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Lorelei Salas
Commissioner
Department of Consumer Affairs
42 Broadway
New York, NY 10004

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

**Re: Newsstand Application 7201-2019-ANWS
North East Corner of 34th Street and Tenth Avenue, in front of 461 West 34th Street**

Dear Commissioner Salas and Borough Commissioner Pincar,

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4), at its July 24th Full Board meeting, voted to deny this application by a vote of 35 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible to vote.

The applicant did not attend the July 17th meeting of MCB4's Transportation Planning Committee to present the application and introduce themselves to our community.

We oppose the requested location, which is located on a relatively narrow sidewalk (15') leaving the bare minimum 9'-6" of pedestrian right of way. It would impede pedestrian flow, both current and anticipated, with the development of several high-rise commercial and residential properties to the west of this intersection. It is estimated that an additional 40,000 people will work in these developments, and an additional 4,000 residential units will be completed in the near term.

We are happy to work with the applicant to identify a suitable alternative location. Should the Department of Consumer Affairs decide to advance this application, we request that the NYC Department of Transportation perform a study of pedestrian congestion on this sidewalk at current and future midday volumes at peak hours once the area is built, to inform the decision.

Sincerely,



Burt Lizarin
Chair
Manhattan Community Board 4



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Co-Chair
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Cc: Nargis Aktar, Applicant