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**The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Full Board Meeting
PUBLIC HEARING
Wednesday, July 20, 2022 - 6:30 PM
Conducted Remotely via Zoom**

MINUTES:

Community Board Members Present: Mohit Agrawa, Vanessa Aronson, Elizabeth Ashby, Gayle P. Baron, Michele Birnbaum, Lori Bores, Taina Borrero, Loraine Brown, Alida Camp, Sarah Chu, Anthony Cohn, Saundra I. Coleman, Lindsey Cormack, Rebecca Dangoor, Felice Farber, Bill Freeland, Edward Hartzog, David P. Helpem, Sahar Husain, Paul Krikler, Craig Lader, Addeson Lehv, Valerie Mason, John McClement, Evan Meyerson, Gregory Morris, Jane Parshall, John Philips, Sharon Pope-Marshall, Rita Popper, Margaret Price, Barbara Rudder, Abraham Salcedo, William Sanchez, Judy Schneider, Rami Sigal, Cos Spagnoletti, Russell Squire, Lynne-Strong-Shinozaki, Anju Suresh, Marco Tamayo, Carolina Tejo, Adam Wald, Chuck Warren, and Sharon Weiner

Community Board Members Absent: Bill Angelos (Excused), Lindsey Cormack, Wilma Johnson (Excused), Rebecca Lamorte (Excused), and Yma Thoma-Rodriguez.

Total Attendance: 45

Chairman Russell Squire called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

1. Public Session

- Matthew Bauer provided updates on the Madison Avenue BID.
- Elaine Walsh, speaking on behalf of the East 86th Street Association, voiced opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting
- Sharon Pope-Marshall, on speaking on behalf of Civitas, spoke in favor of CB8M's resolution regarding the NYC Council Redistricting.
- Barry Schneider spoke in opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting.
- Erica Bersin spoke in opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting.
- Lo van der Valk, speaking on behalf of Carnegie Hill Neighbors, voiced opposition to 890 Park Avenue's revocable consent application.
- Michele Birnbaum spoke on Summer Street's Park Avenue closure in the East 70s.
- Dov Gibor spoke in opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting.
- Andrew Ravaschiere spoke in opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting.
- Ellen Polivy spoke in opposition to the NYC Council Redistricting.

2. Adoption of the Agenda – Agenda Adopted

3. Adoption of the Minutes – Minutes Adopted

4. Manhattan Borough President's Report

Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine reported on his latest initiatives.

5. Elected Officials' Reports

- State Senator Liz Krueger
- State Senator Jose Serrano
- Council Member Keith Powers
- Council Member Julie Menin
- Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright

6. Chair's Report – Russell Squire

Chair Russell Squire gave his report.

7. District Manager's Report – Will Brightbill

District Manager Will Brightbill gave his report.

8. Committee Reports and Action Items

a. Voting Reform Task Force – Anthony Cohn and Shari Weiner, Co-Chairs

VR-1 Item 1 Unanimous Approval

Item 1: Response to NYC Districting Commission Preliminary Plan #1 Map for UES City Council Districts

WHEREAS, the New York City Districting Commission (the “Commission”) is in the process of redrawing City Council district boundaries to reflect population and demographic changes; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is seeking public input into the redistricting process from different stakeholders which, includes Community Boards; and

WHEREAS, City Council District 4 (“D4”) and City Council District 5 (“D5”) overlap with the boundaries of Community Board 8 Manhattan (“CB8M”); and

WHEREAS, prior to the Commission’s release of the Preliminary Plan #1 Map, CB8M submitted a resolution approved by the Board calling for the Commission to keep the blocks within CB8M, including Roosevelt Island, part of Manhattan-based districts; and

WHEREAS, out of the 59 Community Boards citywide, CB8M was one of only a few Community Boards citywide to provide testimony to the Commission in advance of the release of the Preliminary Plan #1 Map; and

WHEREAS, CB8M’s Voting Reform Task Force has reviewed the new boundary lines proposed by the Commission for D4 and D5 and has concluded that the proposed D4 and D5 do not comport with the Commission’s own redistricting criteria; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Census revealed that NYC's population had grown to 8,804,190, meaning that the ideal district size is now 172,882; and

WHEREAS, districts should be roughly equal in population pursuant to the one person one vote doctrine of representation; and

