



Zoning Resolution

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81-674 - Ground floor use provisions

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(a) Within the Vanderbilt Corridor Subarea

For #buildings# #developed# or #enlarged# on the ground floor on #zoning lots# located within the Vanderbilt Corridor Subarea, as shown on Map 2 (East Midtown Subdistrict and Subareas) in Appendix A of this Chapter, where a #building# fronts upon a designated retail #street#, as shown on Map 3 (Retail and Street Wall Continuity), any portion of such #building's# ground floor level frontage along such designated retail #street# allocated to above- or below-grade public realm improvements provided in accordance with a special permit pursuant to Section [81-632](#) (Special permit for transfer of development rights from landmarks to the Vanderbilt Corridor Subarea) or Section [81-633](#) (Special permit for Grand Central public realm improvements) shall be excluded from the retail continuity requirements of Section [81-42](#) (Retail Continuity Along Designated Streets).

(b) Within the Grand Central Core Area

For #buildings# #developed# or #enlarged# on the ground floor after August 26, 1992, in the Grand Central Core Area, as shown on Map 2, #building# lobby entrances shall be required on each #street# frontage of the #zoning lot# where such #street# frontage is greater than 75 feet in length, except that if a #zoning lot# has frontage on more than two #streets#, #building# entrances shall be required only on two #street# frontages. Each required #building# entrance shall lead directly to the #building# lobby. #Buildings# #developed# from May 13, 1982, to August 25, 1992, shall be subject to the provisions of Section [81-47](#) (Major Building Entrances).

Required #building# entrances on opposite #street# frontages shall be connected directly to the #building# lobby by providing a through #block# connection in accordance with paragraph (h) of Section [37-53](#) (Design Standards for Pedestrian Circulation Spaces), except that such through #block# connection shall be located at least 50 feet from the nearest north/south #wide street#.

Each required #building# entrance shall include a #building# entrance recess area, as defined in paragraph (b) of Section [37-53](#), except that for #developments# or #enlargements# with frontage on Madison Avenue, Lexington Avenue or 42nd Street, the width of a #building# entrance recess area shall not be greater than 40 feet parallel to the #street line# and there may be only one #building# entrance recess area on each such #street# frontage.

(c) Along #narrow streets# of #qualifying sites# in the Grand Central Core Area

For #buildings# #developed# or, where permitted, #enlarged# on the ground floor on #qualifying sites# in the Grand Central Core Area, as shown on Map 2, a minimum of 50 percent of a #building's# ground floor level #street wall# frontage along a #narrow street# shall be limited to retail, personal service or amusement #uses# permitted by the underlying zoning district regulations, but not including #uses# in Use Groups 6B, 6E, 7C, 7D, 8C, 8D, 9B, 10B, 11 and 12D or automobile showrooms or plumbing, heating or ventilating equipment showrooms. Such ground floor level retail, personal services or amusement #uses# shall comply with the transparency provisions of Section [81-42](#).