

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

JULY 31, 1990

**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	19 In Favor	3 Opposed	2 Abstained

RE: **Educational Alliance West**

WHEREAS: The Educational Alliance West Free Teen Program received the recommendation from Community Board #1 for \$40,000 renewed funding for their 1990-91 youth program with the condition that they improve attendance, increase participation by girls and add program hours, and

WHEREAS: The Alliance has added an hour each to Tuesday and Wednesday night programs at PS 234 and devoted that extra hour to girls gym activities, but it has largely been a failure, and

WHEREAS: The Musical Theater and Gameroom activities listed in their contract have not been successful, however the basketball, gym and swim programs are popular and have a regular and improved attendance of neighborhood boys who need the program, and

WHEREAS: The Community Board wants to build on the strengths of the program and make sure it gets the most programming possible for \$40,000 and

WHEREAS: The Educational Alliance West has had a high turn-over of staff and will once again have new staff for next year, and each year the program has started off weak and taken a long time to build up to a regularly attended activity, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 recommends that the following suggestions be implemented by the Educational Alliance West for their 1990-91 Free Teen Program:

1. The program begin the first week of October or earlier and that sufficient time be given before that for outreach.
2. The program operate 3 nights at PS 234 from 7:00 to 9:00 with gym and gameroom activities using the gym and cafeteria.

3. The gameroom program be better developed and occur simultaneous to the basketball or gym program, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

When the 1991-92 recommendations are due at the end of December, the Youth Committee will evaluate the Educational Alliance West on its program as it exists and will no longer make allowances for it being a new program with new staff.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	14 In Favor	9 Opposed	3 Abstained

RE: **Ann Messner Artwork**

WHEREAS: Ann Messner has developed a public art installation that will be existing in the context of its location, and

WHEREAS: Ms. Messner has identified a new site for public art, the median between City Hall Park and Park Row, and

WHEREAS: She has considered the pedestrian traffic and insured that her work not be a visual obstruction, interfering with safe traffic flow, and

WHEREAS: She has received funding and support through the New York State Council on the Arts as the result of a peer review process, and

WHEREAS: The installation is sponsored by a respected alternative arts organization, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 approves the original public art installation by Ann Messner for a six month period.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	11 In Favor	11 Opposed	4 Abstained

RE: **Linda Cunningham Artwork**

WHEREAS: The proposed installations by Linda Cunningham for James Bogardus triangle and Finn Square are sculptures comprised of several stone and metal configurations, and

WHEREAS: These fragmented forms have uneven edges which is a safety concern for pedestrians, and

WHEREAS: These forms are comprised of materials and of a scale that provides dangerous obstacles for children and pedestrians in public spaces, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 recommends the disapproval of the proposed artwork by Linda Cunningham at Bogardus Triangle and Finn Square.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	14 In Favor	10 Opposed	2 Abstained

**RE: Robert Ressler Artwork**

**WHEREAS:** The role of Community Board #1 in regard to the installation of public art is as a steward for public sites in the district, and

**WHEREAS:** The efforts of the artist Robert Ressler are respected, and

**WHEREAS:** It is apparent that his proposed sculpture for Thomas Paine Park has already enjoyed a wide audience in New York and was not initially conceived for Thomas Paine Park, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 recommends disapproval of the proposed installation by Mr. Robert Ressler at Thomas Paine Park, and

**BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 would welcome the opportunity to review new work of Mr. Ressler's for the Community Board #1 area, particularly work he has not yet exhibited in the area that would be oriented for a specific site.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	29 In Favor	1 Opposed	2 Abstained

**RE: Proposed Sidewalk Newsstands: NEC Church at Fulton Street, NWC Park Place and Church Street, NEC Broadway at Cedar Street, NEC Pine at Water Street, SEC Broadway between Rector and Exchange Place, Broadway at Liberty, 80 Broadway between Wall and Exchange Place, 40 Broad Street, 55 Water Street, E-side Broad between Wall and Exchange, NEC Stone and Whitehall, 160 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, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 is opposed to the proposed installation of newsstands at the locations listed above because they will negatively impact the flow at 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 these applications 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 these locations.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE**

