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DECEMBER 2004

Meeting of Community Board #3 held December 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:51PM, PS20, 166 Essex Street

MEMBERS PRESENT AT TIME OF ROLL CALL:

David Adams [P]	Carolyn Jeffers [P]	Lois Regan [P]
Michael Auerbach [P]	Barbara Jeter [A]	Verina Reich [P]
Rev. Joan Brightharp [P]	Anne Johnson [E]	Richard Ropiak [P]
Mayra Cappas [A]	Joel Kaplan [P]	Estelle Rubin [E]
David Crane [P]	Lisa Kaplan [P]	Eunice Samuels [P]
Elizabeth Cruse [P]	Doreen Leon [A]	Deborah Simon [E]
Andrea Diaz [P]	Jennifer Lim [P]	Pia Simpson [P]
David Diaz [P]	Bernice McCallum [P]	Arlene Soberman [P]
George Diaz [P]	David McWater [P]	Nancy Rose Sparrow-Bartow [P]
Harvey Epstein [P]	Alexandra Militano [P]	Mark Stein [P]
Morris Fajtelewicz [E]	Katrina Monzon [P]	Harold Stelter [P]
Anthony Feliciano [A]	Lillian Moy [P]	David Weinberger [P]
Rabbi Y.S. Ginzberg [P]	Jason Nagel [P]	Sara Weinstein [A]
Carlos Juan Gonzalez [P]	Roberto Ortiz Arroyo [E]	Harry Wieder [P]
Herman Hewitt [P]	Barden Prisant [P]	Samuel Wilkenfeld [E]
Keisha Hogans [A]	Joyce Ravitz [P]	Echo Waisan Wong [A]

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. Lisa Orloff, September Space, spoke about her organization and its free support services for all affected by the 9/11 tragedy, including survivors. Services offered include Massage, Yoga, Art Therapy and caregiver programs. She noted website as [www.septemberspace.org](http://www.septemberspace.org)
2. Yuri Yanover, publisher of the Grand Street News introduced himself and the reporter who was announced to would be assigned regularly to cover the activities of the Community Board.
3. Krishna-Balarama-Swami Joseph Bonomo, The Sanctuary, announced the Interfaith Caroling Event that was scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30PM to 4:30PM at Tompkins Square Park by the Hare Krishna Tree.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

All representatives who spoke wished the board Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

1. There were no representatives present for State Senator Steven Sanders, Assemblyperson Deborah Glick, Public Advocate Betsy Gotbaum and Mayor Bloomberg's Community Action Unit.
2. Congressperson Nydia Velazquez, Melissa Maldonado, rep. She spoke about supporting Gouverneur Hospital's Modernization plan by assisting it to secure city and federal grants and by incorporating new resources and technologies and expanding its services; Congressperson Velazquez was also continuing to fight for the preservation of affordable housing by encouraging landlords with expiring Section 8 contracts to stay in the program and by ensuring that NYCHA and other housing agencies have funding to ensure current and future families proper service in a safe and affordable environment. She was also fighting to restore Park Row's economic vitality in the Chinatown area by requesting prompt removal of police barricades in the area, reopening of critical streets and pedestrian areas and the undertaking of an environmental impact study to enable the growth and prosperity of small businesses and residents in the area; she had also secured funding for Lower East Side projects including \$300,000 for Good Ole Lower East Side's (GOLES) effort to assist in the technological improvement of local merchants and low-income residents as well as develop cooperative spaces and day care services: \$17,500 for the Lower East Side BID's Greenmarket and \$100,000 for Loisada's Youth Leadership Program's training youth for leadership skills and about anti-violence and gang prevention.
3. Congressperson Carolyn Maloney, Victor Montesinos, rep. He mentioned the passage of the 9/11 Commission Bill which she introduced with Congressperson Shays in the House; the inequality of grants distributed by the Department of Homeland Security whereby New York could receive 1/7<sup>th</sup> of the moneys given to a state with a lower population, such as Wyoming. Finally, she helped secure \$1.5 Million in federal funding for Fiscal 2005, which would include a resident work program, a New York Tolerance Center promoting racial and cultural tolerance supervised by the Simon Wiesenthal Center; mental health services from the New York City Police Foundation's Project COPE and help for children of incarcerated parents by the Fortune Society. He also mentioned the securing of \$200,000 for Beth Israel Medical Center's expansion of it Rape Crisis Intervention Center and over \$120,000 for the Lower East Side Tenement Museum's Irish Family in America project.
4. Congressperson Jerrold Nadler, Michael Kay, rep. He mentioned the passage of the 9/11 Commission Bill; the decision by the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) investigation of election irregularities in the 2004 national elections, in response to a letter by the Congressperson and thirteen other Congressperson request for such

