

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: RFP 1/Community Share**

**WHEREAS:** The Department of Youth Services RFP 1 grant category that included Evenings and Weekend and Fair Share allocations has just been changed in the following the ways: The name is changed to Community Share; there will be renewals, meaning if a group is reapplying they will have to fill out a new application; all contracts will be multi-year contracts of three years; there is a \$10,000 minimum on one year contracts, and

**WHEREAS:** The Community Board is concerned that with three year contracts, there will not be a sufficient process to ensure that the contracted programs are running the way they are intended, that the hours, types of activities, population being served and other aspects of the programs will not respond to the changing needs of the community, and

**WHEREAS:** The Community Board has often experienced that only during the RFP review process do organizations agree to Community Board recommendations, and

**WHEREAS:** The monitoring of agencies by the Department of Youth Services is in frequent, only monitors contract compliance, and can't require changes that will better serve a community they are unfamiliar with, and

**WHEREAS:** While the Community Board understands that the application, review and contract process is long, difficult and cumbersome for the contract agencies and that the multi-year contract would alleviate a lot of that work, the Community Board believes there are better ways to improve the process for the agencies, and

**WHEREAS:** The Community Board believes that setting a minimum grant amount will severely hinder small, grass root organizations which are often the most effective service providers and most in need of financial and technical assistance by the Department of Youth Services and the Community Board, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 opposes the DYS change to multi year contracts on the basis that it will make DYS and its contract agencies less responsive to community needs, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that DYS institute a shorter and simpler annual renewal application and process for existing programs which requires annual Community Board review; budget modification process likewise made simpler and fast, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 opposes any minimum dollar amount for grant allocations because it discriminates against small organization and projects which are important to communities.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	20 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE:                   **421(a) Tax Exemptions**

WHEREAS:           The 421(a) tax exemption program was established to encourage housing to be built in areas where it was felt residential units were needed but would otherwise not have been built, and

WHEREAS:           Under 421(a), as a trade off for the tax exemption the residential rental units had certain central increase and renewal limitations which were to benefit the tenants in these buildings, however co-ops and condos are exempt from these limitations, and

WHEREAS:           In this time of high deficits the City and State can ill-afford to forgo any revenues, and tax exemptions should only be extended to reach a necessary goal of the City and State and not as a "gift" to luxury developments which happen to qualify due to a geographic "glitch", now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT:                CB #1 opposes the granting of 421(a) tax exemptions to luxury housing developments in BPCA as not in keeping with the spirit of the establishment of these tax exemptions, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT:                CB #1 is especially opposed to the extending of the time limits under which such projects can qualify for 421(a) tax exemptions in BPCA area.

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Date: February 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION & UNIFORMED SERVICES**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	19 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: **NYCTA-Proposed Changes in Bus and Subway Service**

WHEREAS: The New York City Transit Authority (NYCTA) is proposing "certain areas in which costs can be reduced and services made more efficient" including: bus service reductions, subway service changes, "auxiliary" token booth closings and on-board subway fare collection, and

WHEREAS: The proposed changes, as published, are void of information of any substance which afford other than cursory analysis and little ability to comment intelligently including:

- The number of fares currently collected both at on peak and off peak periods at "primary" and "auxiliary" token booths
- Actions the TA has taken to absorb the deficit in its FY' 91 operating budget through the reduction of top-level staff at its headquarters; specifically, how many management/sub-management positions have been eliminated (or added) as of July 1, 1990?, and

WHEREAS: The proposal for on-board fare collections introduces a safety concern in that it would leave a conductor collecting fares open to the danger of being robbed, and

WHEREAS: Particularly troublesome is the proposal to eliminate the **M-15 (Park Row Branch)** on weekends thereby seriously inconveniencing passengers bound for, and impacting negatively the economy of merchants along Park Row, Chambers St., Broadway, Church St., and the Nassau Street Mall; area residents and students at Pace University and the Borough of Manhattan Community College, and

WHEREAS: For the MTA to allow speakers at its public hearing only 5 minutes to comment on changes of such magnitude and potential impact is preposterous, and leaves at least the perception that the proposals are already "written in stone"; thus making the public hearing little more than a travesty, now

THEREFORE

BE IT  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

In light of the above, CB #1 calls on the MTA to:

