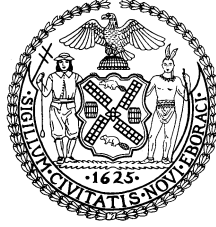


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The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8

FULL BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2011
Memorial Sloan-Kettering
430 East 67th Street
Auditorium
6:30PM

Community Board Members Present: Joie Anderson, Elizabeth Ashby, Kenneth Austin, Michele Birnbaum, Molly Blayney, Matthew Bondy, Lori Ann Bores, Deirdre Breslin, Roy Carlin, Sarah Chu, James Clynes, Christina Davis, Jeffrey Escobar, Susan Evans, A. Scott Falk, George Fuchs, Ruth Halberg, Edward Hartzog, David Helpern, Lorange Hockert, Jonathan Horn, David Liston, Jacqueline Ludorf, Jane Parshall, Mary Boresz Pike, Ellen Polivy, Rita Lee Popper, Margaret Price, Hattie Quarnstrom, David Rosenstein, Barbara Rudder, William Sanchez, Judith Schneider, M. Barry Schneider, Helene Simon, Teri Slater, H. Patrick Stewart, Marco Tamayo, Debra Teitelbaum, Alexander Tisch, Nicholas Viest, Elaine Walsh, Charles Warren, Hedi White

Community Board Members Absent (Excused): Barbara Chocky, Dave Kleckner, Domenico Minerva, Laurence Parnes, Cos Spagnoletti

Community Board Members Absent (Unexcused): Lorraine Johnson

Total Attendance: 45

Chair Jacqueline Ludorf called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

1. Public Session:

- Member of the public, Nema Ray, spoke in opposition to panhandling.
- Member of the public, Olivia Blanchflower, representing Grow NYC, spoke in favor of a permit for the Sotheby's Youth Market stand on York Avenue between 71st and 72nd Street.
- Member of the public, Lei Xi, representing Chinese Arts Revival, spoke on the Shen Yun Performing Arts at Lincoln Center.
- Member of the public, Jonathan Brunschwig, representing NYC Bike Riders, spoke in favor of no cars in Central Park.
- Member of the public, Byambasuren Castillo, proprietress of the Ray of the Sun Day Care spoke about group family day care.
- Member of the public, Jonathan Ehrlich, former Manhattan Community Board 8 member stopped by to say hi to the community and CB8 board members.
- Member of the public, Albert Ahronheim, spoke in favor of the car free Central Park trial.
- Member of the public, J. Wouk, spoke in favor of trial closing at Central Park to vehicles.

- Member of the public, Donna Gargano, representing Extell Development Company, spoke in favor of 680 Madison Avenue (Carleton House).
- Member of the public, John Beyer, representing Extell Development Company, spoke in favor of 680 Madison Avenue (Carleton House).
- Member of the public, Ken Coughlin, representing Community Board 7, spoke in favor of car-free Central Park trial.
- Member of the public, Joanne Duda, spoke on the issue of sanitation and littering.
- **A presentation by Brunie Sanchez, US Census Bureau on Census surveys and programs in our district**

2. Adoption of the Agenda – Agenda adopted.

3. Adoption of the Minutes – April Land Use/Full Board Meeting minutes adopted.

4. Manhattan Borough President’s Report:

Kristen Ellis, a representative for Scott Stringer reported on the latest updates from the Manhattan Borough President’s Office (MBPO). The MBPO issued the Tenants and Toxins report which discloses that building owners are passing along the costs of replacing boilers in rent regulated buildings to tenants. Two thirds of the dirty boilers which burn #4 and #6 oil are in rent-regulated buildings according to the Environmental Defense Fund and Rent Guidelines Board. The Manhattan Borough Board has made recommendations which include financial incentives the city can use to encourage building owners to replace boilers that can minimize tenants’ expenses. The MBPO has launched the NYC Tax Payer Receipt on-line tool that let users get an itemized breakdown on how their city’s property and income tax dollars are used to support city government agencies and resources. The on-line tool can be accessed on-line www.nyc.taxreceipt.com She announced that the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender (LGBT) organization is holding its LGBT Pride Month Celebration and Awards Ceremony on Thursday, June 23rd, 6:00PM, at the LGBT Community Center, 208 West 13th Street.

