



Revised Notice
October 3, 2013

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Chancellor

Revised Proposal: The Proposed Co-Location of a new Public Charter Elementary School Brooklyn Prospect Charter School-Midwood's Grades K-5 (84KTBD) with Existing School Andries Hudde Middle School (22K240), in Building K240 Beginning in 2014-2015

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

On August 29, 2013, the New York City Department of Education ("DOE") issued an Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") describing a proposal to site the kindergarten through fifth grades of Brooklyn Prospect Charter School- Midwood (84KTBD, "Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood") in building K240 ("K240"), beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. K240 is located at 2500 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, 11210, in Community School District 22. That proposal described the proposed co-location of Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood with Andries Hudde Middle School (22K240, "Andries Hudde"), an existing district middle school serving students in sixth through eighth grade in building K240. Building K240 also provides space to Beacon, a community-based organization.

A **revised EIS and a revised BUP** have now been posted. While this revised EIS still proposes the long-term co-location of Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's kindergarten through fifth grades in Building K240, this revised EIS clarifies that Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood will open in 2014-2015 and will only serve kindergarten students that year, not kindergarten and first grade students as stated in the original proposal. This revised proposal accurately reflects the grade span described in Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's charter authorization application to its authorizer, the State University of New York Board of Trustees ("SUNY"). After opening in 2014-2015, Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood will add one grade each year until it serves kindergarten through fifth grade at full scale in 2019-2020. Because of this grade span change, other changes have been made in the revised EIS and revised BUP as well, which include updating enrollment figures and utilization figures. The DOE has also deleted a paragraph in the summary that referred to an unrelated proposal that was withdrawn in May 2013.

Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood has submitted an application for charter authorization for a new charter to serve students in kindergarten through fourth grades in its initial five year charter term. Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood has also informed the DOE that during renewal it intends to apply to SUNY to expand its grade span to serve students in fifth through eighth grade. This proposal is therefore contingent on Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood receiving approval from SUNY to serve students in K-4, as well as in 5-8 grades. Although Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood is applying to serve middle school grades, this proposal only concerns the siting of Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's K-5 grades in K240, not Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's 6-8 grades. Only SUNY has the authority to approve or deny Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's applications for charter authorization and expansion.

The proposal to open and co-locate the kindergarten through fifth grades of Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood in K240 described in the EIS is contingent upon SUNY's approval of Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood's application for charter authorization and on SUNY's approval of Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood's subsequent renewal. If SUNY does not approve Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood's charter application, this proposal will not be implemented. Should SUNY approve Brooklyn Prospect – Midwood's application for kindergarten through fourth grade, but deny the renewal to serve up to fifth grade, Brooklyn Prospect-Midwood will only serve students in kindergarten through fourth grades in the building. For the purposes of this proposal, it is assumed that SUNY will approve both charter requests

If this proposal is approved, Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood will open in September 2014 and will serve approximately 45-55 students in kindergarten. The school will add one grade each year until it reaches full scale in 2019-2020. At that time, Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood will serve approximately 270-330 students in kindergarten through fifth grade. The school will admit students via its charter lottery application process, with preference given to District 22 residents.

Andries Hudde is an existing middle school serving students in sixth through eighth grades and admits students through the District 22 Middle School Choice Process through both a zoned program and three screened programs: (1) the Center for Intellectually Gifted ("CIG") magnet program; (2) the NOVA program; and (3) and the Center for Science, Mathematics and Computers program.

According to the 2011-2012 Enrollment, Capacity, Utilization Report (the "Blue Book"), K240 has the capacity to serve 1,550 students. If this proposal is approved, K240 is projected to serve approximately 975- 1,065 total combined students from Brooklyn Prospect- Midwood and Andries Hudde in 2019-2020, yielding an estimated building utilization rate of 63%-69%. Thus, K240 has sufficient space to accommodate the proposed co-location.

II. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The Educational Impact Statement ("EIS") and Building Utilization Plan ("BUP") regarding the proposal can be found on the Department of Education's Web site:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/AboutUs/leadership/PEP/publicnotice/2013-2014/Oct30SchoolProposals>

Copies of the EIS and BUP are also available in Andries Hudde's main office.

III. Summary of all public comments received following the initial public notice

The public comments received are summarized as follows: (1) one commenter inquired about recent space evaluations at Andries Hudde. (2) one commenter inquired about who the accurate DOE contact on the proposal is. (3) one commenter inquired about SUNY's authorization process. (4) one commenter commented on the timeline for the proposal. (5) one commenter requested the DOE remove the proposal from the agenda at the October 30, 2013 PEP meeting. (7) one commenter stated that there are inconsistencies between Brooklyn Prospect Charter School- Midwood's application to SUNY and the posted proposal. (8) one commenter inquired about Brooklyn Prospect Charter School-Midwood's attempt to seek private space. (9) one commenter stated the DOE guidelines are not being followed with this proposal. (10) multiple commenters inquired about the DOE's use of enrollment statistics for the proposal. (11) one commenter stated they would like the proposal withdrawn immediately. (12) one commenter

inquired about the relationship between the DOE and a member of the Board of Trustees at Brooklyn Prospect.

IV. Submission of further public comment.

Written comments can be sent to D22Proposals@schools.nyc.gov.

Oral comments can be left at 212-374-0208.

V. The name, office, address, email and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item.

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VI. Date, time and place of joint public hearing for this proposal.

Tuesday October 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
I.S. 240 Andries Hudde Middle School
2500 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York, 11210

Questions about the proposal should be directed as indicated in section IV above.

Speaker sign-up will begin 30 minutes before the hearing and will close 15 minutes after the start.

VII. Date, time and place of the Panel for Educational Policy meeting at which the Panel will vote on the proposed item.

October 30, 2013 at 6:00pm
Prospect Heights Campus
883 Classon Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11225