1. Postpone the scheduled February 19, 1991 public hearing on proposed service changes until it has supplied the public with the information, including but not limited to, that in the second **whereas** clause, above
2. On the date that the public hearing is rescheduled extend the 5 minute per speaker comment time sufficiently so as to allow sufficient time to address concerns diligently and thoroughly
3. Not proceed with its proposal to eliminate weekend service on the **M-15 (Park Row)** bus route.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	18 In Favor	2 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: **428-430 Washington Street**

WHEREAS: The applicant has applied for an enlargement of the loft building at 428-430 Washington St., which is not in the proposed landmark district, and which has a certificate of occupancy as a Joint Living-Working Quarters for Artists, and

WHEREAS: The sole occupants of the building are the owner and his family, and the vast majority of the current floor space is used as studio space for painting, sculpture, and other media, and

WHEREAS: The additional floor area would be used as studio space, and

WHEREAS: The enlargement would leave the building with substantially less floor area than is permitted by the zoning, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 supports the application put forth by the owners of 428-430 Washington Street and now before the BSA for a residential enlargement, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 requests that the owner bring plans for the enlargement to the Community Board for comment when they are available in greater detail.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	22 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: **137 Franklin Street (Dennises' Restaurant)**

WHEREAS: The owner of Dennises' Restaurant has applied for renewal of the permit for their enclosed sidewalk cafe, and

WHEREAS: The enclosure has been in existence for more than a decade, and there have been no complaints either about its placement or the conduct of business of the restaurant, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 has no objection to renewal of the enclosed sidewalk cafe for 137 Franklin Street permit.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	13 In Favor	1 Opposed	8 Abstained

RE: **25 Hudson Street (Les Poulets Restaurant)**

WHEREAS: The owner of Les Poulets at 25 Hudson St., has applied for a Cabaret License for the approx. 10,000 sq. foot restaurant, seeking the license as a means of rejuvenating a business which might otherwise go under, and

WHEREAS: The owner promises that the cabaret portion of the business would be carefully managed and would not attract rowdy customers, and would likely be restricted to a small area of the restaurant, and

WHEREAS: The basement space at 21 Hudson St., which is the same building, has a long history of cabaret-type operations which have been public nuisances to its commercial and residential neighbors, and

WHEREAS: There is no guarantee that a Cabaret License would save the current business, nor that future owners of the restaurant space would adhere to the careful management and proper restrictions promised by the current owner, and

WHEREAS: Despite the large space the permitted number of patrons is relatively small, because access is only through one set of doors; a Cabaret Licence, therefore, is certain to bring pressure on the owners to increase patronage by altering the facade to include new doors to a building which is in the middle of proposed landmark district, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 opposes granting of a Cabaret License at 25 Hudson Street.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	20 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE:                   **Agency Reconfiguration**

WHEREAS:           During the last election voters approved a new City Charter which provided that the Landmarks Preservation Commission become an independent agency, and

WHEREAS:           During the last 25 years, the Landmarks Preservation Commission has been of enormous benefit to the City by recognizing the intrinsic value of New York City's past and honoring this past according to the mandate of the Landmarks Law, has given our City a sense of place, a sense of history, and a sense of pride, while providing the City and its many hospitality related businesses with an unequalled tourist attraction, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:                CB #1 requests that the Office of the Mayor publicly withdraw the proposal to "reconfigure" the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	20 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: Zoning and Historic Districts**

**WHEREAS:** The Municipal Art Society's Planning Center has prepared a study of zoning in and around historic districts, and

**WHEREAS:** The report describes how the application of zoning mechanisms can result in new buildings whose shape and bulk echo and enhance the adjacent districts, while the new construction, in turn, gains value from the context of its distinguished surroundings, and

**WHEREAS:** This study calls for New York City to give greater protection to the 53 historic districts while simultaneously encouraging as-of-right development through a more predictable and rapid review process for new construction in and around these landmark districts, now

**THEREFORE**

**BE IT**

**RESOLVED**

**THAT:** CB #1 endorses the Planning Center's enlightened report and urges the City Planning Commission to work toward the recommendations contained within it, by reinforcing policy links between the preservation of historic districts and the planning of new construction, and

**BE IT**

**FURTHER**

**RESOLVED**

**THAT:** CB #1 commends the Municipal Art Society for its foresight in the area of urban planning, and its devotion to the course of intelligent growth in our great city.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	23 In Favor	3 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: **P.S. 234 Flea Market**

WHEREAS: The PTA of PS 234 is seeking to establish a flea market in their school yard to raise funds to supplement school staff due to present and anticipated budget cutbacks, and

