

May 8, 2003

Iris Weinshall
Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
40 Worth Street
New York, NY 10013

Re: Muni-Meter Installation

Dear Commissioner Weinshall:

In previous correspondence with your Department, the Transportation Planning Committee of Manhattan Community Board No. 4 has indicated our acceptance of the several advantages muni-meters can offer over conventional parking meters. However, we have also expressed several concerns about some of the specific installations we have noted in Midtown Manhattan.

The Committee is now encouraged to learn that your Department has developed specific standards and guidelines governing where these meters will be utilized, and how they will be positioned on our congested sidewalks. We are now asking that this information be made available to affected Community Boards.

The Committee has also been advised that design modifications are being considered, which will make the meters less intrusive into pedestrian circulation and less vulnerable to debris and litter accumulation. Therefore, we urge your Department to continue the pursuit of such design improvements.

Sincerely,



Simone Sindin
Chair
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Joshua David
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Co-Chair
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cc: Elected officials
Manhattan Community Board No. 5

