

City Environmental Quality Review ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STATEMENT (EAS) FULL FORM

Please fill out and submit to the appropriate agency (see instructions)

Part I: GENERAL INFORMAT	ION				
PROJECT NAME Burlington	Coat Factory Sigr	IS			
1. Reference Numbers					
CEQR REFERENCE NUMBER (to be 16DCP204M	assigned by lead age	ncy)	BSA REFERENCE NUMBER (if appli	cable)	
ULURP REFERENCE NUMBER (if ap	plicable)		OTHER REFERENCE NUMBER(S) (if	applicable)	
180273ZSM			(e.g., legislative intro, CAPA)		
2a. Lead Agency Informatio	n		2b. Applicant Information		
NAME OF LEAD AGENCY			NAME OF APPLICANT		
New York City Planning Com			Burlington Coat Factory of N		252001
NAME OF LEAD AGENCY CONTACT Robert Dobruskin, AICP	PERSON		NAME OF APPLICANT'S REPRESEN Richard G. Leland, Esq.	TATIVE OR CONTACT	PERSON
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		ZIP 10271-	CITY New York		ZIP 10103
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3. Action Classification and					
SEQRA Classification					
🔲 UNLISTED 🛛 TYPE I: Spe	ecify Category (see 6	NYCRR 617.4 and I	NYC Executive Order 91 of 1977, as a	amended): 6 NYCRR	617.3(b)(9)
Action Type (refer to Chapter 2	, "Establishing the Ar	alysis Framework"	' for guidance)		
LOCALIZED ACTION, SITE SPE		LOCALIZED ACTIO	N, SMALL AREA 🛛 🗌 GEN	VERIC ACTION	
4. Project Description					
See Attachment					
Project Location					
BOROUGH Mannhattan		TRICT(S) A	STREET ADDRESS 116 W. 23rd	Street a/k/a 695-	709 Sixth
			Avenue		
TAX BLOCK(S) AND LOT(S) Block			ZIP CODE		
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY BY BC	UNDING OR CROSS	STREETS Sixth Ave	enue between W. 22 nd and W. 2	3 rd Streets	
EXISTING ZONING DISTRICT, INCLU	JDING SPECIAL ZONII	NG DISTRICT DESIG	NATION, IF ANY C-2A, ZONI	NG SECTIONAL MAP	NUMBER
C6-3A & C6-3X					
5. Required Actions or Appr					τ.
City Planning Commission:	🗙 yes 🗌	NO	UNIFORM LAND USE REVIEW	PROCEDURE (ULURI	P)
CITY MAP AMENDMENT		ZONING CERTIFIC	ATION COI	NCESSION	
ZONING MAP AMENDMENT		ZONING AUTHORI	ZATION UD/	AAP	
ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT		ACQUISITION-RE	EAL PROPERTY	OCABLE CONSENT	
SITE SELECTION—PUBLIC FAC		DISPOSITION-RE	AL PROPERTY FRA	NCHISE	
HOUSING PLAN & PROJECT		OTHER, explain:			
SPECIAL PERMIT (if appropria	te, specify type: 🗌	modification;	renewal; 🗌 other); EXPIRATION	I DATE:	
SPECIFY AFFECTED SECTIONS OF T	HE ZONING RESOLUT	TION ZR 74-711,	, 32-652		
Board of Standards and Ap	peals: YES	🛛 NO			
VARIANCE (use)					
VARIANCE (bulk)		a an	_		
SPECIAL PERMIT (if appropria	ite, specify type: 🗌	modification;] renewal; 🔲 other); EXPIRATION	I DATE:	
SPECIFY AFFECTED SECTIONS OF T	HE ZONING RESOLU				2
Department of Environmen	tal Protection:	YES 🛛	NO If "yes," specify:		

Other City Approvals Subject to CEQR (check all that apply)	
	FUNDING OF CONSTRUCTION, specify:
RULEMAKING	POLICY OR PLAN, specify:
CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES	FUNDING OF PROGRAMS, specify:
384(b)(4) APPROVAL	PERMITS, specify:
OTHER, explain:	
Other City Approvals Not Subject to CEQR (check all that apply)	
PERMITS FROM DOT'S OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION	LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPROVAL
AND COORDINATION (OCMC)	OTHER, explain:
State or Federal Actions/Approvals/Funding: 🔲 YES	NO If "yes," specify:
6. Site Description: The directly affected area consists of the project s	
where otherwise indicated, provide the following information with regard	
Graphics: The following graphics must be attached and each box must be	
the boundaries of the directly affected area or areas and indicate a 400-for	
not exceed 11 x 17 inches in size and, for paper filings, must be folded to 8. SITE LOCATION MAP ZONING MAP	SANBORN OR OTHER LAND USE MAP
	OR MULTIPLE SITES, A GIS SHAPE FILE THAT DEFINES THE PROJECT SITE(S)
PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PROJECT SITE TAKEN WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF E	
Physical Setting (both developed and undeveloped areas)	AS SODIVISSION AND REFED TO THE SHE LOCATION WAP
Total directly affected area (sq. ft.): 29,061 sf lot	Waterbody area (sq. ft.) and type: 0
Roads, buildings, and other paved surfaces (sq. ft.): approx 170,000	Other, describe (sq. ft.): 406 sf of signage
sf building	
7. Physical Dimensions and Scale of Project (if the project affect	s multiple sites, provide the total development facilitated by the action)
SIZE OF PROJECT TO BE DEVELOPED (gross square feet): 405 sf	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
NUMBER OF BUILDINGS:	GROSS FLOOR AREA OF EACH BUILDING (sq. ft.):
HEIGHT OF EACH BUILDING (ft.):	NUMBER OF STORIES OF EACH BUILDING:
Does the proposed project involve changes in zoning on one or more sites	? 🗌 YES 🛛 NO
If "yes," specify: The total square feet owned or controlled by the application of the second s	
The total square feet not owned or controlled by the app	
Does the proposed project involve in-ground excavation or subsurface dis	
lines, or grading? 🔲 YES 🛛 🔀 NO	
If "yes," indicate the estimated area and volume dimensions of subsurface	disturbance (if known):
AREA OF TEMPORARY DISTURBANCE: sq. ft. (width x length)	VOLUME OF DISTURBANCE: cubic ft. (width x length x depth)
AREA OF PERMANENT DISTURBANCE: sq. ft. (width x length)	
8. Analysis Year CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 2	
ANTICIPATED BUILD YEAR (date the project would be completed and oper	ational): 2018
ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION IN MONTHS:	
WOULD THE PROJECT BE IMPLEMENTED IN A SINGLE PHASE? 🔀 YES	NO IF MULTIPLE PHASES, HOW MANY?
BRIEFLY DESCRIBE PHASES AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:	
9. Predominant Land Use in the Vicinity of the Project (check	all that apply)
RESIDENTIAL MANUFACTURING COMMERCIAL	PARK/FOREST/OPEN SPACE OTHER, specify:

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING AND PROPOSED CONDITIONS

The information requested in this table applies to the directly affected area. The directly affected area consists of the project site and the area subject to any change in regulatory control. The increment is the difference between the No-Action and the With-Action conditions.

