

March 2004 Resolutions

Transportation Committee

Andrew Albert, Chairperson

Joint with Parks & Preservation Committee

1. Re: 263 West 86th Street (West End Avenue.)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** the application to the Department of Transportation by the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew for a revocable consent to permit a handicap ramp and rail.

Committee: 6-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

2. Re: 412 Amsterdam Avenue (West 79th-80th Streets.)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** new application DCA#1158198 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 412 Amsterdam Avenue Corp., d/b/a Bettola at 412 Amsterdam Avenue, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 13 tables and 26 seats.

Committee: 6-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

3. Re: Service changes in the M104 line.

WHEREAS, the M104 bus line is the west side's busiest; and

WHEREAS, this line has seen service cuts over the last two years in the cumulative range of 10%; and

WHEREAS, MTA NYC Transit is further cutting this service in the spring;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan urges MTA NYC Transit not to further cut M104 service, as many westsiders rely on this bus, especially seniors, who find it difficult to use the subway.

Parks & Preservation Committee

Lenore Norman, Chairperson

4. Re: NY Charter.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** the request to the Department of Parks and Recreation by NY Charter for a one-season permit, which could be terminated with 30 days notice, to dock a 65-foot commercial charter boat at the West 79th Street Boat Basin, as part of expanded public access and recreational services at A-dock.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.

5. Re: West 96th Street tennis court pathway in Riverside Park.

WHEREAS, this is a replacement and an opportunity to repair the area;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** the proposal by the Department of Parks and Recreation to renovate the West 96th Street tennis court pathway in Riverside Park.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.

Parks & Preservation

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6. Re: Northwest corner of Columbus Avenue and West 72nd Street.

WHEREAS, the newsstand appears to have a negative impact on both the street and the individually designated building in terms of design and location; and

WHEREAS, the crowding of the sidewalk impedes the ability of the public to appreciate the building in the historic district;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **disapproves** application #042896 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to construct a metal and glass newsstand at the sidewalk.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.

7. Re: 37 Riverside Drive (West 76th Street.)

WHEREAS, greenhouse has limited visual impact;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** application #041832 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to construct a greenhouse at the penthouse level.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.

8. Re: 107 West 70th Street (Columbus-Amsterdam Avenues.)

WHEREAS, the committee does not object to the enlarging of the window, but would suggest another type, such as double hung or casement;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** application #042619 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to enlarge a window on the rear façade.

Committee: 3-2-0-0. Board Members: 1-0- 2-0.

9. Re: 412 Amsterdam Avenue (West 79th-80th Streets.)

WHEREAS, the storefront conforms to the requirements;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** application #044103 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to modify storefront infill installed without Landmarks Preservation Commission permits.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.

Health & Human Services Committee

Barbara Van Buren, Chairperson

10. Re: Calling for a study of long-range health effects of cell phone antennae placements.

WHEREAS, there is a need for understanding and oversight of proliferating cell phone antennae and base stations; and

WHEREAS, there is fear in the community about the health effects of this proliferation, without clear studies answering their concerns; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has legislation pending to address this issue, including

-a study of the long term effects of living and working near cell phone installations

-oversight hearings

-maintenance of records including alteration permits

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan urges the City Council to proceed with this legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 urges the Commissioner of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct a study of potential health hazards of cell phone antennae and base stations as soon as possible.

Committee: 3-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.