

66 Perry Street, New York, NY 10014
Building Reg ID 129613
Block No. 00621
Lot No. 0052

Dear Gentle People,

Thank you in advance for your assistance with my application for permission to install a cast iron gate at the foot of my brownstone's steps.

I'm working with a wonderful young architect, Isidoro Cruz, and with Handco Welding. They've done a fair amount of ironwork restoration in the West Village. I have located the original molds for my fence and staircase panels at Architectural Iron. Arch Iron did the ironwork in front of my house when we did the total façade restoration in the early 1980s. At that time, The Landmarks Preservation Commission commended us for the restoration plan. We want to create a gate now, that integrates seamlessly with the existing railings, fence, and architectural context.

The reasons I need to gate the staircase follow:

The front of my house appeared in the *Sex and the City* TV series as the exterior of Carrie Bradshaw's apartment. My fault: I felt sorry for the young location scout, a recent grad from NYU Film School, who told me if he didn't secure THIS house the executive producer wanted, he would lose his first real job in the business. I relented and said exterior ONLY; never inside.

No one had any idea that the show would turn into the international fantasy vehicle and touchstone for the magic of NYC that it has become. As a result, my house has become a global tourist destination** with endless reruns being streamed, generating a massive fan and follower base coming to my doorstep from all over the US and around the world. No matter what time of day or night, there will be groups of visitors in front of the house taking selfies, engaged in excited and often loud chatter, posting on social media, making videos for Tic Toc, or simply having a little party.

Most visitors respect the chain at the bottom of the stairs with its clear NO TRESPASSING sign. But some won't stop at the property line and climb over the chain. They pose or lie down on the stairs; climb to the top to peer in the Parlor windows, try to open the main entrance door, or when drunk late at night, they don't hesitate to ring the doorbells. We have also had graffiti painted on the steps and initials carved into the heavy door frame.

The 6th Precinct advised me years ago to put the chain across the base of the staircase with a "No Trespassing-Private Property" sign. It helps, but not enough. As a result, I have finally acknowledged we really need to have something more substantial. In order to regain a reasonable quality of life for our tenants and ourselves: we need to install a proper gate.

This request is really a last resort on my part. I have been resisting putting up a real gate for more than 20 years, hoping that this fascination with my staircase would die away and the fans would go find something else to be crazy about. I am finally resigned to the fact that the only way to have a little peace is to install a gate. But it HAS to blend in harmoniously with the rest of the façade.

Thank you.

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At present, *Sex and the City* is being aired in **34 different languages all over the world. Of these, 17 are dubbed, 5 are with voiceover and 12 are subtitled in the local language. Source: DUBDB, The Dubbing Database.