			STING DITION			ACTION		H-ACTION	INCREMENT
LAND USE									
Residential		YES		NO	YES		YES	NO NO	
If "yes," specify the following:	100						00 Sec. 100		
Describe type of residential structures	1						1.85 perferrer 196		
No. of dwelling units									
No. of low- to moderate-income units						14			
Gross floor area (sq. ft.)								Ū.	
Commercial		YES		NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	
If "yes," specify the following:							in the second		and the second second
Describe type (retail, office, other)	Ret	ail		1	Retail		Retail		0
Gross floor area (sq. ft.)		,000			170,000		170,000		0
Manufacturing/Industrial		YES	XI	NO	YES				
If "yes," specify the following:	100	2.05							
Type of use					3 <u>60.08.06-8</u> .	in Million March	200 880 520 520 520 520 520 520 520 520 520 52	atta de la contrato	
Gross floor area (sq. ft.)									
Open storage area (sq. ft.)									
If any unenclosed activities, specify:									
Community Facility		YES		NO	YES		YES		
If "yes," specify the following:	and the second						a second		
Type			an interest	12-24					
Gross floor area (sq. ft.)	-								
Vacant Land		YES	X	NO	YES				
If "yes," describe:		123							
Publicly Accessible Open Space		YES	X	NO	YES				
If "yes," specify type (mapped City, State, o Federal parkland, wetland—mapped or otherwise known, other):	r								
Other Land Uses		YES		NO	YES				
If "yes," describe:		1125							
PARKING	CHO:			1	Berney P				
		VEC		10					
Garages If "yes," specify the following:		YES		NO	YES	NC 🔀) L YES		
No. of public spaces			The set of the						
No. of accessory spaces									
Operating hours									
Attended or non-attended									
Lots		YES	\boxtimes I	NO	YES		YES		
If "yes," specify the following:									
No. of public spaces									
No. of accessory spaces									
Operating hours									
Other (includes street parking)		YES	\boxtimes I	NO	YES	NC 🛛	YES	5 🛛 NO	
If "yes," describe:									
POPULATION	5								
Residents		YES		NO	YES		YES	5 🛛 NO	
If "yes," specify number:									
Briefly explain how the number of residents was calculated:	s								

	EXISTI CONDIT			CTION DITION	WITH-A COND		INCREMENT
Businesses	YES	NO NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	
If "yes," specify the following:							
No. and type	retail clothing, hair saolon	food and	Same		Same		0
No. and type of workers by business							0
No. and type of non-residents who are not workers	n						0
Briefly explain how the number of businesses was calculated:	Visual Inspaect	tion					
Other (students, visitors, concert-goers, <i>etc.</i>)	YES	NO NO	YES YES	NO	YES	NO	
If any, specify type and number:	Retail custome	erss	Samei		Same		0
Briefly explain how the number was calculated:			1		1		
ZONING							
Zoning classification	C6-3X, C-2A ar	nd C6-3A	C6-3X, C6-2/	A and C6-3A-	C6-3X, C6-2A	and C6-3A	0
Maximum amount of floor area that can be developed	N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A
Predominant land use and zoning classifications within land use study area(s) or a 400 ft. radius of proposed project	Commercial, lig manufacturing residential	-	Same		Same		0
Attach any additional information that may				16 1			

If your project involves changes that affect one or more sites not associated with a specific development, it is generally appropriate to include total development projections in the above table and attach separate tables outlining the reasonable development scenarios for each site.

Part II: TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

INSTRUCTIONS: For each of the analysis categories listed in this section, assess the proposed project's impacts based on the thresholds and criteria presented in the CEQR Technical Manual. Check each box that applies.

- If the proposed project can be demonstrated not to meet or exceed the threshold, check the "no" box. •
- If the proposed project will meet or exceed the threshold, or if this cannot be determined, check the "yes" box. •
- For each "yes" response, provide additional analyses (and, if needed, attach supporting information) based on guidance in the CEQR . Technical Manual to determine whether the potential for significant impacts exists. Please note that a "yes" answer does not mean that an EIS must be prepared—it means that more information may be required for the lead agency to make a determination of significance.
- The lead agency, upon reviewing Part II, may require an applicant to provide additional information to support the Full EAS Form. For example, if a question is answered "no," an agency may request a short explanation for this response.

Y	YES	NO
1. LAND USE, ZONING, AND PUBLIC POLICY: <u>CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 4</u>		
(a) Would the proposed project result in a change in land use different from surrounding land uses?	\boxtimes	
(b) Would the proposed project result in a change in zoning different from surrounding zoning?	\boxtimes	
(c) Is there the potential to affect an applicable public policy?	\boxtimes	
(d) If "yes," to (a), (b), and/or (c), complete a preliminary assessment and attach.		
(e) Is the project a large, publicly sponsored project?		\boxtimes
 If "yes," complete a PlaNYC assessment and attach. 		
(f) Is any part of the directly affected area within the City's Waterfront Revitalization Program boundaries?		\boxtimes
 If "yes," complete the <u>Consistency Assessment Form</u>. 		
2. SOCIOECONOMIC CONDITIONS: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 5		
(a) Would the proposed project:		
• Generate a net increase of more than 200 residential units <i>or</i> 200,000 square feet of commercial space?		\boxtimes
If "yes," answer both questions 2(b)(ii) and 2(b)(iv) below.		
 Directly displace 500 or more residents? 		\boxtimes
If "yes," answer questions 2(b)(i), 2(b)(ii), and 2(b)(iv) below.		
 Directly displace more than 100 employees? 		\boxtimes
If "yes," answer questions under 2(b)(iii) and 2(b)(iv) below.		
• Affect conditions in a specific industry?		\boxtimes
If "yes," answer question 2(b)(v) below.		
(b) If "yes" to any of the above, attach supporting information to answer the relevant questions below. If "no" was checked for each category above, the remaining questions in this technical area do not need to be answered.		
i. Direct Residential Displacement		
 If more than 500 residents would be displaced, would these residents represent more than 5% of the primary study area population? 		
 If "yes," is the average income of the directly displaced population markedly lower than the average income of the rest of the study area population? 		
ii. Indirect Residential Displacement		
• Would expected average incomes of the new population exceed the average incomes of study area populations?		
o If "yes:"		
Would the population of the primary study area increase by more than 10 percent?		
Would the population of the primary study area increase by more than 5 percent in an area where there is the potential to accelerate trends toward increasing rents?		
 If "yes" to either of the preceding questions, would more than 5 percent of all housing units be renter-occupied and unprotected? 		
iii. Direct Business Displacement		
 Do any of the displaced businesses provide goods or services that otherwise would not be found within the trade area, either under existing conditions or in the future with the proposed project? 		
• Is any category of business to be displaced the subject of other regulations or publicly adopted plans to preserve,		

	YES	NO
enhance, or otherwise protect it?		
iv. Indirect Business Displacement		
 Would the project potentially introduce trends that make it difficult for businesses to remain in the area? 		
• Would the project capture retail sales in a particular category of goods to the extent that the market for such g		
 would become saturated, potentially resulting in vacancies and disinvestment on neighborhood commercial s v. Effects on Industry 	treets?	
 Would the project significantly affect business conditions in any industry or any category of businesses within a 	or outside	
the study area?		
 Would the project indirectly substantially reduce employment or impair the economic viability in the industry or category of businesses? 	pr 🗌	
3. COMMUNITY FACILITIES: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 6		
(a) Direct Effects		
 Would the project directly eliminate, displace, or alter public or publicly funded community facilities such as ec facilities, libraries, health care facilities, day care centers, police stations, or fire stations? 	lucational	\square
(b) Indirect Effects		
i. Child Care Centers	1	
 Would the project result in 20 or more eligible children under age 6, based on the number of low or low/mode income residential units? (See Table 6-1 in <u>Chapter 6</u>) 	rate	
 If "yes," would the project result in a collective utilization rate of the group child care/Head Start centers in the area that is greater than 100 percent? 	study	
o If "yes," would the project increase the collective utilization rate by 5 percent or more from the No-Action scer	nario?	
ii. Libraries		
 Would the project result in a 5 percent or more increase in the ratio of residential units to library branches? (See Table 6-1 in <u>Chapter 6</u>) 		
o If "yes," would the project increase the study area population by 5 percent or more from the No-Action levels?		
o If "yes," would the additional population impair the delivery of library services in the study area?		
iii. Public Schools		
 Would the project result in 50 or more elementary or middle school students, or 150 or more high school stude based on number of residential units? (See Table 6-1 in <u>Chapter 6</u>) 	ents	
 If "yes," would the project result in a collective utilization rate of the elementary and/or intermediate schools i study area that is equal to or greater than 100 percent? 	n the	
o If "yes," would the project increase this collective utilization rate by 5 percent or more from the No-Action sce	nario?	
iv. Health Care Facilities		
 Would the project result in the introduction of a sizeable new neighborhood? 		\square
$\circ~$ If "yes," would the project affect the operation of health care facilities in the area?		
v. Fire and Police Protection		
 Would the project result in the introduction of a sizeable new neighborhood? 		\square
 If "yes," would the project affect the operation of fire or police protection in the area? 		
4. OPEN SPACE: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 7		
(a) Would the project change or eliminate existing open space?		\square
(b) Is the project located within an under-served area in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, or Staten Island?		
(c) If "yes," would the project generate more than 50 additional residents or 125 additional employees?		
(d) Is the project located within a well-served area in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, or Staten Island?		
(e) If "yes," would the project generate more than 350 additional residents or 750 additional employees?		
(f) If the project is located in an area that is neither under-served nor well-served, would it generate more than 200 a residents or 500 additional employees?	additional	
(g) If "yes" to questions (c), (e), or (f) above, attach supporting information to answer the following:	I	
o If in an under-served area, would the project result in a decrease in the open space ratio by more than 1 perce	nt?	
 If in an area that is not under-served, would the project result in a decrease in the open space ratio by more th 	an 5	

