The rezoning of Brooklyn's Midwood neighborhood, approved in April 2006, covers an area of roughly 80 blocks and seeks to preserve the existing neighborhood character, though it also allows for higher density residential development on selected streets.

CD 214 has a low percentage of vacant land, at only 1.4%. More than four-fifths of the area’s housing units are rent-regulated or subsidized. Although the home purchase loan rate was relatively low in 2004, subprime loans have nonetheless been on the rise. It is one of the most racially diverse community districts in the City, with one of the highest percentages of immigrant households.