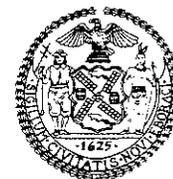


Anne Compocchia
Chairperson

COMMUNITY BOARD No. 1

CITY OF NEW YORK



Paul Goldstein
District Manager

**MINUTES
OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF
COMMUNITY BOARD #1
HELD
SEPTEMBER 18, 1990
1 POLICE PLAZA, 2ND FLOOR PRESS ROOM**

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

Public Session:

Madeline Robertaccio - New York Telephone Company, 375 Pearl Street - Expressed support of telecommunications bill in Congress to release seven regional telephone companies from court order which restricts their manufacturing telephone equipment or providing information services. The bill would place these companies under the Federal Communications Commission where appeals could be made. This legislation is important to the USA economy. Under present restrictions foreign companies have made substantial inroads in these areas resulting in a \$3 billion deficit which puts the USA in a negative position in this field. Urged members to write their congressional representatives on this matter.

Martin Koenig - 67 Vestry Street - Commented on state of the building at 416-424 Washington Street. He advocated immediate correction of health deficiencies, while at the same time, taking steps to assure the building's preservation.

Executive Session:

The minutes of the monthly meeting held July 31, 1990 were adopted as presented with substitution of Thomas Watt, attributed as inventor of steam engine, for Robert Fulton as reported in Public Session.

Reports of Elected Officials:

Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger - Reported on the following issues:

1. Strategic Policy Statement - NYC Charter mandates that a Strategic Policy Statement be prepared every four years to set an agenda for work of Borough President's Office and to reflect the concerns of Community Boards. An outline of this Statement has been mailed to each Board requesting that relevant sections be distributed to Board committees for consideration and response, either by a written statement or at the public hearings on October 3rd.
2. Fair Share Siting - Borough President has requested that City Planning Commission extend deadline to respond to draft criteria to foster the fair distribution of city facilities among communities. Public hearing is now set for September 26th.

3. Ongoing meetings are being scheduled with Boards by the Borough President's Office to learn about and reflect the best way to get things done under the new City Charter.
4. Manhattan Borough Historian - Announced the appointment of Doris Rosenbloom, retiring District Manager of Community Board #7, as Manhattan Borough Historian.
5. "We're making New York Shine" campaign - Borough President held a recent press conference to announce campaign to promote creative solutions to crime, drugs and youth concerns by fostering civic pride. The slogan, "We're Making New York Shine" is printed on stickers and buttons; posters will be available soon. Grants will be awarded to new organizations and new programs of existing organizations for innovative ideas to combat crime and drugs and help youth. Awards will be presented to "make-a-difference" groups.

Councilmember Miriam Friedlander - Reported on the following issues:

1. City Council Land Use Committee - Councilmember Friedlander appointed a member of Sub-Committee on Siting which considers placement of new facilities in communities, both on mandatory and discretionary basis.
2. Sites 5B/5C - The Public Development Corporation reviewed the proposal to offer Site 5C to the Mercantile Exchange to locate its facilities and build commercial tower with the Councilmember. PDC stressed importance of the Exchange to City's economy and fact that the corporation has received an offer from New Jersey. She pointed out that she had spoken with Tribeca residents and Community Board #1 members regarding this issue and her intention is to have PDC include in this package community space for active recreation.
3. Fulton Street Fish Market - With lease negotiations beginning soon, she is working on keeping market in community.
4. Loft Hearing - Opposed to projected increase in costs that tenants carry, i.e., architectural expenses, application fees to file complaints. Endorses working toward support of small property owners in loft districts.

Tom Duane - Representative of Comptroller Holtzman - Reported on the following issues:

1. The Comptroller voted at final meeting of Board of Estimate in opposition to United Parcel Service facility on grounds of decrease in air quality and exacerbation of existing traffic problems.
2. On-going discussions on Fulton Street subway station are now back to speed regarding addressing community concerns.
3. Comptroller Holtzman testified in opposition to approval of appointment of Judge David H. Souter to U.S. Supreme Court at Senate hearings in Washington, D.C.

