

JERSEY CITY PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING

In accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-12, the “Open Public Meetings Act,” you are hereby notified of a Virtual Regular Meeting of the Jersey City Planning Board on the date and time of June 13, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

ADVISORIES

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Sunshine Announcement
3. Roll Call
4. Swear in Staff
5. Correspondence

6. ADJOURNMENTS

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Case: P22-219
<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p22-219-428-434-central-avenue-planning-board-application-2023/information/>
For: One (1) Year Extension
Address: 428-434 Central Avenue
Applicant: NNJ Properties, LLC
Attorney: Thomas P. Leane, Esq.
Review Planner: Timothy Krehel, AICP PP
Block: 2202 Lots: 1, 2
Zone: NC (Neighborhood Commercial)
Description: Second Extension Final Major Site Plan w/ deviations approved under Case No. P19-106
Variance(s): None
- b. Case: P23-087
<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-087-124-126-martin-luther-king-jr-drive-planning-board-application/information/>
For: One (1) Year Extension
Address: 124-126 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Applicant: Jersey City Living LLC
Attorney: Gerrard Pizzillo, Esq.
Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP
Block: 25603 Lots: 3 & 4
Zone: Jackson Hill Redevelopment Plan
Description: The Applicant is requesting a One (1) year site plan extension for the Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan with Deviations and Conditions granted under P20-124.
Variance(s): Maximum building height, Rear yard extending greater than 95' from right-of-way, & All floor levels above ground floor extending more than 85' from right-of-way
- c. Case: P22-197
<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p22-197-124-glenwood-ave/information/>
For: Minor Site Plan
Address: 124 Glenwood Avenue
Applicant: 124 Glenwood Holdings, LLC
Attorney: Benjamin T.F. Wine, Esq.
Review Planner: Timothy Krehel, AICP PP
Block: 13204
Lot: 56
Zone: R-3 Description: The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing structures and to construct a new four (4) story, four (4) unit residential building. Variance(s): None

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8. **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Case: P23-008

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/planning-board-application-107-magnolia-ave-p23-008/information/>

For: Minor site plan with 'C' Variances

Address: 107 Magnolia Avenue

Applicant: Gregory & Nilvia Bergonio

Attorney: Benjamin T.F. Wine, Esq.

Review Planner: Tanya Marione, AICP, PP

Block: 9604 Lot: 6

Zone: Jersey Square 2060 RDP – Zone 4a

Description: Proposed curbcut and two parking spaces with electric vehicle charging station in the side/rear of an existing four-unit building.

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10. Case: P22-161

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p22-161-231-twelfth-street/information/>

For: Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan with 'c' Variance

Address: 231 Twelfth Street

Applicant: Yum & Chill Restaurant Group

Attorney: Stephen Joseph, Esq.

Review Planner: Liz Oppen, AICP

Block: 8603 Lot: 2

Zone: Jersey Avenue Tenth Street Redevelopment Plan, Commercial Strip

Description: Demolition of existing building and construction of a new 2,850 sf building containing a convenience store and drive through restaurant with site improvements.

Variance(s): GAR

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11. Case: P22-199

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p22-199-352-pavonia-avenue/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan with 'c' Variances

Address: 352 Pavonia Avenue

Applicant: Dhaval Patel & Jayshri Mepani

Attorney: Heather Kumer, Esq.

Review Planner: Liz Oppen, AICP

Block: 8502 Lot: 3

Zone: RC-3

Description: Four (4) story, four (4) unit multi-family residential building on a corner lot

Variance(s): curb width, driveway width, parking, curb cut on Brunswick St, building and lot coverage, landscaping

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12. Case: P23-037

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-037-141-newark-avenue-wireless-cell-antenna/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan - Cell Antenna

Address: 141 Newark Avenue

Applicant: DISH Wireless L.L.C.

Attorney: Christopher J. Quinn, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP

Block: 11405 Lots: 11

Zone: Newark Avenue Downtown RDP

Description: Rooftop Wireless telecommunications facility

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13. Case: P23-027

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-027-430-palisade-avenue-wireless-antenna/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan - Cell Antenna

Address: 430 Palisade Avenue

Applicant: 430 Palisade, LLC

Attorney: Christopher J. Quinn, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP

Block: 3903 Lot: 25.01

Zone: NC

Description: Rooftop Wireless telecommunications facility

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14. Case: P23-096

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-096-phase-2-master-plan-implementation-r-1-etc/information/>

For: Review and discussion of proposed amendments to the Zoning Map and Land Development Ordinance regarding creation and updates to several zoning districts such as the R-1 District and amendments to definitions, thresholds, and several other sections of the code. Phase 2 of the Master Plan Implementation. Sponsored by City Planning Staff. Formal action may be taken.

