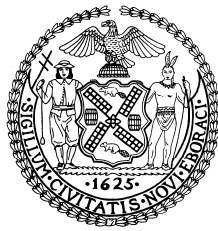


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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

July 19, 2012

Stanley Shor
Assistant Commissioner
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2 Metrotech Center, 4th Floor
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: Request for Information-Future of Public Pay Telephones

Dear Mr. Shor;

At the July 18, 2012 Full Board meeting, Community Board 8M **APPROVED** the following resolution by a vote of 40 in favor, 2 opposed, 2 abstention and 0 not voting for cause:

WHEREAS, some public pay phones are necessary since cell phone use is not universal, and WHEREAS, there have been problems over the years with poorly maintained pay phones and proliferation of advertising on pay phones,
THEREFORE RESOLVED, that Community Board 8M recommends to DOITT (1) that the number of pay phones in our district be reduced by at least 50 percent, (2) that advertising on pay phones be restricted as much as possible, (3) that the design of the pay phones reduce their presence on the sidewalk as much as possible and approximate in size muni-meters, and (4) that no licenses be granted to companies that have consistently failed to maintain their existing pay phones.

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Viest
Chair

A. Scott Falk and Charles Warren
Co-Chairs, Transportation Committee

cc: Hon. Michael Bloomberg, Mayor of the City of New York
Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Carolyn Maloney, United States Congress Member
Hon. Liz Krueger, New York State Senator
Hon. Dan Quart, New York State Assembly Member
Hon. Micah Kellner, New York State Assembly Member
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, New York City Council Member
Hon. Jessica Lappin, New York City Council Member