DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued	
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued	
BOARD VOTE:	42 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued	

RE: Census 2020 - Honor the original October 31, 2020 Self-Reporting and Door-Knocking Date

WHEREAS: The US Census is taken every ten (10) years to count every living person in the United State of America and its five (5) Territories. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population since 1790; and

WHEREAS: The count is mandated by the Constitution and conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, a nonpartisan government agency. For the 2020 Census, an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire—online, by phone, or by mail— was sent to every home between March 12-20, 2020; and

WHEREAS: The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for the community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data; and

WHEREAS: The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts; and

WHEREAS: The Census Bureau has historically supplemented the written questionnaire with in-person interviews/door-knocking with unresponsive homes; and

WHEREAS: In April, 2020, as the coronavirus upended life across the globe, the Census Bureau extended its deadline for in-person data collection from August 15 to October 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS: At this time, the Census Bureau also requested an extra four months - to April 30, 2021 - to process and deliver its data to Congress, which uses that data to apportion districts for the House of Representatives. Four former census directors agreed with the request. So, at the time, did President Trump. "I don't know if you even have to ask them. This is called an act of God," he said. "They have to give it, and I think 120 days isn't nearly enough."; and

WHEREAS: However, despite the fact that the House of Representatives included the fourmonth extension in its version of the coronavirus relief bill known as the Heroes Act, the Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell, refused to sign on; and

WHEREAS: Therefore, the deadline to deliver the apportionment data to Congress remains December 31, 2020, rather than April 30, 2021, as the Census Bureau had requested in the spring. In other words, the bureau has about half the time it initially stated would be necessary for them to count every person living in the U.S., given major setbacks from the coronavirus pandemic.

https://www.npr.org/2020/07/30/896656747/when-does-census-counting-end-bureau-sends-alarming-mixed-signals; and

WHEREAS: Additionally, in August, 2020, the Census Bureau abruptly and without explanation reversed course, announcing that ALL data collection would end one month early - both the door-knocking time frame and the self-reporting deadline was moved up to September 30, from October 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS: The condensed self-reporting and door-knocking time frame increases the risk of leaving out many people of color, immigrants and other members of historically undercounted groups from numbers that are collected once a decade to determine each state's share of congressional seats, Electoral College votes and an estimated \$1.5 trillion a year in federal tax dollars for Medicare, Medicaid and other public services, while increasing overrepresentation of the White, non-Hispanic population; and

WHEREAS: On or about September 1, 2020, NY Attorney General Letitia James led a coalition of attorneys general, cities, and counties from around the nation, as well as the U.S. Conference of Mayors, in taking legal action against the Trump Administration's impairment of the 2020 Census by reducing the time frame for Census self-response and door-to-door follow-up, arguing that it will lead to substantial undercount. https://ag.ny.gov/press-release/2020/attorney-general-james-leads-fightagainst-trump-administrations-attempts-reduce; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 applauds NY Attorney General Letitia James and the commission in their effort to have the Courts require that the Census Bureau honor the October 31, 2020 self-reporting and door-knocking deadline; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT:

Community Board 1 encourages our elected officials in NYC, NYS and the US Congress to extend the legal deadlines for reporting census results as requested by the Census Bureau in July, 2020. The extension of the reporting deadline was requested because the Census Bureau stated it needed extra time to complete the national head count as a result of unforeseen complications caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

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#### COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	44 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued

- RE: North Battery Park City and Lower West Side Manhattan Resiliency
- WHEREAS: The Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) is responsible for the The North Battery Park City Resiliency Project (NBPCR) which forms part of the city's Lower Manhattan Coastal Resiliency (LMCR) Plan; and
- WHEREAS: Pursuant to a competitive bidding process in March 2019, BPCA selected AECOM to perform design services for the NBPCR project. AECOM has also been selected to do the design for the BPCA's South Battery Park City Resiliency Project (SBPCR); and
- WHEREAS: The BPCA has held three public presentations on the NBPCR project to date, on October 1, 2019, February 27, 2020 and July 23, 2020; and
- WHEREAS: The NPBCR project proposes to significantly transform the esplanade and landscape at the north side of Stuyvesant High School, The Tribeca Pointe Apartments, and along West Street up to Harrison Street in Tribeca including the West side of the Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC) and south side of N. Moore St up to Greenwich Street. The project details can be accessed on the web at: <a href="https://bpca.ny.gov/nature-and-sustainability/resiliency/">https://bpca.ny.gov/nature-and-sustainability/resiliency/</a>; and
- WHEREAS: The NBPCR project encompasses two zones: Zone 1-The Esplanade and Zone 2
  -The Streets. Both Zones 1 and 2 represent one of lower Manhattan's most vulnerable areas for storm surge inundation and flooding; and
- WHEREAS: Zone 2 includes resiliency protection outside the jurisdiction of BPC which crosses West Street/Route 9A and ends at the corner of N. Moore and Greenwich Streets in Tribeca; and
- WHEREAS: The July 23, 2020 presentation included two options for Zone 1: River Walk and Esplanade Park. River Walk maintains the existing footprint of the Esplanade and option 2 includes a 22' extension of the Esplanade into the Hudson River. Both design concepts include areas for social seating, overlooks, gardens, plazas and both employ various methods of protection, including fixed passive walls, flip up gates and roller gates; and
- WHEREAS: The proposal for Zone 2, The Streets, includes the alignment with Zone 1 with protection measures included along West St/Route 9A, the crossing at Harrison Street, along the west of the Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC) terminating at N. Moore and Greenwich Streets. Flip up gates, fixed walls, vertical gates and roller gates are proposed for protection in these areas; now

