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Kevin Dwarka is a land use and economic consultant specializing in transit-oriented development. With over 15 years of experience in the United States and Israel, Dr. Dwarka provides expert regulatory guidance and quantitative analysis to real estate developers, municipalities, transit agencies, law firms, private planning firms, architects, and building contractors throughout the NY Metropolitan Region. In addition to running his own urban planning firm in Downtown Brooklyn, he also serves as a Senior Fellow at Pace Land Use Law Center.

Land use services include zoning analysis, site selection, development approvals, environmental review, and right-of-way acquisition for transit infrastructure projects. Versed in all aspects of the New York City land use approvals process, Dr. Dwarka helps builders navigate the complex web of land use regulations enforced by the New York City Department of City Planning, Board of Standards and Appeals, the Department of Buildings, and the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Economic consulting services include TOD market analysis, real estate and infrastructure financing, financial feasibility analysis, and economic impact studies. Current projects include the Newburgh Land Use and Market Analysis, the Newburgh Neighborhood Redevelopment Plan, the Poughkeepsie Downtown Revitalization Strategy, and the Ridgefield Economic Baseline Study.

His consultancy also provides a full suite of litigation support services including expert testimony, real property valuation, and technical analysis of land use, traffic, and environmental impact documents.

Since 2010, he has served as an Adjunct Professor at Baruch College, where he has taught land use, urban economic development, and environmental policy. He also teaches Israeli Politics at Yeshiva University. His dissertation at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, examined the use of global capital and public private partnerships for financing light rail projects in Israel, the United Kingdom, and the United States. He received his BA from Columbia University, JD from Pace Law School, MCP from UC Berkeley, and PhD from Hebrew University.