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November 07, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 3, 2005

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-31565 06-1377322

(State or other jurisdiction Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization)

Delaware 0-31565 06-1377322

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

615 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, New York 11590
-----(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (516) 683-4100

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On November 4, 2005, New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its prospective acquisition of Long Island Financial Corp. was approved by the New York State Banking Department on November 3, 2005. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is the press release issued by the Company on November 4, 2005.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

November 4, 2005
----Date

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

/s/ Joseph R. Ficalora

Joseph R. Ficalora President and Chief Executive Officer

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99.1 Press release issued by the Company on November 4, 2005.