

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 1999

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 27 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **60 Hudson Street**

WHEREAS: Community Board #1 has long-standing and ongoing concerns about the noise and emissions created by air conditioning equipment and emergency generators in 60 Hudson Street (Western Union Building), and the quality of life hazards they represent, and

WHEREAS: Hudson Telegraph Associates, the owners of 60 Hudson, are planning to meet their tenants' ever-increasing need for electricity by installing an electrical substation to serve in what was formerly a theater/auditorium on the ground floor on Worth Street, and

WHEREAS: Representatives of Hudson Telegraph Associates had accepted an invitation to attend the October 5, 1999, meeting of the Tribeca Committee to discuss logistical, environmental and health concerns related to this electrical substation, and

WHEREAS: Representatives of Hudson Telegraph Associates did not appear at the Committee meeting, apparently due to a last-minute conflict that they neglected to inform the District Manager about, and

WHEREAS: This is part of an ongoing pattern of broken promises from representatives of Hudson Telegraph Associates and Williams Real Estate (managing agent for 60 Hudson Street), now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB #1 once again calls upon Hudson Telegraph Associates and Williams Real Estate to be responsive to the concerns of the Community Board and those living and working near 60 Hudson Street, which includes keeping them informed of developments that may affect them directly and taking significant steps to reduce the overall level of noise generated by equipment housed in 60 Hudson Street to 45 decibels or less and making progress on other measures outlined in CB#1's resolution of June 18, 1996, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB #1 expects a representative of Hudson Telegraph Associates to appear at the next meeting of the Tribeca Committee to discuss these important concerns with members of the community.

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BOARD VOTE: 26 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 1 ABSTAINED

RE: **LeZinc, liquor license application**

WHEREAS: The applicants have operated a restaurant on Hudson Street for several years and proven themselves and the restaurant to be a valued part of the community, and

WHEREAS: They propose opening an accessible, family-friendly neighborhood restaurant, which will serve lunch and dinner seven nights a week and have approximately 85 seats at tables and 10 seats at the bar, in a space that has previously been a restaurant, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB#1 supports the application for a liquor license for Le Zinc at 139 Duane Street.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BUDGET

COMMITTEE VOTE: 1 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 26 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **Capital and Expense Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2001**

BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 approves the budget requests for our district as prioritized on the attached.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 3 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 25 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 2 ABSTAINED

RE: **Proposed newsstand at Fulton Street and Church Street**

WHEREAS: The vicinity of Fulton and Church Streets is a very busy, congested area adjacent to the World Trade Center, the Millennium Hotel and Century 21, and

WHEREAS: The specific newsstand location abuts the historic St. Paul's Church cemetery and the Church has objected to this newsstand siting, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT: CB#1 believes this is an inappropriate site for a newsstand and recommends that the Department of Consumer Affairs deny this application.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 28 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **Bus shelter on eastside of Pearl St. between Fulton and
Beekman Streets**

BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 recommends the installation of a new bus shelter for the re-sited M-15 bus stop on the eastside of Pearl Street between Fulton and Beekman Streets.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 31 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **Washington Street and Canal Street intersection**

WHEREAS: The Canal Street Inland Route 9A plan proposed by NYS DOT between West St. (9A) and the Holland Tunnel increased the number of converging traffic lanes in this area from 8 to 14, introduced confusing and conflicting 2 way traffic movements, increased congestion and air pollution, rendered business loading docks inoperable and endangered pedestrian safety as per our November 17, 1998 resolution, and

WHEREAS: Sam Schwartz and Company presented to the CB #1 Transportation Committee a plan to temporarily close the intersection using bollards to allow only a right hand turn onto Canal Street from northbound Washington Street in Tribeca, and

WHEREAS: NYS DOT is in favor of two trial periods, and will advocate that NYC DOT institute these trial periods, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB #1 approves the Sam Schwartz and Company plan for the intersection of Washington and Canal Streets in order to expedite completion of the Route 9A construction work, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

At the conclusion of the construction of Tribeca Segment 3, CB #1 recommends that there be a 6 month trial period of the Sam Schwartz and Company plan, during which the intersection will be closed, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

