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February 1st, 2023

Ydanis Rodriguez, Commissioner
Department of Transportation
55 Water St., New York NY, 10041

Dear Commissioner Rodriguez,

We write on behalf of the collective voices of the Manhattan Community Board-10 and the citizens of Central Harlem. On February 21, 2022, Mayor Eric Adams signed an executive order to create more government accountability and boost public transparency and accountability. This executive order signed by the mayor included a requirement that all city agencies appoint a monitor to ensure that such practices are followed. The order also states that agencies must “provide detailed information about its policies, practices, and activities in publicly accessible ways.”

Commissioner Rodriguez, it appears that the Department of Transportation has adopted a “**Car Share**” plan that sells residential, public spaces to commercial car rental vendors. Central Harlem Neighborhoods are parking-saturated, and this current outcome is unacceptable. Commissioner, I would suggest that your recent actions and community engagement process directly contradict Mayor Adam’s February 21, 2022, Executive Order.

Your staff attended two Manhattan Community Board - 10 Landmark and Transportation meetings to inform us that the Department of Transportation had made internal decisions to use (Car Share) residential, public spaces for commercial car rental vendors. Central Harlem need not bear the loss of public parking spaces for private rental car use. Commissioner, the current optics support the opinion, the department of transportation, failed to engage key stakeholders in the critical decision-making processes.

Therefore, the Manhattan Community Board -10 member requests that you suspend your decision and engage community stakeholders in a deliberative process. We also request that you engage your leadership in the process to examine fidelity to Mayor Adams Executive Order.

Motion to approve by vote: 37 YES _0_ NO _0_ Abstention _0_ Recusal.

CC:

Honorable Mayor Eric Adams
Honorable Borough President, Mark Levine
Honorable Councilmember, Kristin Richardson Jordan
Honorable Congressman, Adriano Espaillat
Honorable State Senator, Cordell Cleare
Honorable Assembly Member, Inez E. Dickens



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