WHEREAS, districts cannot vary from the ideal district size by more than 5%, or roughly 8,644; and

WHEREAS, the draft map identifies three districts in Staten Island, with no crossover into other boroughs; and

WHEREAS, the three proposed Staten Island districts would represent between 165,470 and 165,491 individuals, or all approximately 7,400 below the ideal district size; and

WHEREAS, the proposed map vastly overrepresents Staten Island compared to the 48 other districts and does not ensure fair representation of residents across the five boroughs, violating the one-person one-vote doctrine; and

WHEREAS, the NYC Charter identifies five ranked districting requirements:

1. Keep neighborhoods and communities intact.
2. Keep districts compact.
3. Limit crossover districts.
4. Avoid splitting voters of the same political party for purposes of diminishing effective representation of such voters
5. Avoid oddly shaped districts

WHEREAS, the proposed Queens-based Council District 26 (“D26”) would divide the Upper East Side neighborhood and the communities of interest in Community District 8 Manhattan;

WHEREAS, the proposed D26 would establish a new crossover district between Queens and Manhattan for the first time since the Council was expanded to 51 members; and

WHEREAS, the Commission’s proposal to add a portion of Manhattan and all of Roosevelt Island to a Queens-based Council District, District 26, violates the City Charter Districting requirement in the following ways: (1) it fails to keep neighborhoods and communities intact; (2) fails to keep the district compact; (3) it creates an oddly shaped crossover district; and

WHEREAS, the Commission proposes that 36,000 Manhattan Island residents and 12,000 Roosevelt Island residents – which equates to 48,000 of the 173,000 people in the proposed D26, or 27.7% – be moved to D26, where these residents will not receive the representation, attention, and discretionary funding to which they are entitled due to their small percentage of the total D26 population; and

WHEREAS, the eastern portion of the Upper East Side and Roosevelt Island have major differences with D26 such that the proposed combination may result in a significant diminution of municipal services to, amongst others, senior citizens and people with disabilities which populate a large share of those areas; and

WHEREAS, the practical difficulties of having a two Borough Queens-Manhattan district cannot be ignored; and

WHEREAS, the proposed lines would separate the representation of numerous medical and research facilities with sprawling, densely populated campuses from the neighborhood in which they reside and where most neighboring residents live; and

WHEREAS, the areas being proposed to be moved to the D26 district contain numerous parks and green acres including, amongst others, John Jay Park, portions of the East River Esplanade and Andrew Haswell Green Park, which are critical open spaces for the neighborhood and which would be separated from most of the neighborhood residents who use them; and

WHEREAS, numerous public schools including P.S. 183, P.S. 158, P.S. 217 and M177 are located in the area being proposed to be placed in D26 and would be adversely affected by being separated from the rest of the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Hunter College, a major educational institution, would have its main campus at 68th Street and Lexington Avenue separated into two council districts, with a skybridge connecting two buildings in two separate council districts; and

WHEREAS, the Upper East Side contains numerous historic districts and zoning features that are common to it and distinct from the Queens portions of the proposed D26; and

WHEREAS, by separating part of the Upper East Side and placing it in D26, the Commission has divided a neighborhood and communities of interest in direct violation of the Charter Mandate; and

WHEREAS, Roosevelt Island was created to be part of Manhattan, is in New York County, and historically has always been considered and treated as part of the Borough of Manhattan and it should remain in D5; and

WHEREAS, two-borough districts that have existed in the past have been comprised of neighborhoods that are contiguous, have similar demographics, share similar public transportation, public education and other services, while the Manhattan and Queens areas of the proposed D26 do not have these similarities; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan already shares one crossover district with the Bronx, and the two boroughs have a combined population of roughly 3,169,000, or 176,000 spread across 18 districts, approximately 2.6% above the target district size; and