	YES	NO
percent?		
 If "yes," are there qualitative considerations, such as the quality of open space, that need to be considered? Please specify: 		
5. SHADOWS: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 8		
(a) Would the proposed project result in a net height increase of any structure of 50 feet or more?		\boxtimes
(b) Would the proposed project result in any increase in structure height and be located adjacent to or across the street from a sunlight-sensitive resource?		\boxtimes
(c) If "yes" to either of the above questions, attach supporting information explaining whether the project's shadow would reach sensitive resource at any time of the year.	n any sun	light-
6. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 9		
(a) Does the proposed project site or an adjacent site contain any architectural and/or archaeological resource that is eligible for or has been designated (or is calendared for consideration) as a New York City Landmark, Interior Landmark or Scenic Landmark; that is listed or eligible for listing on the New York State or National Register of Historic Places; or that is within a designated or eligible New York City, New York State or National Register Historic District? (See the <u>GIS System for</u> <u>Archaeology and National Register</u> to confirm)		
(b) Would the proposed project involve construction resulting in in-ground disturbance to an area not previously excavated?		\boxtimes
(c) If "yes" to either of the above, list any identified architectural and/or archaeological resources and attach supporting informa whether the proposed project would potentially affect any architectural or archeological resources.	ition on	
7. URBAN DESIGN AND VISUAL RESOURCES: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 10		
(a) Would the proposed project introduce a new building, a new building height, or result in any substantial physical alteration to the streetscape or public space in the vicinity of the proposed project that is not currently allowed by existing zoning?		\boxtimes
(b) Would the proposed project result in obstruction of publicly accessible views to visual resources not currently allowed by existing zoning?		
(c) If "yes" to either of the above, please provide the information requested in <u>Chapter 10</u> .		
8. NATURAL RESOURCES: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 11		
(a) Does the proposed project site or a site adjacent to the project contain natural resources as defined in Section 100 of <u>Chapter 11</u> ?		\square
o If "yes," list the resources and attach supporting information on whether the project would affect any of these resources.		
(b) Is any part of the directly affected area within the <u>Jamaica Bay Watershed</u> ?		
 If "yes," complete the <u>Jamaica Bay Watershed Form</u> and submit according to its <u>instructions</u>. 		
9. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 12		
(a) Would the proposed project allow commercial or residential uses in an area that is currently, or was historically, a manufacturing area that involved hazardous materials?		\square
(b) Does the proposed project site have existing institutional controls (<i>e.g.</i> , (E) designation or Restrictive Declaration) relating to hazardous materials that preclude the potential for significant adverse impacts?		\square
(c) Would the project require soil disturbance in a manufacturing area or any development on or near a manufacturing area or existing/historic facilities listed in <u>Appendix 1</u> (including nonconforming uses)?		\square
(d) Would the project result in the development of a site where there is reason to suspect the presence of hazardous materials, contamination, illegal dumping or fill, or fill material of unknown origin?		\square
(e) Would the project result in development on or near a site that has or had underground and/or aboveground storage tanks (e.g., gas stations, oil storage facilities, heating oil storage)?		
(f) Would the project result in renovation of interior existing space on a site with the potential for compromised air quality; vapor intrusion from either on-site or off-site sources; or the presence of asbestos, PCBs, mercury or lead-based paint?		\square
(g) Would the project result in development on or near a site with potential hazardous materials issues such as government- listed voluntary cleanup/brownfield site, current or former power generation/transmission facilities, coal gasification or gas storage sites, railroad tracks or rights-of-way, or municipal incinerators?		\boxtimes
(h) Has a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment been performed for the site?		
 If "yes," were Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) identified? Briefly identify: 		
(i) Based on the Phase I Assessment, is a Phase II Investigation needed?		H
10. WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE: CEOR Technical Manual Chapter 13		
(a) Would the project result in water demand of more than one million gallons per day?		\square
(b) If the proposed project located in a combined sewer area, would it result in at least 1,000 residential units or 250,000 square feet or more of commercial space in Manhattan, or at least 400 residential units or 150,000 square feet or more of		
commercial space in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Staten Island, or Queens?		

		YES	NO
	If the proposed project located in a <u>separately sewered area</u> , would it result in the same or greater development than that listed in Table 13-1 in <u>Chapter 13</u> ?		
	Would the project involve development on a site that is 5 acres or larger where the amount of impervious surface would increase?		
(e)	If the project is located within the Jamaica Bay Watershed or in certain specific drainage areas, including Bronx River, Coney Island Creek, Flushing Bay and Creek, Gowanus Canal, Hutchinson River, Newtown Creek, or Westchester Creek, would it involve development on a site that is 1 acre or larger where the amount of impervious surface would increase?		
(f)	Would the proposed project be located in an area that is partially sewered or currently unsewered?		\square
(g)	Is the project proposing an industrial facility or activity that would contribute industrial discharges to a Wastewater Treatment Plant and/or contribute contaminated stormwater to a separate storm sewer system?		\boxtimes
(h)	Would the project involve construction of a new stormwater outfall that requires federal and/or state permits?		\boxtimes
(i)	If "yes" to any of the above, conduct the appropriate preliminary analyses and attach supporting documentation.		
11. 9	SOLID WASTE AND SANITATION SERVICES: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 14		
(a)	Using Table 14-1 in Chapter 14, the project's projected operational solid waste generation is estimated to be (pounds per we	eek): 0	
	• Would the proposed project have the potential to generate 100,000 pounds (50 tons) or more of solid waste per week?		\square
(b)	Would the proposed project involve a reduction in capacity at a solid waste management facility used for refuse or recyclables generated within the City?		\square
	 If "yes," would the proposed project comply with the City's Solid Waste Management Plan? 		
12.	ENERGY: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 15		
(a)			
(b)	Would the proposed project affect the transmission or generation of energy?		\square
13.	TRANSPORTATION: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 16		
(a)	Would the proposed project exceed any threshold identified in Table 16-1 in <u>Chapter 16</u> ?		\boxtimes
(b)	If "yes," conduct the appropriate screening analyses, attach back up data as needed for each stage, and answer the following	g questio	ns:
	o Would the proposed project result in 50 or more Passenger Car Equivalents (PCEs) per project peak hour?		
	If "yes," would the proposed project result in 50 or more vehicle trips per project peak hour at any given intersection? **It should be noted that the lead agency may require further analysis of intersections of concern even when a project generates fewer than 50 vehicles in the peak hour. See Subsection 313 of <u>Chapter 16</u> for more information.		
	$\circ~$ Would the proposed project result in more than 200 subway/rail or bus trips per project peak hour?		
	If "yes," would the proposed project result, per project peak hour, in 50 or more bus trips on a single line (in one direction) or 200 subway/rail trips per station or line?		
	 Would the proposed project result in more than 200 pedestrian trips per project peak hour? 		
	If "yes," would the proposed project result in more than 200 pedestrian trips per project peak hour to any given pedestrian or transit element, crosswalk, subway stair, or bus stop?		
14.	AIR QUALITY: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 17		
(a)	Mobile Sources: Would the proposed project result in the conditions outlined in Section 210 in Chapter 17?		\square
(b)	Stationary Sources: Would the proposed project result in the conditions outlined in Section 220 in Chapter 17?		\square
	 If "yes," would the proposed project exceed the thresholds in Figure 17-3, Stationary Source Screen Graph in <u>Chapter</u> <u>17</u>? (Attach graph as needed) 		
(c)	Does the proposed project involve multiple buildings on the project site?		\square
	Does the proposed project require federal approvals, support, licensing, or permits subject to conformity requirements?		\square
(e)	Does the proposed project site have existing institutional controls (<i>e.g.</i> , (E) designation or Restrictive Declaration) relating to air quality that preclude the potential for significant adverse impacts?		\square
(f)	If "yes" to any of the above, conduct the appropriate analyses and attach any supporting documentation.		
15.	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS: CEOR Technical Manual Chapter 18		
(a)	Is the proposed project a city capital project or a power generation plant?		
(b)	Would the proposed project fundamentally change the City's solid waste management system?		
(c)	Would the proposed project result in the development of 350,000 square feet or more?		
(d)	If "yes" to any of the above, would the project require a GHG emissions assessment based on guidance in Chapter 18?		
	o If "yes," would the project result in inconsistencies with the City's GHG reduction goal? (See Local Law 22 of 2008; § 24-		