**THEREFORE** 

BE IT

**RESOLVED** 

THAT: Manhattan Community Board 1 (CB1) asks that the BPCA provide a cost benefit

analysis for Options 1 and 2 for Zone 1; and

BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT:

CB1 supports the design features of Option 2 - Esplanade Park which allows for added public space, easier ramp access, wider walkways and more gradual slopes in the landscape. However, the Board may need further deliberation on this if Option 2 will cost significantly more or be found to have undesirable environmental impacts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT:

CB1 supports much of the NBPCR proposal for Zone 1 and Zone 2 but strongly believes the costs involved in having the resiliency measures cross Harrison St and follow east along N. Moore would be better spent continuing the critical protection needed along West Street/Route 9A up to the northern edge of lower Manhattan. CB1 understands that the BPCA is not able to incur the cost of adding resiliency measures outside their jurisdiction and we call on City, State and Federal partners to fund an extension north of N. Moore to protect the rest of the west side of Manhattan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT:

CB1 strongly believes the city should work closely with the BPCA and all city and state agencies who have jurisdiction in Zones 1 and 2 to assure the west side of lower Manhattan- one of the City's most vulnerable areas- be fully protected; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 asks that the Mayor's Office of Resiliency use a portion of the \$7 million

LMCR funding to provide plans for the continuance of the BPCA Zone 2 resiliency work to continue along route 9A up to the northern edge of CB1 with

an eye to continued protection further north; and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 asks that further design work on the NBPCR proposal incorporate greener

infrastructure, a minimum of hardscape, and the incorporation of a separate bike

path; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 asks that there be a separate BPCA meeting to provide a presentation and to

review the location, size, materials and functioning of the "Control Houses"

proposed in both the NBPCR and SBPCR plans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 is also asking for additional information including engineering analyses,

traffic studies, coastal modeling studies, impacts on bikeway, and ecological

impacts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 reiterates the critical importance and urgency of these resiliency

infrastructure projects which are needed to protect lower Manhattan from the

increasing risk of future extreme weather events; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 is very grateful for the resiliency work the BPCA is proposing for the

community, particularly as it addresses the critical protection needed for the West

side above Chambers Street.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE VOTE: 13 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued BOARD VOTE: 43 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued

RE: Reducing Placard Parking and Abuse

WHEREAS: Manhattan District 1, which has City Hall, NYPD Headquarters, many city, state and federal departments and agencies, courts, and multi-agency enforcement offices, etc., attracts a disproportionate number of parked cars with placards; and

WHEREAS: There are more than 125,000 parking placards in circulation in NYC; and

WHEREAS: These cars are allowed to park in loading and unloading zones, negatively impacting street capacity and safety and creating quality of life issues for those who live, work and visit our district; and

WHEREAS: Vehicles with placards are frequently found parked in bike lanes, blocking curb cuts, overlapping crosswalks and in no standing zones, thus depriving small businesses their legal right to set up outdoor dining in this crucial time; and

WHEREAS: Vehicles with placards are allowed to park in loading and unloading zones which negatively impacts the public welfare by causing trucks and deliveries to double park; and

WHEREAS: Even valid placards are incorrectly used for commutation or personal outings versus work-day city business, the intended purpose; and

WHEREAS: A large number of vehicles around the district have fraudulent copies of placards, expired placards or display paraphernalia or police supporter stickers that have effectively prevented ticketing; and

WHEREAS: The Office of the Mayor's website quotes Mayor de Blasio as saying that, "Placard abuse erodes faith in government and has no place in our city – it's simply a question of fairness. Misused and fraudulent placards increase congestion and pose a public safety risk"; and

WHEREAS: The economic value of a single placard for parking is at least five hundred dollars a month per NYPD officer granting the placard which amounts to six thousand dollars in annual untaxed income per placard; and