15. Case: P23-105

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-105-cannabis-ldo-amendment/information/>

For: Review and discussion of proposed amendments to Land Development Ordinance regarding Cannabis Establishment and Distributor regulations and definitions. Referred to Planning Board by council resolution 23-387. Formal action may be taken.

16. Case: P23-004

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-004-32-34-jones-street-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Final Site Plan Amendment

Address: 36 Jones Street

Applicant: JUD, LLC

Attorney: Lauren R. Tardanico, Esq.

Review Planner: Timothy Krehel, AICP PP

Block: 10704 Lot: 36

Zone: Journal Square 2060 (Zone 4: Neighborhood Mixed-Use)

Description: The Applicant is seeking amended final site plan approval in order to convert the approx. 870 square foot retail space on the ground floor of the building to a residential use. Previously approved under case P18-019 and is under construction. Original approval to construct a 5-story, 10-unit apartment building. Unit total now being increased to 11 units.

Variance(s): 3 foot setback above grade

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17. Case: P23-012

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-012-3447-jfk-blvd-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan

Address: 3447 Kennedy Blvd.

Applicant: 3447 Kennedy Blvd. JCNJ LLC.

Attorney: Benjamin T.F. Wine, Esq.

Review Planner: Francisco Espinoza

Block: 2602 Lot: 19

Zone: RC-2

Description: The Applicant proposes to demolish the existing single-family residence and to construct a new four (4) story, four (4) unit residential building.

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18. Case: P22-164

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p22-164-337-johnston-avenue-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan with 'c' variance

Address: 337 Johnston Avenue

Applicant: Johnston Whiton LLC

Attorney: Charles Harrington III, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP, PP

Block: 19002 Lot: 1

Zone: Morris Canal Mixed Use A

Description: The Applicant proposes to construct a six (6) story mixed-use building with thirty three (33) dwelling units, including three (3) low income affordable units, and commercial/retail space.

Variance: Height in feet

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19. Case: P23-006

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-006-143-145-monticello-avenue-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Administrative Amendment

Address: 143-145 Monticello Avenue

Applicant: Monticello Lofts LLC

Attorney: Stephen Joseph, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron C. Black, AICP, PP

Block: 16701 Lot: 24 & 24.01

Zone: Jackson Hill Redevelopment Plan

Description: Amendment to existing variance approval P21-059. Enlarging the basement due to soil and foundation issues. Additionally, changing side wall materials from stucco to vinyl siding.

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20. Case: P22-175

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p22-175-74-76-terrace-avenue-planning-board-application/information/>

For: Minor Subdivision

Address: 74-76 Terrace Avenue

Applicant: 74-76 Terrace Avenue LLC

Attorney: Charles Harrington III, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP

Block: 2504 Lot: 2

Zone: R-1

Description: Applicant proposes clearing the Property and subdividing the existing 5,000 sq. ft. lot into two (2) 2,500 sq. ft. lots, creating New Lot 2.01 and New Lot 2.02

21. Case: P22-163

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/planning-board-application-p22-163-3079-john-f-kennedy-boulevard-2022/information/>

For: Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan

Address: 3079 John F. Kennedy Boulevard

Applicant: Chosen Square, LLC

Attorney: Thomas P. Leane

Review Planner: Timothy Krehel, AICP PP

Block: 6304 Lot: 4.02

Zone: Journal Square 2060 (Zone 4: Neighborhood Mixed Use)

Description: Proposed development of a twelve (12) story, two-hundred and ten (210) room hotel with thirty-six (36) parking spaces on the ground floor.

Variance(s): Drive aisle width

22. Case: P23-010

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-010-119-storms-avenue-planning-board-application/information/>

For: Conditional Use

Address: 119 Storms

Applicant: Graham Lehman

Attorney: Michael Higgins, Esq.

Review Planner: Tanya Marione, AICP PP

Block: 15003 Lot: 9

Zone: NC

Description: An existing 3- story two family 2,485 square foot row house zoned NC. Currently a legal 2 family residential property seeking a conditional use for 3 units.

23. Case: P22-124

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/planning-board-application-p22-124-490-west-side-ave-2023/information/>

For: Conditional Use

Address: 490 West Side Ave.

Applicant: Legacy to Lifted, LLC

Attorney: Micci J. Weiss, Esq.

Review Planner: Francisco Espinoza

Block: 20601 Lot: 71

Zone: NC- Neighborhood Commercial

Description: Proposed Class 5 cannabis retailer to consist of 1,120 square feet in an existing building along with associated interior fit out.

24. Case: P23-045

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/planning-board-application-p23-045-398-pacific-ave-2023/information/>

For: Conditional Use

Address: 398 Pacific Ave.

Applicant: Hazy Harvest, LLC

Attorney: Michael Higgins, Esq.

