

Cynthia Doty's plan for balanced development

"I believe passionately that, as our city develops and grows, we must preserve everyone's right to stay in our community and raise their families here.

"The City Council must play an active role in balancing responsible economic development with genuine community planning that protects the rights of all our residents."

Balanced development requires better zoning laws

- Change the zoning laws to ensure that new building heights are contextual with the existing neighborhood.



"I'm against Columbia's use of eminent domain to tear down neighborhood residences and businesses and replace them with an institutional mega-complex." — Cynthia Doty

- Landmark more buildings and blocks to preserve the unique character of our neighborhoods.
- Compel developers to follow Community Board zoning plans, including the "197A" development plans.
- Enable Community Boards to legally enforce the benefit agreements they make with developers.
- Require developers to include low- and middle-income units in every development through inclusionary zoning.

- Demand that all developments submit an Environmental Impact Statement.
- Compel developers to pay for the sewer, transportation and energy infrastructure improvements made necessary by their construction.



Cynthia Doty led the successful community boycott against CVS, a national drugstore chain trying to displace local businesses.

- Mandate that new construction use energy-efficient and environmentally-friendly technology ("green buildings").

Affordable Housing

- Eliminate luxury decontrol and compel landlords to maintain their buildings.
- Demand Home Rule legislation for NYC to set its own rent laws.
- Fully fund rent subsidies because one in four New Yorkers pay over 50% of their income in rent.
- Create affordable units that reflect the median income of the neighborhood.
- Revitalize the Mitchell-Lama program and promote more partner-



ship developments such as Penn South and Manhattan Plaza.

- Fund more legal services for low income tenants.

"Good urban planning builds and empowers communities. It does not abandon or exclude anyone."

Cynthia Doty

Democrat for City Council

Protecting our homes. Preserving our neighborhoods.