

Meeting on Proposed Riverside Center Project

Amsterdam Houses and other neighbors

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Public Comments:

Linda Cunningham – There will be considerable impact on hospitals. The park should be public and operated by the Parks department.

Jason Delgado – 15K construction workers favor the project and the opportunity to work on the job.

Gloria Bedell – The new school should not be exclusive nor should the project design. It should not be like Lincoln Center along Amsterdam Avenue which reads like a giant “keep out!” sign.

Demaris Carria – PS 191 is under-enrolled and should have a more diverse population of students, not just students from housing projects.

Lucy Alexander – How will the Developer help Amsterdam Houses? How will the increase load on local hospitals be addressed? Will Extell provide money to upgrade Amsterdam Addition?

Pat Ryan – Please encourage participation from Amsterdam Houses. Please zone the new school to include kids from Amsterdam Houses. Provide more than 12% affordable housing. Provide housing slots to local residents.

Grace Johnson – Good families are living in poverty nearby. They need jobs and apprenticeships from the Developer.

Christina Forkner – Affordable housing should be at least 20%. Fields and parks should be gated to increase security.

Rebecca Spear – Please have elected officials meet with local residents about this project.

Janice Sweeny – Please let us meet directly with Extell and Elected officials.

Kathy Matos – What constitutes “affordable?”

Marie Stephan – Who will get to live in the affordable housing? When will the housing be available? Make local residents a priority, especially residents of Amsterdam Houses.