



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
 MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 3

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David McWater, Board Chair

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February 2006 Full Board Minutes

Meeting of Community Board #3 held on Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at 6:45 at Public School 20, 166 Essex Street

MEMBERS PRESENT AT FIRST VOTE:

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| David Adams [P] | Herman Hewitt [P] | Joyce Ravitz [P] |
| Rev. Joan Brightharp [A] | Keisha Hogans [P] | Lois Regan [P] |
| Roberto Caballero [A] | Carolyn Jeffers [P] | Verina Reich [P] |
| Mayra Cappas [P] | Barbara Jeter [A] | Richard Ropiak [P] |
| Rick Carman [P] | Anne Johnson [P] | Estelle Rubin [P] |
| David Crane [P] | Joel Kaplan [P] | Eunice Samuels [A] |
| Elizabeth Cruse [P] | Jennifer Lim [A] | Deborah Simon [A] |
| Andrea Diaz [P] | Bernice McCallum [P] | Pia Simpson [P] |
| David Diaz [P] | David McWater [P] | Arlene Soberman [P] |
| George Diaz [P] | Alexandra Militano [P] | Nancy Rose Sparrow-Bartow [P] |
| Harvey Epstein [A] | Lillian Moy [P] | Harold Stelter [P] |
| Morris Fajtelewicz [P] | Jason Nagel [A] | Steven Tin [A] |
| Anthony Feliciano [P] | Roberto Ortiz-Arroyo [P] | David Weinberger [A] |
| Rabbi Y.S. Ginzberg [P] | Dominic Pisciotta [P] | Harry Wieder [P] |
| Carlos Juan Gonzalez [P] | Barden Prisant [P] | Samuel Wilkenfeld [A] |

PUBLIC SESSION:

Alice Wong—Spoke about the new Phipps Houses’ Extra Place Apartments that will provide 50% of its units for Community Board 2 & 3 occupants. 60% of the units are set aside for median income. There are 15 studios and 20 one bedroom units.

Karina Glaser- University Settlement. Space is available at the Community Center on Houston St. There are laptops, A/V equipment, meeting space, volunteer opportunities for tutoring, middle-school tutoring, swimming, and much more. Contact Karina at 212-453-4575.

Steve Chabra—345 E. 5th St. There is an urgent problem with the landlord at 345 E. 5th St. wanting to evict the six story building in order to create luxury housing. He claims that the landlord uses tactics to buy cheap buildings with rent-regulated apartments. The landlord seeks to replace 14 apartments with 7 luxury apartments. The state statutes are not strong enough to protect evicted tenants. He’s urging the community board and officials to do everything possible to stop this landlord and others from using this tactic as well as to understand the scope of the Eviction for Demolition statute to stop this.

Andrew Berman—Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation. Wants support for the resolution asking NYU to place a second campus outside of the community. He stated that it is harmful to the community for a university to continue to grow in one place.

Lois Sturm/Jeff—Greening a Block. There is a Community Forum on March 6 at 6:30 PS 34 on E. 6th St. between C & D. More information and the proposal can be found on greeningablock.org.

Robert Langone—Trader Joe’s. Requesting a change to signage on the store to fix the hours of operation for store delivery.

Elaine Crowley –NYC Park’s Department--Manager Community Board 3 Parks. The Parks Department is looking for qualified people to become lifeguards. More information is available on nyc.gov/parks or call 311. Must be 16 years old when the position begins.

Cynthia Chaffee—Croman Tenant Coalition--Croman Building. E. 18th St. The landlord owns over a 100 buildings. Ms. Chafee would like Community Board 3 to do something to support the tenants living in this building. The landlord is using the courts to harass tenants with frivolous lawsuits in order to make them move out of rent stabilized units.

Susi Schropp—Cooper Square Committee. She stated that she lives in a building that’s owned by another landlord with many buildings. “We need to recognize the pattern of landlords using frivolous lawsuits to get rid of rent stabilized housing.” She also spoke in support of the NYU Satellite Campus resolution. She considers these two issues to be linked because of the deregulation.

Suzannah Troy—Spoke against NYU building another mega dorm. The neighborhood is very rowdy due to Webster Hall, bars, etc... Increasing the NYU campus is making matters worst for the community and is driving out people who can't afford the rising rents.

****Suspended public speaking****

Parks Department Presentation—

Lawrence Moral (landscape architect) and Howard Able (with architecture firm) presented the plans for the reconstruction of the mall on Allen St. between Broome and Delancey Streets. The construction is estimated to be \$477,000 and will be partially funded under an Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (IST)* grant through the Department of Transportation. There is a percentage of funds allocated for art. Construction is to start in Fall 2006 and money will become available in Winter 2006-2007. By Spring 2007 the project should be completed. They are moving quickly with the design.

Existing conditions: Lighting within the mall. Traffic signals at Broome and Delancey Streets. It's well treed now with London and Oak trees.

Proposal: Areas at each end for meeting people. Blue stone pavement along with pavers (made of recycled materials with mostly blue glass) will form the path from Broome to Delancey. They are durable pavers and very resistant to dogs. The walkway is 8 feet wide for trucks to maneuver for snow and garbage removal. Trees will be placed in nodes creating a space for World's Fair bench seating, lights, and a trash can. There are nodes within zones. There will be sculptured stones and a ribbon of planters to help identify each zone. These planters will contain evergreens, low shrubs, and annuals. There will be special fencing to protect plants from Dog walkers. Mr. Able noted that there's a rhythm with the path, texture, shapes, forms, and lighting.

