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ADVISORY REPORT

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ADDRESS: N/A HUDSON RIVER GREENWAY		BOROUGH: Manhattan	BLOCK/LOT: 1897 / 19
Riverside Park and Riverside Drive, Scenic Landmark			

To the Mayor, the Council, and the NYC 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 has reviewed a proposal for restorative work at a 25 foot long section of the sea wall, adjoining the Hudson River, as well as the adjacent path and landscaping, all within the Riverside Park Scenic Landmark, and approximately aligning with West 97th Street, including resetting and/or replacing dry set schist units in-kind at the outboard side of the sea wall in conjunction with resetting the existing granite coping units; replacing asphalt paving at a path, adjacent to the sea wall, in-kind, in conjunction with excavating subgrade materials at a depression beneath the path and backfilling the hole with a concrete fill; replacing section of the untinted concrete curbing, between the seawall and path, in-kind, as needed; and temporarily removing and reinstalling a portion of the modern wood and black painted metal guardrail on top of the concrete curbing, or replacing sections in-kind, as needed, as well as temporarily installing an 8 foot wide poured asphalt path within the landscaping at the perimeter of the construction area, with the temporary path installed on or after June 1, 2025 and removed on or before June 1, 2026, as described and shown in an annotated copy of the materials checklist; a fourteen (14) page presentation consisting of existing condition photographs, written scope, and drawings; a letter dated February 11, 2025; four (4) page and five (5) page documents consisting of written specifications for materials and methods; and a cover sheet and drawings labeled G001.00, G002.00, L101.00, L102.00, L103.00, L104.00, L105.00, L106.00, L107.00, L108.00, L109.00, L110.00, S001.00, S101.00, S102.00, R101.00, R102.00, R301.00, and R302.00, dated January 29, 2025, and drawings labeled V001.00, V101.00, V102.00, V103.00, V104.00, V105.00, V106.00, and V107.00, dated October 29, 2024, and prepared by NYC Parks, all submitted as components of the application.

In reviewing this proposal, the Commission notes that the Riverside Park and Riverside Drive Scenic Landmark Designation Report describes Riverside Park as an English Romantic-style park built in 1873-1875 and designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, with modifications and additions built in 1934-1937 and designed by Clifton Lloyd and Gilmore Clarke.

With regard to this proposal, the Commission finds that the work is in accordance with the provisions set forth in Title 63 of the Rules of the City of New York, Section 2-11 for Repair, Restoration, Replacement, and Re-creation of Building Facades and Related Exterior Elements, including Section 2-11(d)(1)(i) for in-kind material replacement; Section 2-16(c) for Excavation Work; and Section 2-05 for Temporary Installations. Based on these findings, the Commission has determined that the work is appropriate to the scenic landmark.

Please see Title 63 of the Rules of the City of New York for complete text of any cited Rule section(s): <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 Dina Posner.

Sarah Carroll
Chair

cc: Bernadette Artus, Deputy Director; Therese Braddick, none