

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 1996

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: 71-75 Worth Street, ULURP #C950301 PQM

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that the City Planning Commission approve the application by the Public Administrator for the acquisition of property located at 71-75 Worth Street for use as an auction house.

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RE: Siting of River Project trailer

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 approves the siting of The River Project trailer for a period of 2 years with the provision that it be sited as far north as is practical replacing River Project's current storage vehicle which shall be removed.

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BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: Community Board #1 parking regulations

WHEREAS: Parking signs in CB #1 were recently changed without notice to or consultation with residents, businesses or CB #1, resulting in additional "privileged" parking for City agencies, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 is on record in opposition to government agencies designating accessory on-street parking or privileges not available to the general public, except for parking for people with disabilities and for emergency service vehicles as defined in the NYS Motor Vehicle Law, and

WHEREAS: Despite CB #1's request that government agencies cease and desist from the practice of privileged parking, the City has increased the number of spaces and times available only to those who hold government agency parking permits, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 requests immediate changes to on-street parking regulations that would permit on-street parking for CB #1 residents

- on weekends (all day Saturday and Sunday)
- on all legal holidays
- after 6 PM on weekdays, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 requests that the Department of Transportation and CB #1 should jointly undertake a survey to ascertain and develop a plan and additional changes in parking regulations to meet the current and future parking needs of residents and businesses in CB #1, especially in regards to family and commercial uses (i.e., picking up children after school; making sure streets can be cleaned regularly; loading and unloading; maintenance and repair etc.) and develop a plan for community review that would equitably address the needs of all interested parties - those who live, work and do business in the neighborhood; those who drive and

those who don't; those who bring their children to the neighborhood schools etc. - without adding to traffic congestion, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: Regulations governing on-street parking should be reviewed and enforced to:

- ensure that parking permits are assigned only to those with documented, legitimate need;
- verify that only those to whom permits have been assigned use those permits in appropriately authorized vehicles]
- issue citations to permit holders who park in a non-authorized zone or for a period longer than three hours
- make sure bus stops are clear, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: The City explore options other than on-street parking for meeting the needs of government employees whose jobs require them to have access to and use of a private vehicle during the day, and that it not be done at the expense others living and working in this growing, dynamic neighborhood.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	24 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: Atalanta Building, 25 N. Moore St., ULURP #C960238ZSM

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that the City Planning Commission approve the application by the Landmarks Preservation Commission on behalf of the Atalanta Corp. for the granting of a special permit to allow:

- loft dwellings below the floor level of the third story
- Use Group 6 uses on the ground floor
- loft dwellings in a building with a lot coverage greater than 5000 square feet

in order to permit the conversion of an existing 16-story building into 74 loft dwelling units, with retail uses on the ground floor and in the cellar.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT/ARTS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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

RE: "LUNCH BOAT" Excursion from Battery Park

WHEREAS: The New York Department of Parks and Recreation has issued a request for proposals for the operation of boat ride excursions from Battery Park during lunch hours, and

WHEREAS: A similar lunch time excursion was operated during the summer of 1995, and was very well received, and

WHEREAS: This type of Lunch Boat excursion is consistent with the water borne activities the community has consistently supported, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 enthusiastically supports the granting of a franchise for a Lunch Time excursion boat from Battery Park.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	15 In Favor	0 Opposed	10 Abstained

RE: Plaza Zoning Text Amendment

WHEREAS: The City Planning Commission has proposed a modification to the zoning resolution text relating to unenclosed plaza standards and procedures for authorization for plaza closings, and

WHEREAS: We believe the standards for plaza design should be clarified and upgraded, and

WHEREAS: We believe the procedures for seeking and receiving permission to close plazas at certain times should require clearly defined steps and findings, and

WHEREAS: The procedures require community board consultation in each instance, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 is in support of the proposal to modify the text of the zoning resolution relating to plaza design standards and closings.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: SEAPORT/CIVIC CENTER

COMMITTEE VOTE: 3 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE: *HELD OVER*

RE: "J & R Row"

WHEREAS: J & R Music World, in conjunction with their 25th anniversary, would like to co-name Park Row between Beekman and Ann Streets "J & R Row" for a one year period, and

WHEREAS: J & R has offered to make a cash and product contribution to Manhattan Youth Recreation and Resources, our local youth program, which has seen its City funding drastically reduced in recent years, and

