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NYC Department of Transportation
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Commissioner of the FDNY
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Javier Lojan
Acting Commissioner
NYC Department of Sanitation
59 Maiden Lane, 5th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Re: Activities of Mido's Halal Food Truck

Dear Commissioners Martin, Bonsignore, Garcia, Borough Commissioner Zuckerman, Acting Commissioner Lojan, and Deputy Inspector Clamp

Manhattan Community Board 4 (MCB4) calls for swift and strict investigation and enforcement action on Mido's Halal Food's operations (2037 20th St, Astoria, NY 11106, DOT # 4215112, NY License Plate 52975 NE). Please refer to the attached presentation for additional details.

On the northeast corner of 58th Street and 9th Avenue, in front of 345 West 58th St, New York, NY 10019, is Mido's Halal food truck. On February 18, 2026, MCB4's Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) heard from residents who have raised serious concerns involving the food truck's operation, which is 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year.

Based on the presentation and the ordinances issued by the NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY), *see the attached email from DSNY*, it appears that the operator is in violation of the 3-hour parking limit in that zone and is parked unlawfully close to a fire hydrant and crosswalk. Additionally, the residents reported that the operator does not make the daily trips back to a commissary that its license requires. The residents informed us that even with their windows closed, the strong exhaust from the truck seeps into the lower-level apartments directly facing the truck and keeps the residents from opening their windows. In addition, its excessively bright lights shine inside the apartments. To replenish its auxiliary engine, the truck gets delivery of petroleum for the engine, which produces loud noise that annoys the residents. A steady stream of delivery workers on bikes are riding on the sidewalk in front of the food truck and tying their bikes to the residential fence since the operator more recently registered their company on delivery apps.

MCB4 has a longstanding history of being supportive of vendors, local businesses, and merchants who operate legitimately. We are concerned for the residents who have documented and raised countless complaints with New York City's enforcement agencies and have not seen adequate enforcement action in response.

Therefore, at its March 4th Full Board meeting by a vote of 45 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 present but not eligible, we request that each of your agencies take the following actions promptly and consistently to assure the residents' relief:

DSNY + DOHMH + DCWP

"You must clean and service your food vending unit at least once every day," according to the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's (Health Department) guidance for food vendors, page 13 (*see attached*). This needs to be completed in the commissary or another location that the Health Department has authorized. We are not aware of the current location of the truck being an authorized location.

The residents noted that the truck is operating at the current location 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year; the truck receives multiple daily deliveries of vegetables, meat, propane, gasoline, and other vendors, and many times a day, a van carrying supplies arrives. The generator is refilled with petroleum by a van with petroleum canisters, which is conducted in the street. Propane tanks are delivered by truck. Produce and meat are delivered on a refrigerated truck. All of these actions take place while double parked in the second moving traffic lane. We also note that the truck projects blinding lights in the adjoining residences.

- Please make sure that the truck is operating in compliance with the Health Department's requirement to visit a commissary once daily or another authorized location. Given the ongoing operation of this operator, we recommend that these visits be defined as lasting more than four hours to prevent the truck from potentially circumventing the regulation by just circling the block to meet the requirement.

DEP

The residents documented (*see attached*) the exhaust from the truck, which seeps into the apartments directly facing the truck and keeps the residents from opening their windows.

- We request that the NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) test the truck's exhaust to make sure it complies with regulations, issue any required summonses based on the findings, and make sure that the truck's exhaust is filtered.
- As an alternative, we request that the vehicle be moved to a non-residential area.

DOT

Whole Foods and the Time Warner Center are located east of this curb area. The majority of the curbs on the block have signs that read "no parking any time," making it crucial that the vehicles share the curb for local deliveries.

- We ask that the NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) modify the current notice located on the block that reads "3 hours commercial vehicles only, 7am to 7pm" to "30 minutes commercial deliveries only, 24 hours a day."

NYPD Traffic Department

Enforcing the traffic regulations is the only way to ensure that the curb is shared between users. The residents noted that the truck operates 24 hours in a 3-hour parking zone, and its generator encroaches into a traffic lane. Also, the residents noted that the truck is parked 9 feet from a fire hydrant, well short of the required 15-foot requirement under the NYC DOT regulations.

