



Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

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Ms. Kelly Murphy
Director, Real Estate Services
New York City School Construction Authority
30-30 Thomson Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101

Re: NYSCA
SCA Pre-K Center at 168 8th Street
168 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY
16PR03021

Dear Ms. Murphy:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the Division for Historic Preservation and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

OPRHP has reviewed the following document – *End of Phase 2 Fieldwork: Proposed Pre-K at 168 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY* (Meade, AKRF, 13 October 2017). Based on the information provided, no historically significant archaeological deposits or features were encountered and no human remains or evidence of human burials were identified.

Therefore, this office recommends that the Gowanus Pre-K archaeological site (04701.020238), located within the confines of the current project area, is not eligible for listing on the State or National Registers of Historic Places. Consequently, the planned project will have **No Impact** on cultural resources. We further recommend that no additional archaeological investigation of this site is warranted, and that environmental remediation and project construction may be allowed to proceed. We look forward to receipt of the final archaeological report.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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