

## **Proposal Introduction**

ATLANTIC AVENUE

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## **Proposal Summary and Snapshot**

**Zoning Map Changes** 

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**Special District** 

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**Site Specific Opportunities** 

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**City Investments** 





## **Proposal Summary and Snapshot**

In total, AAMUP is projected to create approximately:

- ~ 4,600 homes ~ 1,440 income-restricted
- ~ **828,000** sq ft of commercial and community facility uses
- ~ 2,800 jobs



## **Proposed Actions**

### **Zoning Map Amendments**

Promote growth of housing and jobs with zoning districts tailored to block and street types

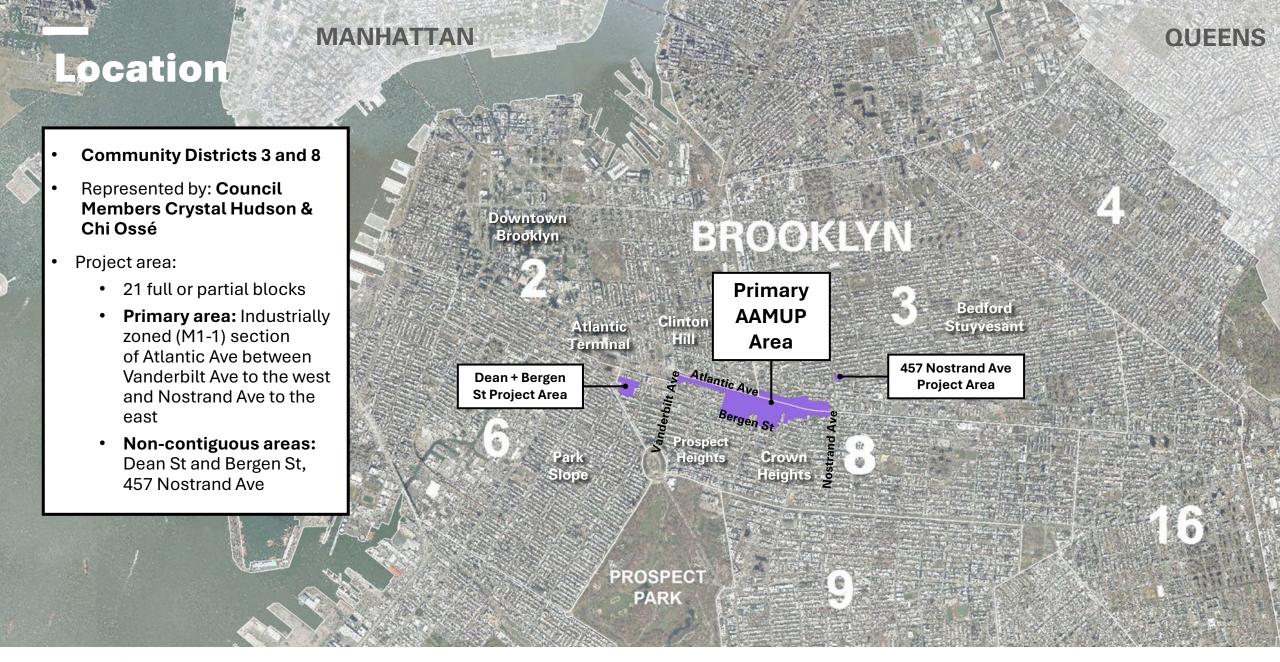
#### **Zoning Text Amendments**

- Establish and map the Special Atlantic Avenue Mixed Use District
- Apply Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) and special regulations to support jobs, active ground floors, streetscape improvements, open space, and a mix of uses

## Urban Development Action Area Project (UDAAP), Acquisitions and Dispositions of City-Owned Land (HPD and DCAS co-applicants)

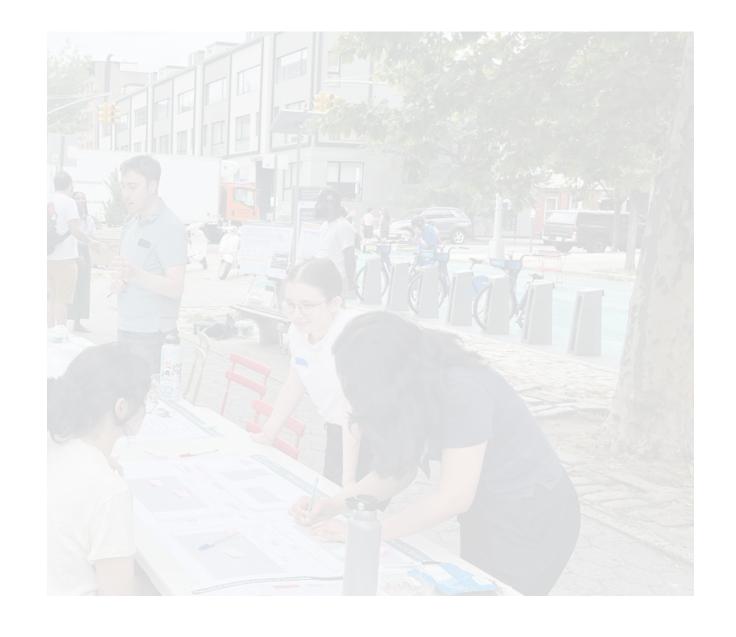
Facilitate housing development and other uses on five sites





## **Outline**

- Background
- Existing Conditions
- Recent Planning Process and Outreach
- Neighborhood Plan Proposal
- Environmental Review and Racial Equity Report

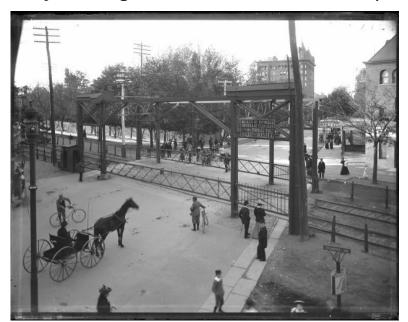






## **Historic Context: Pre-1900s**

#### Railway crossing at Atlantic and Bedford Aves | 1910



Source: NY Digital Culture of Metropolitan New York

#### **Atlantic Avenue and Nostrand Avenue | 1910**



Source: NY Digital Culture of Metropolitan New York

A freight and passenger railway along Atlantic Avenue connecting Long Island farms to the industrial waterfront led to businesses flourishing in the area.

1860s - 1900s



## Historic Context: 1900s – 1960s

#### **Atlantic and Carlton Avenues, looking north | 1947**



Source: New York Public Library

#### **Cars and Streetcars on Atlantic Avenue | 1947**



Source: NY Digital Culture of Metropolitan New York

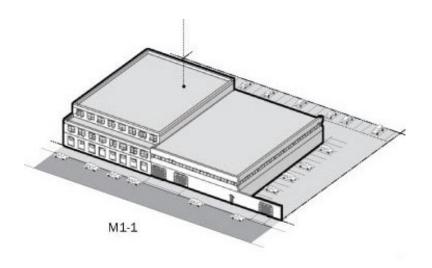
The railway moved underground, and car use skyrocketed – gas stations, repair shops, warehouses, and distributors clustered along Atlantic Avenue.

1900s - 1960s



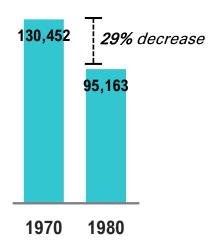
## Historic Context: 1960s - 1980s

M1-1 zoning district designated along Atlantic Avenue



Source: NYC DCP

#### **Population Change within the Context Area**



Census Tracts Overlapping within 0.25 Mile of Primary AAMUP Area Source: US Census

**Atlantic Avenue's M1-1 designation** led to a **population decrease in the 1970s,** coinciding with population loss citywide and an **increase in vacant lots** and parking around Atlantic Avenue.

1961

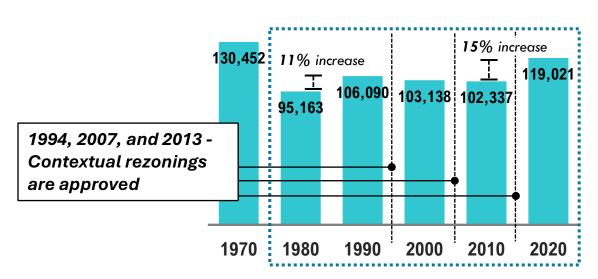
1960s - 1980s





## **Recent Trends:** 1980s – Present

#### **Population Change within the Context Area**



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#### Atlantic Ave and Bedford Ave, looking west | 2023



Source: NYC DCP

The population **increased in the 1980s and then stabilized**, which coincided with **contextual zonings**. The population then rose, **putting pressure on housing**. Since the 80s, AAMUP has **seen little new development**.

**1980s – Present** 

**Present** 

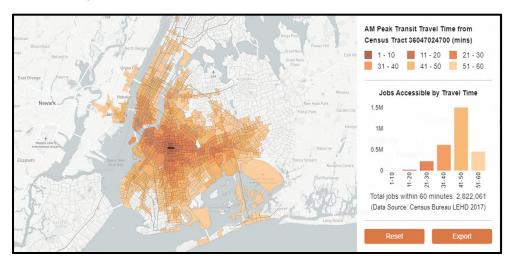


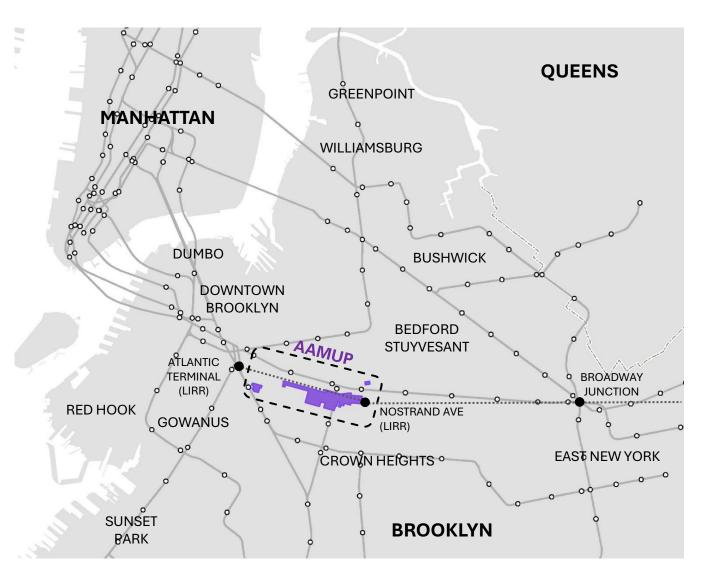




## **Borough-Wide Context**

- AAMUP is part of a network of smaller, neighborhood-based employment nodes in Brooklyn with strong access to public transit (subway and LIRR) and local services and amenities
- Proximate to major job hubs or central business districts -- the average travel time range from 20-30 minutes to Lower Manhattan and Downtown Brooklyn.



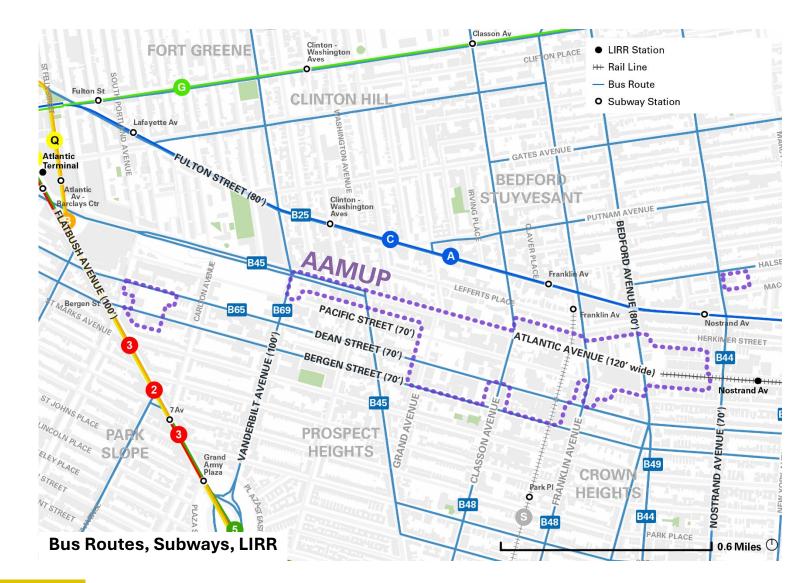






## **Public Realm and Transit Access**

- Within a quarter mile of multiple subway lines (A/C/S) and the LIRR
- Within a half-mile of additional lines, including the Atlantic Terminal Hub
- Bus lines include the B25, B44 (local/SBS), B45, B48, B49, B65, B69





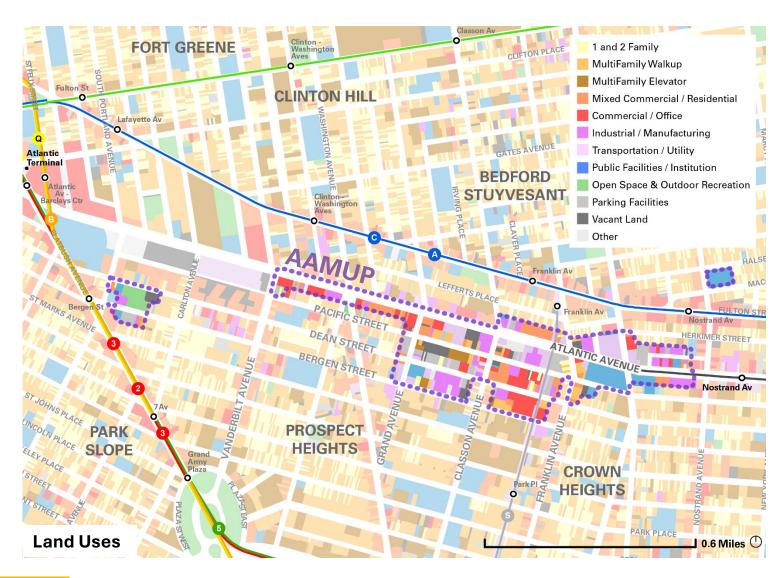
## **Existing Land Uses**

#### Surrounding area:

- Primarily residential with commercial concentrated along Fulton St and northsouth corridors
- Community facilities include medical centers, houses of worship, the Bedford Atlantic Armory and several schools

#### Project area:

 Mix of uses, including parking, vacant land, warehousing and distribution space, offices, retail, light industrial, and residential





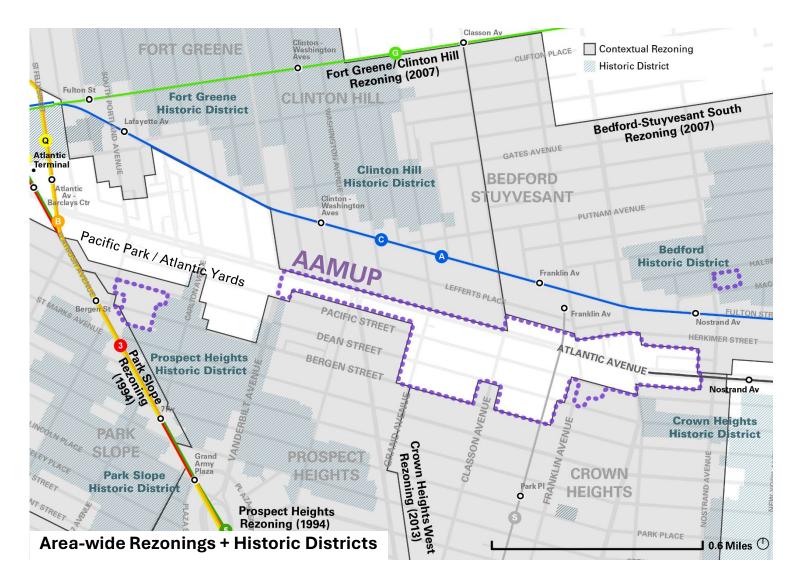
## **Neighborhood Context**

#### Area-wide Contextual Rezonings:

- 1994: Prospect Heights, North Park Slope
- 2007: Bedford Stuyvesant South, Fort Greene-Clinton Hill
- 2013: Crown Heights West

#### LPC-Designated Historic Districts:

- 1973 / 2016: Park Slope
- 1978: Fort Greene
- 1981: Clinton Hill
- 2007: Crown Heights North I
- 2009: Prospect Heights
- 2015: Bedford





