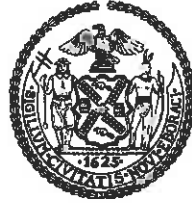


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**Resolution Requesting that EDC Address Community Concerns Regarding the Conceptual Design of the East Midtown Greenway**

Dear Ms. Van Tassel:

At the December 13, 2017 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board Six, the Board adopted the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) presented the conceptual design of the East Midtown Greenway (EMG) at the November 27, 2017 meeting of the Land Use & Waterfront Committee of Manhattan Community Board Six (CB6);

**WHEREAS**, permits have been obtained from many city and state agencies having jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, these permits took several years to obtain due to the process required and the large number of agencies with jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, the mayor has allocated \$100 million for design and construction of the 53rd to 61st Street portion of the East Midtown Greenway;

**WHEREAS**, Stantec has been hired as the design firm on this project and design is underway as of October 2017;

**WHEREAS**, the conceptual design includes a pedestrian bridge that would extend along E. 54th Street above the FDR Drive;

**WHEREAS**, several community members from the Sutton Place community attended the meeting and expressed strong concerns regarding the 54th Street location for this bridge;

**WHEREAS**, CB6 understands that contracts for design are signed and the project is funded with the schedule established;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that CB6 requests that EDC provide in writing the rationale for the 54th Street bridge location which may satisfy community concerns;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that CB6 requests that EDC present the design to the Sutton Place community for further comment as the Sutton Place community has concerns about the pedestrian bridge being located at 54th St;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that CB6 and the EDC have regularly scheduled meetings on the construction of the esplanade and connecting bridges, including the placement and design of the bridges;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that CB6 urges the relevant Council Members to assist in adjusting the design and construction schedule so community concerns can be addressed.

**VOTE: 30 in Favor    1 Opposed    0 Abstentions    0 Not Entitled**

Best regards,



Jesús Pérez

District Manager

cc: Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President  
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, Council Member  
Hon. Ben Kallos, Council Member  
Hon. Liz Krueger, New York State Senator  
Sandro Sherrod, Chair, CB6 Land Use and Waterfront Committee