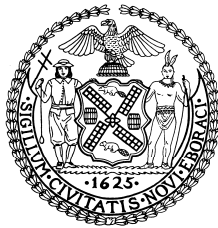


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**The City of New York**  
**Manhattan Community Board 8**

**FULL BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, January 16, 2013**  
**Memorial Sloan-Kettering**  
**430 East 67<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Auditorium**  
**6:30PM**

**Community Board Members Present:** Elizabeth Ashby, Albert Barrueco, John Bartos, Michele Birnbaum, Molly Blayney, Matthew Bondy, Lori Ann Bores, Roy Carlin, Barbara Chocky, Sarah Chu, James Clynes, Cory Evans, Susan Evans, A. Scott Falk, Edward Hartzog, David Helpert, Lorance Hockert, Jonathan Horn, Dave Kleckner, David Liston, Jacqueline Ludorf, Laurence Parnes, Jane Parshall, Ellen Polivy, Rita Lee Popper, Margaret Price, Hattie Quarnstrom, David Rosenstein, William Sanchez, Teri Slater, Cos Spagnoletti, Marco Tamayo, Debra Teitelbaum, Nicholas Viest

**Community Board Members (Excused):** Kenneth Austin, Deirdre Breslin, Christina Davis, Lorraine Johnson, Domenico Minerva, Mary Boresz Pike, Barbara Rudder, Judith Schneider, M. Barry Schneider, Helene Simon, Charles Warren, Hedi White

**Community Board Members (Unexcused):** Jeffrey Escobar, George Fuchs, Patrick Stewart, Elaine Walsh

**Total Attendance: 34**

**Chair Nicholas D. Viest called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.**

**1. Public Session:**

- Member of the public, Mike Gedin, representing BCID/ACBANY, spoke in favor of APS.
- Member of the public, Raphael Riugs, representing BCID, spoke in favor of APS signals.
- Member of the public, Gabriela Amari, representing Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled (BCID), spoke in favor of APS.
- Member of the public, Milagros Franco, representing BCID, spoke in favor of APS signals.
- Member of the public, Barbara Campbell, representing the New York State Commission for the Blind, spoke in favor of signal crossings.
- Member of the public, Charles Gourgey, representing PASS Coalition, spoke in favor of APS signals.
- Member of the public, Analyn Courtney Barbier, representing Visions Services for the Blind and PASS, spoke in favor of APS.
- Member of the public, Julia Yepez, representing Disabled In Action, spoke in favor of APS.
- Member of the public, Ronnie Ramond, spoke in favor of signal crossings.
- Member of the public, J. Wouk, spoke on the topic of signal crossings.
- Member of the public, Sean Fitzgerald, representing Convent of the Sacred Heart, spoke on the topic of the street fair.
- Member of the public, Victoria Beriempis, spoke.
- Member of the public, Steven Traube, representing Prime Butter Baker, spoke in favor of Prime Butter Baker permit.

**2. Adoption of the Agenda** – Agenda adopted.

**3. Adoption of the Minutes** – November Land Use-Full Board and December Land Use meeting minutes adopted.

**4. Manhattan Borough President’s Report:**

Kristen Ellis, a representative from the Manhattan Borough President’s Office (MBPO) Scott Stringer, reported on his latest initiatives.

**5. Elected Official’s Reports:**

- A representative from Assembly Member Dan Quart’s office reported on his latest initiatives.
- Matt Bitz, a representative from Comptroller John Liu’s office, reported on his latest initiatives.
- Christina Parisi, a representative from Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney’s office, reported on her latest initiatives.
- A representative from NYS Senator Liz Krueger’s office, reported on her latest initiatives.
- Helen Ohw, a representative from Assembly Member Micah Kellner’s office, reported on his latest initiatives.
- Emma Lowe, a representative from Council Member Daniel Garodnick’s office, reported on his latest initiatives.
- A representative from Council Member Jessica Lappin’s office reported on her latest initiatives.
- A representative from NYS Senator Serrano’s office reported on his latest initiatives.

