## **APPENDIX G.2**

## HISTORIC RESOURCES— LIST OF AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE

#### F. LIST OF CORRESPONDENCE

- New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, Letter to AKRF, Inc., dated January 29, 2004.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated January 27, 2004.
- The City of New York Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC), Environmental Review, signed January 14, 2004.
- 4 The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed December 23, 2003.
- 5 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated October 6, 2003.
- 6 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated September 16, 2003.
- 7 The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed September 5, 2003.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 23, 2003.
- 9 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated July 16, 2003.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 18, 2003.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated July 11, 2003.
- The City of New York LPC, Amanda Sutphin, Letter to Federal Transit Administration, dated July 10, 2003.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed April 24, 2003.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed April 23, 2003.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to AKRF, Inc., dated April 16, 2003.
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Office of Federal Agency Programs, Raymond Wallace, letter to Federal Transit Administration, dated January 9, 2003.
- 17 United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to United States Department of the Interior, dated December 16, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated December 10, 2002.
- 19 USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Tonawanda Band of Seneca, dated November 18, 2002.
- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Tuscarora Nation, dated November 18, 2002.
- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Cayuga Nation, dated November 18, 2002.
- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Onondaga Indian Nation, dated November 18, 2002.

- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Seneca Nation of Indians, dated November 18, 2002.
- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to Oneida Indian Nation, dated November 18, 2002.
- USDOT, Federal Transit Administration, Nancy Danzig, letter to St. Regis Band of Mohawk Indians, dated November 18, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated September 5, 2002.
- 27 The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 24, 2002.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 11, 2002.
- 29 The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 8, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated July 3, 2002.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed July 1, 2002.
- The City of New York LPC, Environmental Review, signed June 28, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated June 19, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated April 26, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated April 8, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, letter to Allee King Rosen & Fleming, Inc. (now AKRF, Inc.), dated April 4, 2002.

## CORRESPONDENCE FROM ALLEE KING ROSEN & FLEMING, INC. (NOW AKRF, INC.) TO:

- 37 The City of New York LPC, Amanda Sutphin, December 29, 2003.
- 38 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D., Kuhn, December 16, 2003.
- 39 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, August 14, 2003.
- 40 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, July 15, 2003.
- 41 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, July 14, 2003.
- 42 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, June 27, 2003.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, March 17, 2003.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, November 6, 2002.
- 45 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, July 15, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, June 12, 2002.

- 47 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, June 6, 2002.
- OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, March 21, 2002.
- 49 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, April 16, 2002.
- 50 LPC, Gina Santucci, March 28, 2002.
- 51 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Kathleen A. Howe, March 28, 2002.
- 52 OPRHP, Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau, Robert D. Kuhn, November 27, 2001.



518-237-8643

January 29, 2004

Ms. Claudia Cooney AKRF, Inc. 117 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York 10016

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Re:

FTA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site Alt

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the three Intensive Documentary Studies listed below for the Second Avenue Subway Project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

- Methodist Episcopal Cemetery Intensive Documentary Study (December, 2003)
- St. Stephens Church and Cemetery Intensive Documentary Study (December, 2003)
- Shearith Israel Cemetery Intensive Documentary Study (December, 2003)

The SHPO accepts and approves the reports listed above, and concurs with the report recommendations. We note that in all three instances the documentary studies confirm the potential for human remains. This potential will need to be addressed as project planning continues. We are pleased to learn that in all three instances the appropriate congregation has been contacted and discussions regarding the ultimate treatment and disposition of any human remains that may be encountered during project construction have already begun.

When responding please be sure to refer to the SHPO project review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director Field Services Bureau

RDK:bsa

cc:

Nancy Danzig, FTA Hollie Wells, MTA



518-237-8643

January 27, 2004

Ms. Claudia Cooney AKRF, Inc. 117 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York 10016

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Re:

FTA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site Alt

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the Supplemental Analysis of Boring Logs Report for the Second Avenue Subway Project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

Based upon this review, the SHPO accepts and approves the report. The SHPO concurs with the recommendation to amend the *Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment Report* for this project to reflect the changes indicated by the evaluation of the boring log study.