		YES	NO
803 of the Administrative Code of the Cit	y of New York). Please attach supporting documentation.		
16. NOISE: CEQR Technical Manual Chapter 19			
(a) Would the proposed project generate or rero	ute vehicular traffic?		\square
	r additional receptors (see Section 124 in <u>Chapter 19</u>) near heavily trafficke kisting or proposed flight path, or within 1,500 feet of an existing or propos le?	personal sector of the sector	\boxtimes
(c) Would the proposed project cause a stationa	ry noise source to operate within 1,500 feet of a receptor with a direct line into an area with high ambient stationary noise?	of	
(d) Does the proposed project site have existing to noise that preclude the potential for signif	institutional controls (<i>e.g.</i> , (E) designation or Restrictive Declaration) relati icant adverse impacts?	^{ng}	\square
(e) If "yes" to any of the above, conduct the app	ropriate analyses and attach any supporting documentation.		
17. PUBLIC HEALTH: CEQR Technical Manual C	hapter 20		
Hazardous Materials; Noise?	of the following technical areas require a detailed analysis: Air Quality;		
preliminary analysis, if necessary.	c health is or is not warranted based on the guidance in <u>Chapter 20</u> , "Public	Health." Atta	ach a
18. NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER : <u>CEQR TO</u>	echnical Manual Chapter 21		
	of the following technical areas require a detailed analysis: Land Use, Zonin Open Space; Historic and Cultural Resources; Urban Design and Visual	g,	
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Burlington Coat Factory Signs 116 West 23rd Street - 695-709 Sixth Avenue Block 798, Lot 41, Manhattan Attachment to EAS Full Form

Proposed Actions

The Applicant, Burlington Coat Factory of New York LLC, seeks a special permit, pursuant to Zoning Resolution ("ZR") § 74-711, for modification of ZR § 32-655 (Height of signs in all other Commercial Districts) and ZR § 32-652 (Permitted projection in all other Commercial Districts) sign regulations to: (1) legalize an existing non-complying 117 square foot accessory blade sign (the "blade sign"); (2) legalize nine existing non-complying 14 square foot double sided accessory flag signs; and (3) permit four additional noncomplying 14 square foot double sided accessory flag signs (the "flag signs") at 116 West 23rd Street (a/k/a 695-709 Sixth Avenue) in the borough of Manhattan (Block 798, Lot 41) (the "Premises"). The Premises is situated partially within C6-2A, C6-3A, and C6-3X zoning districts within the Ladies' Mile Historic District and is under the jurisdiction of the Landmarks Preservation Commission ("LPC"). The blade sign is located at the northwest corner of West 22nd Street and Sixth Avenue. Two of the existing flag signs are on the Premises West 22nd Street frontage between Sixth and Seventh Avenues, together with seven existing flag signs fronting on Sixth Avenue between West 22nd and West 23 Streets. An additional 14 square foot flag sign is proposed to be installed at the location of a historic flag pole anchor on the West 22nd Street façade to the west of the two existing flag signs. Three flag signs, each measuring 14 square feet are proposed to be installed at the locations of historic anchors on the West 23rd Street facade. Both the existing and proposed flag signs begin at a height of 12-feet one inch above curb level extend to a complying height of 20feet 4-inches above curb level, and include supports projecting a non-complying 54-inches across the street line. There are also five complying frieze signs on the Sixth Avenue frontage together with two complying frieze signs on the West 22nd Street frontage. The requested special permit will allow part of the existing blade sign to extend above 40-feet of curb level and for both the blade sign and the flag signs to project more than 18-inches across a street line.

The Applicant has obtained a permit from the LPC by unanimous approval and has completed a restoration of the subject building's Sixth Avenue frontage. The restoration work, including the blade sign, was approved by the LPC on December 7, 2012 (Certificate of No Effect 13-8752; (LPC 13-5636). A Notice of Compliance for the restoration work on the Sixth Avenue storefront was issued on August 14, 2014.

On September 24, 2014, LPC issued a report, Modification of Use/Bulk 16-2959 (LPC 16-1461), to the City Planning Commission ("CPC") in support of an application for a special permit pursuant to ZR § 74-711 seeking waivers necessary to maintain the Blade Sign. On July 5, 2017, LPC issued another report, Miscellaneous/Amendments 19-12252,

to modify the language in the September 24, 2014 report to include approval of the flag signs to be hung from 13 historic flagpoles; 3 on the West 22nd Street façade, 7 along the 6th Avenue façade and 3 along the West 23rd Street façade. There was no opposition in any public hearing before the LPC or Community Board 4 to the subject application which was unanimously approved. Seven flag signs currently exist along the Sixth Avenue façade and two signs currently exist along the West 22nd Street façade. New flagpoles have been installed in the location of the historic flagpole anchors.

The Applicant seeks a waiver, pursuant to ZR § 74-711, of sign requirements under (i) ZR § 32-652 which allows a maximum 18-inch projection of a sign across a street line whereas the existing blade sign projects up to seven-feet over the street line, and the flag signs project up to 54.5-inches over the street line; and (ii) ZR § 32-655 which allows a maximum permitted height above curb level of 40-feet whereas the height of the existing blade sign extends to 56-feet 4-inches above curb level. Both the existing and proposed 14 square foot flag signs extend to a complying height of 20-feet 4-inches above curb level.

Due to the subject building abutting the street line, the limiting nature of the aforementioned height and projection requirements and the position of the cornices on the subject building, a complying blade sign's area as a practical matter, cannot be greater than 12 square feet while complying flag signs are limited to 18-inches in width. The historic building was designed and constructed with the historic 13 historic flagpole anchors and accompanying flagpoles projecting in excess of 18-inches beyond the street line.

The signs in issue otherwise comply with zoning regulations. Pursuant to ZR § 32-642, the maximum permitted areas of the signs on each of the Premises three frontages is 500 square feet. The existing 117 square foot blade sign together with all other Sixth Avenue frontage signs totals a complying 492 square feet. The sign areas on both the 22nd and 23rd Street Premises frontages are considerably below the 500 square foot permitted maximums. A complying 12 square foot blade sign would be too small and out of context with the historic facade of the building and would not be approvable by the LPC. Likewise, complying flag signs of only 18-inches in width would be out of context with the building's façade and with the flagpoles originally designed for the façade. Therefore, the Applicant requests, pursuant to ZR 74-711, a waiver of the projection requirements for the blade sign and the flag signs, as well as a height waiver for the blade sign.

The proposed action will allow the applicant to keep the currently existing blade and nine flag signs in place, to install an additional four flag signs in the historic anchors included in the historic buildings original design and construction, and to preserve the existing and historic character of the building.

There are no other land use action approvals that directly affect the Premises. Recent actions within the surrounding area include several special permits. On February 4, 2015 CPC approved a special permit with various waivers to facilitate the development of a new mixed use building at 7 West 21st Street (C 150078 ZSM) and a special permit for additional parking (C 150077 ZSM). On May 27, 2015 City Council adopted a CPC approval of a special permit to allow an accessory parking garage with up to 50 spaces in a mixed use building located at 39-41 West 23rd Street/20-22 West 24th Street (C 140405 ZSM) and a special permit to modify bulk requirements to construct the mixed use building (C 140404 ZSM).

Project Description

The existing blade sign affixed to the Premises projects up to 7-feet across the street line and extends to 56-feet 4-inches above curb level. The flag signs project up to 4-feet 6.5-inches beyond the street line. ZR § 32-652 allows an 18-inch maximum projection of a sign while ZR § 32-655 allows a maximum permitted height above curb level of 40-feet. Thus the existing blade sign is out of compliance regarding its height above curb level and its projection beyond the street line, while the flag signs are out of compliance regarding their projections beyond the street line.

Due to the limiting nature of the aforementioned height and projection requirements and the position of the cornices on the subject building, a complying blade sign's area as a practical matter, cannot be greater than 12 square feet.