- We ask that you direct NYPD traffic agents to diligence the area to ensure that all the parking regulations and rules are adhered to.

FDNY

We are concerned that the handling of propane cans is putting passersby and customers at risk: The greasy exhaust continues to affect many neighbors and their ability to open the windows.

- Please verify that the proper certificate and permits are in place and that the range hood complies with cleaning guidelines.

Mido's Food Truck

We invite the operator of the truck to one of our upcoming TPC committee meetings to be a part of the conversation and address the residents' concerns.

We thank you in advance and ask that you keep us posted on the actions taken and their outcome.

Sincerely,



Leslie Boghosian-Murphy
Chair
Manhattan
Community Board 4



Christine Berthet
Co-Chair
Transportation Planning
Committee

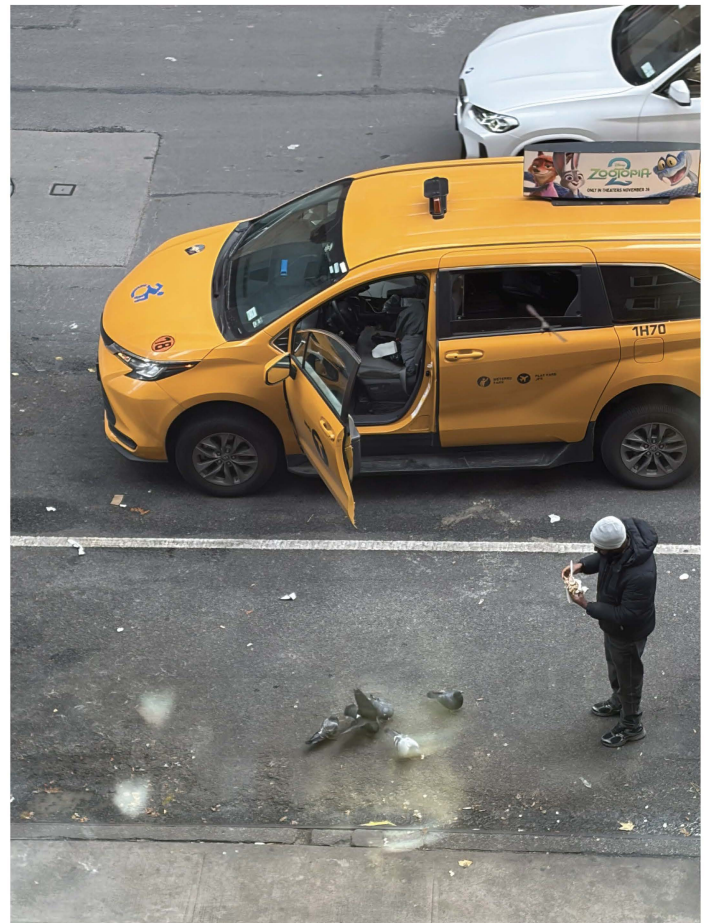
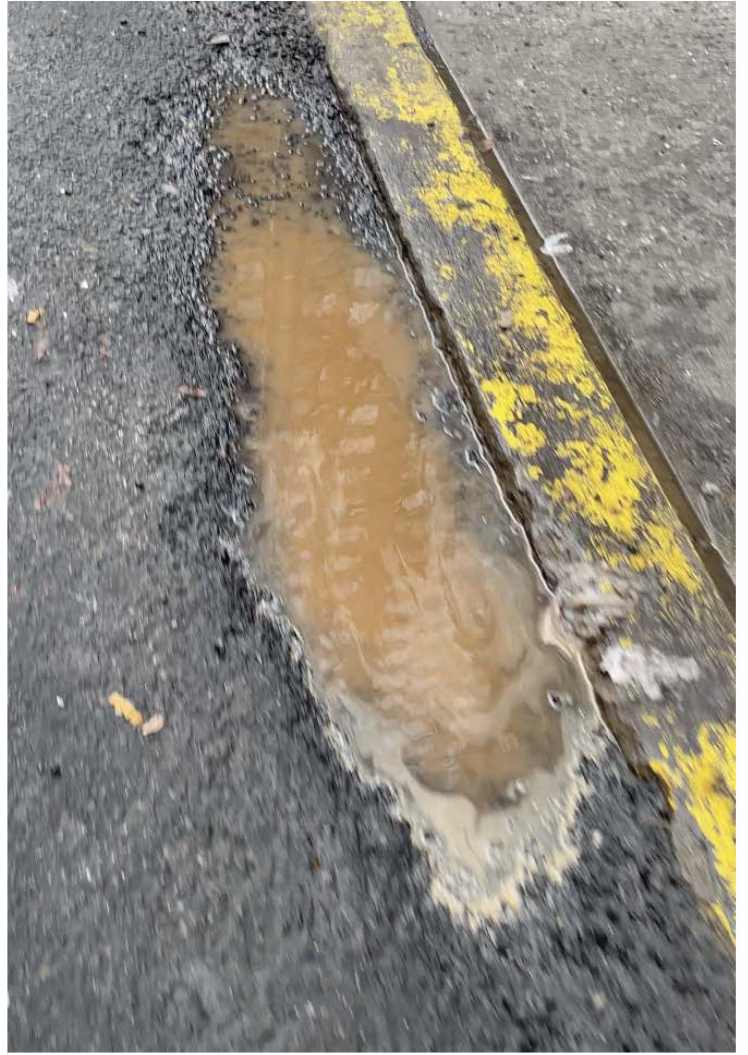


