

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2017

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Manhattan Borough President’s recommendation on Int. 799A Commercial rent tax and Int. 1472 affordable supermarket commercial rent tax

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 supports the Manhattan Borough President’s recommendation on Int. 799A Commercial rent tax and Int. 1472 affordable supermarket commercial rent tax (see attached)

**INT 799A (COMMERCIAL RENT TAX) AND INT 1472 (AFFORDABLE
SUPERMARKET COMMERCIAL RENT TAX)**

MANHATTAN BOROUGH BOARD RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDING NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL PASSAGE AND MAYOR SIGNING INTO LAW OF INT. 799A: A LOCAL LAW IN RELATION TO THE COMMERCIAL RENT TAX AND INT. 1472: A LOCAL LAW IN RELATION TO EXEMPTING CERTAIN GROCERY STORES FROM THE COMMERCIAL RENT TAX.

WHEREAS, The City of New York imposes a tax on the rent paid by a tenant in commercial space south of 96th Street in Manhattan and north of Murray Street where the annual rent exceeds \$250,000. After allowing for certain statutory adjustments, and subject to certain exemptions and partial credits, the commercial tax rate is 3.9% of the base rent. The threshold for the imposition of the commercial rent tax (the “Tax”) has not been adjusted since 2001; and

WHEREAS, The City of New York and the State of Florida are the only jurisdictions in the United States still employing a version of a commercial rent tax; and

WHEREAS, Because the tax only applies in Manhattan between 96th Street and the Financial District, it puts an unfair, regressive burden on businesses in some of the city’s most expensive neighborhoods, where there is immense upward pressure on commercial storefront rents; and

WHEREAS, Our small businesses operate in one of the most competitive and challenging markets anywhere in the nation. In addition, in a typical commercial lease in Manhattan, the landlord passes along to its commercial tenants some or all of the real property taxes on the premises, or at a minimum some or all of increases to the real property taxes during the lease term; and

WHEREAS, Full service grocery stores – also known as supermarkets - are low profit margin neighborhood businesses that are essential to providing local access to a range of affordable fresh foods and staples for home preparation and consumption, especially for older adults and families; and

WHEREAS, Commercial Rent Tax reform is a boroughwide and citywide issue of concern as many who live above or below the CRT zone may still work or study in the CRT zone and shop in the CRT zone, or work for employers within the CRT zone; and

WHEREAS, Int 799A, sponsored by City Council Member Daniel Garodnick, proposes to raise the threshold for the imposition of the Tax from \$250,000 to \$500,000, and to make certain other amendments to increase certain partial credits and adjustments to the Tax. As of tax year 2016, the increase in the threshold would have made about 3,400 fewer businesses subject to the Tax, with a savings of \$45.9 million.

WHEREAS, Int 1472, sponsored by Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer and City Council Member Corey Johnson, was crafted this to resemble the FRESH program’s insistence on produce, fresh meats and dairy. Stores that seek the CRT exemption must accept SNAP and WIC, while earning the majority of their revenue from the sale of grocery items; and

WHEREAS, The New York City Council Committee on Finance held a February 13, 2017 public hearing on Int 799 and Int 1472 at which the Manhattan Chambers of Commerce, Partnership for NYC, New York City Hospitality Alliance, Times Square Alliance, REBNY,

testified in support of Int 799A, building on the wide range of citywide support the proposal has received from a broad-based coalition of electeds, businesses organizations and owners; and

WHEREAS, at the same Finance Committee hearing, Hunter College Food Policy Center, CUNY Urban Food Policy Institute, American Heart Association, Locals 338 and 1500, the National Supermarket Association, Food Industry Alliance, Red Apple Group and Morton Williams testified in support of Int 1472; and

WHEREAS, While small businesses in our District and Borough face many more challenges to their survival, and are in need of a far more comprehensive approach to supporting and sustaining these vital elements of our local economy and sources of employment, the measures cited above are an important first step in leveling the playing field for these small and low profit margin businesses which could be otherwise be hiring additional employees or investing in their businesses; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, the New York City Council is urged to pass Int 799A and Int 1472 and the Mayor sign them into law before the close of the current City Council legislative session in December 2017.

