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Borough Commissioner Margaret Forgione  
Department of Transportation  
59 Maiden Lane, 35<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10038

**Re: Request to reconsider decision to not change parking regulations on  
West 24<sup>th</sup> Street, between Sixth and Seventh Avenues**

Dear Borough Commissioner Forgione,

Manhattan Community Board 4 requests that you reconsider your rejection of our June 19, 2008, request to change the parking regulations for the 40 feet in front of 127 West 24<sup>th</sup> Street to permit muni-meter parking for both commercial and non-commercial vehicles for up to 1 hour. This would replace the existing commercial only muni-meter parking for up to 3 hours.

We feel the reason stated for denial – that a point-in-time survey found that over 90% of the vehicles parked there were commercial vehicles – does not address the reason for our request.

The request was made from the building owner on behalf of its tenants, who often have clients that use non-commercial vehicles and whose deliveries and pick-ups tend to be for shorter periods of time. We also surveyed the surrounding retail uses (and the retail uses across the street) who had similar needs and supported the proposal.

We feel this proposed request for the building frontage would meet the needs of the tenants in this building and the surrounding retail businesses. We don't see how a point in time survey of the vehicles parking in this location leads to an alternative conclusion and requests a re-consideration.

Sincerely,

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