Meg Reed – Representative of State Senator Manfred Ohrenstein – Reported on the following issues:

1. Senator Ohrenstein opposes Loft Board's tinkering with schedule of cost adjustments in keeping buildings up to code at the expense of taking real steps to implement the legalization process.
2. Senator submitted testimony regarding environmental impacts of proposed federal buildings at Foley Square.

Denise Gooden – Representative for Congressman Ted Weiss – Reported on the following issues:

1. Congressman introduced resolution in Congress commending United Nations of taking role in crisis in Middle East. He continues to press for strong UN role in this conflict.
2. Staten Island Home Port – Congress defeated bill which would have linked Defense Authorization Bill to cancellation of plans for the Home Port. Congresswomen Susan Molinari presented bill for funding of study of infrashore requirements and national base closings.
3. Backed Senator Kennedy's bill to assist hard-hit urban centers with AIDS resources.

District Manager's Report:

Paul Goldstein – Reported on the following issues:

1. The Community Board met with the Borough President's staff regarding the proposed pedestrian bridge for Stuyvesant High School in response to the Stuyvesant Coalition's concerns. A Battery Park City Authority consultant secured to investigate the grade crossing at this site concluded the need for a bridge crossing, as an at-grade crossing on one traffic signal sequence is virtually impossible.
2. Proposed Foley Square federal buildings environmental impact hearing – This proposal includes two large government buildings and will bypass ULURP. Community Board #1 submitted written comments on sub-surface conditions, potential damage to adjacent structures and traffic enforcement.
3. Westside Waterfront Panel recommendations – Piers 25 & 26, public recreation; Piers 26-34 (new pier), marine reserve park, community boating off North Park, Battery Park City; suggested marina off Pier 34.
4. Consumer Affairs, Disco Regulations –
 - A. Clubs have responsibility to regulate patrons entering and leaving establishments.
 - B. A designated club employee must be present at all times to take complaints
 - C. Bouncers with criminal records for assault or other major crimes cannot be employed
 - D. Community Boards will receive notice of applications for new

licenses of clubs in their districts and will have 45 days to comment

5. Youth Committee Summer Programs - Concluded successful bus trip program for Southbridge Towers, Independence Plaza, and Gateway Plaza. Dance and voice classes were held at Southbridge Towers. Efforts to save basketball program, established 8 years ago, were successful.
6. Budget Consultations - between Community Board and agency officials will take place on October 2nd. Community Board must develop budget priorities in near future and members are requested to pass on budget items to District Manager.

Chairperson's Report:

Anne Compocchia - Reported on the following issues:

1. Chairperson made presentation to NY Police Department sergeants and lieutenants regarding community needs and the C-POP program. Appointed Chairperson of Borough Board's Youth Committee. Will appear with District Manager Paul Goldstein on Manhattan Cable Channel L to discuss Community Board #1 activities.
2. Reported that Community Board Youth Committee groups were not permitted to use P.S. 234's public space during the summer months while other groups were allowed such access.
3. Reported on Corporation Counsel rulings regarding Community Boards: Community Board officers cannot be elected by secret ballot and Community Board "Executive Sessions" are now to be referred to as "Business Sessions".

Committee Reports:

NOTE: SEE RESOLUTIONS AT END OF MINUTES.

Executive

A. Compocchia

Committee Report:

The Executive Committee sent a letter to NY State Senator Manfred Ohrenstein outlining priorities developed by the Committee on various Battery Park City issues. The Committee expects to meet with the Senator to discuss these matters further. A letter was sent to the Public Development Corporation to demand that Community Board #1 be part of the discussions on the 5B/5C sites from the outset.

Arts and Cultural Affairs

J. Dixon

Committee Report:

Chairperson reported that a number of Board members have expressed disappointment regarding two installations recently approved by the Community Board, but not recommended for approval by the Arts and Cultural Affairs Committee.