Tax Photo circa 1939-41



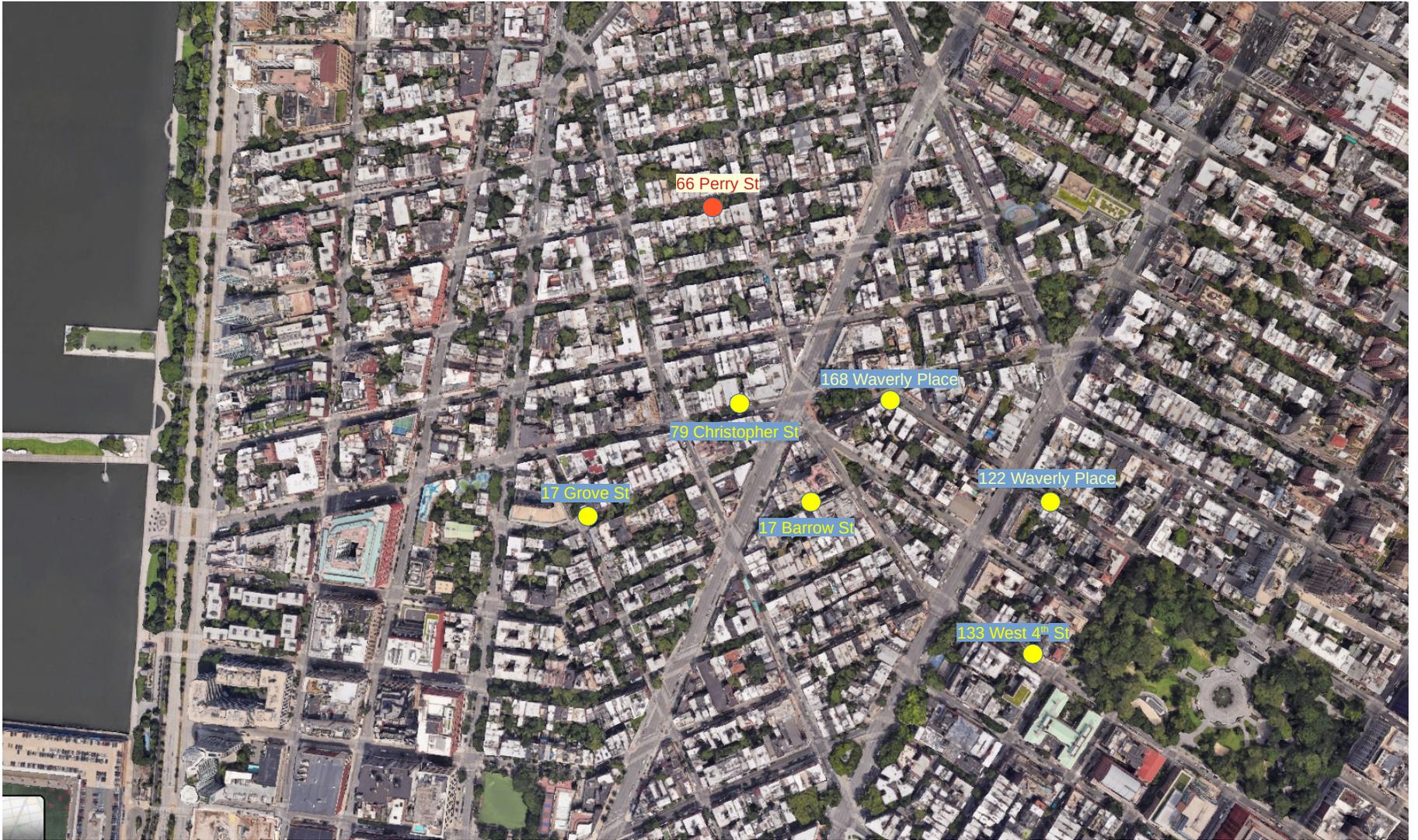
66 Perry Street in 1978 at time of purchase by Owner



