

Burt Lazarin Chair

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

Re: Traffic Calming measures at Tenth Avenue and 23rd Street

Dear Mr. Pincar:

At our December Transportation Committee meeting, we heard from a group of Chelsea residents–in particular parents of schoolchildren at district schools–about the hazards facing pedestrians crossing this intersection in all directions. Their request for traffic calming measures are supported by the West 400 Block Association and a petition signed by over 1,000 residents. At our January 2nd Full Board meeting, Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) voted to recommend, by a vote of 34 in favor, 1 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote, the following traffic calming measures:

- Installation of a split phase signal for left-hand turns off of Tenth Avenue onto 23rd Street westbound.
- Installation of an LPI for right-hand turns off Tenth Avenue onto 23rd Street eastbound.

In addition, we request that the synchronization of green light signals to the 25 MPH speed limit take place along this stretch of Tenth Avenue as soon as possible. It has been observed that vehicles traveling northbound on Tenth Avenue often speed through this corridor to keep up with the green lights, creating unsafe conditions for area pedestrians, including schoolchildren, the elderly, and large numbers of High Line and Hudson River Park visitors. Also, we reiterate our request for a protected bike lane on Tenth Avenue, which will have further traffic calming and pedestrian safety effects.

Sincerely,

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