

CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD FOUR

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Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

Hon. Brad Hoylman New York State Senator 322 8th Avenue, Ste. 1700 New York, NY 10001 Hon. Corey Johnson New York City Council Speaker 224 W. 30th Street, Ste. 1206 New York, NY 10001

Cathy Calhoun, Commissioner NYS Department of Transportation 50 Wolf Road Albany, NY 12232

Re: Safety Improvements on the Hudson River Greenway

Dear Governor Cuomo, Senator Hoylman, Council Speaker Johnson, and Commissioner Calhoun,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) applauds the inclusion of \$50Million in the state budget to complete the Hudson River Park, which has been a priority of MCB4. While finishing piers and creating additional green space is vital, completing the park and providing safety improvements will likely increase park visitors.

Currently, access to the park along the Greenway where vehicles cross is very dangerous and has resulted in twelve (12) deaths to date. We are asking that the safety of park users be enhanced. Efforts to improve safety where vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists mix were taken at Chambers Street and should be replicated at all intersections where vehicles cross the Greenway in Community District Four. At its February 7th Full Board meeting, MCB4 voted in support of these recommendations with 38 in favor, 1 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote.

MCB4 asks that the following dangerous intersections on the Greenway be equipped with split phase signals or speed table, starting with those closest to the new development on 29th and 30th Streets where 1,200 apartments will be built shortly:

14 th Street	39 th Street	48th Street
24 th Street	40 th Street	50 th Street
29th Street	41st Street	52 nd Street
30th Street	42 nd Street	55 th Street
36th Street	43 rd Street	
38th Street	46th Street	

Funding should be allocated from the identified state budget to finish the park. Alternatively, the New York State Department of Transportation should allocate funds to perform these critical safety fixes before another park user is injured or killed.

We appreciate that the Governor and State Agencies consider the park users' safety as a top priority in completing the park.

Sincerely,

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cc: Hon. Jerry Nadler, U.S. Congress

Hon. Gale A. Brewer, Manhattan Borough President

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Hon. Helen Rosenthal, City Council

Madelyn Wils, Hudson River Park Trust

Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner, NYC Department of Transportation