



**THE POLICE COMMISSIONER
CITY OF NEW YORK**

May 6, 2026

Harvey Epstein
Council Member, 2nd District
New York City Council
250 Broadway, Suite 1820
New York, NY 10007

Dear Council Member Epstein:

I write in response to your letter to Mayor Zohran K. Mamdani concerning the building located at 34½ East 12th Street which is the headquarters of the Police Athletic League. In your letter, you requested a meeting with key community stakeholders to discuss the building's condition and future.

Please note that this building is owned by the New York City Police Department and is occupied by staff from the Police Athletic League and personnel assigned to our Detective Bureau.

We acknowledge your concerns about this building and are aware that it requires extensive work, including renovations and repairs. Accordingly, capital funding has been requested from the Mayor's Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for this building, with the façade renovation work being identified as a top priority. This project is anticipated to cost \$14.3 million. Pending funding approval by OMB for Fiscal Year 2027, and approval from the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission, construction would begin in Fiscal Year 2030 and is expected to last two years.

If you require any additional information, please contact Lieutenant Patrick Gordon, Commanding Officer of the Police Commissioner's Liaison Unit. He may be reached at 646-610-5984 or via email at: Patrick.Gordon@nypd.org.

We appreciate your dedication to the residents of Manhattan and look forward to working with you in the future. Collaboration between stakeholders, particularly elected officials and our local command staff, is one of the most effective means for bringing about a lasting reduction in crime and addressing the core concerns of neighborhood residents and business owners.

Thank you for your concern in this matter and for your continued support of the women and men of the New York City Police Department.

Sincerely,


Jessica S. Tisch
Police Commissioner