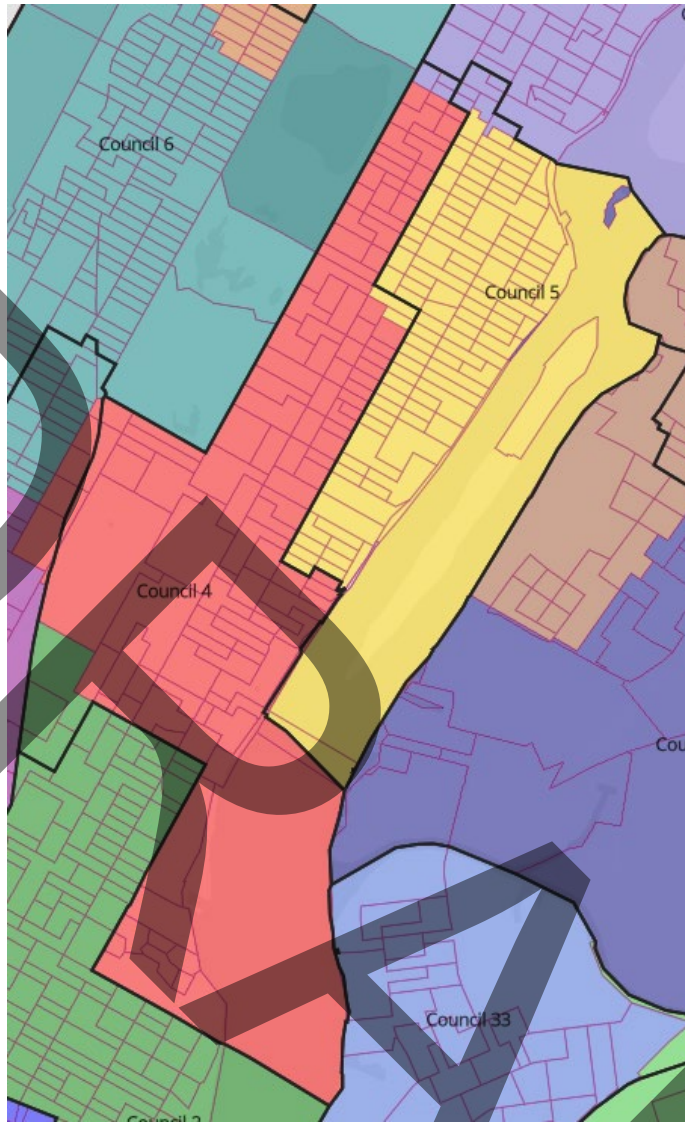
WHEREAS, the Bronx already shares one crossover district with Queens that includes Rikers Island, which accounts for approximately 3,775, and if included with population of the Bronx and Manhattan would give the two boroughs a combined population of roughly 3,173,000 and could be distributed into 19 districts of approximately 167,000, about 3.5 percent below the target district size and around 1,500 closer than the currently proposed districts for Staten Island;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 of Manhattan **DISAPPROVES** of the Commission's proposed Preliminary Plan #1 redistricting map which moves approximately 54 blocks of the easterly side of the Upper East Side and Roosevelt Island to a Queens-based City Council District and strongly urges that these areas remain in a Manhattan-based City Council District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CB8M urges the Commission to keep the population of Manhattan and the Bronx contained with no new crossover districts from Queens, Brooklyn, or Staten Island into either borough;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CB8M proposes the following redistricting boundary lines which would result in District 4 having a population of 177,446 and District 5 a population of 177,176 (see proposed map below):

- Give D4 back the area between Stuy-Town and 34th Street east of 1st Avenue
- Give D2 (from D4) the blocks between Broadway and 5th Avenue south of 39th Street.
- Incorporate the proposed westward expansion of D4 out to 8th Avenue to cover the Broadway core instead of leaving it divided between two districts.
- Trace that up 8th Avenue to Columbus Circle, where D4 currently ends.
- Give D5 back Roosevelt Island, Sutton Area, and the parts in the East 60's and 70s, with a minor modification of the area just south of 79th so the new line would be 78th (Lexington to 3rd) and 77th (3rd-2nd).
- Keep the previous district lines for D4 and D5 along Lexington from 79th up to 96th.
- Give D8 all of the area north of 96th Street from D4 and D5.



Community Board 8 Manhattan unanimously approved this resolution by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

b. Transportation Committee – Craig Lader and Charles Warren, Co-Chairs

TR-1 Item 2 Approval – Failed

TR-2 Item 2 Substitute Motion to Disprove

TR-3 Item 3: Unanimous Approval

TR-4 Item 4: Approval

Item 2: Revocable Consent application to construct, maintain, and use a stoop and fenced-in area at 890 Park Avenue

Community Board 8 Manhattan voted on the original motion to approve the application, which failed to pass by a vote of 21 in favor, 23 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause. A substitute motion to disapprove the application was introduced.

