Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK  CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
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64-80 - MODIFICATION OF SPECIAL REGULATIONS APPLYING IN WATERFRONT AREAS

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The following regulations shall apply in flood zones and shall modify regulations set forth in Article VI, Chapter 2 (Special Regulations Applying in the Waterfront Area).

64-81 - Modification of Waterfront Public Access and Visual Corridor Regulations for Substantially Damaged Buildings

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Sections 62-50 (GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR VISUAL CORRIDORS AND WATERFRONT PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS), inclusive, and 62-811 shall not apply to the reconstruction of buildings that sustained substantial damage, as defined in Appendix G of the New York City Building Code, due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy, provided that:

(a) such buildings had no more than 20,000 square feet of floor area prior to October 28, 2012;
(b) the dimensions of the building footprint are no greater than the footprint that existed on October 28, 2012;
(c) if such building is repositioned on the zoning lot, such repositioning does not newly encroach, or further encroach, into a required yard, rear yard equivalent, visual corridor or existing public access area, as defined in Article VI, Chapter 2; and
(d) the reconstruction does not result in a change of use from that existing on October 28, 2012.

The provisions of this Section shall apply to buildings that are the subject of an application for approval of construction documents that has been approved by the Department of Buildings no later than one year after the adoption of new final Flood Insurance Rate Maps that supersede the maps in effect on October 28, 2012. Construction pursuant to such approval may continue until a date six years after the adoption of such superseding Flood Insurance Rate Maps. After such date, the vesting provisions of Section 11-30 (BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BEFORE EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENT) shall apply as if the change in flood map were a change in provisions of the Zoning Resolution.

64-82 - Modification of Waterfront Regulations Relating to Level of Yards, Visual Corridors and the Ground Floor

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The provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section shall apply to all zoning lots, without requiring a building to comply with flood-resistant construction standards as established in paragraph (a) of Section 64-12 (Applicability).

Within the area that has a one percent chance of flooding in a given year, as determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in flood maps or by earlier adopted Flood Insurance Rate Maps, certain provisions regarding waterfront yards and visual corridors, as defined in Section 62-11, and ground floor uses, are modified as follows:

(a) Waterfront yards

Section 62-332 (Rear yards and waterfront yards) shall be modified to allow the level of a waterfront yard to be raised
above the elevation of the top of the adjoining existing bulkhead, existing stabilized natural shore or mean high water line, as applicable, provided that:

(1) where a #waterfront yard# terminates at a #lot line#, the grade of the #waterfront yard# shall be no higher than the grade of the adjacent #street# or #zoning lot#, except that natural grade need not be disturbed to comply with this requirement;

(2) for #zoning lots# without a #shore public walkway#, as defined in Section 62-11, the maximum grade of the #waterfront yard#, measured parallel to the #shoreline#, shall not exceed three percent; and

(3) for #zoning lots# with a #shore public walkway#, as defined in Section 62-11, the maximum grade shall be determined by the maximum permitted grade of the circulation path and the provisions of Section 62-60 (DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR WATERFRONT PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS).

(b) #Visual corridors#

Section 62-512 (Dimensions of visual corridors) shall be modified so that the lowest level of a #visual corridor# shall be determined by establishing a plane connecting the two points along the #street lines# from which the #visual corridor# emanates at an elevation three feet above #curb level# with the two points where the prolonged #street lines# intersect the #shoreline#, stabilized natural shore, bulkhead, upland edge of a #waterfront yard# raised pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section, or the #base plane# of a #pier# or #platform#, whichever intersection occurs first. Such plane shall then continue horizontally seaward from the line of intersection. #Visual corridors# that are not prolongations of mapped #streets# shall be determined by establishing a plane connecting an elevation three feet above #curb level# at the two points along the #lot line# from which the #visual corridor# emanates with the two points of intersection at the #shoreline#, stabilized natural shore, bulkhead, upland edge of a #waterfront yard# raised pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section, or the #base plane# of a #pier# or #platform#, whichever intersection occurs first.

(c) Ground floor #uses#

Section 62-341 (Developments on land and platforms), paragraph (c)(6), shall be modified so that “ground floor level” shall mean the lowest level permitted for habitable use as if it were “Post-FIRM Construction” as defined by Appendix G of the New York City Building Code, using elevation and wet flood-proofing techniques, provided that where such lowest permitted level would be less than five feet above the finished level of the adjacent sidewalk, such level need not be lower than five feet above the finished level of the adjacent sidewalk.