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## CITY OF HARLEM

### OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SIDEWALK CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

The City of Harlem does permit the obstruction of sidewalks located in front of downtown businesses for limited commercial uses within regulated situations. The most prevalent usage is the display of A-frame signs in downtown Harlem. The specific guidelines are:

*"A-frame signs.* One A-frame sign with a maximum display area of four-square feet and a height of no more than four feet may be displayed per business in a B-1 zoning district. A-frame signs shall be located on the sidewalk in immediate proximity to the entrance of the business and shall be placed in such a manner as to not obstruct pedestrian traffic."

A 36-inch-wide lane must be maintained in the sidewalk to permit wheelchair access per the American with Disabilities Act.

To provide for business opportunities as part of the City of Harlem economic development effort, the City of Harlem recognizes the following obstructions of public sidewalk areas.

1. The placement of A-frame signs as long as 36-inches of wheelchair access can be maintained.
2. The placement of decorative displays, and dining areas, as appropriate, as long as 36-inches of wheelchair access can be maintained.
3. Temporary, short-term business promotional activities that are permitted as a sidewalk obstruction as long as 36-inches of wheelchair access can be maintained.

Attached is a generalized map showing downtown sidewalks with widths that would support the above-mentioned uses.

Please feel free to contact the City of Harlem at 706-556-0043 for more information.





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## CITY OF HARLEM OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SIDEWALK APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Sidewalk Use:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be placing an A-frame sign outside my business in compliance with Harlem zoning laws and will assure that a 36-inch pathway is maintained for ADA compliance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be placing a decorative display or dining area outside my business in compliance with Harlem zoning laws and will assure that a 36-inch pathway is maintained for ADA compliance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am requesting a one-day business promotional activity on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 outside my business in compliance with Harlem zoning laws and will assure that a 36-inch pathway is maintained for ADA compliance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have attached a site map showing the proposed locations of the activities selected above. A brief narrative of the sidewalk use is provided below.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Application

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address of Applicant

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Community Development Director

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

