, public open space through special height and setback regulations;
- (m) to promote the most desirable use of land and building development in accordance with the District Plan for the Hudson Yards and thus conserve the value of land and buildings and thereby protect the City's tax revenues; and
- (n) to limit the amount of off-street parking based on regulations that address the anticipated needs of residents, workers and visitors to the Hudson Yards Area, consistent with the objective of creating an area with a transit- and pedestrian-oriented neighborhood character.

93-01 - Definitions

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ERY Culture, Festival and Exhibit Facility

An "ERY Culture, Festival and Exhibit Facility" is a #use#, operated by a not-for-profit entity, that comprises changing, non-permanent exhibits, events, expositions, presentations, festivals and fairs related to any or all of the following: visual arts, performing arts, culinary arts, literature, journalism, crafts, fashion and design, or any similar artistic activity. No trade shows shall be permitted unless they are related to one of such activities. Any #building# in which an #ERY Culture, Festival and Exhibit Facility# is located may include a moveable portion that may be extended and retracted to cover all or a portion of the Culture Facility Plaza described in Section 93-71, paragraph (j).

ERY High Line

For the purpose of this Chapter, the #ERY High Line# shall refer to the portion of the #High Line# between the western #street line# of Tenth Avenue and the western #street line# of Eleventh Avenue north of West 30th Street.

High Line

For the purpose of this Chapter, the "High Line" shall refer to the elevated rail line structure located between Gansevoort Street and West 34th Street in the north-south direction, and between Washington Street and Twelfth Avenue in the east-west direction.

High Line bed

The "High Line bed" is the highest level of the horizontal surface (platform) of the elevated rail line structure of the #High Line#.

High Line Landscape Improvement Deposit

For the purpose of this Chapter, the "High Line Landscape Improvement Deposit" shall be in the amount of \$18,214,507 for the #ERY High Line# and, if the #Tenth Avenue Spur# is provided as a public access area pursuant to Section 93-71, in the amount of \$23,200,228, as adjusted by changes in the construction cost index published by the Engineering News-Record (ENR) for New York City, commencing as of January 2012. Payment of the #High Line Landscape Improvement Deposit# shall be in the form of cash or other form of immediately available funds. The #High Line Landscape Improvement Deposit# shall be held by the City, or an instrumentality of the City, as the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission shall designate, and shall be applied exclusively to the improvement for public use of the #ERY High Line# and, if applicable, the #Tenth Avenue Spur#.

High Line Maintenance Funding

For the purpose of this Chapter, #High Line Maintenance Funding# shall mean funding sufficient for the maintenance and ordinary repair of the #ERY High Line# and, if applicable, the #Tenth Avenue Spur#, in an amount acceptable to the City, as adjusted on an annual basis.

High Line Rehabilitation Deposit

For the purpose of this Chapter, the #High Line Rehabilitation Deposit# shall be in the amount of \$9,580,763 for the #ERY High Line# and, if the #Tenth Avenue Spur# is provided as a public access area pursuant to Section 23-71, in the amount of \$12,203,234, as adjusted by changes in the construction cost index published by the ENR for New York City commencing as of January, 2012. Payment of the #High Line Rehabilitation Deposit# shall be in the form of cash or other form of immediately available funds if plans and specifications for rehabilitation of the #ERY High Line# and, if applicable, the #Tenth Avenue Spur#, have been substantially completed as of the time the #High Line Rehabilitation Deposit# is required, and if such plans and specifications have not been substantially completed at the time the #High Line Rehabilitation Deposit# is required, in the form of cash or a cash equivalent, such as a letter of credit, in a form acceptable to the City. The #High Line Rehabilitation Deposit# shall be held by the City, or an instrumentality of the City, as the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission shall designate, and shall be applied exclusively to the rehabilitation of the #ERY High Line# and, if applicable, the #Tenth Avenue Spur#.