5. Elected Official’s Reports:

- Lolita Jackson, a representative from Mayor Michael Bloomberg’s office, announced that the Second Avenue Subway corridor has been paved below 90th Street and now there will be paving done above 90th Street – 100th Street. There will be garbage bins situated in the 90’s to collect the commercial and residential refuse in that area. The food truck regulations are being stringently enforced throughout the borough of Manhattan.
- Brice Peyre, a representative from Congress Member Carolyn Maloney’s office, announced that City Year New York received a \$2.9 million AmeriCorps grant from the federal Corporation for National and Community Service. This grant will support City Year New York’s service programs which place young adults in under-resourced public schools to serve full-time as tutors and mentors. Representative Maloney helped to secure a new \$295 million high-speed federal rail grant. The funding is part of \$2 billion in high-speed rail grants that will create 9,213 jobs, boost economic activity in our region by \$585.9 million, induce tens of thousands of jobs throughout the economy, bring in millions in tax revenue, result in reduced commuting times for the LIRR, Amtrak, and NJ Transit passengers, and pave the way for high-speed rail along the Northeast Corridor, which will create roughly 44,000 jobs and \$33 billion in wages annually over the project’s 25 year construction cycle. It was also announced that the Congress Member participated in an Oversight and Government Reform Committee Hearing and interviewed the agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). During the interview, the Congress Member stated that the gun laws in the United States are very lax and this makes it very easy to pass guns back and forth through the Mexican border. At that point the Republican Committee Chairman directed the ATF agents to stop answering her questions. This caused quite a stir with the news media since the Republicans were the ones who had summoned the ATF agents to the Hearing. You can see a video of this hearing on www.TalkingPointsMemo.com

- Yvonne Przybyla, a representative from New York State Senator Jose Serrano's office, gave an update on Senator Serrano's work. She announced that Governor Cuomo has rescinded the Secure Communities Act which is exciting news. This will facilitate information sharing among local authorities and improve local reporting and will make for more secure communities. Senator Serrano along with other Senators and Assembly Democrats joined with NYC Council Speaker Christine Quinn and housing activists at an interactive rent reform rally highlighting the critical need to extend and strengthen rent regulation laws. The Senator also joined government colleagues and gay rights advocates to urge lawmakers to vote in favor of a Marriage Equality bill. Yvonne also announced that she was leaving Senator Serrano's Office after 4 years to pursue other interests. She will be in the office until July 1st.
- Patrick Madigan, introduced himself as the new representative from New York State Senator Liz Krueger's office. He announced that he had just come from the Marine Transfer Station (MTS) Rally which was just held at 90th Street. The rally had a huge turnout from members of the community that are very upset about the MTS. Senator Krueger is sponsoring legislation along with Assembly Member Kellner to block the MTS from coming into the East 90's community. They are also awaiting the final marriage equality votes.
- Ricky Gunsburg, a representative from Assembly Member Micah Kellner's office, reported on the issues that the Assembly Member is currently working on. The Assembly Member is happy to report that the New York State Assembly passed his legislation which requires that after October 1, 2014, all new taxicabs put into service in New York City must be accessible to riders with disabilities. The Marine Transfer Station (MTS) bill which he sponsored in the Assembly has moved forward from the Environmental Conservation Committee to the Assembly Board for a vote. If passed, the MTS bill would prohibit a Marine Transfer Station to be located 800 feet from a housing project. Also, the Assembly passed the extension of the rent guidelines. Assembly Member Kellner along with colleague Assembly Member George Latimer is co-sponsoring legislation which would bring much needed reform to the Rent Guidelines Board. The legislation forces the Board to use Income and Expense data, not the flawed Price Index and Operating Costs, prevents landlords with serious violations from collecting rent increases, abolishes the need for lease renewals, and rebalances the board so that mayoral appointees no longer hold more power than tenants and landlords. The Assembly Member invited the community to join him at the Great Hall of Cooper Union, located at 7 East 7th Street, on June 20th at 10:00AM to tell the Rent Guidelines Board why it is important they do not pass unreasonably high increases. Those wishing to testify are advised to pre-register by calling 212-385-2934 by 1:00PM on June 17th.
- Matthew Walsh, representing Assemblymember Jonathan Bing's office, announced that Assemblymember Jonathan Bing has been appointed by Governor Cuomo as Special Deputy Superintendent of the New York State Liquidation Bureau at the end of session. He begins this new appointment at the end of session, however, the office will continue to function afterwards at full capacity. Assembly Member Bing will be at the July Full Board meeting to say his goodbyes to everybody.
- David Kimble Stanley, a representative from City Council Member Daniel Garodnick's office, announced the latest updates. The Council Member is currently speaking at the Rally against the E. 91st Street Marine Transfer Station (MTS). The MTS remains in the budget but the Council Member is hopeful that due to lawsuits and grassroots advocacy they will be able to put off the MTS for another year and hopefully forever. This Monday the Council Member oversaw the Consumer Affairs meeting and is happy to report the latest legislative updates from this meeting. The City Council approved a package of bills introduced by Council Member Garodnick to close loopholes in the pedicab industry. He also introduced legislation regarding sales of expired non-prescription drugs and e-bikes. The e-bikes legislation will double the fines for motorized e-bikes. Council Member Garodnick traveled to Albany along with 50 tenants from Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village, and the STPCV Tenants Association leaders to press the State lawmakers to extend and strengthen the rent regulations. The Council Member is also hosting a clinic for legal rights of NYCHA tenants. The event is scheduled for this upcoming Monday, June 20th, 7PM.