When responding please be sure to refer to the SHPO project review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director Field Services Bureau

RLP:bsa

cc:

Nancy Danzig, FTA

Amanda Sutphin, NYCLPC

Hollie Wells, MTA

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

FTA/106-M	12/30/03
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### **PROJECT**

## **SECOND AVE SUBWAY**

No architectural significance
 No archaeological significance
 Designated New York City Landmark or Within Designated Historic District
 Listed on National Register of Historic Places
 Appears to be eligible for National Register Listing and/or New York City Landmark Designation

May be archaeologically significant: requesting additional materials

## COMMENTS

The LPC is in receipt of the revised intensive documentary studies all prepared by Historical Perspectives and dated December 2003 for the Shearith Israel Cemetery (St James Place), the Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, and the St Stephens Church Cemetery. The reports are accepted, although the LPC continues to note that the reports do not note that the LPC has consulting party status in their discussions about the consultation process. Please submit two additional bound copies of each for archival distribution.

cc: Nancy Danzig, FTA Bob Kuhn, SHPO

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

FTA/106-M 11/26/03 PROJECT NUMBER DATE RECEIVED

## **PROJECT**

#### SECOND AVE SUBWAY

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- May be archaeologically significant: requesting additional materials

## COMMENTS

The LPC is in receipt of the Draft Programmatic Agreement dated November 24, 2003.

For archaeological resources, the LPC finds that the new text is appropriate.

For architectural resources, the LPC requests that for Exhibit E. # 10 the language be changed to state: Should any Historic Property(s) sustain damage during Project construction, such damage will be repaired and the structure will be restored to its condition prior to being damaged. If the damage is to an Historic Property that is an LPC individual landmark, interior landmark, scenic landmark or in an LPC historic district, the LPC shall review and approve such repairs prior to the work beginning and the damaged property shall be repaired in a manner and with materials appropriate to the historic property and in compliance with LPC standards and requirements.

In addition, the LPC is in receipt of the "Second Avenue Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment, Supplemental Analysis of Boring Lots." prepared by Historical Perspectives and dated December 9, 2003. The LPC concurs with the consultant's findings. Please submit an additional bound copy of this report for archival distribution.

cc: FTA Bob Kuhn, OPRHP

12/23/03

DATE

SIGNATURE



518-237-8643

October 6, 2003

Andrea Burk Architectural Historian AKRF, Inc. 117 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York 10016

Dear Ms. Burk:

Re:

FHA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the East 36<sup>th</sup> to East 29th Streets Intensive Documentary Study for the Second Avenue Subway Project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

Based upon this review, the SHPO accepts and approves the report. The SHPO concurs with the archeological recommendations of the report for the areas identified as:

- -Second Avenue between East 36th and East 35th Streets
- -33<sup>rd</sup> Street east of Second Avenue
- -Second Avenue between East 31st and East 29th Streets

As a point of clarification, the SHPO interprets all recommendations for archeological monitoring to mean that archeological testing will be conducted in coordination with construction activities for logistical reasons, and that an archeological testing plan for this work will be prepared in advance and submitted for SHPO review.

If this interpretation is incorrect, please contact this office to consult further with regards to this issue. I can be contacted at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director

RDK:bsa



518-237-8643

September 16, 2003

Ms. Claudia Cooney AKRF, Inc. 117 East 29th Street 5th Floor New York, NY 10016-8022

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Re:

FHA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site

Alternative

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the Topic Intensive Documentary Studies for the Shearith Israel Cemetery, Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, St. Stephens Church and Cemetery, and the St. Philips Episcopal Church Cemetery for the Second Avenue Subway Project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

Based upon this review, the SHPO accepts and approves the Topic Intensive Documentary Studies. The SHPO considers the recommendations provided in the studies appropriate for addressing potential project impacts to possible burials or human remains associated with the cemeteries. We look forward to working closely with MTA New York City Transit and the Federal Transit Administration to ensure that issues involving human remains are treated sensitively and appropriately as part of the Second Avenue Subway Project.

