

CityBridge/Boldyn 5G Network Towers

SITE NAME: MN-07-120527_A

ADDRESS: 715 Columbus Avenue

COMMUNITY DISTRICT: Manhattan CD6, CM Gale Brewer

COMMENT:

The proposed site for a Link5G tower on Columbus Avenue between West 94th and West 95th Streets has the potential to have an adverse impact on the surrounding (within 500 feet) City Landmarks and SHPO and NRHP designated and eligible districts and buildings:

- Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District - LPC Historic District
- Congregation Ohab Zedek - SHPO-Listed Buildings & NRHP-Listed Building
- 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 54 West 94th Street - SHPO Eligible Buildings
- 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57 & 59 West 94th Street - SHPO Eligible Buildings
- 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46-50 West 95th Street - SHPO Eligible Buildings
- 33, 35, 37, 39, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51 West 95th Street - SHPO Eligible Buildings

RE: EBI Addendum Letter

On November 22, 2023, EBI submitted an FCC Form 620 to NYSHPO about their No Adverse Effects determination for the above-referenced installation site. NYSHPO responded on January 5, 2024 stating:

This tower is proposed somewhat close to the Upper West Side-Central Park West Historic District, which is certified by the National Park Service. It is also eligible for listing in the National Register. There are a number of other historic resources nearby and the location is part of the setting for Central Park. Because of this, we recommend that the tower location be moved and that SHPO is given an opportunity to review the revisions.

On February 28, 2024, EBI published an addendum letter providing additional information regarding the potential visibility of the pole from within the Upper West Side-Central Park West Historic District and the locally and nationally designated Central Park.

Their study involved views from one angle starting 285 ft from the tower location and the boundary of the Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District. Then moved backwards away from the site and towards Central Park West, all from a mid-street angle. They determined that the tower will not be visible from the district.

Following the execution of the 'Balloon Test' at the site located at 741 Columbus Avenue (MN-07-120527_A), LANDMARK WEST believes that a similar mockup test needs to be performed here, as these photos in the addendum letter are not a sufficient test, with limited views and vantage points and a poor visualization of the potential tower. Thank you.