WHEREAS: The flea market will occupy the school yard every Saturday throughout the year, and

WHEREAS: In order to do this they need to follow precise guidelines specified by the Chancellor's Office which includes issuing a School District approved RFP for a manager to run the market, and

WHEREAS: School District #2, in which PS 234 is located, requests Community Board approval of the proposal, and

WHEREAS: The Community Board is sympathetic to the school's needs to replace needed staff and services and supports their efforts to raise funds to do this, but has some concerns about the flea market's impact on the community, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 has had negative experiences with local flea markets, due to noise, security, inadequate supervision, dangerous and inappropriate merchandise being sold, litter, garbage and unwanted congestion, and

WHEREAS: The Community Board is also greatly concerned that the flea market will be displacing recreation space in the school yard, and

WHEREAS: There is considerable objection to the sale of food at the flea market due to the litter problem and because the Greenmarket already sells baked goods, preserves, fruits, etc. across the street on Saturdays, and

WHEREAS: The PS 234 principal and PTA have agreed to include specific language in their RFP that forbids the sale of all food, forbids the sale of sound equipment and weapons, operates between 10 AM and 6 PM or dusk whichever comes first, requires prompt garbage and litter removal from the school and yard area and requires a minimum of two security personnel, and

WHEREAS: School District #2, the principal of PS 234 and its PTA have agreed to open the school yard to the community year round on weekdays afterschool and all day on Sundays and holidays until dusk for community recreation, and

WHEREAS: They have also agreed to make the School building available to free supervised community recreation programs with no opening fee charges if the flea market decides to open the school for its use, and

WHEREAS: Any changes in the status of the schoolyard (i.e. keeping it open for community recreation) necessitated by security or other problems would only be undertaken after review by CB #1 and the 1st PCT, and

WHEREAS: The principal of PS 234 and its PTA have agreed to include a representative of CB #1 on the committee that chooses and oversees the manager of the flea market and to consult CB #1 with any changes in the nature or operation of the flea market, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 supports the establishment of a flea market in the PS 234 schoolyard as per the agreements stipulated.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	16 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE:                   **Liberty Pavillion**

BE IT  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 approves the temporary installation of "Liberty Pavillion" by artists David Schafer and Jeffrey Cole which will be sponsored by the Public Art Fund and installed in City Hall Park from April 1st through October 1st, 1991.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: HOUSING**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	14 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: **Expanded Criteria For SROs**

WHEREAS: Homelessness among single men and women in this City is a persisting crisis, and

WHEREAS: Many homeless individuals refuse to enter the public emergency shelter system due to conditions therein, and

WHEREAS: Homeless individuals are a heterogeneous group who include people in the streets and stations, battered women, graduates of drug rehabilitation programs, and countless others on marginal incomes--all who have no affordable and decent housing options accessible to them, and

WHEREAS: Many non-profit agencies, aided by city funding, are working to preserve and expand SROs as a cost-effective and permanent housing resource, often complemented by supportive services, and

WHEREAS: SRO housing has historically been a resource to an integrated, low income population, and

WHEREAS: Many non-profit SRO sponsors seek to be responsive to the realities of homelessness in their own communities while also serving as a resource to persons in the public shelters, and

WHEREAS: Neighborhoods will be more supportive of permanent homeless housing initiatives which afforded equal access to homeless individuals in these same communities, and

WHEREAS: HRA/HPD policies regarding projects housing homeless families were reformed to extend equal access by families from the community on similar merits, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 urges that the 85-15 HRA/HPD restriction on SRO projects be rescinded

and its narrow target eligibility criteria be revoked, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

We firmly endorse the position that all existing publicly supported SRO projects in Manhattan be authorized by HRA and HPD to extend equal access to homeless people not in the shelter system, specifically that, 50% of the units which become vacant in these projects be made accessible to homeless and low-income people in the larger community, and that no less than 50% of the units remain reserved for referrals from HRA's system; and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

The criteria required within the 50% HRA referrals be widely expanded to include; persons residing in shelters for more than two years, persons in shelters with physical disabilities, persons in shelters with chronic health problems, marginally employed men and women unable to afforded market rents and residing in the shelter system, and other obviously deserving categories, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

Homeless mentally ill persons in communities and from the HRA system placed into SROs be provided with adequately funded social and mental health services to meet their special needs, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

