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Affordable Housing Lottery Opens for 35 Units in Williamsburg, Starting at \$924 a Month

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An affordable housing lottery has opened for 35 units in a recently constructed seven-story building at 222 Johnson Avenue, at the corner of Bushwick Avenue, in Williamsburg.

Of the affordable apartments, there are six studios, 19 one-bedroom units and 10 two-bedroom units. Monthly rents start at \$924 and top out at \$2,876.

The lottery is set at an area median income range of 60 percent for 24 of the units, 125 percent for five units, and 130 percent for the remaining six units. Eligible incomes range between \$31,680 and \$159,640 for households of one to five people.

There are a total of 116 apartments in the building. Space for 60 bicycles and 46 cars is located underground, according to building permits. There will be a coffee shop and a second retail space for an as yet unknown tenant on the ground floor, along with an exercise room for building residents. Another exercise room will be on the second floor, and outdoor recreation space will be on the roof of the building.

The building replaced a parking lot for the Caribe Gardens complex, a multi-family low-income affordable facility.

David Schwartz of Slate Property Group is the developer behind the project. The owner is Lindsay-Bushwick Associates, who struck an agreement with the developer in 2016 “in exchange for a range of concessions to Caribe Gardens tenants, and a 20-year extension to the existing Housing and Urban Development contract the site has,” according to Greenpoint Post.

The architect behind the project is **Aufgang Architects**, who are known for **adaptive reuse**, including converting a landmarked factory building at 200 Water Street in Dumbo.



*Rendering by **Aufgang Architects***

Leasing for market-rate units began in July 2020. Based on the listing photos, the apartments have hardwood floors, either open or enclosed kitchens (depending on the unit), and washers and dryers in each unit.

Applications for the affordable housing lottery must be submitted by November 17, 2020. Apply through NYC Housing Connect. To learn more about how to apply for affordable housing, read Brownstoner's guide.