Jesse Greenwald
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Transportation Planning
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Enclosure

cc: Hon. Gale Brewer, NYC Council
Hon. Linda Rosenthal, NYS Assembly
Hon. Brad Hoylman-Sigal, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Erik Bottcher, NYS Senate
Hon. Mark Levine, NYC Comptroller
Hon. Jumaane Williams, Public Advocate
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Mido's Halal Food Truck









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Loading Zone
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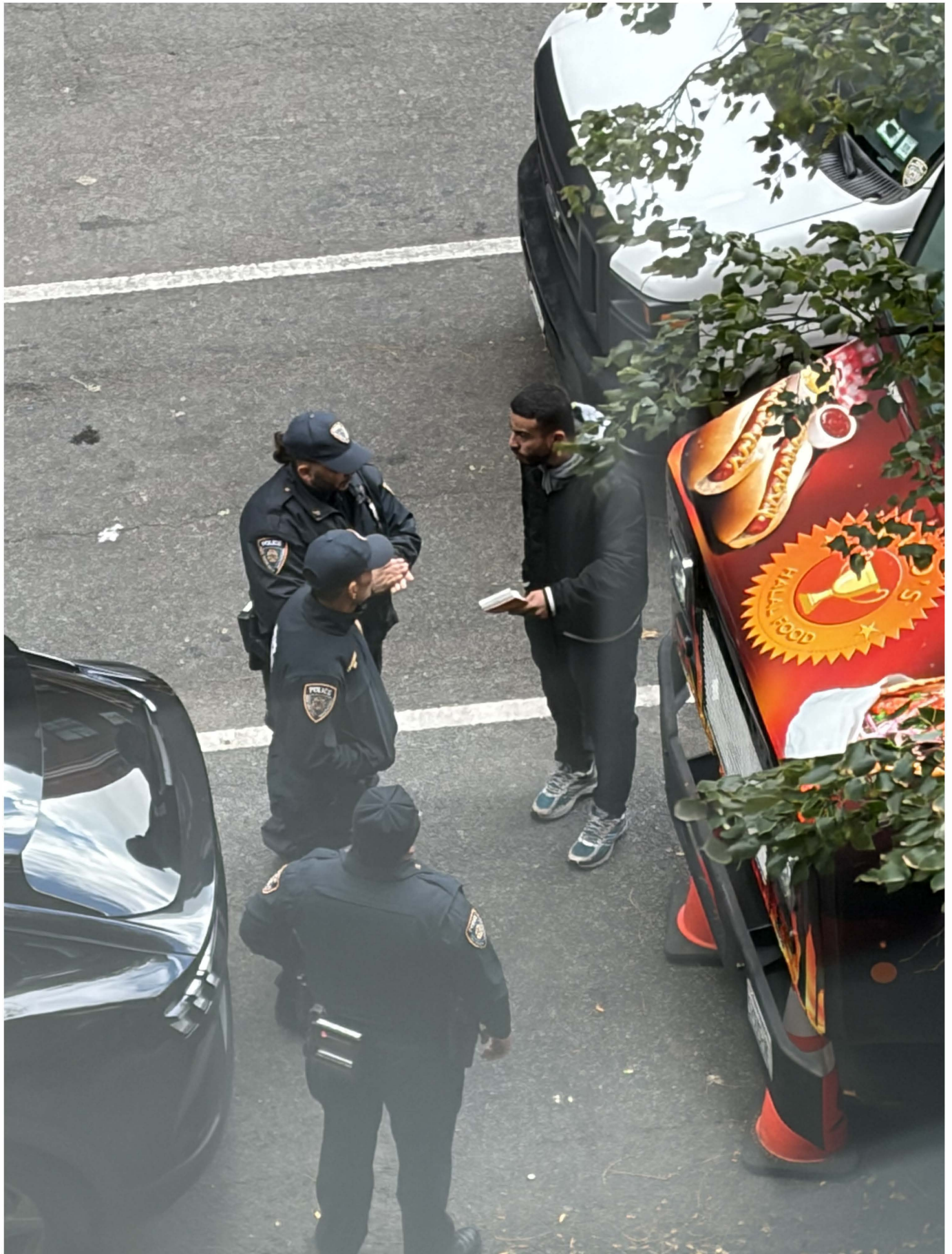