All future SRO projects proposed to be developed and managed by non-profit groups within our Community Board boundaries be authorized, though not obligated, to extend 50-50 access.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: HOUSING**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	13 In Favor	1 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: **Mitchell-Lama Rent Increase Deliberations**

WHEREAS: The primary purpose of the Mitchell-Lama program is to provide housing to those not able to afford market rates, and

WHEREAS: Since tenants in Mitchell-Lama developments pay either 30% of their gross income or the base rent, whichever is higher, and increase is born by those who are already paying higher than 30% of their income, and

WHEREAS: This results in a burden inequitably distributed to those most heavily burdened already, and

WHEREAS: Current hearing procedures only consider the financial plight of the owner, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 urges that, in any rent-increase deliberation, management be required to submit an impact statement, which analyzes the economic effect of the increase on the tenants, and the percentage of their income which goes toward rent, and that this data becomes and integral part of the deliberations, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: There be an emergency fund established so that if a tenant is so severely disadvantaged as a result of the increase that he/she would be otherwise forced to move, the sponsoring agency will intervene to prevent displacement.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	24 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE:                   **CB #1 Comment on the Citywide Statement of Needs - FYs '92 & 93**

BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:                **CB #1 endorses the following as its comment on the Citywide Statement of Needs:**

I.    Response to Proposed City Facilities:

1.    DEP - Proposed Sites for City Water Tunnel #3 (p. 75)

- a.    Hubert St. and Hudson St.
- b.    Block (98) bounded by Peck Slip, Water St., Beekman St., and Pearl St.

CB #1 endorses the sites selected for the proposed water tunnel shafts and urges that the City give this important facility a high priority.

II.   Facilities Recommended by CB #1:

1.    DPR - Four New Neighborhood Parks/Playgrounds (p. 106)

Because the development of parks and active recreation space has been among its top Capital Budget requests for many years, and because the this community undeniably meets all of the siting criteria as established by the DPR, namely:

- Low per capita parkland ratio in area to be served
- Proximity to residential community
- Cleared, flat land of a size and configuration suitable for development of standard recreational facilities
- Adequate access for DPR maintenance and operation crews

CB #1 demands that it be added to the list of proposed locations.

2.    DOT - Construct Lower Manhattan Bus Distribution Facility (Refer also to CB #1 FY '92 Capital Budget requests, tracking code 3018803 A.)

According to a May 1988 report by DOT, 725 express buses enter Lower Manhattan daily. The study projects up to 925 buses by 1995 and 1165 by 2005. In addition, hundreds of tour buses enter the district every day. These buses already contribute significantly to traffic congestion and pose serious pedestrian hazards. Many of these buses currently lay over along West St. When the reconstruction of West St. (Route 9A) begins, this area will no longer be available for this purpose. CB #1 strongly endorses the conclusion of the DOT report which recommends the creation of a passenger terminal with bus storage facilities at the current Battery Parking Garage site.

### 3. BDED - **Construct New Elementary School**

Independence School, PS 234 moved to its newly constructed facility in September 1988. When planned it was expected to accommodate the elementary education needs of the growing population in Lower Manhattan well into the next century. By Fall 1990, however, the school had already reached its capacity of 571 students. The Tribeca community continues to grow, the opening of residential buildings in BPC continues; the population there is projected to reach 22,200 by the year 2009. Lower Manhattan, therefore, is already in need of a new elementary school, and with each succeeding year the demand will increase. This need is uniformly recognized by the community and its leaders, the PS 234 principal, its staff and parents of students and by Community School Board #2.

### 4. HRA - **New Supported Housing for People with AIDS** (p. 45)

Recognizing that no community in New York City is free of the ravages of AIDS, CB #1 expresses its early interest in developing such housing within the district. The City's "Proposed Process" for its **Five Year Plan For Homeless Adults Siting Initiative** seems an appropriate context in which to explore this possibility.

### 5. HRA - **Drop-in Center for the Homeless**

The homeless population within the district continues to grow. John Heuss House, a drop-in center for the homeless at 42 Beaver St. operates at capacity during the Winter and serves a specialized target population, the mentally ill homeless. Some preliminary discussions warrant the exploration of the need perhaps to create another drop-in center, presumably for a wider population of homeless than that served by Heuss House, and in the part of the district above Fulton St.

