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**The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Zoning, Development, and Housing Committee**

*Tuesday, November 26, 2024 - 6:30 PM
Conducted remotely on Zoom*

Minutes

Board Members Present: Bill Angelos, Elizabeth Ashby (co-chair), Gayle Baron, Michele Birnbaum, Alida Camp, Anthony Cohn (co-chair), Edward Hartzog (co-chair), Craig Lader, Valerie Mason, John McClement, Sharon Pope-Marshall, Rita Popper, Peggy Price, Elizabeth Rose, Barbara Rudder, Judy Schneider, Robin Seligson, Sacha Sellam, and Marco Tamayo.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

1. Northwell/Lenox Hill Hospital: A presentation by Dr. Daniel Baker, Executive Director, to update the Committee on the progress and current state of project planning

Dr. Daniel Baker, Executive Director of Lenox Hill Hospital, informed the Committee that the hospital's expansion plans are progressing. In response to public and Board member questions, Dr. Baker promised to return to the Committee in January with more information. He reiterated the hospital's commitment to working closely with the community as well.

2. Creating and Preserving Housing and Affordable Housing: Presentation by George Janes in advance of the City Council vote on City of Yes for Housing Opportunity.

George Janes described the recent amendments made to the City of Yes for Housing Opportunity.

He then made a comprehensive and instructive presentation regarding the creation and preservation of housing – particularly of affordable housing. He specifically addressed how it would affect affordable housing in the district. The link to the text of his presentation is linked [here](#).

Following this presentation, the Committee discussed writing a letter arguing in favor of the creation of housing and of increased preservation of affordable housing, particularly in the district.

3. Old Business

A brief discussion of the prior month's conversation on Douglaston Development's affordable housing project at 170 East 83rd Street followed. Members of the community challenged Douglaston's assertion that building improvements were extensive and that apartment rents would not be subject to unreasonable increases.

4. New Business

No items of New Business were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 PM.

Elizabeth Ashby, Anthony Cohn, and Ed Hartzog, Co-Chairs