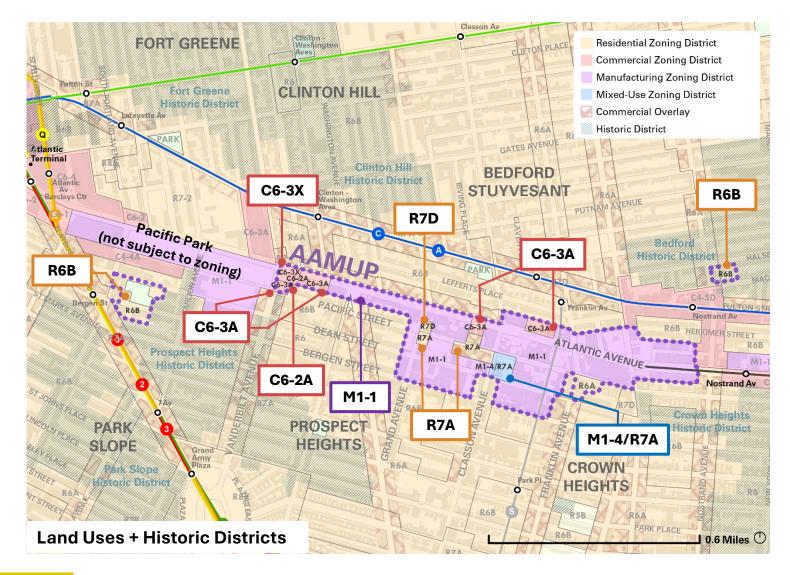
## **Existing Zoning**

#### Outside of AAMUP:

 Predominantly mix of R6B, R6A, R7A and R7D districts with commercial overlays along corridors and pockets of Commercial Districts

#### Within AAMUP:

- Mainly M1-1, except for zoning from recent applications (eg C6-3A along Atlantic Ave) and non-contiguous areas, which are zoned R6B
- Historic Districts (shaded in blue)





## **Private Applications**

#### **Applications within AAMUP + year of approval**

2019 1010 Pacific St (M1-4/R7A) - 175 units 1050 Pacific St (R7A/C2-4) - 240 units

**2020** Grand and Pacific (R7D/C2-4) – 69 units

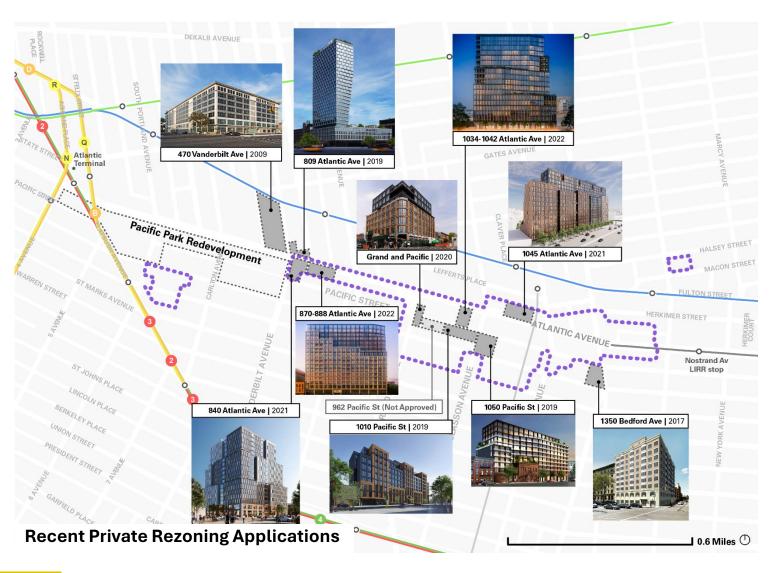
2021 840 Atlantic Ave (C6-3A, C6-3X) – 316 units 1045 Atlantic Ave (C6-3A) – 456 units

2022 870 Atlantic Ave (C6-3A) – 228 units 1034 Atlantic Ave (C6-3A, R7A/C2-4) – 237 units

**2024** FRESH applications

#### Other applications within a block of AAMUP

- 2009: 470 Vanderbilt Ave 376 units
- 2017: 1350 Bedford Ave 94 units
- 2019: 809 Atlantic Ave 286 units







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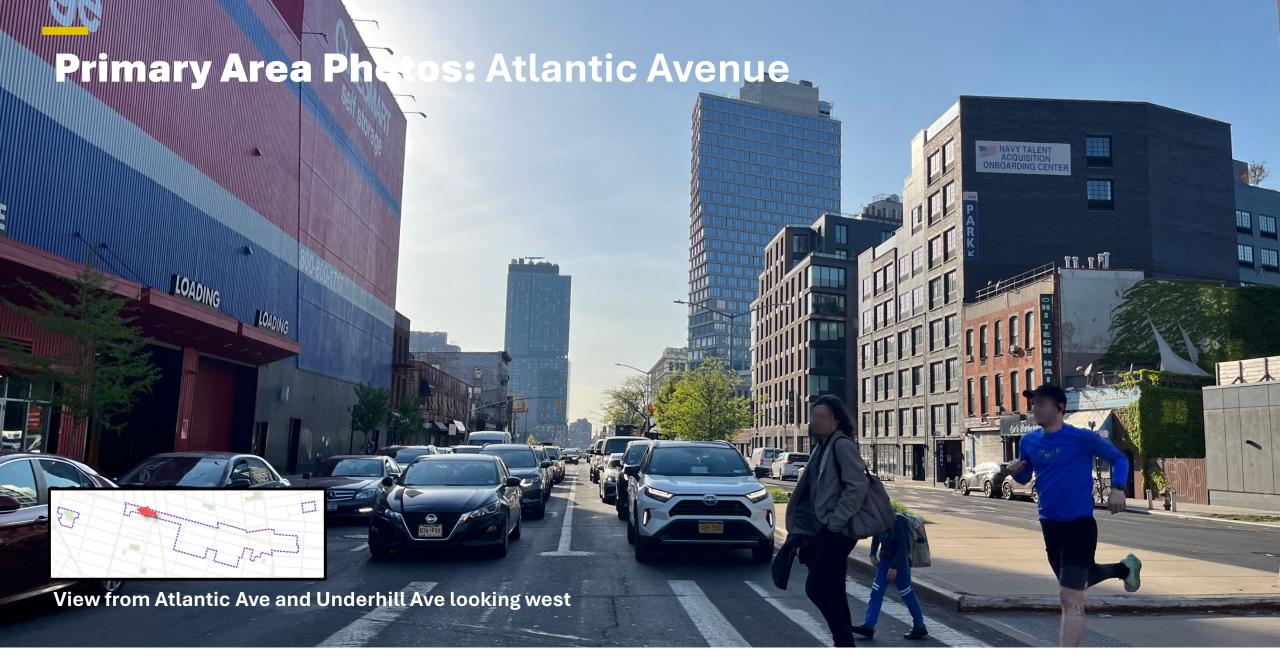
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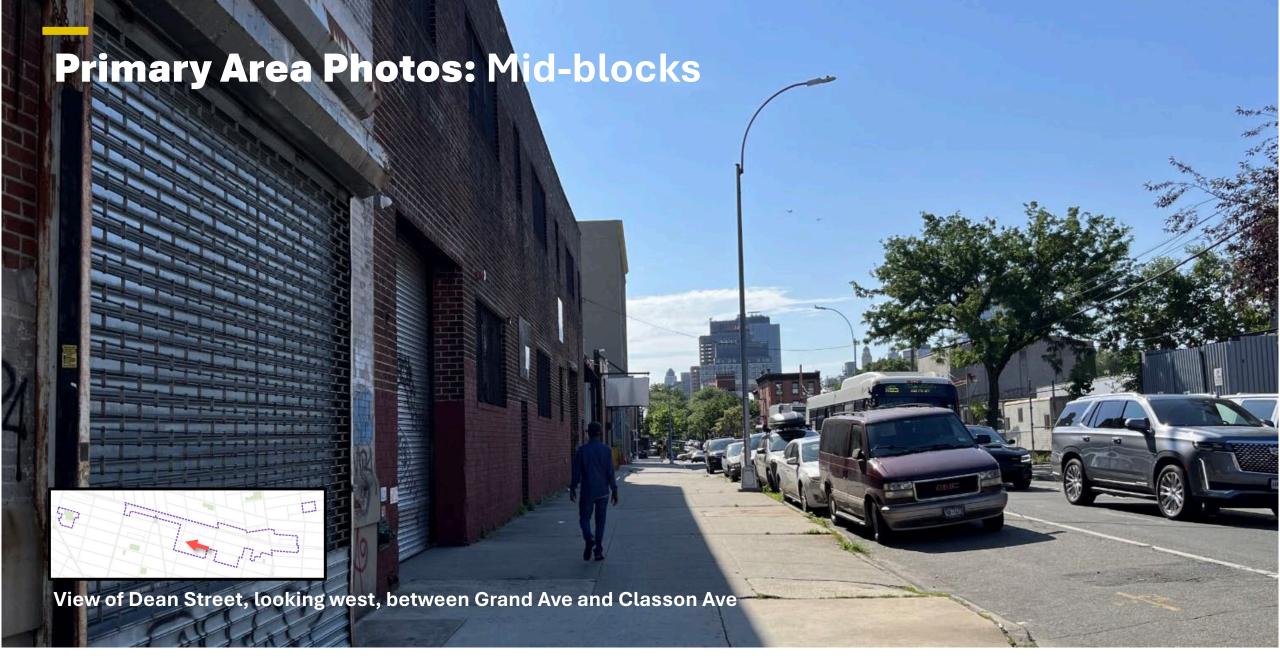






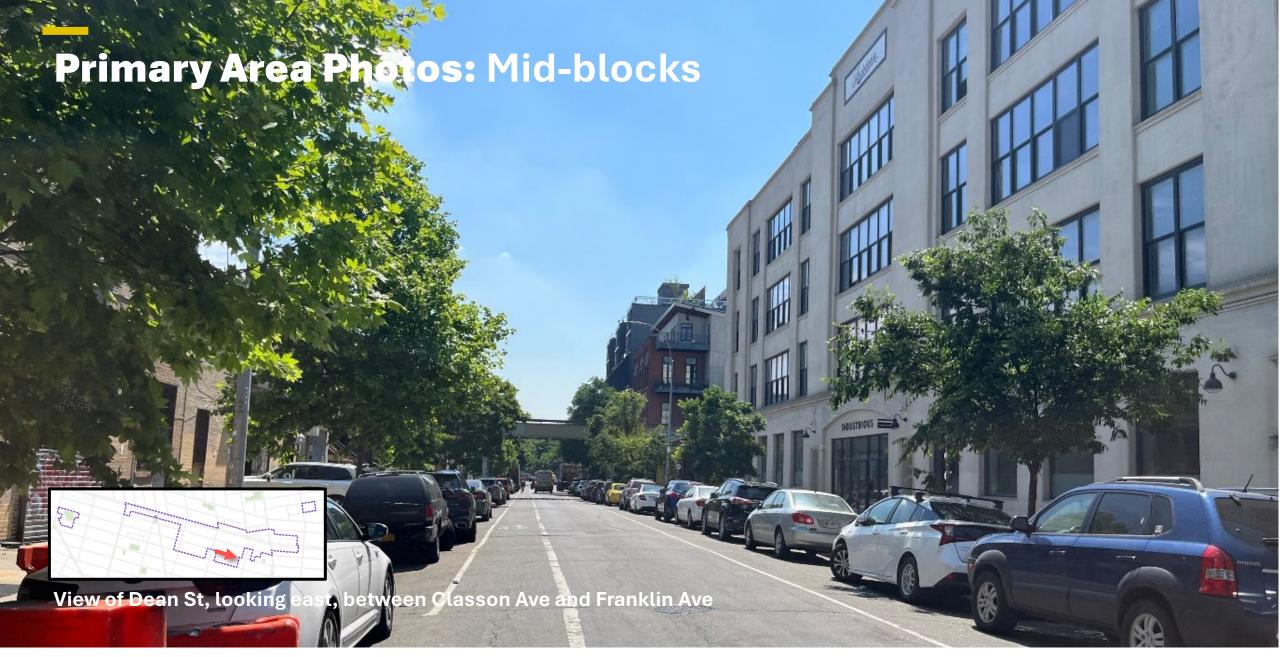






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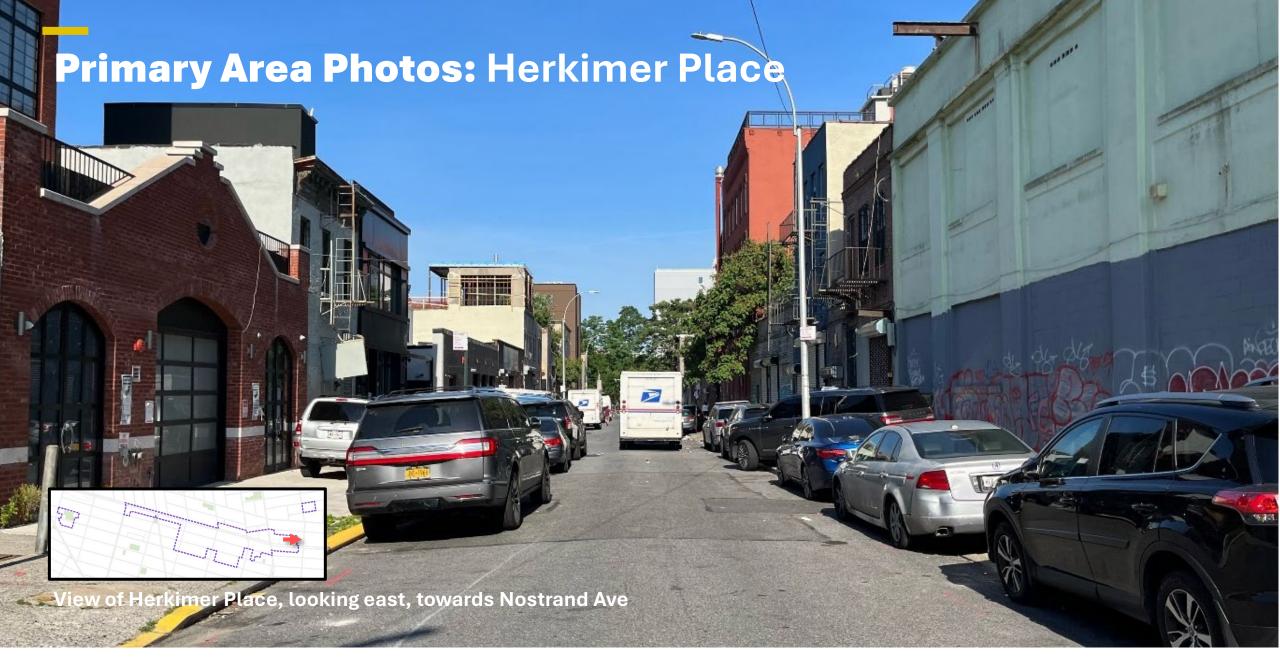
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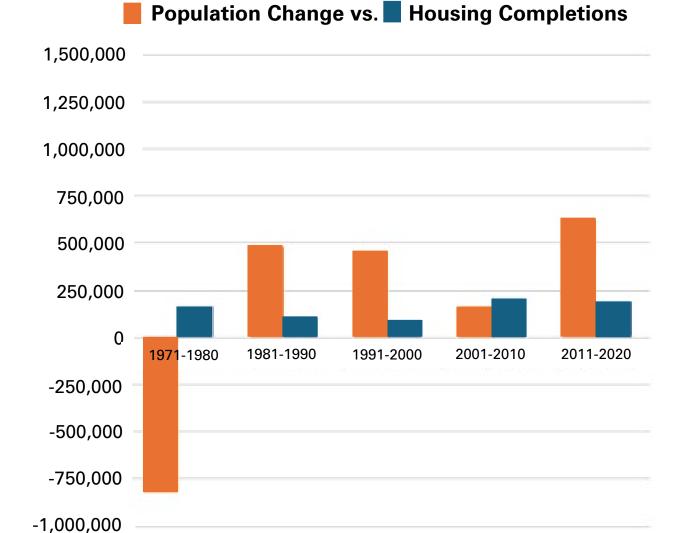




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## **Citywide Housing Crisis**

Only 1.4% of NYC apartments are available for rent, the lowest vacancy rate since 1968