Pursuant to ZR § 32-642, the maximum permitted area of signage on each of the building's three frontages is 500 square feet. The existing 117 square foot blade sign together with all other flag signs and complying frieze signs are in compliance with this area requirement. A complying 12 square foot blade sign would be out of context with the building's historic façade and not approvable by the LPC. Likewise, complying flag signs of only 18-inches in width would be out of context with the building's façade and the flagpoles originally designed for the façade. The Applicant has been advised of this position regarding the blade sign by both the Counsel's Office and the Executive Director of the LPC. Therefore, the Applicant is requesting, pursuant to ZR § 74-711, a waiver of these height and projection requirements.

Analysis Framework

The 2014 CEQR Technical Manual, Chapter 2-320 states in part: "discretionary actions sometimes permit a range of project characteristics, or development scenarios to occur, even though the action may be sought in order to facilitate a specific development. From the range of possible scenarios that are considered reasonable and likely, the scenario with the worst environmental consequences is chosen for analysis. This is considered the Reasonable Worst Case Development Scenario (RWCDS), the use of which ensures that,

regardless of which scenario actually occurs, its impacts would be no worse than those considered in the review." A range of possible, reasonable, likely development scenarios were considered. The analysis framework, including the existing conditions, future without, and future with the proposed action scenarios is presented below.

Existing Condition

The Premises is in the Flatiron neighborhood of Manhattan Community Board 4 and within the Ladies Mile Historic District, at 116 West 23rd Street (a/k/a 695-709 Sixth Avenue). The subject building is on a 29,021 square-foot corner lot situated on the easterly end of Block 798, which is bounded by Sixth Avenue, Seventh Avenue, West 23rd Street and West 22nd Street. The Premises occupies nearly the entirety of the easterly block front and has 170-feet 9-inches of frontage on Sixth Avenue, 208-feet 4-inches of frontage on West 23rd Street.

The building is referenced in the LPC 1989 Designation Report. The building was constructed between 1889 and 1911 for use as a department store. The building is faced in cast iron, stucco, brick and granite with two bays on Sixth Avenue and four bays on 23rd Street. The design followed in the tradition of commercial palace design in its use of large show windows, organized into regular bays on a twenty-three foot module and with Italian Renaissance ornament.

The Premises is located within C6-3X, C6-2A and C6-3A zoning districts and is improved with a 5-story, landmarked commercial building with approximately 169,500 zoning square feet of Use Group 6 and Use Group 10 floor area. The blade sign is located at the southeast corner of the building on the Sixth Avenue frontage at the corner of West 22nd Street, and is within the C6-2A portion of the Zoning Lot. The flag signs are located in the C6-2A and the C6-3X portions of the Zoning Lot.

There are multiple commercial establishments on the ground floor of the Premises. The Burlington Coat Factory occupies the northern portion of the building, a DXL Men's Apparel and an 'Essen deli occupy storefronts on the midblock and a Blue Mercury has a storefront on the southern portion of the building that fronts on both Sixth Avenue and West 22nd Street. In addition to the blade sign, seven non-illuminated double-sided Flag Signs consisting of three "Burlington", two "DXL Men's Apparel Now Open," one "'Essen" and one "blue mercury makeup skincare spa" measuring 14 square feet each are located at the ground level of the Sixth Avenue façade. Two non-illuminated flag signs ("blue mercury makeup skincare spa") measuring 14 square feet each are located at the ground level of the West 22nd Street façade. The existing flag signs, including sign poles, project 54-inches across the street line, begin at a height of 12'-1" above curb level and extend to a height of 20'-4" feet above curb level. Non-illuminated writing located in a window is

not a "sign" pursuant to the ZR § 12-10 "sign" definition, and therefore is not included in the calculation of square footage of signs.

On June 30, 1995, the LPC granted the owner of the building a Certificate of Appropriateness permitting the installation of a projecting vertical sign (the blade sign). Soon thereafter the subject blade sign was installed and has been in place for 22 years and is essential to the building's economic viability. A final sign permit was never received from the Department of Transportation because the sign violated two sections of the ZR, Sections 32-655 and 32-652. The historic building was also designed and built with the existing 13 flagpoles together with ornate flagpole anchors from which nine flag signs have been hung.

On March 6, 2013, The Landmarks Preservation Commission sent a letter to the DOB in support of the continuation of the existing signs subject to the approval of Department of City Planning (DCP). On September 24, 2014, LPC issued a report, Modification of Use/Bulk 16-2959 (LPC 16-1461), to the City Planning Commission ("CPC") in support of an application for a special permit pursuant to ZR § 74-711 seeking waivers necessary to maintain the Blade Sign. On July 5, 2017, LPC issued another report, Miscellaneous/Amendments 19-12252, to modify the language in the September 24, 2014 report to include approval of the flag signs hanging from 13 historic flagpoles; 3 on the West 22nd Street façade, 7 along the 6th Avenue façade and 3 along the West 23rd Street façade. New flagpoles are installed in the location of the historic flagpole anchors.

Future No-Action Scenario

In the No-Action scenario it is assumed that the existing signs would be removed due to the fact that a complying blade sign as well as complying flag signs would be out of context with the historic building's façade and the flagpoles originally designed for the building façade. As previously stated, the Applicant was advised by both the Counsel's Office and the Executive Director of the LPC that a complying blade sign would not be approved by the LPC; thereby creating a lack of sufficient accessory signage for the commercial establishments occupying the subject building.

Future With-Action Scenario

The RWCDS With-Action Scenario would be the continuance of the currently existing 117 square foot blade sign projecting 7-feet across the street line with a height extending to 56-feet 4-inches above curb level as well as 13 flag signs protruding up to 54.5-inches beyond the street line.

In the event that the application for the special permit is granted the signs will remain in place. The requested modification would have no other significant effect, including effects on land use, zoning and public policy, socioeconomic conditions, community facilities, open space, shadows, historic and cultural resources, urban design and visual resources, natural resources, hazardous materials, water and sewer infrastructure, solid waste and sanitation services, energy, transportation air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, public health, neighborhood character and construction, and would not permit another zoning non-compliance.

The incremental difference between the No-Action and With-Action Scenarios is: (1) the continuance of the 117 square foot blade sign extending 56-feet 4-inches above curb level with the afore-mentioned non-complying projection of up to seven feet beyond the street line; (2) the continuance of the nine 14 square foot flag signs projecting 54 inches across the street line at a height of 12-feet 1-inch above curb level and extending to a complying height of 20-feet 4-inches above curb level; and (3) the addition of four 14 foot square flag signs secured from historic anchors projecting 54 inches across the street line at a height of 12-feet 1-inch above curb level and extending to 20-feet 4-inches above curb level.

Purpose and Need for the Proposed Action

The Applicant seeks approval of a special permit, pursuant to ZR § 74-711, modifying the regulations of (i) ZR § 32-652, which allows a maximum projection of a sign of 18-inches across the street line whereas the existing blade sign projects 7-feet, and the flag signs project up to 54.5-inches, and (ii) ZR 32-655 which allows a maximum permitted height above curb level of 40-feet whereas the height of the existing blade sign extends to 56-feet 4-inches above curb level. The proposed action would permit continuance of the historic building's originally designed and constructed flag pole signs as well as continuance of the accessory blade sign that has been in place for over 20 years without complaint. The subject signs have been deemed appropriate by the LPC to both the historic building and the neighborhood and are necessary accessory signage for the commercial establishments within the building.

Technical Analyses

A. Land Use, Zoning and Public Policy

INTRODUCTION

According to the 2014 CEQR Technical Manual guidelines, a land use analysis should evaluate the uses and development trends in the area that may be affected by a proposed project, and determine whether the proposed project is compatible with, or may

affect, those conditions. The analysis should consider the project compliance with, and effect on, the area zoning and other applicable public policies.

The subject application seeks a waiver of sign requirements under: (1) ZR § 32-652 allowing a maximum sign projection of 18-inches beyond the street line whereas the existing blade sign projects 7-feet, and the existing flag signs project up to 54.5-inches; and (2) ZR § 32-655 allowing a maximum permitted height above curb level of 40-feet whereas the height of the existing blade sign extends to 56-feet 4-inches above curb level.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The Premises is situated in the Flatiron District in the borough of Manhattan, Community Board 4, within the Ladies' Mile Historic District. The surrounding area consists primarily of commercial, light manufacturing and mixed commercial and residential uses. Sixth Avenue, upon which the Premises fronts, is a heavily-trafficked major thoroughfare.