WHEREAS; a revocable consent is requested by 890 Park Avenue to construct, maintain, and use a stoop and fenced-in area; and

WHEREAS; the building contained a stoop when originally build in the mid-1800s that was removed in conjunction with the widening of Park Avenue; and

WHEREAS; the proposed stoop will result include 3 steps and extend out just over 5 feet beyond the building line; and

WHEREAS; an existing sidewalk grate that will also extend just over 5 feet from the property line will be replaced by a garden area surrounding a window well to be enclosed by a rod-iron railing; and

WHEREAS; there is proposed to be 9'11" of sidewalk clearance remaining; and

WHEREAS; the project has received approvals from the Landmarks Preservation Commission and Department of Buildings;

WHEREAS; the proposed sidewalk encroachment is perceived to out of context on Park Avenue, where five foot encroachments are not typical;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 DISAPPROVES, as presented, the request by 890 Park Avenue for a revocable consent to construct, maintain, and use a stoop and fenced-in area.

Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 29 in favor, 15 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

Item 3: Revocable Consent application to construct, maintain and use a fenced-in area including steps and accessible wheelchair lift at 26 East 78th Street

WHEREAS; a revocable consent is requested by 26 East 78th St. to construct, maintain and use a fenced-in area including steps and accessible wheelchair lift; and

WHEREAS; 26 East 78th Street is being converted into a commercial building that must be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS; the staircase is proposed to be extended by 3' 6" beyond the existing condition to accommodate a wheelchair lift, resulting in a 5' ¼' encroachment; and

WHEREAS; the staircase will be aligned with neighboring building lines and provide approximately 10' of sidewalk clearance; and

WHEREAS; the project has received approvals from Community Board 8's Landmarks Committee and the Landmarks Preservation Commission;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 approves, as presented, the request by 26 East 78th Street for a revocable consent to construct, maintain and use a fenced-in area including steps and accessible wheelchair lift.

Community Board 8 Manhattan unanimously approved this resolution by a vote of 44 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

Item 4: 605 East 82nd Street request for a change of parking regulations from "no parking" to "no standing"

WHEREAS; a request to change parking regulations in front of 605 East 82nd Street from No Parking Anytime to No Standing Anytime; and

WHEREAS; vehicles with placards are often parked in front of 605 East 82nd Street, preventing emergency access to the building and making it difficult for vehicles to make a u-turn in the cul-de-sac; and

WHEREAS; parking enforcement on cul-de-sacs such as East 82nd Street east of East End Avenue is recognized as being less stringent than enforcement along thru-streets; and

WHEREAS; no standing regulations would limit the amount of vehicles that would be permitted to in front of 605 East 82nd Street and would discourage drivers from blocking the entrance;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 8 approves a request to convert two spaces in front of 605 East 82nd Street from No Parking Anytime to No Standing Anytime.

Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 43 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

c. **Rules & By-Laws Committee – Taina Borrero, Rebecca Dangoor, and Charles S. Warren, Co-Chairs**

RB-1 Item 1 Approval

Item 1: Procedures to be followed in connection with the New Elections Committee that will run the electoral process for Community Board 8's Election of Officers

Whereas Community Board 8 at its June 2022 Full Board meeting passed a resolution that called for the establishment of an Elections Committee to run the elections process for Board officers and to change the process so that the Elections Committee will only preside over the elections and will not report out a slate of candidates,

Therefore, the Bylaws of Community Board 8 are hereby amended to replace Sections II.D.1-2 with the following:

1. An Elections Committee will consist of five members elected by the Board at the September meeting. Members cannot run for Board office when they are serving on the Elections Committee and no member may serve on the Elections Committee for two consecutive elections.
2. Before the election of members of the Elections Committee, each member of the Board shall receive information about Board Members' length of service and any Committee positions, including prior service on the Nominating or Elections Committee.
3. Before the end of the September Board meeting, the chosen Elections Committee shall select one of five chosen Elections Committee members as Chair of the Committee.
4. By the end of a two-week period after the September Board meeting, candidates shall send a message to the Board Office and the Chair of the Elections Committee stating an interest to run.
5. At the October Board meeting, the Chair of the Elections Committee shall report the names of all candidates for Board office. **At that point additional candidates may be nominated from the floor, without the requirement of a second.**
6. Prior to the date of the November Land Use meeting, board members may submit questions to the Elections Committee to be asked of Candidates for the Board offices. The Elections Committee will decide on the questions to put to the candidates for all Board offices and will ensure that the candidates for each office will be asked the same questions pertaining to the particular office.

