

Date: July 7, 2015

LPC Docket: 17-0925

LPC Action: Approved

Action Required by Other Agencies: DOB

Permit Type: Certificate of Appropriateness

Address: 168 Bleecker Street, aka 187-191 Sullivan Street, and 187-201 Thompson Street

Block: 525 **Lot:** 7501

Historic District: South Village Historic District

Description: An Italian Renaissance Revival-style tenement building with commercial ground floor designed by Ernest Flagg and built in 1896. Application is to modify masonry openings and display windows at the Sullivan Street facade, and install a barrier-free access ramp.

COMMISSION FINDINGS

The Commission **NOTED** that the building's style, scale, materials and details contribute to the architectural and historic character of the South Village Historic District. The Commission further noted that the proposed storefront alterations are consistent with the Commission's rules and will be reviewed at staff level.

Pursuant to Section 25-307 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Commission **APPROVED** the proposal, finding:

- that the proposed work will not damage any significant historic fabric;
- that the proposed ramp will provide barrier-free access to the storefront without detracting from the primary façade or obscuring significant architectural features of the building;
- that the metal and stone materials proposed for the ramp will be in keeping with the material palette of the building;
- that the proposed handrail design recalls ironwork found elsewhere on the building;
- that the modifications to ground floor window and door openings and infill at the Sullivan Street façade will not result in damage to or loss of any significant historic fabric, and will simplify and regularize the fenestration at the building base;
- that the modified openings will retain the general shape and pattern of the existing openings, and will be in keeping with the scale of the building;
- that the proposed single-pane display windows will be in keeping with the commercial character of the building and the district;
- and that the work will not detract from the special architectural or historic character of the building or the South Village Historic District.

VOTE: 8-0-0

Present: Srinivasan, Shamir-Baron, Bland, Chapin, Chen, Devonshire, Goldblum, Gustafsson, Washington

In Favor: Srinivasan, Shamir-Baron, Bland, Chapin, Chen, Devonshire, Goldblum, Gustafsson, Washington

Oppose:

Abstain:

Recuse:

Please note that these "Commission Findings" are a summary of the findings related to the application. **This is NOT a permit or approval to commence any work.** No work may occur until the Commission has issued a Certificate of Appropriateness, which requires review and approval of Department of Buildings filing drawings and/or other construction drawings related to the approved work. In addition, no work may occur until the work has been reviewed and approved by other City agencies, such as the Department of Buildings, as required by law.