The SHPO also acknowledges that since the Shallow Chrystie Option has been dropped from the project there is no longer any potential for the project to impact the St. Philips Episcopal Church and Cemetery site. We appreciate submission of the Topic Intensive Documentary Study for this property and will permanently retain it in our archeology library for future reference.

When responding please be sure to refer to the SHPO project review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director Field Services Bureau

RDK:bsa

cc: Nancy Danzig, FTA

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

PROJECT NUMBER

08/18/03

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## **PROJECT**

## **SECOND AVE SUBWAY**

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- [] No archaeological significance
- [ ] Designated New York City Landmark or Within Designated Historic District
- [] Listed on National Register of Historic Places
- Appears to be eligible for National Register Listing and/or New York City Landmark Designation
- [X] May be archaeologically significant; requesting additional materials

## **COMMENTS**

The LPC is in receipt of the Second Avenue Subway Intensive Documentary Study for E 36th to E 29th Streets, which was prepared by Historical Perspectives and is dated July 2003.

The LPC concurs with the findings of the study. The Commission requests that if avoidence is not possible, that the archaeological field testing and monitoring be developed in coordination with the LPC as well as the NY SHPO as per the draft Programmatic Agreement.

Avande Setph 09/05/03
SIGNATURE DATE

CC: Bob, KUM, NY SHPO

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

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#### **PROJECT**

## **SECOND AVE SUBWAY**

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## **COMMENTS**

The LPC is in receipt of the following intensive documentary studies prepared by Historical Perspectives and all dated June 2003: St Stephens Church and Cemetery, Chrystie Street, Shearith Israel Cemetery, St James Place, St Philip's Episcopal Church, Chrystie Street, and Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, Second Avenue. The LPC notes that the Commission has consulting party status for this project and should be consulted about each stage of archaeological work, as well as the SHPO, and that the Guidelines for Archaeological Work in New York City 2002 should also be used in developing appropriate protocols. Furthermore we note, that while the reports state that descendent communities will have "input" the relevant statues require they be consulted about appropriate treatment of any remains. This wording should be changed. Specific comments about each report are listed below.

The LPC concurs with the findings of the intensive documentary study for St. Stephens Church and Cemetery, Chrystie Street. However, the LPC notes that there are a few assumptions in the report about early 19th century burial practices that appear to be based upon today's ideal burial practices rather than the historic record. For example, pg 12 states that "if each burial plot measured five by seven....only 310 individual burial plots could have fit on the property." Nothwithstanding the mathematical errors of this section, this does not take into account high rates of infant and child mortality with its concomitant larger number of smaller burials, the possibility of shroud burials which would have smaller grave pits, and the probability of stacked burials.

LPC concurs with the findings of the Shearith Israel Cemetery Intensive Documentary Study, St James Place. The Commission notes that pg 10, paragraph 3 refers to St Stephens and should be deleted.

The LPC concurs with the findings of the Methodist Episcopal Cemetery and St Philip's Episcopal Church Cemetery intensive documentary studies.

Amanda Sutphi 07/23/03
SIGNATURE DATE



518-237-8643

July 16, 2003

Ms. Claudia Cooney Senior Planner/Historian AKRF 117 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York 10016-8022

RE:

Second Avenue Subway Project Eligibility Determinations New York County, NY 01PR03920

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office concerning your project's potential effect upon historic resources. I have reviewed the documentation that you provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Based on the documentation submitted, the properties listed below appear to meet the criteria for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The Resource Evaluation for these properties is attached to this letter.

- Marion Building, 290 Lenox Avenue (a.k.a. 78-84 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street; 06101.013180)
- Eisleben Apartment Building, 291-293 Lenox Avenue (a.k.a. 100-110 West 125th St.; 06101.013181).