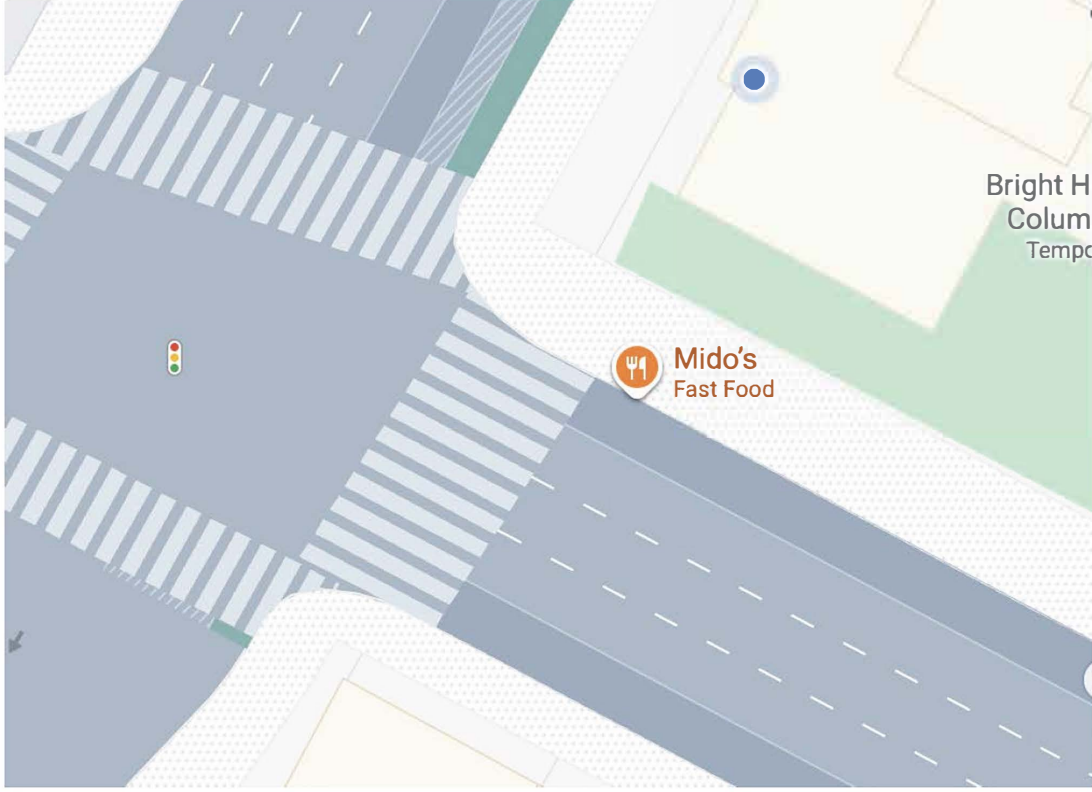


WHAT YOU SHOULD DO AT YOUR COMMISSARY:



