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- **Total duration:** Months–years

### During ULURP

This is the official process where the public and different local government representatives, from the neighborhood level to the citywide level, weigh in on the proposal.

- **Total duration:** 200–215 days

#### Advisory Phase

- **Information Gathering**
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  - Conduct studies of important issues and share existing studies with city agencies.
  - Get community members ready to participate in hearings.

- **Environmental Review**
  - The city makes a list of impacts and decides if there should be an environmental study, which requires a Scoping Hearing.
  - The developer does the environmental study, listing impacts of the proposal—this is the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The developer submits EIS to start ULURP!

- **Implementation**
  - Building begins

#### Voting Phase

- **City Planning Commission**
  - Approval

- **City Council**
  - Approval

- **Mayor**
  - Approval

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  - Department of City Planning (DCP) hold public meetings, collect and analyze info, then start to form a proposal.
  - DCP makes a list of impacts that need to be studied in the environmental review.
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