

**Lower Manhattan Development Corporation
Meeting of the Family Advisory Council
Meeting Summary
February 28th, 2002
One Chase Manhattan Plaza
5:30-7:30 PM
LMDC Board Members: Lew**

Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC) Board Members Lew Eisenberg and Deborah Wright gave welcoming remarks and spoke of the importance of working with the families of those lost loved ones at the World Trade Center. Mr. Eisenberg and Ms. Wright recognized the presence of Lou Tomson, President and Executive Director of the LMDC and Deputy Mayor Dan Doctoroff. The Board Members then invited each of the Family Members to introduce themselves. Mr. Eisenberg gave a brief overview of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation and the other Advisory Councils that the LMDC has established.

Mr. Eisenberg introduced Deputy Mayor Doctoroff to discuss the first temporary memorial proposal. Deputy Mayor Doctoroff then introduced Kent Barwick from the Municipal Art Society to present the "Tribute in Lights" proposal. Mr. Barwick presented the "Tribute in Lights" proposal which would project two beams of light into the sky in the Battery Park City area in Lower Manhattan. The "Tribute in Light" will run from March 11th to April 13th. Family members expressed a concern that this would be a temporary memorial and asked questions regarding the cost of the project and funding sources. They also expressed a concern that this would be a temporary memorial and asked questions regarding the cost of the project and funding sources. They also expressed a desire that, if the temporary memorial is a success, they would like the City to consider doing this again in September.

Mr. Eisenberg then introduced Chris Glaisek, Director of Urban Planning for the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation, for the second temporary memorial presentation. Mr. Glaisek presented a proposal to create a temporary memorial in a park at Battery Park City. The centerpiece of the memorial is “The Sphere for Plaza Fountain”, symbol of world peace that sat atop a granite fountain in the center of the 5 acre World Trade Center Plaza. The Sphere was commissioned by the Port Authority and created by sculptor Fritz Koenig in 1971. The attack on September 11th transformed The Sphere into an icon of hope. Although it sustained a large gash through its center, it remained structurally intact and was one of the few public art treasures at the World Trade Center that could be recovered. Family members favored using the Sphere as the centerpiece of the memorial. Family members also expressed a desire to have a plaque at the memorial site explaining the significance of the object. Family members also expressed a concern regarding the potential impacts of this temporary memorial on the local residents that use and live near this park. The LMDC indicated they would be presenting this proposal to the Community Board for their reaction the following day.

Mr. Eisenberg and Ms. Wright thanked everyone for coming. The meeting adjourned.