

November 8, 2004

Beverly Gotay, Asst. Director of Licensing
Department of Consumer Affairs
42 Broadway, 8th Floor
New York, NY 10004

Re: Sidewalk markings for Sidewalk Cafes.

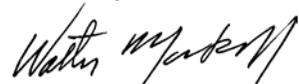
Dear Ms. Gotay,

Manhattan Community Board No. 4 was very pleased to hear that DCA has made progress toward implementing its requirement that the borders of all unenclosed sidewalk cafes be visibly marked, and that DCA hopes to complete this process by the end of 2004.

It is our understanding that one of the major considerations in the implementation of this rule is the assignment of responsibility for certifying that the markings conform with the boundary measurements approved by DCA. Our Transportation Planning Committee has discussed this issue and would like to provide its suggestion for your consideration. DCA should require that within 30 days of license issuance, each café's architect should send verification (on his/her letterhead) to DCA that the markings have been accurately placed on the sidewalk to conform with the approved plans. This requirement would relieve DCA from sending inspectors to verify the accuracy of markings, yet it would still ensure conformity.

We hope that this suggestion has proved helpful, and also that you will contact us if we may be of any further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Walter Mankoff
Chair
Manhattan Community Board No. 4

Jay Marcus
Chair
Transportation Planning Committee

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