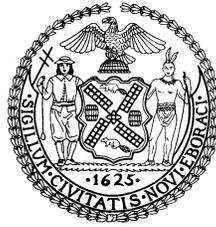


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The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8

FULL BOARD MEETING

New York Blood Center
310 East 67th Street (First-Second)
Auditorium
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
6:30PM

Community Board Members Present: Elizabeth Ashby, Gayle Baron, Michele Birnbaum, Matthew Bondy, Lori Ann Bores, Loraine Brown, Alida Camp, Barbara Chocky, Sarah Chu, James Clynes, Daniel Dornbaum, Jeffrey Escobar, Susan Evans, A. Scott Falk, David Helpern, Sophia James, Lorraine Johnson, Andrew Kalloch, Craig Lader, Katherine LaGuardia, David Liston, Zoe Markowitz, Michael Mellamphy, David Menegon, Glen Pandolfino, Jane Parshall, Peter Patch, Ellen Polivy, Sharon Pope, Rita Lee Popper, Margaret Price, Hattie Quarnstrom-Figueroa, David Rosenstein, Barbara Rudder, Abraham Salcedo, William Sanchez, M. Barry Schneider, Tricia Shimamura, Sara Solomon, Lynne Strong-Shinozaki, Marco Tamayo, Carolina Tejo, Nicholas Viest, Elaine Walsh, Charles Warren

Community Board Members (Excused): Jacqueline Ludorf, Cos Spagnoletti, Debra Teitelbaum,

Community Board Members (Unexcused): Edward Hartzog, Laurence Parnes

Total Attendance: 45

Chairman James G. Clynes called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

1. Public Session – Those who wish to speak during the Public Session must register to do so by 6:45 pm

- Member of the public, Nanci Weisbord, spoke on the 5 cents charge for bags.
- Member of the public, Liam Jeffries, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Greg Huchtz, representing the Yorkville Library NYPL spoke on investing in libraries.
- Member of the public, Nina Friedman, representing the Medicaid Advisory Group, spoke in favor of helping seniors.
- Member of the public, James Poma, representing 345 East 81st Street, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Joseph M. Rose, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Mary G. Davis, Board President, representing 570 Park Avenue, spoke in opposition to 583 Park Avenue application.
- Member of the public, Betty Cooper Wallerstein, representing the East 79th Street Neighborhood Association, spoke in opposition to 78th/79th streets and requesting 2 streets in the 60's instead of 3rd 70th/71st Streets.
- Member of the public, Marilyn Jenkins-Madina, spoke in opposition to the Rose Group application.
- Member of the public, Jameson Mitchell, representing CIVITAS, spoke in favor of upper-east-side bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Rich Prescott, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, John A. Wagner, spoke in favor of transportation bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Karen Cammaker, spoke in opposition to the bike lanes at 70th and 71st Streets.

- Member of the public, Kevin Fritz, representing P.S. 290, spoke in favor of East 84th street bike lane and in opposition of East 82nd Street bike lane.
- Member of the public, Brian Ingram, representing St. Ignatius Loyola, spoke in opposition to the bike lanes on East 84th Street.
- Member of the public, Joan Graham, spoke in opposition to the bike lane and would like it re-examined in view of a recent death and to patients of the eye MD offices that are blind.
- Member of the public, Thomas Wrocklaje, spoke in opposition to the bike lane at 82nd Street.
- Member of the public, Leora Harpaz, representing the 345 East 81st Street Bike Lane Committee, spoke in favor of the bike lanes at 84th/85th Streets but against selecting 81st/82nd Streets.
- Member of the public, Dolores Ward, spoke on protection from bicycles for seniors.
- Member of the public, Mark Stevens, spoke in favor of safe biking allowed to pass red lights, particularly on side streets, when there's no traffic.
- Member of the public, David Goldstein, representing 45 East 72nd Street, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Edwina Barbis, representing East 70th Street Block Association, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Paula Borge, representing East 84th Street, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Joseph Fitzpatrick and Eileen Fitzpatrick, representing students, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Christy Guzzaith, representing cyclists, spoke in favor of cyclist lanes.
- Member of the public, Robert Joseph, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, William Hagen, spoke in favor of bicycle lanes and safety.
- Member of the public, Edward Shufro, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Michelle Matta, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Kevin P. Morrissey, spoke in opposition to the Rose Group application.
- Member of the public, Lydia Hadjipateras, spoke in opposition to the Rose Group application.
- Member of the public, Norton Belknap, spoke in opposition to the Rose Group application.
- Member of the public, Gerald Klaued, representing 116 East 63rd Street Co-op, spoke in opposition to the Rose Group application.
- Member of the public, Devin Gould, spoke in favor of the crosstown bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Steve Vaccaro, spoke in favor of the bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Marianna Oiszewsk, representing P.S. 6, spoke about the bike lanes not being on 81st/82nd Street.
- Member of the public, Jordan Wouk, spoke in opposition to Link NYC Towers billboard electronic signs along Third Avenue that DOT installed to replace phone booths.
- Member of the public, Dan Halvey, FDNY, representing Birch Wathen Lenox School, spoke in opposition to bike lane.
- Member of the public, John Hood, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Kevin Marshall, spoke in favor of bicycle lanes.
- Member of the public, Denise Linden, representing 4 East 70th Street owners, spoke in opposition to bike path.
- Member of the public, Denise Goodman, representing Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, spoke on bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Suzan Wollard, spoke in opposition to bike lanes at 84th Street.
- Member of the public, Joseph Enoch, spoke in favor of crosstown bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Michael Ludwig, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Jeff Gold, spoke in favor of crosstown bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Alex Vocelie, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Lucette Gilbert, spoke in favor of bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Gorman Reilly, representing CIVITAS, spoke in favor of alternate routes for bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Hindy Schachter, spoke in favor of bike lanes.

