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Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg
City Hall
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John B. Rhea, Chairman
New York City Housing Authority
250 Broadway, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Dear Mayor Bloomberg and Chairman Rhea:

Thank you for your response to our letter to you dated February 20, 2013 signed by myself, two other community board chairs and 13 federal, state and city elected officials regarding the current infill development plans of the New York City Housing Authority. This letter requested a very timely meeting and strongly urged "that Request for Proposals (RFP) for these sites not be released until there is more significant dialogue between NYCHA and the many potential affected residents." This letter stated that there is a need for "feedback from the relevant community boards, tenant leaders, community based organizations, and elected officials" before the RFP is issued.

We have now been informed that it is NYCHA's intention to release the RFP in late April, yet we have had no meeting, and the agency's staff is not scheduled to present to Community Board 3 Land Use Committee until April 17th. This schedule will not allow for meaningful dialogue with the community and community boards to ensure the best possible plan. We strongly urge you to refrain from issuing this RFP until a meaningful dialogue with thorough discussion of the plan is held with all concerned stakeholders.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gigi Li".

Gigi Li
Chair

Cc: Congresswoman Maloney

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NYS Senator Serrano

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