- WHEREAS: Experts at the NYU Rudin Center for Transportation and Sam Schwartz
  Transportation Consultants have recommended that NYC becomes serious about placard abuse, which robs the city of revenue and "prevents the safe and efficient flow of vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle traffic"; and
- WHEREAS: In 2018, the City Council passed a new violation code 87 for "misuse and fraudulent use of agency authorized parking permits"; a law that the NYPD has failed to enforce; and
- WHEREAS: The de Blasio administration recently admitted that just five placards have been removed from city employees under the mayor's highly touted three-strike policy for placard abuse that was announced for a February 2019 crackdown; and
- WHEREAS: Earlier this year, Mayor de Blasio disbanded the two (NYPD and DOT) units that enforce laws against misuse of city-issued parking placards; and
- WHEREAS: Mayoral spokeswoman, Laura Feyer, has stated that the newly automated Pay-by-Plate system, with scannable decals that will replace the paper placards, is fully funded, will roll out after June 2021 and will replace the disbanded placard enforcement units; and
- WHEREAS: Although Pay-by-Plate decals will allow the Traffic Enforcement Agents (TEA) to use scanners to seamlessly verify and ticket, their past failure to ticket other city workers suggests that the agents are unlikely to scan the new decals; and
- WHEREAS: Much of Lower Manhattan is supposed to be a No Permit Zone and that has not been properly enforced; and
- WHEREAS: Manhattan CB1's goal is to allow more pedestrian and public access to the street, foster increased street capacity and safety and improve the district's overall quality of life; and
- WHEREAS: Placard holders should consider applying for a handicap sticker rather than be concerned if their placard privileges are reduced; and
- WHEREAS: Manhattan CB1 included placard enforcement as a priority budget item in FY 2020 and 2021 and started requesting a reduction in the number of placards in 2008 no changes or relief have occurred; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT: The Mayor, City Council and the DOT are urged to ensure that the Pay-by-Plate system is fully implemented as early as possible in 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Legal placard parking be curbed by expanding the No Permit Zones in CB1 as

well as eliminate parking spots that permit parking placards by reducing the

number of assigned streets for agency parking; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Clear consequences, including a change in the responsible city department, be

created for a failure to enforce the Pay-by-Plate, or any other placard enforcement

program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: The number of placards in circulation needs to be greatly reduced.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE VOTE: 12 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Rescued BOARD VOTE: 43 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued

RE: NYPD Seizures of Public Spaces

WHEREAS: According to the 1st Precinct, NYPD frozen zones are being held to protect

personal and official vehicles; and

WHEREAS: The 1st Precinct has indicated that they do not have jurisdiction over the NYPD

Transit Police, District 2 vehicles parked adjacent to the 1st Precinct; and

WHEREAS: Manhattan CB1 is concerned that the NYPD and Transit D2 are using these zones

for personal parking abusing the public right of way; and

WHEREAS: CB1 has not received any information at all from NYPD or NYPD Transit

District 2 with regards to seizing the areas to create frozen zones around the 1st

Precinct; and

WHEREAS: NYPD is unable to confirm any time frames or alternate solutions to the seizure of

public space; and

WHEREAS: The seizure of public space includes Ericsson Place, an eastbound exit ramp from

the Holland Tunnel thus preventing the flow of crosstown traffic; now

**THEREFORE** 

BE IT

**RESOLVED** 

THAT: Manhattan Community Board 1 urges the Mayor's Office, NYPD 1st Precinct and

NYPD Transit District 2 to release the public space that they have seized in CD1.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS & PRESERVATION

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	36 In Favor	2 Opposed	6 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: 60 Collister Street and 55 Laight Street, application to renovate existing entrances with addition of glass construction and industrial street canopy to main building

entrance

WHEREAS: This complex building has had many lives, first as an American Express horse and carriage house, then much later as light industry, then as a famous music

venue and after-hours club, then as artist studios, and finally as a luxury

residential building; and

WHEREAS: The Committee was in favor of the above proposed renovations. It was thought to

be a sympathetic proposal for the existing structure, setback, translucent glass doors which are common features in this district as a replacement for the original wooden industrial and warehouse penetrations. The structure within the frame is not visible and the new dark green wood frame door and sidelights are tasteful,

under the program circumstances; and

WHEREAS: The Committee did have concerns with the new proposed metal awning on

Collister Street. It seems out of proportion with the street and the entrance, and with the historic nature of original and replacement canopies in the Tribeca historic districts. The Landmarks Preservation Commission correctly required a more angled, bracketed canopy directly across the street, at 71 Laight Street; and