- Member of the public, Charles Palella, representing The Preservation Coalition, spoke in favor of 583 Park – Rose Group Street Life resolution.
- Member of the public, David Starling, representing The Rose Group, spoke in favor of the State Liquor Authority application for 583 Park Avenue.
- Member of the public, Donald Bernstein, spoke in favor of The Rose Group State Liquor Authority application for 583 Park Avenue.
- Member of the public, Monique Lawrence, spoke in favor of The Rose Group State Liquor Authority application for 583 Park Avenue.
- Member of the public, Whitney I. Gerard, representing 940 Park Avenue, spoke in opposition to bike lanes on 81st-82nd.
- Member of the public, Chakameh Habibi, representing 570 Park Avenue Board, spoke in opposition to 583 Park Avenue application.
- Member of the public, Dehme, spoke in opposition to bike lanes.
- Member of the public, Margaret Lehman, spoke in opposition to the Department of Transportation bike streets.
- Member of the public, Peter C. Krause, spoke in opposition to 583 Park Avenue application.

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

3. **Adoption of the Minutes** – February 10, 2016 Land Use minutes adopted.

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

Lucille Songhai, a representative from Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer’s office reported on her latest initiatives.

5. **Elected Officials’ Reports**

Council Member Ben Kallos spoke on his latest initiatives. He spoke on his Earth Day recycling event on April 21, 2016, at 6:00PM. In terms of women’s health there will be a free mammogram event on April 27th. He spoke on the 86th Street corridor and that there will now be twice a week pick-ups on 86th Street and he is working on a BID for this area. He is also working on pre-K seats in our community schools.

Christopher Consalvo, a representative from Liz Krueger’s office spoke on her latest initiatives.

Jose Ramon Perez-Lopez, a representative from Senator Jose Serrano’s office, spoke on his latest initiatives.

Genevieve Marcy, a representative from Assembly Member Dan Quart’s office spoke on his latest initiatives.

Will Brightbill, a representative from Council Member Dan Garodnick, spoke on his latest initiatives.

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

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

1. **A request for a new Revocable Consent to install a chair lift, steps and landing at 1442 First Avenue** *(requested by DOT , Division of Franchises, Concessions & Consents).*

WHEREAS the Second Avenue Deli is seeking a new Revocable Consent to install a chair lift, together with steps and landing, along the south side of East 75th Street at 1442 First Avenue, to voluntarily make their raised first-floor restaurant ADA-accessible; and

WHEREAS the Second Avenue Deli has an enclosed sidewalk café that narrows the south sidewalk on East 75th Street to the east of the southeast corner of First Avenue; and

WHEREAS an existing parking regulation signpost would create an extreme narrowing of the sidewalk to 4’ 4”, even when the chair lift is folded away and not in use; and

WHEREAS relocating the signpost should provide an additional 15.5 inches of clearance; and

WHEREAS relocating the signpost to the west would not reduce currently available parking;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 approves the request for a new Revocable Consent to install a chair lift, together with steps and landing, at 1442 First Avenue, contingent upon the NYC Dept. of Transportation relocating the existing parking regulation signpost by the necessary distance to eliminate the resulting sidewalk pinch point; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8 requests that DOT relocate the parking regulation signpost further west, toward First Avenue, rather than relocating the signpost to the east.