After discussing the appropriateness wisdom of the Board using "aesthetic merit" as a criteria for consideration of installation of public art, and after the committee chair accepted a friendly amendment to move "public safety" to the head of the list, the Community Board voted 26 in favor, 3 opposed, with 0 abstentions to approve criteria for Installation of Works of Art.

1. Mimi Gross - Presented the design for a proposed temporary Installation, "Mixed Use District", in the traffic triangle at Avenue of the Americas, Church Street and White Street. The Board recommended approval of the proposal by a vote of 26 in favor, 0 opposed with 1 abstention.

Alan Michelson - Presented his proposed installation: "Earth's Eye" for temporary installation at Collect Pond Park. The installation was recommended for approval by a vote of 26 in favor, 0 opposed with one abstention.

Landmarks

D. Hupert

Committee Report:

By a vote of 23 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions, the Board approved a committee resolution reaffirming the importance and architectural significance of the building at 416-424 Washington Street.

Doris Deither, representing the Tribeca Community Association, endorsed the committee resolution and commented that the building height, bulk and style are in keeping with the surrounding neighborhood.

The committee chairperson advised the Board that rather than make comment specifically on an application to legalize a fixed awning at 60 Pearl Street, the committee sent a letter to the Landmarks Preservation Commission requesting that possible infractions within the entire Fraunces Tavern Block Historic District be investigated.

Civic Center

C. Gaines for L. Merrill

Committee Report:

A resolution recommending disapproval of the installation of a sidewalk newsstand at the N/E/C of Worth Street and Broadway was adopted by a vote of 19 in favor, 0 opposed and no abstentions.

Washington Market

J. Stratton

Committee Report:

By a vote of 22 in favor, 0 opposed with no abstentions, the Board voted to recommend, with modifications, the proposed extension and minor changes to the Relocation Incentive Program.

After questioning the wisdom of doing extensive planning for one portion of the district and not others at the same time, the proposed resolution: **Master Plan for Washington Market/Tribeca** was tabled pending consideration by the Executive Committee.

Financial District

R. Peracca

Committee Report:

The board voted 17 in favor, 0 opposed with 0 abstentions to reject an application for a sidewalk newsstand at the S/W/C of Wall Street and Water Street.

Transportation and Uniformed Services

R. D'Amato for S. Coron

Committee Report:

A committee resolution regarding **Two-way Traffic on N. Moore, Harrison, and Hubert Streets** was tabled for further consideration in committee after concerns were raised over N. Moore Street.

The committee chair updated the Board on various sanitation issues and the proposed Fulton Street subway station token booth reconfiguration.

Florence Daniels voiced frustration with the MTA and the slowness and inconsistency with which it is moving.

The meeting was adjourned.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	3 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: **Criteria for Installation of Works of Art**

BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 and its Arts and Cultural Affairs Committee will employ the following criteria in reviewing proposed installations of works of art in Lower Manhattan:

- Public safety
- Aesthetic merit
- Originality
- Appropriateness to the site
- New York City artist (preference given)
- Artist with limited previous public exposure in Lower Manhattan (preference given)
- Single installation in place at a time

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE: 26 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained

RE: "Mixed Use District", Proposed Installation

BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 recommends that the Department of Transportation approve the temporary installation (3 months) of "Mixed Use District" by Mimi Gross in the traffic triangle bounded by Avenue of the Americas, Church Street and White Street.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained

RE: "Earth's Eye", Proposed Installation

BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 recommends that the Department of Parks and Recreation approve the temporary installation (3 months) of "Earth's Eye" by Alan Michelson in Collect Pond Park.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	2 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	23 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: 416-424 Washington Street

WHEREAS: The building at 416-424 is a handsome structure, one which contributes to an historic neighborhood, and one which the Landmarks Preservation Commission has deemed appropriate to include in the calendared Tribeca North Historic District, and

WHEREAS: This building has had a recent tortured history and which for too long has been the source of undue pain for its neighbors, including an infestation of rats, and

