



August 29, 2022

Hon. Sarah Carroll, Chair
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
One Centre Street
New York, NY 10008
Via email: scarroll@nyc.lpc.gov

Dear Chair Carroll:

We, the undersigned preservation organizations write to you today regarding the ongoing hearing process for a Certificate of Appropriateness on the grounds of hardship for West Park Presbyterian Church (Item LPC-22-09135). We understand this is an ongoing and lengthy endeavor, in which LPC is doing additional analysis on the applicant's financial materials, site visits, and securing additional expert opinions on the landmarked structure. We assume that this information will be made available on the LPC's website in advance of the next scheduled meeting the LPC will hold on this very important matter.

We also understand that the applicant will be submitting additional materials to their application and advocates, including the Center at West Park, are submitting independent reports. Given this substantial additional documentation and materials, we request that the LPC hold an additional public hearing for organizations and individuals to respond to this new information. We do not feel that a Public Meeting, where no public testimony can be taken, is appropriate as the next step in the West Park process.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Frampton Tolbert, Executive Director
Historic Districts Council

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Elizabeth Goldstein, President
Municipal Art Society

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Peg Breen, President
The New York Landmarks Conservancy

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Rachel Levy, Executive Director
Friends of the Upper East Side
Historic Districts

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Sean Khorsandi, Executive Director
Landmark West!

Handwritten signature of Andrew Berman in blue ink.

Andrew Berman, Executive Director
Village Preservation