

Pacific Park

BROOKLYN

Quality of Life Meeting Tuesday, September 14, 2021

*Due to the COVID-19 public health crisis, restrictions on large gatherings, and social distancing directives this meeting was held virtually.

NOTES

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

The next Quality of Life meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 16. Meeting details and format will be shared when finalized. The next AYCDC Directors' meeting has not been scheduled. There are currently four gubernatorial appointment vacancies on the AYCDC Board. There are no updates on the Site 5 condemnation proceedings.

There was a total of 20 meeting participants.

2. Barclays Center

Details on upcoming concerts and events at the arena are available on BarclaysCenter.com. The Nets basketball pre-season will start on October 8, and the regular season will tip-off on October 24.

There was a three-day exhibit which featured 160 pieces of student artwork that were created through a curriculum based on the work and life of Jean-Michel Basquiat. The curriculum and exhibit were developed through a partnership with the Department of Education and the Fund for Public Schools. The arena also partnered with the NYC Parks Department and provided free basketball instruction at 17 camps throughout the city.

A small business loan fund has been established through the Joseph and Clara Tsai Foundation Social Justice Fund. The \$2.5 million loan fund was established to support minority owned small businesses and address their barriers to accessing capital and building credit. The criteria for eligibility are character-based, and the fund avoids the standard model for issuing loans. Businesses can apply for up to \$100,000 without any

collateral. Those interested can learn more about the Social Justice Fund and the small business loan fund at <https://www.bksjf.org/>

3. Greenland Forest City Partners

The first Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) for B4 (18 Sixth Ave.), at the corner of Sixth and Atlantic Avenues, is expected sometime in the 4th quarter. Residents are expected at the end of the year (pending approval of the TCO). The hoist is expected to be in operation through the end of December when it will be removed along with the sidewalk bridge, which will allow for the restoration of the sidewalk for public access.

The first B15 (662 Pacific Street) TCO is imminent and move-ins expected in a few weeks. The sidewalk bridge and hoist are expected to be removed shortly. B12-B13 (595 Dean Street) are on schedule to be completed by Spring 2023. Concrete pours have progressed to the eight and sixth floors at B12 and B13 respectively. There are no details on the specific dates or timeline, but Con-Ed is expected to carryout work on an electrical vault at B12-13. That activity is expected to temporarily block parking spaces on Dean Street; public notices will be issued and posted once exact details are available.

Below is a list of the questions submitted in advance of and during the meeting via the chat feature and email. Applicable responses follow.

<u>Questions</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Barclays Center	
Given the Barclays Center’s reopening to larger crowds, what are the expectations about extension of the perimeter of operations on Dean Street, Atlantic Ave., and the plaza?	The perimeter of arena operations will return to what it typically is during a normal, pre-pandemic concert or basketball game. Part of the arena plaza will be used as a checkpoint for event attendees. Pathways through the plaza will still be available to the public.
There were complaints about backed up traffic on Bergen Street and Carlton Avenue during the MTV VMAs.	The arena will continue to coordinate with the NYPD to prepare for large events and coordinate operations and logistics to minimize disturbance to the community.

Construction

<p>What is remaining to do for the first Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) at B15?</p>	<p>There is a full list of outstanding items for the B15 TCO. Some key items include life safety measures, elevator checks, and modes of egress.</p>
<p>The HVAC unit on top of B15 is extremely loud.</p> <p>Will this HVAC system be consistently loud when operational or was this due to its installation?</p>	<p>The complaint about the mechanical system will be passed to the construction team.</p> <p>There were no issues or loud noises identified with the HVAC system.</p>
<p>Please provide more specific details about the apparent garage or loading dock in B12 that is facing Dean Street. What will be the full range of the loading dock's functions?</p>	<p>The loading dock referred to in the last construction alert is a built-up wooden platform that is designed to allow trucks to back up to the platform and unload. The loading dock is raised to be at the same height as the truck bed so unloading of materials is easier and faster to do. This loading dock is a temporary structure that is built in conjunction with the building's hoists or "outside elevators" you would see from the street. The loading dock and hoist complex is a temporary structure that is removed when the construction work is complete</p> <p>There will be a permanent loading dock on Dean Street which will allow Department of Sanitation trucks to directly back into the loading dock for trash pick-up. This ensures that there will be no large piles of trash on the street and all garbage handling is done within the building.</p>
<p>Does the permanent loading dock remove any parking spaces from Dean Street?</p>	<p>Yes, two parking spaces.</p>
<p>What are the construction hoists?</p>	<p>Hoists are exterior "elevators" that allow for workers and materials to easily move up and down the building while it is under construction.</p>
<p>Where is the entrance to the parking garage planned for B12 and B13?</p>	<p>The parking garage entrance for B12 and B13 will be through the existing entrance at B14 on the corner of Carlton Avenue and Dean Street.</p>

How long will the 6 AM start at the B12/B13 site persist?	The 6 AM start time is expected to continue through the end of the year at which time both buildings will be topped out.
“No Standing/temporary construction” signs were posted on the north side of Dean Street adjacent to the construction site of B12 at the end of August. If these are the parking spaces referred to in the construction alert for the week of September 6th, the spaces were removed before the notice. How long will these signs be in place?	The no standing / temp. construction signs posted at the end of August were related to sidewalk bridge work. The no parking signage noted in the last construction alert was referring to the parking spaces that are located at the eastern end of the site by the courtyard at 550 Vanderbilt Avenue directly in front of the Con Ed vaults on the Dean St. sidewalk. Con Ed has to complete inter-vault tie-in work at this location and may require the area in front of these vaults for trucks and equipment. As soon as there is notice from Con-Ed about when the work will commence and the possible loss of parking spaces, no parking signs will be posted in the area.
Have alternative types of signals to replace the air horns been researched?	The Construction Team reached out the Department of Buildings and the agency could not find alternate methods that have been successfully implanted.
How long is it anticipated that the blasts will last?	The contractors will use air horns only when required to minimize disturbance to the neighborhood.
Has the decibel level of the air horn been measured in relation to the impact on homes nearby?	The decibel levels have not been measured and no specific decibel level or threshold identified.
What specific decibel level does the State feel is acceptable inside each home nearby?	
Several complaints of work outside of work hours have been filed recently. Is the only responsible oversight entity for these types of infractions the Department of Buildings, or does ESD also issue penalties?	The Department of Buildings is responsible for the oversight of building permits and defining permitted hours of construction activity.
Is there any update on the status of the platform or B5?	There are no updates on the platform, B5, and B6.
Any updates regarding B6?	
Miscellaneous	
Will any state or city agencies participate in the meeting?	No