- Taina Prado, a representative from City Councilmember Jessica Lappin’s office reported on the latest updates. Council Member is also rallying against the Marine Transfer Station (MTS) to find a more appropriate non-residential site for the MTS. She has given her full support for the application from the Youth Market at Sotheby’s. The Council Member is happy to co-host a forum with Community Board 8 entitled, “Protecting Seniors from Financial Crimes”. The forum is scheduled for Thursday, June 23rd, at 6:30PM, at the Brick Presbyterian Church, located at 62 East 92nd Street (between Madison and Park). The Council Member’s office announced the New York City launching of the Big Apple Rx prescription discount card program. New Yorkers, regardless of age, income, or health insurance status, will save an average of 47 percent on prescription medications when they go with the card to a participating pharmacy. To learn more about the program go on line to www.bigapplerx.com, call 311 or contact the Council Member’s office at 212-980-1808. A Recycle-O-Rama will take place on Sunday, June 26th, 9AM-3PM, at the 92nd Street Greenmarket (1st Ave. between 92nd and 93rd street). Old electronics, paper, and the usual material will be accepted. For more information, visit <http://uppergreenside.org/blog/>. Council Member Lappin, Council Speaker Quinn and Council Member Brewer are co-hosting the Senior Discount Fair at the American Museum of Natural History to provide seniors with information from citywide cultural art groups-theaters, museums, and more-offering free or low cost tickets to seniors. The event is being held on Tuesday, July 19th, 2PM-4PM, at the American Museum of Natural History, Weston Pavilion entrance located on Columbus Avenue at 79th Street. You must RSVP to attend: 212-980-1808 or lappin@council.nyc.gov

6. Chair’s Report – Jacqueline Ludorf:

Chair, Jacqueline Ludorf announced that the 92nd Street Green Market will be opening this weekend at 92nd Street and 1st Avenue.

7. Committee Reports and Action Items:

- **Parks Committee** – Margaret Price and Barbara Rudder, Co-Chairs

Re: Central Park Pedestrian Paths Changed to Pedestrian/Bicycle Use

WHEREAS the Central Park Conservancy has proposed an experiment, allowing bicyclists to ride on certain pedestrian paths in Central Park, and

WHEREAS such an experiment is not necessary because bicyclists routinely ride on the Central Park paths and have done so for many years, and

WHEREAS the paths are not wide enough to safely accommodate both pedestrians and bicyclists, and

WHEREAS Central Park is only a half mile wide, and

WHEREAS minimizing the risks to pedestrians on shared paths would require that bicyclists follow the laws, rules, and regulations; and that they ride slowly and with care to avoid hitting pedestrians, and

WHEREAS there are numerous signs throughout Central Park saying “NO BIKE RIDING ON PATHS,” and

WHEREAS bicyclists routinely ride on the paths, past the above signs, and

WHEREAS bicyclists rarely, if ever, walk their bicycles on the paths, and

WHEREAS there are red lights at the pedestrian crossings on the circular drive, and

WHEREAS bicyclists rarely, if ever, stop at those red lights, and

WHEREAS there are more than a dozen vehicle entrances and exits to the park drives where it is possible for bicyclists to enter, traverse, and exit the park legally, and

WHEREAS it is possible for bicyclists to traverse the park directly and legally, on roads, at 102nd Street and 72nd Street, and

WHEREAS the current situation amply demonstrates the fact that virtually all bicyclists ignore the laws, rules, and regulations – despite the presence of adequate signage and red traffic lights, and

WHEREAS those charged with enforcing the laws, rules, and regulations governing bicycling in Central Park rarely, if ever, do so, even when infractions are pointed out to them by pedestrians, including CB-8M board members,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Community Board 8-M recommends disapproval of any proposal to allow bicycle riding on the paths of Central Park, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8-M recommends that the current the laws, rules, and regulations governing bicycling in Central Park be rigorously enforced.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the resolution by a vote of 31 in favor, 13 opposed and 1 abstention.

