

George M. Janes

& Associates

250 E. 87th Street

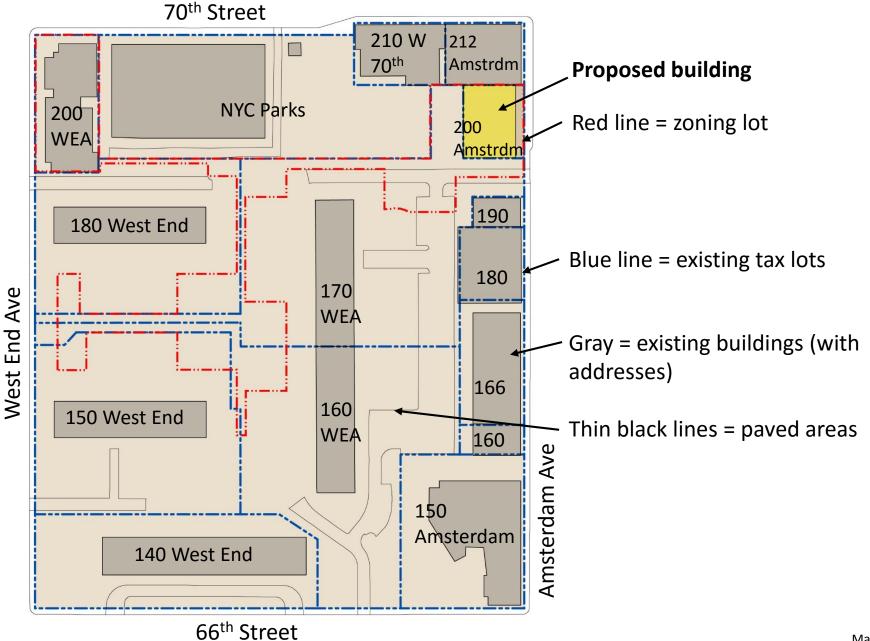
New York, NY 10128

Tel: 646.652.6498

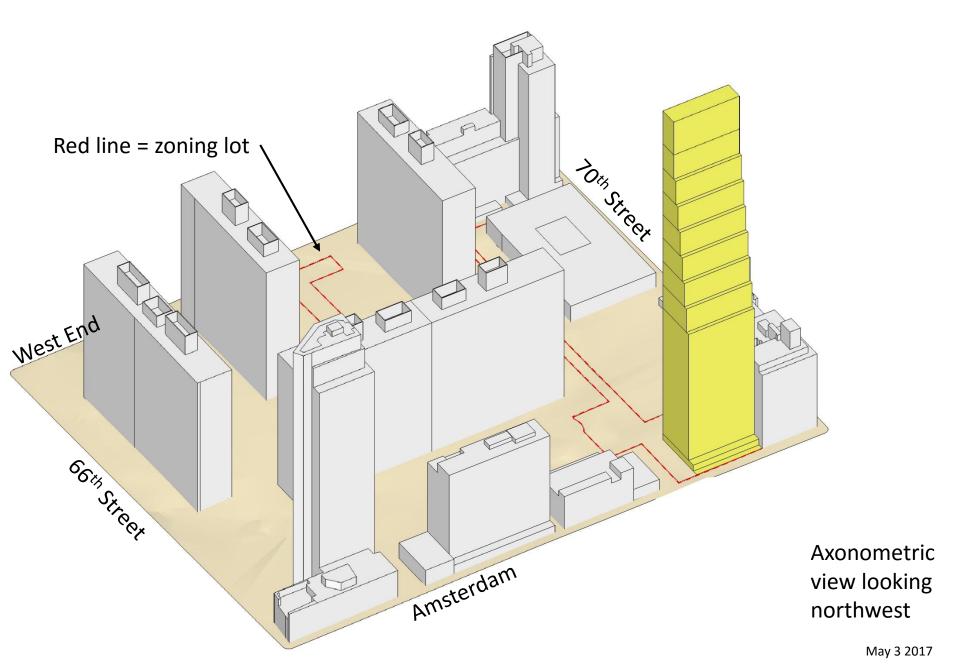
george@georgejanes.com

200 Amsterdam proposal

