

Community Board 7 Resolution
50 West 76th Street
April 24, 2007

Full Board Vote: 0 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

WHEREAS, numerous neighbors of the applicant opposed the proposed iron front gates on the ground that they will substantially change the character of the historic block; and

WHEREAS, although the applicant, after its presentation at the April, 2007 meeting of the Parks & Preservation Committee of Community Board 7/ Manhattan offered to eliminate the intercom on the gates, the Committee believes that the proposed iron gates (with or without the proposed intercom and locking mechanism) are inappropriate to the historic character of the building and of the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes that the return of the iron fence, perpendicular to the building, is also inappropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes that the high proportions and the cutouts in the “cheek” wall of the proposed stoop renovation are somewhat out of character for the building and the Historic District, and also believes that the applicant’s security concerns can be met by lowering the cheek wall somewhat and eliminating the cutouts, which would result in a stoop that is fully appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes that the proposed rear-yard extension is reasonably appropriate to the building and the Historic District, but believes that the windows present an unnecessary expanse of glass;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan disapproves the proposed front gates, including the locking mechanism and intercom; disapproves the remainder of the iron fence at 50 West 76th Street; recommends that the stoop renovation be altered to reduce the height of the cheek wall and eliminate the cutouts; approves the proposed rear-year extension, but recommends that the fenestration plan be revisited to provide more vertical divisions; and urges the applicant to remove the accretions of non-historic materials from the top two floors of the rear facade and to restore the brick on those floors of the rear facade.

Committee: 7-0-0-0.

**Community Board 7 Resolution
36 West 86th Street
April 24, 2007**

Full Board Vote: 0 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

WHEREAS, the proposed renovations by Bard College of the building at 36 West 86th Street will restore the facade of the building in a manner that the Parks & Preservation Committee of Community Board 7/ Manhattan believes is appropriate to the historic character of the building and of the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the other proposed renovations will form a composition with the renovations to the twin building at 38 West 86th Street that were previously approved and carried out; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes that the proposed renovations are reasonably appropriate to the historic character of the building and of the Historic District;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan approves the proposed renovations by Bard College at 36 West 86th Street.

Committee: 7-0-0-0.

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