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August 24, 2015

Dawn Tolson, Director
CECM/Street Activity Permit Office
100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10038

Dear Ms. Tolson:

At its Executive Committee meeting on, August 20, 2015, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

Applications for Street Activities Permits:

Whereas, for a “block party or block festival”, CB2, Man. attempts to determine, within its ability, that each sponsor is a community-based, not-for-profit organization, association, or the like, which has an indigenous relationship to the specific street, community or both;

Whereas, community groups were notified and the applicants, as noted, were present regarding the applications below; and,

Whereas, the remaining items – noted as **FYI – Renewals below** – have been held for three or more years and after the items were published on the CB2 calendar of Meetings, no members of the community requested a public hearing be held regarding them, CB2 Manhattan has no issue with these applications and approves them, in total:

FYI Renewal Applications for Street Activities: (not heard by the Committee)

10/17/15 Tavern on Jane 19th Annual Block Party, Jane St. between Eighth Ave. & Hudson St.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that recommends **APPROVAL** of the above referenced **RENEWAL** application for a street activity on Jane St. between Eighth Avenue & Hudson St.

Vote: Unanimous, with 16 Executive Committee members in favor.

10/31/15 NYU & CB2 Children's Halloween Parade, LaGuardia Pl. bet Washington Sq. South & West 3rd St.

N.B. Community Board 2, as co-sponsor, has been advised by the Conflicts of Interest Board to refrain from voting on this street activity.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB2, Man. takes no position on this application.

Vote: None. Please see above note.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,



Tobi Bergman, Chair
Community Board #2, Manhattan



Maria Passannante-Derr, Chair
Sidewalks/Street Activities Committee
Community Board #2, Manhattan

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cc: Hon. Jerrold L. Nadler, Congressman
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Whereas, community groups were notified and the applicants, as noted, were present regarding the application below; and,

Renewal Street Activity Application: (heard by the Committee)

1. 9/20/15 Pig Roast 2015 Special Event, 47 Bond St. between Bowery & Lafayette Sts.

Whereas, this is a special event, defined as a “street activity that promotes, advertises or introduces a product, corporation or other commercial entity or the goods or services of a corporation, company or other commercial entity to either the general public or to a portion of the general public”; and

Whereas, the applicant (the general manager of Il Buco Restaurant located at 47 Bond Street), a principal of Il Buco and her staff, appeared and stated that this event was held in 2014, but not held for four years prior to 2014; and

Whereas, Il Buco, at 47 Bond St., is an established restaurant that does not require a commercial introduction to the community; nor, was it introducing a product, goods or services to the general public or to a portion of the general public; and

Whereas, applicant retains 100% of the proceeds of this event; and

Whereas, the permit terms limit this event to 1) closure of the south sidewalk i/f/o 47 Bond St.; 2) closure of the of the south curb lane i/f/o 47 Bond St. for placement of one BBQ grill; 3) all sales transactions must be done inside the restaurant; and, 4) no consumption of alcohol unless a special permit issued by SLA; and

Whereas, this applicant, in 2014, violated the terms of the permit in that:

- 1) hundreds of people gathered in the street bed; (photo submitted by a community organization);
- 2) chairs and tables were placed on the sidewalk, to the east and west far beyond 47 Bond St.;
 - a) Ryan Kinser, of ddgpartners, property manager of 41 Bond St. as well as a resident thereof, appeared and stated that the residents of 41 Bond St. were opposed to chairs and tables in front of their building; b) applicant admitted that there were chairs and tables to the east and west but stated that she had “permission” for the placement of chairs and tables from the adjoining commercial entities; and if their consent wasn’t sufficient, she would encourage them to join this Special Event application;
- 3) patrons crowded the north Bond St. sidewalk from #46 to #50 Bond St. (as stated by the community organization in its letter to the Board);
- 4) the community organization submitted a photo of transactions taking place outside on the street near the BBQ pit;
- 5) a community resident appeared stating that beer and wine is served outside; (no special SLA permits were obtained); and, that a nearby empty storefront was filled with wood, the fuel used for three BBQ pits that burned for 22 hours;
- 6) applicant admitted that, in January, 2010 (and memorialized in a CB2, SLA resolution), her business partner stipulated that they would suspend the “pig fest” if they received support for on o/p license for their second venue;
- 7) a nearby resident appeared and stated that three open BBQ pits were used in violation of the permit; and

Whereas, further:

- 8) there was no community outreach;
- 9 a) a resident in a nearby building, stated that the open wood fire BBQ pits were set up at 12:00 a.m. in the morning (time allowed by the permit) consuming his second floor apartment with smoke;
- 9 b) the resident went to the local FDNY and stated that their response was to “laugh” at him; applicant’s owner responded, with indifference, stating that it was only one day a year and the BBQ pit was allowed under the terms of the permit;
- 10) the committee questions whether an FDNY permit is required and/or whether there are FDNY rules and regulations for three, open BBQ pits located in the curb lane of the street, burning continuously for 22 hours;
- 11) applicant’s owner, dismissed the community’s concerns and stated that she would seek permission from SAPO for a permit on her terms;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB2, Man. strongly recommends **DENIAL** of this event at 47 Bond St. between Bowery & Lafayette Sts.

Vote: Unanimous, with 16 Executive members in favor.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,



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