The remaining property at 67-69 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.013179) does not appear to meet the criteria for listing in the National Register.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643, ext. 3266. Please refer to the Project Review (PR) number noted above in any correspondences.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Howe

Historic Preservation Specialist

Kathlen A Howe

Enc.: Resource Evaluation

cc: Nancy Danzig, FTA

Gina Santucci, LPC

Hollie Wells, MRA NYC Transit



## New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau Peebles Island, PO Box 189, Waterford, New York 12188-0189

518-237-8643

### RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 7/16/03

STAFF: Kathy Howe

PROPERTY: various (see below)

MCD: Manhattan

PROJECT REF: 01PR03920

COUNTY: New York Co.

#### **ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:**

Based on the information currently available, the following properties meet the criteria for listing on the State and National Registers:

## • Marion Building, 290 Lenox Avenue

(a.k.a. 100-110 West 125th Street; 06101.013180)

This three-story brick and terra-cotta building was designed by noted New York architect Charles B. Meyers and built in 1904. Prominently located at southeast corner of Lenox Avenue and West 125<sup>th</sup> Street, the Marion Building is representative of the Harlem building boom of the 1900s brought about by the opening of the subway. It meets Criterion C as an example of Beaux Arts style commercial architecture in Harlem. While modern alterations have been made to the building (new storefronts and windows), the building retains many of the character-defining features of the Beaux Arts style including rustication, lintels with scrolled keystones and shields, and an ornate frieze and cornice. It may also meet Criterion A for its association with the social history of Harlem. The Harlem Community Arts Center was located here beginning in 1937.

## • Eisleben Apartment Building, 291-293 Lenox Avenue

(a.k.a. 110-110 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street, 06101.013181)

This four-story brick building was designed by prominent New York architect Mortimer C. Merritt and built in 1883. It was designed to house stores at the first floor with apartments on the upper floors. It meets Criterion C as an example of an early Harlem apartment building. Prominently located at the southwest corner of Lenox Avenue and West 125<sup>th</sup> Street, the building has repetitive fenestration, stone sills, lintels and beltcourses, and a frieze ornamented with squares of checkerboard brickwork. The façade is enlivened by an angled corner bay and a triangular parapet.

## **NOT ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:**

• 67-69 West 125<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.013179)

Please contact Kathy Howe at 518-237-8643 ext. 3266 with any questions. Be sure to use the project reference number (PR) in all future correspondence.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

FTA/	106-M	07/03/03
PROJE	ECT NUMBER	DATE RECEIVED
SEC	OND AVE SUBWAY	•
[]	No architectural significance	
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For The L	Archaelogy Only:  PC is in receipt of the "Section 7.13, East	63rd Street Curve Site of

## **COMMENTS**

**PROJECT** 

the Second Avenue Subway Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment, prepared by Historical Perspectives and dated June 2003.

The LPC concurs with the findings of this Addendum.

07/18/03 DATE



518-237-8643

July 11, 2003

Ms. Claudia Cooney AKRF Environmental and Planning Consultants 117 East 29th Street New York, NY 10016

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Re:

FHA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the Addendum to the Second Avenue Subway Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment Report for the Second Avenue Subway Project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

Based upon this review, the SHPO accepts and approves the addendum report.

When responding please be sure to refer to the SHPO project review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director

RDK:bsa

cc:

Nancy Danzig
Amanda Sutphin



## The New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission

Municipal Building, 1Centre St. 9th Fl. New York, NY 10007 (212) 669-7823; FAX (212) 669-7818; asutphin@lpc.nyc.gov



Amanda Sutphin Director of Archaeology

July 10, 2003

Ms. Nancy Danzig Federal Transit Authority Federal Transportation Division, Region II 1 Bowling Green, Rm 429 New York, NY 10004

Re: Second Avenue Subway

Dear Ms. Danzig:

CO:

I am writing to confirm that the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission would like to be considered a consulting party for the Second Avenue Project as defined by Section 106. If you have any questions, please contact me at the number above.

Sincerely

Amande Sutjohn

Robert B. Tierney, Chairman

Judy McClain, Manager Rail Service Design-Operations Planning

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

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### **PROJECT**

## **SECOND AVE SUBWAY**

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## **COMMENTS**

For Archaeology only:

The LPC is in receipt of the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Selection 4 (f) Evaluation, Volumes 1-3, dated March 2003 and prepared by the FTA and MTA.

