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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

April 9, 2015

Margaret Forgione Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 35th Flr. New York, NY 10038 Matthew Fang Customer Service Representative NYC Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway, 1st Flr. New York, NY 10004

RE: N/W/C York Avenue & East 67th Street-Application for a newsstand. Application # 1238-2015-ANSW. Due Date April 13, 2015

Dear Commissioner Forgione and Mr. Fang:

At the April 7, 2015 Street Life meeting of Manhattan Community Board 8, the following committee recommendation was adopted by a vote of 9 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

WHEREAS the applicant failed to appear, as invited, at a CB8M Street Life Committee meeting on April 7 or respond to a request for information from Community Board 8M, and

WHEREAS the proposed location is directly in front of a hospital facility owned by Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and

WHEREAS representatives of the hospital have expressed significant concerns over the impact of the proposed newsstand on their ability to maintain a high level of service to their patients and interfere in the smooth functioning of their operations (copies of their correspondence is enclosed), and

WHEREAS the proposed location is in a "No Standing" parking zone which is used for patient pickups and drop-offs, including ambulettes and patients in wheelchairs, and

WHEREAS the proposed location is directly around the corner from heavily used bus stop for the crosstown M66 bus, a stop which often has a waiting line which reaches around the corner and well down York Avenue directly in front of the proposed location, and

WHEREAS DOT has requested recommendations for peak hours to perform pedestrian congestion analysis, and

WHEREAS after consultation with relevant stakeholders, CB8M recommends DOT perform this study on weekdays between the hours of 9 am to 11 am and between the hours of 3 pm to 5 pm,

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8M OPPOSES the installation of a newsstand at proposed location on the N/W/C York Avenue & East 67th Street

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

James G. Clynes

Chair

Sincerely,

Jonathan Horn & Abraham Salcedo

Jonathan Horn & Abraham Salcedo Co-Chairs, Street Life Committee

Cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
Honorable Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 26th Senatorial District
Honorable Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member, 73rd Assembly District

Honorable Rebecca Seawright, NYS Assembly Member, 76th Assembly District Honorable Ben Kallos, NYC Council Member, 5th Council District Honorable Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member, 4th Council District



April 6, 2015

Matthew Fang Customer Service Representative New York City Department of Consumer Affairs 42 Broadway, Lobby Floor New York, NY 10004

Re: Application #1238-2015-ANWS proposing newsstand at N/W/C York & East 67 Street

Dear Mr. Fang:

This letter is in follow-up to your correspondence with Community Board 8 requesting comments on the above cited application for a newsstand vendor license. As adjacent property owners of 1275 York Avenue operating a full-service hospital for adult and pediatric cancer patients, Memorial Sloan Kettering finds that a newsstand at this corner would have a strongly detrimental effect on patient access to the entrance of our hospital.

We are very concerned about the impact of the newsstand on patient drop-off and pick-up from the facility. On a daily basis our hospital receives and discharges hundreds of patients, who are accompanied by family members and caregivers. Patients begin arriving as early as 6:00 AM for surgery and traffic flow remains heavy from Monday to Saturday through the early evening hours. Patients who access this facility are in active cancer treatment or follow-up care and often need to arrive by private vehicle. Ambulette services are provided for patients who are most fragile.

Currently there are, at any given time, at least three food vendors positioned on this stretch of sidewalk that attract a sizeable customer flow. MSK patients, their caregivers, and medical transportation personnel must consistently navigate – on foot, on and off of wheelchair lifts, and on stretchers – around these vendors to arrive at or depart from our facility. The addition of a fixed newsstand on this sidewalk will decrease the traversable space and shift the existing food vendors northward on the street closer to our entrance point.

We also believe that the demand for newsstand materials at this location may not be maximized as our hospital gift shop, located within 100 feet of our facility entrance, services our staff and visitors and carries similar items. As well, there is a longstanding newsstand vendor positioned at the corner of First and 68th which serves the general public. The demand and rationale for an additional newsstand at this location would most likely not justify the resulting negative impact on our patient transportation needs.

