April 22, 2014

Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan  
Chair  
New York City Board of Standards and Appeals  
250 Broadway, 29th Floor  
New York, NY 10007

Re: New York Methodist Hospital  
Center for Community Health  
505-525 6th Street (Block 1084, Lots 39, 164, 1001, and 1002)  
BSA Cal. No. 289-13-BZ

Dear Chair Srinivasan and Commissioners:

Lend Lease is the construction manager for New York Methodist Hospital’s proposed Center for Community Health (the “Center”), to be located on the Hospital’s main campus in Park Slope, Brooklyn. We are writing in response to the Board’s request for a description of measures that Lend Lease and the Hospital will take to minimize the impact of construction of the Center on the surrounding neighborhood. The information set forth in this letter was presented to the Board at the April 8, 2014 public hearing on the application.

Lend Lease has extensive experience with projects that are similar in size and scope to the proposed Center, both in New York City and throughout the world, and has been ranked by Modern Healthcare for 20 consecutive years as one of the ten largest healthcare contractors in the country. We have been involved in the planning of the Center since the project’s inception, bringing our expertise to bear on the planning of all phases of the project. We have prepared logistics plans for all phases of project construction, as summarized on the attached plans. (All plans are subject to approval by the New York City Department of Transportation and Department of Buildings.) We have forecast a construction schedule of approximately 36 months, including six months for demolition and 30 months for excavation and the erection of the building.

The measures to be taken to minimize the impacts of construction activities on the surrounding neighborhood include the following:

- The project site will have proper and secure separation from the public and the neighboring properties at all times. During demolition, there will be a construction fence along the perimeter of the development site. For excavation and the erection of the building, the construction fence will be relocated to include the adjacent portions of the sidewalk and parking lane on 6th Street and 8th Avenue, which will be used for deliveries and staging. (See attached diagrams.) All construction activities will be conducted within the fenced area.
In response to input from the community, 6th Street will be utilized as the access point for the majority of deliveries to the development site so as to minimize traffic on 5th Street and 8th Avenue. During demolition, the delivery gate to the site will be located on 6th Street. During excavation and the erection of the building, the delivery entrance will be located at the corner of 6th Street and 8th Avenue, and the delivery exit will be located at the southwest corner of the development site on 6th Street. Hoists and cranes will move material and workers into and out of the building during erection operations from the portion of 6th Street located within the construction fence. (See attached diagrams.)

- Lend Lease and its subcontractors will use specialized equipment to minimize noise and air pollution.

- The Hospital will maintain a contact number and an e-mail address, supported by Lend Lease, for neighbors to call or write to with any comments and concerns during construction. Lend Lease and the Hospital will notify neighbors on streets adjoining the project of any significant construction events well in advance.

These measures are representative of the practices that will be followed during construction. More detailed information can be found in the construction impacts chapter of the Environmental Assessment Statement for the project, which was prepared by AKRF based on consultation with our firm.

Please contact me at 212 592 6784 should you have questions.

Regards,

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