ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING AND MODIFYING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN ENTITLED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN (FORUM) BLOCK 183 LOTS 1 & 2.01 REDEVELOPMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 39-43 WEST 25TH STREET & 45 WEST 25TH STREET, WHICH PROPERTIES ARE IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 183, LOTS 1 & 2.01 AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, the City of Bayonne, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey (the “City”), a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the “State”), is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the “Redevelopment Law”), to determine whether certain parcels of land within the City constitute an area in need of rehabilitation and/or an area in need of redevelopment; and modifying

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Redevelopment Law, the Municipal Council of the City (the “Municipal Council”) adopted Resolution No. 98-02-04-040, designating the entire City as an area in need of rehabilitation in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e) and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-15 of the Redevelopment Law, the Planning Board, through the City’s staff and/or Planning Board professionals, is permitted to prepare a redevelopment plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bayonne, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey (the “City”), a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the “State”), is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the “Redevelopment Law”), to determine whether certain parcels of land within the City constitute an area in need of rehabilitation and/or an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2017, the Municipal Council directed the Planning Board, to prepare and review a redevelopment plan for the properties located at 39-43 West 25th Street & 45 West 25th Street, which properties are identified as Block 183, Lots 1 & 2.01 (the “Property”) on the official tax map of the City of Bayonne and make recommendations to the Municipal Council in accordance with the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bayonne, Division of Planning & Zoning, Department of Municipal Services has prepared a revised redevelopment plan for the Property titled “Redevelopment Plan (Forum) Block 183 Lots 1 & 2.01”, dated December 4, 2017 (the “Redevelopment Plan”); and

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2017, the Planning Board reviewed the Redevelopment Plan and recommended the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan to the Municipal Council and concluded that said Redevelopment Plan is consistent with the Master Plan of the City of Bayonne; and
WHEREAS, the Municipal Council agreed with the Planning Board’s recommendation and by Ordinance 0-18-03 on January 17, 2018, the Municipal Council adopted the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, TFG 39-43 WEST 25TH STREET, LLC, by Resolution dated May 16, 2018 was designated the Redeveloper for the purpose of implementing the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper has requested that the Municipal Council, as a redevelopment entity to authorize and direct the Planning Board to reopen and amend the existing redevelopment plan entitled “Redevelopment Plan (Forum) Block 183 Lots 1 & 2.01” to permit an increase in building height to accommodate the necessary parking; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e) of the Redevelopment Law, the Planning Board, through the City’s staff and/or Planning Board professionals, is permitted to amend a Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, on January___, 2019, the Planning Board reviewed the amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and recommended the adoption of the Amended Redevelopment Plan to the Municipal Council and concluded that said Redevelopment Plan is consistent with the Master Plan of the City of Bayonne; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt and review of the Planning Board’s recommendations relating to the amendments to the Redevelopment Plan, the Municipal Council desires to adopt the Redevelopment Plan as revised dated January ---- , 2019 in order to effectuate a plan that is consistent with the goals and objectives of the City for the redevelopment of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council believes that the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan is in the best interest of the City for the redevelopment of the Property.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Redevelopment Plan is hereby adopted as modified above pursuant to the terms of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 of the Redevelopment Law.

Section 3. The zoning district map in the zoning ordinance of the City is hereby amended to include the Property per the boundaries described in the Redevelopment Plan and the provisions thereon.

Section 4. If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

Section 5. A copy of this Ordinance and the Redevelopment Plan shall be available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours.
Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with all applicable laws.

Summary

The plan is being amended to raise the height of the building from 70 ft to 80 ft. (50 ft to 60 ft for the building the rest is rooftop mechanicals) it still stays as a 5 stories building but during design phase the architect realized that the first floor needs to be 18 feet to accommodate parking on the first level and it also makes the lobby better. No change to unit count or required parking.

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