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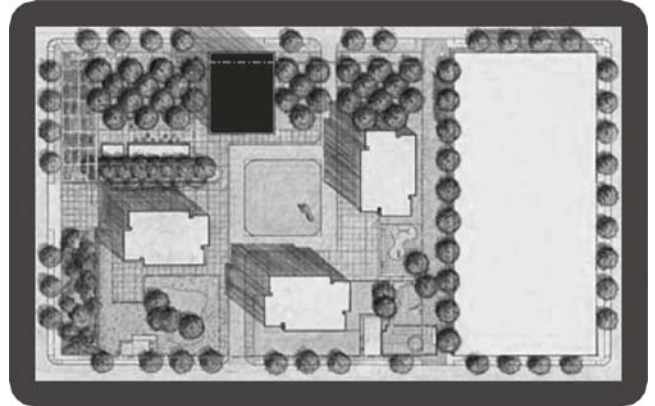
HELP FIGHT NYU'S PROPOSED 400 FT. TALL TOWER on BLEECKER ST. in SILVER TOWERS

NYU has filed a landmarks application for a 400 ft. tall hotel/residential tower on Bleecker Street in the Silver Towers complex – it would be the TALLEST BUILDING EVER ERECTED IN GREENWICH VILLAGE!

This is the first stage of a massive 20-year expansion plan that would double their rate of growth in and around the Village, adding several enormous new buildings to the area.

NYU IS REFUSING TO CONSIDER SITING THE 400 FT. TALL TOWER AND OTHER ENORMOUS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT OR OTHER LOCATIONS WHERE THEY WOULD BE WELCOME.

SEND A MESSAGE TO NYU AND CITY OFFICIALS WHO MUST APPROVE THESE PLANS THAT THEY ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE, AND TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS!



**JOIN THE
FIGHT!**

**➡ Come to the
Community Board
Public Hearing & Vote
on the Tower Plan
Monday, Nov. 8,
at 6:30pm
Grace Church School
94 4th Ave. (@ 10th Street)**

*** You can testify, or just show support ***

**➡ Contact City Officials
- see reverse for details**



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Hon. Robert Tierney
Chair, NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission
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Dear Chair Tierney:

I strongly oppose NYU's application to build a fourth, 400 ft. tall tower, within the landmarked Silver Towers complex.

Such an addition is completely at odds with the design, and contradicts the whole purpose of the complex having been landmarked in the first place. The design won awards and recognition over the years for, among other things, the relationship between the towers and the open space, and the view corridors which they create, which would be destroyed by the addition of the fourth tower. The fourth tower would block views of the Picasso sculpture, and completely change the relationship between the three existing towers. The open space in the Silver Towers complex, as in many landmarked works of modern architecture, is not vacant land, but an integral part of the design. To allow it to be built upon would do a great disservice to the very qualities you were supposed to be honoring and protecting when you landmarked the complex in 2008.

PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THE PLANS FOR NYU'S MASSIVE ADDITION TO SILVER TOWERS.

Sincerely,

Hon. Margaret Chin
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Dear Council Member Chin:

I strongly urge you to oppose NYU's landmarks application for a fourth, 400 ft. tall tower, within the Silver Towers complex.

Such an addition is completely at odds with the design, and contradicts the whole purpose of the complex having been landmarked in the first place. The design won awards and recognition over the years for, among other things, the relationship between the towers and the open space, and the view corridors which they create, which would be destroyed by the addition of the fourth tower. The fourth tower would block views of the Picasso sculpture, and completely change the relationship between the three existing towers. The open space in the Silver Towers complex, as in many landmarked works of modern architecture, is not vacant land, but an integral part of the design. To allow it to be built upon would do a great disservice to the very qualities that were supposed to be honored and protected when the complex was landmarked in 2008.

I support the call by community groups for NYU to locate its planned expansion elsewhere, such as the Financial District, where it would be contextual and welcome. Approval of its massive expansion plans in the Village are unnecessary, and would irreparably damage the character of the neighborhood.

The proposed fourth tower not only requires landmarks approval, but zoning changes to allow the hotel use and to lift the requirement to maintain open space, and the lifting of deed restrictions which should prevent any new construction before 2021. I urge you to oppose these approvals as well.

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