- You must store your food vending unit at a commissary, depot or alternate approved facility, not at home. The only exceptions are Green Carts and units that sell only prepackaged foods.
- You must clean and service your food vending unit at least once every day. This must be done at the commissary or at another place approved by the Health Department.
- You must prepare your food at a commissary using the commissary's food preparation facilities. All foods, including ice, must be purchased from sources that comply with federal, State and City laws. You must also buy already-prepared foods at the commissary to sell on your unit.
Remember: Only prepare food that your permit allows.





X Pickup

Delivery

Place order with:



Online Ordering by DoorDash



No fee

Ready in 6 min



Seamless



No fee

Ready in 10 min



Grubhub



No fee

Ready in 10 min



DoorDash



No fee

Ready in 8 min



Postmates



No fee

Ready in 5-15 min



Uber Eats



No fee

Ready in 5-15 min

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7am - 7pm
Except Sunday



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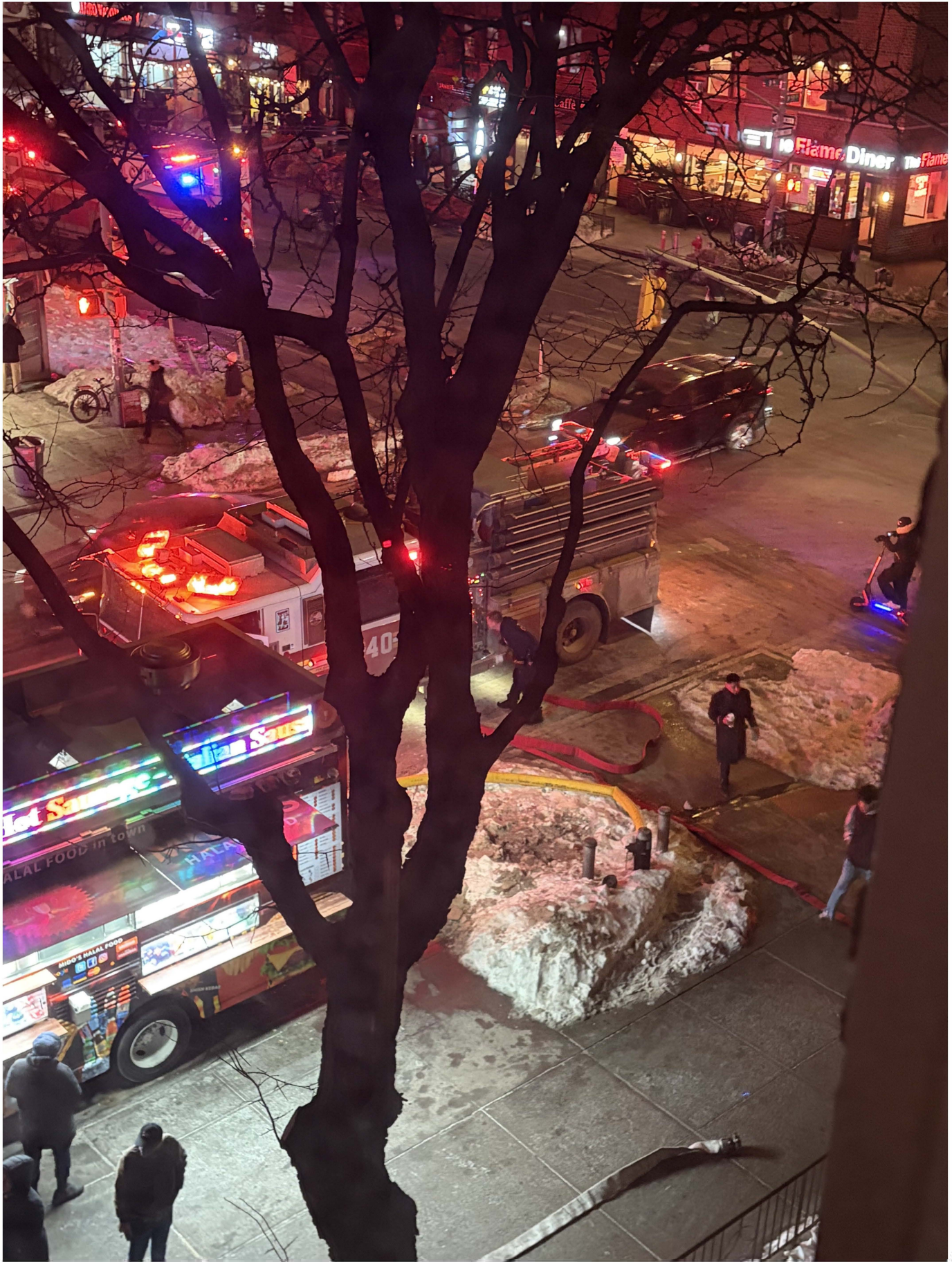
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The Coliseum Community Petition Sign-Up Sheet
345 W 58th St, New York, NY 10019 and 30 W 60 St, New York, NY 10023