WHEREAS: The Committee did not have issues with neither the new building number signage

at Collister Street entrance nor the proposed security cameras which will be

within the new awning; and

WHEREAS: The Committee is mindful of Landmarks Preservation Commission's staff

concern that too much intervention is proposed for 55 Laight Street, especially too much glass. The existing condition; however, is neither original nor particularly

handsome; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 recommends the Landmarks Preservation Commission

approve this proposal with the exceptions noted.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS & PRESERVATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 7 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued PUBLIC VOTE: 0 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued BOARD VOTE: 43 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued

RE: 287 Broadway, application to add signage for exterior ground floor banner signs

on cast iron facade and privacy vinyl on glass

WHEREAS: The proposal for this property involves extensive interior renovation work (not

part of this application) with installation of many luminous and bright green color logos all along both facades. This design proposal will alter the historic building's appearance to become an unnecessarily bright beacon, especially at night;

something that greatly concerned the Committee; and

WHEREAS: The seemingly endless quantity and variety of proposed signage was deemed an

inappropriate addition to this elegant, orderly and quiet mannered building facade. In addition to perimeter illuminated lighting and logos, the proposal calls for two (2) banner signs to be anchored into the cast iron façade and three (3) additional

logos to be pasted onto the cast iron façade; and

WHEREAS: The Committee has particular concern over the proposal of anchoring two (2)

banner signs into the historic cast iron and how this application will affect the

historic material over a long period of time; and

WHEREAS: The Committee is also concerned over the proposal to paste two (2) of the three

(3) logos onto the corner pier of the building which would draw attention to this location and therefore dislodge the general equitable distribution of architectural elements used in the design of this historic landmark. This proposal will transform the building's original character and is therefore deemed unacceptable to this

Committee; and

WHEREAS: The Committee cannot support this application because it clearly violates the

spirit of this landmarked and historic building; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

**RESOLVED** 

THAT: Community Board 1 recommends the Landmarks Preservation Commission deny

this proposal as it is and request a more tempered and appropriate solution.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued PUBLIC VOTE: 1 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued BOARD VOTE: 42 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Rescued

RE: 67 Nassau Street, application for liquor license for Suco Hana, Inc. d/b/a Sushi &

Co.

WHEREAS: The applicant, Suco Hana, Inc., is applying for a Restaurant Wine license for

Sushi & Co; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a Japanese restaurant; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily 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 400 square foot restaurant with a public assembly capacity

of 85, and a 400 square foot dining area with 4 tables and 16 seats, no stand-up

bars and a food counter that's a sushi display; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on a narrow street next to vacant storefronts; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on the 1st floor of a 10-story building, of which the

applicant intends to license, and the basement will not be used to store alcoholic

beverages; and

WHEREAS: Patrons will not have access to any unlicensed outdoor areas of the building; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation and food service hours will be from 11AM to 11PM all

days of the week, food service hours will be from 11AM to 10:30PM all days of

the week; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be no recorded background music, no

live music, no DJs, no non-musical entertainment, and no dancing; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to employ bicycle delivery personnel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have delivery of supplies, goods and services during the hours

of 11:30AM to 9:30 PM Sunday through Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk cafe; 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 Suco Hana, Inc. d/b/a Sushi & Co

at 67 Nassau Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and

conditions set forth above.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	10 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	42 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: 85 Broad Street, application for liquor license for APQ 85 Broad NY, LLC d/b/a

Le Pain Quotidien

WHEREAS: The applicant, APQ 85 Broad NY, LLC, is applying for a Restaurant Wine license

for Le Pain Quotidien; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a cafeteria-styled belgian-inspired restaurant serving

primarily breakfast and lunch; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily 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 7,600 square foot restaurant with a public assembly

capacity that's to be determined, and a 3,800 square foot dining area with approximately 46 tables on the ground floor and 34 tables on the basement level, and 160 seats on the ground level and 104 seats on the basement level, and a food

counter; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on the ground floor and basement of a mixed-use 31-

story building, of which the applicant intends to license, and the basement will not

be used to store alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS: Patrons will not have access to any unlicensed outdoor areas of the building; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation and food service hours will be from 7AM to 8:30PM all

days of the week, food service hours will be from 7AM to 7:30PM all days of the week, and bar service hours from 8AM to 7:30PM Monday through Saturday, and

10AM to 7:30PM on Sundays; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music, no

live music, no DJs, no non-musical entertainment, and no dancing; and

WHEREAS: A member of the Committee expressed that the establishment was encroaching the public space of the POPS arcade and exceeded their footprint by using the restaurant's tables in the public park and doubling their outdoor space, resulting in complaints reported to the City against the former ownership's misuse of the arcade POPS; and