The surrounding area to the northeast, east and south of the Premises along Sixth Avenue is located within the Ladies' Mile Historic District, which was designated on May 2, 1989. It is mid- to high-rise and historic in character, with many buildings built in the early 1900s. This area was historically a principal retail destination, particularly between the Gilded Age and World War I. This is reflected in the built fabric, particularly along Sixth Avenue, where several former department stores have been converted to various commercial and residential uses while maintaining their ornate, turn-of-century facades. The landmarked Church of the Holy Communion Complex is a few blocks away, at Sixth Avenue and West 20th Street. The Premises are also within the Flatiron-23rd Street Partnership Business Improvement District, as is the area northeast, east, and south of the Premises are FRESH program areas with discretionary tax incentives.

There is a small concentration of light manufacturing uses in the loft buildings east of Sixth Avenue, which are also located within the Ladies Mile Historic District. The surrounding area to the Premises' west is similarly mid-rise and historic in character, and is primarily residential and mixed-use commercial and residential.

The Premises are located at the confluence of a number of high-bulk commercial and light manufacturing districts, some of which have restrictions on residential use. The surrounding area to the north of the Premises, clockwise from the Premises' northwest, is zoned C6-3X, M1-6 and C6-4X, while the Surrounding Area to the East is zoned C6-3A, M1-6, C6-4M and C6-4A. The surrounding area south of the Premises is zoned C6-2A along Sixth Avenue and C6-3A on the interior portions.

The Premises is well-served by mass transit, as the 23rd Street Station for the F/M subway lines is directly in front of the Premises, at the corner of 23rd Street and 6th avenue; the 23rd Street station for the 1 subway line is approximately 1 block west of the Premises, the 23rd Street station for the C/E subway lines is approximately 2 blocks west of the Premises; the 23rd Street station for the N/R subway lines is approximately 1 block east of the Premises; the 23rd Street station for the 6 subway line is approximately 2 blocks east of the Premises; and the PATH train station for trains to Hoboken and Journal Square is a block south of the Premises. In addition, the Premises is accessible via multiple bus lines, including the M1, M2, M5, M7, BxM6, BxM7, BxM8, BxM10, M20, M23, X1, X7, X9, X12, X14, X17, X27, X28, X37, X38, X42, and X63.

Madison Square Park is approximately two blocks east of the Premises. In addition, major institutions in the neighborhood include Beth Israel Medical Group – Chelsea, which is approximately two blocks west of the Premises; the Institute of Culinary Education, which is across the street from the Premises; the Fashion Institute of Technology, which is approximately six blocks northwest of the Premises; and Manhattan Village Academy high school, which is approximately a block and a half south of the Premises.

The subject five-story building is located at 116 West 23rd Street / 695-709 Sixth Avenue and was a department store designed and built in phases between 1889 and 1911. The lot area is 29,021 square feet. The area of the existing blade sign is 117 square feet and has been affixed to the building at the corner of 22nd Street and Sixth Avenue for more than 20 years. The 13 flag pole signs, which project across the street line, and their supporting flag pole anchors are part of the building's original historic design and construction. Land uses in the 400 foot study area are predominantly retail along Sixth Avenue and a mix of multi-family residential, commercial, institutional, and some light manufacturing on the side streets.

FUTURE NO-ACTION SCENARIO

Land Use

The conforming building and its commercial use would remain unchanged. Absent the requested special permit the commercial accessory blade sign would be removed to eliminate the non-compliance. A complying replacement blade sign would not be installed as the LPC has deemed a complying blade sign to be out of context with the historic building's façade and would, therefore, not be approved. The non-complying flag signs would also be removed and not be replaced with unrealistically small 18-inch wide flags and shorter supporting poles that would also be out of context with the historic building's façade.

Zoning

No change in zoning would occur as a result of a no-action scenario.

Public Policy

No change in public policy would occur as a result of a no-action scenario.

FUTURE WITH-ACTION SCENARIO

Land Use

The structure and commercial use of the building would remain unchanged together with the existing blade sign, flag signs and the four proposed flag signs. There would be no effect on land use as the subject signs have been reviewed by the LPC on multiple occasions and deemed appropriate to the historic building and neighborhood. Furthermore, the existing signs have adorned the building for over 20 years without complaint or issued violations, and the proposed additional flag signs were designed as part of the historic building. Thus, land use will remain unchanged as a result of the requested special permit.

Zoning

No change in zoning would occur as a result of the requested special permit.

Public Policy

The proposed waiver neither includes the creation or modification of an urban renewal plan, is not within an area covered by a 197-a plan, nor is it within a designated Coastal Zone. Therefore, the requested special permit would not have the potential to affect applicable public policy. Moreover, as previously stated, LPC on multiple occasions has deemed the subject signs to be appropriate for both the historic building and neighborhood. Commercial accessory signs are necessary and widely used within the study area. Therefore, no changes related to public policy would be expected to occur as a result of maintaining the existing signs.

B. Historic and Cultural Resources

INTRODUCTION

The historic, subject building is a Commercial Palace-style department store building constructed in phases between 1889 and 1911, with portions designed by William Schnickel & Company, Buchman & Deisler, Buchman & Fox and Taylor & Levi. The LPC noted that the building's age, scale, style, type, materials and details are among the features that contribute to the architectural and historic character of the Ladies' Mile Historic District in which it is located.

The Ladies' Mile Historic District was designated by the LPC in May 1989 to preserve an irregular district of 440 buildings on 28 blocks and parts of blocks in Manhattan. It runs from 15th Street on the South to 24th Street on the North and from Park Avenue South to West of Sixth Avenue (Avenue of the Americas).

Between the 1860s and the First World War, the district was the location of some of the city's most famous department stores, including Lord & Taylor, B. Altman, W. & J. Sloane, Arnold Constable, Best & Co. and Bergdorf Goodman. The district also includes Daniel H. Burnham's Flatiron Building, at Fifth Avenue and 23r^d Street. Most of the district lies within the neighborhood named after Flatiron building.

FUTURE NO-ACTION SCENARIO

Although removal of the non-complying blade sign would have no impact on the historic building's original design, removal of the non-complying flag signs and their supporting poles that were part of the building's original design would affect the original architectural design of the building's façade.

FUTURE WITH-ACTION SCENARIO

The Landmarks Preservation Commission has deemed the blade and flag signs to be appropriate to the historic building and would have no impact on the building or to its historic district. Therefore, there should be no impact to historic and cultural resources.

C. Neighborhood Character

FUTURE NO-ACTION SCENARIO

No change in neighborhood character would occur as a result of a no-action scenario. Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy; Socioeconomic Conditions; Open Space; Historic and Cultural Resources; Urban Design and Visual Resources; Shadows; Transportation or Noise would remain the same.

FUTURE WITH-ACTION SCENARIO

No change in neighborhood character would occur as a result of a with-action scenario. Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy; Socioeconomic Conditions; Open Space; Historic and Cultural Resources; Urban Design and Visual Resources; Shadows; Transportation or Noise would remain the same. Neither the blade sign nor the flag signs
block public view corridors or significantly alter the pedestrian experience of the predominantly commercial area. The existing blade sign has been on the building for over 20 years and has received no complaints from the community or any DOB violations. Similarly, the nine existing flag signs the additional four proposed flag signs do not obstruct views and are part of the building's original design. Therefore there would be no significant impact to Neighborhood Character.

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July 5, 2017

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Re:

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 MISCELLANEOUS/AMENDMENTS LPC-19-12252 MISC-19-12252 116 WEST 23RD STREET Ladies' Mile Historic District Manhattan Block/Lot: 798 / 41

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At the Public Meeting of September 23, 2014, following the Public Hearing of the same date, the Landmarks Preservation Commission voted to issue a report to the City Planning Commission ("CPC") in support of an application for a Special Permit pursuant to Section 74-711 of the Zoning Resolution seeking waivers necessary to maintain an existing large bracket sign at 116 West 23rd Street, Manhattan, Block 798, Lot 1 (the Designated Building). The Designated Building is in the Ladies' Mile Historic District. The report, Modification of Use/Bulk 16-2959 (LPC 16-1461), was issued on September 24, 2014.