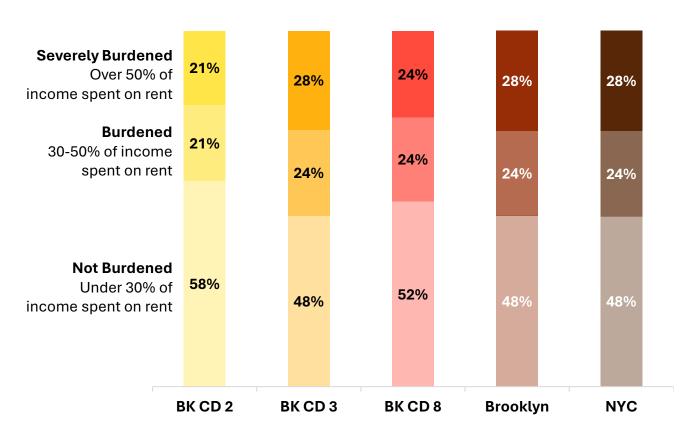
Source: NYC Housing and Vacancy Survey, 2021



## **Citywide and Local Housing Crisis**

#### Rent Burden Percentage (2018-2022)

~ 40% - 50% of residents in AAMUP are rent burdened or severely rent burdened



Source: ACS 2018-2022, Community District Tabulation Area (CDTA)



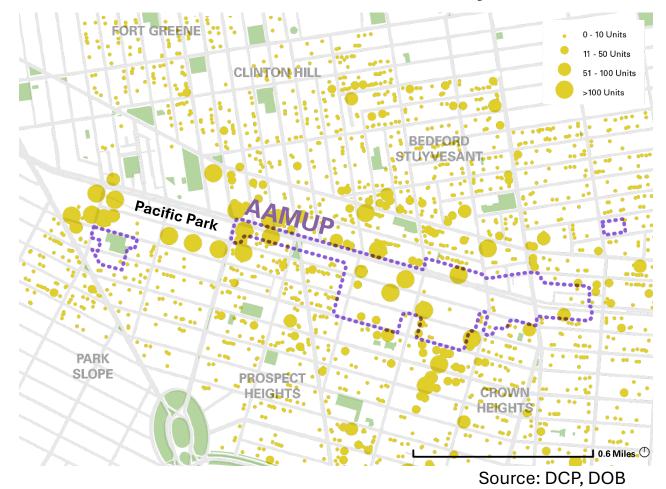


## **Population and Development Trends**

## Between 2010 and 2020, the Context Area grew by:

- +16,644 new residents
- + 8,775 new housing units

## Map of Housing Units Constructed/Permitted from 2010 - 2020 Within a Half Mile of Primary AAMUP Area





## **Business and Job Trends**

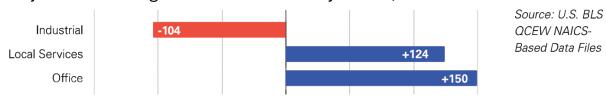
#### Gas station at Atlantic Ave and Bedford Ave



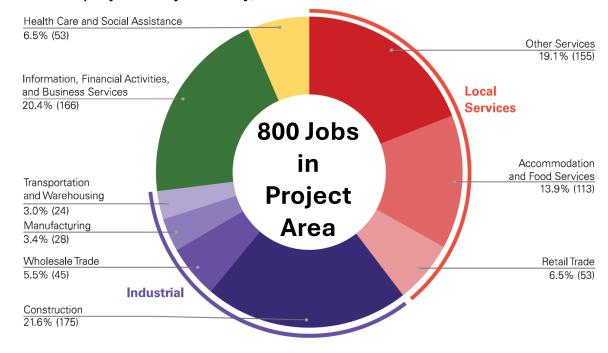
**Auto repair on Classon Avenue** 



#### Project Area Change in number of Jobs by Sector, 2012 - 2022



#### Project Area Employment by Industry, 2022



Source: NYC Planning analysis of NY State Department of Labor Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) data, 2022 Annual Average





# Recent Planning



2018

2020

## **CB 8 M-CROWN Proposal and DCP Land Use Framework**

2013 Crown Heights West Rezoning adopted

Formation of C8 "M-CROWN" Land Use Subcommittee

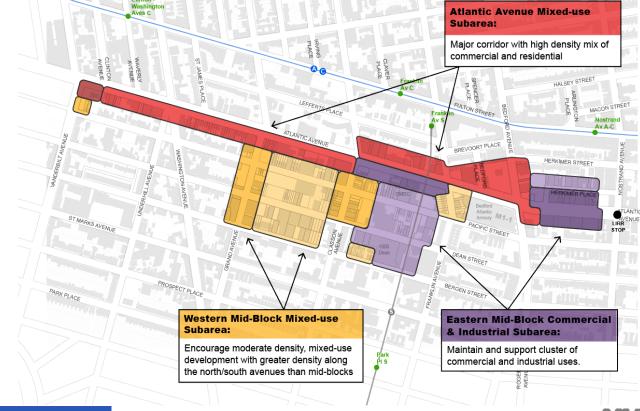
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2019 Revised CB 8 Proposal

Outreach during the pandemic

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## **Genesis of AAMUP**

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 Formation of C8 "M-CROWN" Land Use Subcommittee

 Original CB 8 Resolution adopted
 DCP engagement begins
 DCP released Land Use Framework
 Revised CB 8 Proposal
 Outreach during pandemic



2019-2022: Approval of 7 private applications (1500 units)

(Winter/Spring) Letter from Council Members Crystal Hudson and Chi Ossé, and stakeholders requesting the City to advance a Neighborhood Plan

(Spring/Summer) Development of an engagement plan

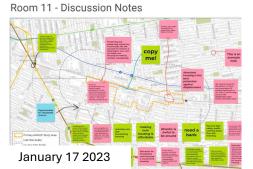
2022

## **Core AAMUP Outreach and Engagement**

**2023** (Winter/Spring)

Following an **official** study kickoff, DCP partnered with CM **Hudson and WXY** Studios (engagement consultant) to hold **nine Steering Committee** meetings, three community planning workshops, and nine working group meetings (WG), including three meetings on various topics

#### **Public Workshops**



Land Use, Density, Housing WG



Open Space, Streetscape, Infra WG



Econ Dev, Human Capital, Services WG



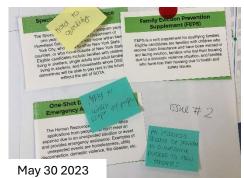
















## **Key Stakeholders**

















#### **Organizations on AAMUP Steering Committee**

- Council Members Crystal Hudson and Chi Ossé
- Community Boards 2, 3 and 8
- Prospect Heights Neighborhood Development Corp.
- Crown Heights North Association
- Impacct Brooklyn
- North Prospect Heights Association

#### Other local stakeholders

- Block and neighborhood associations
- Major business and property owners, including GMDC
- Local nonprofits and affordable housing partners (Bridge Street Development Corp, Acacia Network)



## **Interagency Coordination**

























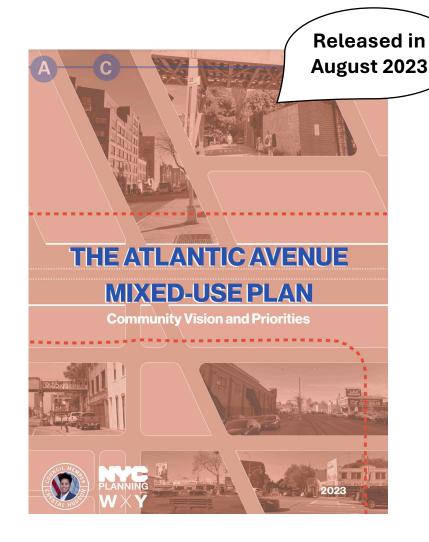








## **AAMUP Community Vision and Priorities Report**



- Summarizes public outreach process and feedback, along with existing conditions
- Developed in coordination with the AAMUP Steering Committee, the report identifies top community-based priorities:



Create and preserve affordable housing with a mix of uses and density anchored on Atlantic Ave



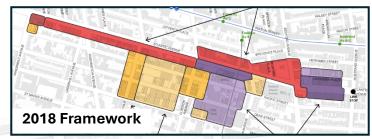
Coordinated street plan with new open space or improvements to existing parks

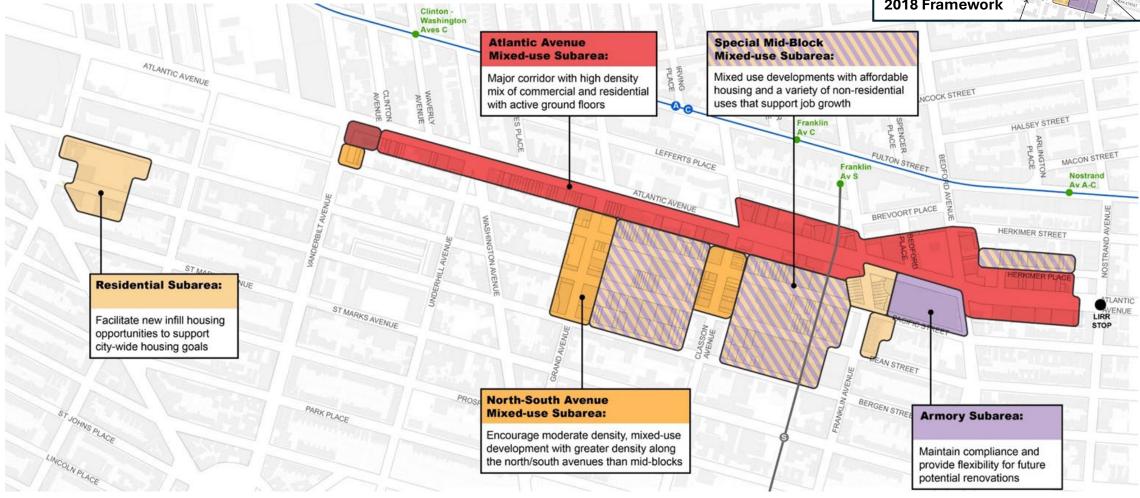


Job training and business support, while reactivating the Bedford Atlantic Armory



## **Revised Framework - Summer 2023**





## **Recent Public Engagement**

**September** - Draft Zoning Framework Presentation

October - EIS Scoping Meeting

**2024 January** - Business Round Table with SBS

**May** - Tenant Resource Fair with HPD

**June** - Public Realm Open house with DOT

**Ongoing** Steering Committee Meetings

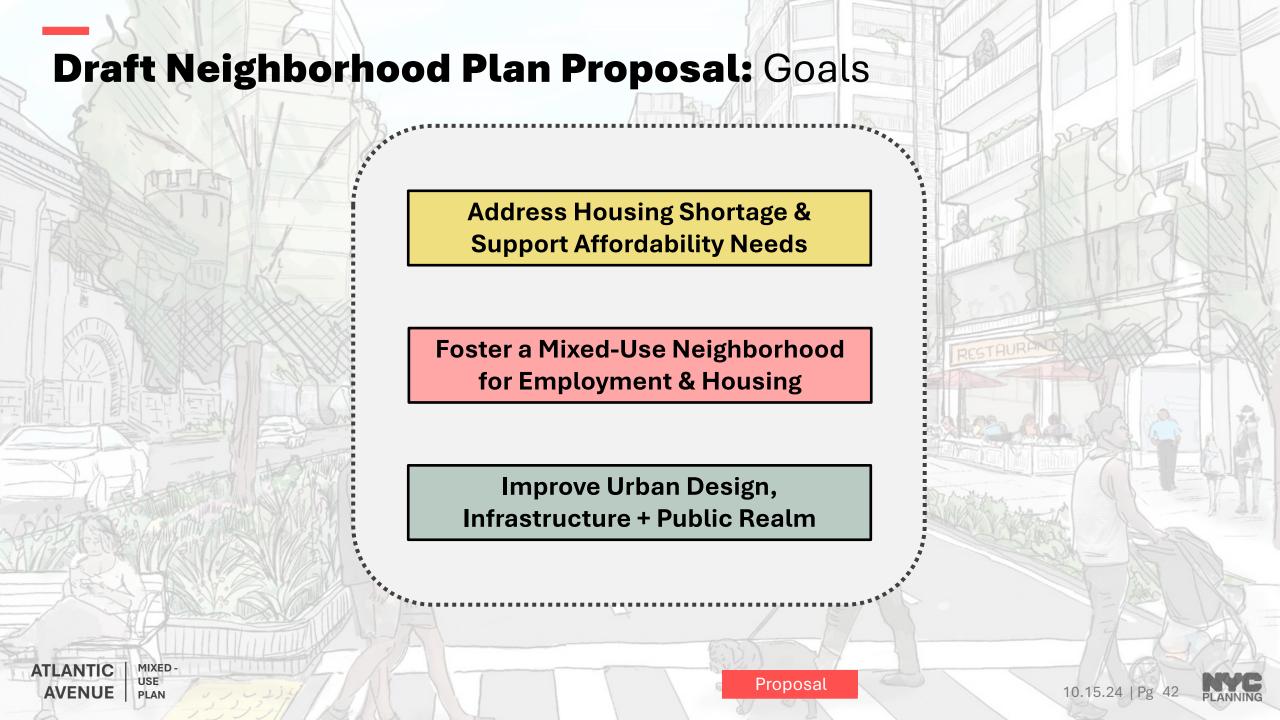
















# **Draft Neighborhood Plan Proposal: Tools**

## Goals

Address Housing Shortage & Support Affordability Needs

Foster a Mixed-Use Neighborhood for Employment & Housing

Improve Urban Design,
Infrastructure & Public Realm

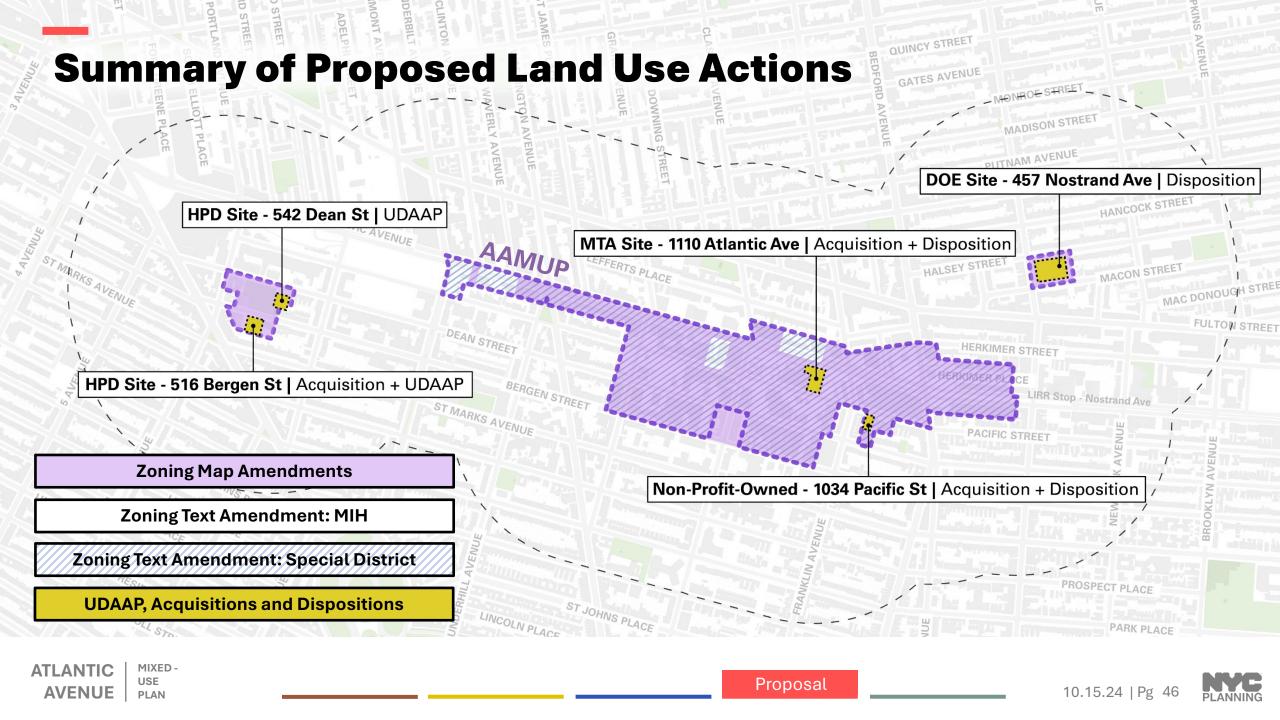
## **Tools**

**Zoning Map Changes** 

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**Capital + Programmatic Investments** 



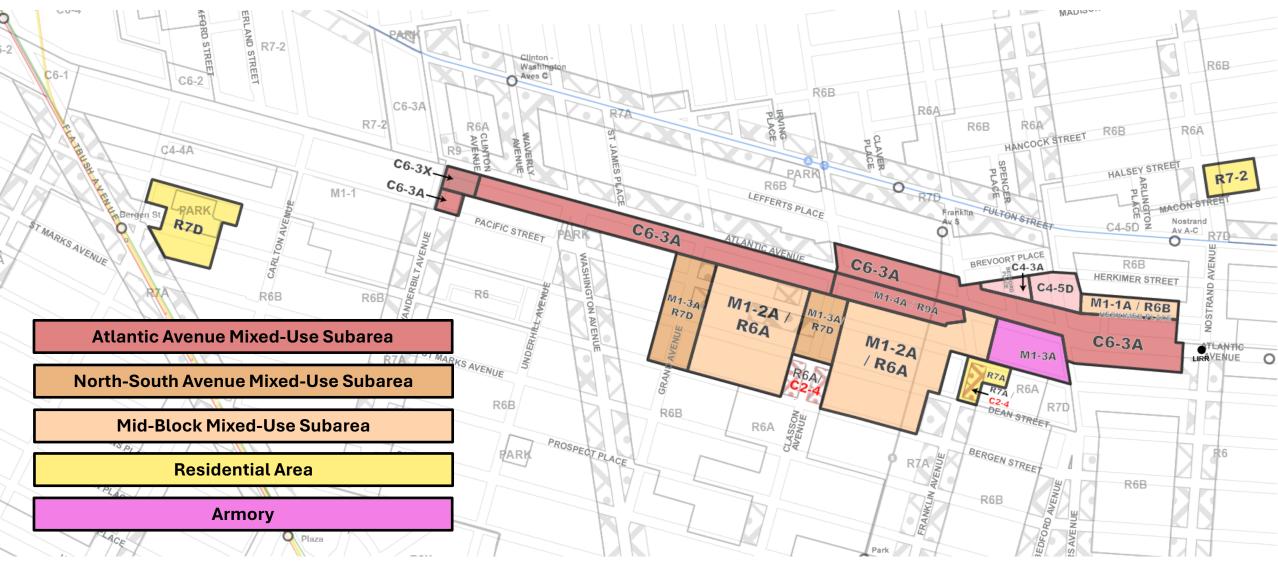
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# **Zoning Map Amendment**





## **Special District and Zoning Text Amendments**

The Special Atlantic Avenue Mixed Use District would include special rules to ensure a lively streetscape along Atlantic Avenue and other corridors and support a mix of residential, commercial, community facility and light industrial uses.



