

1 **Transportation Planning Committee**

Item # 12

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3 March 4, 2014

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5 Ms. Margaret Forgione
6 Manhattan Borough Commissioner
7 NYC Department of Transportation
8 59 Maiden Lane, 35th Floor
9 New York, NY 10038

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11 **Re: Bench Request on Ninth Avenue Between 42nd and 43rd Streets**

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13 Dear Commissioner Forgione:

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15 Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests that the Department of Transportation (DOT)
16 study the possibility of installing a sidewalk bench on the west side of 9th Avenue between 42nd
17 and 43rd Streets. We believe this is an appropriate location for a bench because of the
18 concentration of seniors who live in Manhattan Plaza, located on this block, and because of the
19 location of two MTA bus stops on this street, the M11 and the M34A. Due to the limited width
20 of the sidewalk a bus shelter would not be appropriate but a bench may provide relief to those
21 waiting for the bus without blocking too much of the sidewalk. Please review the possibility of
22 installing a bench at this location and report back to us with your findings. We appreciate your
23 cooperation on this matter.

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25 cc
26 Council Member Cory Johnson
27 Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer
28 Manhattan Plaza