June 11th, 2025

Petition Statement:

We, the undersigned residents, request that Mido's food truck be relocated away from the northwest corner of 58th Street and 9th Avenue. The presence of the truck is negatively affecting the quality of life for residents of The Coliseum for reasons including, but not limited to, smoke from truck vent emanating into apartments, bright lights shining into units at night, grease and food debris on the sidewalk and in the street, sidewalk blocked and crowded by truck customers, customers littering on The Coliseum property, waste attracting rats and pigeons. Additionally, the truck is illegally parked in a Commercial Parking Zone 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

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July 17, 2025

Javier Lojan
Acting Commissioner
New York City Department of Sanitation
125 Worth Street, Room 720
New York, NY 10013

Dear Acting Commissioner Lojan:

I write to request clarification regarding Mido's Halal Food Truck located on the northeast corner of West 58th Street and 9th Avenue.

Residents of The Coliseum, which include several buildings in the area, have circulated a petition to oppose this location for the food truck. They have a list of concerns including exhaust from the truck entering apartments, garbage, generator noise, parking regulations, and other issues.

There is also a petition online at change.org in support of keeping this location of Mido's Halal Food Truck, mostly from people who work in the area and are customers.

Please investigate the legality of this truck and advise me. I am also enclosing material from residents of the Coliseum.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Gale A. Brewer

Enclosure

cc: Jesse Bodine, District Manager, Community Board 4, 424 West 33rd Street #580, New York, NY 10001

On Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 2:43 PM Kwan, Elise <EKwan@council.nyc.gov> wrote:
Please see DSNY Acting Commissioner Lojan's response to Council Member Brewer's letter below.

September 3, 2025

Honorable Gale Brewer

New York City Council

63 Columbus Avenue

New York, NY 10024

Dear Council Member Brewer,

We are in receipt of your letter on behalf of constituents concerned about the AR Cairo Halal Food Truck located in front of 174 West 72nd Street.

The raised issues pertain to potential non-compliance with street vending regulations and sanitation practices associated with the truck.

Additionally, we have received your correspondence regarding Mido's Halal Food Truck, located at the northeast corner of West 58th Street and 9th Avenue, specifically addressing questions about its operating location and legal status.

The Department of Sanitation Vendor Enforcement Team conducted five inspections around AR Cairo Halal food truck on August 7, 11, 12, 19, and 21 and issued four summonses for vending in a metered space. No waste disposal activity was observed at any time during the inspections. The vendor is licensed and permitted.

The team also conducted four inspections around Mido Halal Food Truck on August 20, 22, 25, and 27 and issued four summonses for vending in a metered space. This vendor is also and licensed and permitted.

We will continue to take enforcement action as necessary to uphold compliance with street vending regulations.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Javier Lojan