

SEQRA Classification: Unlisted

NEGATIVE DECLARATION (Use of this form is optional)

Statement of No Significant Effect

Pursuant to Executive Order 91 of 1977, as amended, and the Rules of Procedure for City Environmental Quality Review, found at Title 62, Chapter 5 of the Rules of the City of New York and 6 NYCRR, Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review, the Department of City Planning, acting on behalf of the City Planning Commission assumed the role of lead agency for the environmental review of the proposed project. Based on a review of information about the project contained in this environmental assessment statement and any attachments hereto, which are incorporated by reference herein, the lead agency has determined that the proposed project would not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

Reasons Supporting this Determination

The above determination is based on information contained in this EAS, which finds the proposed actions sought before the City Planning Commission would have no significant effect on the quality of the environment. Reasons supporting this determination are noted below.

Transportation

A Level I (Trip Generation) Screening is included in this EAS. The Screening shows that the Proposed Actions are expected to result in a maximum net increase of approximately 53 hourly vehicle trips during the period from 3 PM to 4 PM. This increment of new vehicle trips is slightly higher than the CEQR Technical Manual Level I analysis threshold of 50 new peak hour vehicles. However, these new trips would be added to two separate roadways—11 incremental trips at East 90th Street and 42 incremental trips at East 92nd Street—and as these two streets are both eastbound one-way streets, the new vehicle trips are unlikely to all overlap at any one nearby intersection and therefore are not expected to exceed the 50 new hourly vehicle trips per intersection CEQR threshold. As such, significant adverse traffic impacts resulting from the Proposed Actions are unlikely and no further traffic analysis is warranted.

Air Quality

An Air Quality analysis is included in this EAS. According to the screening threshold criteria outlines in Section 210 of Chapter 17 of the CEQR Technical Manual, a detailed analysis is required for this area of the city if 170 or more auto-trips are generated in any given peak period at nearby intersections in the study area as a result of the proposed action. The Transportation analysis shows that the number of vehicles generated under the Proposed Actions would not exceed the CEQR Technical Manual threshold of 170 peak hour auto trips at nearby intersections in the study area. Additionally, the Proposed Actions would not exceed the particulate matter emission screening threshold discussed in Chapter 17, Section 210 and 311 of the CEQR Technical Manual. As such, significant adverse air quality impacts resulting from the Proposed Actions are unlikely and no further air quality analysis is warranted.

No other significant effects upon the environment that would require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement are foreseeable. This Negative Declaration has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (SEQRA)

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