Mapping Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) and support deeper levels of affordability on city-owned sites



**Require buildings street wall to setback** along Atlantic Avenue and Bedford Avenue



Adjust FAR, bulk envelopes, and waive required residential parking, in alignment with City-wide text amendment: City of Yes Housing Opportunity



Require bulk envelope modifications to **accommodate** a variety of uses and façade articulate



Require **non-residential ground floor uses** on along major corridors



Create a floor area bonus to promote new open spaces on large lots located along Atlantic Avenue



Create an **incentive for mid-block job-generating uses** with housing above



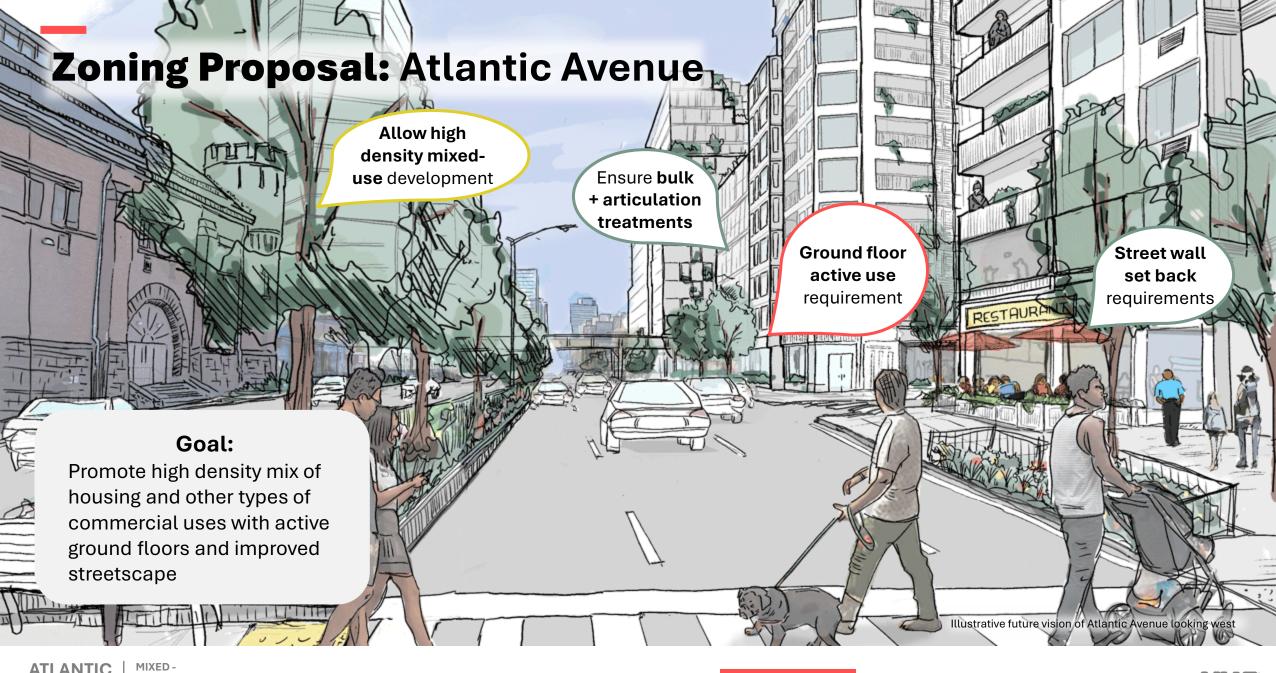
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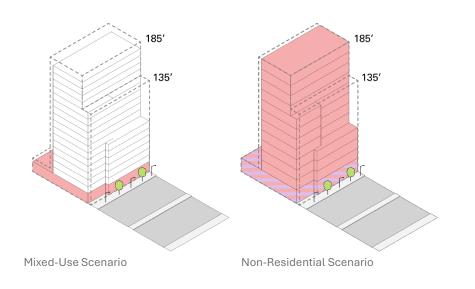




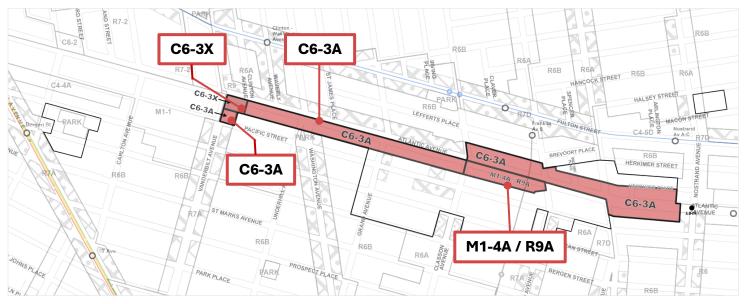
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**Existing Zoning:** M1-1\*

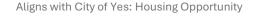
Proposed Zoning: C6-3A, M1-4A / R9A



	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Commercial FAR	Max. Community Facility FAR	Max. Manufacturing FAR
C6-3A (R9A)	9.02	6.0	7.5	n/a
M1-4A / R9A	9.02	5.0	7.5	5.0



\*A sliver portion of the existing zoning is C6-2A due to a past private application at 840 Atlantic Ave





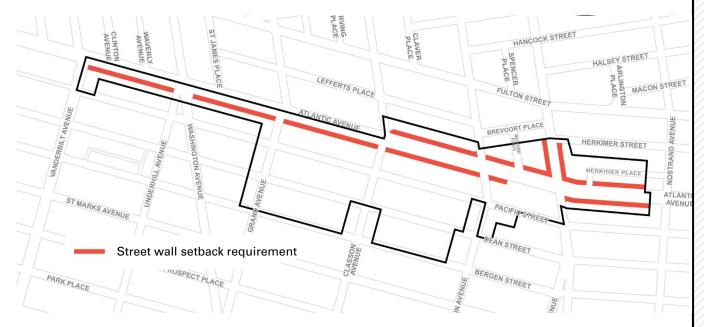


Goal: Improve the public realm, streetscape, and building forms



View of Atlantic Ave looking west near Grand Ave

**Issue:** Many sidewalks along Atlantic Ave are ~ 8' to 17' wide, creating a narrow condition for pedestrians + limiting the use of the sidewalk



**Proposal:** Require the "street wall" of new buildings to set back a maximum of 5 feet to achieve a 20-foot-wide sidewalk



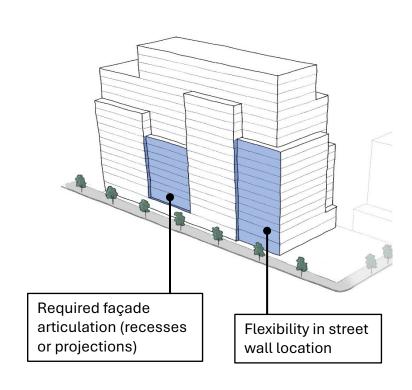
Goal: Improve the public realm, streetscape, and building forms

#### Issue:

 Due to Atlantic Ave's 800-foot-long block frontages, new developments could be built with flat, boxy facades

### Proposal:

 Require building façade articulation for developments with more than 100 feet of frontage, in addition to base height and setbacks





Example sketch of required street wall recess



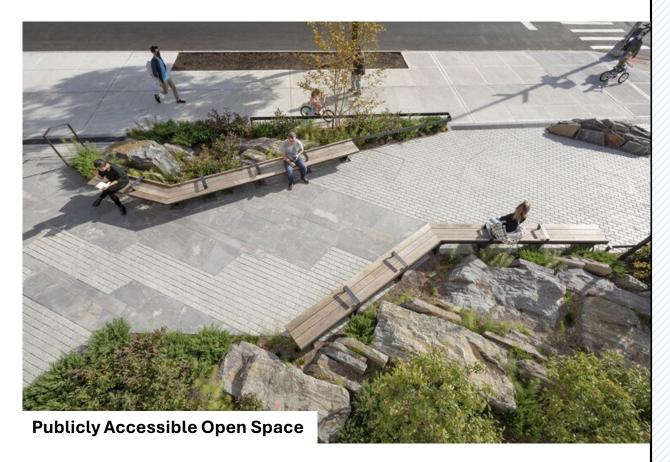
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#### Issue:

 Atlantic Ave is located in a "walk-to-park" gap and there are limited opportunities for new open space on public sites

### Proposal:

- Create a new CPC Authorization for a 20% floor area bonus (4:1 ratio) for new developments on lots greater than 25,000 SF along Atlantic Ave (R9A equiv. areas) to provide new publicly accessible open space
- New open space proposals would involve a separate application process with a series of findings and environmental review





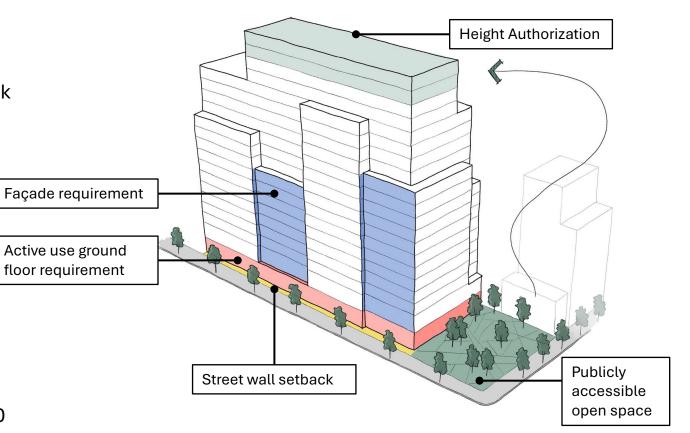
## **Special District:** Atlantic Ave Summary

## **Requirements:**

- Active Ground floor uses (non-residential)
- Set street wall back to achieve a wider sidewalk
- Building façade and articulation for lots 100' and wider
- Restrictive lobby sizes for upper floors
- Transparency

### **CPC Authorization:**

- Provide new publicly accessible open space
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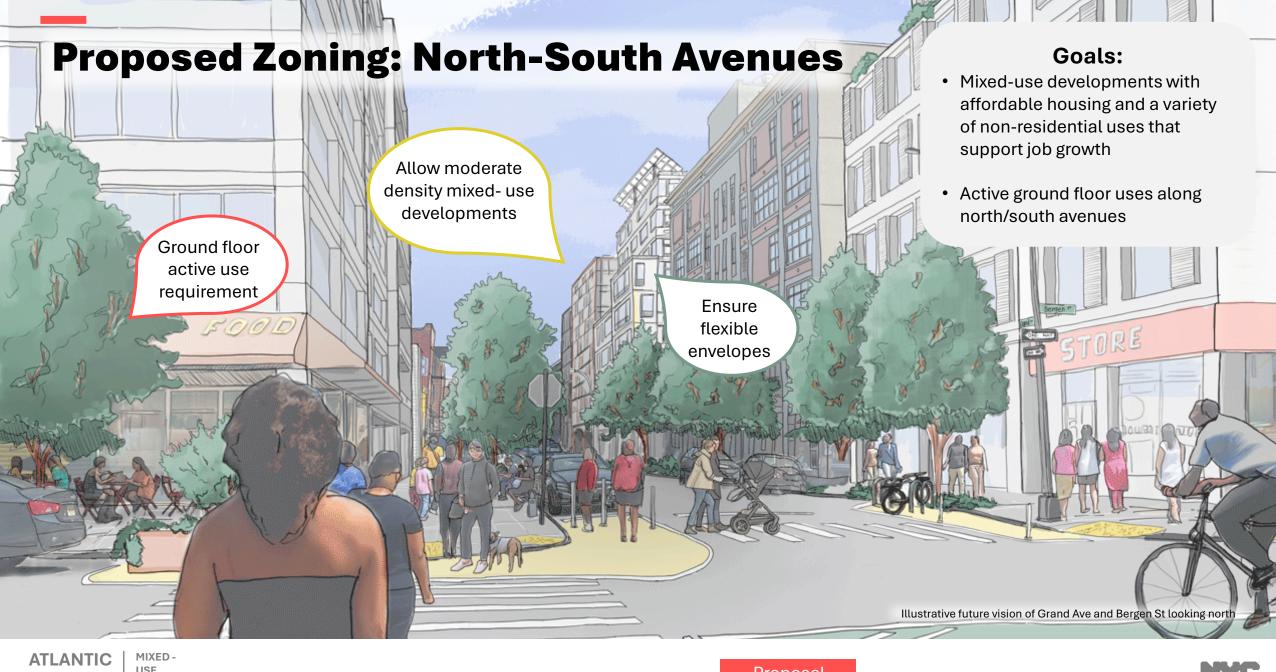
Illustrative diagram of example site with Atlantic Avenue Special District Proposals





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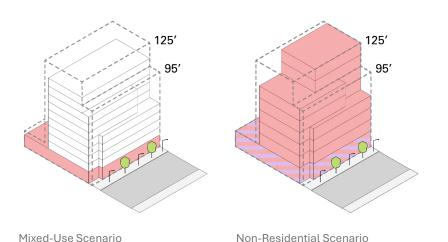




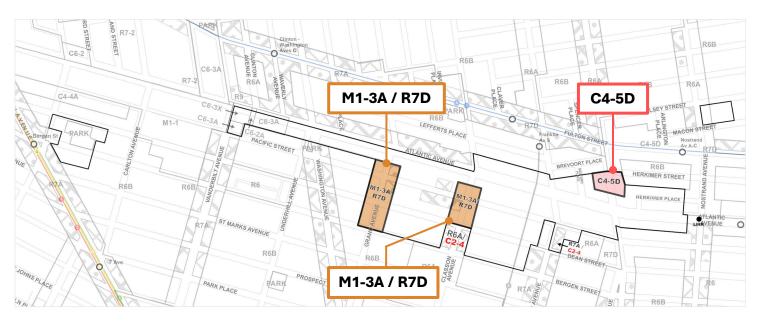
# **Zoning Proposal:** North / South Avenues

**Existing Zoning:** M1-1\*

Proposed Zoning: M1-3A / R7D, C4-5D, C2-4 overlay



	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Commercial FAR	Max. Community Facility FAR	Max. Manufacturing FAR
M1-3A / R7D	F.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
C4-5D	5.6	4.2	4.2	n/a
C2-4	n/a	2	n/a	n/a



