July 19, 2016

Amy Marcus, Records Access Officer  
Housing Preservation and Development  
100 Gold Street  
Room 5U9  
New York NY 10038

Re:  
FOIL REQUEST #869-16, REF. 3-1991-3  
FOIL REQUEST #870-16, REF. 3-1702-1  
FOIL REQUEST #871-16; REF. 3-389-27, 29

Dear Ms. Marcus

I write to reframe the requests made on June 20, 2016. These requests are for all documents in the agencies possession that refer in any way to planned development or financing of planned development at the lots referred to above, or any other planned disposition of these City-owned properties in Housing Preservation and Development’s inventory. This is a request for all documents that meet this description created between 1990 and the present. An example document is enclosed but this request is not limited to financial commitments like it.

I request that the document(s) be provided to me in electronic format to paula@596acres.org and added to the NYC Open Data portal so that it can be found by the public and future FOIL requests are minimized or reduced. For more information about the NYC Open Data portal, contact the Open Data Coordinator at your agency or Albert Webber at the NYC Department of Information and Technology (awebber@doitt.nyc.gov).

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Paula Z. Segal, Esq.  
Director

Encl.
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Comptroller
Hon. Vicki Been, Commissioner, New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development
Hon. Eric Adams, President, Borough of Brooklyn
Hon. Chairperson, Community Board 2, Borough of Brooklyn

Section 219 of the New York City Charter and directives of the Mayor, authorized thereunder, require that, prior to the initiation of design or advancement of any Capital Project, a scope defining services to be incorporated in contracts for the services of architects, engineers, landscape architects, or departmental employees, e.g., and amounts for structures, works, furnishings and equipment, program of requirements, and scope or range of operations shall be submitted for approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget or the Director's duly authorized representative. Initially, preliminary scope approval and, subsequently, final scope approval incorporating preliminary plans and cost limitations shall be submitted for approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget or the Director's duly authorized representative. In addition, the final design incorporating final contract documents must also be submitted for approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget or the Director's duly authorized representative. Your request for approval pursuant to the above is approved as follows:

DESCRIPTION OF APPROVAL HEREBY GRANTED
FY15 HPD – Multifamily New Construction – Neighborhood Construction Program (NCP)
344 Bergen Street (24 units)
Borough of Brooklyn

A cost limitation of $1,886,730 for the new construction of a single building with 24 affordable housing units located at 344 Bergen Street in Brooklyn. City Capital funds in the amount of $1,886,730 are available in budget line HD-213/806-314 (Project ID- NCP15). HPD will provide the funds as a loan pursuant to Article 15 of New York State’s Private Housing Finance Law (PHFL).

Approved,

Tara Boirard
Associate Director
June 29, 2016

P Segal
596 Acres Inc
540 President Street, 2E
Gowanus, NY 11215

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____X____ Please note: You may appeal this decision, in writing, within 30 days to: Harold Weinberg, Records Access Appeals Officer, Room 5C2, 100 Gold Street, New York, NY 10038.

Very truly yours,

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