WHEREAS: From the time of its proposed conversion several years ago the Community Board has supported only appropriate uses and has labored ever since to get the building stable, secure and maintained, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 calls upon American Savings Bank, the current owner of 416-424 Washington Street to preserve the existing building and to stabilize it structurally and socially, seal all windows, doorways and other openings with brick or other rat resistant material, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

The Board recommends the expedient sale of the building to a developer for conversion to appropriate uses only.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: CIVIC CENTER

COMMITTEE VOTE: 4 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE: 19 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained

RE: Proposed Sidewalk Newsstand, N/E/C* of Worth Street and
Broadway

WHEREAS: Community Board #1 has consistently expressed its concern
regarding the proliferation of sidewalk newsstands in our busy
district where most streets are heavily congested with pedestrian
and vehicular traffic, and

WHEREAS: *The application designates the location of the proposed newsstand
at the N/E/C of the intersection, but drawings were submitted for
the S/E/C, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 is opposed to the installation of a newsstand
at either the N/E/C or S/E/C of the intersection because it would
negatively impact the flow of pedestrian traffic particularly
between the hours of 8:30-9:30 AM, 11:30 AM-2:30 PM, 4:30 to 5:30
PM, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

The Community Board instructs City departments reviewing this
application to conduct inspections during the AM and PM rush
hours as well as lunch hour to make inspectors aware of the heavy
pedestrian traffic and congestion at this location.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	22 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: "Relocation Incentive Program" (N 910007 ZRY)

WHEREAS: The Department of City Planning is proposing an extension and minor changes to the Business Relocation Incentive Program (BRAC), and

WHEREAS: Community Board #1 has long supported retention of the industrial business in our area, and

WHEREAS: The Department of City Planning proposal exempts Interim Multiple Dwellings (IMD's) from the BRAC fee, as has long been urged by this Community Board and by state law, and

WHEREAS: The extension of the program enables industrial businesses an opportunity to receive relocation benefits until 1998; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 supports the proposed modifications with the following comments:

1. We urge that BRAC fees be waived after 10 years of vacancy rather than the current 5.
2. There should be an increased effort by the City to reach affected businesses to inform them of these potential benefits.
3. BRAC fee money being used for the Industrial Retention and Relocation Program (IRR) is currently denied to businesses wishing to relocate south of 96th Street in Manhattan; we urge that this restriction be lifted.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

Date: September 18, 1990

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE VOTE:	11 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	17 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained

RE: Proposed Sidewalk Newsstand, S/W/C Wall Street and Water Street

WHEREAS: Community Board #1 has consistently expressed its concern regarding the proliferation of sidewalk newsstands in our busy district where most streets are heavily congested with pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and

WHEREAS: There is already an existing sidewalk newsstand on the N/W/C of the same intersection, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED
THAT:

Community Board #1 is opposed to the installation of a newsstand at the above referenced location because it will negatively impact the flow of pedestrian traffic particularly between the hours of 8:30-9:30 AM, 11:30 AM-2:30 PM, 4:30 to 5:30 PM, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

The Department of Consumer Affairs instruct City departments reviewing this application to conduct inspections during the AM and PM rush hours as well as lunch hour to make inspectors aware of the heavy pedestrian traffic and congestion at this location.

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COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MEETING
ATTENDANCE, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 1990

PRESENT

IRIS ALEX
LINDA BELFER
HAL BROMM
ANNE COMPOCCIA
SIDNEY CORON
BARBARA CRAFTON
ROCCO D'AMATO
CHARLES DELANEY
JOHN DESMARAIS
PATRICIA DILLON
JENNY DIXON
HAROLD DONOHUE
MAUREEN FLATLEY
KATHYRN FREED
MARGARET FUNG
CHARLES GAINES
DAVID HUPERT
GEORGE KELLER
ELIZABETH KREIGSMAN
JOSEPH LERNER
BARBARA MARKS
LLOYD MERRILL
NANCY PAGE
MADELINE PANTZER
RALPH PEPE
ROLAND PERACCA
CHRISTOPHER POUSSAINT
JOSEPH RITORTO
JO ELLEN SHEFFIELD
JAMES STRATTON
BARNET SULTZER
MADELYN WILS