## Citywide Statement of Needs - FYs '92 & 93

Facilities identified for CB #1 but not commented on in CB #1 response:

### DOH

- **New Agency Headquarters** (p. 16) to consolidate operations currently at 6 other Lower Manhattan locations and 1 in Brooklyn. No site specified.
- **New Office for Prison Health Services** (p. 17) (administrative office only) Site in CB #1, 2 or 3.

### HRA

- **Replacement of Senior Citizen Center** (p. 36) Site in CB #1 or 3 (to replace City Hall Senior Center in temporary operation at 253 Broadway) after April 1992.

### HRA

- **Proposed lease of 41,000 sq. ft. of office space at 110 Washington St.** (S/W/C Carlisle St.) to serve as a field office for Protective Services staff who investigate child abuse and neglect and who provide preventive services. This space would replace offices being vacated at 80 Lafayette and 346 Broadway.
- **Replacement of Administrative Food Stamp Office** (p. 50) Site CB #1 (to replace office at 253 Broadway)
- **Expansion of Legal Affairs Central Office** (p. 52) Additional space is needed.

### DGS

- **New Court Facility** (p. 117) Manhattan facility: 101 Centre St. Description: 55 new court parts, plus offices for courts and city agencies

### HPD

- **Replacement Administrative Office** (p. 147) Site in CB #1, not identified.

### Mayor's Office of Operations

- **Replacement Office Space** (p. 150) Site in CB #1, not identified; to consolidate offices at 3 current CB #1 locations

### New York City Loft Board

- **Replacement of Office Space** Site in CB #1 to replace current offices at 116 Nassau St.

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BOARD VOTE:	24 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE:                   **CB #1 Statement on the FY '92 Preliminary Budget**

BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:               CB #1 endorses following as its comment on the needs of CB #1 in response to the FY 1992 Preliminary Budget:

**Capital:**

1. ECD/PDC - Construct **Permanent Park on Remainder of Site 5C and Site 5B of the WSURA** (tracking code: 301890A) Note: See additional and new justification **Citywide Statement of Needs - FYs '92 & '93**, (DPR) p. 106.
2. DOT - **Construct Lower Manhattan Bus Distribution Facility** (tracking code 3018803 A). 725 express buses enter Lower Manhattan daily; that number will grow to 925 by 1995 and 1165 by 2005. Many of these buses lay over along West St. This area, however, will no longer be available once the reconstruction of West St. (Route 9A) begins.
3. DOT - Reconstruct and rehabilitate NYC bridges over rivers and railroads tracks.
4. DPR/DOT - Reinststate **Greenstreets Program** to renovate and "green" nest pocket parks and traffic triangles in Lower Manhattan (tracking code 3018905 A)

**Expense:**

1. DFTA - Reinststate funds for **senior center recreation programs at SBT and IPN** in the current fiscal year and fund in FY '92.
2. HRA - Fund **John Heuss House**, drop-in center for the homeless, at least at the FY '91 level.
3. NYPL - **Fund New Amsterdam Branch Library** to allow it to operate 5 days per week. (14 of 20 Manhattan Branch libraries open 5 da./wk. have lower circulation figures than NAB Library.
4. DFY - Fund **Youth Coordinator** positions for all CB's.
5. DOS - Restore **Clean Team** in CB #1 which is the location of several tourist attractions

including: Battery Park, Wall St., Battery Park City, South Street Seaport, City Hall and the Civic Center.

6. DOS - Restore **household collections** to 5 times per week.
7. DCA - Fund **Lower Manhattan Arts organizations** in proportion to their contribution to the City's artistic expression and economy (tracking code 3019201 E)
8. DOT - Fund 20 additional **Traffic Control Agents** for Lower Manhattan (tracking code 3019009 E)
9. DMH - Fund part-time staff psychiatrist for **John Heuss House** (tracking code 3019202 E) for the remainder of FY '91 and in FY '92.
10. DCA & NYPD - Fund **enforcement agents and Peddlers Taskforce** to control siting of illegal peddler stands and removal of illegal peddlers.
11. OMB - Fund Community Board to hire a **planner**, as authorized in new City Charter revisions, to develop community-sponsored **197-a Plans**.

