



James A. Stratton
Chairperson

COMMUNITY BOARD No. 1

CITY OF NEW YORK



Paul Goldstein
District Manager

MINUTES
OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
HELD
JUNE 14, 1988
SPECTOR HALL, 22 READE STREET

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Anne Compocchia.

Public Hearings:

1. 459-463 Washington Street, (BSA 632-88-BZ) to allow for conversion to residential/work quarters for artists - No speakers
2. Washington Market School (BSA application pending) to allow relocation of the school to 55 Hudson Street

Betsy Scanlin - 63 Crosby Street - Expressed need for the school and is in support of the BSA application.

Public Session:

Rick Liss - Sees reckless disregard for the skyline in the Seaport; is opposed to the Con Edison proposal as it would further obliterate the skyline vistas from the waterfront and the South Street Seaport.

Alvin Kargan - Architect for Con Edison - Improvements to the sub-station are needed to maintain reliability and efficiency of service. The proposed rooftop panels will not be visible from the Brooklyn Bridge or from Brooklyn. There will be minimal impact on the skyline. The equipment cannot be placed within the building due to future expansion needs. In twelve years when the station is expected to be at full capacity, if feasible, new equipment will be placed in the building.

Inez Andrucyle - 85 South Street - Voiced displeasure at the decision to allow the loading and unloading of tour buses at South Street and John Street. There are approximately 100 buses on peak days.

Wilcox Dunn - Architect for owners of 361 Broadway - An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install steel and glass awnings over entrances is currently before the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Robert Bellinger - New York Public Library - Thanked the Community Board for its fundraising/publicity event last week at City Hall.

Joe Baiamonte - Seaport Community Coalition - Con Edison is confusing the World Trade Center's needs with those of the eastern neighborhood; urged the Community Board to oppose this application.

Executive Session:

The Minutes of the May meeting were adopted as presented.

Reports of Elected Officials:

Kathleen Katims - Representing Councilwoman Miriam Friedlander - The Councilwoman is opposed to the relocation of the prison barge; it will overburden the community. She will work toward funding for the branch library. The Public Development Corporation has requested 2.6 million dollars for environmental studies on platforming for the East River Landing project.

Cary Hoyt - Representing Congressman Ted Weiss - The Congressman's office is lobbying for funding for the library branch. Mr. Weiss welcomes the new building for P.S. 234.

Meg Reed - Representing State Senator Manfred Ohrenstein - No Report

David McClusky - Representing State Senator Martin Connor - No Report

Ben Green - Representing State Assemblyman William Passannante - No Report

Michael Kharfen - Representing Borough President David Dinkins - The Board of Estimate unanimously approved the contract between HRA and Trinity Church for the operation of the drop-in center for the homeless, Heuss House. The Board of Estimate also unanimously approved the landmarking of 55 White Street. The application by Downtown Jitney Express was referred to the Bureau of Franchises for contract. FY '89 budget negotiations are continuing. The Borough President is working to see that funding for the library is guaranteed. The Borough President supports the Community Board's demand that a designated bus parking area be created under the FDR Drive for South Street Seaport tour buses.

District Manager's Report - Paul Goldstein - South Street Seaport bus loading and unloading has been moved to South Street; signage is up. There is a request that police be assigned to the Seaport Friday and Saturday nights. The Mayor's office will arrange a walking tour of the Seaport in mid-July; there will be an opportunity to talk with the Mayor. A padlock hearing regarding the alleged brothel at 44 Hudson Street was held; the process must begin anew. Meanwhile, the building owner is in court in an attempt to evict this tenant. Baseline, a club at 21 Hudson Street, attracts large and noisy crowds from 12 AM to 8 AM; evidence is needed to evict the club. Harrison Street, between Hudson Street and West Street will become two-way in August. The Parks Department has agreed to maintain and lock/unlock the P.S. 234 play yard to allow for its use after school hours.

Chairperson's Report - Anne Compocchia - Thanked the organizers of the children's rally for the Lower Manhattan Branch Library. She attended the dedication of P.S. 234; it was a nice event. Announced appointments to a Greenwich Street Taskforce; K. Freed, M. Edwards, A. Howard, J. Townsend, M. Pantzer, H. Rosenfield are to serve. She thanked Board members for their support during the last two years.