EXCUSED

MARGARET CHIN
BARBARA CHRISTEN
SASHA GREENE
KATHLEEN GUPTA
MEYER HAGER
UNA PERKINS
BARBARA SAHLMAN
MARGARET SENTNER
ROBERT TOWNLEY

ABSENT

LOUIS DESALVIO
ROBERT GOLDSTEIN
ROBERT WILLIAMS

GUESTS

HON. M. FRIEDLANDER, B. FELL
HON. R. MESSINGER, L. CARINO
HON. M. OHRENSTEIN, M. REED
HON. T. WEISS, D. WOODIN
S. MARENECK, PUBLIC MEMBER

COMMITTEE MEETINGS ATTENDANCE FOR
THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1990

ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

9-5-90

PRESENT

JENNY DIXON
KATHLEEN GUPTA
UNA PERKINS
BARBARA SAHLMAN
BARBARA MARKS
ROBERT GOLDSTEIN

EXCUSED

BARBARA CRAFTON

ABSENT

CHARLES DELANEY
SASHA GREENE
JO ELLEN SHEFFIELD

EXECUTIVE

9-6-90

PRESENT

JAMES STRATTON
ANNE COMPOCCIA
MAUREEN FLATLEY
DAVID HUPERT
LLOYD MERRILL
MARGARET SENTNER
ROBERT TOWNLEY
MADELYN WILS
PATRICIA DILLON

EXCUSED

ROLAND PERACCA
LINDA BELFER
JENNY DIXON
KATHRYN FREED
SIDNEY CORON

ABSENT

HAROLD DONOHUE

CIVIC CENTER

9-13-90

PRESENT

LLOYD MERRILL
CHARLES GAINS
IRIS ALEX
BARBARA MARKS

EXCUSED

MAUREEN FLATLEY
MARGARET FUNG

ABSENT

LOUIS DESALVIO
JO ELLEN SHEFFIELD
ROBERT WILLIAMS

EXECUTIVE

9-27-90

PRESENT

JAMES STRATTON
LINDA BELFER
ANNE COMPOCCIA
HAROLD DONOHUE
KATHRYN FREED
MARGARET SENTNER
ROBERT TOWNLEY
SIDNEY CORON
PATRICIA DILLON
DAVID HUPERT

EXCUSED

JENNY DIXON
MAUREEN FLATLEY

ABSENT

ROLAND PERACCA
LLOYD MERRILL
MADELYN WILS

LANDMARKS
9-10-90

PRESENT
DAVID HUPERT
IRIS ALEX
HAL BROMM

EXCUSED

ABSENT
LLOYD MERRILL
BARBARA SAHLMAN

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WASHINGTON MARKET  
9-17-90

PRESENT  
KATHRYN FREED  
PATRICIA DILLON  
DAVID HUPERT  
MADELYN PANTZER  
RALPH PEPE  
JAMES STRATTON

EXCUSED

ABSENT  
HAROLD DONOHUE  
NANCY PAGE  
ROBERT GOLDSTEIN

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SOCIAL SERVICES
9-24-90

PRESENT
MAUREEN FLATLEY
SASHA GREENE

EXCUSED
MADELYN WILS

ABSENT
MEYER HAGER

PARKS
9-12-90

PRESENT
MADELYN WILS
MARGARET SENTNER
NANCY PAGE

EXCUSED
ROLAND PERACCA
PATRICIA DILLON
KATHRYN FREED
BARBARA SHALMAN

ABSENT
HAL BROMM
MADELYN PANTZER
JO ELLEN SHEFFIELD
ROBERT TOWNLEY

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YOUTH  
9-25-90

PRESENT  
ROBERT TOWNLEY  
ELIZABETH KREIGSMAN  
NANCY PAGE  
JOSEPH DESMARAIS

EXCUSED  
KATHLEEN GUPTA  
UNA PERKINS

ABSENT  
ROCCO D'AMATO