

1 **Transportation Planning Committee**

Item #: 19

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3 Margaret Forgione
4 Manhattan Borough Commissioner
5 NYC Department of Transportation
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7 **Re: W. 55th Street Loading/Unloading**

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9 Dear Margaret:

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11 Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) appreciates the outreach the Department of Transportation
12 has done with the retail business along the future enclosed bicycle lanes on 8th and 9th Avenues
13 and the corrective actions taken to mitigate impacts on those businesses. Based on input from
14 residents, we would like to ask for additional parking regulation changes on West 55th between 8th
15 and 9th Avenues.
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17 The Westerly is a large supermarket located on 8th Avenue between West 54th and West 55th
18 Street. To accommodate for the lost loading area on 8th Avenue to enable a turning loan from 8th
19 Avenue to West 55th Street, Department of Transportation has already installed 70' of
20 loading/unloading on the south side of West 55th Street off the corner of 8th Avenue. Residents
21 report that change is not sufficient and trucks are often double parked and blocking street access.
22 We thus would like to request two changes:

- 23 • The existing “No Standing Except Trucks Loading and Unloading, 2 hours 6am to 8pm”
24 on the south side of the street should be changed to a 1 hour maximum with muni-meter;
- 25 • Add “No Standing Except Trucks Loading and Unloading, 1 hour maximum 6am to
26 8pm” with muni-meter
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28 As always, we appreciate your consideration and assistance.

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30 Sincerely yours,
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