

COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD 12
Borough of Manhattan

711 West 168 Street, New York, New York 10032

**The
City
of
New
York**



July 13, 2001

Ms. Kathleen Broderick
Associate Commissioner
NYS Office of Mental Retardation &
Developmental Disabilities
75 Morton Street
New York, N.Y. 10014

Dear Ms. Broderick:

The following resolution was passed by Community Board #12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on June 26, 2001:


Whereas: Esperanza Center, a community based service agency, came before the Health and Environment Committee of Community Board #12 to present a proposal to establish a residential facility for mentally and developmentally disabled adults at 1793 Riverside Drive, apartment 4E, in the Inwood section; and

Whereas: The proposed facility will house 4 residents from the local community, who will be supervised 24 hours a day; and

Whereas: Community Board #12 finds that there is no over-concentration of such facilities in the vicinity of the proposed site; therefore

Be It Resolved: That Community Board #12, does not object to the facility at this location, provided that the building's Co-op Board approves the transaction.

Sincerely,


Walther G. Delgado
Chair

cc: Hon. Rudolph Giuliani, Mayor, New York City
Hon. C. Virginia Fields, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Alan Hevesi, N.Y.C. Comptroller
Hon. Mark Green, N.Y.C. Public Advocate
Hon. Charles Rangel, Congressman, District 15
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District Manager:

Gregoria Feliciano

Hon. Herman D. Farrell, Assemblyman, District 71
Hon. Stanley Michels, Councilman, District 7
Hon. Guillermo Linares, Councilman, District 10
Mr. Carlos Rodriguez, Liaison, Manhattan Borough President's Office

Roll Call:

<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Jacqueline Aristy	Norma Nadien	Rafael Beaumont	
Rev. Lee Arrington		James Berlin	
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TOTAL:	28 In Favor	1 Opposed	3 Abstentions
			0 Not Voting

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July 6, 2001

Mr. Joseph B. Rose, Director
Department of City Planning
22 Reade Street
New York, N.Y. 10007-1216

Dear Mr. Rose:

The following resolution was passed by Community Board #12 at its General Meeting on June 26, 2001:

- Whereas:** The Department of City Planning, in the final report of its Harlem River Greenway Master Plan, has proposed narrowing the northern part of the arterial highway/Harlem River Drive to two lanes, one in each direction, and
- Whereas:** This section of highway is an essential link between Inwood and the rest of Manhattan to the south, and provides an indirect but popular link to the Major Deegan Expressway (Interstate 87), and
- Whereas:** Narrowing the highway would result in increased traffic congestion which would inhibit emergency response and contribute to poor air quality, and
- Whereas:** In the event of traffic problems on Interstate Highway 95 and/or the George Washington Bridge, this link becomes even more essential, and
- Whereas:** The aforementioned traffic problems are a frequent occurrence, and
- Whereas:** There are recently constructed multi-use bicycle/pedestrian path in New York City that due to constraints of topography, environmental concerns, and adjacent roadways, are narrower than the proposed twelve foot width, and
- Whereas:** This narrowing is not necessary, as the proposed twelve foot width of the bicycle path can be accomplished by constructing an outboard path as proposed for other sections of the greenway with limited or no waterfront access, and
- Whereas:** Community Board #12, Manhattan, has consistently and most strenuously opposed this narrowing at every opportunity before this plan was finalized, and
- Whereas:** Despite this opposition, the Department of City Planning has ignored the wishes and sage counsel of the Community Board, therefore

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Be It

Resolved: That Community Board 12, Manhattan, while favoring the bike path, opposes any narrowing, even as a temporary measure, of the arterial highway within our community that is known as the Harlem River Drive, and

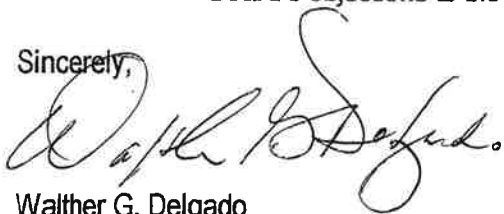
Be It Further

Resolved: That the bicycle path be constructed either within existing constraints or by constructing an outboard path as proposed for other sections, and

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Resolved: That the Department of City Planning be censured for not including our Community Board's objections to the proposed narrowing and other elements of the bike plan.

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Hon. Rudolph Giuliani
Mayor
City of New York
City Hall
New York, N.Y. 10007

Dear Mayor Giuliani:

The following resolution was passed by Community Board #12 at its General Meeting on June 26, 2001:

- Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan is blessed with more than 600 acres of parkland, totaling a third of our geographical area; and
- Whereas:** Community Board 12, Manhattan has many recreational facilities, historic sites and cultural institutions as part of its network of parks; and
- Whereas:** Despite these beautiful resources, much of our parkland suffers from neglect, deterioration, poor security and enforcement, and inconsistent maintenance; and
- Whereas:** The Parks Department's workforce has been cut by 70% over the last 25 years, and today only four-tenths of a percent (0.4%) of the City's annual expense budget funds parks operations, such that the system has only one full-time worker to clean every 43 acres of parkland; only one full-time recreation worker for every 21,000 children; only one Parks Enforcement Officer for every 147 acres of parkland; only 27 full-time gardeners to maintain more than 28,000 acres of land, including 600 ball fields; and only 23 full-time plumbers to fix more than 1,400 bathrooms and 2,300 drinking fountains; and
- Whereas:** Many community groups and civic organizations have come together, both Citywide and within Community Board 12, Manhattan, to advocate for adequate funding for our parks; therefore
- Be It Resolved:** That Community Board 12, Manhattan calls upon the Mayor, the Borough President, its local Council Members and candidates for these offices to commit to allocating and spending 1% of the City's annual expense budget on the operations of parks Citywide to ensure: regular maintenance of all facilities; sufficient personnel to ensure safety and enforcement; programming to engage our youth and seniors; and the efficient and equitable use of the City's resources.

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Hon. C. Virginia Fields
Manhattan Borough President
One Centre Street
Municipal Building, 19th Floor
New York, N.Y. 10007

Dear Borough President Fields:

The following resolution was passed by Community Board 12, Manhattan at its General Meeting on June 26, 2001:

Whereas: The six months limit to excused absences for military leave as imposed by the By-laws in Section 5.02 (6) is against the law USC Title 38; therefore

Be It That effective immediately there is no time limit on military leave
Resolved: excuse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Walther G. Delgado'.

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