Pacific Park

Quality of Life Meeting Tuesday, January 28, 2020

NOTES

1. Greenland Forest City Partners

The major scope of work at the railyards is finished; the new lighting system is operational. Track work and completion of punch list items continues. The Developer has delivered the yard according to the agreement with LIRR. Substantial completion of the permanent yards is pending final LIRR sign-off. A contractor has not been selected for the platform construction, and there are no details on the percentage of affordable housing units to be delivered in B5, B6, and B7. The Developer is looking into available affordable housing subsidies on the city, state, and federal levels.

At B15, foundation and excavation work has been completed. Concrete has been poured for the ground floor. Concrete work will be halted for a few weeks while steel beams are installed at the site for large spaces in the school, such as the gymnasium. Trucks delivering the steel beams will stage in the Pacific Street Queue Area. Pending the receipt of necessary permits, a tower crane will be installed within the site footprint. Details will be provided via a community notice or in the Project's Construction Alert / Two-Week Look Ahead.

At B4, foundation and excavation work is completed with super-structure work progressing to the first and second floors. Pending the receipt of necessary permits, a tower crane will be delivered and installed on the Atlantic Avenue portion of the site. Details will be provided via a community notice or in the Project's Construction Alert / Two-Week Look Ahead.

There was a discussion about the upcoming crane deliveries and possible traffic impacts. Residents asked that the Department of Transportation include notice of any changes to the traffic patterns, especially on Sixth Avenue, to the agency's alerts and notification systems.

The B4 construction fence along Atlantic Avenue will change pending the approval of plans and permits from the NYC Department of Transportation. B12 and B13 are expected to commence construction in the Spring of 2020. Notices for the Noise Receptor Control Program have been sent to the community, requests are being processed and inspection appointments scheduled. The Open Space at B14, which was closed for repair work, is now available for public use. Local gastro-pub, Beer St., is expected to open at 550 Vanderbilt Avenue in early February.

There have been staffing changes on the Developer's team, but the Community Liaison Office is being staffed and all inquiries addressed, until the vacancy is filled.

2. Empire State Development / Atlantic Yards Community Development Corp.

The next Quality of Life meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2020. Notice will be sent when the next meeting of the AYCDC is scheduled.

There are no updates on the Site 5 condemnation process, and there have been no requests for a reduction in parking spaces at Site 5. Residents asked about recent activity by the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) along Dean Street. There were questions about DEP's scope of work and whether it related to the Project. An inquiry will be made with the agency.

There was a discussion about the number of parking spaces planned for the garage under B12 and B13, and whether the total number of spaces requires additional modifications to the General Project Plan and traffic analysis.

There was a complaint about construction workers idling in their vehicles early in the morning and littering. These issues will be addressed with the Project's development and construction teams.

3. Barclays Center

Concerns were raised about the traffic impacts from recent Disney on Ice productions. Residents asked for an extension of the network of traffic and pedestrian managers along Bergen Avenue, Dean Street, and Sixth Avenue.

There were questions about drop-off and pick-up locations for ride-share programs along Atlantic and Flatbush Avenues; combat parking in a "No Standing Zone;" and cars idling and parking illegally during major arena events.

Residents also asked for improved coordination with the 78th Precinct to address illegal parking at bus stops and fire hydrants, and outreach to the NYPD's Traffic Enforcement District.

Residents asked about a depression/sinkhole in the roadway on Flatbush Avenue. There was also a request that all non-ticketed private events at the arena be added to the calendar distributed to the community.

4. Long Island Rail Road (LIRR)

There was a discussion about site upkeep, trash collection, and snow removal around the railyard site. Residents inquired about changes to the railyard construction and the Developer's plans for the platform overbuild.

LIRR staff promised to review the agency's jurisdiction and plans for site upkeep after the developer's contractors are no longer on-site.