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July 3, 2013

Robert B. Tierney, *Chair*
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
One Centre St., 9th Floor North
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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

1ST LANDMARKS MEETING

1 - LPC Item:13 - 210 West 11th Street (Waverly/7th) - Greenwich Village Historic District An Italianate style rowhouse built in 1856. Application is to construct a stoop and a rooftop bulkhead and deck, and alter window openings at the rear façade.

Whereas, the restoration is commendable, and the rooftop bulkhead deck is barely visible, so will not detract from the building or the district; and

Whereas, we usually object to any major reconfiguration of the rear facade, and also to removal of any historic materials therein: however, this project retains much of the original materials and symmetry, especially in the upper two floors, and the work on the bottom portion of the rear facade is sympathetic to the building; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

2 - 34 King Street (Varick/6th) - Charlton-King-Vandam Historic District A Greek Revival style rowhouse built in 1846. Application is to construct rooftop and rear yard additions, and replace the windows and entry door. Zoned R6

Whereas, the proposed restoration of the front facade, entry door, windows, lintels is commendable; but Whereas, the applicant provided no mock-up to show us whether the proposed rooftop addition would be visible from the street; and

Whereas, likewise, the applicant provided no images of the doughnut for us to judge the effect the alterations on the backyard spaces; and

Whereas, images of the proposal for the rear yard showed that the historic material will be completely removed; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of the work proposed for the front, but denial of the work at the rear, not just because of the applicant's failure to provide a mock-up of the roof addition or images of the proposal's effect on the doughnut, but also because the rear facade work will completely destroy the historic material.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

3 - LPC Item:16 - 817-821 Washington Street, aka 71-73 Gansevoort St. - Gansevoort Market H. D. A Queen Anne style French Flats building with stores designed by James W. Cole and built in 1886-87, later altered into three-story market buildings in 1940. Application is to legalize the installation of signage without Landmarks Preservation Commission permits.

Whereas, this business blade sign was the first to go up on the block, and it was installed without a permit, and is 50% greater than the permitted dimensions, which are 2'x3'; and

Whereas, subsequent businesses followed suit, thus causing a series of oversized, illegal blade signs in that row; so, the applicant's argument that this sign is smaller than the other signs doesn't really hold water; and

Whereas, this series of buildings on this block could use a Master Plan regarding signage; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of this application and suggests a Master Plan for future signage in keeping with the standard 2' x 3' for blade signs.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

4 - 183 West 4th Street (Jones/Barrow) -Greenwich Village Historic District A neo-Federal style building designed by Ferdinand Savignano and built in 1917. Application is to replace windows

Whereas, this thoughtful proposal will not detract from the building or the historic district; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

2ND LANDMARKS MEETING

5 - LPC Item:18 - 317 West 12th Street, aka 611 Hudson Street-Greenwich Village H.D. A Greek Revival style residence, built in 1842, and altered in the late 19th century. Application is to modify the storefront and the enclosed sidewalk cafe and install signage and lighting.

Whereas, the proposed modification of the storefront, as well as the proposed signage and lighting, are in harmony with the historic district; and

Whereas, the sidewalk cafe modification will expose the hidden cornice and will be an improvement over the existing sidewalk café enclosure; but

Whereas, the applicant did not present any photos of the building taken at designation or a permit from LPC post-designation to show that the existing structure is permitted; and

Whereas, the proposed French doors are simply incompatible with an American historical district, there being none of these type doors in the Village until the 1970s; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of this application, despite its moving the facade closer to its historical architecture, unless the applicant provides documentation that the structure is permitted in the first place; and

Further, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of French doors in such a quintessential American historic district as Greenwich Village, especially since there were none of these style doors that we know of prior to designation, they being, in fact, a modern, trendy, incongruous addition.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

6 - LPC Item:19 - 393 Bleecker Street-Greenwich Village Historic District

An Italianate style rowhouse built in 1853. Application is to replace windows.

Whereas, the proposed windows will improve the appearance of the building and are in style with the building and the district; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

7 - LPC Item:20 - 393 Bleecker Street-Greenwich Village Historic District An Italianate style rowhouse built in 1853. Application is to remove balconies.

Whereas, although quaint, the balconies are not original and are not really in style with the typical Greenwich Village rear façade; and

Whereas, we believe that the applicant raised a legitimate security concern for removing them; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

8 - LPC Item:21 - 395 Bleecker Street-Greenwich Village Historic District An Italianate style rowhouse built in 1853. Application is to remove balconies.

Whereas, although quaint, the balconies are not original and are not really in style with the typical Greenwich Village rear façade; and

Whereas, we believe that the applicant raised a legitimate security concern for removing them; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

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Dear Chairman Tierney:

At its Full Board meeting on June 20, 2013, CB#2, Manhattan (CB#2-Man.), adopted the following resolution:

9 - 444 Broadway (Grand/Howard) - SoHo-Cast Iron Historic District A warehouse building with neo-Grec style details built 1876-77. Application is to alter the storefront.

Whereas, we commend the applicant for the solution for ADA access and for returning two bays to match historical bays; and

Whereas, the project will enhance the building and the district; now

Therefore, be it resolved that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of this application.

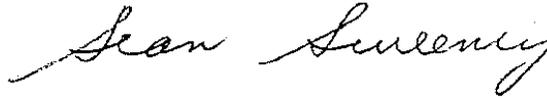
Vote: Unanimous, with 44 Board members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

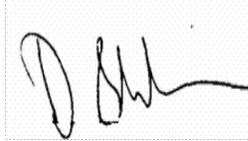
Sincerely,



Doris Diether, Co-Chair
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Community Board #2, Manhattan



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