

# 325 Riverside Drive

Request for Signage Approval  
LPC-22-06502

Michelle Baker, Coop Board

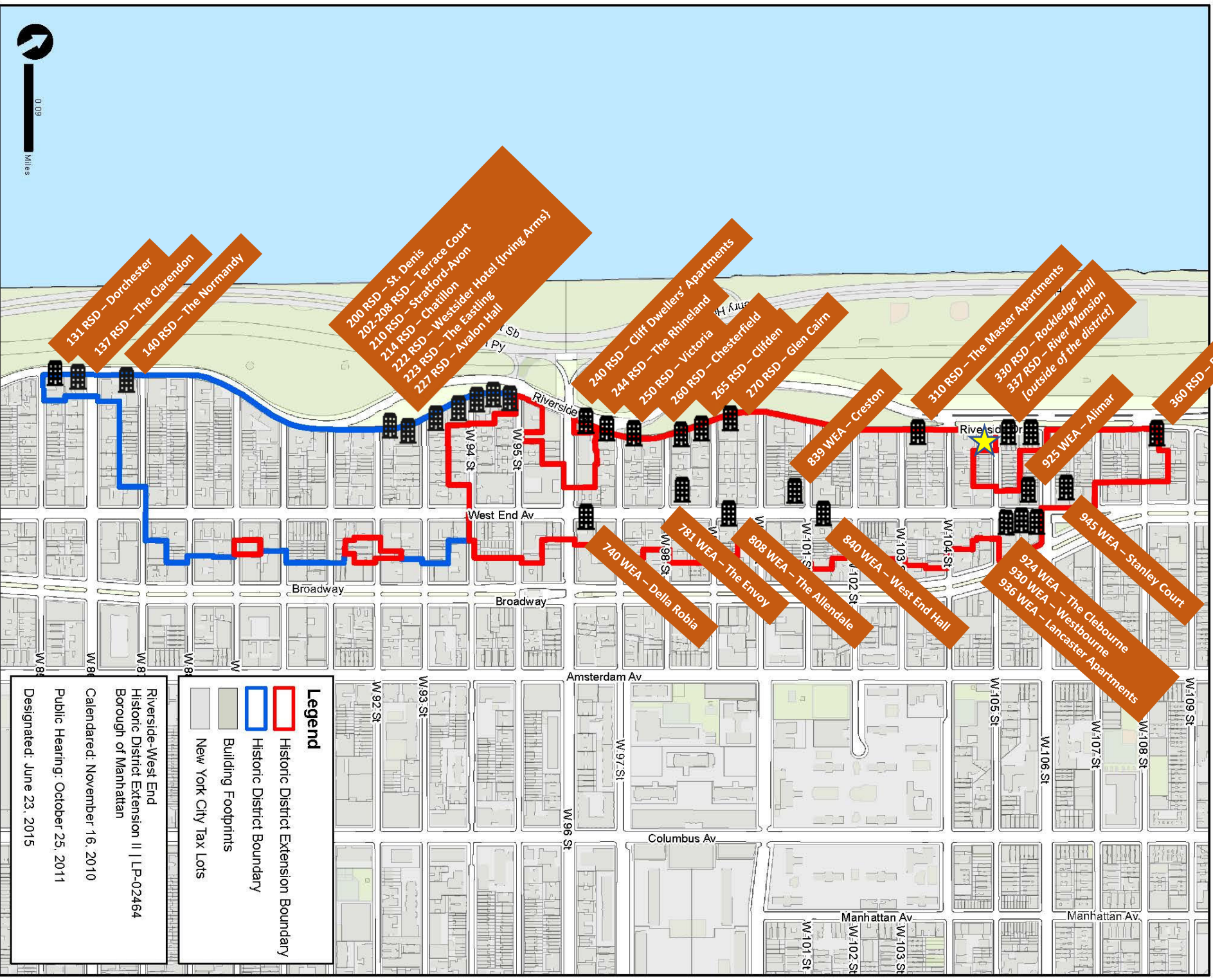
# Request for Approval

- For engraving on the facade of 325 Riverside Drive (105<sup>th</sup> Street) in the Riverside-West End Historic District.
- The building named the *Sherwood*
  - In honor of James Sherwood, long time tenant advocate,
  - President of the Coop Board from the time of its conversion to a Coop in 1982 until his death in 2020.

# 325 Riverside Drive (105<sup>th</sup> st)

- Built in 1920-21
- Gaetan Ajello/  
Paterno Brothers
- Colonial Revival  
Apartment  
building
- 13 stories
- brick, limestone,  
terra cotta







# Proposed Engraving on Lintel



**Current Entrance**

Limestone Lintel

10.5"x 123.5"

# Proposed Engraving on Lintel



Modest serif font to match gold lettering and cornerstone engraving.

Lettering is  
~6"x 43"  
~30% of the lintel area.

# Skilled Stone Mason, Chris Pelletteiri

- Learned as an apprentice at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine
- 30 yrs of experience
- Hand carved engravings at
  - Temple Emanu El,
  - St. Thomas Church
  - other historic landmarks



Hammer and chisel carving, similar to inscriptions done at the time the building was built.





# Tradition of engraved lettering on the masonry facade.



# Comparable Historic Building



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**Gale A. Brewer, Borough President**

May 14, 2021

Board of Directors  
325 Riverside Drive  
New York, NY 10025

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to support the naming of your building The Sherwood. I understand that this will not impact the building's legal address or street signage.

I understand that this naming is in honor of the lifelong service of James Sherwood, who was President of the Tenants' Association in the early 1980's and went on to be President of the Co-Op Board for the next thirty-five years. I have heard about the role that Mr. Sherwood played in improving the building infrastructure and staffing while keeping maintenance affordable. What most strikes me about Mr. Sherwood's tenure was his focus on the well-being of all residents and staff in the building. He understood the building as a community and his leadership instilled a sense of both responsibility and neighborly fellowship.

I know that by memorializing Mr. Sherwood in the building's name, his values will continue to be championed.

Sincerely,

Gale A. Brewer  
Manhattan Borough President