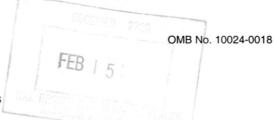
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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form



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7. Narrative Description

The 145th Street Subway Station (IRT, Lenox/White Plains Road Line; 3 train) is located in northern Harlem. The station was opened in 1904 as part of Interborough Rapid Transit (IRT) Contract 1. It is aligned in a north-south direction beneath and parallel to Lenox Avenue as it crosses 145th Street. Each platform measures approximately 348 feet in length. This is one of only two stations in the system (the other is South Ferry) that was not extended to the common platform length of 515 feet. This narrative description was taken largely from the NYCT Historical Properties Survey: Phase II - 145th Street Station Inventory Form that was completed in 1994 and was supplemented with field inspections undertaken in May of 2004.

Station Circulation

This station has two entrances, one each at the northwest and southwest corners of the intersection of Lenox Avenue and 145th Street. These lead directly from the street level to the platform level below. From the eastern platform (used only as an exit) there are two passageways that extend in a northeast and southeast direction from the platform to stairways that exit onto the northeast and southeast corners of 145th Street and Lenox Avenue.

General Characteristics

The 145th Street Station is a two-track, side-platform, local station that was constructed using the newly-perfected cut-and-cover method of construction. The base of the cut is lined by a concrete foundation with a minimum thickness of four inches. The basic structural frame of the station consists of a concrete foundation and side walls with steel columns. Concrete was used to infill between the columns and create the exterior walls. The "cover" for the station is trough shaped, with the inverted "U" running generally parallel to the tracks in order to accommodate such infrastructure necessities as steam, sewer, gas, and water lines, as well as electrical and telecommunications cables beneath the roadway. The infrastructure enters the adjacent buildings above the control area, necessitating a transverse "U" in that location as well. The lowest portion of the "U" is supported by five-foot-wide transverse concrete arches that spring from the bottom flange of transverse beams, which in turn frame into the center columns of the station. The platform sides of these arches frame into the bottom flanges of longitudinal built-up steel girders with a depth of approximately two feet. The top flanges of the longitudinal girders do not reach street level. In most of the original IRT stations, built-up I beams are

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set every five feet along the center of the track to support the track ceiling. Here there are only nine such beams set along the entire length of the 348-foot track. Along each platform, the roof girder is supported by cast iron Tuscan columns placed at 15-foot intervals, and the roof girder webs are stiffened above each of the columns. The base of each column is not the standard base related to the order; rather it is a variant of the attic base with an upper torus ringed with astragals and the lower torus, replaced by a plinth.

The roof trough construction method results in the subway cut roof being a different height beneath the roadway than in areas where utilities do not enter adjacent buildings. In the utility-free areas of the cut, generally beneath the sidewalk in the platform areas, the ceiling is approximately 15 feet above the platform and the sidewalk above is supported by tapered beams of concrete encasing steel I-sections. Most of the ceilings over the trackway are smooth, north of the control area on the Downtown platform, the ceiling is segmentally vaulted between encased beams, and I-beam columns augment the cast-iron Doric columns (found along the rest of the platforms) on both platforms.

The side walls of the station are of four-inch brick, separated by a one-inch air space from the outer structural walls. The platform walls largely retain the original white glass tile (ceramic tile is used for repairs) and decorative motifs in, terra cotta, faience and mosaic tile. Floors throughout are of three-inch thick graded concrete and cut into large squares. Tracks are constructed of broken stone ballast, timber cross ties and 100-pound rails. All ties are fitted with tie plates (www.nysubways.org).

Throughout the station there are unifying decorative elements that are remarkable for their material quality and level of craftsmanship including the faience plaques, decorative cornice frieze, Roman brick wainscoting and mosaic name tablets.