WHEREAS: The applicant ensured that the establishment will reopen under new management and that the principals will not conduct any business against the restaurant's method of operation; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has presented that the outdoor seating is limited to the area under the arcade; and

WHEREAS: The applicant intends to re-open the establishment on September 30th with a return to indoor dining at 25 percent capacity per the City's mandate; and

WHEREAS: The Committee and the applicant agreed to revisit the stipulations if the principals wish to apply for an outdoor permit once COVID restrictions are lifted and food service operations resume to normal; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does intend to employ third-party bicycle delivery personnel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has French doors that open to the arcade during peak service hours; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have delivery of supplies, goods and services overnight through a loading dock on a scheduled basis with the building team; and

WHEREAS: The establishment has an existing sidewalk cafe permit that will be transferred upon SLA approval of the Restaurant Wine 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 APQ 85 Broad NY, LLC d/b/a Le Pain Quotidien at 85 Broad Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	10 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	42 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: 126 Pearl Street, application for liquor license for Rex Pipe Shop Inc. d/b/a Rex

Club/Barclay Rex

WHEREAS: The applicant, Rex Pipe Shop Inc., is applying for a liquor license for Rex

Club/Barclay Rex; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a tobacco shop that has been in business since 1910 and is a

private club with long-time members; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily 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 1,013 square foot private club with a public assembly

capacity of 72, and an 830 square foot dining area with 10 tables and 35 seats, and a 56 square foot kitchen area with 1 seat, and no stand-up bars, no food counters,

and a service bar in the kitchen; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on the 2nd floor of the building of which the

applicant intends to license, with 2 residential units on site that are vacant, and the

basement will not be used to store alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS: Patrons will not have access to any unlicensed outdoor areas of the building; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation will be from 11AM to 12AM Monday through Thursday,

11AM to 1AM Friday and Saturday, and 11AM to 9PM on Sundays, and food service hours will be from 11AM to 11PM Sunday through Thursday and 11AM to 12AM Friday and Saturday, and bar service hours will be the same as the hours

of operation; and

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

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

WHEREAS: A member of the Committee expressed concerns about smoke seeping out from the establishment to the streets; and

WHEREAS: The applicant represented that the air filtration system in use is in compliance with the city's rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will not have French doors or windows, and will close all doors and windows by 12AM Monday through Thursday, 1AM Fridays and Saturdays, and 9PM on Sundays; and

WHEREAS: The applicant intends to have delivery of supplies, goods and services during the hours of 9AM to 5PM; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to employ security personnel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to employ bicycle delivery personnel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk cafe; 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 Rex Pipe Shop Inc. d/b/a Rex Club/Barclay Rex at 126 Pearl Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	42 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: 81 West Broadway, application for liquor license for APQ Tribeca NY, LLC d/b/a

Le Pain Quotidien

WHEREAS: The applicant, APQ Tribeca NY, LLC, is applying for a Restaurant Wine license

for Le Pain Quotidien; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a bakery cafe located within a hotel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily 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 2,800 square foot bakery cafe with a public assembly

> capacity that's to be determined, and a 2,800 square foot dining area with 30 tables and 82 seats, no stand-up bars, no service bars and no food counters; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on the ground floor of a mixed-use 7-story building,

of which the applicant intends to license the ground floor and basement, and the

basement will be used to store alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS: Patrons will not have access to any unlicensed outdoor areas of the building and

the applicant does not intend to license any outdoor space; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation and food service hours will be from 7AM to 8:30PM all

days of the week, food service hours will be from 7AM to 7:30PM all days of the week, and bar service hours from 8AM to 7:30PM Monday through Saturday, and

10AM to 7:30PM on Sundays; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be recorded background music, no

live music, no DJs, no non-musical entertainment, no cover fee events, no

promoted events, no scheduled performances and no dancing; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does intend to employ third-party bicycle delivery personnel; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have delivery of supplies, goods and services overnight during

the hours of approximately 9PM to 4AM; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will not have French doors or windows and instead has double

doors that are never propped open; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk cafe; 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 APQ Tribeca NY, LLC d/b/a Le

Pain Quotidien at 81 West Broadway unless the applicant complies with the

limitations and conditions set forth above.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LICENSING AND PERMITS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	42 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: 395-397 South End Avenue, application for transfer of liquor license from LPQ South End Inc. to APQ South End Avenue NY, LLC d/b/a Le Pain Quotidien

WHEREAS: The applicant, APQ South End Avenue NY, LLC, is applying for a Restaurant Wine license for Le Pain Quotidien; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a bakery cafe with simple, seasonal and organic dishes featuring communal seating; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily 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 1,170 square foot bakery cafe with a public assembly capacity that's to be determined, and a 1,170 square foot dining area with 27 tables and 81 seats, no stand-up bars, no service bars and one food counter that's 10'9" x 5'10"; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is located on the ground floor of a mixed-use building, of which the applicant intends to license, and the basement will not be used to store alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS: Patrons will not have access to any unlicensed outdoor areas of the building; and

