

A. INTRODUCTION

The 2001 *New York City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) Technical Manual* defines community facilities as public or publicly-funded facilities including schools, hospitals, libraries, day care centers, and fire and police protection services. Direct impacts may occur when a particular action physically alters or displaces a community facility. Indirect impacts result from increases in population, which create additional demands on service delivery.

As described in detail below, since the proposed project does not include a residential component and would not directly displace any facilities, it does not meet the *CEQR Technical Manual's* thresholds for detailed analyses of public schools, libraries, health care facilities, day care centers, and fire and police protection services. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in any significant adverse community facility impacts. Furthermore, the proposed project would redevelop the Kingsbridge Armory with approximately 27,000 square feet of new community facility space, among other uses. While the programming of the community facility space has not been determined, this use would likely benefit the surrounding residential area.

B. SCREENING ANALYSES

The *CEQR Technical Manual* provides guidelines and thresholds, shown in **Table 4-1**, that are used to make an initial determination of whether a detailed study is necessary to determine potential impacts. If the proposed project exceeds the threshold for a specific facility, a more detailed analysis is warranted.

**Table 4-1
Preliminary Screening Analysis Criteria**

Community Facility	Threshold
Public schools	More than 50 elementary/middle school or 150 high school students
Libraries	Greater than 5 percent increase in ratio of residential units to libraries in borough
Health care facilities (outpatient)	More than 600 low to moderate-income units
Day care centers (publicly-funded)	More than 50 eligible children based on number of low to moderate-income units by borough
Fire protection	Direct effect only
Police protection	Direct effect only
Source: 2001 <i>CEQR Technical Manual</i> .	

DIRECT EFFECTS

No community facilities are located on the project site. Therefore, no community facilities would be displaced or physically altered as a result of the proposed actions. A building in use by

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the New York State Army National Guard is adjacent to the project site; however, it is not part of the redevelopment proposal. Therefore, no further analysis of the direct effects of the proposed action on community facilities (including fire and police protection services) is necessary.

INDIRECT EFFECTS

The demand for community facilities and services is directly related to the type and size of the new population generated by a proposed action. New residential populations may affect facilities, such as public schools, libraries, hospitals and daycare. The proposed project does not include a residential component. Therefore, no additional residents would be introduced to the area as a result of the proposed project, and the project would not exceed the *CEQR Technical Manual* thresholds for analyses of indirect effects on schools, libraries, health care facilities, or day care centers. No further assessment of the indirect effect of the proposed project on community facilities is necessary. Furthermore, the proposed project would redevelop the Kingsbridge Armory with approximately 27,000 square feet of new community facility space, among other uses. The programming of the community facility space has not been determined, however, this use would likely benefit and be compatible with the surrounding area which is predominantly residential and institutional.

In summary, no significant adverse community facility impacts would occur with the proposed project. *