

City of Yes for Carbon Neutrality

As of December 2023



In June 2022, Mayor Eric Adams announced that his Administration would reform the City's Zoning Resolution to facilitate the City's transition toward cleaner energy, transportation, buildings, and waste systems. The Department of City Planning proposed a comprehensive zoning text amendment, referred to as the City of Yes for Carbon Neutrality.

The City of Yes for Carbon Neutrality allows for the siting of energy storage systems in a wider array of zoning districts, with more flexible rules regarding yards and permitted obstructions, paving the way for NYC and the State to meet their clean energy and energy storage goals.

The City Council enacted the City of Yes for Carbon Neutrality into law on December 6, 2023.

Summary of NineDot's Public Comments

NineDot was supportive of the City of Yes for Carbon Neutrality. These zoning changes have already expanded and expedited the City's efforts to decarbonize by retrofitting buildings, promoting clean energy uses across multiple zoning districts, and facilitating the deployment of electric vehicles and associated charging infrastructure.

Resources

- [NineDot Comments on COY](#)
- ["How can changes to zoning help NYC meet its climate goals?" NDE + Urban Green Council Presentation](#)
- [Department of City Planning Press Release](#)
- [City of Yes for Climate Neutrality Text Amendment](#)

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