

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: NOVEMBER 27, 2018

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

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

BOARD VOTE: 40 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 25 Hudson Street, Board of Standards and Appeals application 2018-165-BZ for the legalization of an existing Physical Culture Establishment, CorePower Yoga

WHEREAS: This application is submitted with the permission of RS Associates LLC, the owner of the premises, and on behalf of the tenant, CorePower Yoga (the applicant), for a special permit for the legalization of the operation of a Physical Culture Establishment (PCE) located on a portion of the first floor of the building at 25 Hudson Street. The PCE began operations in October 2018; and

WHEREAS: The applicant operates the PCE under the trade name of CorePower Yoga. The PCE occupies a portion of the first floor (3,750 square feet) of the premises. The space has a reception area, two yoga studios, storage room, locker area and separate men and women showers and bathrooms. CorePower Yoga is a yoga studio that provides regular yoga classes, hot yoga classes as well as high-intensity interval training classes. The proposed hours of operation are 5:30am to 10pm seven days a week with 10-15 classes per day; and

WHEREAS: The PCE is designed for class use only, as such, patrons are only present immediately before, during and after classes. The classes host on average 20-25 patrons with a maximum class capacity of 30 people per class in studio 1 and 40 people per class in studio 2 with 3-7 employees present in the space at all times; and

WHEREAS: The space has the following sound attenuation measures: all partitions at the studios are isolated from adjacent structures with 2 layers of 5/8" sheetrock in studio with Greenglue and 4" sound attenuated batt insulation. All flooring at the studio are 4" isolated kinetics RIM L-2-16 System. All penetration at studio ceilings and partitions are sealed with Mineral Fiber insulation and caulked. Ceilings at Studios are protected by isolated kinetics KSCH Hangers. STC ratings at acoustical separation are as follows: partitions are STC 60, flooring is STC 64 and ceiling is STC 69; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 does not oppose Board of Standards and Appeals application 2018-165-BZ for the legalization of an existing PCE (CorePower Yoga) at 25 Hudson Street.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS & PRESERVATION

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	25 In Favor	4 Opposed	8 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 85 Franklin Street, proposal for enlargement to add four floors

WHEREAS: The application is to enlarge a two-story commercial building that was modified from a five-story building originally constructed as a store and loft building in 1860-1862, and

WHEREAS: The top three floors were removed after a fire damaged the building in 1902, and

WHEREAS: Architect Thomas White Lamb redesigned the two-story building in 1935 to a Moderne style – with the ground story having large show windows flanking a central entrance. Corrugated metal panels separate the first story from the second-story windows which have casement sash with transoms. Surrounding this window composition is a facing of cast stone. A geometric frieze caps the façade, and

WHEREAS: The Designation Report for the Tribeca East Historic District notes this splendid design being a contributing asset to the District, and

WHEREAS: The existing condition is in poor repair, needing a full restoration, and

WHEREAS: The architect studio MDA proposes to fully restore – in kind – the 1935 building, including the central sign size with a view to leasing it for retail space, reversing the central door with two doors to each side of the new window - one for the retail space and a second for the four-story apartment addition, and

WHEREAS: The new addition will be set back from the two-story building to provide an appropriate distinction to the new building, and

WHEREAS: The cornice cap to the new building will be in-line with the original adjoining buildings at 76', and

WHEREAS: The new fourth-floor is further set back to make it not visible from any of the visibility study points, and

WHEREAS: The new building will be constructed of a painted white metal façade with deep recessed clear glass full height wood windows, and

WHEREAS: The cornice is rendered by a computer generated design with vertical metal fins, which one Committee member did not like, and

WHEREAS: The roof top will support a small terrace and mechanical equipment, and

WHEREAS: A neighbor from an adjoining building attended the meeting and commented how appropriate they felt the design was, and

WHEREAS: The Committee commended the architect for his thoughtful, appropriate and interesting design and excellent presentation -which was attended by the architect's entire firm, and

WHEREAS: The applicant did not bring any material samples – but agreed to provide these to the Committee at the Full Board meeting on November 27, 2018, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 strongly recommends the Landmark Preservation Commission approve the application.

