New York State Public Health and Health Planning Council Approves Certificate of Need for the Center for Community Health

The State Department of Health’s Public Health and Health Planning Council recently approved the Hospital’s Certificate of Need (CON) for the Center for Community Health. The Certificate of Need program is a review process, mandated under New York State law, which governs the establishment, ownership, construction, renovation and change in service of specific types of health care facilities. With demolition on the project site scheduled for completion by the end of the summer, we now look forward to the beginning of construction in September.

Demolition Continues

During the months of June and July, demolition will be completed on Sixth Street and will begin on Fifth Street. Periodic construction deliveries can be expected to occur throughout the day. The work hours continue to be Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We do not anticipate extended work hours or weekend hours but will inform the community should this change.

The anticipated schedule for the next month follows:

- **June 13th—June 17th**
  - Demolition of Sixth Street buildings continues.
  - Abatement of Fifth Street buildings to be completed.

- **June 20th—June 24th**
  - Demolition of Sixth Street buildings to be completed.
  - Sidewalk shed to be removed from Sixth Street.
  - Fifth Street buildings to be prepared for demolition.

- **June 27th—July 1st**
  - Demolition of Fifth Street buildings begins.

- **July 4th—July 8th**
  - Demolition of Fifth Street buildings continues.

- **July 11th—July 15th**
  - Demolition of Fifth Street buildings continues.
Meeting at John Jay Campus

Representatives of New York Methodist Hospital, Lend Lease Construction and Owner’s Representative, CBRE, recently met with principals and other representatives of the schools housed at the John Jay Educational Campus to discuss ways in which the construction can move forward with the least amount of impact on the schools. This is the third such meeting that has taken place. A representative from the John Jay Campus also sits on the Community Construction Task Force.

The School has provided the Hospital and the contractor with a schedule of examinations and will continue to do so in order to facilitate construction scheduling that minimizes noise on test days. In addition, the Hospital has agreed to pay for the purchase and installation of air conditioners for the schools’ building windows that face the construction site. LendLease has also offered to provide educational programs about construction for students at the John Jay schools.

It’s Not NYM!

Both Verizon and National Grid have recently been engaged in construction projects on the streets surrounding our construction site. These projects are unrelated to our building and the Hospital was not provided with prior notice about them.

For More Information…

This newsletter and previous issues are available at www.nym.org/build. Interested members of the community can also request that the newsletter be sent directly to their email addresses by making this request to build@nym.org.

In addition, a number of relevant documents, including the Building Monitoring Plan submitted to and accepted by the Landmarks Preservation Commission, can be accessed at: https://lendlease.sharefile.com/d/6ff0706d1d8e4caf

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