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RE: Capital and Expense Budget Requests for FY 2019

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 recommends the funding of the following budget requests for FY 2019
(attached).

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS - FY 2019

CAPITAL:

	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PROJECT TITLE</u>
●	DCLA	Provide funds for the reestablishment of a robust South Street Seaport Museum as an educational and historical institution, community center, and anchor to the historic South Street Seaport district, including all seaport historic vessels.
●	DCLA	Provide funding to the NYC Police Museum for improvements to interim space.
●	DCLA	Create a performing arts center at Castle Clinton.
●	DEP	Provide or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales - CB1 would like to see budget increases for investment in new technologies required to advance sewage treatment plants and wastewater management.
●	DEP	Replace or upgrade water mains – aging infrastructure in water delivery systems is a serious problem that results in large losses of water due to leaks. There have been several water main breaks in Tribeca in recent years. We are looking forward to the completion of Water Tunnel No. 3 in 2020 so that Tunnel No. 1 and No. 2 can be closed for inspection and repairs. Continued infrastructure upgrades and repairs of CD1 water pipes are necessary.
●	DOE	Construct 1,000 K to 5 th grade school seats in CB 1 in the next 5-year Capital Plan as committed by the DOE, and provide funding for expansion of the Millennium High School, The New York Harbor School and the Lower Manhattan Community Middle School
●	DOT	Provide funds for improvements to areas under and surrounding the Brooklyn Bridge, including rebuilding active recreation space underneath the bridge as well as repairs to the staircase on Frankfort Street.
●	DOT	Additional funding for traffic and mobility studies in the Financial District, including east of Broadway and south of Park Row, as well as the WTC area, to address safety, sanitation and crowding issues as noted previously by CB1 and numerous other groups, including for example, the "Make Way for Lower Manhattan" initiative.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore N. Moore Street between Hudson Street and Varick Street within CB 1's historic district.
●	DOT	Repair Theater Alley behind the Park Row block.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Franklin Street between Hudson and Varick Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Staple Street between Duane and Harrison Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.

●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Greenwich Street between Vestry Street and Hubert Street, a cobblestone street within CB1's historic district.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Vestry Street between West and Greenwich Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Collister Alley between Laight and Beach Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.
●	DOT	Reconstruct and restore Duane Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.
●	DOT	Repair the currently cobbled roadbed of Moore Street between Water and Pearl Streets.
●	DPR	Develop more park and unstructured open space and more ballfields and space for active recreation east of Broadway in Lower Manhattan.
●	DPR	Build a community center to serve the increased population east of Broadway in Lower Manhattan.
●	DPR	Renovate the pathway of Bowling Green Park, which currently pools with water after heavy rains.
●	DPR	Renovate Barnett Newman Triangle at Church and White Streets.
●	ORR	Provide funds for the design and construction of short to medium term resiliency infrastructure in anticipation of future extreme weather events.
●	ORR	Provide funds to close the funding gap for Lower Manhattan Coastal Resiliency, for the design and construction of long term resiliency infrastructure in anticipation of future extreme weather events.
●	EDC	Provide funds to continue transformation of Governors Island. As the Island completed its ambitious 40-acre park project last year, it is now focusing on a new plan to create a 24/7 community with even more public parks, nonprofit tenants, restaurants, and 5 million square feet of new commercial, office and education space. Funds are also needed for the Island's aging or absent infrastructure and for the maintenance of historic buildings.
●	EDC	Improve and modernize security infrastructure and devices in the vicinity of the New York Stock Exchange which includes Wall and Broad Streets. The Downtown Alliance has initiated a study of the area, but capital funds are needed to update the infrastructure.
●	HPD	Develop and maintain affordable housing including rent stabilized rentals units.
●	NYPL	Provide funding for a new library on the east side of CD1, where the residential population has been increasing rapidly with a particular increase in families and children.