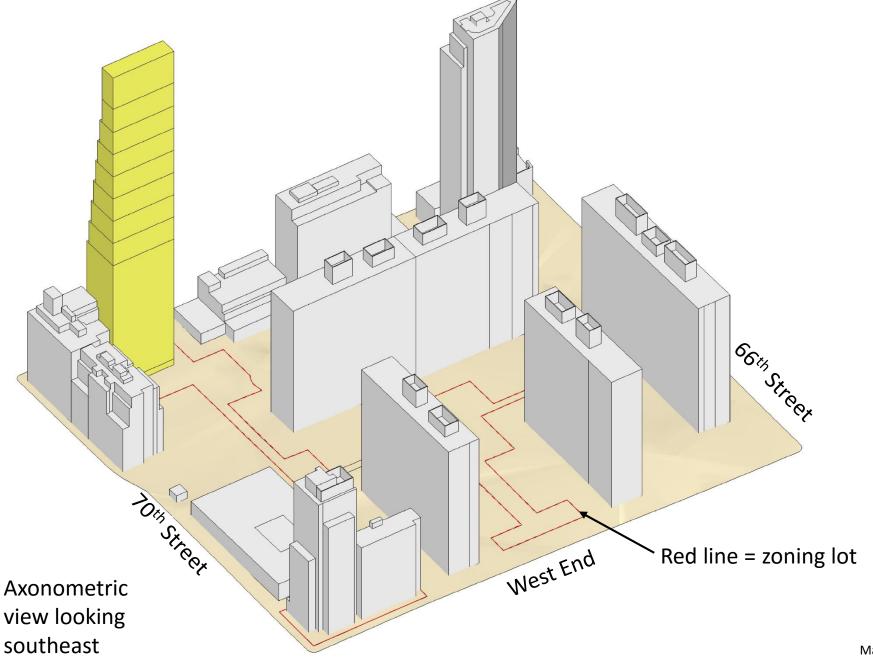
200 Amsterdam is proposed in the northeast portion of the block



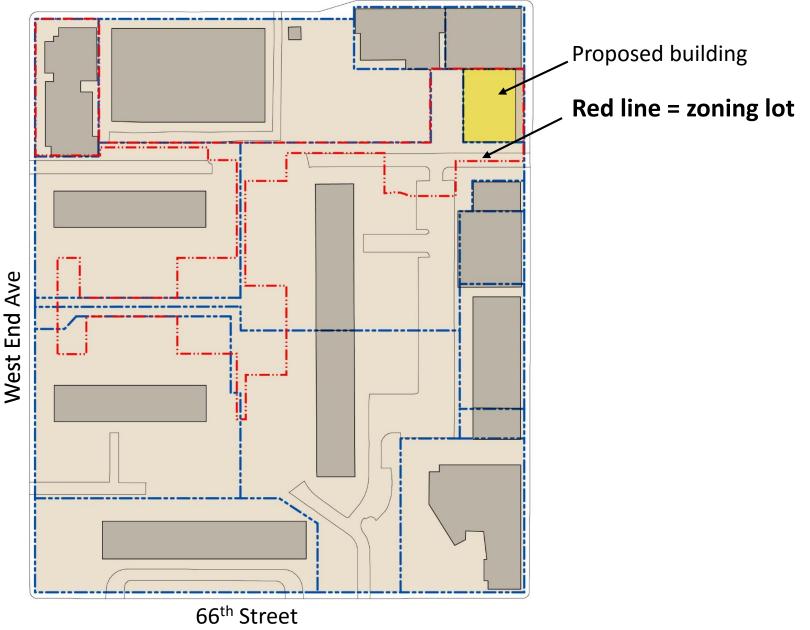
At 668 feet it will be the tallest building north of midtown