Downtown Platform

The platform walls are clad with buff-colored Roman brick wainscoting topped with a band of buff colored mosaic tile. At the far northern end of the station, the Roman brick has been replaced with a modern version of the same material. Also at the northern end of the platform, the Tuscan columns used to support the station ceiling have been supplemented with steel H-sections (Photo 1). White glazed wall tiles are relieved by two bands of beige mosaic tiles and glazed terra cotta friezes with periodic "145" escutcheon faience plaques (Photo 2). All but one of these panels and the frieze has been painted over with cream-colored paint. The frieze features a repeating, stylized tulip design. The lower beige mosaic band runs around a rectangular panel of gray-blue tiles located below each escutcheon panel. Mosaic name tablets spell out "145" St," on a field of blue tiles

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(Photo 3). They are surrounded by bands of mosaics sets with geometric and floral motifs in shades of blue, tan and white (Photo 4).

The control area is located centrally along this platform and is divided from the platform by a bank of modern turnstiles. A modern ticket booth is located along the west wall. Along the same west wall are a number of small enclosures, formerly public bathrooms that are now used as station department rooms (Photo 5). The words "MEN" and "WOMEN" are carved into the lintels above each door, which also feature a patera design in each corner (Photo 6). Additional lintel plaques remain at two tiled-over doors to the northwest and southwest staircase closets. The wall covering in the control area consists mainly of the original glass tile with some repairs. The plaster ceilings in this control area appear to have suffered heavy water damage. The paint is in very poor condition and the original ceiling bands commonly found throughout IRT stations are missing.

Continuing south along the platform, the wall decoration remains fairly intact, except for the southernmost "145" terra cotta escutcheon plaque, which is missing from this platform (Photo 7). Station rooms located at the far south ends of both platforms are enclosed with modern concrete block (and white glazed tile) walls.

Uptown Platform

The east platform, which is used by exiting passengers only, features low plastered ceilings along its length. There is an early, closet enclosure addition located along its northern half (which features walls clad with standard buff brick wainscoting and white glazed wall tile, and a mosaic band of red with beige edging at the ceiling). There is also a modern metal lubricator enclosure at the north end. The wall decoration on this platform is generally consistent with that found on the Downtown side. The control area has been fitted with a central storage and utility enclosure. There is a single exit turnstile located on the northern side of this enclosure and a high security gate to ensure a one way flow of traffic. The wall near the utility and storage rooms features a frieze band that is executed in mosaics instead of terra cotta.

The north and south passageways from the east platform to the street have suffered a significant loss of original wall tiles. They have been replaced, with modern ceramic tile that is noticeably different from the original.

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Stairwells and Exterior Elements

All four entrances have modern replacement sidewalks railings and handrails. The stairs that lead to the street have been lined with modern iron railings, constructed in a manner similar to the original IRT railings. Rows of small spikes line the top rail, and at each corner there are squared plinths, two of which support composite column/lampposts on either side of the entrance. Globe lights top each of the lampposts. Modern "Subway" plaques indicate the lines served by this station and are affixed to the sides and rear railing of the each stairwell. The glazed wall tiles have been stripped from the southwest entrance; and they are damaged and/or painted over at the other three entrances.

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8. Narrative Statement of Significance

As part of the Multiple Property Submission of the Historic Resources of the New York City Subway System, the 145th Street Subway Station (IRT), Lenox Avenue/White Plains Road Line, is significant under Criterion A in the areas of transportation, community planning and development, and social history. The station also meets Criterion C in the areas of engineering, architectural design, and art. The 145th Street Subway Station was constructed in 1904 and began operation that same year. The 145th Street Station retains a relatively high degree of integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. The early IRT stations, including 145th Street, are significant at the local and national levels.

William Barclay Parsons (1859-1902), a Columbia University-trained engineer, began to devise the plan for the creation of the subway system after he was named chief engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission in 1894. Although Parsons was not the first to utilize building techniques associated with underground rail construction, such as the cut-and-cover method, the early IRT system is undoubtedly one of the greatest public works projects ever undertaken.

The engineering and architecture of the early IRT stations was strictly divided between Parsons and the architectural firm he hired – Heins & LaFarge. While all of the structural elements were completed by Parsons, the architectural and artistic design of each station was left to George L. Heins and Christopher Grant LaFarge, a team already famous for the design of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in Manhattan and buildings at the New York Zoological Gardens in the Bronx. Heins & LaFarge drew on the ideas presented by the "City Beautiful" movement for their inspiration (HAER 1979:368). Proponents of the movement believed that by creating a beautiful municipality, its inhabitants would be inspired to a higher level of moral and civic virtue and the subway was to be no exception.

