



THE ADVOCATE FOR NEW YORK CITY'S HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS

CityBridge/Boldyn 5G Network Towers

SITE NAME: MN-07-120527_A

ADDRESS: 741 Columbus Avenue aka 65 - 75 West 96th Street; 72-76 West 97th Street

COMMUNITY DISTRICT: Manhattan CD7, CM Shaun Abreu

COMMENT:

(Area of Potential Effects APE, for direct effects vs visual effects?) p. 49!

The proposed site for a Link5G tower at the corner of 108th Street and Broadway has the potential to have an adverse impact on the surrounding (within 500 feet) City Landmarks and SHPO eligible districts and buildings:

- Upper West Side/Central Park West Historic District - LPC Historic District
- 46-48 West 96th Street - The Baldwin Flats - SHPO Eligible Buildings
- 44 West 96th Street (Apt, non-contributing) - SHPO Eligible Buildings
- 42 West 96th Street (Rowhouse, 5 of 5) - SHPO Eligible Building

In regards to EBI Consulting's report, View 10 shows the structure will be clearly visible from the district, and three eligible SHPO buildings, and is not blocked by intervening buildings in this case.

The determination of No Effect by Boldyn/EBI - claims there are no adverse effects on Historic Properties (visual effects). As evidenced by their own exhibits proves this is not true. A more appropriate determination would be that this installation presents an Adverse Effect on one or more Historic Properties. LW! challenges the definition of adverse effect employed by Boldyn/EBI.

LANDMARK WEST remains steadfast in our stance that these 32-ft tall, 5-ft x 5-ft, structures are poorly designed and will further clutter the city's streetscapes. Their out-of-scale design will not only detract from historic areas and buildings in our neighborhood, but are also inappropriate for most commercial and residential areas of the city. We also believe that determining cumulative effect will not be wholly possible without seeing a manifest of the complete 5G rollout planned.