

Department of Transportation

Ydanis Rodriguez, Commissioner

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Will Brightbill
District Manager
Community Board 8
505 Park Avenue, Suite 620
New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Brightbill:

I am writing to inform you that we have received an application for a sightseeing bus stop from Durama Tours, Inc. DBA The Ride for pick-ups/drop-offs. The proposed location is on 5th Avenue, from East 83rd Street to East 84th Street, closer to East 84th Street, west side of the street. We are asking for comments from the Community Board on this proposed inter-city bus stop within 45 days of the date of this letter (July 15th). Below are the details.

- The stop would be on 5th Avenue, from East 83rd Street to East 84th Street, closer to East 84th Street, west side of the street.
- The bus operator is Durama Tours, Inc. DBA The Ride.
- The proposed regulation is currently No Standing. This is an existing stop for Experience the Ride NY, LLC, no longer in service, and Topview Sightseeing.
- The pick-ups and drop-offs are Monday-Sunday from 11:55 am to 9:55 pm. The frequency is one trip every hour.
- This is a sightseeing service within New York City.
- The contact is Mr. Abe Falkowitz, 575 Scholes Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237, Email: abe@accordbus.com / Phone: 212-973-8282, Ext. 5.

DOT is proposing to add a sightseeing bus service at the existing bus stop shared with Topview Sightseeing and Experience the Ride NY, LLC, no longer in service. Durama Tours Inc. DBA the Ride is requesting to replace Experience the Ride, LLC. The current bus stop length at the proposed location allows for adding another bus company. The trips are limited and feasible at the proposed times,

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your input on this proposed bus stop.

Sincerely

Edward F. Pincar, Jr

Manhattan Borough Commissioner

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