

Burt Lazarin Chair

Jesse R. Bodine District Manager

August 1, 2018

Ed Pincar Acting Manhattan Borough Commissioner NYC Department of Transportation 59 Maiden Lane, 37th Floor

New York, NY 10037

Re: Amin Transit LLC Intercity Bus Stop Application at Ninth Avenue (39/40)

Dear Mr. Pincar,

At its July 25th Full Board meeting, Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) voted unanimously by a vote of 29 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 0 present but not eligible to vote to deny Amin Transit LLC a bus permit at Ninth Avenue between West 39th and West 40th Streets.

The proposed location is unsuitable on several fronts. There are already two MTA bus stops on this block for the M11 and M34A routes. It is a narrow sidewalk already impacted by SBS Ticket vending kiosks, a storefront grocer's sidewalk stands (at 529 Ninth Avenue), and regular deliveries to this business. More detrimentally to congestion, it is also in the lane of traffic for vehicles entering the Lincoln Tunnel at the 37th Street entrance.

At the July 18th Transportation Planning Committee meeting, the Committee proposed alternate locations, which were amenable to the applicant: where it currently operates, in front of 307 West 42nd Street for pick-ups and 301 West 40th Street for drop-offs. We gleaned from the applicant that another permit holder–Fuji Express–is in effect sub-leasing their bus permit to the applicant, in violation of the permit's scope. This is the second instance we've heard about from this operator, and ask that the NYC Department of Transportation investigate this matter and enforce the terms of the permit.

Sincerely,

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