7. At the meeting which takes place on the date of the November Land Use meeting, the Elections Committee shall put the questions that have been selected by the Committee to the candidates for all Board offices. The questions shall be the same for all candidates for each particular office.
8. At the November full Board meeting, the Chair of the Elections Committee shall run the election and allow each candidate for each office to speak for two minutes except the candidates for Chair shall have three minutes.
9. After all speeches are concluded, Board members shall vote for the candidates for each office in a separate roll call vote.

Section II.D.3 will now be Section II.D.10.

Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 37 in favor, 2 opposed, 4 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

The board voted to approve the amendments to the bylaws. Concerns were raised that written notice of changes to the bylaws may have needed to be mailed to board members. It was determined that the vote may need to be taken again at the next meeting to the extent additional notice is required.

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

LM-1 Items 2 & 3 Approval

LM-2 Item 1 Unanimous Approval

LM-3 Item 4 Substitute Motion to Approve - Failed

LM-4 Item 4 Disapproval

Item 2: 18 East 68th Street - Stephen B. Jacobs Group PC - A Beaux-Arts Style building designed by Cass Gilbert and constructed in 1904-05. Application is for installation of a cast iron gate at the front stoop which will match the existing wrought iron fencing at the front areaway.

WHEREAS 18 East 68th Street (also known as the Sloan Mansion) is a Beaux-Arts style building designed by Cass Gilbert and constructed in 1904-05;

WHEREAS the application is for a front stoop gate;

WHEREAS a prior design for a front stoop gate was approved by Community Board #8; the Landmarks Preservation Commission, however, did not issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the design considering it to be too ornate and to distracting from the openness of the front elevation;

WHEREAS the applicant is now presenting a revised version of the front gate that presents as lower and less dense;

WHEREAS the revised version of a lower front gate does not disturb the view of the main entry door while still incorporating some of the elements of the existing iron work at the front elevation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application be **APPROVED** as presented.

Item 3: 53 East 79th Street – The New York Society Library (Individual Landmark) – Larson Architecture Works PLLC - An Italian Renaissance style townhouse designed by Trowbridge & Livingston, constructed in 1916-17 and retrofitted in 1937 for its current library use. Application is for replacement of two front windows at

the cellar level, and a horizontal extension on the cellar and 1st floor levels in the rear yard to be used for additional book storage.

WHEREAS 53 East 79th Street, the John S. and Catherine C. Rogers House, is an Italian Renaissance-style townhouse designed by Trowbridge and Livingston and constructed in 1916-1917;

WHEREAS 53 East 79th Street was retrofitted in 1937 for its current use as The New York Society Library;

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to expand at the rear at the cellar and first floor levels to create more space or stacks for books;

WHEREAS the proposed extension or infill into the rear yard would be 10' wide x 42' long x 23' high;

WHEREAS while the existing rear yard is 12' wide, the Zoning Code does not allow for construction all the way to the rear property line;

WHEREAS the applicant also proposes to replace two windows at the sidewalk (cellar level) at the front elevation with operable hopper windows to match existing historic windows as closely as possible, the existing historic grilles will remain;

WHEREAS the two windows, now covered with plywood painted black, will provide light and air to the space behind the windows;

WHEREAS at the rear, the doughnut has already been compromised by rear extensions; the new Peter Pennoyer Architects-designed apartment building ("The Benson"), directly west of the proposed west-facing elevation of the extension, on Madison Avenue, has a blank concrete wall on its rear property line;

WHEREAS the extension is not visible from the public way;

WHEREAS The Society Library received Certificate of Appropriateness approval for a similar capital project in 2002, but did not, at that time, have funding in place to move forward.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application be **APPROVED** as presented.

Community Board 8 Manhattan unanimously approved these resolutions by a vote of 44 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

Item 1: 1014 Fifth Avenue (Metropolitan Museum Historic District) - KARO Architects LLP - A Beaux-Arts style townhouse designed by Welch, Smith, & Provot and constructed in 1906-1907. Application is for replacement of all front windows, replacement of entry door, horizontal extension on 3rd and 4th floor in rear; addition of 5th floor roof terrace in rear and new landscaping in the rear.

