



## **NYU Plans 2031**

### **Open House – Wednesday, October 17, 2007**

Welcome to the third New York University Open House regarding NYU Plans 2031, the strategic planning process that will guide our physical growth in New York City through 2031, NYU's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

This Open House is meant to further the dialogue which launched earlier this summer. Our aim is to provide an opportunity to learn about the basic analytical aspects that will guide the University's planning and to encourage a dialogue with the NYU Design Team, led by SMWM in association with Grimshaw Architects, Toshiko Mori Architect, and the Olin Partnership. Today's kiosks display information about what we heard from the NYU community and our neighbors during the previous Open Houses; a review of NYU's projected growth for the next 25 years and the Design Team's analyses and findings regarding the core Washington Square area; the surrounding neighborhoods, and various remote locations.

#### **Guide to the Kiosks**

##### **Kiosk 1. What We've Heard**

Kiosk 1 provides a snapshot of what we heard from NYU students, faculty, alumni, administrators and local community members during the first two Open Houses about topics such as Open Space and Sustainability; Transportation Options and Opportunities; Neighborhood Preservation and Context; NYU Growth; Existing NYU Facilities; Quality of Life; Student Housing; "Campus Feel"; Community Outreach and Remote Locations.

##### **Kiosk 2. NYU Program**

Kiosk 2 reviews the breakdown of NYU's growth projection of 6 million square feet over the next 25 years. Broken down by the University's programmatic needs, it shows examples from other universities of various types of uses, including: academic-non science; academic-science; student housing; faculty housing and student services.

##### **Kiosk 3. Analyses and Findings: Core Washington Square Area**

Kiosk 3 outlines the analyses and findings by the Design Team regarding the NYU core area. Topics analyzed include zoning; historic districts; building heights; available F.A.R.; open space; land use; additional bulk; and surrounding street character. Findings are broken down by three distinct districts in the core: 1- Park Side Blocks, which surround Washington Square Park; 2- Loft Blocks, which include the area of former manufacturing and commercial buildings concentrated around 8<sup>th</sup> Street to the north, West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to the south, Washington Square Park to the west

and Broadway to the east; and 3- Southern Blocks that were developed during the urban renewal era of the 1950s - 1960s bounded by West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to the north, West Houston to the south, LaGuardia Street to the west and Mercer Street to the east.

**Kiosk 4.      Analyses and Findings: Surrounding Neighborhoods**

Kiosk 4 presents the existing concentration of uses for University housing and academic/administrative facilities that exist within close proximity to the core. At this kiosk, a set of preliminary guidelines for growth strategies are outlined. These include: reusing existing buildings whenever feasible; locating high traffic institutional uses on Avenues; clustering uses in appropriate concentration so as not to overwhelm local areas and providing active ground floors in new developments. *Your feedback on these guidelines is critical!*

**Kiosk 5.      Analyses and Findings: Remote Locations**

Kiosk 5 displays NYU's existing remote locations which include the Medical/Dental Center in the East 20s and 30s; the Downtown Center which houses SCPS classrooms in the Woolworth Building and dormitories on Water & Cliff Streets; the Midtown Center with SCPS classrooms on West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street; the Institute of Fine Arts near the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Roosevelt Island where NYU has launched a faculty housing program. These remote locations include a number of different typologies including mixed use centers, academic centers and clusters of housing. This kiosk also looks at remote location precedents implemented by a range of universities including Brown University, Yale University and Johns Hopkins University. *Which remote locations will work best for NYU's future uses?*

**Kiosk 6.      Interactive Exercises**

*Where and how NYU should grow?*

NYU is projected to grow 6 million square feet over the next 25 years. Kiosk 6 gives you the opportunity to work with NYU staff and engage in a conversation about the types of University uses that are desirable in the core area and or/ more remotely.

*Community Integration*

A critical aspect of the planning process is that better community integration is contemplated in NYU's long-term plans. Work with NYU staff to discuss ideas about how the University can better integrate its community and with its neighbors.

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