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Ed Pincar
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Re: Revocable Consent—Security Bollards—66 Hudson Yards (The Spiral)

Dear Borough Commissioner Pincar,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4), at its October Full Board meeting, voted by 43 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote, to support the request that the Department of Transportation (DOT) grant revocable consent to Tishman/Speyer, the owners of 66 Hudson Yards (The Spiral), to permit the installation of security bollards on the sidewalks surrounding the building as presented to our Transportation Planning meeting in September.

Per the presentation, the bollards in front of the building's freight entrance are operable, those at the corners provide clearance for use of the pedestrian ramps, and ample sidewalk clearances are maintained throughout.

We have requested that the owners take a second look at reducing the impact of the bollards on the streetscape by studying whether some can be incorporated into other design elements, such as planters. Further, while recognizing the steps the owners have taken to mitigate flash flooding during heavy rains, we encourage them to consider the applicability of a bioswale.

We'd also like assurances once their work is complete, that the street grading is up to DOT standards. We have seen many instances of late of subpar grading work that leads to pooling at the corners during rain.

Sincerely,



Lowell D. Kern
Chair
Manhattan Community Board 4



Christine Berthet
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cc: Christopher Vitolano, Representative