

**APPENDIX C**  
**HISTORIC RESOURCES**



New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation  
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July 28, 2006

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Dear Ms. Shatz:

Re: FRA/ESDC  
James A. Farley Building  
New York County  
06PR02122

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for the proposed rehabilitation of the Farley Post Office in Manhattan. We have continued to review the project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and relevant implementing regulations.

The SHPO has reviewed the conceptual design for the project proposed by Developer C and based upon our review, the project appears to be progressing well. At this time, we do not expect that any significant adverse effects would result from the proposed conceptual design provided that designs are continued to be developed in consultation with our office. Given the magnitude of the proposed project, we further understand that a Programmatic Agreement (PA) is under development which will provide the framework for the on-going consultation process. If Adverse Effects are encountered during the consultation process, the PA procedures shall be followed to avoid and/or mitigate such effects.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. We look forward to on-going consultation on this project. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 237-8643, ext. 3282. Please refer to the SHPO Project Review (PR) number in any future correspondences regarding this project.

Sincerely,

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April 10, 2006

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Dear Ms. Shatz:

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Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for the proposed rehabilitation of the Farley Post Office in Manhattan. We have reviewed the information in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and relevant implementing regulations. Since we understand the project seeks to participate in the Federal Historic Tax Credit program, we have also reviewed the project in our role to provide guidance in interpreting the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

Included in our review is the information submitted to our office, supplemented by the information presented at our meeting on March 23, 2006. Our comments are based on our understanding of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, an interpretation that is not entirely static. Generally, the project appears to be progressing well and judging from the materials submitted to date, the proposed work seems appropriate and in overall accordance with the Standards. There are a number of details regarding the rehabilitation that are still being defined and, given the magnitude of the proposed project, we suggest inviting the National Park Service (NPS) to participate in early consultation on this project. As you know, it is the NPS that provides the approval for Tax Credit projects.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 237-8643, ext. 3282. Please refer to the SHPO Project Review (PR) number in any future correspondences regarding this project.

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