- an investigation; the securing of federal funding including for the study of genomics to help soldiers from bioterror threats and the Doe Fund's Ready, Willing and Able Program for its resident work project.
5. State Senator Thomas K. Duane, Aviva Feldman, rep. She mentioned disapproval of the passage of the Rockefeller Drug Law Reform, which did not offer any reduction in sentences for low-level B offenses and only gave the A offenders a 1/6<sup>th</sup> reduction in prison time for their crimes. The State Senator planned to push for legislation which would call for more equitable solution for both levels of offenders, who he deemed primarily as public health concerns. She mentioned his votes to override the Governor's veto of the state minimum wage law which would go from \$5.15 an hour to \$7.15 in 2007 and for a Javits Convention Center Expansion Bill which would not include funding for the West Side Stadium, which he opposed. The State Senator testified at the MTA in opposition to its proposed fare increases and he announced a planned town hall meeting in the spring regarding the preponderance of bars in Community Boards #3 and 6.
  6. Assemblyperson Sheldon Silver, Jessica Ashenberg, rep. She noted that the Assemblyperson applauded the recommendations by the court-appointed referees in the Campaign for Fiscal Equity case, which established that there was a correlation between educational funding and academic achievement, even though the Governor downplayed the kind of resources needed to education New York State's children. She noted that the Assemblyperson was calling for an education funding reform summit for representatives of the executive and legislative leaders, representatives of the state Board of Regents and the New York City Mayor to be present in the interest of expediting a statewide solution. She also announced an agreement between the Governor and the Assembly and Senate Majority Leaders on a bill to expand the Jacob Javits Convention Center. She also announced the support by the Assembly and State Senate Majority Leaders for a bipartisan legislative agreement for a Partial Rockefeller Drug Law Reform.
  7. Councilmember Margarita Lopez, Eric Lugo, rep. He reported over the last three years the Councilmember created 2280 units of affordable housing, which included standard housing, housing specifically for persons with HIV, seniors, persons with physical and mental disabilities and others with low income. He also reported that the Councilmember supported the passage of a local law to amend the New York City Administrative Code in relation to banning the sale some substances containing lead, including imported candy and foods. She also introduced legislation condemning the sale of marijuana-flavored candy, as well as a local law amending the New York Administrative Code, which would require callers of 311 to identify themselves fully if their complaint involves the dispatch of the Police, Fire or EMS departments, so that it could be better determined if such reports were false and therefore criminal. On November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004, she and other City Councilmembers held a press conference denouncing the privatization of the NYC Health and Hospital Corporation food service operation. Also, she was scheduled to appear on Manhattan Neighborhood Network Channel 34 regarding proposed legislation on an asthma free school zone (Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>) and the East 4<sup>th</sup> Street Cultural District (Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup>).
  8. Manhattan Borough President C. Virginia Fields, Bradford Sussman, rep. He announced two events he urged the board to attend: The Harlem Renewal = Renaissance Art Exhibit, examining the imagery, spirit and icons of Harlem, with a "delicious" reception on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 6 - 7:30PM at the Manhattan Borough President's Office, with the exhibit itself extending to January 3<sup>rd</sup>; and a parent's workshop on how to help children whose primary language is not English with their homework on Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at the Isabella Geriatric Center at 515 Audubon Avenue.
  9. Councilmember Alan Gerson, Luis Reyes, rep. He announced that there would be a series of town hall meetings, including what to do with the LMDC money like a having a senior citizen center at Gouverneur Gardens, fixing the Allen/Pike Street corridors and stated that the LMDC gave a grant to Common Ground to allow them to build on a site other than the Boy's Club, and that the Boy's Club would be left alone and revert back to community use. A board member proposed that the Common Ground matter should be placed on the next Housing Committee agenda.

#### MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2004:

Approved, with the following corrections noted by the Assistant Secretary: Change to last clause of last sentence of Elected Official, #3 (Assemblymember Sheldon Silver), so that the full sentence would read: "A deal was made for about 87% of the tenants who would qualify to stay in their apartments under Section 8, while the rest would be allowed to stay for an indeterminate period of time." (Underline notes the change.)

#### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

He noted DCAS's recommendation for the board to look at the NYCHA building at First Houses at Avenue A and East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for its new office and said that while the space was a bit small, it was not out of the question. He noted that DCAS would only allow maximum payment of \$50 per square foot and 1,300 square feet of space.

He reported that he gave testimony before the City Council's Governmental Operations Committee that morning regarding the status of the city's Community Boards and assessed the pros and cons of Bloomberg's CAU office's testimony regarding that subject. He noted, for example, the poor help in planning and expertise by the city and data collecting for the 311 city information phone service regarding city needs; and the fact that the Board now has to deal with lower level of agency officials in addressing community problems than it did not long ago.

He noted that he spoke for Community Board #3 at a pro-CHARAS press conference, and mentioned that he spoke against first the sale, then the eviction, then the planned construction of the dorm and now the prospect of demolition at that site.

He announced that the annual holiday party would be at The Magician at Rivington Street near Essex Street right after the meeting, which he noted was two blocks away.

He announced that before the party board members should come to the front of the auditorium for a group picture taking session, so that the photo could be sent to Board member Deborah Simon, who as a member of the National Guard, was called to duty in Iraq.

**DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT:**

The first distribution of the draft November minutes was distributed tonight.

Please remember that the draft agenda for January cannot be used as a final agenda. There will be many changes, including agenda items, locations, and dates. The purpose of this distribution is to elicit corrections from Board members. This should not be distributed publicly.

The District Manager reported on the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. All Community Boards will be involved in this training to prepared individuals and their teams to engage in disaster response. The primary non-disaster roles of CERT teams in NYC is neighborhood disaster preparedness.

The Community Boards responsibilities will be

To recruit participants from no fewer than 3 neighborhood organizations in their community district (with support from Citizens for NYC)

To secure an appropriate space for training

To identify a CERT Team Leader

To maintain contact with team's Lead Instructor

To maintain ongoing contact with the OEM CERT Program Manager

The Department of Health is sending a representative for rat abatement to the office every week. Please be sure to let us know of any rodent problems.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

REPORT: Regarding Committee Votes.

1. Exec Committee Item, re: MTA hearing on proposed possible reduction in service on local bus routes

COMMITTEE MOTION: Regarding the MTA hearing on December 14 regarding proposed possible reduction in service on local bus routes, it is authorized that a letter be written to MTA saying that we are upset about the short notice given; that the MTA is not allowing the Board to follow its City mandate; that the MTA's assertions are wrong; that the Board wants the opportunity to give public testimony at the hearing; and that December 14 is the date of the full Board meeting.

2. Exec Committee Item, re: CB#3 Waterfront Task Force

COMMITTEE MOTION: To extend the term of the Waterfront Task Force for one year.

**BOARD VOTE:**

**33 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV**

**MOTION PASSED**

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At this point, the Board Chair announced the addition of Steven Tin as member of the Community Board.

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**SLA COMMITTEE:**

REPORT: Concerning Committee Votes.

**Complaints:**

1. Second On Second Café, 27 2nd Ave

No Vote Necessary

Liquor License Renewals w/Complaints:

2. Pylos, 128 E 7th St

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve renewal for Pylos, 128 East 7th Street

3. Dish, 165 Allen St

COMMITTEE VOTE: To postpone the renewal application for Dish, 165 Allen Street, for one (1) month at the applicant's request and ask that the SLA not consider this application until it is first reviewed and commented on by Community Board #3.

4. Bea's Tavern, 47 E Houston St

No Vote Necessary: This location is not within Community Board #3.

