

## CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD FOUR

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**Jesse R. Bodine**District Manager

February 14, 2019

Anthony Borelli Vice President, Planning & Development Edison Properties 100 Washington Street Newark, NJ 07102

Re: Sidewalk improvements West 29<sup>th</sup> Street (11<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Dear Mr. Borelli,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) thanks Manhattan Mini Storage for their presentation of improvements they committed to make around their business on the northeast corner of West 29<sup>th</sup> Street and Eleventh Avenue.

MCB4 supports, by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote at its February 6<sup>th</sup> Full Board meeting, these improvements subject to additional requests below. We ask that you to return to the committee in three months and present a progress report that includes addressing these points.

Manhattan Mini Storage will eliminate the non-compliant curb cuts for loading bays, install dedicated setback loading bays, add one tree pit, and install planters around the parking lot to give pedestrians clear view of cars exiting the lot.

Some suggestions were made to address remaining safety issues:

- Notification (audio or visual) for cars leaving parking lot, and also pulling out of loading bays
- Speed bumps at the parking lot's exits
- The southwest corner of the parking lot remains wide open to drivers who use it illegally and dangerously to reach West 29<sup>th</sup> Street from Eleventh Avenue. We ask that you devise a treatment for this corner to prevent this occurrence.
- Notification and education of your customers of the new protocol to use the loading bay is critical to the overall success of the plan.

As the work cannot start until April, it would be helpful if in the interim, the staff could put cones on sidewalks and at the current curb cuts to protect pedestrians.

We appreciate your efforts to accommodate your neighbors and new residents of our district.

Sincerely,

Burt Lazarin

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