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Application:Sidewalk Newsstand (NEW)Proposed location:NWC West 59th Street and Ninth AvenueDCA Application #:1290176Applicant:Isprans Youssef

Dear Ms. Gotay,

Manhattan Community Board 4 recommends **denial** of the application of Ms. Isprans Youssef for a new newsstand on the northwest corner of West 59th Street and Ninth Avenue. This was subsequent to review of the application by the Transportation Planning Committee at its July 16, 2008 meeting.

The recommendation to deny this application is due to the following:

The application is not in compliance with the Newsstand Rules of the Department of Consumer <u>Affairs:</u>

• According to the submitted plan, the proposed location does not have a 5 foot clearance from the retail entrance (Starbucks). In fact there is zero clearance from this entrance. This is in violation of the rules (Section 2-65 (a) (3) (C) that requires newsstands to be a minimum of five feet from any retail entrance.

There is a tree at the proposed newsstand location. This tree is not shown on the submitted plan.

For the above reasons, we ask that this application be rejected by your agency.

On July 23rd, 2008 the Full Board voted in favor to recommended denial of this application.

Sincerely,

Jean-Daniel Noland Chair Manhattan Community Board 4

c.c.: Department of Transportation Art Commission Applicant