5. Le Souk, 47 Ave B

COMMITTEE VOTE:

WHEREAS, Community Board #3 approved the original application, as well as alterations, for 47 Ave. B East, Inc., d/b/a Le Souk, located at 47 Avenue B, based on the applicant's representations that he would operate a restaurant, as stated in his application materials (appended hereto); and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of Community Board #3 that the operation of this establishment has resulted in numerous disturbances to the quality of life of residents living adjacent to or near this location; and

WHEREAS, it is the understanding of Community Board #3 that the 9th Precinct is expending excessive time and manpower addressing issues arising from the operation of this establishment, which is currently the leading subject of 311 complaints within the precinct; and

FURTHER, given that the 9th Precinct has requested that Community Board #3 refuse to approve the renewal of this license now before it based on the following documentation (appended hereto), which illustrates that this licensee has failed to operate its establishment consistent with its representations:

- 1) ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN (117) 311 complaints for noise between January 1, 2004, and December 1, 2004,
- 2) TEN (10) 9th Precinct SLA reports in 2003, primarily for disorderly premise,
- 3) FOUR (4) NYPD MSVES SLA reports in 2004, primarily for sale of alcohol to minors,
- 4) TWO (2) 9th Precinct summonses in 2004 for sale of alcohol to minors, and
- 5) TWO (2) 9th Precinct arrests inside said establishment in 2004;

6) TWO (2) M.A.R.C.H. Operations conducted in 2003 and 2004, resulting in various violations; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board #3 now denies the renewal of the full on premises license with two (2) additional bars for 47 Ave. B East, Inc., d/b/a LeSouk, located at 47 Avenue B, based on the licensee's apparent failure to adequately control or oversee the operation of his own establishment or the patrons and personnel located therein; and

FURTHER, asking that the New York State Liquor Authority investigate this licensee for revocation based upon the herein resolution and accompanying documentation.

6. Opium Den, 29 E 3rd St

COMMITTEE VOTE: To deny renewal of license for Opium Den, 29 East 3rd Street, due to its nonappearance for review of its application.

Alterations/Transfers/Upgrades:

7. JLD Sushi, 116 E 4th St (trans/rw)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve the transfer of restaurant/wine license to JLD, 116 East 4th Street, understanding that the method of operation as a sushi restaurant will remain unchanged.

8. Tenement, 157 Ludlow St (trans/alt/op)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To postpone the transfer application for Tenement, 157 Ludlow Street, for one (1) month at the applicant's request and ask that the SLA not consider this application until it is first reviewed and commented on by Community Board #3, as required by law.

9. 129 St Marks Pl Inc, 129 St Marks Pl (trans/op) w/See Item #11

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve provided applicant, 129 St. Marks Place, Inc., 129 St Marks Place, and N&E Corp., 125-129 St Marks Place, furnish Community Board #3 with a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will close at 2:00 a.m. every night, 2) it will serve food to within one (1) hour of closing, 3) it will close all doors at 10:00 p.m. weeknights and 11:00 p.m. weekends, 4) it will provide contact information and immediately address complaints.

10. ESX Group, 225 E Houston (trans/op)

COMMITTEE VOTE: MOTION TO COME

11. N&E Corp, 125-129 St Marks Pl (trans/op)

See Item #9

12. Le Zoccole, 95 Ave A (trans/op)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve transfer of full on premises license for Le Zoccole, 95 Avenue A.

New Liquor License Applications:

13. El Nuevo Amanecer, 117 Stanton St (rw)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To deny transfer of restaurant/wine license for El Nueva Amanecer, 117 Stanton Street, due to its nonappearance for review of its application.

14. Better Living, 103 2nd Ave (op)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve transfer of full on premises license for Better Living, 103 2nd Avenue.

15. Normal, 168 Suffolk St (op)

COMMITTEE VOTE: As applicant, Normal, 168 Suffolk Street, has withdrawn its application before Community Board #3, it is asking that the SLA not consider this application until it is first reviewed and commented on by Community Board #3, as required by law.

16. Roll-n-Roaster, 122 E 11th St (rw)

COMMITTEE VOTE: To approve restaurant/wine license for Roll-n-Roaster, 122 East 11th Street.