WHEREAS 1014 Fifth Avenue is a six-story townhouse in the Metropolitan Museum Historic District originally built as a private residence and formerly used as Goethe House; and

WHEREAS significant changes to the Fifth Avenue façade (window replacement, alterations to the front yard and the removal of the stoop) beginning in the 1920's have altered the building's original appearance while maintaining its original, residential character; and

WHEREAS the building has remained vacant since Goethe House moved out in 2009; and

WHEREAS the owners of the building, the German Republic, passed ownership to a not-for-profit organization, 1014 Inc for the purpose of reopening the building to transatlantic cultural exchange activities; and

WHEREAS the applicants have requested a rear extension on the upper floors; and

WHEREAS the applicant seeks a Certificate of Appropriateness broken into four categories:

1. West façade (Fifth Avenue)
2. East façade (rear yard)
3. North and South Facades (side yards)
4. Roof/Bulkhead replacement; and,

WHEREAS for the Fifth Avenue façade applicant proposes a program of limestone cleaning and repair, repairs to the copper roof, ornamental metalwork cleaning and repair, window replacement in kind (with better thermal performance) on the second and third floors; and

WHEREAS the new windows replacing the double-hung windows on the fourth, fifth and sixth floors with casement windows replicating the appearance of the existing windows; and

WHEREAS the existing first floor window will be replaced with a modern style steel construction, and the existing double entry door will be replaced by a single blackened steel pivot door; and

WHEREAS the existing non-original sidewalk extension will be occupied by a semicircular limestone bench facing the building, and the existing concrete paving replaced by limestone pavers; and

WHEREAS the applicant proposes a backlit vitrine perpendicular to Fifth Avenue for the purpose of advertising programs at 1014 Fifth Avenue; and

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to introduce a flat glass and black steel canopy at the entrance; and

WHEREAS the applicant proposes a substantial addition to the rear of the third, fourth and fifth floors with a balcony at the third-floor level, a double height common room with a glazed east wall, and a terrace enclosed on three sides; and

WHEREAS the proposed addition does not increase the building footprint and is not visible from the public way; and

WHEREAS the additional building mass will be clad, insofar as it is not windowed in brick compatible with existing construction; and

WHEREAS additional glazing will be steel, and existing windows will be replaced in kind; and

WHEREAS the side yard facades will be extended at the third through sixth levels presenting blank brick facades to the neighboring buildings approximately eleven feet away; and

WHEREAS the rooftop alterations will be primarily mechanical equipment and elevator/stair bulkheads and not visible from either the public way nor the main entry stairs to the Metropolitan Museum of Art across Fifth Avenue; and

WHEREAS seven members of the public testified in opposition to the proposal, citing issues related to:

- The inappropriate modernity of the proposed entry door
- The potential nuisance of the illuminated vitrine through light pollution
- The encroachment of the inappropriately detailed limestone bench on the sidewalk and the public way and its potential as an attractive nuisance for persons who would not be visible from the sidewalk
- The inappropriate glass entrance canopy
- The additional mass at the rear which will compromise light and air to the apartments facing it across the narrow lightwells to the north and south
- The potential for noise pollution from the expanded facility, particularly from the open terrace (with enclosed walls north and south) at the upper level; and

WHEREAS the members of the Committee in attendance enthusiastically agreed with the public comments; and

WHEREAS the proposed interventions, in particular the first-floor entrance, landscape, fenestration canopy and illuminated vitrine present an inappropriately commercial image and run counter to the building's residential qualities and the residential nature of this portion of Fifth Avenue; and

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

Community Board 8 Manhattan unanimously approved this resolution by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause

Item 4: 1071 Fifth Avenue - Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum - (Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District)

– Event Network LLC - A Modern-style museum building and interior designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and built in 1956-59, and subsequently enlarged by an addition designed by Gwathmey Siegel and Associates and built in 1988-92. Application is to modify designated interior spaces.