WHEREAS: CB #1 approved the co-naming of Park Place and Broadway as "Monopoly Corner" in 1994 under a similar arrangement, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 approves the co-naming of Park Row between Beekman and Ann Streets as "J & R Row" for a one year period provided that J & R agrees to retain the historic building facades at 1-3 Park Row as previously requested by CB # 1 and many other organizations.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: Taxi Stands at the South Street Seaport

WHEREAS: CB #1 is interested in providing improved taxi service to both neighborhood residents and visitors, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that the City establish medallion taxi stands to provide spaces for ten on-duty cabs on:

- the east side of South Street south of Fulton Street
- the east side of Water Street south of Fulton Street and extending to the first parking meter

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BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: Nassau Street Parking

WHEREAS: Local residents of Nassau St. have approached CB #1 to address their needs to legally access their curbside space to load and unload their automobiles, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that the Department of Transportation establish a 30 foot long, 15 minute weekend loading zone for automobiles on the west side of Nassau St. between Beekman and Spruce Streets while leaving in place all other parking regulations.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: Purchase of Natural Gas Buses by the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA)

WHEREAS: The MTA of NYC is now considering purchasing several hundred new buses, only thirty of which will burn natural gas and the remainder of which will have diesel engines, and

WHEREAS: The diesel engines inevitably produce and emit highly toxic particulates, especially as they age and when their maintenance slips due to budget cuts, and

WHEREAS: The diesel particulate traps, which were tried with the last purchase of diesel buses, were a failure, and

WHEREAS: Poorly regulated particulate pollution of diesel engine have the closest relationship to increases in cancer rates, and

WHEREAS: These diesel buses will remain on our streets for their useful life of approximately 20 years, and

WHEREAS: The City has a precedent for purchasing cleaner-burning natural gas powered vehicles, which have already proved successful to the Parks Department vehicles, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 urges, in the strongest possible terms, that the City take this opportunity to change its bus fleet from diesel engine, the exhaust of which has the closest relationship of all pollutants to increases in cancer rates, and to progress instead to cleaner burning natural gas powered engines rather than burdening New Yorkers with a new fleet of diesel buses that will add to the pollution levels of our air, already the second worst in the nation, for the next 20 years.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: Proposed designation of Governor's Island Historic District

WHEREAS: The LPC proposes the landmarks designation of the area of the Island northeast of Division Road which contains over 62 architecturally significant buildings and structures including Fort Jay and Castle Williams, and

WHEREAS: The committee supports the LPC in its current and future efforts at landmarks district designation of the architecturally significant buildings and grounds of Governor's Island, and

WHEREAS: The committee found the proposed buildings and landscaping to be of significant architectural character to warrant such designation, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that LPC proceed with their designation efforts.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: 182 Franklin Street

WHEREAS: The applicant proposes a new storefront, entrance door, and exterior lighting and painting on the above building which is being converted to a single family dwelling, and

WHEREAS: The committee found the design, as proposed, to be appropriate, and complementary to the Historic District, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that LPC approve the application for this work.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: 39 N. Moore St., new masonry openings and lot-line windows
112 Hudson St., legalization of private pay phone

WHEREAS: The owners, applicant or their representatives did not show up at the committee meeting, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that LPC hold over all action on the application until the owner, applicant or their representatives appear before this committee.

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BOARD VOTE: 26 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained

RE: 174 Hudson Street (at Vestry St.)

WHEREAS: The applicant proposes:

- New entry at Vestry St. including new stairs, railing, lighting and handicapped lift
- Replace existing wood windows on top floors with matching aluminum
- Paint a new advertising mural/sign on the exterior masonry south wall where one currently exists (Eagle Warehouse)
- Wrap existing fire escapes on both Hudson & Vestry with wire mesh to allow them to be used as legal means of egress, and

WHEREAS: The committee found the building to be one which contributes to the architectural character of the Historic District, and

WHEREAS: The committee felt that certain of the proposed renovations were not appropriate to the character of either the building or the District, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that LPC review the application for this work and mandate the following revisions before approval:

- We do not feel that the exterior handicapped lift is appropriate. The building elevator, which is located at the facade next to the proposed entry, could easily be adapted to provide the necessary access in a safer and more maintenance free manner.
- We recommend approval of the proposed aluminum matching windows, however we feel that a dark green or gray/green color would be more appropriate than the proposed gray/beige.
- We recommend that a specific sign/mural proposal be presented and reviewed before any approval is granted.
- We felt the proposed mesh wrapping of the fire escapes was not appropriate and that the required means of egress should be provided by stairs within the building and the fire escapes, which are not original and which obscure some of the architectural features, be removed.