The LPC concurs with the archaeological chapters. Comments pertaining to the Draft Programmatic Agreement, included within this SDEIS, will be sent under separate cover.

cc: OPRHP

04/24/03

DATE

SIGNATURE

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

SECOND AVE SUBWAY

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### COMMENTS

**PROJECT** 

The LPC is in receipt of the Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment prepared by Historical Perspectives, dated March 12, 2003 and the Addendum to the Phase 1A also by HPI and dated March 12, 2003.

May be archaeologically significant; requesting additional materials

The LPC concurs with the findings of both studies and notes that the changes that the LPC requested be made to the Phase 1A on 7/8/02 have been made.

04/23/03

03/18/03

DATE

CC: OPRHP

FTA/106-M

[X]



518-237-8643

April 16, 2003

Ms. Claudia Cooney AKRF Environmental and Planning Consultants 117 East 29th Street New York, NY 10016

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Re:

FHA/MTA

Second Avenue Subway/Manhattan East Site

Manhattan, New York County

01PR03920

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The SHPO has reviewed the revised Second Avenue Subway Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment Report (dated March 12, 2003) and the Addendum, Second Avenue Subway Phase 1A Archaeological Assessment Report (dated March 12, 2003) for the Second Avenue Subway project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations.

Based upon this review, the SHPO accepts and approves the two reports.

The draft SDEIS chapters and the draft Programmatic Agreement are still under review by our office. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (518) 237-8643 ext. 3255.

Sincerely,

Assistant Director Field Services Bureau

RDK:bsa

cc:

Nancy Danzig Amanda Sutphin



January 9, 2003

Ms. Nancy J. Danzig Community Planner Federal Transit Administration One Bowling Green Room 429 New York, NY 10004-1415

REF: Proposed Second Avenue Subway Project

New York City, New York

Dear Ms. Danzig:

The Council recently received the additional information in support your notification and documentation regarding the adverse effects of the referenced project on properties listed on and eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Based upon the information you provided, we do not believe that our participation in consultation to resolve adverse effects is needed. However, should circumstances change and you determine that our participation is required, please notify us. Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.6(b)(iv), you will need to file the final Memorandum of Agreement and related documentation at the conclusion of the consultation process. The filing of the Agreement with the Council is required in order to complete the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Thank you for providing us with your notification of adverse effect. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Laura Dean at 202-606-8505.

Sincerely,

Raymond V. Wallace

Historic Preservation Technician

Laymord V. Wallace

Office of Federal Agency Programs



U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration REGION II Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Virgin Islands One Bowling Green Room 429 New York, NY 10004-1415 212-668-2170 212-668-2136 (fax)

December 16, 2002

Mr. Paul Weinbaum
Section 106 Coordinator
Department of Interior
15 State Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

Subject: Second Avenue Subway Project

#### Dear Mr. Weinbaum

Pursuant to Section 106 regulations, 36 CFR Part 800 (Section 800.10) of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as federal lead agency for the Second Avenue Subway project (the Project), is notifying you of consultation involving two National Historic Landmarks, and inviting you to participate in the consultation where there may be an adverse effect.

#### Background

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority/New York City Transit (MTA/NYCT) proposes to construct the Second Avenue Subway extending from 125<sup>th</sup> Street in Harlem to the Financial District in Lower Manhattan. The project will include approximately 8 miles of track, primarily along Second Avenue, with 16 stations. Presently, the MTA/NYCT is preparing a supplemental draft environmental impact statement (SDEIS) for this full-length subway. The original DEIS was issued in 1999 and included analyses of four alternatives, two of which encompassed the construction of a new subway along Second Avenue from 125<sup>th</sup> Street to 63<sup>th</sup> Street.

The MTA/NYCT has submitted to the FTA and New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) descriptions of all properties thought to be historic and/or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. SHPO has completed its eligibility determinations. A Stage 1A Archaeological Assessment was prepared.

Currently, SHPO is a consulting party. New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC), although participating in discussions with FTA, SHPO and NYCT, has not determined if it will become a consulting party. FTA and NYCT have held several meetings with SHPO and LPC regarding the Stage IA Report, the draft Programmatic Agreement, and protocol for researching and testing historic and archaeological sites.

