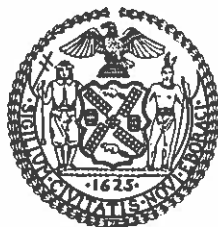


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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8**

February 26, 2018

Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan, Chair
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
One Center Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY, 10007

RE: 2 East 67th Street (between 5th and Madison Avenue) – Upper East Side Historic District

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At the February 21, 2018 Community Board 8 Manhattan Full Board meeting, the board **disapproved** of the application by the above address by a vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS 2 East 67th Street is located on the southeast corner of East 67th Street and Fifth Avenue; and,

WHEREAS there is a “planter” at each window on the ninth floor of the Fifth Avenue and East 67th Street facades; and,

WHEREAS each planter is technically known as a “balconet,” a shallow projection from a building which, for the subject building, is a shallow curve; and,

WHEREAS each balconet has a decorative black painted metal railing and a black painted metal grate set at the height of the window sill, about 30 inches above the floor; and,

WHEREAS there is a single balconet on the window on the ninth floor closest to East 67th Street on the east façade facing the alley between 2 East 67th Street and the west wall of the building to the east; and,

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to place a balconet replicating the balconets on the ninth floor on the northerly window on the sixth floor of the east façade in line, vertically, with the balconet above; and,

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to install a black downlight above the window to light the proposed plants in the balconet during non-daylight hours; and,

WHEREAS the proposed balconet is randomly located and not consistent with the overall organization of the building’s facades; and,

WHEREAS a balconet is an ornamental addition to a building and is not intended to be a planter; and,

WHEREAS the proposed downlight has no precedent on the building and is not related to the original design vocabulary of the building;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is disapproved.

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

Sincerely,

Alida Camp (WB)
Alida Camp
Chair

David Helpern and Jane Parshall (WB)
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Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor of the City of New York
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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
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