In 1891, the Report of the Rapid Transit Commissioners stated that every effort should be made "in the way of painting and decoration to give brightness and cheerfulness to the general effect" of the stations (in NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission, IRT Subway System Underground Interior Designation Report 1979: 4). Each IRT station had its own unique color scheme. In addition, each station had a repeated faience plaque that serves as a symbolic link between the station and the area above ground which it served. At 145th Street, the faience plaques are set with the numbers "145" in a blue field flanked by a pair of cornucopias.

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In the 145th Street Station, the high quality of the materials and the architectural detail are magnificent. Faience plaques, Roman brick wainscoting, ceramic cornices and mosaic tablets are still visible throughout the station. The 145th Street Station, as part of the original IRT subway system, displays high quality craftsmanship and architectural detail in addition to superior materials. Although the platforms have not been fully lengthened as was done at most other original IRT stations, some structural alterations were made over the years. Yet despite these alterations, the station still preserves many of its original features including the glazed terra cotta friezes and multi-color mosaic panels.

Contract 1 of the IRT system opened between 1904 and 1908 and followed a Z-shaped route from City Hall, up Lafayette Street and 4th Avenue to Grand Central, turning west on 42nd Street and then running north on Broadway. It branched at 96th Street with one fork – the Fort George branch – continuing up Broadway to 242nd Street in the Bronx and the other – the Bronx Park branch – running via Lenox Avenue, 149th Street and Westchester Avenue to 180th Street and Boston Road.

Opened on November 23, 1904, the 145th Street/Lenox Avenue Station is located on the Bronx Park Branch in the northern part of Harlem, near the 145th Street Bridge over the Harlem River to the Bronx. It was the terminus of the original Lenox Avenue branch of the Contract 1 IRT. The original plan for Lenox Avenue branch envisioned the northernmost station at 141st Street just before the line turned east under the Harlem River to the Bronx. That station was designed but never built. Instead it was decided to extend the Lenox Avenue line to a storage and maintenance yard at 148th Street and build the last station at 145th Street. Because it was impractical to extend the platforms at 145th Street for longer trains, a new terminal station was built in the yard (145th Street-Lenox Terminal) which opened on May 13, 1968. The IRT station became obsolete, but the community insisted that the 145th Street Station remain open. In addition to the adjacent 148th Street Yard (for many years the IRT's main maintenance facility), the station is adjacent to the 146th Street bus depot, originally an 1890-vintage car barn.

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10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the 145th Street Station (Lenox Avenue/White Plains Road Line) is shown as the bold line on the accompanying site plan entitled, "145^{at} Street, Station Plan, Lenox Avenue Line – IRT Division, 1998." The above-ground station boundaries are also shown on the accompanying location map entitled, "Harlem/Hamilton Heights, MTA, 1993." The designation for the 145th Street Station – Lenox/White Plains Road Line includes all portions of the station at track level that fall within the boundaries of the current platforms, control areas and exterior elements.

Boundary Justification

The boundaries for the 145th Street Station encompass the entire station. It retains its historic character and looks much as it did when built in 1904.

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- 1. Wall decoration at the northern end of the Downtown platform. View north.
- 2. Escutcheon plaque depicting "145" on Downtown platform. View west.
- 3. Station name tablet and modern wall tiling on Downtown platform. View northwest.
- 4. Name tablet, wall tile and top frieze, Downtown platform. View west.
- Wall cladding and former men's room door in Downtown control area. View northwest.
- 6. Carved lintel above former women's room. View west.
- 7. Southern end of Downtown platform. View south.