CS	DOT	Create viable pedestrian and bicycle connections and access to the Battery Maritime Building with open space in front of the building in association with the proposed development.
CS	DOT	Provide funding to build permanent pedestrian bridge in southern Battery Park City (West Thames Street bridge) while maintaining the existing bridge until the new bridge is complete and ready for use.
CS	DPR	Rebuild comfort station and park office in The Battery.
CS	DPR	Reconstruct playground in The Battery.
CS	DPR	Construct connections between East River Bikeway/Walkway and the Battery Park City esplanade.
CS	DPR	Provide additional funding for the expansion and renovation of Elizabeth Berger Plaza to include Trinity Plaza.
CS	DPR	Complete construction of Peck Slip Park.
CS	EDC	Complete construction of East River Waterfront Esplanade up to Brooklyn Bridge.

Note: CS = "Continued Support" for projects previously funded

EXPENSE:

	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PROJECT TITLE</u>
●	DCLA	Provide ongoing, consistent funding for Seaport Museum operations in support of programs, ships and collections.
●	DCLA	Provide funding to the NYC Police Museum for youth programming.
●	DCP	Provide funds for staff to study land use patterns and zoning designations to better match current use and future neighborhood needs. This includes the Tribeca area of Community Board 1, which has seen a dramatic rise in sidewalk cafes throughout the district that are often located on crowded, narrow side streets that are inappropriate for this use. CB1 would like to see a study of zoning options to limit sidewalk cafes in Tribeca.
●	DCP	Allocate funds for staff to determine impact of contextual zoning district proposals and revise current zoning regulations for CB1 to better reflect ability of City services and infrastructure to match growth of residents, workers, tourists and students.
●	DCP	Provide funds to study impact of Water Street Zoning Text amendment on open spaces in Lower Manhattan
●	DEP	Increase personnel for 24/7 air/noise/idling inspections (enforcement teams) including for helicopters, trucks, buses and construction equipment.
●	DFTA	Continue funding for senior programs operating at the district's senior centers, Independent Plaza North, Southbridge Towers and St. Margaret's House.
●	DFTA	Provide funding for a senior services referral center.
●	DHS	Increase funding for mental health and outreach to the homeless population in CB 1.
●	DOB	Increase personnel for day, night and weekend building and construction site inspections (enforcement teams) and for additional community liaison staff, with additional resources for enforcement of Privately Owned Public Spaces (POPS) regulations and compliance.
●	DOH	Increase resources to address the proliferation of rats and other vermin in Lower Manhattan.
●	DOS	Add personnel and resources to increase frequency of garbage pick-ups and graffiti removal to match the residential population explosion in the district, and increase enforcement of regulations for commercial waste.
●	DOT	Fund maintenance and repair of cobblestone streets that have been rebuilt in Tribeca in recent years.
●	DOT	Fund traffic study of South End Avenue in Battery Park City.
●	DOT	Provide funding to study Route 9A (West Street) traffic patterns from 59 th Street to Battery Place, focusing on pedestrian and vehicular interaction.

