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ADVISORY REPORT

ISSUE DATE: 04/09/20	EXPIRATION DATE: 4/9/2026	DOCKET #: LPC-20-08059	SRA SRA-20-08059
<u>ADDRESS:</u> CENTRAL PARK		BOROUGH: MANHATTAN	BLOCK/LOT: 1111 / 1
Chess and Checkers Central Park, Scenic Landmark			

To the Mayor, the Council, and the Commissioner of the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation,

This report is issued pursuant to Section 25-318 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, which requires a report from the Landmarks Preservation Commission for plans for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, or demolition of any improvement or proposed improvement which is owned by the City or is to be constructed upon property owned by the City and is or is to be located on a landmark site or in a historic district or which contains an interior landmark.

The Commission received a proposal for a temporary installation at the site surrounding the Chess and Checkers House, including temporarily removing select concrete chess and checkers tables, concrete and wood benches, and hex block pavers; removing the concrete pads; leveling out the surface exposed by the removal of the concrete with compacted gravel; and the installation of temporary metal and glass storage enclosures ("containers"), featuring glazed doors and roll-down security shutters, all painted gray ("mouse gray"), as well as grey canvas fabric awnings; and the removal of the storage enclosures ("containers"); the reinstallation of the concrete tables, concrete and wood benches and hex block pavers; and the installation of concrete pads on or before April 8, 2021, as well as the removal of four (4) sections of the modern wood pergola circling the house, and the installation of new wood posts to support the remaining sections, as described and shown in existing condition photographs, a rendering, dated August 13, 2019, a letter of February 25, 2020, and drawings labeled G-000.00 through G-002.00, SP-010.00, SP-020.00, A-001.00, A-002.00, A-010.00 through A-030.00, dated February 21, 2020, and prepared by Renee J. Ferguson, R.A.; and drawings S-001.00, S-101.00, S-102.00 and S-111.00, dated February 21, 2020, prepared by Donald Friedman, P.E., all submitted as components of this application.

In reviewing this proposal, the Commission notes that the Chess and Checkers Pavilion is a structure, built c. 1952, within the Children's District in the southern section of Central Park, an English Romantic style public park designed in 1858 by Olmstead and Vaux. The Commission also notes that the pergola was

constructed in the 1980s.

With regard to this proposal, the Commission finds certain aspect of the work are in accordance with the provisions set forth in Title 63 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-05 for Temporary Installations. Furthermore, the Commission finds that the removal of portions of the pergola will not result in the removal of historic fabric; and that the modifications to the pergola will maintain a simple composition, which will not draw undue attention to the pergola or detract from the surrounding landscape or any significant historic, architectural features of nearby structures.

Please see Title 63 of the Rules of the City of New York for complete text of any Rule section(s) cited in this report: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/lpc/applications/rules-guides.page>

This report is issued on the basis of the building and site conditions described in the application and disclosed during the review process. By accepting this permit, the applicant agrees to notify the Commission if the actual building or site conditions vary or if original or historic building fabric is discovered. The Commission reserves the right to amend or revoke this permit, upon written notice to the applicant, in the event that the actual building or site conditions are materially different from those described in the application or disclosed during the review process.

All approved drawings are marked approved by the Commission with a perforated seal indicating the date of approval. The work is limited to what is contained in the perforated documents. Other work or amendments to this filing must be reviewed and approved separately. This report constitutes the permit; a copy must be prominently displayed at the site while work is in progress. Please direct inquiries to Misha'el Shabrami.

Sarah Carroll
Chair

cc: Bernadette Artus, Deputy Director; Grey Elam, Central Park Conservancy



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ISSUE DATE: 04/08/20	EXPIRATION DATE: 4/8/2026	DOCKET #: LPC-20-08719	SRA SRA-20-08719
ADDRESS: Central Park, 79th st		BOROUGH: Manhattan	BLOCK/LOT: 1111 / 1
Maintenance Yard Central Park, Scenic Landmark			

To the Mayor, the Council, and the Commissioner of the Department of Parks and Recreation,

This report is issued pursuant to Section 25-318 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, which requires a report from the Landmarks Preservation Commission for plans for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, or demolition of any improvement or proposed improvement which is owned by the City or is to be constructed upon property owned by the City and is or is to be located on a landmark site or in a historic district or which contains an interior landmark.

The Landmarks Preservation Commission reviewed a proposal for site work surrounding a maintenance building within the existing maintenance yard, in the western section of the park adjacent to the 79th Street Transverse, including the demolition of a portion of a concrete slab; the removal of the existing manhole cover, fill port spill container, underground storage tank ("UST"), and conduit; and the installation of a new and associated equipment, including a manhole cover, underground storage tank, concrete paving, and associated below-grade conduit, as shown and described in a written scope of work; an untitled 9-page booklet, dated December 16, 2019, and prepared by the New York City Department of Design and Construction; and drawings T-000.00, G-001.00 through G-004.00, C-001.00, C-002.00, and E-001.000, dated (revised) April, 2020, and prepared by Jennifer Anne Diplato, P.E., all submitted as components of the application.

With regard to the proposal, the Commission finds that the proposed work will not cause the removal of any original features or any significant later alterations of this scenic landmark; that the proposed alterations will be within an area, which already includes utilitarian service equipment, and will only be seen in such a context; that the placement, size, materials and finishes, when seen within the context of the maintenance yard, will not draw undue attention to the installations or the service yard that the work will not diminish a significant vista; and that the proposed work will not detract from the significant historic and naturalistic character of the Central Park Scenic Landmark. Based on these findings, the proposed work is determined appropriate to the Central Park Scenic Landmark.

PLEASE NOTE: As the approved work consists of subsurface work, the applicant is required to strictly adhere to all Department of Buildings' requirements for in-ground construction at, and adjacent to, historic buildings, including, when required, TPPN 10/88 monitoring.

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Chair

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<u>ADDRESS:</u> 40 FOLEY SQUARE		BOROUGH: MANHATTAN	BLOCK/LOT: 158 / 61
United States Courthouse, Individual Landmark			

To the Mayor, the Council, and the U.S. General Services Administration,

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The Landmarks Preservation Commission received a proposal for installing subsurface fiber optic cables from the street into the cellar of the building, as described in an email, dated March 19, 2020, prepared by Joe Tomeo; an email, dated April 2, 2020, prepared by StarCom Fiber, LLC; and as shown in annotated photographs, all submitted as components of the application.

The Commission has reviewed the application and drawings and finds that the work will have no effect on significant protected features of the building.

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Sarah Carroll
Chair

cc: Jared Knowles, Deputy Director; Joe Tomeo, Starcom Fiber