Cornell Tech Community & Construction Task Force
May 14, 2018

<u>**Attendees**</u>

Jane Swanson, Cornell Tech
Niti Parikh, Cornell Tech
Richard Silva, Cornell Tech
Diana Allegretti, Cornell Tech
Adrian Lazu, Cornell Tech
James McCormick, Hunter Roberts Construction
Alex Craig, Hunter Roberts Construction
Jill Lekstutis, Red Hospitality
Mike Saraceno, Barr & Barr

Task Force members:
Lucille Songhai
Matthew Katz
Sushant Harite
Audrey Tannen
Sharon Pope
Sarah Hague
Ellen Polivy
Christina Delfico

Members of the public:
Dan Pollay
Alonza Robertson
Frahydel Falczuk
Briana Waring
Judith Berdy
Morgan Jones

<u>**Presentations**</u>
- **Diana Allegretti, Cornell Tech's Director of Design & Construction**
    - VEEC and hotel: Foundation work is nearly complete for the Verizon Executive Education Center, and excavation work is underway for the Graduate Roosevelt Island hotel.
    - Signage for the VEEC and hotel: The CB8 Land Use committee recently approved the signage for the VEEC and hotel as part of the City PDC process.
    - Accessibility: Overview of the Cornell Tech classrooms and conference rooms that are equipped with assisted listening devices.
- **Richard Silva, Director of Security at Cornell Tech**
    - Mr. Silva described his role as the new head of Cornell Tech security.
- **Niti Parikh, Director of Cornell Tech's MakerLAB**
    - Overview of the 3D printing workshop with Roosevelt Island seniors. Seniors came up with challenge ideas for products that could make their lives easier

and working together the students and seniors developed prototypes of products to address them.

- **Jane Swanson, Assistant Director for Government and Community Relations at Cornell Tech**
  - o About 200 students are graduating this month. Next year, we expect 250 new students on campus, for a total of approximately 350 students.
  - o Cornell Tech's web literacy class at the Senior Center was very successful
  - o Cornell Tech now offers tours of the art in the Bloomberg Center. Visit https://tech.cornell.edu/visit-us to sign up.
- **RICC Cultural Committee** o
    Presentation from the RICC Cultural Committee about art and cultural offerings on Roosevelt Island.

Discussion/Question

- How is rainwater treated on the roof of the hotel? Roof drains capture water.
- Have the solar panels on campus been activated? Yes
- Will there be discounted room rates at the hotel for residents? Yes, the hotel operator is committed to that, and there will be more details to come when the hotel moves towards operations.
- Will the restaurant at the hotel be open to the public? Yes
- Will there be a comprehensive strategy for the management of waste for the VEEC and hotel?
  Yes, all of the campus buildings use the same vendors and it is fully coordinated.
- Where will people be dropped off for the VEEC and hotel? Cornell is working with RIOC on a dedicated drop off area for the hotel.
- Will there be signage and wayfinding for the VEEC and hotel? Yes
- Do the rooms that are made available to the community have assisted listening devices? Yes
- What info do you collect at the front desk? Name, date and time of your visit, and the building you are entering. We do not scan IDs or collect your address or any other information.
- How can we post community events at Cornell Tech? Jane forwards notices to faculty, student, and staff newsletters for consideration.
- Where can we get the hours for the café? Visit http://thecafe.tech.cornell.edu/