**6. Chair’s Report – Nick Viest:**

Chair Nick Viest gave his report.

**7. Committee Reports and Action Items:**

- **Landmarks Committee – David Helpern and David Liston, Co-Chairs**

**Re: 138 East 65<sup>th</sup> Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District Extension** – *Michael Muroff Architect, LLC* – A Colonial Revival style residence designed by Frederick S. Barus in 1870-71 and altered by Samuel Edson Gage in 1906. Application is to alter the rear façade.

**WHEREAS** the Committee wishes to consider this application in three parts: 1) The Rear Facade; 2) The Rooftop Mechanicals; and 3) The Front Façade

**1) The Rear Facade.**

**WHEREAS** with regard to the fifth floor, the applicant proposes to combine and enlarge the two existing openings, install a sliding glass door, and replace the existing railing,

**WHEREAS** with regard to the third floor, the applicant proposes to lower the existing window sill, replace the existing windows with glass doors, and install new decorative wrought iron Juliet balconies,

**WHEREAS** with regard to the second floor, the applicant proposes to enlarge the existing roundtop window openings and to replace the existing Juliet balcony with "cat and dog guard" industrial style iron railing,

**WHEREAS** with regard to the first floor, the applicant proposes to install a new glass door with an enlarged opening,

**WHEREAS** with regard to cellar level, the applicant proposes to create a new excavated 5' x 8' courtyard with stairs leading up to the ground level,

**WHEREAS** the proposed doors on the first, third, and fifth floors are uncharacteristic for a building of this size and inconsistent with other windows on the rear facade and include excessive glass, while the proposed mix of decorative and industrial wrought iron is also at odds with the character of the building,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the proposed changes to the rear facade are disapproved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**2) The Rooftop Mechanicals.**

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to remove, replace, and consolidate the various existing rooftop mechanicals, **WHEREAS** the proposed changes to the rooftop mechanicals will mean that mechanicals once visible from the public way will no longer be visible from the public way,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the proposed changes to the rooftop mechanicals are approved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**3) The Front Facade.**

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to remove an existing service entrance, which had been added to the building in the 1920s, with a new window and wrought iron grill to match the two existing windows on the bay,

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to remove two existing air condition vent grills and to fill the spaces with material matching the rest of the exterior,

**WHEREAS** the proposed changes to the front facade are in keeping with the design and character of the building,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the proposed changes to the Front Facade are approved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 30 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention.**

**Re: 1440 Lexington Avenue (between 93<sup>rd</sup> and 94<sup>th</sup> Streets) – Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District – George Schwarz, Architect – A building designed by Frederick T. Camp and built in 1882-83. Application for a horizontal rear extension of the cellar and 1<sup>st</sup> floor.**

**WHEREAS** the extension is minimally visible,

**WHEREAS** the extension does not block any residential lot line windows,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that the application is approved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**Re: 650 Park Avenue, Apt. #21A and Penthouse “A” (@ 67<sup>th</sup> Street) - Upper East Side Historic District - Stephen Killcoyne, Architect – An apartment building designed by John M. Kukkins and built in 1962-23. Application to replace and add windows and doors.**

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to replace existing aluminum frame glass windows and sliding doors with new aluminum frame insulated windows, with new windows to be installed in existing or proposed masonry openings and in the same plane as existing windows,

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes that any new windows or sliding doors will have a silver finish matching that of the existing frames and any new windows will match the head and sill heights of existing windows,

**WHEREAS** the windows that are the subject of the applicant's proposal are not visible or are minimally visible from the public way and this is not an architecturally distinguished building,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is approved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 29 in favor, 3 opposed, and 1 abstention.**

**Re: 740 Park Avenue, Apt. 4C (between 74<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> Streets) - Upper East Side Historic District – A Classicizing Art Deco style apartment building designed by Rosario Candela and built in 1929-30. Application to install condensing units.**

**WHEREAS** the proposed through-wall condensing units would require openings to be made in the façade,

**WHEREAS** the façade, which is made of limestone, has a cohesiveness and a distinctiveness that sets it apart from other apartment buildings,