### Discussion of Secretary Involvement

Two National Historic Landmarks are located within the Area of Potential Effect for the Second Avenue Subway: the Daily News Building and the Brooklyn Bridge. While at this time there are no

Mr. Weinbaum Page Two December 16, 2002

known substantial impacts to these structures, the FTA, SHPO and MTA/NYCT have agreed that a Programmatic Agreement will be drafted and included in the SDEIS since effects on historic and archaeological resources cannot be fully determined prior to approval of the undertaking. The Programmatic Agreement will outline the process to protect historic structures from construction impacts.

As noted above, FTA is preparing a SDEIS, and expects to commence the public comment period early 2003. I have included sections of the SDEIS that describe the project with regard to the Section 106 process. Please note that while FTA believes that the data and analyses are well organized and presented, some of the information may still be edited and revised prior to issuance of the document.

Please inform FTA if your agency will participate in consultation for the two Landmarks. Should you need additional information, please contact me at the FTA Regional Office at 212-668-2180.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Danzig, AICP Community Planner

cc: Peter Cafiero, NYCT B. Kuhn, SHPO

Enclosures



518-237-8643

December 10, 2002

Ms. Claudia Cooney Senior Planner/Historian Allee King Rosen & Fleming 117 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York 10016-8022

RE: Second Avenue Subway Project
Eligibility Determinations - Batch #4
New York County, NY
01PR03920

Dear Ms. Cooney:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office concerning your project's potential effect upon historic resources. I have reviewed the documentation that you provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Based on the documentation submitted, the properties listed below appear to meet the criteria for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The Resource Evaluation for these properties is attached to this letter.

- Former Italian Labor Center, 231 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012802)
- Socony-Mobil Building, 150 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (06101.012800)
- 225-227 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012798)
- 229-235 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012797)
- 237 & 241 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012796)

The properties listed below do <u>not</u> appear to meet the criteria for listing on the National Register, as indicated on the attached Resource Evaluation:

- Former God's Providence House, 330 Broome Street (06101.012804)
- 223-229 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012803)
- 226-240 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012801)
- 202 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (06101.012799)
- 226 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012795)
- 234 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012794)

- 246-248 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012793) 250-252 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012792)
- Cirker's Hayes Storage Warehouse, 305 East 61st Street (06101.012791)
- Rectory of the Redemptorist Fathers, 323 East 61st Street (06101.012790)
- Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, 208-216 East 64th Street, 209-217 East 63rd Street (06101.012788)
- Former Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary, 329 East 63rd Street (06101.012789)

If you have any questions regarding this review, please call me at (518) 237-8643, ext. 3266. Please refer to the Project Review (PR) number noted above in any correspondences.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Howe

Historic Preservation Specialist

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## New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau Peebles Island, PO Box 189, Waterford, New York 12188-0189

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## RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 12/10/02

STAFF: Kathy Howe

PROPERTY: various (see below)

MCD: Manhattan

PROJECT REF: 01PR03920

COUNTY: New York Co.

## **ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:**

Based on the information currently available, the following properties meet the criteria for listing on the State and National Registers:

Socony-Mobil Building, 150 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (06101.012800)

Designed by Harrison & Abramovitz, in association with John B. Peterkin, this 42-story building was completed in 1955. It is architecturally significant under Criterion C as New York City's first skyscraper sheathed in stainless steel. It was also the largest office tower built in New York City since the construction of Rockefeller Center in the 1930s.

former Italian Labor Center, 231 East 14th Street (06101.012802)

This six-story brick and stone building, erected c. 1923 as a union hall, is significant under Criterion A for its association the labor movement and Italian American history. Built by the Italian Cloakmakers Union Local No. 48 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the center occupied the building from 1923 until at least 1950. The center housed a nursery, music school, and gymnasium. Labor union meetings and classes in English, American history, and the naturalization process were held here. The building's façade is notable for its bas relief panels in the spandrels.

