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**Health & Human Services Committee
Public Hearing Report**

DATE: September 2, 2025

TIME: 6:30 PM

Committee Members Present

Diane Peruggia, *Chairman of the Board*

Dennis McKeon, *Chair*

Claire Atalla

Vincent Bonomi

Jessica Francese

William Marco

Robert Sainovski

Paul Sanders

Naeem Sheikh

Board Members Present

James Pistilli

Staff

Stacey Wertheim, *District Manager*

Guests

Anthony Palmieri, NOVA Treatment Center

Celia Iervasi, NOVA Treatment Center

Scott Axelrod, SI Advance

John Galarza, Stakeholder

Area Residents

Public Contact - None

Agenda

Anthony Palmieri and Celia Iervasi of NOVA Treatment Center presented plans for an in-patient rehabilitation facility to be located at 177 Ellis Street, 10307. After meeting with addiction transition teams at several municipal offices, such as NYPD, FDNY, DSNY, and UFT, it was determined that there is a need for this type of facility in the metropolitan area. NOVA Treatment Center will provide specialized trauma training specific to each municipal agency and will be an In-network provider. The facility is four floors, making it possible to offer one floor for women alone. The center is dual licensed, meaning it will provide both Detox (stabilization) and a 28–35-day in-patient treatment. Following the in-patient treatment, the patient receives 5-6 months of outpatient therapy. The center will provide 28-32 beds as determined by the State. While the center is geared toward helping NYC municipal workers, it is open to all members of the public. This is a privately funded facility.

Old Business - None

New Business –

Oct 17 and 18, GRACE Foundation... ***Nightmare on Seaview***. Purchase tickets at graceofny.org
Tickets are \$25 if purchased in advance.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis McKeon

Dennis McKeon, Chairperson