Hudson Yards District Improvement Fund

The "Hudson Yards District Improvement Fund" (the "Fund") shall be an account of the Hudson Yards Infrastructure Corporation (the "Corporation"). The Fund shall be owned for all purposes by the Corporation and may be used for any corporate purpose of the Corporation, including its pledge, assignment or sale in furtherance of any financing by the Corporation in support of district improvements in the #Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area#. The Corporation, as owner for all purposes of the Fund, will manage the Fund in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation.

Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area

The "Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area" shall be the areas within the #Special Hudson Yards District#, the 42nd Street Perimeter Area of the #Special Clinton District#, and the area bounded by the center line of Eleventh Avenue, the northern #street line# of West 43rd Street, the westerly prolongation of the northern #street line# of West 43rd Street to the U.S. Pierhead Line, the U.S. Pierhead Line, the westerly prolongation of the southern #street line# of West 29th Street to the U.S. Pierhead Line, and the southern #street line# of West 29th Street. However, the area bounded by the westerly side of Eleventh Avenue, the southerly side of West 43rd Street, the westerly side of Twelfth Avenue and the northerly side of West 33rd Street shall not be included in the #Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area#, except for any portion of such #blocks# containing a transit easement for subway-related use. Furthermore, the #Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area# shall not include any underground connections from a subway station to any #use# located on such excluded #blocks# or between any such #uses#.

Phase 2 Hudson Boulevard and Park

The "Phase 2 Hudson Boulevard and Park" is the area within the #Special Hudson Yards District# bounded on the north by the center line of West 39th Street, on the east by the eastern boundary of the park located between West 38th and West 39th Streets and the eastern #street line# of Hudson Boulevard East, on the south by the center line of West 36th Street, and on the west by the western #street line# of Hudson Boulevard West and the western boundary of the park located between West 38th and West 39th Streets, as shown on Map 1 (Special Hudson Yards District, Subdistricts and Subareas) in Appendix A of this Chapter.

For the purpose of this Chapter, the #Tenth Avenue Spur# shall refer to the portion of the #High Line# above the intersection of Tenth Avenue and West 30th Street.

93-02 - General Provisions

LAST AMENDED 10/7/2021

The provisions of this Chapter shall apply within the #Special Hudson Yards District#. The regulations of all other chapters of this Resolution are applicable, except as superseded, supplemented or modified by the provisions of this Chapter. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Chapter and other regulations of this Resolution, the provisions of this Chapter shall control. However, in #flood zones#, or for #transit-adjacent sites# or #qualifying transit improvement sites#, as defined in Section 66-11 (Definitions), in the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Chapter and the provisions of Article VI, Chapter 4 (Special Regulations Applying in Flood Hazard Areas), or Article VI, Chapter 6 (Special Regulations Applying Around Mass Transit Stations), the provisions of Article VI shall control.

93-03 - District Plan and Maps

LAST AMENDED 4/29/2014

The regulations of this Chapter are designed to implement the #Special Hudson Yards District# Plan.

The District Plan includes the following six maps in Appendix A of this Chapter:

- Map 1 Special Hudson Yards District, Subdistricts and Subareas
- Map 2 Mandatory Ground Floor Retail
- Map 3 Mandatory Street Wall Requirements
- Map 4 Mandatory Sidewalk Widenings
- Map 5 Transit Facilities
- Map 6 Sites Where Special Parking Regulations Apply

Subdistrict Plans include the following five maps in Appendix B of this Chapter:

- Map 1 Subdistrict B: 450 West 33rd Street and Ninth Avenue Rail Yard Public Access Area Plan
- Map 2 Subdistrict F: Site Plan
- Map 3 Subdistrict F: Public Access Area Plan
- Map 4 Subdistrict F: Mandatory Ground Floor Requirements
- Map 5 Subdistrict F: Mandatory Street Wall Requirements

The Maps are hereby incorporated and made part of this Resolution. They are incorporated for the purpose of specifying locations where special regulations and requirements set forth in the text of this Chapter apply.