Subsequently, the LPC received an application on April 11, 2017, to modify the language in the September 24, 2014, report to include signs hanging from 13 historic flagpoles; 3 on the West 22nd Street façade, 7 along the 6th Avenue façade and 3 along the West 23rd Street façade. Specifically, these 13 signs hanging from restored historic flagpoles do not comply with zoning in that they exceed the maximum projection permitted under Zoning Resolution section 32 - 652. The 13 signs will protrude up to 38.4 inches from the property line which is more than the maximum 18 inch projection allowed for double-faced signs under ZR 32-652. Accordingly the applicant is requesting that the previously issued favorable report to the CPC be amended to include a waiver of section 32-652 for these 13 flagpole signs.

The 13 flagpole signs have already been approved by LPC staff in Certificate of No Effect 13-8752 (LPC 13-5636) issued on December 7, 2012. The new flagpoles are to be installed at the location of the historic flagpole anchors.

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In reviewing this proposal, the Commission noted that Certificate of Appropriateness 94-0085 (LPC 94-1852) was issued on December 6, 1993 for the replacement of storefronts and the installation of awnings at the southern portion of the building; that Permit for Minor Work 95-0019 (LPC 94-1098) was issued on July 11, 1994 for the restoration of all facades, including the mosaic tilework at the storefront piers; that Miscellaneous/Amendments 95-0002 (LPC 95-0071) was issued on July 11, 1994 to amend Certificate of Appropriateness 94-0085 to include the replacement of two storefronts at the northern portion of the building; that Certificate of Appropriateness 95-0166 (LPC 95-2902) was issued on June 30, 1995 for the installation of metal and glass canopies, the installation of three flagpoles at historic sockets, the installation of canvas awnings at the upper stories, and the installation of a vertical sign at the southeast corner of the building; that Certificate of No Effect 13-8752 (LPC 13-5636) was issued on December 7, 2012 for the removal of non-historic storefront infill and a Commission-approved metal canopy at the Sixth Avenue entrance for the installation of new metal and glass storefront infill the restoration of historic storefront elements, and repair and repainting of the upper stories of the building.

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In voting to issue the report, the Commission found that the applicant, with the support of the building owner, has undertaken facade work, pursuant to LPC 13-5636 and LPC 14-2785, to restore the Designated Building and bring it up to a sound, first class condition, including the removal of non-historic storefront infill and a Commission-approved metal chlopy at the 6th Alvenue entrance for the installation of new metal and glass storefront infill featuring transom signage, signbands within the fascia at the storefront cornices, and leadedlite clerestory windows; the restoration of historic storefront elements, including cornices and fascia, awning housings and armatures, decorative piers with brackets and flagpole supports; and repair and repainting of the upper stories of the building, including selective is pair to decorative metal elements and stone trim, work which has brought the building up to a sound, first-class condition, aided in its long-term preservation, and reinforced the architectural and historic character of the building, the streetscape, and the historic district; that the applicant, with the support of the building owner, has agreed to establish and maintain a program for continuing maintenance to ensure that the Designated Building is maintained in a sound, first-class condition; that a Restrictive Declaration ("Declaration") will be filed against the property which will bind the applicants and all heirs, successors and assigns to maintain the continuing maintenance program in perpetuity; and that the proposal is supportive of the preservation of the building and the special architectural and historic character of the Ladies' Mile Historic District. Based on these findings, the Commission determined the work to be appropriate to the building and voted to approve it.

The Declaration requires the Declarant to commission a qualified preservation professional, whose credentials are to be approved by LPC, to undertake inspections every four years of the Designated Building's exterior and such portions of the interior, which, if not properly maintained, would cause the Designated Building top deteriorate. The Declarant is required to perform all work identified in the resulting professional reports as being necessary to maintain the Designated Building in a sound, first class condition within the stated time periods.

The staff of the Commission is available to assist you with these matters. Please direct inquiries to Olivia Brazee.

Meenakshi Srinivasan Chair

cc: John Weiss, Deputy Counsel/LPC; Richard Aibel, Majestic Rayon Corp.

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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Dute: June 30, 1995 Addres Boro: Manhattan Block/I Docket #: 95-2902 COFA LADIES' MILE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Address: 695-709 6th Avenue; aka 116 West 23rd Street Block/Lot: 798/41 COFA #: 95-0166

THIS PERMIT EXPIRES ON: November 29, 2000

Mr. Gilbert Yesnowitz, A.V.P. Harry Irwin, Inc. & Majestic Rayon Corp. 116 West 23rd Street New York, NY 10011

Dear Mr. Yesnowitz:

Pursuant to Section 25-307 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Landmarks Preservation Commission at the public meeting of November 29, 1994, following the public hearing and public meeting of November 1, 1994, voted to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for proposed work at the subject premises, as put forward in your application completed on September 27, 1994.

The proposed work consisted of alterations related to the opening of a new "Burlington Coat Factory" store at the subject premises, including installing two cancilevered glass and metal open-sided sloped canoples with ornamental brackets at the second- and third-most northern ground-floor storefrom bays at the 6th Avenue facade; installing three flag-poles with penninets at historic sockets in related existing firstfloor-merzanine-level cast-iron plers; installing medium-blue, canvas-type, open-sided aloped fixed awnings at windows at the second and third floors and bubble-shaped awnings at windows at the fourth floor at the 6th Avenue and partial West 22nd Street facades; and installing a projecting vertical sign ("Eurlington Coat Factory") to extend from the second to the third floors at the south corner of the 6th Avenue facade. The proposal was shown in current and historic photographs of the premises and in miscellancous rendered presuntation boards prepared by Burlington Coat Factory in conjunction with liftland, Kavanaugh Waterbury, Architects-Engineers, and Higgins & Quasebarth, Consultants, all of which were presented at the public hearing and public meetings.

In reviewing this proposal, the Commission noted that the designation report describes the building as a Commercial Palace-style department-store building constructed in phases between 1889 and 1911, with portions designed by William Schickel & Company. Buchman & Deisler, Buchman & Fox, and Taylor & Levi; and that the building's age, scale, style, type, materials, and details are among the features that contribute to the special architectural and historic character of the Ladies' Mile Historic District. The Commission also noted that the building contains developed facades with ground-floor storefronts along 6th Avenue and West 22nd and West 23rd Streets; that current inspections of the subject storefronts revealed that the building originally contained heavily rusticated granite columns at these locations; that although the building's ground-floor and mezzanine-level facades have been heavily altered over time, historic multi-light steel transoms and decorative metal pier cludding remain at the ground floor; that these elements are in partially deteriorated condition and metal components have been painted black;

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and that the building retains historic ornamental iron awning-support brackets at the West 22nd Street facade. The Commission finally noted that Certificate of Appropriateness 94.0085 was issued December 6, 1991, for work related to the opening of a "Staples" store at the south portion of the ground-floor at the subject premises, including replacing storefronts and installing a series of red, canvas-type, open-sided sloped retractable awnings at the 6th Avenue and West 22nd Street facules; and that Miscellaneous permit 95-0002 was issued July 11, 1994, to amend Certificate of Appropriateness 94-0085 to include alterations related to "Burlington," including the replacement of storefronts at two northerly ground-floor bays to match those approved to the south for "Staples;" and that Permit for Minor Work 95-0019 was issued July 11, 1994, for cleaning and restoration work at all facades.

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With regard to this proposal, the Commission found that the materials, size and locations of the entrance canopies are in keeping with the materials, sizes and locations of entrance canopies found occasionally at other buildings of this age, style and type in this historic district; that the single-bay installation and stoned profile of the window awnings are similar to those of awnings originally installed at buildings of this age, type and style in this historic district; that the red trim color of the awnings matches the red color of other awnings previously approved for installation at this building; that the location, scale and installation of the projecting sign are in keeping with those of other signs found on buildings in this historic district; and that the instellation of flagpoles at the first floor will be at existing bistoric flagpole holders. Based on these findings, the Commission determined these aspects of the proposed work to be appropriate to the building and to the Ladies' Mile Historic District, and voted to approve them.