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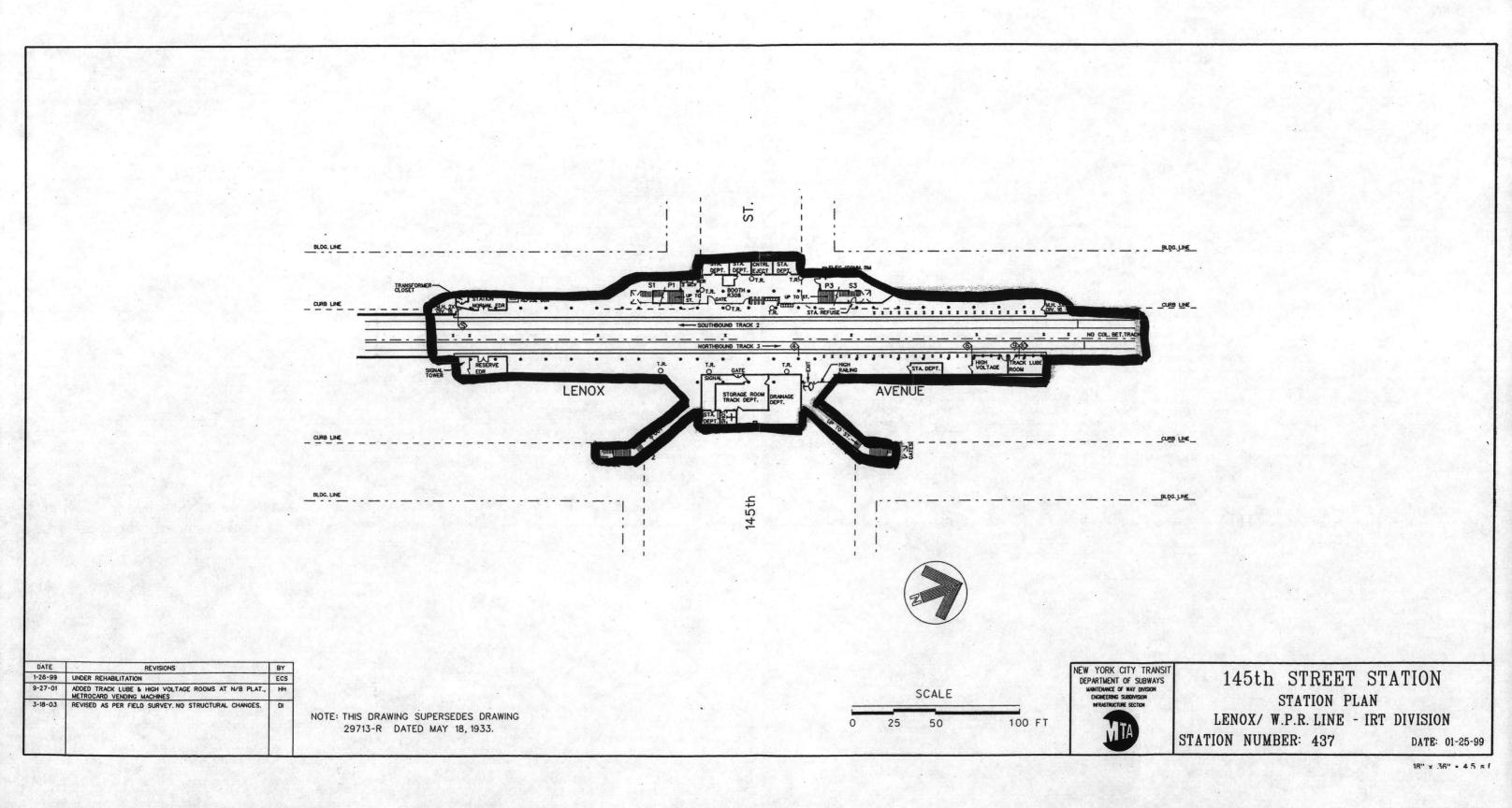


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Ms. Ruth Pierpont, Director
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Re:

The Historic Resources of the New York City Subway

System, various counties, New York

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

I write on behalf of Chair Robert B. Tierney in response to your request for comment on the eligibility of The Historic Resources of the New York City Subway System (a multiple property listing) and the individual subway stations nominated for the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

The Commission has reviewed the materials submitted by the Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau and believes that the subway stations at 28th Street, 145th Street, 168th Street, 181st Street, Chambers Street, West 28th Street, 86th Street, West 4th Street, 181st Street, and 190th Street in New York County, 242nd Street-Van Cortlandt Park, Westchester Square, Mosholu Parkway, and Pelham Parkway in Bronx County; and 45th Road-Court House Square in Queens County appear to meet the criteria for inclusion on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

Sincerely yours,

Ronda Wist

cc: Robert B. Tierney, Chair Mary Beth Betts