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Subarea D3

Subarea D4

8/14/2025 In order to carry out the provisions of this Chapter, six subdistricts are established, as follows: Large-Scale Plan Subdistrict A Farley Corridor Subdistrict B 34th Street Corridor Subdistrict C Hell's Kitchen Subdistrict D South of Port Authority Subdistrict E Western Rail Yard Subdistrict F Eleventh Avenue Subdistrict G Garment Center Subdistrict H In each of these subdistricts, certain special regulations apply which do not apply within the remainder of the #Special Hudson Yards District#. Within certain subdistricts, subareas are established, as follows: Within the Large-Scale Plan Subdistrict A: Eastern Rail Yard Subarea A1 Four Corners Subarea A2 Subarea A3 Subarea A4 Subarea A5 Within Farley Corridor Subdistrict B: Western Blocks Subarea B1 Central Blocks Subarea B2 Farley Post Office Subarea B3 Pennsylvania Station Subarea B4 Within Hell's Kitchen Subdistrict D: Subarea D1 Subarea D2

Within these subareas, certain special regulations apply which do not apply within the remainder of the subdistrict.

The subdistricts and subareas are outlined on Map 1 (Special Hudson Yards District, Subdistricts and Subareas) in Appendix A of this Chapter. Additional requirements for specific subdistricts, or portions thereof, are outlined in Appendix B of this Chapter.

93-05 - Applicability of District Regulations

LAST AMENDED 1/19/2005

93-051 - Applicability of Article I, Chapter 1

LAST AMENDED 3/28/2012

Within the #Hudson Yards Redevelopment Area#, Section 11-332 (Extension of period to complete construction) shall apply, except that notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of such Section, in the event that other construction for which a building permit has been lawfully issued and for which construction has been commenced but not completed on January 19, 2005, such other construction may be continued provided that the construction is completed and a temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy is obtained not later than January 19, 2006.

93-052 - Applicability of Article I, Chapter 3

LAST AMENDED 12/5/2024

#Public parking lots# authorized prior to January 19, 2005, and #accessory# off-street parking facilities for which a special permit has been granted prior to January 19, 2005, may be renewed subject to the terms of such authorization or special permit.

The provisions of Article I, Chapter 3, in their entirety shall be applied to Subdistricts F and G.

The following provisions of Article I, Chapter 3, governing #automated parking facilities#, automobile rental establishments, commercial or public utility vehicle parking, and off-street loading berths shall apply to Subdistricts A, B, C, D and E, as applicable:

- (a) for #automated parking facilities#, the provisions of paragraph (b) of Section 13-24 (Reservoir Spaces), paragraph (b) of Section 13-26 (Minimum and Maximum Size of Parking Facilities), paragraph (a)(3) of Section 36-521 (Size of spaces), and Section 36-524 (Calculating floor area in parking facilities with lift systems, or in automated parking facilities);
- (b) for automobile rental establishments, the provisions of Section 13-15 (Permitted Parking for Automobile Rental Establishments), paragraph (b) of Section 13-221 (Enclosure and screening requirements), Section 13-231 (Location of curb cuts), paragraph (b) of Section 13-232 (Maximum width of curb cuts), paragraph (c) of Section 13-24, and paragraph (c) of Section 13-26;
- (c) or commercial or public utility vehicle parking, the applicable provisions of Section <u>36-46</u> (Restrictions on the Use of Accessory Parking Spaces and Spaces in Public Parking Garages and Public Parking Lots), inclusive; and
- (d) for off-street loading berths, the provisions of Section <u>13-30</u>, inclusive.

93-053 - Applicability of Article VII, Chapter 3

LAST AMENDED 6/6/2024

The following special permits by the Board of Standards and Appeals shall not be applicable:

Section 73-143 (Electric or gas utility substations) shall not apply to electrical utility substations. In lieu thereof, such #uses# shall be allowed within the #Special Hudson Yards District# upon authorization of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 93-18 (Authorization for Electrical Utility Substations)

Section 73-62 (Modification of Bulk Regulations for Buildings Containing Residences)

Section 73-63 (Enlargement of Non-residential Buildings)

Section 73-64 (Modifications for Community Facility Uses).