However, the Commission found that the medium-blue color proposed for the awning fabric would not harmonize with the strong color scheme established by the previously approved existing awnings; that the shallow, bubble-type profile of the fourth-floor awnings would not match the sloped profiles of awnings originally installed on buildings of this age, type and style in this historic district, and that the shallow depth of the third-floor awnings would not match that of the second-floor awnings,

Therefore, the Commission required that the fourth-floor bubble-shaped awnings he deleted from the pronosal; that the awning color scheme be revised to better harmonize with that of the existing awnings at the facade; that the third-floor awoing depths be revised to harmonize with those at the second floor; and that prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Appropriateness, two unmounted sets of properlydimensioned stamped final working drawings incorporating these revisions be submitted to staff of the Commission for review and approval. Subsequently, staff of the Commission received Astron Weblon "Ocean Blue" CP2746 and Pro-Tee "Bright Red" 1329/529 awning fabric samples. Staff reviewed these samples and found them to be in keeping with the spirit of the Commission's approval. In addition, staff received preliminary working drawings related to the awnings, entrance canopies and brackets. Staff reviewed these drawings and found that they were insufficiently detailed with regard to installation. Furthermore, staff visited the site and reviewed an awning nuck-up incorporating exterior framing. elements, which deviated from the spirit of the Commission's approval.

The Commission notes that Status Update Letter 95-0057 was issued January 23, 1995, regarding the Commission's action at the November 29, 1994, public meeting, the subsequent receipt and approval of revised awning color samples, the receipt of preliminary glass campy drawings, and the awning mock-up inspection; and that the Status Update Letter stipulated that prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Appropriateness, the canopy drawings be further developed to include installation details, and the awning mock-up be revised to reflect the spirit of the Commission's approval. The Commission also notes that Miscellaneous permit 95-0108 was issued April 70, 1994, amending Status Updato Letter 95-0057 to include the subsequent receipt and approval of drawings regarding the proposed 6th Avenue corner sign; that Notices of Violation 95-0369 and 95-0370 were issued April 10, 1995, for the "installation of signage JUL-25-1995 12:12 +212 274 9393 +212 274 9380

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(on 23rd Street) without permit(s)" and "alterations to sidewalk (including removal of cast-iron vault lights) without permit(s)," respectively; and that subsequently, the cornice and mezzanine-level transom areas above the "Burlington" storefront bays were demolished without Landmarks Preservation Commission permits.

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Today, staff of the Commission received final drawings related to the approved work and including details regarding the restoration of the demolished cornice and transom areas. Staff reviewed these drawings and found that they accurately reflect the work approved by the Commission at the public meeting; and that they accurately depict the design, configuration and dimensions of the historic cornice and transom areas. As a result, and contingent on the following stipulations, Certificate of Appropriateness 95-0166 has been issued.

In issuing this permit, the Commission stipulates that a revised awning installation mock-up be provided for review and approval by staff of the Commission; that the demolished storefront cornice and mezzanine transom areas be restored in keeping with the above-referenced drawings; that material and finish samples related to this restoration work be submitted to staff of the Commission for review and approval; and that ground-floor terra-colta pier elements at the subject storefronts be restored in accordance with shop drawings and material samples to be submitted to staff of the Commission for review and approval. In addition, the Commission repeats its strong recommendation that the plan for building-wide restoration be realized and that in particular all historic ground-floor terra-couta elements be restored without further delay.

The approved work is limited to that described above. All approved drawings have been marked approved by the Commission with a perforated scal indicating the date of approval. Other work or amendments to this filling must be approved pursuant to a separate application. Post the enclosed permit card at a prominent location at the premises while work is in progress. Direct impulsies to Katherine E. Khan, Associate Landmarks Preservationist.

Sincerely,

Chairman

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cc: Robert Grapski/Burlington Cont Factory William J. Higgins/Higgins & Quasebarth, Consultants Frank Geneorelli A.1.A./Iffland Kavanaugh Waterbury, P.C., Architects-Engineers Terri Rosen-Deutsch, Dir., Gov't. & Community Affairs/NYC LPC Jeremy Woodoff, Dep. Dir., Preservation Dept./NYC LPC

NOTE: THE PERMIT CARD AND PERFORATED DRAWINGS HAVE BEEN SENT TO HIGGINS & OUASEBARTH. ATTN: WILLIAM HIGGINS.

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April 8, 2013

ISSUED TO:

Richard Aibel Majestic Rayon Corp. & Cudge Realty LLC 116 West 23rd Street New York, NY 10011

> Re: MISCELLANEOUS/AMENDMENTS LPC - 142785 MISC 14-2674 116 WEST 23RD STREET <u>HISTORIC DISTRICT</u> LADIES' MILE Borough of Manhattan Block/Lot: 798 / 41

Pursuant to Section 25-306 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Landmarks Preservation Commission approved a proposal for storefront restoration at the subject premises. A copy of Certificate of No Effect 13-8752 (LPC 13-5636) which approved the work is appended.

Subsequently, on April 8th, 2013, the Commission received a proposal for an amendment to the work approved under that permit. The proposed amendment consists of expanding the scope of work to include replication of cast-metal storefront elements in fiberglass; installation of recessed light fixtures within the soffits above the Sixth Avenue retail entries; installation of a lightbox behind the clerestory glazing at the southwest lobby; replacement of louvers above the retail entries on the Sixth Avenue facade; patching and crack repair of deteriorated limestone cladding at the 23rd Street facade; capping of two skylights and installation of dunnage and mechanical equipment on the roof; and related interior alterations, as shown in drawings A-001.00 through A-300.00, A-500.00 through A-803.00, and A-805.00 through A-809.00, dated March 25th, 2013; A-301.00 and A-804.00, dated revised April 10th, 2013, prepared by Joseph S. Tarella, R.A.; DM-100.00, DM-200.00, SP-100.00, SP-200.00, P-100.00 through P-400.00, EN-100.00, M-100.00 through M-500.00, and FA-100.00, dated March 25th, 2013, prepared by Ramez Afify, P.E.; and S101.00 through S-113.00, dated March 25th, 2013, and prepared by Anthony T. Volpe, P.E..

Accordingly, the Commission reviewed the proposed modifications and finds that the fiberglass will match the cast-metal storefront components in terms of its profiles, dimensions, details, and painted finish; that the recessed light fixtures will be of a simple design that will not call attention to the installation; that the lightbox behind the clerestory glazing at the southwest lobby will help identify the non-retail entry at the building and will not detract from the restored storefront features; that, in accordance with the provisions set forth in RCNY, Title 63, Section 2-19(e)(1), the rooftop addition will consist solely of mechanical equipment; that its installation will not result in damage to or demolition of a significant architectural feature of the roof; that it will not be visible from any public thoroughfare; and that it will not adversely affect significant architectural features of adjacent improvements; that the proposed masonry repair mortar will match the historic mortar in terms of size, color, texture and tooling; that the proposed patching mortar will match the color, texture, finish and details of the

original limestone; and that the proposed work will protect the building's façade and structure from future damage due to water infiltration and aid in the long term preservation of the building; and that the revised scope of work is in keeping with the intent of the original approved. Based on these findings, Certificate of No Effect 13-8752 is hereby amended.

PLEASE NOTE: this permit is contingent upon the Commission's review and approval of samples of limestone patching and crack repair prior to the commencement of work. Samples should be installed adjacent to clean, original surface(s) being repaired; allowed to cure; and cleaned of residue. Submit digital photographs of all samples to oklose@lpc.nyc.gov for review

This permit is also contingent on the understanding that the work will be performed by hand and when the temperature remains a constant 45 degrees Fahrenheit or above for a 72 hour period from the commencement of the work.

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FOR MINOR WORK

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With regard to the proposal, the Commission finds, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Title 63 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-20 (c), that the installation of signage will not damage, destroy or obscure significant architectural features or material of the building or storefront; that the sign will be installed in a signage band above a storefront; that the sign panels mounted flat with the signband; that the sign panel will project no more than 3 inches from the façade, and mounted letters on the sign panels will project no more than 1 inch beyond the panel for a total projection of 4 inches from the façade; that the sign will be proportional to the signband, but in no event exceed 90 percent of the area of the signband; that the letters will not be higher than 18 inches; that the installation of painted or vinyl signage will not exceed more than 20 percent of storefront glazing, and therefore will not substantially reduce the transparency of the display window, doors, or transom; that the signage will not be internally illuminated, nor feature neon strips outlining the display window; and that the overall amount of signage is not excessive and will not detract from the architectural features of the building, the adjacent buildings, or the streetscape. Based on these findings, the work is determined to be appropriate to the building and to the Ladies' Mile Historic District. The work, therefore, is approved.

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