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DATE: NOVEMBER 27, 2018

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	9 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained	1 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	40 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 293 Church Street, application for liquor license for The Drug Store

WHEREAS: The applicant, The Drug Store Tribeca, is applying for a liquor license for The Drug Store; 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 establishment is a bar/lounge with a size of 989 square feet, including a 350 square foot dining area with 8 tables and 25 chairs, and a 425 square foot bar area with 16 seats; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation for all interior spaces will be 11:00AM to 11:00PM Sunday through Thursday and 12:00PM to 1:00AM Friday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be DJs and recorded background music, and no live music, dancing, promoted events, cover fee events, or scheduled performances; and

WHEREAS: DJ refers to a person curating music from a computer; and

WHEREAS: CB1 approves of the use of a DJ as defined above so long as music is background levels only, as defined by CB1 in our guidelines as not to be heard outside or by neighbors; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will install RX II insulation soundproofing; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will employ a doorman/security personnel when there are long lines; and

WHEREAS: The applicant further agrees that no speakers will be outside; and

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

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

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 *opposes* the granting of a liquor license to The Drug Store Tribeca, at The Drug Store, *unless* the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	10 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	1 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	40 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 139 Duane Street, application for liquor license for Fish Republic

WHEREAS: The applicant, Fish Republic LLC, is applying for a transfer application for a new liquor, beer and wine license from Strongfive LLC d/b/a Blaue Gans to Fish Republic LLC; 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 establishment is an approximate 2500 square foot building with a 1,327 square foot dining area with 21 tables and 70 seats, 20 foot bar area with 1 stand up bar with 17 seats; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 11:00AM to 12:00AM Sunday through Thursday and 11:00AM to 1:00AM Friday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music from 8 speakers, and no DJs, live music, dancing, promoted events, or non-musical entertainment; and

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

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

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Fish Republic LLC, at 139 Duane Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	10 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	40 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 45 Murray Street, application for liquor license for Benarasi Food and Catering Inc.

WHEREAS: The applicant, Benarasi Food and Catering Inc., is applying for a transfer application for a new liquor license for Benarasi Food and Catering Inc, previously Tribeca Restaurant LLC; 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 establishment is approximately 3,000 square feet on two floors with a 1,350 square foot dining area with 19 tables and 65 seats, 400 to 500 foot bar area with one 15' stand up bar with 8 seats and 2 tables with 8 bar seats all on the first floor, and storage and bathrooms in the basement; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 11:00AM to 12:00AM seven days a week; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music, and no DJs, live music, dancing, promoted events, or non-musical entertainment; and

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

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

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Benarasi Food and Catering Inc., at 45 Murray Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	40 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 94 Reade Street, application for liquor license for YSI Inc.

WHEREAS: The applicant, YSI Inc., is applying for a new liquor license for Torishin Tribeca; 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 establishment is an approximate 2200 square foot building with a 400 square foot dining area with approximately 6 tables and 27 seats, and 300 foot bar with one stand up bar and 8 seats; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 5:30PM to 11:30PM Sunday through Wednesday, and 5:30PM to 12:30AM Thursday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will not have French doors or windows; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will not be DJs, live music, recorded music, dancing, cover fee events, promoted events, or scheduled performances; and

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

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

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to YSI Inc, at 94 Reade Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	12 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	40 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 87 Walker Street, application for liquor license for 87 Walker Hospitality LLC.

WHEREAS: The applicant, 87 Walker Hospitality LLC, is applying for a new liquor license for Babcock's; 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: According to the most recent New York State Liquor Authority Mapping Project (LAMP) report there are in fact three OP licenses within 500 feet; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is an approximate 1,800 square foot building with a 650 square foot dining area with approximately 14 tables and 50 seats, and 300 foot bar area with 1 stand up bar with 18 seats; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 11:30AM to 12:00AM Sunday through Wednesday, and 11:30AM to 1:00AM Thursday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will close all windows and doors by 8:00PM Sunday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music and DJs for occasional private events, and no live music, dancing, promoted events, or non-musical entertainment; and

WHEREAS: The committee had concerns that one of the applicants, Harold Narcisse (AKA Carlos Narcisse), had presented himself in 2013 as the manager in the application for Haus, or PJ150 LLC, at 285 West Broadway, and that Haus proved to be not the mixology lounge as promised but a dance club that created noise and disturbances on the street, with complaints even from several employees who acted as whistleblowers concerning troubling activity on the premises; and

WHEREAS: Mr. Narcisse said he himself never worked there, that he left on day one; and that this new establishment would be nothing like that one; and

