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Urban Planning and Management:
An Inclusive Re-Development of the Frederick Douglass Boulevard Corridor

11.00 AM — 1.00 PM, Sunday, 5 June 2016 Harlem, Manhattan

Background

The control of gentrification was the key idea that permeated the redevelopment of Frederick Douglass Boulevard (FDB) Corridor, from 110th Street to 125th Street and beyond, by creating a mixed-income community and insuring that the long-term black residents would remain. The plan pursued demonstrates that development based on urban design guidelines, streetscape improvements, and outreach to residents was necessary to frame and to guide the work of developers and to create a sustainable mixed-income neighborhood. This tour will explore some highlights of the re-developed FDB Corridor as it stands today. You will also receive a map to provide further background and information during your tour.

Key Contact and Tour Guide

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Schedule

11:00 Meet at Frederick Douglass Circle by the Statue of Frederick Douglass (Frederick Douglass Boulevard and 110th Street).

Subway stop: Cathedral Parkway – 110th Street on the C-line

11:05 Frederick Douglass boulevard and 110th Street First proposal in 1970

·Central Park corner, Frederick Law Olmstead and abolitionism

11:20 110th to 114th Streets.

·Adaptation and rehabilitation of vacant tenement buildings

·Zoning regulations to connect the old to the new

·Design principles from old buildings applied to new buildings

11:40 116th Street: Little Africa.

·Commercial center for the African Community

·Institutional development

12:00 116th to 121st Streets.

·Residential and commercial services

New residential areas with bulk requirements derived from traditional buildings
 Commercial/retail areas and supermarket, where none previously existed

12:20 First Action Plan: 122nd to 125th Streets.

·Streetscape and landscaping interventions

·Tenement typology transformed

·Harriet Tubman Sculpture Park

12:40 125th Street.

·Commercial development and African Square

01:00 Discussion and conclusion of the tour. Optional lunch in the neighborhood