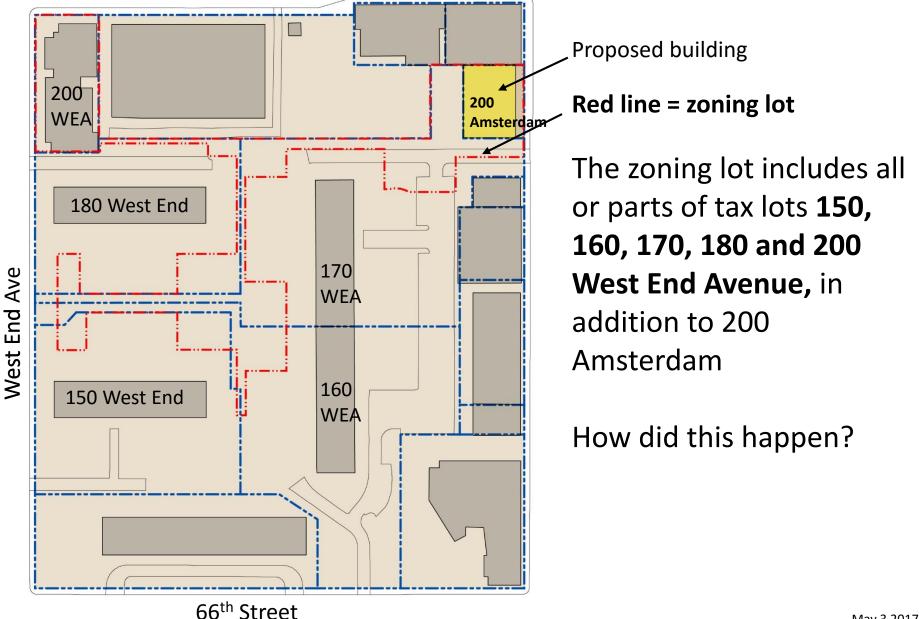
At 668 feet it will be the tallest building north of midtown



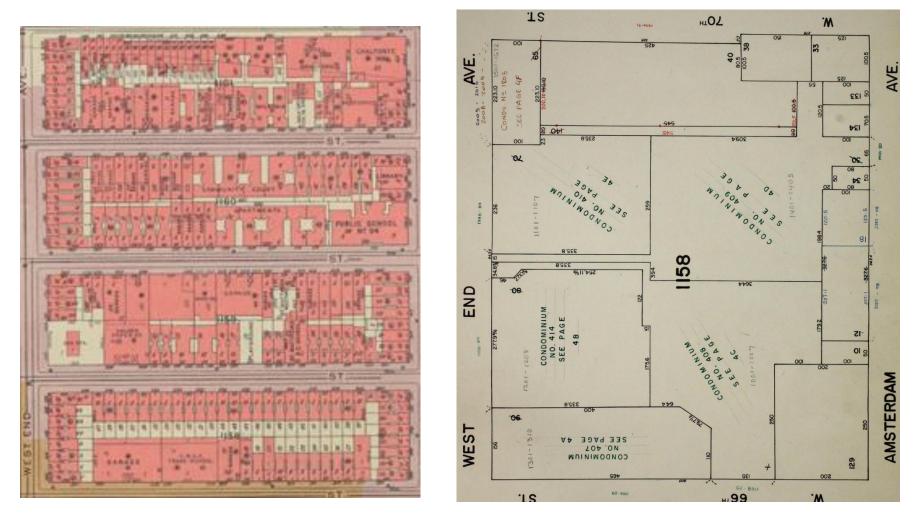
It gets so tall because its zoning lot is 110,794 SF, five+ times the size of a normal large lot, gerrymandered over the superblock



It gets so tall because its zoning lot is 110,794 SF, five+ times the size of a normal large lot, gerrymandered over the superblock



The block was created in the 1960s during urban renewal:

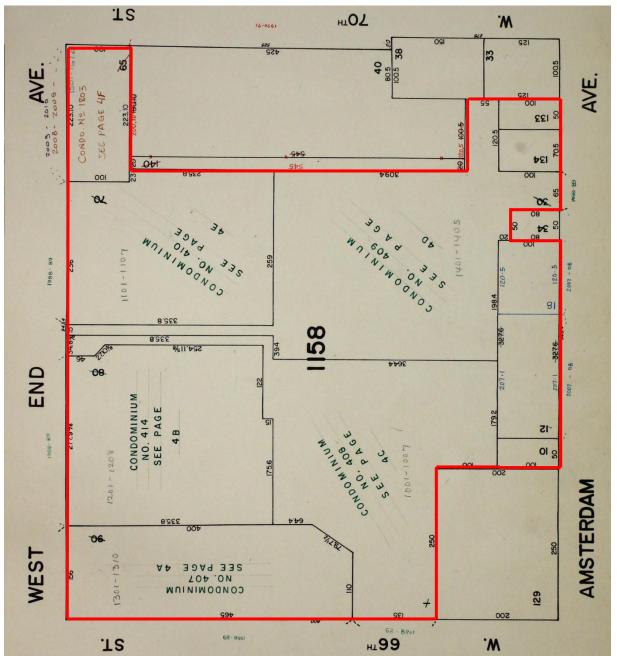


1955 Bromley map

1968 tax map

A large zoning lot was created in 1987 that included most of the

block



May 3 2017

• In 1977, NYC allowed lots to be owned by more than one owner for the purposes of zoning

- In 1977, NYC allowed lots to be owned by more than one owner for the purposes of zoning
- This means that a "zoning lot" is independent of tax lots and real property ownership

- In 1977, NYC allowed lots to be owned by more than one owner for the purposes of zoning
- This means that a "zoning lot" is independent of tax lots and real property ownership
- There are no rules regarding their shape, other than new ones must be at least 10 feet wide in all places

- In 1977, NYC allowed lots to be owned by more than one owner for the purposes of zoning
- This means that a "zoning lot" is independent of tax lots and real property ownership
- There are no rules regarding their shape, other than new ones must be at least 10 feet wide in all places
- New zoning lots cannot introduce non-conformance with the zoning resolution

- In 1977, NYC allowed lots to be owned by more than one owner for the purposes of zoning
- This means that a "zoning lot" is independent of tax lots and real property ownership
- There are no rules regarding their shape, other than new ones must be at least 10 feet wide in all places
- New zoning lots cannot introduce non-conformance with the zoning resolution

In 1987, each condo gave away their right to review or protest any future changes to the zoning lot

The huge zoning lot was subdivided at least two times

after 1987

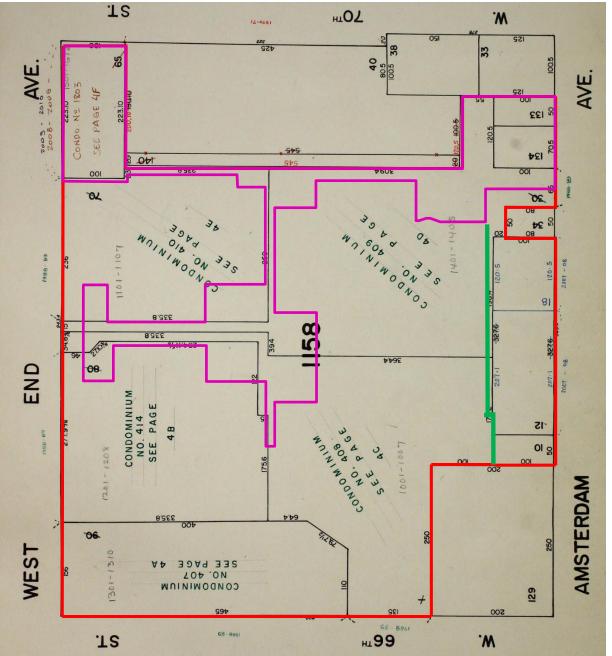
15 HIO2 'M 16-0261 ISP 30 6 2008 - 2019 AVE. AVE. PAGE 251 0 ONDO SEE 134 8 000 **4**605 00 02 56 1988 - 89 JJS 0 NO 81 8.CCC α 335.8 5 364.4 END 08 CONDOMINIUM NO. 414 SEE PAGE -12 01 0 **200** AMSTERDAM 0 010 335.8 06 WEST SEE ON 101 301 WOONO: 129 68 - 8861 63-886 н199 'LS .W.