After the aforementioned closure CB #1 requests that NYC DOT commence a new 6 month trial period allowing the left turn onto Canal Street from northbound Washington Street, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

NYC DOT is strongly requested to attend the next CB #1
Transportation Committee meeting to render their views and
concerns on this subject.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: GOVERNORS ISLAND TASK FORCE

COMMITTEE VOTE: 4 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 27 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **Mayor's Task Force Recommendations**

WHEREAS: Deputy Mayor Randy Levine recently put forth, via a NY Times article, a plan to redevelop Governors Island which included a conference center, apartments, university housing, the Guggenheim Museum and a park, and

WHEREAS: The plan resulted from the deliberations of the Mayor's Governors Island Task Force which includes CB #1, and

WHEREAS: The Community Board appreciates the opportunity to serve on the Mayor's Governors Island Task Force but it should be noted that the Task Force never formally voted on this plan, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB#1 offers the following comments and recommendations on the City's plan for Governors Island:

- 1) We support a conference center, cultural entity, and of course park space on this Island. We also are pleased to see that a public authority is to be created to oversee the redevelopment of the Island. We would like to see more parkland in the plan.
- 2) We oppose putting the ballfields in the hands of private universities and ceding over a large portion of the Island for university housing. Any university housing use should be interim and we would prefer that many of the non-historic buildings eventually be removed.
- 3) We feel that the plan does not provide sufficient family oriented activities to draw people to the Island. Additional public activities (cultural/recreational) should be added to the plan.

- 4) The Island should not be turned over to a single developer. We recommend that the Island be divided into planning nodes with separate developers for each area. There should, however, be a master plan which addresses not only land use issues but also transportation, security, sanitation, emergency services and energy needs.

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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: **363 Greenwich Street, application for approval of a rooftop addition**

WHEREAS: The penthouse is setback and the configuration of the roof and surrounding nearby buildings made the placement difficult, and

WHEREAS: The committee was concerned with the set-back railing, the expanse of the glass doors facing Greenwich Street and the use of the penthouse top for recreational use, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB#1 recommends that LPC approve the application if the above issues are addressed.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 3 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 27 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

RE: **124 Hudson Street, application to modify the facade and the existing certificate of appropriateness**

WHEREAS: The committee had reviewed the new building proposed in the past, and found certain features of the facade were not in character with the surrounding buildings, and

WHEREAS: The new developers have addressed these concerns and are planning to use more appropriate materials that are in character with the surrounding building, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB#1 approves the application with the revised modifications to the facade.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 3 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED
BOARD VOTE: 26 IN FAVOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSTAINED

- RE: **452 Greenwich Street, modified application to construct a rooftop addition, install a garage door, create a curb cut and install a marquee**
- WHEREAS: The committee reviewed the plans for the second time regarding this application and found the presentation lacking in several key areas, and
- WHEREAS: The skylight was found to be too tall and visible from the street and the committee requested that it be lowered and the proposed fence separating the building next door not be seen from the street, and
- WHEREAS: The use of lights on the building's facade, the bars on the exterior windows of the building, the marquee over the entrance on Desbrosses Street, and the placement of a garage door which would break up the facade are not contextual with the age of the building and this historic neighborhood, and
- WHEREAS: There is concern whether or not adding a car garage to an existing building is legal, now
- THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT: CB#1 disapproves the application and calls on LPC to carefully examine this application and insist that any changes be contextual with the building and the surrounding historic district and that this application be returned to CB #1 for reconsideration before approval.

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RE: **Proposal to dead end Desbrosses and Watts Streets at West St.,
Washington at Canal Street and Watts at Canal during
construction of the intersections for Route 9A**

WHEREAS: N. Moore Street will be dead ended from October 25th for a period
of 10-12 weeks, and

WHEREAS: No other street would be closed concurrently, and

WHEREAS: The dead ending at Watts and Desbrosses will occur after January
3rd for a period of 6 weeks, to be followed by the closure of
Washington at Canal and finally Watts at Canal Street, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB #1 approves these temporary closures in order to expedite the
construction of Route 9A.