Review Planner: Francisco Espinoza

Block: 19001 Lot: 22

Zone: Lafayette Park Redevelopment Plan

Description: Proposed Class 5 cannabis retailer to consist of 772 square feet in an existing building along with associated interior fit out.

25. Case: P23-049

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/planning-board-application-p23-049-747-west-side-ave-2023/information/>

For: Conditional Use

Address: 747 West Side Ave.

Applicant: Hamm & Chazz, LLC

Attorney: Duncan Delano, Esq.

Review Planner: Francisco Espinoza

Block: 16102 Lot: 15

Zone: NC- Neighborhood Commercial

Description: Proposed Standard Class 5 cannabis retailer in an existing building along with associated interior fit out.

26. Case: P23-086

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-086-morris-canal-amd-2023/information/>

For: Review and Discussion of amendments to the Morris Canal Redevelopment Plan regarding the creation of the Mixed Use - F district from portions of the Industrial district and MU-B district. Petitioned by Mecca Realty Properties, Inc. Formal action may be taken.

27. Case: P23-068

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p23-068-711-montgomery-st/information/>

For: Final Major Site Plan Amendment

Address: 711 Montgomery St

Applicant: 711 Montgomery Owner LLC

Attorney: Gerard D. Pizzillo, Esq.

Review Planner: Matt Ward PP, AICP

Block: 15004 Lot: 15.01

Zone: McGinley Square East Redevelopment Plan

Description: Proposed amendment to case P18-113 which is previously approved preliminary and final major site plan approval with conditions that is currently under construction. Alterations include revisions to unit mix, reduction in basement square footage, addition of a roof top amenity space and elevator bulkhead, reconfiguration of parking garage layout, addition of building signage and other changes requested by civil engineer or review agencies.

28. Case: P23-093

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-027-30-32-central-avenue-planning-board-2023/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan - Cell Antenna

Address: 30-32 Central Avenue

Applicant: Dish Wireless, LLC

Attorney: Kevin R. Jones, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP

Block: 5701 Lot: 2

Zone: R-1

Description: Rooftop Wireless telecommunications facility

29. Case: P23-091

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-091-234-suydam-avenue-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Minor Site Plan - Cell Antenna

Address: 234 Suydam Avenue

Applicant: Dish Wireless, LLC

Attorney: Kevin R. Jones, Esq.

Review Planner: Cameron Black, AICP PP

Block: 20303 Lot: 1.01

Zone: Morris Canal Redevelopment Plan

Description: Rooftop Wireless telecommunications facility

30. Case: P22-127

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p22-127-853-jersey-avenue/information/>

For: Preliminary Major Site Plan with 'c' Variances

Address: 853 Jersey Avenue

Applicant: Jersey Avenue 18 Land LLC

Attorney: Maria P. Vallejo, Esq.

Review Planner: Liz Oppen, AICP

Block: 6005 Lot: 10

Zone: Jersey Avenue Park Redevelopment Plan | Mixed-Use District

Description: Development of one building with varying heights of 13, 19, and 3 stories. 322 residential units and 164 parking spaces.

Variances: sidewalk width

31. Case: P22-160

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/p22-160-101-storms-avenue0/information/>

For: Preliminary Major Site Plan

Address: 101 Storms Avenue

Applicant: Storms Avenue LLC

Attorney: Stephen Joseph, Esq.

Review Planner: Liz Oppen, AICP

Block: 15003 Lot: 17

Zone: NC

Description: Five story, 14-unit building

32. Case: P23-013

<https://data.jerseycitynj.gov/explore/dataset/case-p23-013-2966-john-f-kennedy-boulevard-planning-board-application-2023/information/>

For: Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan Amendment

Address: 2966 John F. Kennedy Boulevard

Applicant: Journal Square Tower, LLC

Attorney: Charles J. Harrington, III

Review Planner: Tanya Marione, AICP PP

Block: 7903

Lot: 1.01 (f/k/a) lots 1, 2, 3, 4

Zone: Journal Square 2060 (Zone 3: Commercial Center)

Description: Applicant proposes an amendment to a previously approved thirty-one (31) story (including one permitted mezzanine level) mixed-use building, with 252 residential units, 108 hotel rooms, two (2) ground floor retail spaces, office use (pursuant to office use bonus), banquet hall, restaurant use, and 202 vehicle parking spaces. Applicant proposes four (4) additional floors including (2) utilized for parking and two (2) additional hotel floor pursuant to recently adopted Corner Lot Bonus D. A former office floor has also been converted to hotel use. Parking count remains the same and hotel room count increased to 154.

Variance(s): None

33. Memorialization of Resolutions

34. Executive Session, as needed, to discuss litigation, personnel or other matters

35. Adjournment

CHRISTOPHER LANGSTON, CHAIRMAN, PLANNING BOARD