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October 17, 2018

Ed Pincar  
Manhattan Borough Commissioner  
NYC Department of Transportation  
59 Maiden Lane, 37<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10037

**Re: Taino Express Inc. - Intercity Bus Stop Application at North Side of W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Street (11/12)**

Dear Commissioner Pincar,

As we continue to review increasing numbers of applications for curbside bus stops on our district's congested streets and sidewalks, we look forward to the day when our district is served by an updated and expanded Bus Terminal. We will also take this occasion to request that the Department of Transportation (DOT) begin considering the community and environmental impact of the operator's fleet, and develop a standard to favor those operators with zero-emission fleets, safe driving records, and good standing with all authorities. We hope to address these and other broader considerations very soon by convening a task force, engaging all stakeholders and our Elected Officials.

At its October Full Board meeting, Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) voted by a vote of 37 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 0 present but not eligible to vote to approve Taino Express Inc. a bus permit on the North Side of W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Street between Eleventh and Twelfth Avenues provided all the stipulations attached are met. The applicant has agreed to comply with all stipulations

Sincerely,

Burt Lazarin  
Chair  
Manhattan Community

Christine Berthet  
Co-Chair  
Transportation Planning

Dale Corvino  
Co-Chair  
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Enclosure

Cc: Hon. Brad Hoylman, New York State Senate  
Hon. Richard N. Gottfried, New York State Assembly  
Hon. Linda Rosenthal, New York State Assembly  
Hon. Corey Johnson, Speaker, NYC Council  
Hon. Gale A. Brewer, Manhattan Borough President  
Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner, NYC Department of Transportation  
Michael Repogle, NYC Department of Transportation

# Manhattan Community Board 4 - Intercity Bus Permit and Stipulations

attach a copy of your bus stop request to the NYC DOT  
 forms must be completed

enter data in this column

from Date to Date	August 2018	August 2019
Company Marketing name (DBA)	Taino Express Inc	Taino Express Inc
any Corporate Name	Taino Express Inc	Taino Express Inc
Owner's Name	Ramon Mercado	Ramon Mercado
rate Address	122 Burlington Ave Paterson NJ 07502	
Address	Taino Express @yahoo.com	
Number	973 296 6939	
Location of requested bus stop (where sign will be located)	north side 43rd st. btwn 12 & 11 avenue	
Stop Length ( in feet)	25 ft	
Stop length in # of buses	1	
hour # passengers per bus	25	
number of buses on this route	18	
maximum number of pickups per day	16	
maximum number of drop off per day	15	
Destination of the bus service	Paterson NJ	
Where will be the route for your bus entering New York City limits, to bus stop requested, to leaving New York City limits?	lincoln tunnel to stop	stop to lincoln tunnel
Number of layover locations	n/a	n/a
Locations of layover locations	n/a	n/a

# Bus Schedule

List times of departures/ arrivals as appropriate (peak days) one per line	Pick up (Y/N)	Drop off (Y/N)	Maximum number of passengers at peak hour
6:00 am	Y	N	25
6:30 am	Y	N	25
7:15 am	Y	N	25
9:45 am	Y	N	25
10:00 am	Y	N	25
10:30 am	Y	N	25
11:00 am	Y	N	25
12:00 pm	X	N	25
1:00 pm	X	N	25
2:15 pm	X	N	25
3:00 pm	X	N	25
4:00 pm	X	N	25
5:00 pm	X	N	25
8:15 pm	X	N	25
10:15 pm	X	N	25
6:45 am	N	Y	25
7:00 am	N	Y	25
9:45 am	N	Y	25
11:30 am	N	Y	25
12:30 pm	N	Y	25
1:30 pm	N	Y	25
2:30 pm	N	Y	25
3:30 pm	N	Y	25
4:45 pm	N	Y	25
5:30 pm	N	Y	25
6:15 pm	N	Y	25
7:45 pm	N	Y	25
8:30 pm	N	Y	25
10:00 pm	N	Y	25
11:00 pm	N	Y	25



**Location and Safety**

Please include a diagram of the street where you are requesting a stop, including measurements of all existing uses and your proposed stop.