- **Transportation Committee** – Jonathan Horn and Charles Warren, Co-Chairs

Re: Discussion of Community Board 7’s proposal for a Trial Period of Motor Vehicle-Free Central Park
WHEREAS, Central Park was designed as a refuge within the city; its loop drive was intended for uses that integrate seamlessly into the pastoral ambiance of the park (by contrast, the East-West transverses, located several feet below grade, were designed to accommodate vehicular traffic with minimum impact on park users); and
WHEREAS, private motor vehicles on the loop drive impede the healthy environment, peaceful enjoyment, and use patterns of pedestrians, runners, cyclists, carriages, and pedicabs; and
WHEREAS, the presence of private motor vehicles necessitates traffic management tools that do not necessarily provide for safe, shared use of the loop drive by pedestrians, cyclists, runners, carriages, and pedicabs; and
WHEREAS, recent measures that restrict the use of private motor vehicles on the loop drive have not resulted in noticeable negative impacts on surrounding streets; and
WHEREAS, private motor vehicles are still permitted on the loop drive during weekday periods when, outside of weekends, visitors and local residents most use the park (early mornings and early evenings, before and after business hours); and
WHEREAS, more than 100,000 people have signed petitions asking for a car-free Central Park; and
WHEREAS, serious consideration of any proposal to prohibit private motor vehicle traffic warrants an objective study of duration sufficient to observe adaptive shifts in traffic behavior and their impacts during both low- and high-volume periods of traffic;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New York City Department of Transportation, in conjunction with the Department of Parks and Recreation, prohibit the use of private motor vehicles on the loop drive of Central Park (including taxis, but excepting vehicles necessary for park maintenance, concessions, and emergencies) in order to allow for car-free enjoyment of the park during the summer months through Labor Day 2011; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while the loop drive of Central Park is free of private motor vehicles, the New York City Department of Transportation study traffic impacts and, if necessary, extend the prohibition beyond Labor Day 2011 no later than the day after the 2011 New York City Marathon to accurately measure and assess the potential impact of permanent prohibition of private motor vehicles on the loop drive of Central Park; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while the loop drive of Central Park is free of private motor vehicles, the Central Park Conservancy and the Department of Parks and Recreation study and begin to implement measures that enhance safety and optimize shared use of the loop drive by pedestrians, runners, cyclists, horse-drawn carriages and pedicabs in the absence of private motor vehicles.
Community Board 8M adopted the resolution by a vote of 35 in favor, 8 opposed and 2 Abstentions.

Re: Continued discussion of proposed pedestrian safety improvements around 96th Street, the FDR Drive and the Esplanade
WHEREAS, pedestrians have difficulty crossing the access roads at 96th Street and the FDR Drive because of a lack of painted crosswalks and pedestrian signals, and
WHEREAS, there is no signage indicating access to the esplanade in this area,
RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 recommends the installation or repainting of crosswalks at all of the pedestrian crossings at 96th Street and the FDR Drive;
FURTHER RESOLVED, that pedestrian walk signals be installed at all existing traffic lights at the 96th Street and FDR Drive crossings without changing the timing of the lights; and
FURTHER RESOLVED, that two signs be installed in the most appropriate places to inform drivers and pedestrians of access to the East River esplanade.
Community Board 8M adopted the resolution by a vote of 44 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 Abstentions.