This motion failed by a vote of 20 in favor, 19 opposed, 5 abstentions and 1 not voting for cause.

Manhattan Community Board 8 took no position.

2. Continued discussion of painted Crosstown Bicycle Lanes (with no removal of parking spaces or vehicular travel lanes). The Committee will consider alternative options alongside the original DOT proposal on the following three corridors:

- **Corridor A:**
 - **East 67th Street & East 68th Street (original DOT proposal)**
 - **East 70th Street & East 71st Street (alternative option)**
- **Corridor B:**
 - **East 77th Street & East 78th Street (original DOT proposal)**
 - **East 75th Street & East 76th Street (alternative option)**
- **Corridor C:**
 - **East 84th Street & East 85th Street (original DOT proposal)**
 - **East 81st Street & East 82nd Street (alternative option)**

WHEREAS in 2009 Community Board 8 voted 38-1 to support protected bicycle lanes; and

WHEREAS in November 2015 CB8 voted 32-8-6 to ask DOT to propose a network of painted crosstown bicycle lanes on the Upper East Side, to be implemented in the short-term, and to propose for longer-term implementation a network of crosstown bicycle routes on the Upper East Side, using the safest appropriate design; and

WHEREAS DOT proposed painted crosstown bike lanes on 67th, 68th, 77th, 78th, 84th, & 85th Streets; and

WHEREAS DOT provided 70th & 71st Streets as an alternative to their original proposal for 67th & 68th Streets; and

WHEREAS DOT proposed shared lane markings on Gracie Square (in both directions), on East End Avenue between 84th & 85th (northbound), on York Avenue between 77th & 78th (southbound), and on Cherokee Place between 77th & 78th (northbound); and

WHEREAS the use of bicycles on the Upper East Side is increasing significantly; and

WHEREAS the City needs to significantly expand its public awareness efforts regarding bike safety and add resources to support greater bike safety in our community; and

WHEREAS there is a need for bicycle network connections to the Esplanade and Central Park, and across Central Park to the West Side, and a need for safe crosstown routes within our district;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 Manhattan approves DOT's proposal for painted crosstown bicycle lanes on 70th, 71st, 77th, 78th, 84th, & 85th Streets, with no lost parking or travel lanes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8 Manhattan approves DOT's proposal for shared lane markings on Gracie Square (in both directions), on East End Avenue between 84th & 85th (northbound), on York Avenue between 77th & 78th (southbound), and on Cherokee Place between 77th & 78th (northbound).

This original motion failed by a vote of 19 in favor, 25 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 not voting for cause. A sub-motion was introduced but it was tabled by a vote of 30 in favor, 13 opposed, 1 abstention and 0 not voting for cause. Manhattan Community Board 8 took no position.

b. Street Life Committee – Laurence Parnes and Abraham Salcedo, Co-Chairs

1a. Manna Madison Avenue LLC dba Gina La Fornarina, 26 East 91st Street-Renewal application for a small sidewalk café with 5 tables and 20 chairs. DCA #1419681-DCA. Due Date

WHEREAS there are no changes to the café; and

WHEREAS there were concerns from the public regarding the establishments winter enclosure; and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to ensure that its winter enclosure would be limited to the doorway and shall conform to city regulations; and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed not to utilize any winter enclosure as an enclosed sidewalk café; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

1b. Vietnam LLC, 1700 Second Avenue-Renewal application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 20 chairs. DCA # 2003371-DCA. Due Date May 21, 2016

WHEREAS there are no changes to the café; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

1c. Cascabel Hospitality Group LLC dba Cascabel Taqueria, 1556 Second Avenue-Renewal application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 12 tables and 24 chairs. DCA# 2012537-DCA. Due Date May 21, 2016

WHEREAS there are no changes to the café; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

2a. Noche De Margaritas Restaurant Inc., dba Noche De Margaritas, 1726 Second Avenue (89th/90th)-New application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 4 tables and 8 chairs. DCA# 5015-2016-ASWC. Due Date June, 4, 2016

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

3a. Rose Group Park Avenue LLC dba 583 Park Avenue, 583 Park Avenue (63rd/64th)-Method of Operation change to remove current restrictions from Beer and Wine catering establishment license

WHEREAS there was substantial public objection; and

WHEREAS there was concern that removing the current restrictions would only serve to exacerbate community concerns; and

WHEREAS the existing restrictions were carefully established and agreed to; and

WHEREAS the applicant has already sought and received relief from SLA; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **DISAPPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 38 in favor, 6 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