66 Perry Street (2024)

Locations of approved stoop gates

- Approved Stoop Gate
- Proposed Stoop Gate



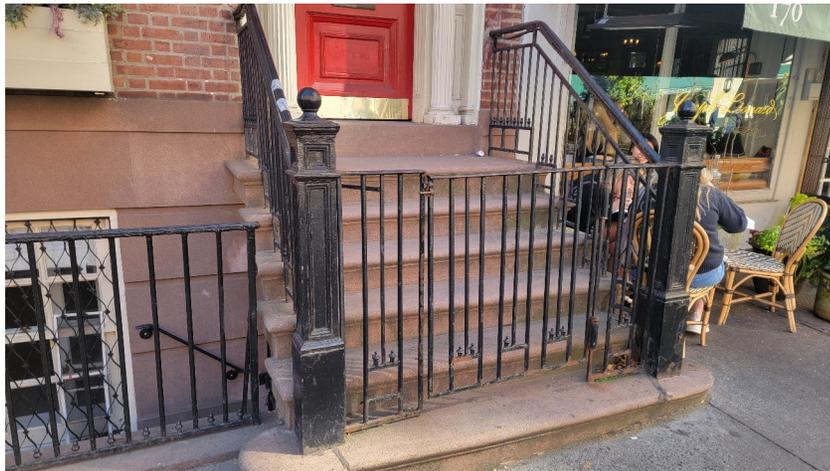
Examples of approved stoop gates



17 Grove St



133 West 4th St



168 Waverly Place



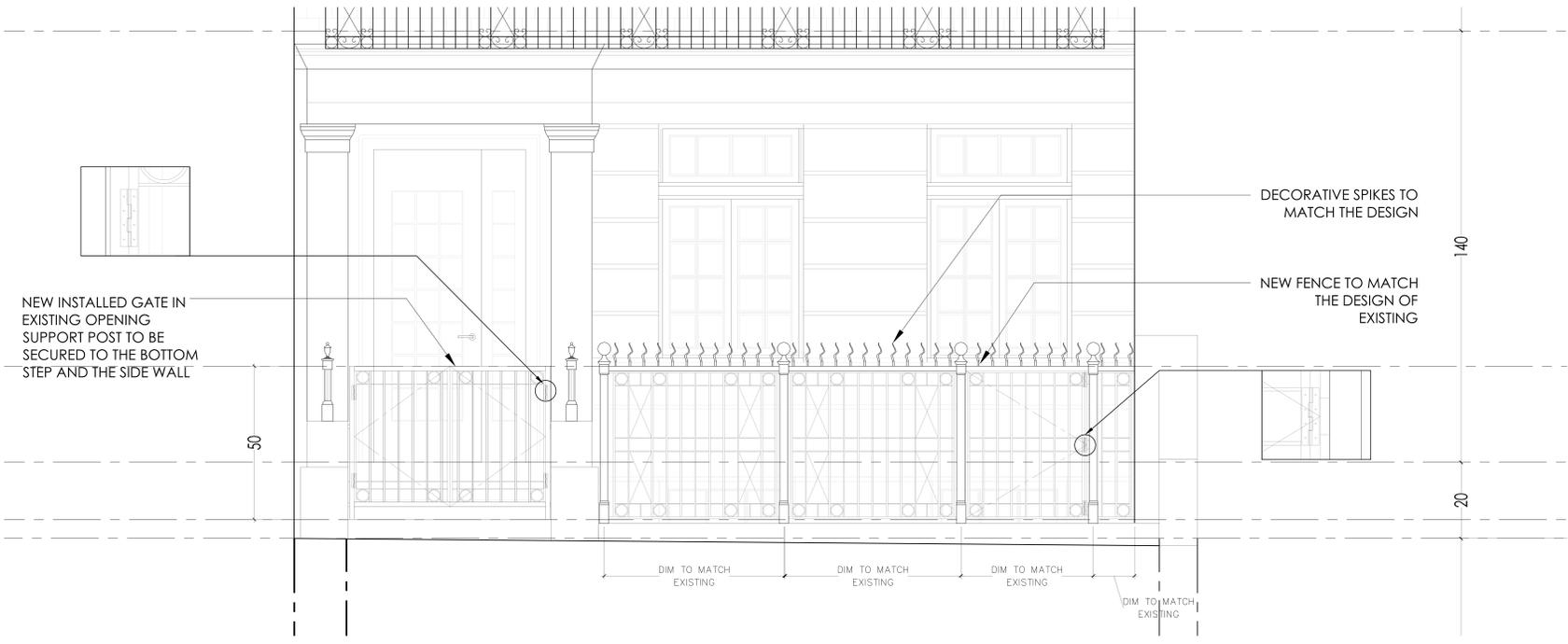
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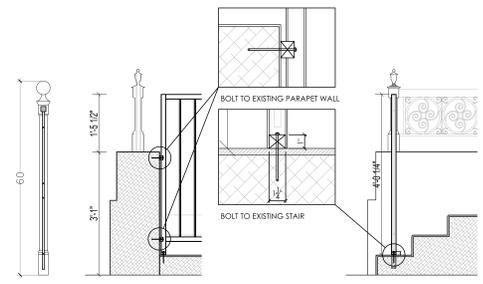
Gate Detail

17 Barrow St Facade

122 WAVERLY PLACE
 FRONT GATE AND FENCE
 DHD ARCHITECTURE PC
 SARA KOSTIC AND LARISSA JIMENEZ
 06/15/2023
 08/09/2023
 SLIDE 04



01 PROPOSED ELEVATION 1 - SOUTH
 SCALE: 3/4"=1'-0"



02 PROPOSED FENCE SECTIONS
 SCALE: 3/4"=1'-0"



03 1940'S TAX PHOTO
 SCALE: 3/4"=1'-0"