BOARD VOTE:            26 In Favor            0 Opposed            6 Abstained

RE:     **IPN Rent Increase**

WHEREAS:            Independence Plaza is a Mitchell Lama development and as such does not fall under the protection of the Rent Stabilization Laws, and

WHEREAS:            The only governmental body which exercises oversight as to spending by management and the resulting rental increases is the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), and

WHEREAS:            HPD has failed to adequately monitor the actions of management which has resulted in overspending (i.e., the operating budget has increased 50% over two years while the inflation rate stood at approximately 5%), and

WHEREAS:            IPN ownership has applied for an approximately 30% increase in rent over the next two years as a result of this overspending and their desire to bolster the capital reserve fund, and

WHEREAS:            The 1987 rent increase specifically provided adequate funding for the reserve fund and management lost a subsequent lawsuit claiming that the 1987 reserve fund allocation was inadequate, and

WHEREAS:            Management is also in possession of a fund of several hundred thousand dollars from unused section 236 H.U.D. funds which is not a current liability, and

WHEREAS:            The proposed increase will clearly strain the financial resources of many tenants, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT:                HPD is urged to resume responsibility in their oversight of IPN and look closely into the owner's spending income and future expenses, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT:                HPD is urged to carefully examine the proposed 30% rent increase at IPN and

eliminate the increase as unnecessary, or reduce the increase to a bare minimum, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED  
THAT:

HPD is urged to resume holding and presiding over budgetary meetings between tenant representatives and the owners.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

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

**RE: 13, 15-17 Harrison Street, 17 Jay Street**

WHEREAS: The applicant seeks minor modifications which will allow for ground floor retail use cellar, storage use and 2nd floor residential loft conversion at 13 Harrison Street, 15-17 Harrison Street and 17 Jay Street, and

WHEREAS: The applicant advertised these spaces at \$13.00 per square foot which DCP guidelines accept as a reasonable commercial rental, and

WHEREAS: A roof collapse last winter opened a large hole in the roof of one of the buildings which has remained unrepaired through the recent rental attempt period, and

WHEREAS: Signs warning of rat poison have been posted on the premises following a rat infestation problem treated by the NYC Department of Health, and

WHEREAS: Individual members of Community Board #1 have been told by potential commercial renters that they had difficulty in arranging to see the space; now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 disapproves these applications because the applicant's good-faith marketing efforts were seriously impaired by building conditions which made several of the spaces undesirable at the asking retail price, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 urges the applicant to make all necessary repairs before initiating another marketing effort.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: SOCIAL SERVICES**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	3 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	15 In Favor	14 Opposed	2 Abstained

RE: **MTA Plan to Evict Homeless**

WHEREAS: As of August 5, the Metropolitan Transit Authority plans to evict the homeless riding on the E line terminating at the World Trade Center station as part of its citywide program to rid the subways of homeless people, and

WHEREAS: The homeless exiting the World Trade Center will be met by outreach workers who will offer transportation to shelters or other services. Many homeless who do not accept these services are likely to either wander through the downtown neighborhood or re-enter the subway system, and

WHEREAS: This policy of the MTA will increase the population of homeless people in the streets, parks and public facilities of Lower Manhattan, is counterproductive to the mission of helping the homeless and does not solve the MTA's problem regarding the homeless throughout its subway system, and

WHEREAS: Many of the homeless population being evicted are young, aggressive and have psychological problems and an abrupt disruption of their routine may exacerbate their condition. This group often rejects City shelters, and