WHEREAS: The other applicant is a 12 year resident of Tribeca, has an office on the 2nd floor, and has a strong interest in building and maintaining a responsible establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to abide by the CB1 definition of background music, such that no sound will be heard outside or by neighbors; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have personnel present to enforce no smoking outside premises and control noise from crowd if any; and

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

WHEREAS: It is agreed that the applicant come back after a year of operations for review of record and possible extension of hours; and

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

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to 87 Walker Hospitality LLC, at 87 Walker Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 11 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 1 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 41 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 28 Liberty Street, application for liquor license for Alamo Drafthouse Cinema and Video Vortex

WHEREAS: The applicant, Alamo Liberty, LLC, is applying to CB1 for a liquor license for Alamo Drafthouse Cinema and Video Vortex; 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 establishment consists of:

1. A restaurant/bar area in sub-cellar 2 of approximately 4302 Square feet with 15 tables and 92 seats including 1 stand-up bar of 25 feet, with a capacity of 220 persons, and
2. 14 small movie theaters located in sub-cellar 3, with between 33 and 51 seats each, with a total of 40,788 square feet with 614 seats at which patrons can be served as they watch the films, and a service bar that is about 50 feet in length; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 10:00AM to 2:00AM seven days a week, with full food service until 2:00AM; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be DJs, live music, recorded background music from speakers, promoted events, cover fee events with tickets, as well as scheduled performances of movies; and

WHEREAS: All noise will be at background levels, in that it will not be heard outside or by neighbors; and

WHEREAS: All liquor service will stop at 2:00AM with the understanding that patrons may remain later for films that run late, but will leave 15-30 minutes after the ending; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have discrete signage on the wall outside the main entrance of this Landmarked building and understands that their design must be submitted to the CB1 Landmarks Committee and be approved by the Landmarks Commission; and

WHEREAS: The signage outside will be only the name of the theater, and all information about the films playing and their times will be located well inside the building; and

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

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

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 *opposes* the granting of a liquor license to Alamo Liberty LLC, at Alamo Drafthouse Cinema and Video Vortex, *unless* the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING & PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	12 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	41 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 86 ½ Nassau Street, application for liquor license for Loft Candies

WHEREAS: The applicant, Sam O'Connor and Pat Hartigan, is applying for a liquor license for Loft Candies; 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 establishment is a restaurant and bar that will occupy the entire small brick building, including the cellar for preparation and storage, 1st floor kitchen and dining, mezzanine for dining, and penthouse for dining; and

WHEREAS: This includes a total of 2200 square feet with a 1300 square foot dining area with 20 tables and 60 seats, 700 square feet of bar area with 2 stand up bars and 1 service bar with 4 tables and 20 seats; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation for all interior spaces will be 12:00PM to 1:00AM Sunday through Wednesday and 12:00PM to 2:00AM Thursday through Saturday, with food service until 12:00AM on Sunday through Wednesday and to 2AM on Thursday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: There is also an open space of 300 square feet on the roof that could be an issue for the neighbors, who already have noise issues from a neighboring bar and from parties on terraces at 17 John Street; and

WHEREAS: CB1 prefers not to recommend license approval for any open roof space, particularly in a residential area; and

WHEREAS: Because the applicant has a good record in the neighborhood, having owned and run The Trading Post at 170 John, the committee is amenable in this particular case that if the 300 square foot open space on the roof is to remain open, it will

have no music of any kind and will close by 8PM every night, after which time there will be no usage of any kind in that space; and

WHEREAS: If the 300 square foot space remains open, someone will monitor the door from the penthouse so that it will not be left open allowing noise to escape after people pass through; and

WHEREAS: If however the applicant can enclose that 300 square foot space within the penthouse, background music only and the 1AM/2AM hours agreed to for interior spaces will then be operative; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has promised to give neighbors his personal phone number and will respond personally and in real time to any complaints; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have a door checker to monitor ID's; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that inside the establishment there will be recorded background music from multiple speakers, and DJs changing jazz records on weekends only, and no live music, dancing, promoted events, or non-musical entertainment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to install soundproofing to conform to CB1 definition of background music, such that any sound will not be heard outside or by neighbors;

WHEREAS: The applicant agrees to provide an Acoustilog or equivalent report to the Community Board regarding the control of noise levels in and outside the penthouse once construction of the penthouse is completed; and

WHEREAS: The applicant further agrees that no music or speakers will be outside; and

