



June 11, 2021

Via email only
Neil Weisbard
Pryor Cashman LLP
7 Times Square
New York, NY 10036-6569

Re: Zoning Map Amendment and ZR §74-681 Special Permit Application
701 West 135th Street, Tax Block 210, Lot 58, Borough of Manhattan

Dear Mr. Weisbard:

Pursuant to your request, attached are Amtrak's edits to the authorization letter addressed to the The New York City Department of City Planning to permit you to file a special permit application for the above-referenced property.

Since your client has not yet secured the real estate rights from Amtrak that are necessary to construct any improvements in the right of way and has not yet developed or submitted plans to Amtrak for their required review and approval, your application is premature and unwise. The attached authorization does not mean that Amtrak supports this proposed project nor does it obligate Amtrak to transfer any real estate rights to your client for the proposed project. Additionally, Amtrak's approval of any proposed plans will be granted or withheld at Amtrak's sole and absolute discretion. Obtaining Amtrak's support for this proposed project is by no means assured and will require the approval of numerous departments within Amtrak, Amtrak's board of directors, and the Federal Railroad Administration.

Accordingly, your pursuit of zoning approvals without first securing the foregoing is at your own risk and Amtrak will not be liable for any of the costs you incur in connection with this proposed project including, without limitation, the costs incurred in connection with your application for a special permit.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Amtrak's real estate representative Virginia Hart at virginia.hart@amtrak.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Shovlin", with a small flourish at the end.

Brian Shovlin, Associate General Counsel

attachment



June 23, 2021

The New York City Department of City Planning
Central Intake
120 Broadway, 31st Floor
New York, NY 10271

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To Whom It May Concern:

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation ("Amtrak"), owner of an easement over the Amtrak railroad right-of-way located at 701 West 135th Street, Tax Block 210, Lot 58, Borough of Manhattan (the "Railroad Right-of-Way"), hereby authorizes Pryor Cashman LLP, to file a special permit application pursuant to Section 74-681 of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York and an amendment to Zoning Map 5c, to permit a portion of a proposed building to be constructed within the Railroad Right-of-Way.

This letter in no way indicates Amtrak's support of the proposed project nor does it authorize the construction within the Railroad Right-of-Way, including the issuance of permits by the New York City Department of Buildings. No construction in the right of way can occur until applicant acquires from Amtrak the real estate rights necessary to construct the improvements in the right of way. If Amtrak agrees to convey the necessary real estate rights to the applicant, any proposed construction in the right of way will be subject to Amtrak's prior review and approval which approval may be granted or withheld at Amtrak's sole and absolute discretion.

Respectfully submitted,

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation

By: Angelique D'Ippolito
Angelique D'Ippolito
Senior Director, Real Estate Development

STATE OF Pennsylvania)

COUNTY OF Philadelphia)

On the 23 day of June, in the year 2021, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Angelique D'Ippolito, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Virginia Hart
Notary Public

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal
Virginia Hart, Notary Public
Philadelphia County
My commission expires March 12, 2023
Commission number 1288743

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