Circa 2007

May 3 2017

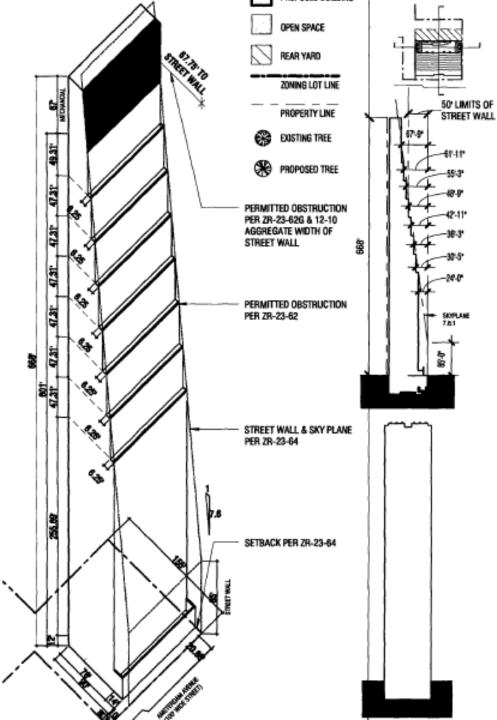
The huge zoning lot was subdivided at least two times

after 1987



2016

May 3 2017



This is theoretically "as-ofright development"

- NO DISCRETIONARY REVIEW
- But did it really follow all the rules in every subdivision of the zoning lot since 1987?
- If not, and we can demonstrate an error, then the lot, and the project must be reconsidered

- This is an R8, "height factor" district, which requires:
 - Open space
 - Must be open and accessible to all residents of the zoning lot
 - Only 50% of required open space may be used for parking/driveways

- This is an R8, "height factor" district, which requires:
 - Open space
 - Must be open and accessible to all residents of the zoning lot
 - Only 50% of required open space may be used for parking/driveways
 - **FAR limited to between 0.94 and 6.02**, which changes according to the amount of open space and building height

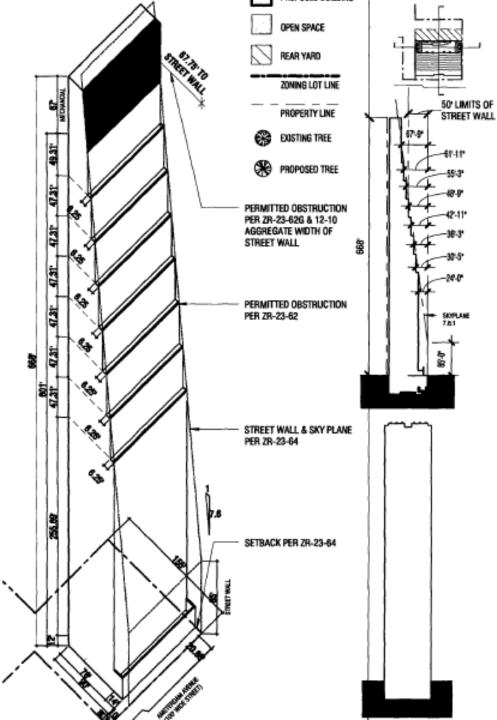
- This is an R8, "height factor" district, which requires:
 - Open space
 - Must be open and accessible to all residents of the zoning lot
 - Only 50% of required open space may be used for parking/driveways
 - FAR limited to between 0.94 and 6.02, which changes according to the amount of open space and building height
 - Other zoning requirements (e.g. sky exposure plane, yards)

• Fully test the compliance the formerly huge zoning lot created in 1987 in each subdivision

- Fully test the compliance the formerly huge zoning lot created in 1987 in each subdivision
- If we find an error was introduced and not corrected, the legality of the zoning lot can be challenged

- Fully test the compliance the formerly huge zoning lot created in 1987 in each subdivision
- If we find an error was introduced and not corrected, the legality of the zoning lot can be challenged
- This building is only legal because the zoning lot, if the zoning lot is not compliant, there is no building

- Fully test the compliance the formerly huge zoning lot created in 1987 in each subdivision
- If we find an error was introduced and not corrected, the legality of the zoning lot can be challenged
- This building is only legal because the zoning lot, if the zoning lot is not compliant, there is no building
- Challenge due on May 15



Summary of details:

350,686 SF residential with community facility in base

Zoning lot = 110,794 SF

Zoning district = R8

Zoning diagram posted on March 29

Zoning challenge due May 15



George M. Janes

& Associates

250 E. 87th Street

New York, NY 10128

Tel: 646.652.6498

george@georgejanes.com

200 Amsterdam proposal

Questions / Comments?