#### **Recommendations to NYC Government For Ways of Reducing The Budget Deficit:**

1. In contract negotiations aim to reduce the rigidity of tasks employees are able to perform under excessively rigid job titles. This aberration does not allow the City the flexibility needed - particularly in times of economic distress - to allocate scarce personnel to accomplish work that is essential. This practice, which allows custodians virtual control of schools and authorizes some Traffic Enforcement Agents (TEAs) to write summons while others cannot, promotes inefficiency and discourages employee initiative.
2. The City should convert to a fully automated mailing system which, according to U.S. Postal Service officials, would have saved the city 2-3 cents per First Class letter even before the recent postage rate increase. The cost of such conversion would be at the Post Office's not the City's expense.
3. Mayoral as well as other City entities (City Council, Comptroller, Borough Presidents', etc.) should eliminate newsletters and other non-mandated internal and external publications as their production and mailing costs are extensive. CB #1 believes that City residents would rather see the direct results of scarce dollars in programs and services than be told in publications what is being done for them by the City.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE:                   **Section 197-a Plans**

WHEREAS:           The City will soon issue proposed regulations on Section 197-a of the City Charter governing community-initiated plans--as called for under the recent Charter revisions, and

WHEREAS:           Section 197-a permits a community board to create and adopt a plan that will be a guide for future planning and development in a neighborhood, and

WHEREAS:           A coalition of groups is seeking to seize the initiative and propose measures that will facilitate community-based planning to the greatest extent possible. The goal of this effort is to place community board/civic concerns before the City Planning Commission, in advance of their adopting regulations. The coalition includes representatives of the Consumer-Farmer Foundation, New York Lawyers for the Public Interest Charter Rights Project, the Municipal Art Society and members of Community Boards who are actively pursuing community-based plans under Section 197-a, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 endorses the efforts of the 197-a coalition to create a set of guidelines which is not cumbersome and is conducive to the drafting and implementation of community-based 197-a plans.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	20 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: Proposed Stone Street Historic Districts**

**WHEREAS:** The proposed Stone Street Historic District includes 15 buildings dating from the late 1830s, and these low-scaled buildings form a rare surviving cluster of early commercial structures and an enclave distinct from the surrounding skyscrapers of the Financial District, and

**WHEREAS:** The uniformity of the district is owed to the Great Fire of 1835 which leveled most of Lower Manhattan south of Wall St., and the post-fire replacement buildings under consideration are brick-faced with simple lintels, sills and cornices, and of particular distinction are the surviving Greek Revival style storefronts, and

**WHEREAS:** Also included in the district is the India House, built in 1852-53 as Hanover Bank, and already a designated NYC Landmark, and

**WHEREAS:** All of the streets defining the district including Pearl, South William, Stone, William and Hanover Square, Coenties Alley and Mill Lane are narrow and curved and help create picturesque vistas and a sense of place, and are part of the designated Street Plan of New Amsterdam and Colonial New York, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** CB #1 heartily recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission designate the Stone Street Historic District.

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	2 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	13 In Favor	4 Opposed	2 Abstained

RE:                   **99 Battery Park Place**

WHEREAS:           The owners of 99 Battery Park Place have submitted an application for a 421-a partial tax exemption, and

WHEREAS:           The application appears to be in compliance with all regulations governing such 421-a tax exemptions, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:                CB #1 recommends that the 421-a partial tax exemption application for 99 Battery Park Place be approved.

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	2 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	13 In Favor	4 Opposed	2 Abstained

RE:                   **Site 11, Battery Park City**

WHEREAS:           The owners of Site 11, Battery Park City have submitted an application for a 421-a partial tax exemption, and

WHEREAS:           The application appears to be in compliance with all regulations governing such 421-a tax exemptions, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:                CB #1 recommends that the 421-a partial tax exemption application for Site 11, Battery Park City be approved.

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE**

BOARD VOTE:                28 In Favor                1 Opposed                1 Abstained

RE:                        **Stuyvesant Pedestrian Bridge**

**C 910174 HDM**  
**C 900600 HUM**  
**C 900416 GFM**

WHEREAS:                The BPCA has brought forth a proposal to create a pedestrian bridge across West St. at Chambers St. intended to serve both students of the new Stuyvesant High School and other residents and pedestrians, and

WHEREAS:                At the request of CB #1, the BPCA hired a consultant to redesign the at-grade crossing at this intersection in consultation with the Community Board, Board of Education, Stuyvesant Coalition and the Borough President's Office, and this proposal is now being reviewed by the NYC-Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS:                Many design and operational concerns raised by the Board regarding the bridge have now been properly addressed by the BPCA, Board of Education, and City of New York, and

WHEREAS:                CB #1 appreciates the efforts made by the BPCA and the Manhattan Borough President's Office to resolve these concerns, and