- **Environment and Sanitation Committee** – David Kleckner and Debra Teitelbaum, Co-Chairs

Re: Oppose Marine Transfer Station (MTS) at East 91st Street

Whereas, Manhattan Community Board 8 (CB8) unanimously passed resolutions in January 2005 and September 2008 in opposition to the City’s proposed Marine Transfer Station (MTS) at E. 91st Street (attached), and

Whereas, CB8 convened a meeting on June 6, 2011 attended by more than 350 community members (attendance sheets attached) at which the Mayor’s Office, the NYC Department of Sanitation, and the NYC Council Speaker’s Office refused to provide a representative to listen to the community, provide information and answer questions about the proposed MTS;

Whereas, Mayor Bloomberg is now seeking to direct \$125 million of the City’s capital budget to fund construction of this MTS, and

Whereas, the NY City Council Finance Committee convened a public hearing on June 6, 2011 to discuss the Mayor’s proposed Fiscal Year 2012 budget, and

Whereas, capital funds should not be used to construct an MTS in any residential neighborhood, especially during this period of City budget reductions and in context of the dire need for capital expenditures in other areas, and

Whereas, the City has failed to fully explore and consider alternative sites, not located in residential communities, for building an MTS such as building a truck-to-rail MTS at W. 30th Street between 11th and 12th Avenues in Manhattan, and

Whereas, the City has never provided a cost-benefit analysis that includes consideration of ongoing operating expenses for the MTS,

Therefore, be it resolved that CB8 re-affirms its resolutions of January 12, 2005 and Sept 16, 2008 strongly urging the City Council to reject the Mayor’s plans to fund the capital construction of an E. 91st Street MTS.

Community Board 8M adopted the resolution by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed 0 abstentions and 1 no voting for cause.

- **Health, Seniors and Social Services Committee** – Mary Pike and Ellen Polivy, Co-Chairs

Re: Department for the Aging (DFTA) Funding

Whereas, senior centers and services provide critical, essential and cost effective care to New York City’s older adults, ensuring their well-being and safety.

Whereas, these services cannot sustain further cuts. Waiting lists already deny essential services to people who are at risk of injury or illness simply because the budget will not support them.

Whereas, for this year, retaining these service programs by way of endorsing City Council full discretionary funding for the Department for the Aging (DFTA) is an expedient way to safely sustain a major segment of our community.

Whereas, service agencies and the clients dependent on them should not have to fear agency closings each year while budgets are negotiated.

Therefore be it resolved, that the funds for core services required to provide basic needs for older adults in our community be baselined into the city budget equal to or greater than last year’s allocation for DFTA.

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

- **Landmarks Committee** – David Liston and Jane Parshall, Co-Chairs

Re: 2 East 70th Street, Apt. 1a/2a (Fifth Avenue) – Upper East Side Historic District– Todd Brickell,

Architect. Application is to replace the existing 5th Avenue exterior double doors with a single door and side lights and to install an entry device (numeric keypad, camera and speaker).

WHEREAS, 2 East 70th Street is a neo-Renaissance style apartment building designed by Rosario Candela and constructed in 1927-28.

WHEREAS, the applicant wants to replace the existing double doors [the entry to a maisonette] with a single door at the ground level of the Fifth Avenue elevation.

WHEREAS, each side of the existing double door is 1’11” wide and not handicapped accessible.

WHEREAS, the new single door will be 2’10” wide with a side light on each side.

WHEREAS, the replacement single door will be within the existing masonry opening.

WHEREAS, the new door will open outward, but since there is a garden in front of 2 East 70th Street along 5th Avenue, the door, when open, will not interfere in any way with pedestrian traffic.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes a new bronze door control place to be set into masonry adjacent to the door.

WHEREAS, the new door is in keeping with the character of the original design and is an excellent solution to making the entry to the maisonette handicapped accessible.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 43 in favor, 2 opposed and 0 abstentions.

Re: 711 Madison Avenue (between 63rd and 64th Streets) – Upper East Side Historic – Mr. Steven Jacobson, Architect. Application is to remove the existing storefront and relocate the entry to the existing apartment units.

WHEREAS, 711 Madison Avenue is a neo-Grec style residence building, designed by Charles Baxter and constructed in 1877.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to rework the East 63rd Street façade.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to eliminate the existing storefront along 63rd St. and to relocate the existing entry to the apartment units to the east of the current location.

WHEREAS, the reason for the redesign is to increase the size of the retail store that is currently entered along Madison Avenue.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to use or replicate the existing entry design features as well as to provide a historically sensitive treatment of the rest of the façade.

WHEREAS, the new entry will be about 20' to the east of the existing entry.

WHEREAS, there will also be changes to the windows on the 63rd St. elevation: three windows will be added (one window where there was formerly the entry door and two windows where there was formerly the glass window for the retail space).

WHEREAS, the frontage to be affected along E. 63rd St. is approximately 35' in length.