93-054 - Applicability of Article VII, Chapter 4

LAST AMENDED 12/5/2024

(a) The following special permits by the City Planning Commission shall not be applicable:

Section 74-142 (Electric utility substations) shall not apply. In lieu thereof, such #uses# shall be allowed within the #Special Hudson Yards District# upon authorization of the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 93-18 (Authorization for Electrical Utility Substations Section <u>74-61</u> (Developments on Lots that Include Railroad Right-of-Ways) **Section 74-72** (Bulk Modification) Section <u>74-74</u> (Large-scale General Development) shall be inapplicable in the Large-scale Plan Subdistrict A Section <u>74-821</u> (Court houses) Section 74-831 (Development in certain Commercial Districts) Section <u>74-85</u> (Covered Pedestrian Space) Section <u>74-91</u> (Modification of Public Plazas).

(b) The following provisions regarding special permits by the City Planning Commission shall be applicable as modified:

Section 74-194 (Public parking garages or public parking lots in high density central areas) shall be applicable to the renewal of City Planning Commission special permits for #public parking lots# and #public parking garages# granted prior to April 14, 2010.

Section 74-81 (Through Block Arcades) shall apply to any #development# or #enlargement# for which a

#through block arcade# would not otherwise be permitted pursuant to this Chapter, except that no #floor area# bonus shall be permitted.

93-055 - Applicability of Article VII, Chapter 5

LAST AMENDED 12/5/2024

(a) The following authorization by the City Planning Commission or certifications from the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission shall not be applicable:

Section 75-411 (Developments on or over railroad rights-of-way)

Section <u>75-412</u> (Developments on lots under one and a half acres that include railroad rights-of-way)

In lieu thereof, all #developments# or #enlargements# on or over a #railroad right-of-way# or on #zoning lots# that include a #railroad right-of-way# shall comply with the provisions of this Chapter.

(b) The following provisions regarding certification by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission shall be applicable as modified:

Section <u>75-42</u>

(Transfer of Development Rights From Landmark Sites) shall apply, except that within the Pennsylvania Station Subarea B4 of the Farley Corridor Subdistrict B, such section shall be applicable only for a #development# or #enlargement# that has increased its permitted #floor area ratio# to 15.0 pursuant to Section 93-35 (Special Permit for Transit Bonus in Pennsylvania Station Subarea B4). Furthermore, the maximum amount of #floor area# that may be transferred from the #zoning lot# occupied by a landmark #building# may increase the maximum allowable #floor area ratio# within the Pennsylvania Station Subarea B4 to 19.5.

93-056 - Modification of use and bulk regulations for zoning lots bounding Hudson Boulevard Park

LAST AMENDED 12/5/2024

Where the #lot line# of a #zoning lot# coincides with the boundary of the #public parks# located between West 35th Street, Hudson Boulevard East, West 33rd Street and Eleventh Avenue, such #lot line# shall be considered to be the #street line# of Hudson Boulevard West for the purposes of applying all #use# and #bulk# regulations of this Resolution.

Where the #lot line# of a #zoning lot# coincides with the boundary of the #public park# located between West 39th Street, Tenth Avenue, West 38th Street and Eleventh Avenue, such #lot line# shall be considered to be the #street line# of Hudson Boulevard East and West, as applicable, for the purposes of applying all #use# and #bulk# regulations of this Resolution.

93-06 - Declaration of Restrictions in Subdistrict F

LAST AMENDED 12/21/2009

No building permit shall be issued for any #development# or #enlargement# within Subdistrict F unless a declaration of

restrictions, in substantially the form reviewed by the City Planning Commission pursuant to CEQR No. 09DCP007M and referenced in and made an exhibit to the findings of the Commission pursuant to 6 NYCRR Section 617.11 in connection with its adoption of the regulations of this Chapter and as modified by the City Council, applicable to Subdistrict F (as such declaration may be revised prior to filing and recordation in accordance with the provisions thereof applicable to amendments made subsequent to filing and recordation), shall have been filed and duly recorded in the Borough Office of the City Register of the City of New York and indexed against all property interests in Subdistrict F proposed for #development# or #enlargement# pursuant to this Chapter.