



THE COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE THE UPPER WEST SIDE

**Testimony of LANDMARK WEST!
Certificate of Appropriateness Committee
Before the Landmarks Preservation Commission
262 Central Park West
July 26, 2016**

LANDMARK WEST! is a not-for-profit, community organization committed to the preservation of the architectural heritage of the Upper West Side.

The Certificate of Appropriateness Committee wishes to comment on the application to replace windows and install vents at 262 Central Park West, a neo-Renaissance style apartment building designed by Sugarman & Berger and built in 1927-28. This building is within the Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District.

Our Committee reviewed the application and was struck by the 1990's designation photos where the predominant window type appears to be 6 over 1 double hung windows as noted in the LPC report.

What happened?

The current mix of double hung and single lite tilt-turn variations degrades the overall building appearance. Knowing that a full restoration of wood 6 over 1 windows is unlikely, we support this application to bring units 9A and 9C closer into a uniform appearance with the building and would like to highlight this landmark as a cautionary example for why our Committee supports window master plans as an informed means of standard practice.

Likewise, we support the attempts to rationalize the rear north façade apertures as well.

Thank you for your consideration.