

James A. Stratton  
Chairperson

# COMMUNITY BOARD No. 1

CITY OF NEW YORK



Paul Goldstein  
District Manager

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF**  
**MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD #1**  
**HELD**  
**OCTOBER 11TH, 1988**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING**  
**22 READE STREET, SPECTOR HALL**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, James Stratton.

**Public Session:**

**Art Piccolo** - Bowling Green Association - made general comments on the Community Board process and suggested the Borough President should revitalize the process in regard to appointments to the Board. He pointed out that he and a number of people who were not appointed did not even receive acknowledgement of receipt of their applications.

**Rita Asen** - Cosmopolitan Symphony Orchestra - announced chamber music concerts planned for the Triplex Theater; information can be obtained by calling 873-7784.

**Jane Miller** - 66 East 83rd Street - A decendent of an original parishioner of St. Paul's Chapel spoke in opposition to the design for the building to be constructed on the "Kalikow Site" as incompatible with the landmark chapel.

**Janna Townsend** - Tribeca Task Force - Submitted a statement and and petition containing 500 signatures requesting that the appropriate Board committee develop a plan to address the impact of the development of sites 5B/5C.

**Susan Sonz** - Tribeca Task Force - Spoke in opposition to the development proposed for sites 5B/5C pointing out the need for a playground.

**Maria Weisbin** - Tribeca Task Force - Spoke in opposition to City-owned land being sold for the private development of towers which will block out the sun. Urged the Community Board to continue working for recreation space on lots 5B/5C, adopt the Task Force's resolution and make recommendations accordingly.

**Peter Ogilvie** - Tribeca Task Force - Spoke in opposition to Drexel's proposal for sites 5B/5C.

**John Scott** - Washington Market Park - Spoke in opposition to Drexel's proposed development of sites 5B/5C. Recommended that community organizations unite under the leadership of the Community Board to fight the proposal.

**John Ho** - 295 Greenwich Street - stated he selected to live in the area because of its low rise buildings and cultural atmosphere. He opposes the magnitude of the proposed tower and its impact on the neighborhood.

**Executive Session:**

The minutes of the monthly meeting held September 14, 1988 were adopted as presented.

**Reports of Elected Officials:**

**Stephanie Pinto** - Representative of Comptroller Harrison J. Goldin - Introduced herself and reported that her attendance at Board meetings has resulted in a good relationship between the Comptroller's Office and the Board.

**Cary Hoyt** - Representative of Congressman Ted Weiss - Reported the Congressman testified in opposition to the 55 White Street proposal.

**Mark Singer** - Representative for City Councilmember Miriam Friedlander - Introduced himself as the new liaison; he can be reached at 566-1324.

**Borough President's Report:**

Michael Kharfen distributed the monthly "By Line".

**District Manager's Report:**

Paul Goldstein reported on the following items:

- Playground at P.S. 234 - The Community Board is on record to keep the playground open. In response to the concerns of P.S. 234 and some parents, the school board will lock the yard on weekends and after school between November 15th - March 15th. The balance of the year it will be open until dusk and on weekends and will be closed by the Parks Department. After a one year trial, a final decision on keeping the yard open during the day throughout the year will be made.
- Both a crossing guard and a traffic agent are assigned to the Chambers/Greenwich Street intersection where the school is located.
- A City Council hearing on waterfront development with the Public Development Corporation is scheduled for October 12th and 13th.
- Renewal of franchise for Manhattan Cable TV; a hearing is scheduled for October 18th at Police Headquarters.

**Chairperson's Report:**

James Stratton announced that Kathryn Freed will be chairperson of the ad-hoc committee established to study the issue of development of sites 5B/5C. The Tribeca Task Force's resolution will be redirected from the Youth Committee to the ad-hoc committee because of the zoning issues

involved. The ULURP process has not yet begun. Community organization leadership is invited to a meeting on Monday in room 709 at 49 Chambers Street.

Testimony was presented at the Landmarks Preservation Commission's hearing regarding 55 White Street.

A resolution approving the District Budget Requests was approved by a vote of 27 in favor, 1 opposed and 3 abstentions after discussion and the adjustment of priorities to reflect the following:

1. Add as #18 to the Expense Budget: "Increase funding for existing cultural organizations".
2. Place item #12 Expense Budget: "Increase funding for AIDS programs" as the #3 priority; make the request for "10 clean team workers" as the #5 priority and place #15, the request for "5 parks workers" ahead of #6, the "request for Sunday and holiday street cleaning personnel".
3. Reverse the priority for item #3 and #7 (Capital Budget): making the "construction of a park on site 5C" a higher priority than "renovation of City Hall Park".

**NOTE: SEE RESOLUTIONS AT END OF MINUTES**

**Committee Reports:**

**Executive**

J. Stratton

Andrea Bloom presented "Bus Stop" an art piece designed with Dennis Adams proposed for installation as part of an exhibition "New Urban Landscape" at Battery Park City. This is the only artwork for temporary installation in the exhibit requiring a permit from a City agency. A resolution approving the installation was adopted 11 in favor, 3 opposed and 10 abstentions.

**Kalikow Site (Ad-Hoc)**

H. Bromm

A presentation on the proposed 28 story building was given by the architects. The community is concerned that the design calls for truck bays located across from St. Paul's Cemetery and three colors of painted metals and glass as construction materials. In addition to these concerns regarding the design of the building complimenting the landmark across from the site, others were raised regarding the impact of the shadows which will be cast on the cemetery/park and health and safety issues with regard to the already overcrowded Fulton Street subway station. An EIS will be issued when the proposal goes into ULURP process. The committee resolution opposing the proposal as presented was approved as amended by a vote of 27 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.

