



MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert Harding, Deputy Mayor for Economic Development
 Kevin Corbett, Chief Operating Officer, Empire State Development Corp.
 Michael Carey, President, NYC Economic Development Corp.
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 President

FROM: Steven Spinola

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In preparation for our meeting on Wednesday, September 26, 2001 at 11:00 AM at the Real Estate Board of New York, 570 Lexington Avenue, 2nd Floor, I thought it would be helpful to outline the issues that we believe need to be addressed regarding Battery Park City and its efforts to get back to normalcy.

Joining me at the meeting will be the principles from the following ownerships within Battery Park City: The Brodsky Organization, The LeFrak Organization, Related, Rockrose, Milstein Properties, Glenwood Management, The DeMattis Organization, and American Property Financing.

First on behalf of all of these organizations and the entire Real Estate industry, let me say thank you for all that you have done and continue to do on behalf of our City, State and Nation.

We know that all of us desire the same objective, to do everything possible to bring back the residents and jobs to Battery Park City as soon as possible. We also agree that together we must take steps to change the perceptions and to bring back the services that have always made Battery Park City one of the most attractive neighborhoods in New York.

The following are some of the concerns we would like to discuss:

- 1) **Bus Shuttle Services.**
 Owners are prepared to provide mini buses to shuttle residents from train stations and retail areas to their buildings in Battery Park City. We need approval to let such buses operate.
- 2) **Open up Chamber Street Subway Stations.**
 We would hope that Murray Street could become the new boundary for the restricted area and as a result, the two Chamber Street Stations could be opened. This would be one of the bus routes mentioned above.

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- 3) **Battery Park Access.**
The many check points and restrictions make it almost impossible for residents to live in Battery Park City. Only residents are allowed into their buildings. We need to permit guest, relatives, baby sitters, maids, and food or service deliveries. Reductions of the restricted space would go a long way toward making people feel that they are back to normal.
- 4) **Perception of Safety.**
The recent Department of Health flyers issued would scare anyone from returning to Battery Park City. Their direction warns of outdoor activity and suggest the wearing of long sleeve shirts and pants. This directive is very threatening in tone and adds to the rumors and false perceptions about Battery Park City.
- 5) **Services.**
Retail services for food, dry cleaning and other essentials need to be re-established.
- 6) **Temporary Access Bridges.**
Could additional access be established through temporary bridges over West Street at appropriate locations that are safe and do not interfere with the investigations and recovery efforts?

These are just some of the issues that have been raised and we recognize that as owners and managers we share in the responsibility to do whatever is necessary to re-open and re-establish this wonderful community. We want to offer our assistance and work together in the best interest of our tenants.

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