

RESCINDED

Landmarks Preservation Commission
January 8, 1985 List 174
LP-1272

LANDMARK SITE OF THE FORMER MT. NEBOH SYNAGOGUE, 130 West 79th Street,
Borough of Manhattan.

Landmark Site: Borough of Manhattan Tax Map Block 1150, Lot 45.

On January 8, 1985, the Landmarks Preservation Commission held a public hearing on the proposed rescission of the designation of the Landmark Site of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue (Item No. 10). One person spoke in favor of the rescission. There were no speakers in opposition to the rescission. The hearing had been duly advertised in accordance with the provisions of law.

DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS

On January 12, 1982, the Landmarks Preservation Commission held a public hearing on the proposed designation of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue as a New York City Landmark. On February 9, 1982, the building was designated a New York City Landmark and Tax Map Block 1150, Lot 45, was designated as its Landmark Site. On May 27, 1982, a public hearing was held on an application to demolish the building based on the grounds of insufficient return under Section 207.8.0 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York. On July 20, 1982, the Commission made a preliminary finding of insufficient return. The Commission held a public hearing on November 9, 1982, on proposed preliminary alternative plans to render the building capable of earning the defined reasonable rate of return. At a public Executive Session on January 19, 1983, the Commission voted to modify slightly and submit to the applicant a set of final proposed plans to render the building capable of earning a reasonable return. After the applicant rejected all such plans, the Commission, at its Executive Session on February 8, 1983, voted unanimously to issue a Notice to Proceed. Having been delayed by litigation, the Notice to Proceed was issued on May 13, 1983. Demolition of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue was undertaken pursuant to this permit in 1984 and the site was vacant by November 27, 1984.

Because nothing of architectural or historical significance remains on the Landmark Site of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue, the designation of the Landmark Site is being rescinded.

FINDINGS AND RESCISSION

On the basis of a careful consideration of the history, the architecture and other features of this Landmark Site, the Landmarks Preservation Commission finds that the site of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue no longer possesses special character, or special historic or aesthetic interest as part of the development, heritage, and cultural characteristics of New York City.

The Commission further finds that the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue has been demolished in accordance with the procedures of the Commission; that the site no longer possesses the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue; and, therefore, that the site has no further significance.

Accordingly, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 21 (formerly Chapter 63) of the Charter of the City of New York and Chapter 8-A of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Landmarks Preservation Commission rescinds the designation of the Landmark Site of the former Mt. Neboh Synagogue, 130 West 79th Street, Borough of Manhattan, which consists of Borough of Manhattan Tax Map Block 1150, Lot 45.