WHEREAS, the new window composition and the relocation of the entry to the apartments create a more residential feel along the 63rd St. elevation.

WHEREAS, the original brownstone will be used where possible for the new entry door; the brick will match the original brick and the new windows will match the existing wooden windows.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 40 in favor, 2 opposed and 2 abstentions.

Re: 680 Madison Avenue (block front between 61st and 62nd Streets) – Upper East Side Historic District – Mr. Jack Beyer, Beyer Blinder Belle Architects. Application is for 1) Façade alterations and restoration including installation of new windows 2) new construction on East 61st Street and East 62nd Street 3) a two story rooftop addition 4) master plan governing installation of storefront infill, signage and awnings. **THIS APPLICATION IS DIVIDED INTO 5 PARTS.**

PART 1 – TWO STORY ROOFTOP ADDITION

WHEREAS, 680 Madison Avenue is a neo-Georgian style apartment building designed by K. B. Norton and constructed in 1950-51.

WHEREAS, 680 Madison Avenue, after the 11th floor, has set backs in all directions and the façade along Madison Avenue goes in and out (undulates); there is a strong limestone base.

WHEREAS, 680 Madison Avenue is now about 150' tall; with the addition at the top, the new height will be 175' (the zoning under the Special Madison Avenue Preservation District allows a total of 210').

WHEREAS, two stories will be added to the building – with one story being taken away (the first 3 floors will become 2 floors) so that 680 Madison will now have a total of 17 floors.

WHEREAS, the applicant is adding a total of 24' and will create a continuation of the "wedding cake" style setbacks that are a prominent feature at the top floors of 680 Madison.

WHEREAS, the applicant is adding two floors and rebuilding a third floor so that the 17th and 16th floors will be new and the 15th floor will be reconstructed.

WHEREAS, the 24' vertical addition will be in character with the architecture of the rest of the building, with a continuation of the "wedding cake" profile of continued setbacks.

WHEREAS, because of the setbacks, the addition will not significantly impact light and air at the top of the building.

WHEREAS, on balance, the proportions of the addition are appropriate aesthetically to the rest of 680 Madison.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Part 1 of this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 41 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 no vote for cause.

PART 2 – MASTER PLAN GOVERNING THE INSTALLATION OF STOREFRONT INFILL, SIGNAGE AND AWNINGS

WHEREAS, there will now be two floors of retail space where previously there was only one floor of retail space.

WHEREAS, the applicant will also increase the amount of retail space on each floor by enlarging the building at the back to the property line.

WHEREAS, the entrance to the residential building will be changed from the front of the building to the East 61st Street side of the building.

WHEREAS, the first three floors at 680 Madison will be slightly reconfigured in matching limestone so that there will be 2 usable, functional retail floors instead of the formerly one floor of retail space at the ground level with two floors of residential space above, i.e., 2 floors to be created from 3 floors.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to modify the masonry while keeping the vocabulary of the existing design by raising the bandcourse by 30" to the windowsill of the floor above which then allows for the creation of the two floors of retail space each with higher ceilings where there was formerly one floor of retail space and 2 floors of residential space.

WHEREAS, the existing storefronts do not relate to the architecture above; thus the architect proposes that the tripartite fenestration of the windows in the building above the retail space be extended down to the ground level so that the door and window openings of the reconfigured retail space mimic the fenestration above.

WHEREAS, 2'4" in height will be added to each of the retail floors and the window openings will be larger with an increase of 30" to the height of each window, but still small in comparison with neighboring shop windows – the design for the shops in general repeats the original design.

WHEREAS, there will be a master plan for the show windows, doors, awnings and signage; awnings will be retractable with signage on the valence and can be of different colors depending on who the tenant is.

WHEREAS, there will be no exterior signage except for a plaque mounted in limestone on the exterior of each retail store.

WHEREAS, the Master Plan for the retail space creates and presents an improved order to the retail space.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Part 2 of this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 no vote for cause.

PART 3 – NEW CONSTRUCTION ON EAST 61ST STREET.

WHEREAS, the host building, 680 Madison, is constructed of brick and limestone; the applicant intends for the new or infill construction on East 61st Street to present as a townhouse at the 2nd floor.

WHEREAS, at the ground floor there will be the new entrance to the residential building with the entrance to the townhouse next to it.

WHEREAS, the width of the front elevation will be 65'9".

WHEREAS, the building will be constructed entirely in limestone.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Part 3 of this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 no vote for cause.

