

Neighborhood: Alphabet City

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In order to increase the available housing in this neighborhood, I would either rezone the residential buildings from R7 and R8 to R9 and R10 or I would replace some of the community gardens into residential housing.

I don't believe there are too many services that need to be augmented in order to support more people in Alphabet City. This neighborhood is located in Lower Manhattan and is within walking distance to the M15, M9, M14D, 1st avenue & 14th L train, the 2nd avenue & Houston M & F trains, and Union Square (4, 5, 6, N, Q, R, W, L). There are two hospitals, 6 supermarkets, and 14 elementary/middle schools located within this neighborhood. There are also a number of small theaters, laundromats, and various restaurants scattered across this region.

One thing that may need to be improved in order to support more people would be that the M15, M9, and M14D might need to have more buses/more frequent stops in order to support the increased ridership (Alphabet City has a walkability of 95, and a large number of people who live in Manhattan don't own a car).