3b. 1304A Second Avenue Associates, LLC., dba Golosi, 1304A Second Avenue (68th/69th)-Alteration application for Wine, Beer & Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

3c. The Vinegar Factory Inc., dba The Vinegar Factory, 429-433 East 91st Street-Alteration application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4a. JMTJ Corp., dba Wing Bistro, 1109 First Avenue-New application for Wine, Beer and Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4b. The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Tourbillon 75, LLC, 945 Madison Avenue-New application for Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4c. Mr. Peng's Inc., 1659 First Avenue-New application for Wine, Beer and Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4d. Asian 59 Inc., 207 East 59th Street-New application for Wine, Beer and Cider

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

c. Landmarks Committee – David Helpern and Jane Parshall, Co-Chairs

Re: 3 East 84th Street – Metropolitan Museum Historic District – Mike Goldstein, owner, PH apartment.

Application is to legalize a mural at the penthouse that was installed without permission from the Landmarks Preservation Commission

WHEREAS 3 East 84th Street is an Art Deco-style building designed by Raymond M. Hood & John M. Howells and constructed in 1928.

WHEREAS the applicant would like to legalize the installation of a rear terrace mural at the penthouse level.

WHEREAS the applicant did not have the exact dimensions of the mural which presents as approximately 10' high by 10' wide.

WHEREAS the mural depicts a boy the height of the mural [and thus larger than life-size] holding an oversized pair of binoculars depicting the New York skyline among other elements that present an overall theme of a young person emigrating to New York in the early part of the twentieth century.

WHEREAS the mural is painted on limestone.

WHEREAS the mural is visible from the north side of 85th Street because directly across from 3 East 84th Street on 85th Street there is a service alley 9'11" wide. [To clarify, the service alley creates a cone of visibility from 85th Street to the rear elevation of 3 East 84th Street. Thus, the mural is visible from 85th Street.]

WHEREAS the mural is visible from the upper floors of every apartment behind 3 East 84th Street.

WHEREAS the applicant indicated that he did not know that a mural of this size within the historic district would require a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Landmarks Commission.

WHEREAS the architect for 3 East 84th Street, Raymond Hood, also helped to design Rockefeller Center and The Daily News Building.

WHEREAS 3 East 84th Street, a small side-street building at 9 stories high with the penthouse above, is considered to be one of the Art Deco landmarks of the city.

WHEREAS the concept for the mural -- which presents as contemporary -- is totally out of context with the extraordinarily lovely Art Deco detailing of the building.

WHEREAS the size of the mural -- which extends from the floor of the penthouse terrace to the roof of the penthouse terrace -- is totally inappropriate within the historic district.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is **disapproved** as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 32 in favor, 12 opposed, 1 abstention, and 0 not voting for cause.

Re: 30 East 68th Street-(between Madison and Park Avenues)-Upper East Side Historic District - *Martin Hero, architect*-Neo-Renaissance style apartment building designed by F.B. & A. Ware and constructed in 1924-25. Application to install windows.

WHEREAS 30 East 68th Street has a two story limestone base with 10 stories above sheathed in brick;

WHEREAS the first floor is currently retail and the upper floors are residential;

WHEREAS there are two stores facing Madison Avenue, with Ralph Lauren occupying the corner store;

WHEREAS many second floors on Madison Avenue contain retail;

WHEREAS space on the second floor is to be added to the Ralph Lauren space;

WHEREAS the existing storefronts on Madison Avenue are to remain the same;

WHEREAS there are four windows in alignment from the second floor up facing Madison Avenue;

WHEREAS the northerly and southerly windows are multi-pane, six over six and the two center windows, which are at bathrooms, are two over two;

WHEREAS the two bathroom windows are to be replaced with windows of the same size as the northerly and southerly windows to create four windows of equal size in alignment with the windows above on the Madison Avenue façade;

WHEREAS the windows for the retail on the second floor are to be similar to the storefront windows in that they will be undivided, single sheets of glass;

WHEREAS the first floor of 30 East 68th Street has no openings at the westerly end of the north wall;

WHEREAS there are three lines of six over six windows starting at the second floor at the westerly end of the north wall;

WHEREAS two storefront openings are to be cut into the westerly corner of the ground floor of the north wall to match the height and look of the storefronts on Madison Avenue;

WHEREAS a new window will be inserted between the second and third windows from the corner on the second floor of the north facade to create three abutting windows within a single masonry opening;

WHEREAS the four windows on the second floor on 68th Street will match the four windows on the second floor on Madison Avenue in that they will be undivided, single sheets of glass;

