

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration

September 24, 2021

Ms. Stephanie DeLisle Director, Capital Program Funding Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2 Broadway New York, NY 10004

Subject: FONSI for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Penn Station Access Project

Dear Ms. DeLisle:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has completed its review of Environmental Assessment and Section 4(f) Evaluation (EA), dated May 2021, for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Penn Station Access (PSA) project (the Project). Based on our review of the EA, which included analyses pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act, FTA has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in accordance with the FTA and Federal Highway Administration Environmental Impact and Related Procedures (23 CFR Part 771) and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1500). Please find a copy of the finding enclosed for your records.

The Section 4(f) determinations outlined in the FONSI are subject to MTA's adherence to the conditions and stipulations outlined in the Section 4(f) Evaluation, as well as the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the New York State Historic Preservation Office, MTA, and FTA (enclosed). The Project must be implemented in accordance with the terms of the FONSI and the PA, including the mitigation and minimization requirements. The MTA must send a notice of availability of the FONSI to all consulting parties and affected units of State and local government, and the FONSI shall be available from the MTA upon request by the public. Please post the FONSI and supporting documents to the project website until construction is complete.

If there are any changes to the Project, FTA must be notified in writing before the changes are implemented to determine whether additional environmental studies are needed. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 212-668-2174.

Sincerely,

Stephen Goodman, P.E. Regional Administrator

Encl (2): Finding of No Significant Impact Section 106 Programmatic Agreement

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