WHEREAS: The hours of operation and food service hours will be from 7AM to 8:30PM all days of the week, food service hours will be from 7AM to 7:30PM all days of the week, and bar service hours from 8AM to 7:30PM Monday through Saturday, and 10AM to 7:30PM on Sundays; and

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

WHEREAS: The applicant does intend to employ third-party bicycle delivery personnel; and

WHEREAS: There is an existing sidewalk cafe license for the outdoor seating on the patio; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have open windows during the hours of 7AM to 7:30PM; 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 APQ South End Avenue NY,

LLC d/b/a Le Pain Quotidien at 395-397 South End Avenue unless the applicant

complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

#### COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: QUALITY OF LIFE & SERVICE DELIVERY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	8 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	37 In Favor	0 Opposed	5 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: Civilian Complaint Review Board Funding

- WHEREAS: The Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB), the city agency charged with investigating police misconduct, has had its budget cut by \$1.1 million or 5.9% due to New York City's COVID-related shortfalls; and
- WHEREAS: The current budget cuts will force layoffs despite the uptick in its caseload from Black Lives Matter protest-related police aggressions; and
- WHEREAS: The CCRB, an impartial NYC agency that provides civilian oversight of the New York City Police Department, has been independent of the police department since 1993; and
- WHEREAS: On average, over 5,000 complaints of police misconduct including complaints of excessive or unnecessary force; abuse of authority; discourtesy; and/or offensive language are filed with the CCRB annually and about 25% are substantiated; and
- WHEREAS: Of the 1,250 annually Substantiated Complaints, the NYPD has pursued action in less than 1%; and
- WHEREAS: With an TBIR: CB-1 requests/demands that the NYPD make addressing Substantiated Complaints a high priority. And requests that the public be kept apprised of determinations and trainings that result therefrom; and
- WHEREAS: The NYPD Misconduct Complaint Database, a repository of complaints made to the CCRB by the public against members of the NYPD over a 13-year period, contains 323,000 accusations of misconduct against 81,550 current and former police officers. One in ten members of the NYPD has had at least one substantiated complaint; and
- WHEREAS: Between Jan. 1, 2014, when stop and frisk effectively ended, and Dec. 31, 2019, Blacks comprised 48% and Hispanics comprised 34% of the nearly 1.8 million arrests made by the NYPD while whites accounted for only 12%; a disproportionate pattern of arrests that substantiates systemic racism; and
- WHEREAS: Fueled by numerous accounts of police disproportionately arresting and using deadly force on Blacks, recent demonstrations have demanded that police departments reform their use-of-force policies; and

WHEREAS: In many low-income neighborhoods, 911 is the only viable option for requesting

help for issues including mental health, domestic violence, etc. even though 911

calls trigger a police response regardless of its appropriateness; and

WHEREAS: Police oversight by the CCRB is essential so that problem police members that

take inappropriate actions can be identified and held accountable, now

**THEREFORE** 

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Full funding be restored to the Civilian Complaint Review Board.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

#### COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION & STREET ACTIVITY

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RE:	Increased Space	for Pedestrians an	nd Cyclists on the	Brooklyn Bridge	
WHEREAS:	An August 2016	NYC DOT preser	ntation called the	Brooklyn Bridge	promenade

the Times Square in the Sky, an appropriate name given its popularity with

WHEREAS: The Brooklyn Bridge links Lower Manhattan and downtown Brooklyn, hence connecting NYC's second and third biggest business districts; and

tourists and the large number of people who frequent it; and

WHEREAS: In August 2020, the Downtown Alliance released *Bike Infrastructure and Commuting in Lower Manhattan* detailing the importance and growth of cycling as an alternative transportation method and noting that over 30% of those living in Lower Manhattan walk or bike to work; and

WHEREAS: The Downtown Alliance report includes maps the area within a 15-minute by bike radius that includes the Manhattan and Brooklyn Borough government offices, NYC City Hall, Borough of Manhattan Community College, World Trade Center, Wall Street, Downtown Brooklyn and more; and

WHEREAS: Weill-Cornell Downtown Hospital is located near the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge; and

WHEREAS: The Manhattan Bridge and Hugh Carey Tunnel provide additional routes for motor vehicles traveling between Lower Manhattan and Downtown Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS: In 2012, Council Members Margaret Chin, Brad Lander, and Stephen Levin, who represent the districts on both ends of the Brooklyn Bridge, proposed an expansion of the bridge's popular and very cramped bike and pedestrian path; and

