



## Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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# **74-63 - Bus Stations**

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12/15/1961

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### 74-631 - New bus stations with 10 or more berths

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2/2/2011

In C4, C6 or #Manufacturing Districts#, the City Planning Commission may permit the construction of a bus station with 10 or more berths for buses on a site of not less than 20,000 square feet, provided that the following findings are made:

- (a) that the use of the premises as a bus station will not create serious traffic congestion, will not be detrimental to public health or general welfare and is consistent with the master plan of the city;
- (b) that the principal access for such #use# is not located on a local #street# but is located either on an arterial highway, a major #street# or a secondary #street# within one-quarter mile of an arterial highway or major #street#;
- (c) that such #use# is not located within 200 feet of a #Residence District#, or is otherwise separated from nearby residential areas by topographical or physical conditions of the land;
- (d) that vehicular entrances and exits for such facility are provided separately and are located not less than 100 feet apart; and
- (e) that access to such #use# is located on a #street# not less than 60 feet in width.

The Commission may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards to minimize adverse effects on the character of the surrounding area.

In addition, the Commission shall require the provision of adequate #accessory# off-street parking spaces necessary to prevent the creation of traffic congestion caused by the curb parking of vehicles generated by such #use# and shall determine the required spaces in accordance with the purposes established in this Resolution with respect to other major traffic-generating facilities. The Commission shall require, in any event, no less than 20 spaces for the temporary parking of automobiles.

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### 74-632 - New bus stations with fewer than 10 berths

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12/15/1961

In C1, C2, C4, C6, C7 or C8 Districts, or in any #Manufacturing District#, the City Planning Commission may permit bus stations with fewer than 10 berths for buses on a site of not less than 20,000 square feet, provided that the following findings are made:

- (a) that the use of the premises as a bus station will not create serious traffic congestion, will not be detrimental to public health or general welfare and is consistent with the master plan of the City;
- (b) that the principal access of such #use# is not located on a local #street#;
- (c) that vehicular entrances and exits for such facility are provided separately and are located not less than 50 feet apart; and
- (d) that access to such #use# is located on a #street# not less than 60 feet in width.

The Commission may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards to minimize adverse effects on the character of the surrounding area.

In addition, the Commission shall require the provision of adequate #accessory# off-street parking spaces necessary to prevent the creation of traffic congestion caused by the curbside parking of vehicles generated by such #use#, and shall determine the required spaces in accordance with the purposes established in this Resolution with respect to other major traffic-generating facilities. The Commission shall require, in any event, not less than 10 spaces for the temporary parking of automobiles.

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### **74-633 - Existing bus stations**

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All bus stations lawfully existing on December 15, 1961 are permitted to continue for the duration of the term for which such #use# has been authorized but the #enlargement#, #extension#, reconstruction or relocation of any bus station heretofore or hereafter constructed shall not be permitted except in accordance with the provisions set forth in Sections 74-631 or 74-632.

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### **74-634 - Subway station improvements in Downtown Brooklyn and in Commercial Districts of 10 FAR and above in Manhattan**

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2/2/2011

The City Planning Commission may grant, by special permit, a #floor area# bonus not to exceed 20 percent of the basic maximum #floor area ratio# permitted by the underlying district regulations, and may waive or modify the provisions of Article III, Chapter 7 (Special Regulations), and the #street wall# continuity provisions of Sections 81-43 (Street Wall Continuity Along Designated Streets), 91-31 (Street Wall Regulations) or 101-41 (Special Street Wall Location Regulations) for #developments# or #enlargements# located on #zoning lots# where major improvements to adjacent subway stations are provided in accordance with the provisions of this Section. For the purposes of this Section, "adjacent" shall mean that upon completion of the improvement, the #zoning lot# will physically adjoin a subway station mezzanine, platform, concourse or connecting passageway. Subway stations where such improvements may be constructed are those stations located within the #Special Midtown District# as listed in Section 81-292 (Subway station improvements), the #Special Lower Manhattan District# as listed in Section 91-43 (Off-street Relocation or Renovation of a Subway Stair), the #Special Downtown Brooklyn District# as listed in Section 101-211 (Special permit for subway station improvements), the #Special Union Square District# as listed in Section 118-50 and those stations listed in the following table:

Station	Line
8th Street	Broadway-60th Street
23rd Street	Broadway-60th Street
23rd Street	Lexington Avenue
28th Street	Lexington Avenue

33rd Street	Lexington Avenue
34th Street-Penn Station	8th Avenue
59th Street/Lexington Avenue (60th St)	Lexington Avenue and Broadway-60th Street

The selection of subway station improvements shall be on a case-by-case basis and shall be subject to the approval of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York City Transit and the City Planning Commission. All such improvements shall comply with all applicable design standards of the current station planning guidelines of New York City Transit.

