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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

SECOND AVENUE SUBWAY TASK FORCE

Manhattan Community Board 8 Tuesday, December 18, 2012 Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, 331 East 70th Street, Auditorium 6:30 PM

Present: Barbara Chocky, Rita Popper, Barry Schneider, H. Patrick Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

1. Superstorm Sandy

Presented by Richard Mulieri, Senior Director. Government and Community Affairs, MTA Capital Construction.

2. Construction Updates

Presented by Tom Peyton, Program Director for the Second Avenue Subway Construction

3. Project Milestones

Presented by William Goodrich, Senior Vice President and Program Executive for the Second Avenue Subway Construction

4. Remaining Contracts to be Bid.

Presented by William Goodrich.

The complete PowerPoint presentation can be found at http://www.mta.info/capconstr/sas/documents.html . Once at the site, scroll down to:

PRESENTATIONS, Community Board 8 Presentations and then click on 2012 CB8 Project Updates – December 12 (although the date here is in error, the presentation is the correct one for the December 18 meeting.

Following the MTA presentation, members of the public made comments and asked questions of the representatives of the project. Their answers will be provided to the Community Board and will be posted on our website, www.cb8m.com.

One issue that was raised by several people was the matter emergency evacuation of the subway passengers in the event of another event like Superstorm Sandy. The concern was that it would be difficult enough for able-bodied people to climb the 80-90 feet to the surface but impossible for the disabled to do so. The question was how was the MTA prepared to deal with a wide-spread power outage that crippled elevators and escalators during Hurricane Sandy. Mr. Goodrich stated that he would respond to the Community Board no later than February 1st with a written reply.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, M. Barry Schneider, SAS TF Co-Chair