WHEREAS: John Huess House, the drop-in-center caring for the frail homeless, is the only such facility in this area and is at capacity. Hundreds of beds, operated by churches and synagogues, are not available during the summer, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 urges the Metropolitan Transit Authority to reconsider its plans to force the homeless from the E train terminating at the World Trade Center, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: The MTA take an active role in working with government agencies and advocates for the homeless to effect an equitable solution to the problem of the homeless population in the subways.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WATERFRONT AND ENVIRONMENT**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	20 In Favor	11 Opposed	1 Abstained

**RE: Landmarking Existing Westside Piers**

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan's Hudson River waterfront, extending northward from Pier 25, has an unmatched maritime heritage, and

WHEREAS: In 1807 the era of steam navigation began within the corridor, which evolved and flourished to make this area the center of the leading port in the world, and

WHEREAS: This section of the Hudson River was where millions of immigrants arrived who were processed through Ellis Island, in the greatest migration of people in history, and

WHEREAS: This waterfront was a major embarkation center for troops of military operations from the Civil War until World War II, and was also a place of homecoming for many when they returned, and

WHEREAS: Such a historic district of sites, properly identified, would enrich and add significance to our future waterfront park, which long served as the main gateway to America, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 supports the establishment of a historic district of sites along the West Street waterfront corridor, including the remaining piers, and extending from south of Pier 25 to north of Pier 56.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	32 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: Westside Waterfront Panel Recommendations**

**WHEREAS:** The Westside Waterfront Panel has prepared its preliminary recommendations for the unused waterfront property adjacent to Route 9A, and

**WHEREAS:** These recommendations already reflect many of the desired uses and facilities recommended by Community Board #1 and neighborhood residents, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 commends the Westside Waterfront Panel for its responsiveness to the stated needs and desires of this community, and

**BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 would like to re-affirm its support for:

- 1) A waterfront ecological reserve park running from the north end of Battery Park City to Pier 40, from the bulkhead to the pierhead, and
- 2) The utilization of other unused property as parkland and, to the greatest degree possible, as active recreation space, and

**BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 opposes the proposed marina between Piers 34 and 40 because of its negative environmental impact upon the adjacent ecological reserve park and because it would attract many additional cars into the area, and

**BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 urges that in the areas adjacent to the ecological reserve park the WSWP approve only those waterfront uses which are truly compatible with the proposed ecological reserve park.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	30 In Favor	9 Opposed	4 Abstained

**RE: Apres Scott Sidewalk Cafe**

**WHEREAS:** The new owners of Apres Scott restaurant at 353 Greenwich Street have applied for an unenclosed sidewalk cafe license which would permit 9 tables and 21 seats, and

**WHEREAS:** The Community Board has been assured that the cafe would not generate loud music or noise, and

**WHEREAS:** The owners have also agreed to comply with additional conditions as stated below intended to insure that the cafe would not negatively impact the neighborhood, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 approves the sidewalk cafe application of Apres Scott restaurant subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The sidewalk cafe will not serve patrons wishing to drink alcoholic beverages only (i.e, without food)
- 2) The hours of the sidewalk cafe will be Sunday through Thursday until 10 PM and Friday and Saturday evenings until midnight
- 3) Community Board #1 will mediate any disputes which may arise because of the cafe.

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**COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON MARKET**

COMMITTEE VOTE:	2 In Favor	1 Opposed	1 Abstained
BOARD VOTE:	30 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained

**RE: Sidewalk Newsstand at NWC Broadway and Murray**

**WHEREAS:** Broadway is one of the busiest streets in Community Board #1, and

**WHEREAS:** The proposed sidewalk newsstand location at the NWC of Broadway and Murray, across from City Hall, and is routinely congested with office and government workers from the surrounding neighborhood, now

**THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED**

**THAT:** Community Board #1 disapproves the proposed newsstand at the NWC of Broadway and Murray because it would worsen existing pedestrian traffic flow in the area, and

**BE IT  
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RESOLVED**

**THAT:** The Department of Consumer Affairs instruct City Departments reviewing these applications to the AM and PM rush hours as well as the lunch hour to make inspectors aware of the heavy pedestrian traffic and congestion at these locations.