

March 7, 2003

Beverly Gotay
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Department of Consumer Affairs
42 Broadway, 8th floor
New York, NY 10004

Re: SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION

Applicant: Mare
Location: 198 8th Avenue (b. 19th/20th)
DCA License No.: 1072380
Type: Renewal Application – Unenclosed Sidewalk Café
Tables/Chairs: 20 tables/40 chairs

At the March 5, 2003 full board meeting of Manhattan Community Board No. 4, several board members voiced opposition to this application citing increased pedestrian traffic on Eighth Avenue since the sidewalk café was first approved and pedestrian circulation problems at this particular corner location.

Rather than denying the application outright, the Full Board voted to request that DCA postpone its decision on this application until after Community Board review is possible under forthcoming revised rules governing sidewalk cafes, with the hope that the community's concerns with the sidewalk café's layout would be reflected in a revised application.

Please inform the Board office if fulfillment of this request is possible.

Sincerely,



Simone Sindin

Chair

Manhattan Community Board No. 4

cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor
Hon. C. Virginia Fields, Manhattan Borough President
Local Elected Officials
Applicant