

## CITY OF NEW YORK

## MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD FOUR

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November 13, 2019

Ed Pincar Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 37<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10037

**Re:** Construction Safety Issue for Pedestrians West 30<sup>th</sup>-33<sup>rd</sup> Streets / Eleventh Avenue

Dear Borough Commissioner Pincar,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) has received the following complaints from residents in this area. At its November 6<sup>th</sup> Full Board meeting, MCB4, by a vote of 37 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 0 present but not eligible to vote requests and appreciates your attention to this safety issue:

- 1. The driver's view of the southeast traffic light at Eleventh Avenue and West 30<sup>th</sup> Street is obstructed by the two-lane wide construction shed installed along the Hudson Yard construction site (under the High Line). Cars making an eastbound turn do not see the light and run into pedestrians crossing West 30<sup>th</sup> Street. This existing Department of Buildings violation should be addressed with highest priority since it is an ongoing danger to pedestrians. Removing the higher part of the shed and/or installing a temporary traffic light would probably work.
- 2. The lack of pedestrian accommodation on the east side of Eleventh Avenue, midblock between West 30<sup>th</sup> and West 33<sup>rd</sup> Streets puts pedestrians at risks, forcing them to cross to the west side in the traffic. There is no pedestrian crossing at this location.

We wonder if the same contractor is responsible for these two issues.

Sincerely,

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