We welcome you to visit our site so that you can be familiarized with the existing sidewalk conditions and our patient needs. I have attached here photos taken recently at the site to give you a sense of the current level of congestion and obstacles our patients encounter. I look forward to hearing from you on this matter and can be reached by phone at 646-227-3635.

Thank you,

Denise Goodman

Manager, Community Affairs & Special Projects

Department of Communications



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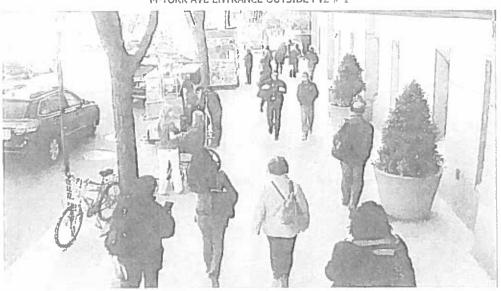
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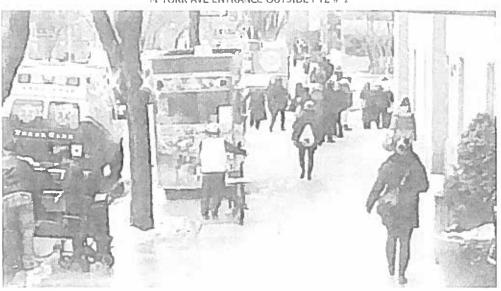
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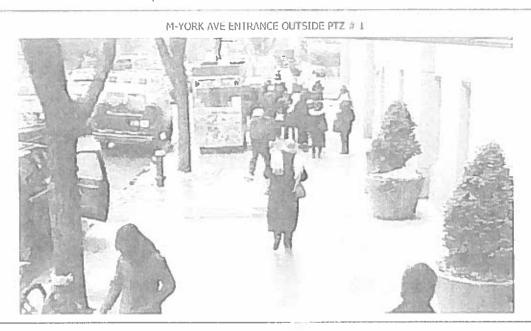
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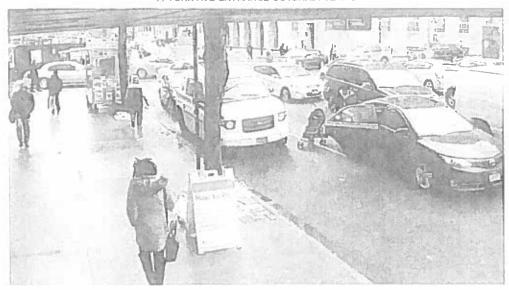
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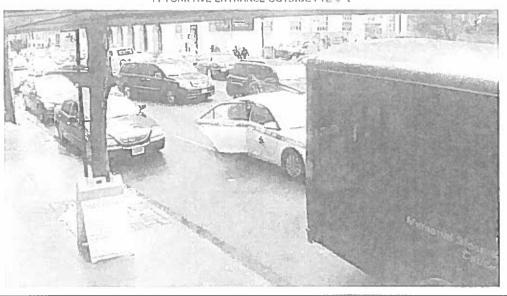
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Date: April 7, 2015

To: CB8 Street Life Co-Chairs Jonathan Horn and Abraham Salcedo

From: Denise Goodman () , Manager, Community-Affairs & Special Project

Re: Application #1238-2015-ANWS proposing newsstand at N/W/C York & East 67 Street

In addition to the letter you received today regarding this application, we want to share the figures below on patient volume at our hospital facility at 1275 York Avenue.

Memorial Sloan Kettering Patient Volume

(These numbers are recent averages and do not include accompanying family members and caregivers.)

Monday to Friday outpatient volume: 1400-2100 patients/day

Saturday average outpatient volume: 150-250 patients/day

Monday to Saturday surgical patient volume: 130 patients/day

Monday to Friday inpatient discharges: 75 patients/day

Again, we ask that you vote against this application due to the detrimental effect it will have on our patient transportation needs. I can be reached at 646-227-3635.

Thank you for your consideration.