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***COUNCIL MEMBER CHIN'S RESPONSE TO  
DE BLASIO ADMINISTRATION'S DECISION  
TO LOCATE THE MANHATTAN  
DETENTION COMPLEX AT 125 WHITE  
STREET***

“The administration’s proposal to site the Manhattan Detention Complex at 125 White Street is a sign that City Hall listened to the community’s concerns about the future of this facility. By focusing the conversation on this existing detention site, we can ensure that this facility remains near the courts and that the occupants of 80 Centre Street, the previously proposed location, will no longer need to relocate. Furthermore, Columbus Park will no longer be placed under the shadow of a proposed 40-story jail at 80 Centre Street.

My office will be working closely with all stakeholders as the City moves forward with this plan. There remains a great deal of work to be done. However, I do believe that the closure of Rikers Island is the right thing to do. I look forward to continuing to facilitate a meaningful engagement between City Hall and the community on the future of this detention facility.”

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