Zoning Resolution

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87-33 - Special Height and Setback, Legal Windows and Courts in the North Subdistrict

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LAST AMENDED
12/11/2017

In the North Subdistrict, as shown on Map 1 in the Appendix to this Chapter, the provisions of this Section, inclusive, shall apply.

For the purposes of applying the underlying height and setback, distance between #legally required windows# and #lot lines#, and #court# regulations, as modified by the provisions of this Section, inclusive, the following provisions shall apply: a #shore public walkway#, #visual corridor#, #upland connection# or #supplemental public access area# shall be considered a #street# and its boundary shall be treated as a #street line#. Any #visual corridor# or #upland connection# that measures at least 75 feet in width, or any #shore public walkway# or #supplemental public access area#, shall be considered a #wide street#. Any other #visual corridor# or #upland connection# shall be considered a #narrow street#.

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87-331 - Maximum height of buildings and setback regulations

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In the North Subdistrict, #buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, within 30 feet of a #shore public walkway#, shall not exceed the maximum base height provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section. #Buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, within 10 feet of all other #wide streets#, or within 15 feet of #narrow streets#, shall not exceed the maximum base height provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of this Section. Except as otherwise set forth in paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Section, as applicable, such maximum heights may be exceeded only in accordance with Section 87-31 (Permitted Obstructions).

(a) Height allowances along the #shore public walkway#:

The maximum height of #buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, located within 30 feet of a #shore public walkway# shall be as follows:

(1) such #buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, shall not exceed 65 feet, except that 80 percent of the #street wall# of such #building or other structure#, or portion thereof, may rise to a maximum height of 85 feet; and

(2) no dormers shall be permitted.

(b) Height allowances along all other frontages

The maximum height of #buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, located within 10 feet of all other #wide streets#, or within 15 feet of #narrow streets#, shall not exceed a maximum height of 85 feet.

Beyond 30 feet of a #shore public walkway#, or beyond 10 feet of all other #wide streets# or 15 feet of #narrow streets#, the maximum height of #buildings or other structures# shall be as set forth in Section 87-332 (Towers).

87-332 - Towers

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In the North Subdistrict, the maximum height of #buildings or other structures#, or portions thereof, beyond 30 feet of a #shore public walkway#, or beyond 10 feet of all other #wide streets#, or 15 feet of #narrow streets#, shall be 85 feet.

Such maximum #building# height may be exceeded by "towers" permitted in Location A or Location B. Such #towers# shall be provided in accordance with paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Section, as applicable.

For the purposes of applying the provisions of this Section, Location A shall be the portion of the North Subdistrict located within 100 feet of the northerly boundary of East 149th Street; Location B shall be the remaining portion of the North Subdistrict; and all #stories# of a #building# located partially or wholly above 85 feet shall be considered a "tower" and shall comply with the provisions of this Section. Two or more #abutting# #towers# shall be considered one #tower#.

(a) Tower in Location A

One #tower# shall be permitted, subject to the following provisions:

(1) the maximum width of any #story# of a #tower# facing a #shoreline# shall not exceed 100 feet, except that any permitted dormers need not be included in such maximum width;

(2) each #residential# #story# of such #tower#, partially or fully above the height of the base height, shall not exceed 10,000 square feet, except that any permitted dormers need not be included in such gross area;

(3) such #tower# shall not exceed a maximum #building# height of 375 feet;

(4) a #tower# that exceeds a height of 300 feet shall provide articulation in accordance with the following provisions: the gross area of any #story# located within the highest 15 percent of the #tower# shall not exceed 90 percent of the gross area of that #story# located directly below the highest 15 percent of the #tower#.

(b) Towers in Location B

#Towers# shall be permitted, subject to the following provisions:

(1) no #tower# shall be located within 60 feet of a #tower# within Location A;

(2) the aggregate width of #towers# that face a #shoreline#, and are located within 100 feet of a #shore public walkway#, shall not exceed 185 feet, where such aggregate width is measured in accordance with paragraph (b)(2) of Section 62-343 (Height and setback regulations in other medium- and high-density districts);

(3) the #aggregate width of street walls# of #towers# located along the southerly boundary of the required #visual corridor# as specified in paragraph (d) of Section 87-71, shall not exceed 150 feet.

(4) such #towers# shall not exceed a maximum #building# height of 260 feet; and

(5) any #tower# that exceeds a height of 200 feet shall provide articulation in accordance with the following provisions: the gross area of any #story# located within the highest 15 percent of the #tower# shall not exceed 90 percent of the gross area of that #story# located directly below the highest 15 percent of the #tower#.