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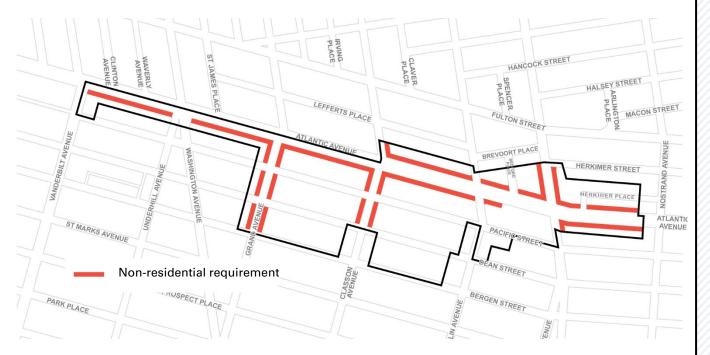


## **Special District:** Mix of Uses

Goal: Support a mixed-use neighborhood to encourage job growth



**Issues**: Top community priority; residential on the ground floor along Atlantic Ave results in a poor streetscape condition



**Proposal:** Require active non-residential ground floor uses along major corridors, including Atlantic, Bedford, Grand and Classon Avenues





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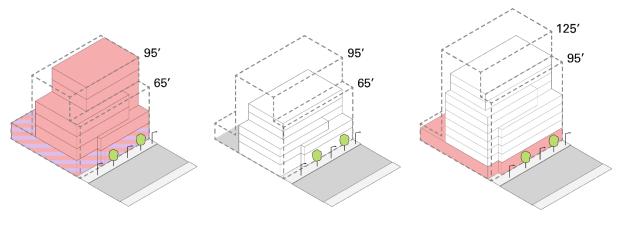


## **Zoning Proposal:** Mid-Blocks

(Dean Street, Pacific Street, Bergen Street)

**Existing Zoning:** M1-1\*

**Proposed Zoning:** M1-2A / R6A, C4-3A

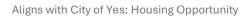


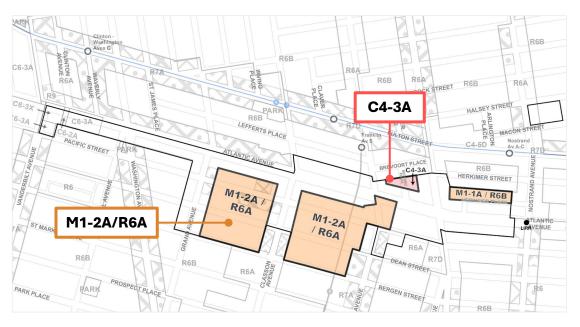
Non-Residential Scenario

Residential Scenario

Mixed- Use Scenario

	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Commercial FAR	Max. Community Facility FAR	Max. Manufacturing FAR	Max Total w/ incentive FAR
M1-2A / R6A	3.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.0
C4-3A	3.9	3.4	3.4	n/a	n/a





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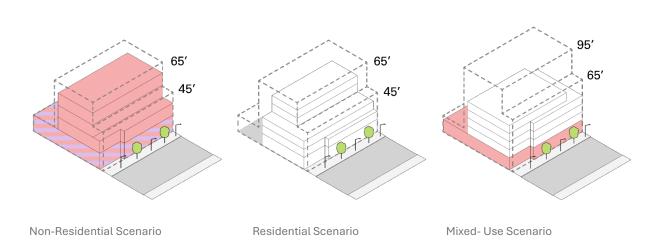


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(Herkimer Place)

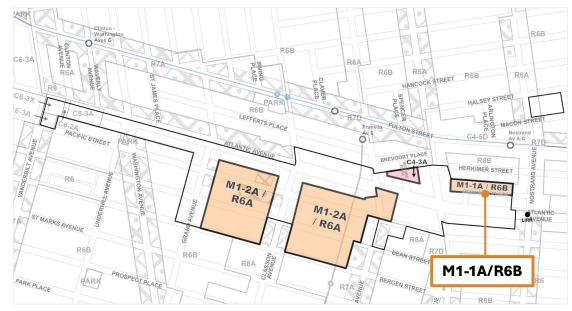
**Existing Zoning:** M1-1

Proposed Zoning: M1-1A / R6B



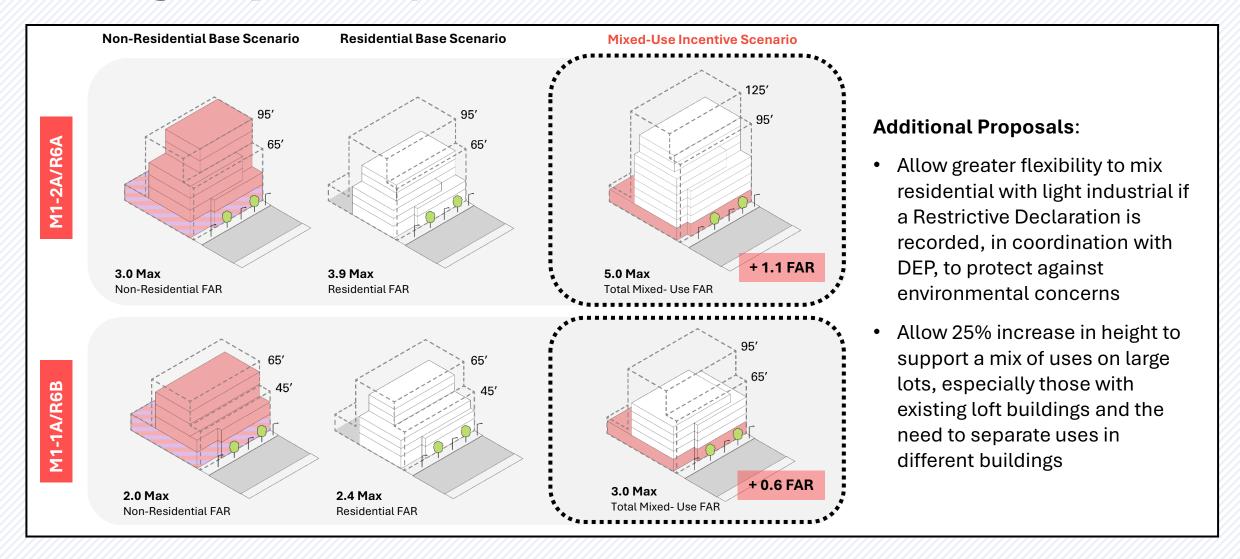
	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Commercial FAR	Max. Community Facility FAR	Max. Manufacturing FAR	Max Total w/ incentive FAR
M1-1A / R6B	2.4*	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0

Aligns with City of Yes: Housing Opportunity





## **Zoning Proposal:** Special Mixed-Use Incentive





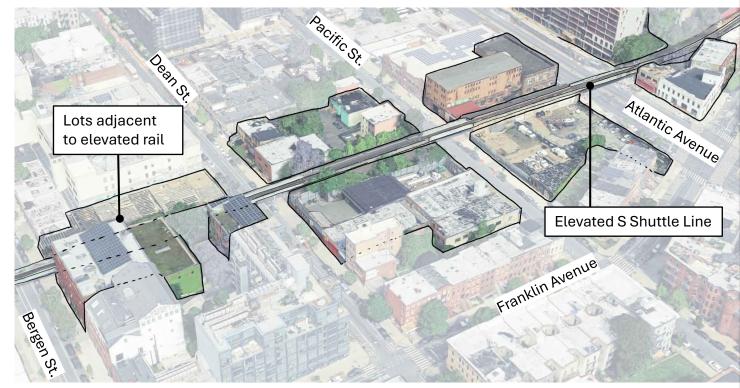
Goal: Provide flexibility for lots adjacent or close to the elevated rails (Franklin Ave Shuttle, LIRR)

### **Issues:**

- Physical constraints of lots adjacent to Franklin Ave Shuttle
- Noise and vibrations from elevated trains

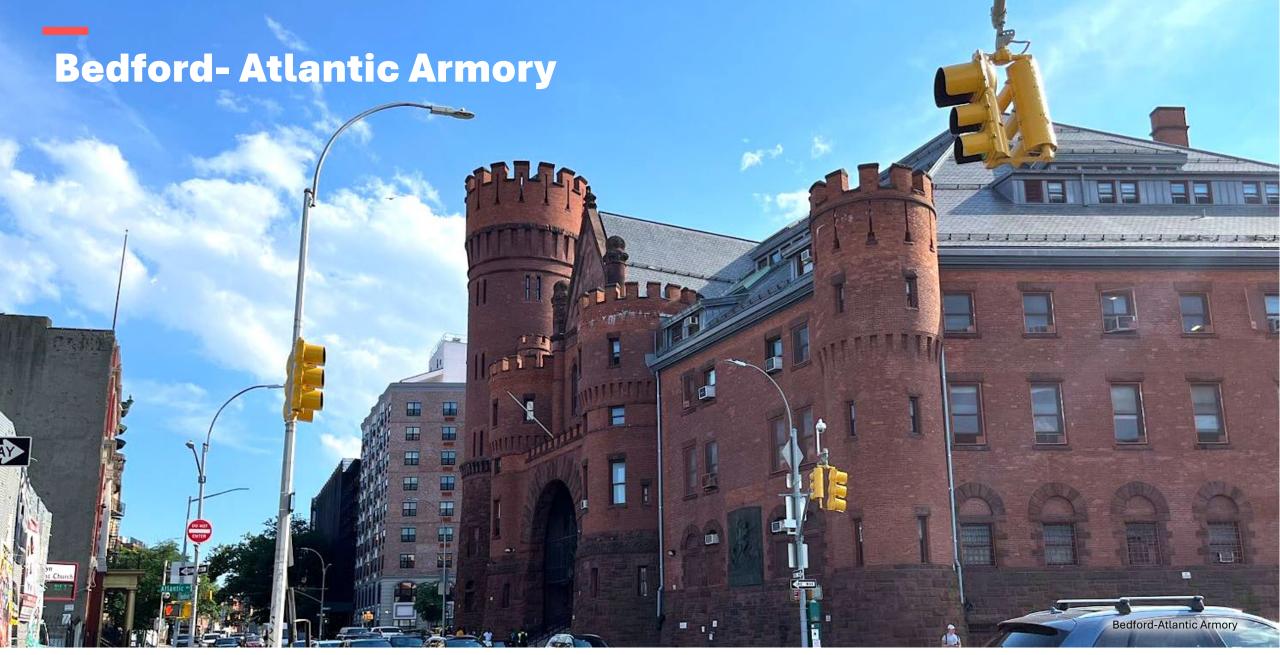
## Proposal:

- Allow through lots adjacent to Franklin Ave Shuttle to waive rear yard equivalents to allow more flexibility
- Permit developments within 100 feet of the Shuttle and LIRR to increase height by 1-2 stories



Lots Adjacent to Elevated Franklin Ave S- Shuttle





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## Zoning Proposal: Bedford-Atlantic Armory

**Existing Zoning:** M1-1

**Proposed Zoning: M1-3A** 

### **Context:**

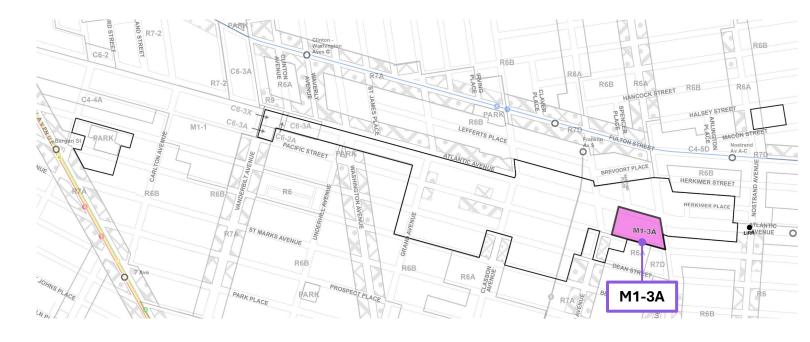
- Bedford Atlantic Armory (LPC designated landmark)
- Building is non-compliant with zoning

### Goals:

- Short-term: Bring the Armory into greater compliance with zoning and provide flexibility for potential renovations
- Medium/long-term: Explore re-activation of underutilized building space for community-orientated uses, while maintaining DHS shelter

### **Proposed Zoning**

 Map M1-3A district and eliminate off-street parking and loading requirements



	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Commercial, Community Facility and Manufacturing FAR	Max. Base / Building Height
M1-3A	N/A	4.0	95' / 125'







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## **Zoning Proposal:** Residential Areas

**Existing Zoning:** R6B, R6A

Proposed Zoning: R7D, R7A, R7-2,

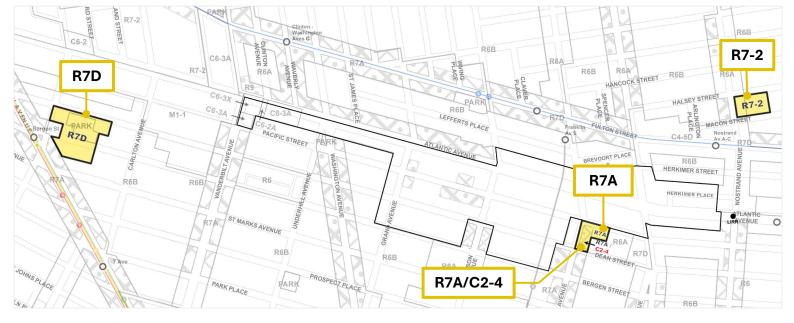
R7A/C2-4

### **Context:**

- Dean Street and Bergen Street
- Pacific Street and Franklin Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue

### Goal:

 Maximize affordable housing opportunities on city-owned sites and nonprofit- owned sites to align with goals to provide affordable senior and family housing



\* Portion of Franklin Avenue to map C2-4 to align with existing corridor commercial overlays

	Max. Residential FAR	Max. Community Facility FAR	Max. Base / Building Height
R7A	5.0	4.0	85' / 115'
R7D	5.6	4.2	95' / 125'
R7-2	4.6	6.5	75' / 135'





## **Special District: Off-Street Parking**

**Goal**: Reduce conflicts between parking and housing, improve the streetscape, and minimize curb cuts and loading

**Issues:** Off-street parking is required for 50% of non-income-restricted housing units, which can result in underutilized parking areas and compete for space with housing and other uses

**Proposal:** Waive residential off-street accessory parking in alignment with City of Yes for Housing Opportunity

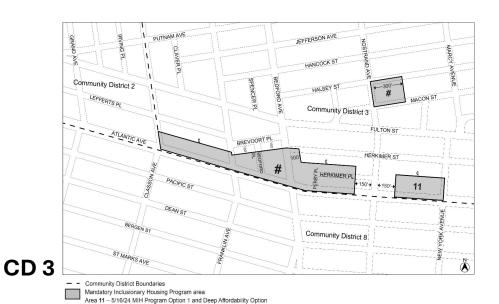




## **Zoning Text Amendment:** Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH)

Goal: Increase housing opportunities and require affordable housing for new developments

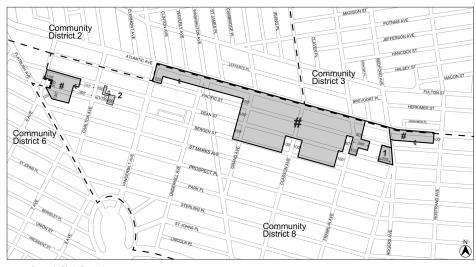
**Proposal**: Map Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) with Options 1 and 2, plus the Deep Affordability Option



Area # - [date of adoption] MIH Program Option 1, Option 2 and Option 3

• Third application of MIH in a Brooklyn neighborhood study (East New York and Gowanus)