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

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

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Sam O'Connor and Pat Hartigan, at Loft Candies, unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	8 In Favor	2 Opposed	2 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	22 In Favor	13 Opposed	4 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Application for liquor license for Sailaway New York, 250 Vesey Street (North Cove Marina, Battery Park City) being the address given on its 30 day notice and original questionnaire; but 33 Park View Avenue, Jersey City, NJ being the address given at the Licensing Committee and entered on the signed stipulation sheet,

WHEREAS: The applicant, Sailawayny LLC, is applying for a liquor license for Sailaway New York; and

WHEREAS: For 10 years the applicant has operated a small private charter service with two sailing vessels; and

WHEREAS: Each vessel has a total of 120 square feet including a 40 square foot dining area with 1 table and 8 seats, and handles up to 12 guests; and

WHEREAS: Pick-ups and drop-offs at the Battery Park marina would take no more than ten minutes; and

WHEREAS: All trips will be pre-scheduled, with no more than 5 round trip charters for each boat; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be 10:00AM to 10:00PM Sunday through Thursday and 10:00AM to 11:00PM Friday and Saturday, with bar service from 12:00PM to 9:45PM and light food service on the boat; and

WHEREAS: There will be no liquor service within 500 feet of Manhattan;

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music from 4 speakers, and no DJs, live music, dancing, promoted events, or non-musical entertainment, which will only be played when the vessels are not within 500 feet of Manhattan; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk cafe license, and will not be serving liquor within the marina; and

WHEREAS: The committee has no objection to this particular operation being licensed with the agreed-on stipulations, but is perplexed by how it can receive a license from the New York State Liquor Authority when its base is in New Jersey, the boats dock in New Jersey, and liquor is served only 500' or more from the NY shore line; 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, the committee notes that this would be true only if the operation is based in New Jersey, since there are clearly more than three licenses within 500' of the marina or within 500' of the listed address of 250 Vesey Street; and

WHEREAS: The committee wishes to make clear that this particular recommendation for a license is an exception and in no way should be interpreted as setting a new precedent for the marina, which for years has allowed only those commercial vehicles that have historical significance to operate out of the marina with a liquor license; and

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

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Sailawayny LLC, at North Cove Marina unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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DATE: NOVEMBER 27, 2018

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION & STREET ACTIVITY PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 4 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 40 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: West Street Crossing Safety

WHEREAS: West Street is a highly trafficked thoroughfare. Many cars use West Street, often at high speeds and recklessly as they try to catch green lights. Conditions are dangerous for the many cyclists and pedestrians who also travel along West Street, particularly at intersections; and

WHEREAS: In July 2018 the NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) presented ongoing safety improvements for cyclists and pedestrians in the west side crosswalks from vehicles turning from West Street into Battery Park City. Many of the intersections were expected to be completed in 2018 but have been delayed; and

WHEREAS: At that time, Community Board 1 (CB1) adopted a resolution approving the changes; and

WHEREAS: The intersection of West Street and Laight Street was not included in DOT's study or plan for improvements but there are critical safety concerns at that location; and

WHEREAS: Laight Street between Hudson Street and West Street has become an artery for the Holland Tunnel. Cars speed out of the Holland Tunnel, many of whom are out-of-town and don't know or don't acknowledge the right-of-way regulations. The crossing signal at the intersection is not long enough and cars who piggy-back through the intersection lose visibility. This creates a very dangerous condition for pedestrians and cyclists who attempt to cross Laight Street as cars continue to turn left onto West Street; and

WHEREAS: The intersection of West Street at Liberty Street is also very dangerous with crossing times that are insufficient for many pedestrians to cross in one signal cycle; and

WHEREAS: At CB1's November Transportation Committee meeting, many residents of the area attended to speak to the dangerous conditions at these intersection; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that DOT expedite completion of the remaining safety improvements on intersections along West Street as presented in July 2018; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: Additionally, CB1 requests that DOT add Laight Street to the list of intersections for improvements. Specifically, we request that at least 10 seconds is added to the cross time and that signage is incorporated to emphasize the right-of-way regulations; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: We also request that DOT evaluate implementing consistent parking regulations on Laight Street between Hudson Street and West Street during rush hour for better traffic flow; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that DOT increase the crossing time to provide additional time for people with limited mobility to cross the entirety of West Street traveling East/West within one signal phase; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: Finally, CB1 urges that NYPD increase enforcement of traffic violations along West Street, and particularly at Laight Street, in order to deter the continuous violations.