WHEREAS: The NYPD closed the Brooklyn Bridge promenade during the 2018 Christmas holidays when the volume of pedestrians and cyclists got too large to be safe; and

WHEREAS: In a letter to bicycle advocates dated July 7, 2020, DOT Deputy Commissioner Eric Beaton noted that the space for cyclists on the East River bridges is "not ideal" and forms "pinch points in the cycling network"; and

WHEREAS: Deputy Commissioner Beaton also wrote that widening the Brooklyn Bridge's shared foot-and-bike path has "financial challenges" since bids to evaluate the bridge's cables, the first step in the project, were "prohibitively high". A challenge worsened by NYC's current fiscal crisis; and

WHEREAS: In February 2020 Council Speaker Corey Johnson announced, "Reimagining Brooklyn Bridge", an international competition to rethink the iconic bridge's walkway; and

WHEREAS: Applicants were asked to reclaim car lanes for pedestrians and cyclists on the Brooklyn Bridge while focusing on sustainability, social equity, and improving well-being in New York City's public spaces; and

WHEREAS: The international contest winner, Brooklyn Bridge Forest, proposes a staged implementation that could increase space for cyclists and pedestrians in the short-term with low-cost changes and funding options that address NYC's current fiscal crisis until further aspects of their plan are financially feasible; and

WHEREAS: The Black Lives Matter movement demands more equity that would be addressed with (1) less air pollution from the bridge at the Al Smith Houses and Southbridge, which are near the Brooklyn Bridge and (2) the option to use Citi Bike and protected bike paths to reach a myriad of employment, education; health care, shopping and recreational destinations; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly urges the DOT to give cyclists and pedestrians more safe, designated space in which to commute and to enjoy the Brooklyn Bridge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: The DOT should engage with the Brooklyn Bridge Forest Team, study the impact

of their plan on the environment and traffic patterns versus not increasing pedestrian space, and return to CB1 so that we can opine on a plan to implement

their winning Reimagining Brooklyn Bridge entry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: The DOT should add the creation of more pedestrian and cyclist space on the

Brooklyn Bridge to their Master Plan.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

#### COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION & STREET ACTIVITY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	39 In Favor	0 Opposed	3 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: Citi Bike Dock Process and Locations

WHEREAS: The DOT engaged the public in CB1 during the initial planning of Citi Bike dock placements, that engagement has ceased regarding Citi Bike dock locations and needs; and

WHEREAS: The removal of the dock located on Liberty Street's right-of-way west of Broadway led to questions from residents that CB1 could not answer since Citi Bike had not provided any information about the dock's removal and if or when it was to be returned; and

WHEREAS: Community Boards have unique knowledge of their district, so their input would be valuable for Citi Bike to know in advance of making decisions; and

WHEREAS: Dock location and size have become a more pressing issue now that restaurants and other businesses are learning that they are having a dock in front of their business affects their ability to participate in NYC's Open Restaurant program; and

WHEREAS: Some restaurant owners and the Friends of Duane Street feel that the DOT has not been responsive to their demands to move the Citi Bike dock that is located on the north side of Duane Street, just east of Greenwich Street. One restaurant recently went out of business there. This sort of conflict could be minimized or avoided if community boards were involved in the process of site selection; and

WHEREAS: Multiple people spoke in favor of Citi Bike and mentioned that they use the dock on Duane Street that others want removed; and

WHEREAS: Infill that can lengthen some docks to accommodate increased demand as Citi Bike expands into underserved areas, hence create new riders to bike to/from our district, was acknowledged as a positive; and

WHEREAS: MCB12 utilized a community engagement process to determine where Citi Bike docks were felt to be needed and spots that should be avoided in their district.

This should serve as a model for what the DOT should do in MCB1 when new docks are being planned; now

**THEREFORE** 

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: MCB1 implores the DOT to include us early in the process for all Citi Bike Dock

decisions regarding the placement of new docks as wells as any removals or changes (e.g., relocations, lengthening) to existing docks in our district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Expanding any Citi Bike Dock located in front of a restaurant be delayed until

indoor dining is restored to 100% capacity or unless any operating restaurant that

would lose curb seating, agrees to the dock expansion or placement.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION & STREET ACTIVITY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
PUBLIC VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Rescued
BOARD VOTE:	41 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained	0 Rescued