Current parking regulations at the location of the stop	no BUS STOPS currently - unknown.
Is It in a Bus lane?	n/a no.
What are the other obstructions ( curb cuts, hydrants etc..)	none
List the businesses, institutions and residences located along the length of bus stop	UPS. * must call.
Did you speak with the businesses above and the block association about your planned operation?	no
Provide the name of the persons you spoke to for each of them and the date on which you spoke to them	N/A
Where and when did you post the notice of the Community Board Transportation Committee Hearing?	unable to commute to NY
First Alternate Location Address	W 43rd St - 11 ave - 12 ave.
Second Alternate location Address	—
Excluding this application, does your company have additional intercity bus service in New York City?	no

If yes, attach a list of your existing stop location, schedules and what destination they serve . (If you stops are in the Port Authority Bus Terminal or GW Bridge Bus Station please include the slip number)

Are all drivers your employees?	Yes
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Please provide your safety records per the USDOT-Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration	Serious Violations in the last 12 months	On-road Performance Basic Percentile
Operation by drivers in a dangerous or careless manner	none	0%
Operation by drivers who are ill, fatigued or in non compliance with the hours of service (HOS) regulations	none	0%
Operation by drivers who are unfit to operate due to lack of training, experience or medical qualifications	3	60%
Operation by drivers who are impaired due to alcohol, illegal drugs, misuse of prescription or over-the-counter medications.	none	6%
Failure to properly maintain vehicles	none	27%

## Compliance with Stipulations and Laws

circle one

Will you promptly notify the Department of changes to information provided in its application.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you prominently display a copy of the Intercity Bus Permit in each intercity bus operating pursuant to such Intercity Bus Permit	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you display on each intercity bus using the designated location(s) the operator's name, address and telephone number affixed in characters at least five inches high on both sides of the vehicle, with such display being in a color contrasting with that of the vehicle and placed approximately midway vertically on doors or side panels.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you pick-up and discharge passengers only at on-street bus stops designated by the Commissioner for use by the permitted buses and within twelve inches of the curb and parallel thereto	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you Not stop or stand in your assigned on-street bus stop location except when actively engaged in the pick-up or discharge of passengers.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you Notify the Department of the issuance of any violation by the United States Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration or the New York State Department of Transportation within five days of the issuance thereof.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you cause your drivers to comply with idling laws ( less than 1 minute idling in vicinity of a school or 3 minutes otherwise)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you post a prominent sign inside the bus to remind drivers to turn off their engines after 1 (one) minute?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you maintain at all times 8ft of clear pedestrian right of way on the sidewalk?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you Not sell tickets on the sidewalk?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
In addition to the driver, will you have an employee on site at all times to ensure orderly loading, no idling and preserve 8 ft. of pedestrian passage	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
Will you ensure your drivers use the permitted route to access the stop?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No
If relevant, will you bring each of your five safety measurements below the 50% threshold by all means necessary within 2 years of the granting of the permit ?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	No

**Manhattan Community Board 4 recommends**

Denial

Denial unless all the stipulations above are agreed to by the applicant and are considered part of its permit

**MCB4 Representatives**

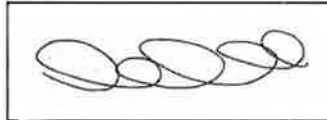
**Janine Pretente**  
MCB4 Community Associate



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**Applicant Agreement with the Community**

Applicant agrees to these stipulations as the basis for the community support of this application and acknowledges that all of these stipulations are essential prerequisites to the MCB4 recommendation regarding this application. Applicant agrees to have these stipulations incorporated in his intercity permit. The written stipulations above constitute the entire agreement between MCB4 and applicant and may only be altered in writing signed by MCB4 and applicant. These written stipulations supersede any oral statements or representations in connection with this application.

**SIGN HERE**

**Signature of Applicant**



**Date**

**7/18/18**