WHEREAS:                The tentative agreement reached by the City, BPCA and the Board of Education provides that the pedestrian bridge be open 7 AM-10 PM on school days and 9 AM - 5 PM on weekends and that the bridge be closed at other times including school holidays, and

WHEREAS:                CB #1 feels that any bridge built at this site should serve the needs of all residents and pedestrians and not be scheduled only to accommodate the needs of Stuyvesant High School students, and

WHEREAS:                Many children from Tribeca and elsewhere will utilize the bridge to cross West St. on weekends to reach the North Park and the bridge should be open until dusk to serve their needs, and

WHEREAS:                The BPCA has agreed to lobby on behalf of keeping the bridge open everyday until dusk, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 is still awaiting word from the NYC Department of Transportation regarding the status and timetable for redesigning the West St/Chambers St intersection and at-grade crossing, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 acknowledges that the BPCA and others have taken major strides towards accommodating our concerns regarding the proposed pedestrian bridge and recommends that the three pending ULURP applications be approved, but only if the City, BPCA and the Board of Education agree to a revised schedule for the bridge which insures that it is open 7 AM until dusk 365 days per year, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 insists that the DOT and BPCA provide us with a status report and a commitment that the improved at-grade crossing to insure the safety at Chambers St. and West St. will be fully approved and implemented prior to the Spring of 1992.

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WATERFRONT & ENVIRONMENT**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	19 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: **The Closing of Marine Fire Companies**

WHEREAS: The city proposed to close Marine Fire Company 2 at the foot of Bloomfield Street in Greenwich Village, and

WHEREAS: The City has also closed the Marine Fire Company at Pier A at the foot of Battery Park and Battery Park City, and

WHEREAS: The only remaining fire boat to service the entire West Side of Manhattan is the Harvey at Marine Fire Company 2 and its removal leaves the West Side open to loss of life and property with the potential damage from a single fire easily exceeding the estimated budgetary savings of \$1.2 million, and

WHEREAS: The only remaining fire companies are scattered and will be located at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Randall's Island and Staten Island, vastly extending possible answering time to call to a fire on the West Side, which will, as the US Coast Guard has stated "critically reduce the response time to major harbor disasters and increase the possibility for a major catastrophe", and

WHEREAS: The Harvey was the closest source of protection for the West Side piers, the Holland Tunnel vent and emergency exits, pier 40 and the Bibby Venture, the mid-town passenger and tour boat piers, the trans-Hudson ferry systems and all other West Side waterfront facilities, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 opposes the closing of Marine Fire Company 2 and the removal of the Harvey and considers this to be an unacceptable risk to lives and property on Manhattan's West Side and for New York Harbor as a whole, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 opposes any further reduction in Marine Fire Companies and urges that the City find alternative funding to keep Marine Fire Company 2 and the Harvey open and operative, including the possibility of funding from the Port Authority which depends heavily on these companies for protection.

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

FEBRUARY 14, 1991

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WATERFRONT & ENVIRONMENT**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	19 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: Expenditure from Special account for the maintenance of the West Side Piers**

**WHEREAS:** CB #1 previously requested information on the special Interstate Transfer Account created by the Federal Highway Administration into which the Federal percentage of revenues collected from leases along the old Westway Right of Way were deposited, and

**WHEREAS:** It appears that some \$8 million were in the fund as of November 1990, and

**WHEREAS:** These funds are being deposited into this account specifically for the maintenance, safety and preservation, including the preservation of the revenue stream, of these piers, and

**WHEREAS:** All of the West Side Piers are in various stages of deterioration, and especially Piers 25 and 26 in CB #1, both of which are revenue producing, are in need of an infusion of funds to maintain them and to prevent further deterioration and this is especially important now since the River Project, which CB #1 supports, has been told it will have to curtail its community uses due to the unsafe areas around the edges of the pier, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** CB #1 calls upon the State Department of Transportation to immediately make whatever application is necessary to the Federal Highway Administration in order to use these existing funds and to use whatever other funds are available to prevent the further deterioration of our piers and to provide for the maintenance and upkeep of these piers, and

**BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** CB #1 calls upon the Federal Highway Administration to immediately free these funds for the express purpose of the prevention of deterioration and for the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of these piers, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

CB #1 calls upon all of the West Side Community Boards and all elected officials to immediately press for the immediate use of these funds for the prevention of further deterioration and the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of these piers.