- 225-227 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012798)
- 229-235 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012797)
- 237 and 241 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012796)

The row of six buildings on the north side of East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (#225-227, 229-235, 237 & 241) make up a potential East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street Historic District. The buildings are a cohesive, intact ensemble of early twentieth century Renaissance Revival residential design in New York City. The six-story, brick tenement at #225-227 was built in 1902 to the design of Sass & Smallheiser. Architect Charles Rentz designed the three five-story, brick apartment buildings at #229-235 in 1899-1900. The two six-story, brick apartment buildings at #237 & 241 were built in 1900 to the design of George F. Pelham.

## NOT ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:

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U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration REGION II Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Virgin Islands One Bowling Green Room 429 New York, NY 10004-1415 212-668-2170 212-668-2136 (fax)

November 18, 2002

Mr. Emerson Webster, Chief Tonawanda Band of Seneca 7027 Meadville Road Basom, New York 14013

Dear Mr. Webster:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), in cooperation with MTA New York City Transit (NYCT), propose to construct the Second Avenue Subway in Manhattan to provide much-needed transit access to East Side residents, workers, and visitors, to reduce excess crowding on the existing Lexington Avenue subway line, and to improve mobility for all New Yorkers.

FTA and MTA/NYCT are currently preparing a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) of a full-length Second Avenue to evaluate the short- and long-term impacts to the human and natural environment, during both construction and operation, The Second Avenue Subway would be a new, two-track, approximately 8.5 mile rail line extending the length of Manhattan's East Side corridor from 125<sup>th</sup> Street to Hanover Square, serving East Harlem, the Upper East Side, Midtown, Gramercy Park/Union Square, the East Village/Lower East Side/Chinatown, and Lower Manhattan. The SDEIS is being prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The project is also subject to the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

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FTA and MTA/NYCT will be issuing the SDEIS for public review and comment sometime in early 2003. Please let FTA know if you would be interested in receiving information on this project. If we do not hear from you within 30 days, we will assume that you do not wish to receive information.

Sincerely,

Nancy Danzig, AICP Community Planner

cc: B. Kuhn, SHPO P. Cafiero, NYCT



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- 301 East 21<sup>st</sup> St.
- 14 East 125<sup>th</sup> St.
- 220 East 125<sup>th</sup> St.
- 151-153 Second Ave.
- 380 Second Ave.
- 718 and 720 Second Ave.
- 985 Second Ave.
- 1583-1587 Second Ave.
- 1589 Second Ave.
- 1591 Second Ave.
- 1593 Second Ave.
- 1595 Second Ave.
- 1597 Second Ave.
- 1601, 1603 and 1605 Second Ave.
- 1609 Second Ave.
- 1611-1613 Second Ave.
- The Foster, 1617 Second Ave.
- · Roosevelt Island Tramway, Manhattan Station

If you have any questions regarding this review, please call me at (518) 237-8643, ext. 3266. Please refer to the Project Review (PR) number noted above in any correspondence.

Sincerely, Kathlen A. Houre

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cc: Hollie Wells, MTA NYC Transit



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### RESOURCE EVALUATION

DATE: 4/4/02 STAFF: Kathy Howe

PROPERTY: various (see below) MCD: Manhattan

PROJECT REF: 01PR03920 COUNTY: New York Co.

#### **ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:**

Based on the information currently available, the following properties meet the criteria for listing on the State and National Registers:

• 221 East 124<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012620; #47 on map)
Meets Criterion C as an architecturally distinguished example of late 19<sup>th</sup>-century tenement design in the Renaissance Revival style (1883, Cleverdon & Putzel).

• 4-12 East 125<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012624; #58 on map)

Three connected five-story flats and stores designed by D. & J. Jardine and built in 1888. Meets Criterion C as an outstanding example of Italian Renaissance inspired design by a prominent New York architecture firm. Notable for its arched openings, rock-faced masonry, terra cotta panels, and prominent cornice.