Election of Officers - Harold Donohue - Withdrew as a candidate for Vice Chairperson; Hal Bromm withdrew as a candidate for Treasurer. The following Board members were elected to office:

James Stratton - Chairperson
Roland Peracca - Vice Chairperson
Margaret Sentner - Secretary
Kathryn Freed - Treasurer
Linda Belfer - Assistant Secretary
Anne Compocchia - Assistant Treasurer

Committee Reports

Note: Please find Resolutions at end of Minutes.

Executive Committee - Anne Compocchia - Three Committee resolutions were adopted:

1. **East River Landing:** urging the Board of Estimate and City Council to delete \$326,000 from the proposed FY '89 budget for East River Landing studies and re-allocate these monies to fund a Lower Manhattan Public Library Branch.
Adopted: 33 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
2. **Architects and Engineer Sanctions:** in support of S. 3399 and A. 4851.
Adopted: 30 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 4 Abstentions
3. **Compromising of Zoning:** urging the City not to allow the developer to retain 12 floors at 108 East 96th Street.
Adopted: 32 In Favor, 1 Opposed, 1 Abstentions

Financial District - G. Keller - Committee resolutions recommending opposition to the installation of three sidewalk newsstands were adopted:

1. N/E/C Water Street and Coenties Slip; 31 In Favor, 1 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
2. S/E/C Broad Street and Water Street; 31 In Favor, 1 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
3. 50 Broad Street at Beaver Street; 30 In Favor, 2 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

The use of the plaza area at 7 Hanover Square by Houlihans Restaurant is under investigation by the Committee.

Washington Market - J. Stratton - Two Committee resolutions were presented:

1. **459-463 Washington Street:** urging approval by the Board of Standards and Appeals of an application for a variance.
Adopted: 29 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstention

2. **Washington Market School:** recommending that the Board of Standards and Appeals approve a pending application to allow relocation of the school to 55 Hudson Street.
Adopted: 29 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstention*
*R. Moskowitz for cause

Joint Parks & Environment/Battery Park City - K. Freed - Four Committee resolutions were presented for consideration:

1. **South Gardens:** in opposition to the siting of the proposed gardens
Adopted: 28 In Favor, 1 Opposed, 2 Abstentions
2. **Fine Arts and Community Input:** urging community input into placement of artwork at Battery Park City.
Adopted: 27 In Favor, 1 Opposed, 2 Abstentions
3. **West Side Esplanade:** requesting that the Governor and the Mayor move to advance plans for the roadway and esplanade simultaneously.
Adopted: 28 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
4. **Proposed relocation of a barge for prisoners to Pier 40:** urging the City to abandon the concept of using barges for housing prisoners.
Adopted: 24 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

Landmarks, Arts and Cultural Affairs - H. Bromm - Presented three Committee resolutions for approval:

1. **Proposed Tribeca/Washington Market Historic District Boundaries:** recommending boundaries for the district.
Adopted: 22 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
2. **Con Edison Substation, South Street Seaport Historic District:** urging the Landmarks Preservation Commission to deny an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.
Adopted: 16 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
3. **City Council Intro #988 - Landmarks Designation:** urging the City council to defeat the legislation.
Adopted: 21 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

Charter Revision Commission - J. Stratton - Two resolutions were proposed:

1. **Land Use and Community Boards:** urging the Charter Revision Commission to place this issue on the November 1988 ballot.
Adopted: 19 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions
2. **Voluntary Campaign Finance System:** urging adoption of this measure by the Charter Revision Commission to minimize corrupting influences in the election process.
Adopted: 19 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

By-laws - L. Merrill - A committee resolution to revise a portion of the Boards' By-laws was tabled at the request of Chuck Delaney pending proper notification of Board members.

