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Mr. Steve Simon
City of New York Parks & Recreation
Arsenal West
24 West 61st Street
New York, NY 10023

Re: Capital Improvement for Parks

Dear Mr. Simon,

As you are aware, in recent years the local elected officials of Manhattan District 3 have generously allocated funds towards the capital improvement of many of the parks of our District. Manhattan Community Board 4 is grateful to both the elected officials and the Department of Parks and Recreation for providing our neighborhood with redesigned parks. As has been documented, MCB4 continues to rank among the bottom in the City for open green spaces. MCB4 recognizes that not only new open green spaces will add to the quality of life for residents, but updated existing green spaces make a significant difference as well.

Because of the many projects within our District, we would like to request the opportunity to regularly review the status of these projects. MCB4 invites you or a member of your staff to join our Waterfront, Parks and Environment Committee at least once a quarter so we can better understand the progress of the work being done. This will allow for an ongoing dialog between DPR and the community to ensure community needs and concerns are addressed as well as providing a chance to manage community expectations.

WPE meets the second Thursday of each month at our District Office, 330 West 42nd Street, 26th floor. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet
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