 New York Public Library, East 125<sup>th</sup> Street Branch, 224 East 125<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.008647; #48 on map)

Built between 1902 and 1904, the East 125<sup>th</sup> Street Branch library in Harlem is architecturally significant under Criterion C as an intact design of McKim, Mead & White. It is also historically significant under Criterion A in the areas of education social history as an example of Carnegie funded library.

• 30-38 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (06101.012600; #12 on map)

Five three-story red brick rowhouses with stone door surrounds, window sills and lintels, constructed beginning in 1835. This row meets Criterion C as a representative example of a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century New York streetscape. Of special note in the row is no. 36 which features pedimented window and doors at the first floor and an elaborate bracketed cornice.

• 1944 Madison Avenue (a.k.a. 28-30 East 125<sup>th</sup> Street; 06101.012621; #54 on map) Five-story commercial/apartment building erected in 1888 to the design of C. Abbott French & Co. Meets Criterion C as an example of late 19<sup>th</sup>-century Romanesque Revival. Façade embellished by decorative terra cotta floral panels above and below windows.

• Former Third District Magistrates Court Building, 32-34 Second Avenue (06101.012599; #11 on map)

Two-story brick Romanesque inspired courthouse and prison built in 1918. Meets Criterion C as an intact example of early 20<sup>th</sup>-century civic architecture by architect Alfred Hopkins who became an authority on prisons and design.

- Saul Birns Building, 107-113 Second Avenue (06101.012602; #15 on map) Five-story office building designed by Ralph H. Segal in 1928-29. Meets Criterion C as an example of early 20<sup>th</sup>-century commercial design notable for its highly ornamented terra cotta-clad façade.
- Middle Collegiate Church, 112-114 Second Avenue (06101.012601; #14 on map) Gothic-inspired late 19<sup>th</sup>-century stone church (1891, Samuel Burrane Reed) significant under Criterion C for architecture. Stained glass windows in church by Tiffany. Dutch Reformed Church dating back to the late 17<sup>th</sup> century also meets Criterion A under religion as the denomination's oldest church in the New York City. East of the church is the contributing neo-Romanesque addition known today as the Church House at 50 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 1614-1616 Second Avenue (06101.012625)

Two, five-story brick tenement buildings designed by John Brandt in 1885. Distinctive brownstone-clad façades at Second Avenue. Meets Criterion C as an example of late 19<sup>th</sup>-century Neo-Grec design.

• 1817-1829 Second Avenue (06101.012619; #42 on map)

Six five-story brick tenements designed in 1888 by John C. Burne. Meets Criterion C as an example of late 19<sup>th</sup>-century Neo-Grec multiple dwelling design. Notable details include decorative terra cotta panels, brick corbelling, and bracketed comices.

• St. James Catholic Elementary School, 37 St. James Place (06101.012597; #5 on map)

Meets Criterion C as an example of late 19<sup>th</sup>-century High Victorian Gothic institutional design. Originally built in 1871 by Lawrence J. O'Connor as a two-story church, the building was later enlarged to four-stories and became a school.

### NOT ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES:

- 34 & 36 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street (06101.0122598; #9 on map)
- 301 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street (06101.012604; #23 on map)
- 14 East 125<sup>th</sup> Street (06101.012623; #54 on map)
- 220 East 125th Street (06101.012622; #49 on map)
- 151-153 Second Avenue (06101.012603; #17 on map)
- 380 Second Avenue (06101.012605; #24 on map)
- 718 and 720 Second Avenue (06101.012606; #27 on map)
- 985 Second Avenue (a.k.a.253 East 52<sup>nd</sup> St; 06101.012607; #28 on map)
- 1583-1587 Second Avenue (06101.012609; #36A on map)
- 1589 Second Avenue (06101.012610; #36B on map)
- 1591 Second Avenue (06101.012611; #36C on map)
- 1593 Second Avenue (06101.012612; #36D on map)

## NOT ELIGIBLE: Cont'd

- 1595 Second Avenue (06101.012613; #36E on map)
- 1597 Second Avenue (06101.012614; #36F on map)
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- The Foster, 1617 Second Avenue (06101.012618; #37D on map)
- Roosevelt Island Tramway, Manhattan Station (06101.012608; #30 on map)

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