

March 4, 2008

Via US MAIL

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> Re: Congregation Shearith Israel ("CSI") 6-10 West 70th Street/99 Central Park West 74-07-BZ/CEQR No.: 07BSA071M

Dear Mr. Lebow:

I write in response to your letter of February 21, 2008.

Please be advised that we will submit for the record the floorplan drawing shown to the Board for illustrative purposes with our supplemental papers on March 11. Inasmuch as the floorplan was used only to respond to a Commissioner's question at the hearing and not as part of our application, no submission was necessary. Nor was any member of the public prevented from asking to examine the drawing at the time.

In addition, we will not accede to your request that Craig Morrison be given the opportunity to "tour all of the buildings on the zoning site that is [sic] the subject of this application." I note that Mr. Morrison did not believe a tour of the buildings was necessary prior to his offering his expert testimony at the February 12th hearing nor did he state during his testimony that his ability to offer his expert opinion was in any way hampered by lack of access to the buildings. I also note that he neither complied with the Board's schedule for timely submission of his report to the Board and Applicant, nor produced a copy of his report to any party until after the public hearing had closed for the day. Under the circumstances, your request appears to be a procedural afterthought on which to base further requests for extensions and delays. If Mr. Morrison now feels he lacks the factual basis necessary to render his opinion, he should feel free to direct any factual questions he may have in writing to Messrs. Platt and Dovell within the timeframe allowed each party for comment.

With regard to your third point, any documents filed and logged in at the Board office on behalf of the Applicant will be hand-delivered or overnight expressed to you as filed.

Very truly yours,

Shelly S. Friedman

cc: Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan Hon. Jeff Mulligan Peter Neustadter Charles Platt Ray Dovell