**Transportation and Uniformed Services**

A. Compoccia

Distributed information for study by the Board on the Westside Highway Replacement Roadway. Construction will not begin until at least 1992.

Three committee resolutions were approved by the Board regarding:

1. Reduction of privileged parking - 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.
2. Increase Traffic Agents - 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.
3. Endorsing legislation to address problems created by abandoned vehicles - 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

**Landmarks, Art & Cultural Affairs**

H. Bromm

The Board approved a committee resolution for the temporary installation of artwork at the Chambers Street subway station by a vote of 23 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstentions. The mural is a symbolic representation of the rich cultures predominant on the Lower East Side.

**Youth**

M. Edwards

Reported on the upcoming "Child Safety Workshop". The committee reviewed and endorsed the Tribeca Task Force's resolution regarding the proposed development of sites 5B/5C and has passed the resolution on to the ad-hoc committee because the proposal impacts the entire community not just its youth.

**Library**

R. Peracca

Reported that contributions amounting to \$2,000, donated by individuals, and \$135,000, donated by corporations, have been received. Plans call for the opening of the library in January or February.

**Social Services**

M. Flatley

Gave an update on the Drop-In-Center for the homeless at 38 Beaver Street. Negotiations to resolve outstanding safety and sanitation issues are underway to preclude any further court proceedings by CALM.

**Drexel Plaza Task Force**

K. Freed

The conceptual design of the plaza, preliminary shadow studies and the impact on Washington Market Park are under discussion by the committee. A meeting is scheduled for Monday evening; community organization leadership is invited to attend.

**Financial District**

J. Stratton

Presented a committee resolution opposing the installation of a sidewalk newsstand at the S/W/C of Fulton Street and Broadway. The resolution was approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 - MANHATTAN  
RESOLUTION

DATE: October 11, 1988

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE**

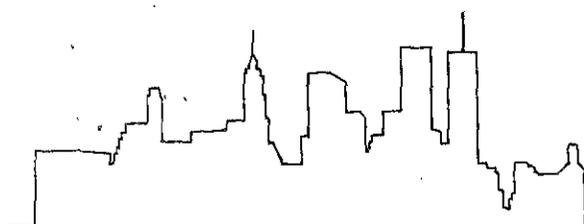
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| COMMITTEE VOTE:  | In Favor    | Opposed   | Abstained   |
| FULL BOARD VOTE: | 27 In Favor | 1 Opposed | 3 Abstained |

RE: **Budget Requests**

BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 approves the budget requests for our district as indicated on the attached handout.

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## FY 1990 BUDGET REQUESTS

### Capital

- 1) Construct a bus depot to store express and tour buses at Battery Garage
- 2) Redesign and renovate Battery Park
- 3) Construct park on Site 5C in the Washington Street Urban Renewal Area
- 4) Reconstruct John Street, Pearl Street, Fulton Street
- 5) Install sewers and sidewalks on Theatre Alley
- 6) Fund street resurfacing
- 7) Redesign and renovate City Hall Park
- 8) Rehabilitate Duane Street Park
- 9) Rehabilitate Pearl Street Park
- 10) Reconstruct Hudson Street
- 11) Rehabilitate vest pocket parks and traffic islands
- 12) Construct park on Peck Slip off South Street
- 13) Construct and install a swimming pool barge along pier near South Street Seaport (#15,16) or near Borough of Manhattan Community College (#25,26)
- 14) Construct new intermediate school
- 15) Rehabilitate 1st Police Precinct building
- 16) Purchase lift gate truck with tow-hitch for 1st Pct.
- 17) Purchase four 4, wheel drive trucks with plows (Sanitation)
- 18) Purchase 4 lawn mowers with plow and blower attachments
- 19) Purchase 3 radio patrol cars for 1st Pct.
- 20) Purchase pick-up trucks with plows (Parks)
- 21) Purchase 3 additional collection trucks (Sanitation)
- 22) Purchase 3 salt spreaders
- CS) Construct new public library branch
- CS) Provide area under FDR Drive for Seaport tour buses
- CS) Construct homeless drop-in-center
- CS) Reconstruct South Street

Expense

- 1) Add 20 traffic control (intersection) agents
- 2) Add 4 C-POP (foot patrol) officers for 1st Pct.
- 3) Increase funding for AIDS programs
- 4) Increase 1st Pct. personnel - all ranks
- 5) Add 10 clean team (Sanitation) workers who would also care for City-owned malls and plazas
- 6) Add 5 Parks workers
- 7) Add recreation workers for local parks
- 8) Provide workers and supervisors for Sunday and holiday street cleaning
- 9) Purchase books, furniture and hire staff for new library
- 10) Provide additional basket service
- 11) Purchase 300 new baskets
- 12) Provide additional personnel for DEP night-time enforcement squad
- 13) Increase 5th Pct personnel - all ranks
- 14) Increase Buildings Department personnel for inspection and enforcement
- 15) Increase personnel for DOT sign replacement crews
- 16) Fund sanitation enforcement for Sundays and holidays
- 17) Increase personnel for police peddler task-force
- 18) Increase funding for existing area City-funded Cultural programs

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