

Zoning subcommittee approves Staten Island's first MIH development

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The City Council's zoning subcommittee green-lit an application for a three-building development on Staten Island's northeastern shore.

The 375,628 square-foot proposal on Edgewater Street would be the borough's first project to use the city's Mandatory Inclusionary Housing policy, under which most developments that benefit from a rezoning must include rent-regulated housing.

Staten Island residents are largely skeptical of residential construction, having felt for decades that their infrastructure and transit options are lacking. Councilwoman Debi Rose, who represents the area, had previously expressed concern about the project.

The city is also considering rezoning a section of her district to allow more housing — a proposal that has slowed as Rose faces a primary challenge.