●	DOT	Provide funding to study the Holland Tunnel area and continue to pursue actions to alleviate the continuous negative impacts.
●	DPR	Increase full-time personnel for Parks Department Enforcement (PEP) Officers and maintenance workers, including in the Battery.
●	DPR	Provide funding to supplement maintenance and upkeep at Hudson River Park.
●	DVS	Increase funding for mental health and outreach to the population of homeless veterans in CB1.
●	DYCD	Fund needed after-school and recreational programs district-wide.
●	EDC	Provide funds to continue maintenance of Governors Island. The current City expense budget includes funding for the expansion of public access to Governors Island. The Trust's priority is to maintain this budgeted level of funding to facilitate the budgeted levels of service to New Yorkers.
●	HHC	Provide funding to Gouverneur Healthcare.
●	NYPD	Increase personnel of 1st Precinct for quality of life issues such as bus enforcement including double decker and tour buses, street vendors, crime, traffic enforcement, noise related to disruptive bars and clubs and enforcement of traffic and parking regulations including placard parking, illegal parking and blocking curb cuts and bike lanes, black cars, limos, cyclists, motorcycles and electric bicycles.
●	NYPD	Provide traffic personnel with traffic mitigation training and mitigation measures along Canal Street at the following intersections: West Street, Washington Street, Greenwich Street, Hudson Street, Varick Street and Church Street during evening rush hours, nights and weekends and provide the same at the intersections of West Street and Albany, Liberty, Murray and Warren Streets, and at the intersections of Hudson and Vestry Streets and Hudson and Laight Streets.
●	NYPD	Fund additional school crossing guards in needed locations, especially near elementary schools. It is also critical to increase the pay rate for school crossing guards and to offer full-time positions in addition to part-time.
●	NYPD	Allocate funds for increased surveillance and law enforcement in non-permitted street encampments which are causing problems of safety, sanitation and economic distress to residents and retail merchants.
●	NYPL	Restore funding to FY08 levels to provide increased hours, diverse programming, strong collections and sufficient staff to support these functions. The services provided through the Library are needed by New Yorkers now more than ever and with increased funding can be open more hours, including evenings and weekends, when working families need them.
●	OMB	Increase Community Board budget to \$400,000 which would be the first increase in over 20 years.

●	ORR	Provide funding to study and perform a cost-benefit analysis on the New York Harbor Storm Surge Barrier, which would protect all of lower Manhattan as well as other areas along NYC's vulnerable waterways.
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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 62 Thomas Street aka 137 Duane Street an application to legalize non-historic louvers, modify restaurant entry doors and add exterior façade lighting to the first story of a in the Tribeca South Historic District

WHEREAS: The existing, louvers, canopy and restaurant entry doors have not been previously approved by the Landmarks Preservation Commission, and

WHEREAS: The existing louvers are unfortunately needed to provide adequate exhaust and ventilation for the through-lot building (other facade is on Duane Street), and

WHEREAS: The existing and proposed canopies do not fit in on such a narrow street as Thomas Street and any canopy assembly breaks up the repetitive colonnade façade design typical in cast-iron architectural design , and

WHEREAS: The existing non-historic wood and glass entry doors have been previously designed and illegally installed in an appropriate style for the historic district, and

WHEREAS: The proposed painted wood slab door is uninviting and its design is not similar to any of the prototypical Tribeca storefront entrance doors, and

WHEREAS: The proposed lighting will most-likely be and unwelcome evening addition for the residents of Thomas Street. However, the design for the up lighting (minus the up and down lighting approximately 9 feet above the sidewalk) at each side of first floor columns accentuate the verticality and repetitive nature of the historic first floor storefront, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 recommends the Landmarks Preservation Commission limit the façade lighting, remove the entrance canopy and work with the applicant to design more transparent entrance doors with less emphasis on the door handles.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 33 Peck Slip, application for minor revisions to approved façade restoration plan

WHEREAS: A number of the façade changes to this building in the South Street Historic District have been approved already, and

WHEREAS: Those alterations, related to a transfer of ownership and branding, are pleasing, and

WHEREAS: This application concerns only a request for the addition of three flagpoles and three flags, and

WHEREAS: The flagpoles and flags are perfectly acceptable, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve this application.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 53-55 Beach Street, application for ADA compliant wheelchair lift

WHEREAS: While this application calls for the installation of a very visible ADA-compliant loading dock lift, the matter at hand is much broader, and

WHEREAS: The lift was installed with full knowledge that it had not been approved by the Landmarks Preservation Commission, because - according to the applicant's representative - a lease threshold had been reached on October 15th, triggering the work with or without city approval, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has shown lack of transparency and disregard for the community and many violations have been reported to the Department of Buildings, the Department of Transportation and the Landmarks Preservation Commission, and

WHEREAS: There are two active Department of Buildings violations and it has ordered an audit of the site due all the complaints, and

WHEREAS: The Department of Transportation issued violations for crane lift operation without a permit, and.

