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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8
CUNY-MSK Task Force
Tuesday, October 8, 2013
Hunter College
Lang Recital Hall
Room 424 Hunter North
6:30PM**

CB8 Members present – Elizabeth Ashby, Molly Blayney, Sarah Chu, A. Scott Falk, Ed Hartzog, Margaret Price, Barbara Rudder, Judy Schneider, M. Barry Schneider, Helene Simon, Teri Slater, Marco Tamayo, Nick Viest, Hedi White

6:30pm Nick Viest called meeting to order

1. Sale of City-owned property at 525 East 73rd Street (Lot 15 on Block 1485) to Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases (“MSK”) and City University Construction Fund (“CUCF”) pursuant to Section 384(b)(4) of the New York City Charter.

WHEREAS the ULURP process has not been completed prior to the initiation of the land disposition process,

WHEREAS there is no timeline to act in the land disposition process as there is in the ULURP process,

WHEREAS the land disposition process is the community's last opportunity to hold the applicant accountable,

WHEREAS members of the community requested that meetings be held at a neutral location and not at any of the applicants' institutions because of concerns of perceived conflicts of interest,

WHEREAS the applicant pledged at the NYC Council Zoning & Franchises hearing on September 12, 2013 that it would create an ongoing task force which would meet monthly with all the elected officials and the affected neighbors in the area, but has not created the aforementioned task force,

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to fund a York Avenue traffic study upon the closing sale of the property at 525 East 73rd Street,

WHEREAS community members believe the traffic study should take place prior to the closing so mitigation plans can be put in place,

WHEREAS the proposed site of this large scale general development is located in City Council District 5, a district that is currently without representation as its Council Member has reclused herself based on a perceived conflict of interest,

WHEREAS City Council representation is integral and essential to voting and negotiating on behalf of the affected community in the ULURP and land disposition processes, as well as the construction period,

WHEREAS City Council District 5 will seat a new City Council Member in January of 2014,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 8's decision regarding the sale of City owned property at 525 East 73rd Street to City University Construction Fund and Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases be laid over until January 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 8 requests that the Manhattan Borough Board also delay its decision on this matter until January 2014.

8 - 6 - 0. Yes: Marco Tamayo, Sarah Chu, Elizabeth Ashby, Peggy Price, Teri Slater, Ed Hertzog, Barbara Chocky, Molly Blaney. No: Scott Falk, Hedi White, Helene Simon, Barry Schneider, Judy Schneider, Nick Viest

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm

Nicholas D. Viest, Chair