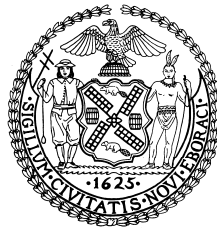


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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

May 23, 2012

Hon. Robert B. Tierney, Chair
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
One Centre Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Re: 127 East 69th Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) – Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Tierney:

At the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, the board adopted the following resolution regarding **127 East 69th Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) – Upper East Side Historic District – March Chadwick, Architect** – A townhouse originally built in 1872-1873 and altered in the Adamesque style by S. Edson Gage in 1919. Application is to construct a rear addition.

Whereas the building currently has a seven foot rear yard; whereas the proposed enlargement will be built to the rear lot line on the basement level and will be set back from the rear lot line 3'-6" on the first floor;

Whereas the added bulk creates a visual intrusion in the rear yard; whereas there are no windows facing to the rear;

Whereas the white washed brick is not consistent with the red brick of the building; and

Whereas the proposed rear façade requires more articulation respectful of the architectural language of the building;

Therefore be it resolved that this application is **disapproved** as presented.

*The motion to disapprove this application **failed** with a vote of 21 in favor, 18 opposed, and 3 abstentions. A substitute motion to approve this application also **failed** with a vote of 18 in favor, 21 opposed, and 3 abstentions. Thus, **Community Board 8 takes no position on this application.***

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest
Chair

David Helpern and David Liston
Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York
Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Liz Krueger, NYS Senate Member
Hon. Dan Quart, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Micah Kellner, NYS Assembly Member
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, NYC Council Member
Hon. Jessica Lappin, NYC Council Member