

General

DCP Website www.nyc.gov/planning is the main source of information, tools and much more that can help you answer questions from your communities.

Who is on the City Planning Commission (CPC) and when do they meet?

- View the bios of all 13 Commissioners <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/about/commission.page> and watch their biweekly meetings live online or view past meetings since Jan. 1, 2017.

Land Use and ULURP

What is the ULURP process?

- The Uniform Land Use Review Process (ULURP) www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/applicants/applicant-portal/step5-ulurp-process.page is the standardized public review timeline for certain zoning actions as mandated by the NYC Charter.

What is the status of a land use application in my Community Board?

- Zoning Application Portal (ZAP) www.zap.planning.nyc.gov/projects allows the public to find current and historic information about Land Use applications.

What is the CEQR environmental review process?

- The City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) process is a parallel review of land use applications to identify and discuss the possible effects of the proposed zoning actions on the environment. www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/applicants/environmental-review-process.page

How do I file a land use application?

- Applicant Portal www1.nyc.gov/site/planning/applicants/applicant-portal/application-process.page provides information on what is required to prepare land use and environmental review applications and information on the Department's pre-Certification Process and the formal public review process (ULURP).

Is a proposed building site located on a mapped public street or a private road?

- NYC Street Map streets.planning.nyc.gov allows the public to more easily delve into development potential and restrictions related to the streets on which they live and see how the street grid has changed over time.

Zoning

How does Zoning work?

- The 2018 [Zoning Handbook](#) provides easy-to-understand descriptions of zoning rules that guide the physical development of the city.
- If you want to dig deeper, the digital version of the [NYC Zoning Resolution](#), [Zoning Maps](#), and [Zoning Toolkit](#) are all available online.

How do I find my zoning district?

- **ZOLA**: online mapping tool that allows you search for property specific information by address or location, building/block/lot, intersection, or place of interest. Use this tool to access up-to-date zoning and land use information. zola.planning.nyc.gov

How do I get answers to Zoning questions?

- **Zoning Help Desk**: If you or community members have specific zoning or land use questions, contact your District liaison at DCP (see contact list) or the Zoning Help Desk by phone at 212-720-3291, or by filling out a [Zoning Inquiry form](#) online on DCP's website.

Additional Data & Information Sources

Community District Profiles: communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov This site is your gateway to data, maps, budget priorities and other resources describing each of NYC's 59 community districts.

Population FactFinder: popfactfinder.planning.nyc.gov This interactive map allows you to easily create your own maps and reports using US population data to examine detailed and critical demographic, social, economic, and housing statistics, and how these statistics have changed over time.

NYC Facilities Explorer: capitalplanning.nyc.gov This interactive map that allows you to create your own maps and view all facilities and program sites that are owned, operated, funded, licensed or certified by a City, State, or Federal agency. It allows CBs and city agencies to track ongoing and planned capital projects and identify opportunities for coordination.

Metro Region Explorer: metroexplorer.planning.nyc.gov This is an interactive map that allows you to explore how your CB's population, housing and employment trends compare with data from the 3 counties and almost 900 municipalities that make up the tri-state NYC Metropolitan Region. Read the [Geography of Jobs](#) report online, this is an economic snapshot that informs discussions with Planning Directors across the region.

Flood Hazard Mapper: nyc.gov/floodhazardmapper provides a comprehensive overview of the City's coastal flood hazards and how they are likely to increase in the future.

Additional Resources and Agency Contact Information

Department of Buildings (DOB): Visit www1.nyc.gov/site/building to access information regarding the NYC building code and to search the [Building Information System](#) for information about as-of-right developments.

Department of Finance: Visit acrisweb.csc.nycnet/cp/ to access the [Automated City Register Information System \(ACRIS\)](#) which allows you to search property records and view document images for Manhattan, Queens, Bronx, and Brooklyn from 1966 to the present.

Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) promotes the construction and preservation of affordable, high-quality housing for low- and moderate-income New Yorkers in thriving and diverse neighborhoods across the city. Visit www1.nyc.gov/site/hpd for more information.

More specific information about affordable housing can be found at the links below:

- **What is Affordable Housing and AMI?**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/hpd/renters/what-is-affordable-housing.page>
- **Financing Programs for New Construction and Preservation (Term sheets):**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/hpd/developers/development-programs.page>
- **Information on Housing Development Programs and Initiatives:**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/hpd/developers/programs-and-initiatives.page>
- **Housing New York Plan 2.0 (Released in 2017):**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/hpd/downloads/pdf/about/hny-2.pdf>
- **Original Housing New York Plan (Released in 2014):**
http://www.nyc.gov/html/housing/assets/downloads/pdf/housing_plan.pdf
- **ABC's of Housing: guide to housing rules and regulations for tenants and owners:**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/hpd/about/abcs-of-housing.page>