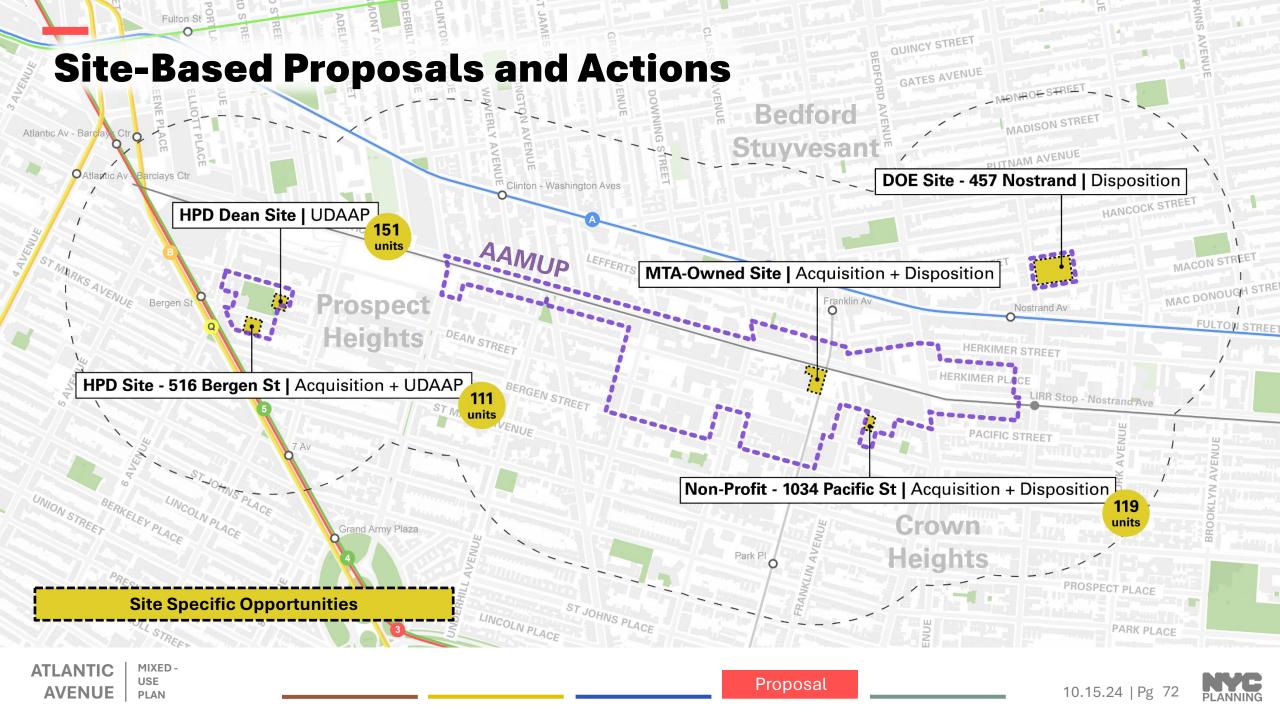
• ~1,055 MIH units on private sites, plus 381 units at 100% affordable developments



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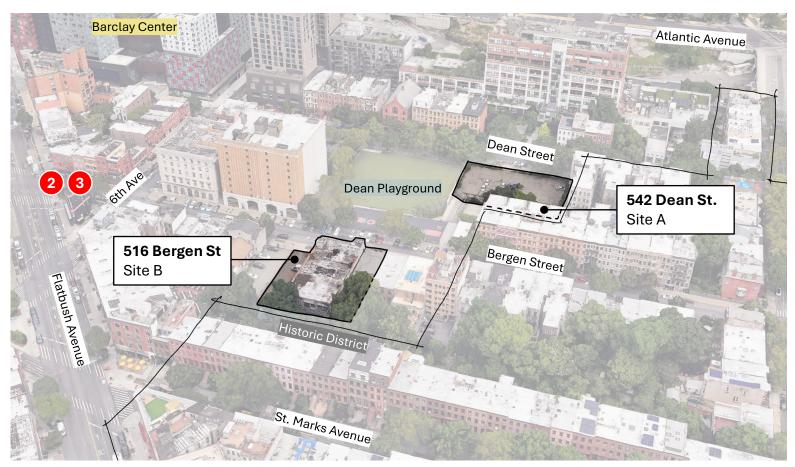
## **HPD-Owned Sites**

### 542 Dean Street (Site A):

- Vacant city-owned site that currently has HPD parking
- 151 units

### 516 Bergen Street (Site B):

- Partly vacant city-owned site that currently has HPD parking and underutilized HPD building
- 111 units

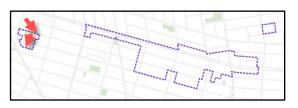


Aerial view of proposed sites





# **Photos:** Dean St and Bergen St HPD Sites





View of 516 Bergen St, looking south, between Carlton Ave and 6th Ave



View of 542 Dean St, looking southeast, between Carlton Ave and 6th Ave



## **HPD-Owned Site A: 542 Dean St | Dean Park Edge**

- 100% affordable (up to 50% AMI)
- 151 units for seniors
- Senior Affordable Rental Apartments (SARA)

### **Affordability:**

- Seniors earning up to 50% AMI
- 30% of units for formerly homeless senior households

### **Development Team:**

Jobe Development, Corp., Mega Group Development, LLC and Institute for Community Living





## HPD-Owned Site A: 542 Dean St | Dean Park Edge

- 100% affordable (up to 50% AMI)
- 151 units for seniors
- Senior Affordable Rental Apartments (SARA)

### Proposal:

11-story mixed-use development with 151 affordable senior rental units, and an additional super's unit, with a mix of studios and one-bedroom units.

- On-site Social Services
- Resident Amenity Space
- Community Facility Space
- Open Space with publicly accessible through-block walkway



Illustrative rendering of proposal's open space, looking south towards Bergen St



## HPD-Owned Site B: 516 Bergen St | Bergen Green

- 100% affordable (up to 80% AMI)
- 111 units
- Extremely Low + Low-Income Affordability (ELLA)

### Affordability:

- No greater than 80% AMI
- 15% of units for formerly homeless households

### Proposal:

 11-story, 111 affordable rental units, and an additional super's unit, consisting of a mix of studios and 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom units.

### **Development Team:**

Apex Building Group and Bridge Street
 Development Corporation



Illustrative rendering of proposal, facing southeast

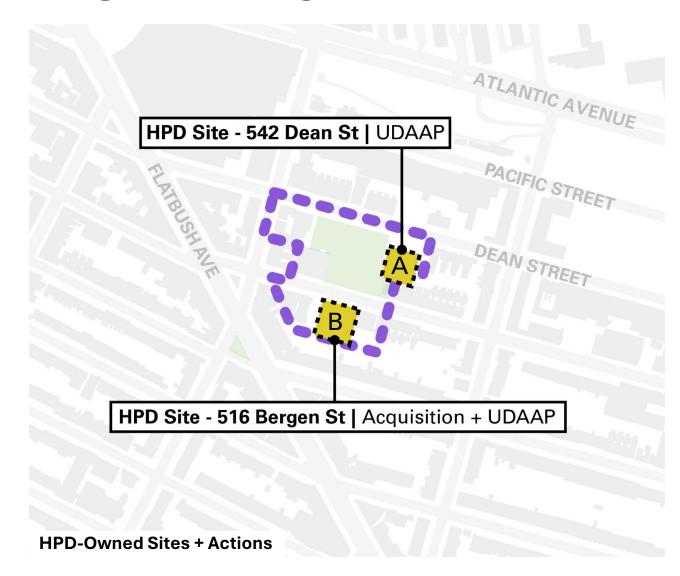




## **HPD-Owned Sites:** Dean Park Edge and Bergen Green

### **Proposed Land Use Actions:**

- Urban Development Action Area ("UDAA")
   designation and project approval ("UDAAP"), and
   approval of disposition of six city-owned lots
- Acquisition of city-owned property at Site B to enable replacement of HPD parking (~23 spaces) in the cellar of new development





## Non-Profit Owned Site: 1134 - 1142 Pacific St

### **Background:**

- Previously city-owned site that was disposed in 1987 to facilitate a rehabilitation project for affordable housing
- Site consists of a vacant four-story building and adjacent vacant lot

### **Development Team:**

• Acacia Network, Dattner Architects





## Non-Profit Owned Site: 1134 - 1142 Pacific St

- 100% affordable
- 119 units

### Proposal:

 11-story mixed-use building with a mix of studios, one-, two- and three-bedroom units

### **Proposed Actions:**

 Acquisition and disposition of city-owned property followed by a transfer to Acacia Network to develop the proposal





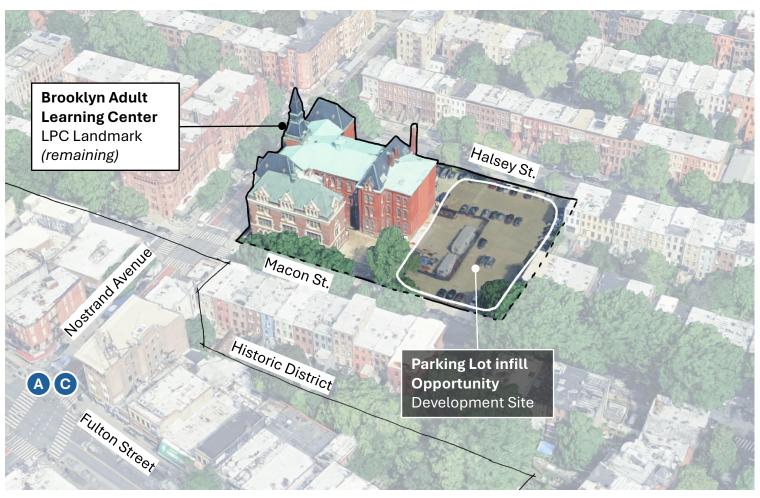
### **DOE-Owned Site for Infill:** 457 Nostrand Ave.

### **Background:**

- Owned by NYC Dept. Of Education
- 30,000 square-foot lot with parking lot and adult learning center
- Located within the Bedford Historic District

### **Context:**

- Site added after Scoping in response to community priority to maximize affordable housing
- City discussing the potential for a mixeduse development with DOE and LPC
- Any future development would include dedicated space for NYCPS



Aerial view of proposed site





## **DOE-Owned Site for Infill:** 457 Nostrand Ave.



- 100% affordable
- ~ 160 200 units

### **Potential Future Development:**

 Development of a new mixed-use development with approx. 160- 200 units, community facility and open space, and preservation of landmark building

### **Proposed Actions**

Disposition of a city-owned lot



View of the parking lot portion of lot, looking north from Macon St towards Halsey St





## MTA Site: 1110 Atlantic Avenue

### **Background:**

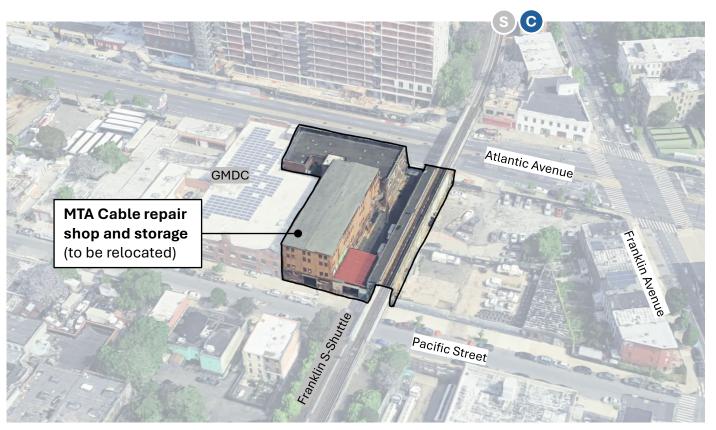
- City-owned, leased by NYC Transit Authority
- MTA uses anticipated to be relocated

### **Context:**

 Adjacent to site used for open parking owned in fee by MTA at 1119 Pacific St

### **Proposed Actions:**

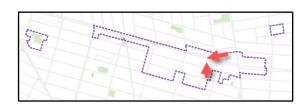
 Acquisition and disposition of property by the City to facilitate redevelopment



Aerial view of proposed site

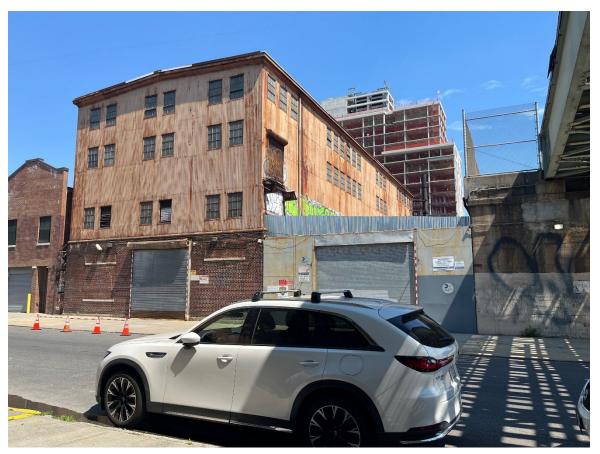


## **Photos: 1110 Atlantic Avenue**





View of the MTA Cable repair and storage buildings, looking south from Atlantic Avenue



View of the MTA Cable repair and storage buildings, looking north from Pacific St under the elevated rail



## **Preserving Affordability:** Protecting Tenants

#### Goals:

- Prevent displacement and tenant harassment
- Educate tenants about their rights and available resources

### **Strategies:**

- Partner with CBOs and elected officials to organize trainings and events on a wide range of tenant issues
  - Know Your Rights trainings
  - Classes
  - Housing resource fairs
  - Tenant clinics



Source: NYC Department of Housing, Preservation, and Development





## **Preserving Affordability: Protecting Tenants**

### Project Spotlight

### **Partners in Preservation:**

- Crown Heights is part of high priority area for new HPD antidisplacement program
- \$2.9M multi-year investment in Central Brooklyn focus area
   Program launch in fall 2024
- Fund CBOs to counteract harassment and displacement by:
  - Expanding their outreach teams
  - Conducting tenants' rights workshops
  - Developing tenant leaders and tenant associations
  - Coordinating with government agencies on behalf of tenants





## **Preserving Affordability:** Supporting Homeowners

### Goal:

 Support wealth building and increasing housing choice for AAMUP residents through retaining and stabilizing homeowners

### **Strategies:**

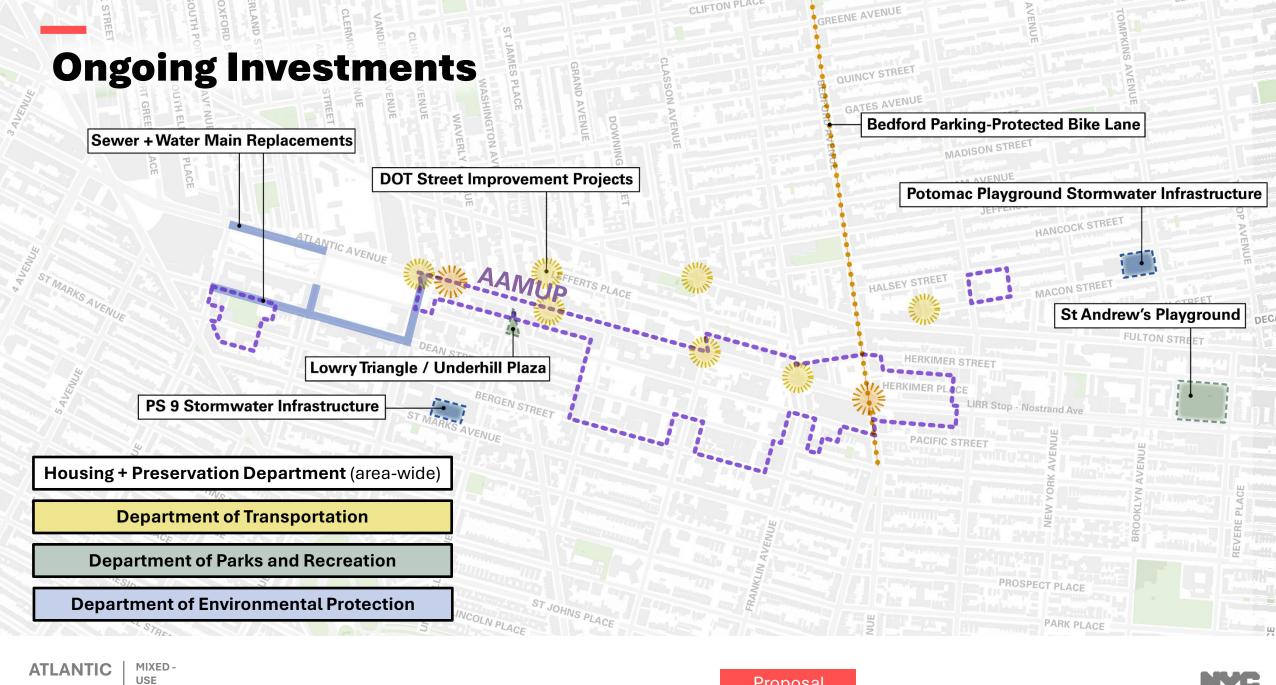
- Invest \$10M in the 1:1 Homeowner Help Desk
  - One-stop shop for NYC homeowners (outreach, marketing, and 1:1 housing and legal counseling)
- Relaunch program to support low or no interest home repair loans (HomeFix 2.0)
- Homeowner Education