(a) Pre-application requirements

Prior to submitting an application for a special permit pursuant to this Section, the applicant shall submit a schematic or concept plan for the proposed improvement to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York City Transit and the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission.

(b) Requirements for application

An application for a special permit pursuant to this Section shall include a letter from New York City Transit to the City Planning Commission containing conceptual approval of the improvement and a statement of any special considerations regarding New York City Transit's future operation of the improvement. The applicant shall submit all information and justification sufficient to enable the Commission to:

- (1) evaluate the benefits to the City;
- (2) determine the appropriate amount of bonus #floor area#; and
- (3) where applicable, assess the advantages and disadvantages of waiving or modifying #street wall# continuity requirements.

(c) Conditions

- (1) Within the #Special Midtown District#, for a #development# or #enlargement# within the Theater Subdistrict on a #zoning lot# containing a theater designated as listed pursuant to Section 81-742 (Listed theaters), the Commission shall find that the requirements of Section 81-743 (Required assurances for continuance of legitimate theater use) have been met.
- (2) Within the #Special Midtown District#, for a #development# or #enlargement# located on a #zoning lot# divided by a Theater Subdistrict Core boundary, as defined in Section 81-71 (General Provisions), the amount of #lot area# eligible for bonus #floor area# shall not exceed an amount equal to twice the #lot area# of that portion of the #zoning lot# located outside the Theater Subdistrict Core.

(d) Findings

- (1) In determining the amount of #floor area# bonus, the City Planning Commission shall consider the degree to which:
  - (i) the general accessibility and security of the subway station will be improved by the provision of new

connections, additions to or reconfigurations of circulation space, including provision of escalators or elevators; and

(ii) significant improvements to the station's environment by provision for direct daylight access, or improvements to noise control, air quality, lighting or rider orientation and satisfactory integration of the #street# level entryway into the #development# or #enlargement# will occur.

(2) In determining modifications to the requirements of Article III, Chapter 7 (Special Regulations), the Commission shall find that the provisions of a subway improvement cannot be accommodated without modification to these requirements.

(3) In determining modifications to the #street wall# continuity provisions of Section 81-43 in the #Special Midtown District#, Section 91-31 (Street Wall Regulations) in the #Special Lower Manhattan District# or Section 101-41 in the #Special Downtown Brooklyn District#, the Commission shall find that the modification will permit the proposed design to provide for access of daylight and air to the subway platform, mezzanine or concourse and that the advantages of such access outweigh the disadvantages incurred by the interruption of #street wall# and retail continuity.

(e) Procedural requirements

Prior to the granting of a special permit, the City Planning Commission shall be provided with the following:

(1) a letter from New York City Transit stating that the drawings and other documents submitted by the applicant have been determined by New York City Transit to be of sufficient scope and detail to fix and describe the size and character of the subway improvement as to architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical systems, materials, relationship to existing site conditions and such other conditions as may be appropriate, and that the construction of the subway improvement in accordance with such submission is feasible; and

(2) a legally enforceable instrument running with the land and signed by the applicant and all parties in interest, other than parties in interest who have waived and subordinated their interests, containing complete drawings of the improvement and setting forth the obligations of owner and developer, their successors and assigns, to construct and provide capital maintenance for the improvement, establish a construction schedule and provide a performance bond for completion of the improvement.

(f) Recordation and completion procedures

Any instrument creating a transit easement on the #zoning lot# shall be recorded against the #zoning lot# in the Office of the Register of the City of New York and a certified copy of the instrument shall be submitted to the City Planning Commission and New York City Transit. The applicant shall not apply for nor accept a temporary certificate of occupancy for the bonus #floor area#, and the Department of Buildings shall not issue such a temporary certificate of occupancy, until New York City Transit has determined that the bonused subway improvement is substantially complete which shall, for this purpose, mean open to and usable by the public.

The applicant shall not apply for or accept a permanent certificate of occupancy for the #development# or #enlargement#, nor shall the Department of Buildings issue such permanent certificate of occupancy, until the bonused subway improvement has been completed in accordance with the approved plans and such completion has been certified by New York City Transit.

The Commission may prescribe additional appropriate conditions and safeguards to enhance the character of the surrounding area.