PART 4 – NEW CONSTRUCTION ON EAST 62ST STREET.

WHEREAS, the new construction/infill on East 62nd Street will be 10’ wide and is designed to be set back because the neighboring building is set back.

WHEREAS, the new construction will be in brick and will be compatible and defer to the adjacent building and will house at the ground level an exit stair and a service entrance and will have residential floors above.

WHEREAS, the new construction will have a painted metal cornice. The color of the painted cornice will be gray to match the gray of the gray painted metal cornice of the adjacent building.

WHEREAS, it is intended that the new construction on East 62nd Street read as an “incidental building”; the residential part above will be attached to the host building (680 Madison)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Part 4 of this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 42 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 no vote for cause.

PART 5 – EXTERIOR BUILDING ENVELOPE INCLUDING FENESTRATION AND MASONRY RESORTATION.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes a complete restoration program for 680 Madison including in-kind new construction at the retail base plus the penthouse.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes removal of all A/C louvers and then filling in the spaces with matching brick.

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes new windows that will have a virtually identical profile to the existing steel-casement windows.

WHEREAS, the new windows will be made of aluminum and will be operable – although the windows will look like they each have two casements, they will in fact be one large window that opens out (i.e. they present as the original window but in fact each window is one window with decorative mullions so that they present as “faux” casement windows.)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Part 5 of this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 no vote for cause.

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

Re: Application 24733-Council on the Environment Inc. to close the sidewalk in front of 1334 York Avenue between East 71st Street and East 72nd Street on Tuesdays, September 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th from 11:00AM to 7:00PM for the Sotheby’s Youth Farmers Market

Whereas this event is to be enjoyed by the community, and

Whereas the event will provide a meaningful experience for the local youth and expose the neighborhood to fresh fruit and produce,

Therefore, be it resolved that this application is approved.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the resolution for the single-block street fair application by a vote of 44 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Re: Application 29982-Marymount Manhattan College to close East 71st Street between Second and Third Avenue on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 from Noon to 4:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is to introduce new students to the college and New York City, and

Whereas the public is invited to attend,

Therefore, be it resolved that this application is approved.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the resolution for the single-block street fair application by a vote of 38 in favor, 5 opposed, 2 abstentions.

- **Youth and Education Committee** – Jim Clynes and Judith Schneider, Co-Chairs

RE: Extend Lease or Purchase Our Lady of Good Counsel School

WHEREAS district wide overcrowding is a serious problem and plagues the majority of our elementary and middle schools, and

WHEREAS the growth of Kindergarten enrollments continue at the current pace and the Upper East Side would be home to additional 145 Kindergarten students each year and would require 870 new elementary school seats, according to a census study conducted by Eric Greenleaf of the District 2 Community Education Council and Sam Stein, the Urban Fellow assigned to CB8M this past fall, and

WHEREAS these students will also need additional middle school and high school facilities in the near future, and

WHEREAS the two new schools, PS 267 and PS 151, would temporarily relieve the overcrowding, they will not alleviate the need for additional elementary seats, and

WHEREAS PS 267, PS 151, PS 198, and PS 158 are being asked to take on the burden of the waitlisted students at PS 59 and PS 290, putting additional pressure on these schools, and

WHEREAS PS 151 was to have only five Kindergarten Classes in September it will now have six, which will make future classrooms in the upper grades overcrowded and will cause a reduction in cluster rooms, and

WHEREAS PS 267 is to move to a building that will only have the capacity to house three sections per grade and is being asked to accept up to five sections, and

WHEREAS we do not want to sacrifice proper facilities for our students such as our cluster classrooms, Pre-K and G&T, to accommodate the rise in the number of Kindergartners, and

WHEREAS the uncertainty of budget cuts and teacher layoffs make it difficult for principals to plan effectively, and

WHEREAS Manhattan (including District 2 and other Manhattan districts) is slated to absorb over half of the proposed cuts to the 2010-14 Capital Plan, setting the stage for chronic seat shortages through 2014 and beyond, and

WHEREAS the failure of the Department of Education to add classrooms seats at this time will seriously impact the quality of education in Community District 8M for years to come,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Community Board 8M urges the Department of Education to negotiate an extension of the lease for Our Lady of Good Council School (OLGC) or to purchase the property

IMMEDIATELY.

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

8. Old Business:

No old business discussed.

9. New Business:

No new business discussed.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:47PM.