RE: Reopening Da Claudio Restaurant's Outdoor Dining with a Nassau Corridor

Context

WHEREAS: The impact of COVID 19 on the Financial District's small businesses and

residential community has been devastating; and

WHEREAS: Increasing outdoor pedestrian space would allow residents, workers and

businesses to participate in outdoor activities, including dining, while maintaining

the necessary social distances required to avoid COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: The narrow street grid where the restaurant is located was laid out and developed

in during colonial times, long before today's large vehicles and crowds; and

WHEREAS: Parking spaces on both Nassau and Ann Streets are used to store cars with

placards, which prohibits their use for local business activity, including outdoor

dining, that they are critical for their financial survival; and

WHEREAS: Ann St is extremely narrow with one traffic lane for vehicles headed east on the

north side of the road from Broadway to Nassau Street and on the south side of the roadbed west of Nassau Street. A parking lane is on the road half not used by

traffic, so also changes position at Nassau Street; and

WHEREAS: Da Claudio Restaurant has 100-seats and is located on the northeast corner of Ann

St and Theater Alley in the Financial District (FiDi) at 21 Ann Street where the

parking lane is located across the street; and

WHEREAS: Da Claudio's is an important community anchor as their staff cleans the area, the

business pays for the commercial cartage that is utilized by businesses and residents in the area and the pedestrian traffic that they generated encouraged

other businesses on Ann St to open; and

WHEREAS: Da Claudio and its owners are a viewed as a symbol of survival, hope and

stability in the neighborhood given their successful, but very costly, re-

emergences from both 9/11 and Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS: Their patrons are extremely loyal and continue to be outspoken in their support for reopening their dining; and

WHEREAS: After outdoor dining was initially approved, Da Claudio setup tables in the parking lane on the south side of Ann Street; and

WHEREAS: When Da Claudio's outdoor dining was closed by the DOT on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 14 of their 32 employees had been rehired and that number had been on track to increase to 21; and

WHEREAS: The residence at 25 Park Row just received its Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCI) so residents will begin to move in and Theater Alley is their planned staging area for deliveries and moves; and

WHEREAS: Many businesses in the Financial District and around Manhattan Community District 1 have narrow streets, unfortunate DOT signage (e.g., No Standing), an excess of placard or city agency vehicles, etc. continue to prohibit many businesses from getting outdoor space for their businesses; and

WHEREAS: The Financial District Neighborhood Association's (FDNA) *Make Way for Lower Manhattan* presents a plan for how the Financial District (FiDi) should be reimagined for a more sustainable and pedestrian-friendly future, a vision that is consistent with the neighborhood's post-COVID needs; and

WHEREAS: A crisis such as COVID and the financial disruption that it has caused should not be wasted, but rather used to make beneficial changes that are long-overdue; and

WHEREAS: New York City and New York State are both experiencing financial crisis's that are forcing them to cut government and social services at the same time that government rules, such as for outdoor dining, are forcing successful businesses to close rather than pay taxes; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT: The DOT immediately authorize locations from one or more of the following options that will allow Da Claudio Restaurant to have outdoor dining seven days per week, rehire all of their staff, pay their rent and repay the small business loan that helped sustain them during the Pause ordered by Governor Cuomo

- 1. Return sidewalk seating by the restaurant door –setup that ended with their closure
- 2. Extend the parking lane space that they can use on the south side of Ann westward to include at least in front of the closed hotel.
- 3. Add the Open Streets program and close Ann Street so that they can expand service on weekends and allow themselves and patrons of the carryout restaurants places to sit and eat. This would benefit all businesses with foot traffic.
- 4. Allow use of Theater Alley 3-11 PM daily

5. Implement the Nassau Street Plan put forward by the Financial District Neighborhood Association (FDNA, diagrams below), which includes flipping the travel and parking lanes on Ann in front of Da Claudio's so that it matches Ann St one block east on the other side of Nassau Street; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Although Theater Alley is challenged by its narrowness, this city street should not

be given over to 25 Park Row for its sole, private use; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Flexibility and urgency by the DOT are supported for all businesses in the district.

We urge the DOT to allow businesses that are not qualified for the existing suite

of outside options (e.g., Open Restaurant, etc.) to be allowed to use any

unoccupied space within their block until indoor business is allowed to resume. A Pilot Plan for the Nassau Street corridor is attached to illustrate how the FDNA proposes to improve the space that businesses, residents, workers and visitors in

their neighborhood need; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: The Downtown Alliance, the local Business Improvement District (BID) assist Da

Claudio Restaurant by cleaning Theater Alley and making sure that the alley's road bed is level and safe for outdoor dining if it becomes Di Claudio's option for

outdoor dining; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT: Mayor de Blasio and Governor Cuomo are urged to immediately re-start indoor

dining and other businesses at a safe partial capacity.

### Addendums to Resolution

Di Claudio Curb side dining proposed by the FDNA\*



<sup>\*</sup>note that this plan is consistent with the FDNA's Nassau Shared-Street Pilot

### Nassau Street Pilot Suggested by the FDNA to Create Curb Space for Businesses

