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Simon Kawitzky has 15 years of experience in affordable housing and community development. He currently serves as Vice President for Portfolio Planning at the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), where he works closely with residents and the affordable housing community to bring comprehensive investments to NYCHA developments.

At the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), Simon was Assistant Commissioner for Neighborhood Development and Stabilization, where he led neighborhood planning efforts focused on the construction and preservation of affordable housing in growing communities. He also led a citywide engagement strategy to inform the creation of the city's first Fair Housing Plan.

Prior to joining the public sector in 2014, Simon worked at Jonathan Rose Companies as an urban planner and project manager overseeing mixed-use, mixed-income redevelopment projects throughout the region. Simon earned a B.A. from Vassar College and an M.S. in City and Regional Planning from Pratt Institute.