<p>Alternate side parking regulation signs were posted on the north side of Pacific Street between Sixth Avenue and Carlton. Can you tell us who requested the change to these signs and who hung them?</p>	<p>The parking signs were not requested by the Developer or ESD. NYC Department of Transportation is responsible for parking regulation signage.</p>
<p>Who requested the combat parking on the northern sidewalk of Pacific Street? Does ESD anticipate this will be a temporary condition?</p>	<p>ESD has no information on the combat parking on Pacific or the expected duration of the parking conditions.</p>
<p>Please note the request from NPHA at the last Quality of Life meeting was that the Traffic Enforcement Agents - NYPD be present to discuss the absence of alternate side parking enforcement in the area, thus resulting in dirty streets.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>How many hours per week is the environmental monitor is on site?</p> <p>Does an employee of ESD also still circulate on and near the site regularly each week?</p> <p>To whom do those monitors report?</p> <p>What happens to complaints or violations that are reported by monitors to ESD if ESD has not ability to issue penalties?</p>	<p>There are 3 weekly site visits, totaling 12 hours. There is also an independent On-Site Environmental Monitor (OEM) that monitors the Developer’s compliance with the Memorandum of Environmental Commitments (MEC) five days a week.</p> <p>ESD staff are currently on site weekly at least 3 days a week, for at least 20 hours. The consultants report to the ESD Project Team.</p> <p>Complaints or violations brought to ESD’s attention are addressed via Project team and developer or directed to the necessary city or state agency.</p>
<p>What procedure does the State have in place to ensure that the information in its Construction Alerts generally is not later than the work it provides a notice for? (One recent example is the installation of the construction shed over the sidewalk and B14 open space).</p>	<p>The construction alert is issued on a biweekly basis and provides a summary of all of the construction activity at the Project. The construction alert is reviewed by ESD staff and the Development Team and there is a concerted effort to accurately reflect the current status of work at the Project. Updates to the alert or details on specific scopes of work are shared via supplemental notices. Any questions regarding the construction alert or</p>

	requests for additional information can be directed to the project team at atlanticyards@esd.ny.gov .
Why was no Construction Update circulated for the two weeks beginning July 26?	The July 26 construction alert was not issued due to an administrative issue.
Currently we do not receive notice for permanent changes to parking regulations and notice of temporary changes that occur afterwards. What procedure can be put in place to notify the community about temporary and permanent changes to parking regulations before they are implemented?	Changes to parking regulations are under the jurisdiction of the NYC Department of Transportation. Project related changes to parking regulations or temporary loss of parking spaces will be detailed in the bi-weekly construction alert or a separate notice to the community.
A complaint has been received about the smell of the sewer at Sixth Avenue and Pacific Street.	The construction team will look into the matter.
iPARK at 535 Carlton has been non-responsive and there have been numerous complaints, including to the Dept. of Consumer Affairs, about their services.	The Developer will communicate the importance of preparing the start of the NBA season and planning for large events. And will share the community's complaints with iPark's executive management.
Will the arena consider removing any references to the iPark garages in online promotions?	Not at this time.
How many openings on AY CDC board?	There are four vacancies on the AYCDC Board.
Who is responsible for appointing people to those positions?	These vacancies would be filled by appointments from the Governor's Office.
Is the 78th Precinct now using the 24 parking spaces in the 535 Carlton Avenue parking garage?	The 24 parking spaces for the 78 th Precinct continue to be available 24/7 at the 535 Carlton Avenue garage.
Which specific community stakeholder groups, and which community boards, are you going to consult about the scope of the traffic study due with the first 1500 Certificates of Occupancy).	The scope of work for the study is defined by the Atlantic Yards Project's Memorandum of Environmental Commitments, and the Final & Supplemental Environmental Impact Statements. The Developer has reached

	<p>out to the Department of Transportation about the study and will share details with the community once available.</p>
<p>Is there an update on cleaning the stretch of Atlantic Avenue from Vanderbilt to Sixth Avenue?</p>	<p>The Developer has reached out to the LIRR and the Department of Design and Construction, the city agency doing infrastructure work along Atlantic Ave, to support the cleanup effort. The construction teams around the project and the residential staff have also contributed to the cleanup efforts over the years.</p>
<p>Setting aside those areas specifically associated with precinct and fire department vehicles, do Greenland/Forest City Partners, Barclays Center, and Empire State Development want to see alternate side parking regulation enforcement and street cleaning on a twice weekly basis in the following block sectors? If so, will they join with the community in calling for these sectors to receive regular street cleaning?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Pacific Street between Sixth and Carlton -Dean Street between Flatbush and Sixth -Dean Street between Sixth and Carlton -Dean Street between Carlton and Vanderbilt -Bergen Street between Sixth and Carlton 	<p>The Project Team does not have a position on Alternate side parking and street cleaning schedules but support efforts to improve neighborhood cleanliness.</p>