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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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Andrew Berman  
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Dear Mr. Berman, *Andrew,*

Thank you for your April 23<sup>rd</sup> letter regarding Pier 40. As you know, Pier 40 is a project of the Hudson River Park Trust and the Department of City Planning has no official role in its development. We will certainly take your comments under consideration should we consider actions on this site in the future. As you also know, The Department completed a comprehensive zoning study of Hudson Square several years ago, culminating in the approval of zoning changes by the City Council on July 29, 2003. That proposal was a carefully crafted strategy to balance the need to preserve the existing built character and retain manufacturing zoning within Hudson Square, while providing modest opportunities for new housing development, and we believe that this newly adopted zoning reflects the consensus of the community board, local civic groups and elected officials.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda".

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