WHEREAS" There have been numerous 311 complaints regarding after-hours work without a permit, and

WHEREAS: Community Board #1, Manhattan will not reconsider this request until we get a complete list of violations issued in connection with this construction, and

WHEREAS: When the applicant does return, we expect the owner or architect to be present, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: The Landmarks Committee of Community Board #1, Manhattan recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission hold over this application until the above issues are satisfied.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 7 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused*

BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

** Due to the absence of a quorum, the committee vote taken on this resolution is unofficial and for informational purposes only.*

RE: 225 Liberty Street, application for a license class change from wine and beer to liquor for Tartinery Liberty LLC d/b/a Tartinery

WHEREAS: The applicant, Tartinery Liberty LLC d/b/a Tartinery, is applying for a license class change from wine and beer to liquor; and

WHEREAS: The hours for alcohol service will be 7:00AM – 9:30PM Monday - Saturday and 10:00AM – 9:30PM on Sunday; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located in the food court of Brookfield Place. The applicant has an existing wine and beer license. There will be no changes to operation, menu or hours aside from the addition of liquor; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a total of 1,000 square feet including a dining area of 550 square feet with 16 tables and 62 seats; a bar area of 250 square feet; and a kitchen area of 200 square feet; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are not three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a license class change from wine and beer to liquor to Tartinery Liberty LLC d/b/a Tartinery unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 39 Avenue of the Americas, application for a Hotel Liquor License for the Hilton Garden Inn Tribeca

WHEREAS: The applicant, York Street Lessee DE, LLC is applying for a hotel liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 12:00PM to 12:00AM daily; and

WHEREAS: The establishment will have no tables nor seats nor bars and will provide room service only; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music only, in the hotel lobby; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that they will not use the rooftop at the present time and will return for an alteration in the future if they decide to; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed and notarized a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a hotel liquor license to York Street Lessee DE, LLC d/b/a Hilton Garden Inn Tribeca unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 9 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 19 Fulton Street, application for a liquor license for TB Fulton 2 LLC d/b/a Clinton Hall

WHEREAS: The applicant, TB Fulton 2 LLC d/b/a Clinton Hall, is applying for a liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant is currently licensed at this address through November 30, 2017 under a seasonal license and it is applying now for an on premises liquor license for a two-year term; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 adopted a resolution recommending approval of the seasonal license in March 2017; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has stated that they will operate the business as it has since it was licensed at the beginning of the summer and it will agree to the same stipulations associated with the current license; and

WHEREAS: The hours for alcohol service will be 11:00AM – 4:00AM all week for the indoor portion and 11:00AM – 2:00AM all week for the outdoor portion; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a total of 26,600 square feet (inside and outside). The inside portion is 2,466 square feet on the first floor and 4,228 square feet on the second floor with 15 tables, 60 seats and 1 bar. The outside portion is 20,000 square feet with 29 tables, 100 seats and 2 bars; and

WHEREAS: The outdoor portion is seasonal from May – October; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will play background music inside. Outside during the seasonal operation they will have low level music at the bar, that will be turned off by 12:00AM daily and they will have live music Thursdays and Saturdays from 7:00PM – 9:00PM; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to TB Fulton 2 LLC d/b/a Clinton Hall unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 20 In Favor 13 Opposed 2 Abstained 1 Recused

RE: 78 South Street, Pier 15 Esplanade, application for a liquor license for Hornblower New York LLC d/b/a Great Point