WHEREAS the westerly show window on the corner of 68th Street will be 7'-0+ wide and will align on the east side with the line of windows above and will be 2'-2" from the Madison Avenue wall thereby creating what appears to be a square limestone column at the corner;

WHEREAS the easterly show window on the north wall will be 10'-0" wide and will align with the east and west edges of the triple window above;

WHEREAS the proposed arrangement of windows on the 68th Street façade detracts from the residential character of the building;

WHEREAS the windows on the second floor without mullions are not compatible with the six over six windows in the building;

WHEREAS the westerly show window eliminates limestone that changes the architectural composition in that the visual expression of the limestone wall supporting the building is eroded;

WHEREAS the composition of display windows as presented is not contextual and appropriate within the historic district;

THEREFORE this application is **disapproved**.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

Re: 145 East 72nd Street (between Lexington Avenue and Third Avenue) – Upper East Side Historic District Extension – Boris Zivotov, attorney for the tenant. Application is to legalize an awning at the 2nd floor that was installed without permission from the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

WHEREAS 145 East 72nd Street is a 5-story altered Neo-Grec style brownstone designed by Sillman & Farnsworth and constructed in 1881-82.

WHEREAS the applicant would like to legalize the installation a non-retractable, stationary awning at the second floor retail space.

WHEREAS the applicant did not know that 145 East 72nd Street was located within a historic district.

WHEREAS when the applicant leased the space there was an existing awning with signage for the prior tenant; the applicant replaced the prior existing awning.

WHEREAS the awning is 10' long x 2' wide by 3 ½' tall and contains 4 lines of lettering to advertise the tenant's business; the awing is medium blue with gold lettering.

WHEREAS the awning is too assertive in color and lettering and is out-of-context and inappropriate within the historic district.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is **disapproved** as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

d. Zoning & Development Committee – Elizabeth Ashby and Elaine Walsh, Co-Chairs

Re: 147-151 East 86th Street

WHEREAS Ceruzzi Properties ("the Developer") intends to demolish the existing building at the northeast corner of Lexington Ave. and 86th Street, which contains on its mezzanine level two of the four entrances to the northbound (uptown) side of the station serving the Express and Local (IRT 4, 5, 6) lines; and

WHEREAS the 86th Street and Lexington Ave. IRT subway station is the ninth busiest stations in the system with 20 million travelers per year; and

WHEREAS the Developer and the MTA have agreed that the Developer will install a sidewalk elevator to serve the northbound side of the subway station, make changes to the existing mezzanine-level entrance/exits on the NE corner, and add a sidewalk staircase entrance on the 86th Street sidewalk; and

WHEREAS any construction-related temporary closure of the NE corner staircases could reduce the available exits by half; and

WHEREAS when both local and express trains arrive at the same time during the evening rush hour, hundreds of passengers seek to exit the station at the same time; and

WHEREAS, in the event of an incident on a train or platform, e.g., a shooting, fire or smoke condition, or terrorism-related event, this would inevitably create panic and a rush to exit the station, and

WHEREAS any temporary decrease in exit capacity could present an unacceptable risk to the public,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that New York City's public safety agencies, and all agencies with a permitting role in the project, move to assure that under no circumstances will a closure of existing exits be permitted unless equivalent egress is provided at all times during construction.

Manhattan Community Board 8 APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

e. Public Safety Committee – Debbie Teitelbaum and Nick Viest, Co-Chairs

Re: Int. No. 299-A: A Local Law in Relation to the Operation of Hoisting Machines

Whereas safety is of paramount concern and importance for our community,

Whereas training is a vital component of safety preparation,

Whereas the committee recognizes the importance of local knowledge,

Whereas Intro 299 would require a NYC local exam and local experience,

Therefore Be It Resolved that Community Board 8 supports Int. No. 299-a local law to amend the building code in relation to hoisting machines.

CB8M board voted to adopt the resolution by a vote of 40 in favor, 3 opposed and 1 abstention.

7. District Manager's Report – Latha Thompson

Latha Thompson did not give a report.

8. Chair's Report – Jim Clynes

Chairman Jim Clynes gave his report. He announced the Parks & Recreation Committee's gathering to help make the Queensboro Oval Park a full-time public park. The gathering will be held on Saturday, June 25th, from 11:00am – 1:00pm at the Queensboro Oval Park at York Avenue and 59th Street. This gathering is to promote the Queensboro Oval Park to be opened to the public full-time and year-round. He also mentioned that he would see the new board members at the New Board Member Orientation in May.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45PM.

James G. Clynes, Chairman