

## CITY OF NEW YORK

## MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD FOUR

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

Andy Byford President Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2 Broadway New York, NY 10004

Re: Follow Up on M7 Bus Layover Relocation to 18th Street

Dear Borough Commissioner Pincar and President Byford,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) has received numerous complaints related to the placement of the newly installed M7 bus layover in front of 100 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street. At its May 1<sup>st</sup> Full Board meeting, CB4 voted, by a vote of 35 in favor, 0 against, 4 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote, to request that you relocate this layover to Sixth Avenue between 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Streets as soon as possible.

At all times, there are at least two long articulated buses laying over in front of the residential entrance to 100 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street. MTA drivers smoke and leave their bus idling. The residents, which include a large number of families with young children, have to navigate between or around buses to access taxis or vehicles, which is not easy with very young children. The building superintendent and the sanitation department have complained that it is very difficult to pick up the building waste.

We are still hoping that the M7 route will be restored to 14<sup>th</sup> Street, but since there is no clear time table, the quality of life of these residents must be restored.

Sincerely,

Burt Lazarin

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