



**Department of
Education**

Dennis M. Walcott, Chancellor

November 13, 2013

Speaker Christine Quinn
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Council Member Leroy Comrie
Chair, Committee on Land use
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Council Member Brad Lander
Chair, Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Siting & Maritime Uses
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Dear Speaker Quinn, Council Member Comrie, and Council Member Lander:

Thank you for your consideration of the School Construction Authority's application concerning the proposed site selection for a new, approximately 456-seat primary school facility, located on the north side of 48th Avenue between 210th and 211th Streets in Bayside. This school site would be used for K-5 students in the extremely overcrowded District 26. The enrollment zone within District 26 will be determined and approved by the Community Education Council. I am writing to clarify a number of questions and concerns raised at the Subcommittee hearing held on November 12th, 2013.

Parking

Given the size and configuration of the proposed school site, and in light of the concerns that the local community and elected officials have raised, this project will include accessory on-site parking spaces for the school to reduce the school-related parking demand on the surrounding community. The specific number of accessory parking spaces that can be accommodated on the site after the school's instructional and open space requirements have been met will be determined during the design process.

Traffic

The SCA completed a traffic study for the proposed school as required by the State Environmental Quality Review Act earlier this year. In the year prior to the opening of the new school, the SCA will follow up with the New York City Department of Transportation to review the findings and recommendations of this study, and will continue to consult with DOT on any additional studies or surveys required to avoid or reduce local traffic impacts created by the school.



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Additional Lot

We understand that the community has expressed interest that the lot across the street be used for community purposes. Although the Department of Education and School Construction Authority have not determined an explicit need at this time for this site, it will be referred to other City Agencies for their review of potential community uses.

We look forward to working with you and other elected officials to ensure this school's success. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jahmeliah Nathan at jnathan2@schools.nyc.gov or 212-374-7595.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis M. Walcott".

Dennis M. Walcott
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New York City Department of Education



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November 12, 2013

Honorable Christine C. Quinn, Speaker
New York City Council
City Hall
New York, NY 10007

Re: Applications N 130247(A) ZRM and C 130248 ZMM (East Midtown Subdistrict)

Dear Speaker Quinn:

The Department of City Planning hereby withdraws its applications for the East Midtown Subdistrict (N 130247 (A) ZRM and C 130248 ZMM).

Sincerely,

Amanda M. Burden

c: Robert Steel

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