**WHEREAS** half the through-wall units would interrupt a delicate banding,

**WHEREAS** additional through-wall units, whether in the limestone banding or in the limestone field, would detract from the architectural character of the building,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is disapproved.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 31 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

- **Transportation Committee – A. Scott Falk and Chuck Warren, Co-Chairs**

**Re: MTA Bus and Subway Service review**

**WHEREAS** New York City Transit has eliminated the fare booth at the uptown 86th Street Lexington Avenue 4/5/6 station; and

**WHEREAS** transit riders who need to purchase or add value to their MetroCards are therefore reliant on the station's MetroCard Vending Machines; and

**WHEREAS** the MetroCard Vending Machines at this station are often malfunctioning, vandalized, or otherwise out of service;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M calls upon New York City Transit to reinstall the fare collection booth at the Uptown 86th Street Lexington Avenue station, and to staff the booth with a station agent from 6 AM to 9 PM, seven days per week.

**Community Board 8M APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 27 in favor, 5 opposed, 1 abstention and 0 not voting for cause.**

**Re: A request from Prime Butcher Baker to close the east curb lane on Second Avenue between 81st and 82nd Streets from Sunday, March 17, 2013 to Tuesday, April 2, 2013 for two Mobile Units.**

**WHEREAS** Prime Butcher Baker located at 1572 Second Avenue has applied to the Mayor's Street Activity Permit Office for a permit to park two 8-foot mobile refrigeration units directly in front of their business from March 17 to April 2 for the storage of Passover meals;

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to limit the request to park only one 8-foot mobile refrigeration unit in front of the store from Friday, March 22, through Wednesday, March 27;

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to stipulate that if the permit application is not approved by the Mayor's Street Activity Permit Office he will not park a refrigerator truck in front of the business illegally, but will instead abide by the relevant parking regulations; and

**WHEREAS** the mobile refrigeration unit that the applicant proposes to park in front of Prime Butcher Baker should generate less noise and air pollution than a refrigeration truck, resulting in less negative impact on the neighboring community;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M supports this application as amended, for one 8-foot refrigeration unit to be parked in front of Prime Butcher Baker from Friday, March 22, to Wednesday, March 27; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M supports this permit only on a one-time trial basis, to evaluate the actual impact on the community.

**Community Board 8M APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 18 in favor, 14 opposed, 1 abstention and 0 not voting for cause.**

- **Street Fairs Committee – Barbara Chocky and Hedi White, Co-Chairs**

**Public Hearing re: Applications for Single-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2013**

**1. Convent of the Sacred Heart to close East 91<sup>st</sup> Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Thursday, June 6, 2013 from 12:00PM to 3:00PM for a Block Party**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to disapprove the application by a vote of 18 in favor, 15 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**2. China Institute to close East 65<sup>th</sup> Street between Lexington and Park Avenue on Sunday, February 10, 2013 from 11:00AM to 12PM for a Block Party**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to approve the application by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**3. Temple Israel of the City of New York to close East 75<sup>th</sup> Street between Lexington and Park on Sunday, February 24, 2013 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM for a Religious Ceremony.**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to approve the application by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**4. Church of the Holy Trinity to close East 88<sup>th</sup> Street between First and Second Avenue on Saturday, May 4, 2013 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM for a Block Party**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to approve the application by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**5. Central Park Precinct Community Council to close East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Sunday, June 30, 2013 from 12Noon to 5:00PM for a Block Party**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to disapprove the application by a vote of 28 in favor, 2 opposed, and 3 abstentions.**

**6. Central Park Precinct Community Council to close East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Sunday, September 22, 2013 from 12Noon to 6:00PM for a Block Party**

**Manhattan Community Board 8 motioned to disapprove the application by a vote of 28 in favor, 2 opposed, and 3 abstentions.**

#### **8. Old Business**

There was a discussion among the CB8M board members regarding the Department of Transportation's proposal to add Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) to various locations on the upper-east-side which is an item that was introduced by the Transportation Committee at their meeting.

#### **9. New Business**

No new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM.

**Nicholas D. Viest, Chair**