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The windy city is actually in Queens

New Residential Building Utilizes Three Turbines For LIC Apartment

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Development in the Court Square area of Long Island City is nothing new. Residential and commercial buildings have popped up throughout the area, but The Pearson Court Square — one of the area's newest residential buildings — aims to be more than a desirable place to live.

The 197-unit, market-rate rental sits at 45-50 Pearson St., just across from the Sculpture Center. Touters say it's beautiful and modern and relatively inexpensive, compared to Brooklyn and Manhattan apartments — the cheapest unit, a studio, runs just over \$2,000 a month.

"Long Island City is exploding with luxury new developments and The Pearson Court Square is a prime example of the strength of the market," said Cliff Finn, the executive vice president at Douglas Elliman Development Marketing — the company handling leasing for the building.

But what's even more special is the building's state-of-the-art rooftop wind turbines.

The three massive structures sit atop the building and look similar to a contemporary sculpture, but these works of art will assist with a portion of the building's energy generation.

The UGE VisionAIR5 turbines provide the energy to power the common areas of the building, including the lobby, hallways and roof lounge.

It is one of the only residential buildings in Queens to utilize wind technology. According to the developers, in an area like Long Island City where there is more space than Manhattan, wind turbines are more viable. In denser areas of the city, solar panels are favored.

The building is also pending LEED certification.

The Pearson Court Square officially opened its doors a couple of weeks ago and expects to be fully occupied by the middle of summer.

Already, Douglas Elliman reports leasing a number of the units to a wide variety of renters, including young professionals, families and older couples.