Source: NYC Department of Housing, Preservation, and Development







**AVENUE PLAN** 



## **Streets, Parks and Public Realm**

### **Street widths:**

- Wide corridors: Atlantic Ave (120'),
   Vanderbilt Ave (100'), Bedford Ave (80')
- Other east-west and north-south streets are 70 feet wide
- Bicycle lanes run east-west and north-south
- Nearby parks include:
  - Lowry Triangle and numerous playgrounds (Crispus Attucks, Dean, Stroud, Underhill, John Hancock) with Prospect Park further to the south

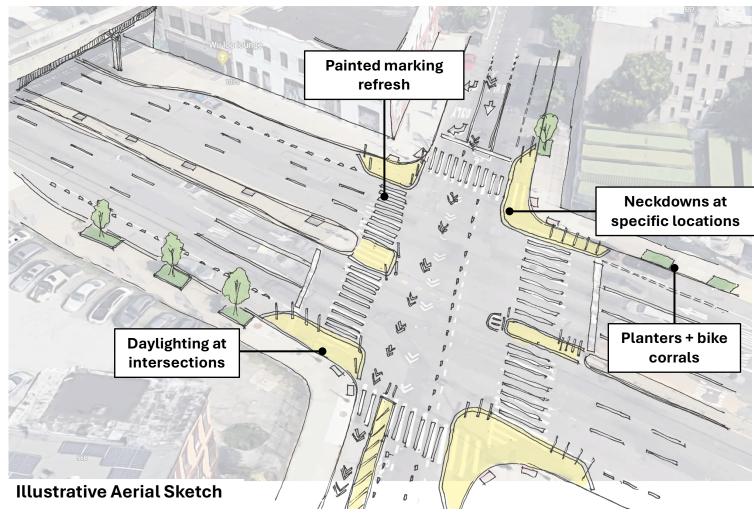




## Public Realm and Infrastructure Planning: Streets

- Announcement: Safety Improvement Projects (SIPs)
- Focus on senior and multi-generational accessibility



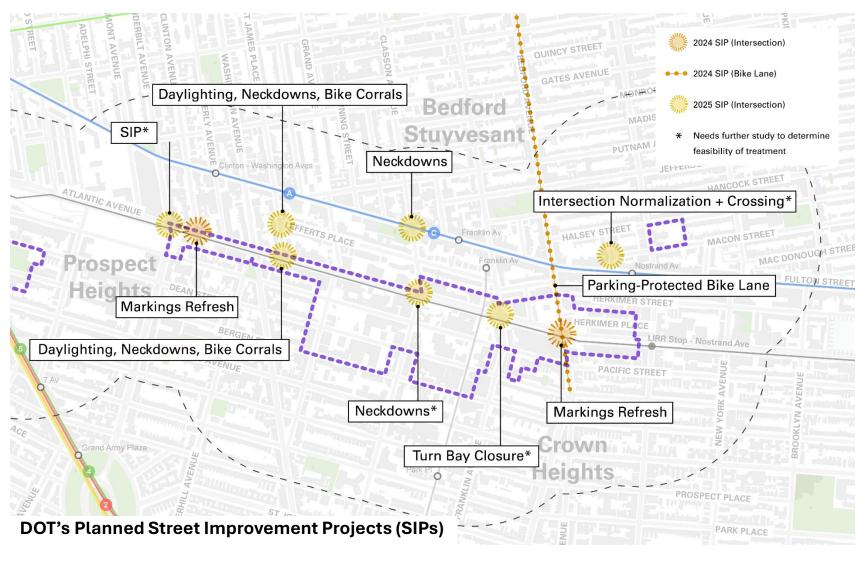




## Public Realm and Infrastructure Planning: Streets











## Public Realm and Infrastructure Planning: Open Space

Trash enclosure

New shade trees

Fitness area

New backstop

Shade trees/ screening

Sidewalks to be replaced

of public restroom

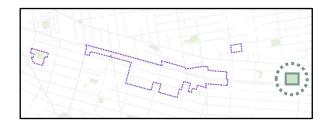
### \$24.2M full park renovation:

- Announced Sept 2023
- \$13M SEED fund managed by DCP
- \$11.2M NYC Parks'
   Community Parks Initiative
- Construction anticipated to begin in 2026



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Proposed Renovation of St. Andrew's Playground (3.38 acres)



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St. Andrew's Playground | Schematic Plan



0' 20' 40

Existing entrance location,

New corner accessible entrance with ramp

Existing CitiBike Dock

Basketball courts (3)

removed, resurfaced New trees & seating

New entrance (flush)

Replace sidewalk trees

Existing handball courts, one

Bleachers

Skate spot

Seating area with tot tables New entrance (ramp)

made accessible

5-12 play area

2-5 play area

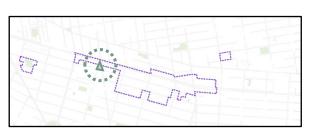
Spray shower

Nature play area

## Public Realm and Infrastructure Planning: Open Space

# Design for Lowry Triangle and Underhill Plaza is currently underway:

- More details to be announced in 2025
- Construction projected to begin in 2027



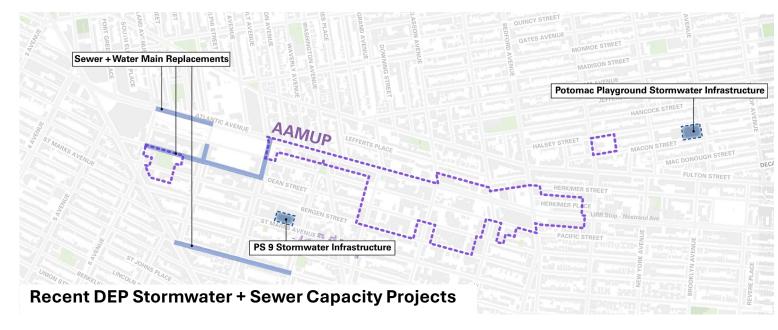






## **Storm Water and Sewer Capacity**

- Replacement of combined sewers and water main on Dean St
  - To be completed November 2025
- Replacement of trunk water mains and sewers on Atlantic Avenue
  - Substantial completion in May 2023
- 148 green infrastructure assets constructed:
  - 140 curbside rain gardens
  - Subsurface stormwater detention systems and rain gardens at Potomac Playground, PS 9K, PS 38K, and St. Luke and St. Matthew Church
  - DEP grants available for renovating parking lots and adding green roofs











# Opportunity to Align with Citywide Sustainability Programs + Regulations



coming into effect in 2030, to reduce the emissions

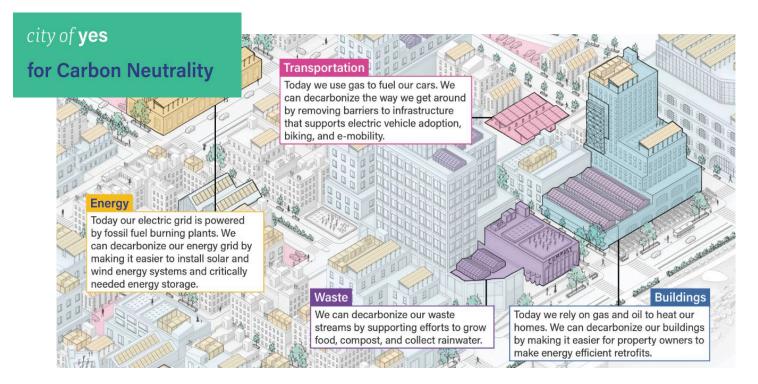
produced by the city's largest buildings 40 percent

by 2030 and 80 percent by 2050.



### 2021 Unified Stormwater Rule

Construction on lots greater than 20,000 sf (or 5,000 sf or more of new impervious surface) must comply and manage volume of a 1.5-inch rainfall event







## **Environmental Review**

• A Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) was prepared and analyzed the following technical areas of concern:

Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy	Urban Design and Visual Resources	Air Quality	
Socioeconomic Conditions	Hazardous Materials	GHG Emissions + Climate Change	
Community Facilities and Services	Water and Sewer Infrastructure	Noise	
Open Space	Solid Waste and Sanitation Services	Public Health	
Shadows	Energy	Neighborhood Character	
Historic and Cultural Resources	Transportation	Construction	



### **Environmental Review**

A Notice of Completion of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement was issued on October 11, 2024.

The DEIS identified significant adverse impacts with respect to:

Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy	Urban Design and Visual Resources	Air Quality	
Socioeconomic Conditions	Hazardous Materials	GHG Emissions + Climate Change	
Community Facilities and Services	Water and Sewer Infrastructure	Noise	
Open Space	Solid Waste and Sanitation Services	Public Health	
Shadows	Energy	Neighborhood Character	
Historic and Cultural Resources (Architectural resources)	Transportation (Traffic, Transit, and Pedestrians)	Construction (Air Quality, Noise, Transportation)	

Mitigation measures are identified in the DEIS and will be explored further between the Draft and Final EIS.

To completely avoid significant adverse impacts across all categories, the amount of development would have to be so limited that the goals and objectives of the Proposed Actions would not be achieved.





## Racial Equity Report: Displacement Risk Index

Incorporates factors that may contribute to displacement (the inability to remain in one's home or neighborhood)

### Population Vulnerability

Household characteristics

(i.e., rent burden, income)

### **Housing Conditions**

Household characteristics

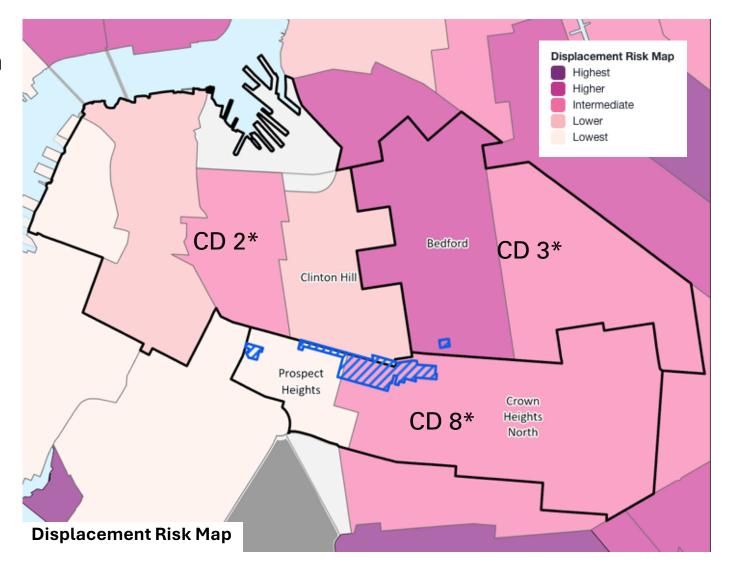
(i.e., rent stabilization, maintenance deficiencies)

### **Market Conditions**

Neighborhood characteristics

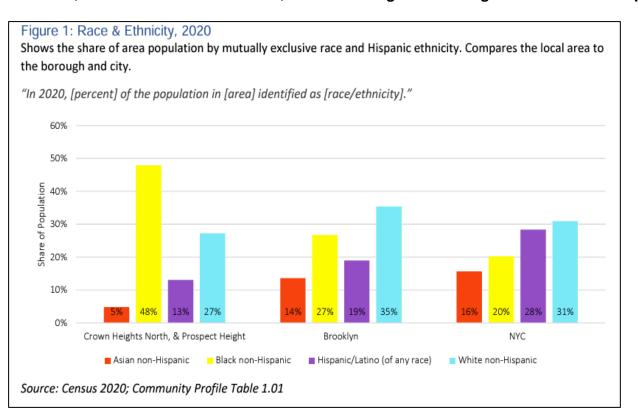
(i.e., housing price changes, change in rents)

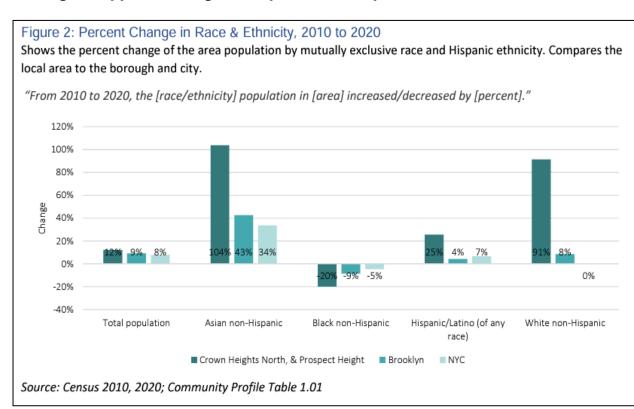
\*Public Microdata Use Area (PUMA), which approximates boundaries of a community district





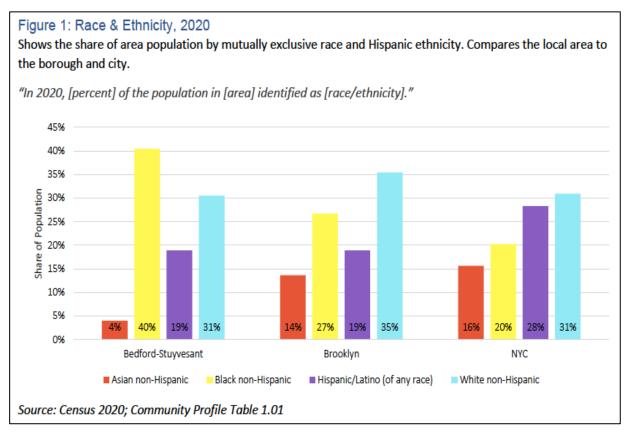
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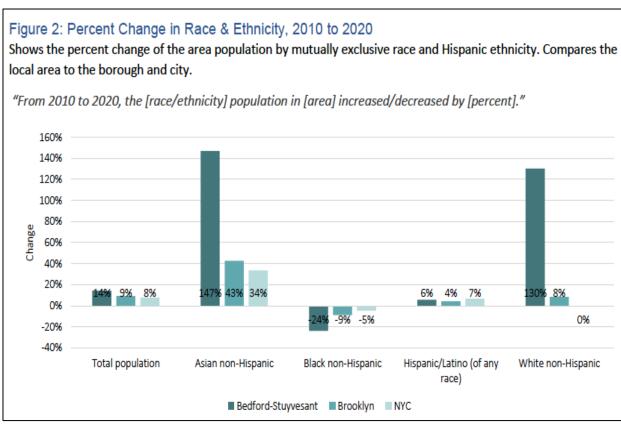






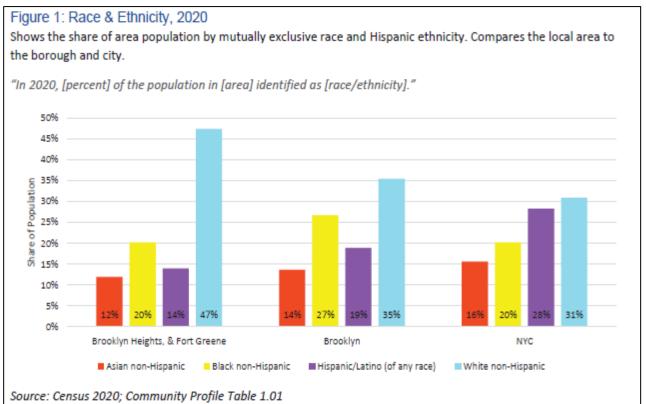
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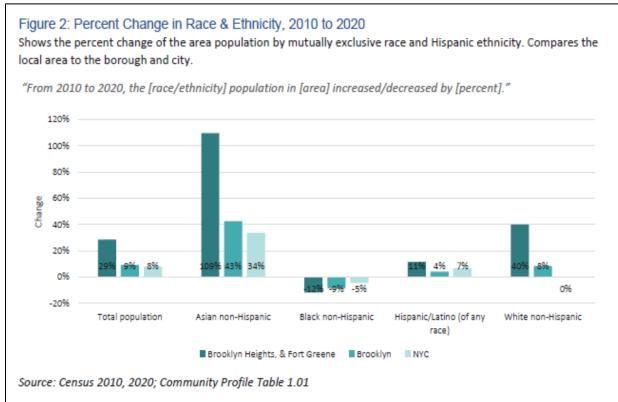






PUMA (Public Use Microdata Area) 4004 covering Fort Greene and Brooklyn Heights, approximating Brooklyn Community District 2.