#### **BOARD VOTE:**

**29 YES 1 NO 3 ABS 0 PNV**

**MOTION PASSED**

#### PARKS COMMITTEE:

REPORT: Concerning Committee Votes.

1. Discussion of November 6th Tompkins Square Park Concert

No Vote Necessary

2. Landmarks Preservation Commission Presentation: general landmarking procedures & guidelines

No Vote Necessary

3. LMDC: Partial Action Plan for WTC memorial & cultural program

COMMITTEE MOTION: That given the impact of 9/11 on Manhattan Community Board #3, including having its northern boundary, 14th Street, as part of the "frozen zone" immediately implemented after the attack, the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation must modify its boundaries concerning its Lower Manhattan Public Information Program in Partial Action Plan No.9 to include all of the Manhattan Community Board #3 area.

4. Park Permit Application: Coty Beauty staff picnic, 05/20/05, 09/09/05, East River Park softball fields and 10th St barbeque area

COMMITTEE MOTION: To approve the application of Coty to use portions of East River Park on 5/5/05 and 9/9/05 contingent on favorable review by the Parks Dept.

#### **BOARD VOTE:**

**36 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV**

**MOTION PASSED**

DISCUSSION: At the behest of a board member, the last clause of item #3 was removed: "particularly as it regards parks, recreation, cultural affairs and waterfront concerns."

#### PUBLIC SAFETY/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES:

REPORT: Concerning Committee Votes.

Public Safety & Sanitation Committee

1. Request to move 32 existing public payphones to curbside

COMMITTEE VOTE: To deny approval to move 32 payphones to curbside at all locations requested by DoITT. Community Board 3, currently deals with the quality of life issues and moving telephones to curbside will increase such complaints. Community Board 3 in particular notes that phones at the following locations will prevent access by people in wheelchairs because of their location between curb cuts.

35610- 185 Avenue B  
36679- 250 East Houston Street  
67936- 166 Delancey Street  
68263- 45 Market Street  
68302- 156 Second Avenue

68434- 63 Avenue D  
68435- 63 Avenue D  
68879- 145 Avenue C  
68950- 207 East Houston Street  
69263- 355 Bowery

2. Support for Intro 174A requiring Dept of Information Technology & Telecommunications to share 311 information with Community Boards

COMMITTEE VOTE:

WHEREAS, the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications' (DoITT) 311 Citizen Service assisted over 8 million callers in Fiscal Year 2004, and is projecting 10 million calls in Fiscal Year 2005; and

WHEREAS, the volume of calls translates into an average of 89,000 request for service per year; and

WHEREAS, these data are vital to the Charter-mandated functions of community boards; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Brewer's Committee on Technology in Government has proposed legislation that would require DoITT to share location-based 311 data with community boards, provide aggregate data on-line for the public, and meet with community board representatives on content and format;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board #3, Manhattan endorses Intro 174-A and commends the Council Member for proposing this legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board #3 requests the Manhattan Borough Board to consider the legislation at its next meeting.

3. Comments on EPA draft proposed sampling program to determine extend of WTC impacts to indoor environment and support for related 7 Principles Letter from community organizations to EPA

COMMITTEE VOTE: To support the seven principles letter.

Transportation Committee

1. "No Parking Anytime" on Ave B btwn 3rd and Houston St

COMMITTEE VOTE: To amend our November 2004 resolution to read as follows: To ask DOT to install "No Standing Anytime" signage on the west side of Ave B between Houston St and 4th St. There is a constriction of the road bed just north of 3rd St which is causing terrible congestion. There is a bus stop and a fire hydrant on the west side of the 3rd-4th Street block, so there would be a net loss of roughly 12 parking spaces.

2. Request for "No Standing" signage at The Red Apple Day Care at 25 Market St

COMMITTEE VOTE: That CB#3 does not feel that "No standing" signage is required at The Red Apple Day Care at 25 Market St.

3. DOT: CB3 Policy for Street Co-Naming Applications

COMMITTEE VOTE: To postpone until January.