WHEREAS: The applicant, Hornblower New York LLC d/b/a Great Point, is applying for a liquor license for a sightseeing vessel; and

WHEREAS: The hours for alcohol service will vary depending on the event, but will take place between 9:00AM – 1:00AM Monday - Saturday and 10:00AM – 1:00AM on Sunday; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a total of 10,974 square feet including a dining area of 2,926 square feet with 64 tables and 454 seats; a bar area of 7,195 square feet with 406 seats; and a kitchen area of 768 square feet; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does intend to apply for a cabaret license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 has received ongoing complaints about music from Hornblower's ships. The applicant has agreed to turn off music within 500ft of the dock when arriving and departing; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed a stipulations sheet; and

WHEREAS: Although the applicant represented going forward at the committee meeting that the boats would not play music while docked, loading, unloading, departing, or arriving within 500' of the dock, it was reported by several board members and residents that Hornblower has not keep its promise and loud music was heard playing from the boat while docked subsequent to the committee meeting;

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Hornblower New York LLC d/b/a Great Point unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WATERFRONT, PARKS & RESILIENCY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	2 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	36 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Peck Slip Park

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC) has allocated \$4.3 million for the creation of a new park at Peck Slip; and

WHEREAS: A plan to create a new park at Peck Slip was approved by Community Board 1 (CB1) and all the City and State agencies with oversight responsibility for this space during the years 2006-2008; and

WHEREAS: The project was delayed for several years by needed Department of Environmental Protection repairs at this site; and

WHEREAS: In the ensuing years, the surrounding neighborhood has changed with many new residents, the opening of new nearby schools, and an increased community outcry to create additional active recreation spaces to serve the east side of CB 1; and

WHEREAS: The area was also heavily impacted by Superstorm Sandy in 2012 and resiliency has become an elevated priority; and

WHEREAS: This space has undergone some interim improvements that have created open flexible spaces that the community has embraced; and

WHEREAS: Over the past few years a growing number of voices in the community have sought some revisions to the design of this park and both the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and LMDC now are willing to entertain some changes; and

WHEREAS: On September 25th, 2017CB1 sponsored a well-attended Town Hall meeting to seek community input regarding the types of changes and new park they would like to see on Peck Slip; and

WHEREAS: That session saw a consensus emerge regarding the types of changes most people wish to see at Peck Slip; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: After gathering community input and discussing this matter with DPR representatives in committee, CB1 recommends the following design modifications to the new proposed park at Peck Slip:

- 1) The proposed art element that included the skeleton-like ribs of an old boat be eliminated
- 2) A large flexible and smooth surfaced open space, suitable for youth activities such as bike riding, informal ball games and other unstructured active recreation, be established in the area of Peck Slip between South Street and Front Street
- 3) A more passive space featuring benches and trees and shady areas be established in a portion of Peck Slip between Front Street and Water Street with the balance of that area remaining a flexible and smooth surfaced open space suitable for unstructured active recreation for youth
- 4) Removal of the Citi Bike racks from Peck Slip and relocating them to nearby South Street; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 reserves judgment on whether Front Street should be closed in the area that dissects the park and urges the Department of Transportation (DOT) to conduct an expedited traffic study to assess the impacts of such a change and present their findings to the CB. CB1 also urges DOT and DPR to consider a flexible closing of Front Street utilizing movable elements to close off Front Street during certain hours only.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH & EDUCATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 24 In Favor 0 Opposed 2 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Traffic and Parking Issues Related to After School and Summer Programs

WHEREAS: There is a strong movement on to keep schools open all year long, and

WHEREAS: Especially during summer when the Department for Youth and Community Development has spent funds implementing much needed summer and after school programs and DYCD provides help for working parents and teaches skills and gives children and teens a safe, enjoyable place to be in the summer and after school, and

WHEREAS: Summer programs in community planning board currently exist in some schools and will soon exist in many schools. Most notably Stuyvesant High School and PS/IS 89 have large summer programs, and