## **Summary of the Proposed Actions**

### **Zoning Map Amendments**

 Promote growth of housing and jobs with zoning districts tailored to block and street types

### **Zoning Text Amendments**

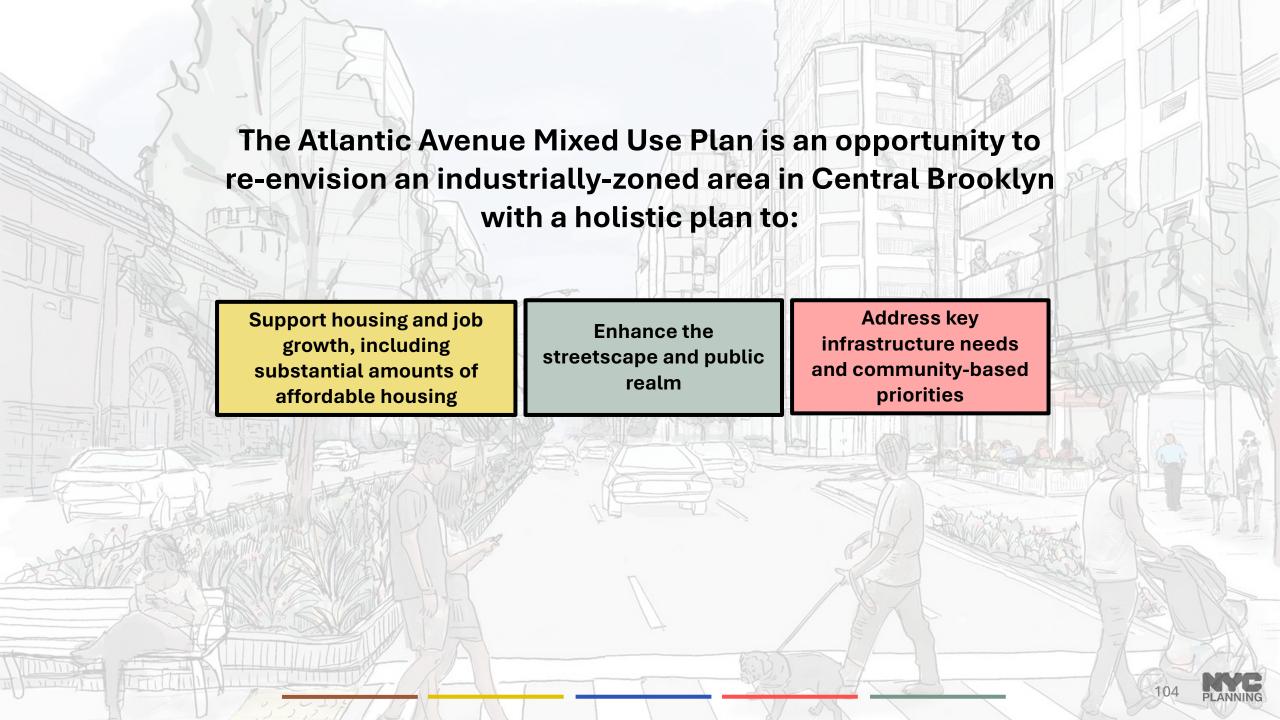
- Establish and map the Special Atlantic Avenue Mixed Use District
- Apply Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) and special regulations to support jobs, active ground floors, streetscape improvements, open space, and a mix of uses

# Urban Development Action Area Project (UDAAP), Acquisitions and Dispositions of City-Owned Land (HPD and DCAS coapplicants)

 Facilitate housing development and other uses on five sites







In total, **AAMUP** is projected to create approximately:

### ~ 4,600 homes

~1,440 income-restricted homes

~ **828,000** sq ft of commercial and community facility uses

~ 2,800 jobs

Making **community goals** and broader **investments** possible:

### **Capital Investments**

- Public Realm improvements
- Stormwater and sewer planning

### **Programmatic Investment**

- Supporting homeowners
- Protecting tenants

### Opportunities to align with

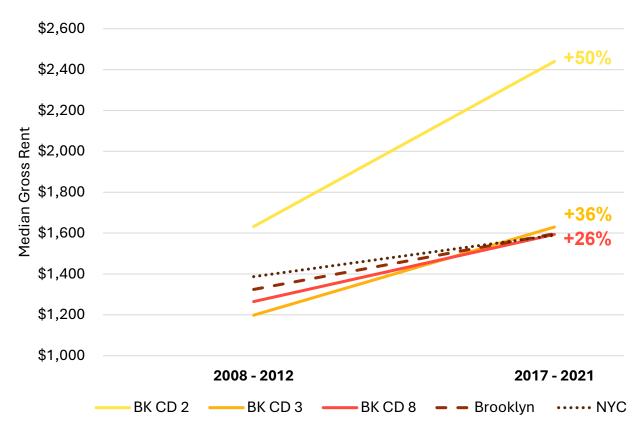
- City of Yes
- Citywide sustainability programs



## **Rising Housing Costs**

Over the last 10-15 years,
median household
income and median gross
rent in the neighborhoods
surrounding AAMUP have
both grown at a faster
pace than Brooklyn or the
city as a whole

### **Rent Over Time**



Source: ACS 2008 - 2012, 2017 - 2021, Community District Tabulation Area (CDTA)





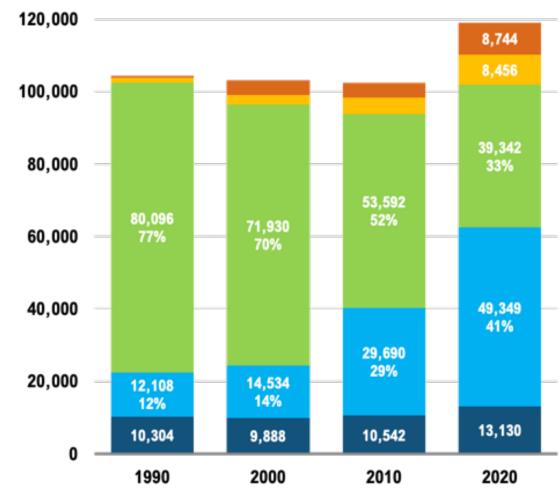
## **Demographic Changes**

Rising housing costs in the surrounding neighborhoods and predatory real estate practices have displaced many thousands of the area's residents, affecting Black and lower-income residents more than other communities

- All other non-Hispanic groups Asian non-Hispanic
- Black non-Hispanic White non-Hispanic

### Race and Hispanic Origin Within the Project Area

Census Tracts Within 1/4 Mile of AAMUP





## **Housing Trends:** Affordable Housing Production 2014-2023

- HPD financed over 4,800
   affordable homes in the
   AAMUP context area in
   the last decade
- 7 of 10 affordable homes financed in the area during this period served low-income households
- Over 50% of the homes financed included preservation units

# Affordable Homes Financed Within a Half Mile of Primary AAMUP Area (2014-2023)





## **Housing Trends:** Affordable Housing Resources

### **Types of Affordable Housing**

# **New Affordable Housing Built Since 2014**

 Affordable housing financed or administered by HPD

# Affordable Housing Preserved Since 2014

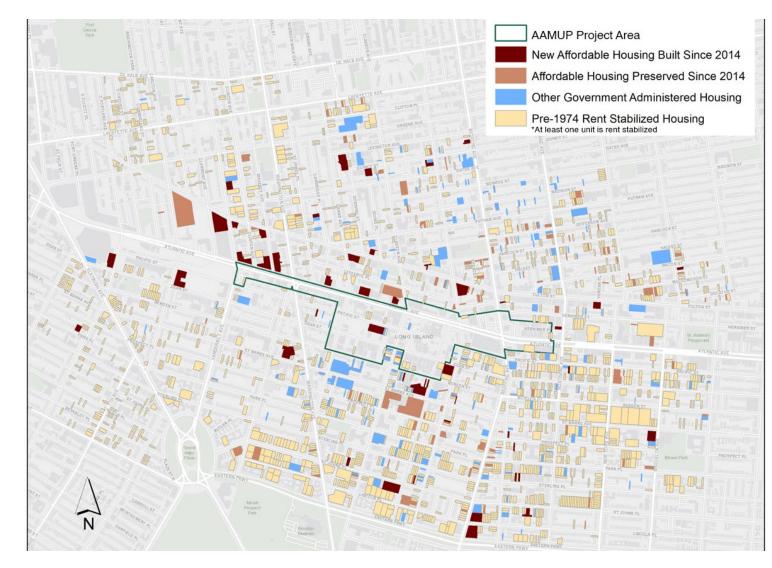
 Existing affordable housing where affordability was extended in exchange for financing

# Other Government Administered Housing

 Affordable units funded through federal or state programs (e.g. Mitchell-Lama)

### **Pre-1974 Rent Stabilized Housing**

 Buildings of six or more apartments built before 1974

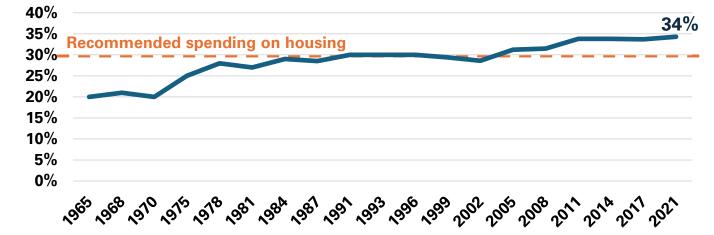




## **Housing Trends**

Median gross rent to income ratio has steadily increased since the 60s

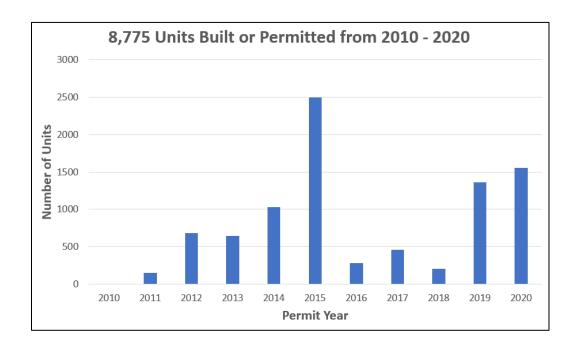
### Median Gross Rent to Income Ratio, 1965 - 2021





## **Housing Trends**

Housing construction has not kept up with population growth



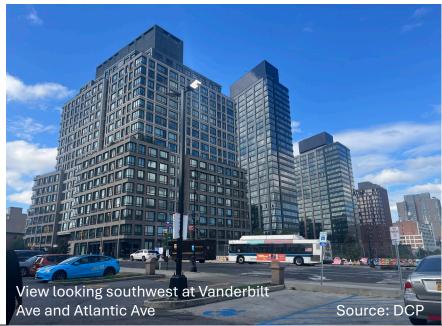


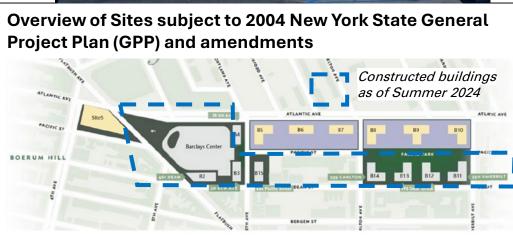
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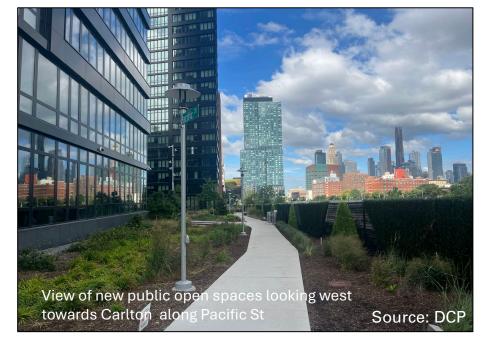
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## Recent Development Trends: Pacific Park (fka Atlantic Yards)





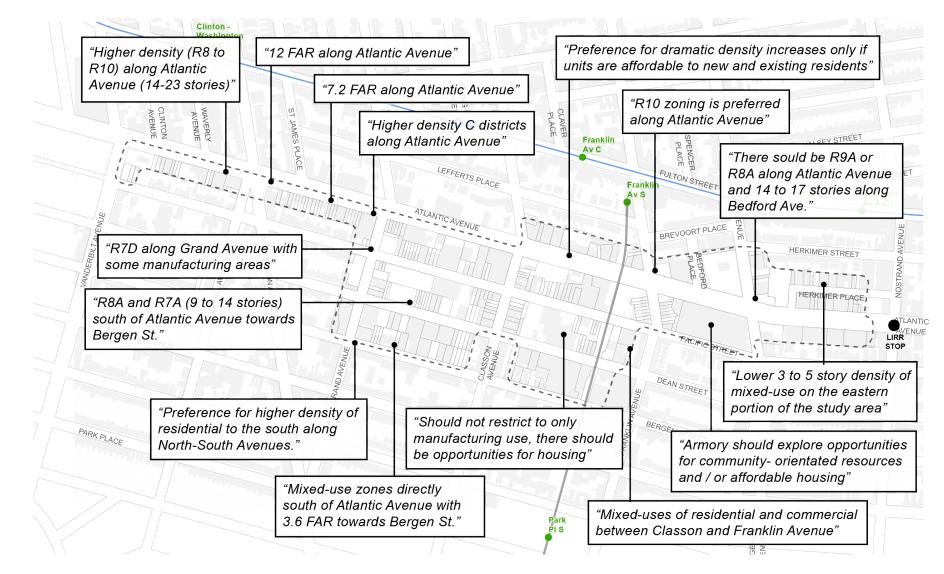


- Proposed future, long-term build-out: 6,430 residential units (35% income-restricted) and 750,000 SF of office, retail, and hotel
  - Constructed as of summer 2024: 3,212 units (1,374 income-restricted) with 91,000 SF retail, Barclays Center, middle school, and portions of public open space (shown above)



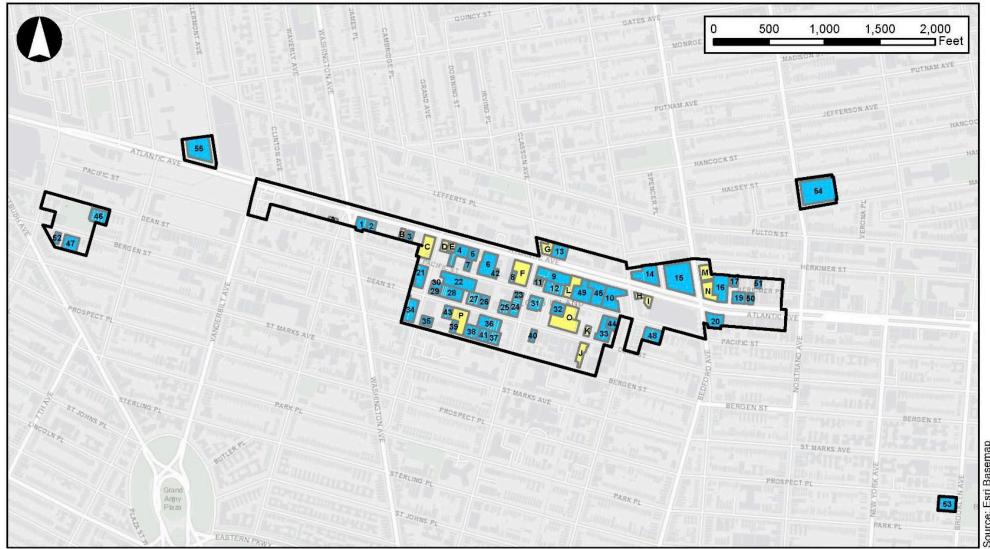
## **AAMUP Community Vision and Priorities Report**

Examples of "What we Heard" on Land Use and Zoning

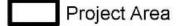


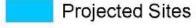


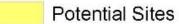
## **Environmental Review:** Development Sites











## What We Heard: Summary



AAMUP needs good jobs and workforce development for local residents

There is an opportunity for shared road redesign for safety; more open + green spaces needed in AAMUP



		2000 Census	2017 ACS-PUMS
Black Non-Hispanic	Owner-Occupied	14%	17%
	Renter-Occupied	86%	83%
Hispanic or Latino	Owner-Occupied	11%	11%
	Renter-Occupied	89%	89%
White Non-Hispanic	Owner-Occupied	32%	29%
	Renter-Occupied	68%	71%
Asian Non-Hispanic	Owner-Occupied	29%	28%
	Renter-Occupied	71%	72%

Source: DCP Equitable Development Data Explorer

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