



Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
Zohran K. Mamdani, Mayor

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Daniel R. Garodnick, Chair

104-422 - Midblock Open Areas

File generated by <https://zr.planning.nyc.gov> on 3/6/2026

104-422 - Midblock Open Areas

LAST AMENDED

2/2/2011

Midblock Open Areas shall be provided as shown on Map 7 (Mandatory Open Areas) in Appendix A of this Chapter. However, no Midblock Open Area is required on any #block# that is not developed as a single #zoning lot#. The Midblock Open Areas shall have a minimum width of 50 feet clear and open to the sky.

All Midblock Open Areas shall have a minimum clear path of 15 feet and shall be improved as paved surfaces of a non-skid material, whether wet or dry. A minimum of 20 percent and a maximum of 50 percent of each Midblock Open Area shall be improved with landscape treatment, including planting and other amenities. No fences shall be permitted. No walls or planters shall be higher than two feet above the finished level of the nearest adjoining sidewalk.

The full width of each Midblock Open Area shall be improved and open to the public prior to applying for and receiving a temporary certificate of occupancy for any #development# adjacent to such area. However, up to 10 feet of the width of a Midblock Open Area may be temporarily enclosed within a construction fence for the shortest period of time reasonably necessary to permit construction in the adjacent area.

For #buildings# adjacent to the Midblock Open Areas, other than a #building# located on Parcel E2 as shown on Map 5 (Parcel Designation and Maximum Building Heights) in Appendix A of this Chapter, #building# walls fronting on such Midblock Open Areas shall be transparent for at least 50 percent of the area of each such wall, measured from the finished level of the adjacent pavement to the height of the ceiling of the second #story#.