Community Board 8 Manhattan voted on substitute motion for the application, which failed to pass by a vote of 16 in favor, 26 opposed, 1 abstention and 0 not voting for cause. The original motion was introduced to disapprove the application as presented:

WHEREAS 1071 Fifth Avenue is home to the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in the Expanded Carnegie Hill Historic District; and

WHEREAS the interior, including the ground floor retail space was designated an Interior Landmark in 1990; and

WHEREAS the retail space was not part of the original proposed design, and was intended to remain an open driveway and was only enclosed in 1975; and

WHEREAS the current retail space was designed by the architectural firm of Gwathmey Siegel in 1988-90; and

WHEREAS the applicants (the current retail operators) seek a Certificate of Appropriateness for major renovations to the retail space; and

WHEREAS the applicants propose to remove virtually all the existing casework and replace it with new retail fixtures, an accessible point-of-sale while retaining the existing floor and ceiling treatments; and

WHEREAS the proposed plan is expected to improve traffic flow through the retail space; and

WHEREAS the location and height of a proposed new display case will eliminate public view of a window to the north located at the junction of Wright's small rotunda and the Gwathmey Siegel gallery addition to the east thus making invisible any visual connection to the exterior

WHEREAS while the proposed new store fixtures for retail space in the Gwathmey Seigal addition — are intended to recall detailing, material and finish of original Wright details in the adjacent Wright designed museum, there is no correlation between the proposed design of the overall retail space and the museum itself;

WHEREAS the applicant's proposal for the retail space is not contextual with the language of museum's curvilinear architecture;

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

Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 37 in favor, 5 opposed, 1 abstention and 0 not voting for cause

9. Executive Session – Approval of the hiring of a new Community Associate.

**A motion was made to move to Executive Session to discuss hiring a new Community Associate.
The board approved the hiring of Robert Beirne to the title of Community Associate.**

10. Old Business

11. New Business

Russell Squire, Chair

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Name	Attendance	VR-1 Item 1	TR-1 Item 2 Approval	TR-2 Item 2 Substitute Disapproval	TR-3 Item 3	TR-4 Item 4	RB-1 Item 1	LM-1: Items 2/3	LM-2: Item 1	LM-3: Item 4 substitute motion	LM-4 Item 4 original motion
AGRAWAL, MOHIT	Present		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
ANGELOS, BILL	Excused										
ARONSON, VANESSA	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
ASHBY, ELIZABETH	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
BARON, P. GAYLE	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
BIRNBAUM, MICHELE	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abst	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
BORES, LORI ANN	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
BORRERO, TAINA	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
BROWN, LORAINÉ	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CAMP, ALIDA	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
CHU, SARAH	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
COHN, ANTHONY	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
COLEMAN, SAUNDREA	Present	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
CORMACK, LINDSEY	Absent										
DANGOOR, REBECCA	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
FARBER, FELICE	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
FREELAND, BILL	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HARTZOG, EDWARD	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HELPERN, DAVID P.	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HUSAIN, SAHAR	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
JOHNSON, WILMA	Excused										
KRIKER, PAUL	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
LADER, CRAIG	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
LAMORTE, REBECCA	Excused										
LEHV. ADDESON	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	No
MASON, VALERIE	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abst	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
MCCLEMENT, JOHN	Present	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
MEYERSON, EVAN	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
MORRIS, GREGORY	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PARSHALL, JANE	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abst	Abst
PHILIPS, JOHN	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
POPE-MARSHALL, SHARON	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes					
POPPER, RITA	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
PRICE, MARGARET	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
RODRIGUEZ-THOMA, YMA	Absent										
ROSE, ELIZABETH	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
RUDDER, BARBARA	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
SALCEDO, ABRAHAM	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SANCHEZ, WILLIAM	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SCHNEIDER, JUDY	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
SIGAL, RAMI	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SPAGNOLETTI, COS	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SQUIRE, RUSSELL	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
STRONG-SHINOZAKI, LYNNE	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
SURESH, ANJU	Present							Yes	Yes	No	Yes
TAMAYO, MARCO	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abst	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
TEJO, CAROLINA	Present	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
WALD, ADAM	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
WARREN, CHARLES	Present	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
WEINER, SHARON	Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abst	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Total Yes	45	43	21	29	44	43	37	44	42	16	37
Total No		0	23	15	0	1	2	0	0	26	5
Total Abstain		0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	1
Total Not Vote For Cause		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Votes		43	44	44	44	44	43	44	42	43	43