The meeting was adjourned.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MEETING
ATTENDANCE, JUNE 14TH, 1988

PRESENT

Barry Abramowitz
Iris Alex
Linda Belfer
Hal Bromm
Margaret Chin
Anne Compoccia
Sid Coron
Charles Delaney
Louis DeSalvio
Jenny Dixon
Harold Donohue
Mafa Edwards
Maureen Flatley
Kathryn E. Freed
Margaret Fung
Charles Gaines
Kathleen Gupta
Howard Hertzberg
Alan Howard
Martin Joffe
Joseph Lerner
Joseph O. Lofaso
Lloyd N. Merrill
Barbara Minsky
Ronnie Moskowitz
Madeline Pantzer
Ralph Pepe
Roland Peracca
Una Perkins
Christopher Poussaint
Donald Rappaport
Michael J. Reed
Joseph Ritorto
Barbara Sahlman
Jo Ellen Sheffield
James Stratton
Randolf Warsager
Madelyn Wils

EXCUSED

Miriam Behrstock
Sasha Greene
George Keller
Bert Rovics
Margaret Sentner

ABSENT

Howard Chan
Rev. Joel Gibson
Meyer Hager
Roland Peracca
Fred S. Teng

GUESTS

M. Kharfen - Hon. D. Dinkins
K. Katims - Hon. M. Friedlander
B. Green - Hon. W. Passannante
C. Hoyt - Hon. T. Weiss
Oliver Allen - Public Member
George Sorell - CAU

ART & CULTURAL AFFAIRS/LANDMARKS
6-7-88

PRESENT

Iris Alex
Hal Bromm
Jenny Dixon
Jo Ellen Sheffield

ABSENT

Charles Delaney
Ronnie Moskowitz
Bert Rovics
James Stratton
Madelyn Wils
Fred S. Teng
Sasha Greene

EXCUSED

Una Perkins
Barbara Sahlman

FINANCIAL DISTRICT
6-7-88

PRESENT

Margaret Chin
Louis DeSalvio
Martin Joffe
George Keller
Barbara Minsky
Ralph Pepe
Joseph Ritorto
Margaret Sentner

ABSENT

Charles Delaney
Roland Peracca
Fred S. Teng

EXCUSED

Christopher Poussaint

WASHINGTON MARKET
6-8-88

PRESENT

Alan Howard
Martin Joffe
Ronnie Moskowitz
Madeline Pantzer
Ralph Pepe
James Stratton

ABSENT

Barry Abramowitz
Hal Bromm
Harold Donchue
Kathryn E. Freed

EXCUSED

Barbara Sahlman

PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT
6-9-88

PRESENT

Mafa Edwards
Kathryn E. Freed
Madeline Pantzer
Roland Peracca
Margaret Sentner
Madelyn Wils

ABSENT

Hal Bromm
Jo Ellen Sheffield
James Stratton

EXCUSED

Barbara Sahlman

BATTERY PARK CITY
6-9-88

PRESENT

Linda Belfer
Sid Coron
Mafa Edwards
Kathryn E. Freed
Roland Peracca
Margaret Sentner
Madelyn Wils

ABSENT

Hal Bromm
Howard Chan
Joseph Ritorto
James Stratton

EXCUSED

Donald Rappaport

BATTERY PARK CITY
6-23-88

PRESENT

Linda Belfer
Hal Bromm
Mafa Edwards
Kathryn R. Freed
Margaret Sentner
James Stratton
Madelyn Wils

ABSENT

Howard Chan
Sid Coron
Donald Rappaport
Joseph Ritorto

EXCUSED

Roland Peracca

EXECUTIVE
6-13-88

PRESENT

Anne Compoccia
Hal Bromm
Harold Donohue
Kathryn E. Freed
Lloyd N. Merrill
Roland Peracca
Margaret Sentner
James Stratton

EXCUSED

Maureen Flatley
Donald Rappaport

ABSENT

Barry Abramowitz
Linda Belfer
Jenny Dixon
Kathleen Gupta
George Keller

SOCIAL SERVICES
6-27-88

PRESENT

Maureen Flatley
Sasha Greene
Randy Warsager

ABSENT

Miriam Behrstock
Margaret Fung
Rev. Joel Gibson
Meyer Hager
Madelyn Wils

ARTS POLICY WORKING GROUP
6-28-88

PRESENT

Hal Bromm
Jenny Dixon

ABSENT

Iris Alex
Charles Delaney
Ronnie Moskowitz
Una Perkins
Bert Rovics
Jo Ellen Sheffield
James Stratton
Madelyn Wils
Fred S. Teng
Sasha Greene

EXCUSED

Barbara Sahlman

YOUTH
7-7-88

PRESENT

Kathleen Gupta
Rev. Joel Gibson
Howard Chan
Mafa Edwards
Harold Donohue
Randy Warsager

ABSENT

Una Perkins

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