WHEREAS: At these programs most importantly school buses and often ambulances and other vehicles need to get as close to the school entrance as possible, and

WHEREAS: During school times during regular school year, cars are not allowed to park in front of the school. In front of the schools are signs that say “No Parking School Days”, and

WHEREAS: In summer time cars park in front of schools believing the schools are not in use. NYC Police and NYC DOT do not tow cars or even ticket cars since the signs are not clear, and

WHEREAS: Especially at PS/Is 89 the children are left off in the middle of the street. It is a dangerous situation. In addition, on many occasions cars backed up to West Street. Cars were not able to turn into Warren Street, and

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: We call upon the NYC Department of Education to require signs in front of its schools be changed to appropriately reflect year round use. We suggest no parking Monday to Friday, 8 am to 6 pm in front of PS/IS/89 and Stuyvesant High School. (School Buses Only), and

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THAT: We call upon The New York City Department of Transportation to change the signs in front of schools to reflect the above language, and

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THAT: In the absence of effective signage by June 27th 2018, the start of summer programs, we call upon the NYC Police department to put out temporary signs until August 24 at, Stuyvesant High School and IS/PS 89.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 24, 2017

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH & EDUCATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Harbor School Expansion

WHEREAS: Located in the heart of New York Harbor, and accessible only by ferry, Urban Assembly New York Harbor School offers a unique, on-water learning experience for its students, and

WHEREAS: The mission of the school is to provide a college-preparatory education built upon New York City’s maritime experience that instills in students the ethics of environmental stewardship and the skills associated with careers on the water, and

WHEREAS: The Harbor School had 432 students upon moving to Governors Island and now has 549 is at full capacity and growing. In 2015-16, the school took in 108 ninth-grade students. In 2016-17, the number of incoming ninth-graders rose to over 160, and this year (2017-18) the school took in almost 180 ninth-graders. The population growth can be attributed to consistent leadership and faculty over the last three years, growing interest in maritime education and water restoration, and increased popularity of the Billion Oyster Project. Discussions and interest on growing the space of the High School have taken place in recent years as the increased demand threaten to impact important lab spaces, and

WHEREAS: The opening of two new Harbor Middle Schools in Brooklyn and Staten Island serves to feed hundreds more students into the school, and

WHEREAS: The Urban Assembly New York Harbor School is proud that 100% of their students are enrolled in CTE programs. Students come to Governors Island from all five boroughs, each day, specifically to engage in maritime-based career training and they are the only NYCDOE school providing these opportunities to our inner-city youth. They do this all with the hope of giving them opportunities to tap into an industry which is heavily outsourced to workers from other areas, and

WHEREAS: Each of the programs is required to be on boats in the Harbor. Their CTE class size cannot exceed 22-24 students in each program. Their class size is limited as follows: Professional Diving (16:1); Vessel Operations (15:1); Marine System Technology (22:1); Marine Biology Research (24:1); Ocean Engineering (22:1); and Aquaculture (24:1), and

WHEREAS: Harbor school is the only high school in the country authorized to administer the American Boat and Yacht Council's Marine Systems Technician Certification Exam, and

WHEREAS: The Billion Oyster Project, is an ecosystem restoration and education project aimed at restoring one billion live oysters to New York Harbor and engaging hundreds of thousands of school children through restoration based STEM education programs. Students at New York Harbor School have been growing and restoring oysters in New York Harbor for the last six years. They have learned to SCUBA dive safely, raise oyster larvae, operate and maintain vessels, build and operate commercial-scaled oyster nurseries, design underwater monitoring equipment and conduct long-term authentic research projects all in the murky, contaminated, fast moving waters of one of the busiest ports in the country, now

THEREFORE
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RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 supports the Urban Assembly Harbor School's request for the acquisition and funding of building 555 on Governors island to allow for considerable expansion of both the general and maritime industry educational programs.