4. Request for support for Community Coalition plans for Allen & Pike Sts

COMMITTEE VOTE: That CB#3 will join the Uniting Neighborhoods to Revitalize Allen/Pike Streets (UNRAP) coalition, in order to support and help facilitate the process of community-based planning for the Allen St/ Pike St corridor between E Houston St and South St. CB#3 is not pre-endorsing any specific recommendations, but we are interested in becoming involved in the dialog and UNRAP's efforts to ensure continued diversity and community input/support for improving the area. UNRAP is taking steps to undertake a more thorough traffic and pedestrian study, and collect more information from the community, to direct long-term improvements.

5. Review of Delancey St Study recommended improvements

COMMITTEE VOTE:

**CB3-Manhattan Comments on Delancey Street Transportation Study**

CB3-Manhattan appreciates that DDC granted an extension of the deadline for submission of our comments on the DDC report "Delancey Street Transportation Study: Future Conditions, Identified Problems, Recommended Improvements".

First, CB3 has 4 negative comments on the report, asking DDC to reexamine some of the existing conditions or some of the conclusions in the report:

1. At the February 17, 2004 meeting of the CB3 Transportation Committee, during the discussion of DDC's presentation of their existing conditions report, we commented that DDC had missed the sidewalk problems on Forsyth Street. In late 2003, DOT reconfigured the parking along Forsyth Street, which has created a terrible situation for the community. Cars used to parallel park against the wall of Sara D. Roosevelt Park, but now there is back-in angle parking against the sidewalks on the eastern side of Forsyth Street. Since these sidewalks are very narrow and cars tend to back up until their tires hit the curb, the change to curbside parking has created a safety hazard to pedestrians. DOT claims that the park-side parking caused a safety hazard to the motorists who had to walk in the street to get to and from their cars. In order to protect everyone, CB3 wants sidewalks built adjacent to the park wall and parking moved back to the park side of Forsyth Street.
2. At the February 17, 2004 meeting of the CB3 Transportation Committee, we commented that DDC had examined the conditions at the Grand Street subway entrance while the D train service still terminated there. In late 2003, service between Brooklyn and Grand Street via the Williamsburg Bridge was reestablished. This change definitely increased usage of the Grand Street subway entrance, and we feel that the level of service might not be rated at "A" anymore.
3. At the February 17, 2004 meeting of the CB3 Transportation Committee, we also commented on the lack of cross-town bus service in the study area. It is now clear that DDC did not attempt to independently verify the headway between M14 buses, and has simply reported the headway times published in the MTA/NYCT schedules. CB3 feels that this is a flaw in the analysis, which lead DCP to the erroneous conclusion that "all analyzed bus routes would continue to operate at a comfortable level of service." This contradicts the conclusions of the "1999 Manhattan East Side Alternatives Major Investment Study/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (MIS/DEIS)" (the MESA study), which proposed new bus routes and route modifications "to address long-

standing gaps in the existing bus network.” The MESA study explored various reconfigurations of the M15, M21 and M22 routes in its “Transportation Systems Management (TSM) Alternative”. We would appreciate it if DDC would comment on those proposals.

4. DDC notes that there will be a dramatic loss of off-street parking between now and 2013. DDC projects the supply will decrease from 1618 to 1139, but the demand at mid-day peak would rise from 1258 to 1545. On-street parking will presumably remain 100% occupied. In other words, DDC projects that demand for off-street parking would increase from 78% to 136% of capacity. The shortfall of 406 off-street parking spaces will be a hardship for residents and local merchants. CB3 would like DDC to recommend mitigation, such as a municipal parking garage.

Second, CB3 has 5 positive comments on the recommendations in the report, and we intend to add them as agenda items for consideration at future CB3 meetings, and to bring these to the attention of the Canal Area Transportation Study being conducted by NYMTC. We will probably pick up on other recommendations in the report, but immediately we noticed the following:

1. DDC concludes that DOT should keep the Delancey Street median that blocks left turns off south-bound Suffolk Street into traffic bound for the Williamsburg Bridge. When the median closed traffic between 2002-2003, DDC found the accident rate dropped 43%, from 42 to 25 per year (about 5% of the accidents had involved pedestrians). This is exactly what local residents had reported.
2. DDC recommends various pavement restripings and limited time-of-day No Parking zones to ease traffic congestion. Current conditions show traffic delay between 41.2 – 80.5 seconds per vehicle at Delancey and the Bowery, Chrystie, Allen and Norfolk. By 2013, DDC projects congestion will worsen at these intersections, and also at Essex Street, increasing these delays to between 48.2 -125.9 seconds per vehicle. Clearly congestion of that severity would have a major impact on residents, as well as drivers.
3. DDC notes problems for pedestrians for a corner, for two crosswalks, and for one median, and proposes the following solutions:
  - a. Extend the sidewalk at the South East corner of Delancey and Clinton Streets by reducing the corner radius from 35 feet to 30 feet.
  - b. Widen the South crosswalk at Delancey and Clinton Streets.
  - c. Eliminate the East crosswalk at Delancey and Norfolk Streets, which is only striped half-way across Delancey Street, a clear mistake that is also quite dangerous.
  - d. Install a raised median on Grand Street between FDR and Madison Street. Currently, there is a striped median, which does not provide a safe refuge for elderly and disabled pedestrians, who cannot cross the wide expanse of Grand Street in one cycle of the light.
4. DDC proposes positive directional signage to indicate that the through and local truck routes are Allen Street and the Bowery. Signage for west-bound traffic would be placed at the foot of the Williamsburg Bridge, and the approach to Allen, Chrystie and the Bowery. Signage for east-bound traffic would be placed at the approaches to Chrystie and Allen Streets.

DDC recommends installation of pavement markings on the roadbed to delineate bike lanes between the Williamsburg Bridge and the East River Park/the waterfront Greenway System.

#### 6. Astor Place Task Force recommendations

- a) Relocate M101, M102, M103 bus stop from 3rd Ave btwn Astor & Stuyvesant one block north to 3rd Ave north of 9th St

COMMITTEE VOTE: To ask MTA/NYCT to relocate M101, M102, M103 bus stop from 3rd Avenue between Astor & Stuyvesant one block north to 3rd Avenue north of 9th Street.

- b) Change the south side of Astor Pl btwn 4th Ave & 3rd Ave from layover to pick-up only bus stop for M101 & M102

COMMITTEE VOTE: To Change the south side of Astor Place between 4th Avenue & 3rd Avenue from layover to pick-up only bus stop for M101 & M102.

- c) Change the west side of Lafayette btwn 8th and Wanamaker from a no parking area to a bus layover zone for the M3

COMMITTEE VOTE: To change the west side of Lafayette between 8th and Wanamaker from a no parking area to a bus layover zone for the M3.

#### 7. Reconstruction of Worth St btwn Baxter & Bowery

COMMITTEE VOTE: To support the first phase of the DDC plan for the reconstruction of Worth Street between Baxter & Bowery and to ask DDC to consider moving the bus stop to the NE corner of Worth and Mott Streets.

#### 8. Turn Signals for all Houston St Traffic at Aves B, C, & D

COMMITTEE VOTE: To postpone until January.

#### 9. Add a "right turn only" lane onto to Canal St for traffic leaving the Manhattan Bridge

COMMITTEE VOTE: To postpone until January.

#### **BOARD VOTE:**

**35 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV**

**0 PNV (PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS #1 & 2)**

**0 PNV (TRANSPORTATION ITEM #1)**

#### **MOTION PASSED**

DISCUSSION: Corrections were made to the following motions: Transportation, Item # 2, the m in Market Street was capitalized; Transportation, Item # 7, change was made so that the motion would read: “To support the first phase of the DDC plan for the reconstruction of Worth Street between Baxter Street and the Bowery, and to ask DDC to consider moving the bus stop to the NE corner of Worth and Mott Streets. (Underline notes the change.)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

While there were no meeting or votes this month, the committee chair announced that the week prior Gouverneur Hospital was starting to make available a new surplus supply of flu vaccine, which it was making available to any persons over 50 or children under 2, the guardians or parents of eligible children, other caregivers, persons with asthma, HIV or other chronic conditions.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Transportation Chairperson noted that on the agenda of the next committee meeting was the discussion for a resolution on street co-naming and that a lengthy co-naming resolution passed by Brooklyn Community Board #10 would be sent out by snail mail to all board members for their evaluation, and that anyone who would want to attend the next transportation meeting for that purpose was encouraged to do so.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT LAST VOTE:

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