There will also be chain link fences located at each end of the mall. It's believed that the new ones won't provide very good stability for locking bicycles and mopeds to them. Parks is reviewing their legal standing with removing bikes and they plan to do so in a few months with some notice to the owners.

While there was concern about the notice and removal of the bicycles, there was positive response to the design by the public.

The next step is to submit for a full public hearing with the Art Commission. There have been some preliminary comments from the commission thus far related to the immigration history of this area and a likely desire to incorporate this in the design. DOT will ask them to use the M-pole street lights with the straight arm.

*Projects are funded by the Federal government in block grants for transportation oriented projects.

****Returned to public speaking****

Monica Wittersporn- Spoke against NYU building a 26 story dorm and wants elected officials to get involved in reviewing this plan.

Robert Graf- Would like the community to oppose the large format signage on the Cube Building.

Kevin Walter—Opposes proliferation of new licenses on Broome Street. There isn't a more glaring example of a residential strip being overrun by bars. Supports opposition to the bar applying for a license on Broome.

Elizabeth Langwith—St. Anne's Committee. She supports the resolution for NYU to identify satellite campuses outside of the Village due to concerns with NYU's continued expansion into the area.

Morris Fajtelewicz — Expressed thanks to Community Board 3 for supporting the establishment of police volunteer Support Units. They are currently looking for EMT, paramedics, electricians, carpenters, etc... to volunteer for the Auxiliary Police Support Units as well as the Emergency Auxiliary Police Support Units that help with life threatening emergencies.

Verona Middleton-Jeter---Henry Street Settlement. Asked for support for Henry St Settlement's reapplication to NYC Dept of Homeless Services to operate the employment shelter for homeless single adults at 282 E 3rd St

Charles King—Housing Works. Asked for support of the Community Board 3's letter of support for Housing Works' request for for needle exchange facility at 743 E 9th St.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Assemblymember Deborah Glick-- Gregory Brender spoke in support of the E. 5th Street tenants and the coalition's efforts to make everyone aware of the epidemic of landlords using harsh tactics to move out rent-controlled tenants using the Eviction for Demolition procedure by the NY State Division of Housing and Community Renewal (DHCR).

On March 10, 2006 there will be a NY State DHCR hearing on the adjustment of Maximum Base Rent, the component used to determine the level for rent controlled apartments.

Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver-- Jessica Loeser announced Assembly members Glick's and Silver's letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency asking for the reinstatement of the EPA's Expert Technical Review Panel to determine what exactly the WTC dust is and reconsider enacting the EPA's current plan, which falls short of proper scientific analysis and does not include testing North of Canal Street and in Brooklyn.

Campaign for Fiscal Equity funds from state are being held up. The Mayor is now stopping funding of schools unless the governor gives the City the money they deserve. This impacts the Beacon school downtown that Silver pushed for.

The Mitchell Lama Bill passed in the Assembly.

State Senator Martin Connor—Matthew Viggiano spoke on the testimony regarding the EPA Review Panel not issuing a report on the WTC dust. SUNY Maritime appointments provides for free tuition, encourages kids applying for schools to consider this.

State Senator Thomas K. Duane--David Chang is not here.

Congressmember Carolyn Maloney--Victor Montesinos . Not present, but the report was handed out.

Congressmember Jerrold Nadler—Michael Kay was not present.

Congressmember Nydia Vasquez--Melissa Maldonado. Announced the Glaucoma Caucus glaucoma screening. On February 23, 2006 she held a press conference to announce the introduction of The Earning and Living Opportunities Act. The legislation would require recipients of HUD federal funding – such as NYCHA – to provide employment opportunities for low-income individuals residing in the surrounding area. 20% of the jobs on HUD projects go to members of the surrounding community.

Comptroller William Thompson—Rafael Escano was not present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MINUTES:

Minutes of November 2005 were approved, as is.

COUNCILMEMBER'S REPORTS:

Hon. Rosie Mendez--John Fout. Council Member Mendez is a proud sponsor of the renewal of rent stabilization laws. She also supports the plan of community groups to investigate an auxiliary campus for NYU and called on Community Board 3 to endorse the resolution supporting this plan. Rosie condemns the DHCR practice of “substantial demolition in rent stabilized buildings. She has called on the Governor to appoint a Manhattan resident to head the New York State Liquor Authority.

Supports the NYU Satellite campus.

DHCR issues affecting rent stabilization. 515 E. 15th Street seems to have been saved. Disappointed about E. 5th St. This is a terrible development. Will be speaking to other legislators to figure out what can be done about it.

Hon. Alan Gerson—Luis Reyes

Spoke about the impact of the state not paying what is owed under the Campaign for Fiscal Equity. Noise code revisions—Council Member Gerson wants to see industrial noise items measured collectively. Banning straight pipes on motorcycles, driving in packs, etc... are additional measures to be added to the noise code revisions. He also called for one number to call for complaining about street plates banging.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hon. Scott Stringer--Mary Cooley. Today is the deadline for Community Board applications. The Borough President's Office will be interviewing through 3/19 and will be meeting with the council members the week of 3/20.

Groups have been excited about the Community Board presentations. They are still looking for community groups to present to as well.

Called for independent assessment on the WTC redevelopment site.

A 311 Emergency response team is needed to deal with the Medicare Part D crisis. 311 has been deluged with calls.

There will be a Town Hall meeting Monday, March 6, 2006 on the impact of the additional instruction time on schools.

Thanked David McWater for participating in the budget hearings.

Supports the alternative for an NYU satellite campus.

Borough President will request appointees on the Panel for Educational Policy to vote against the DOE's Amended School Capital plan, which will cut funding for all new school capital projects, including two downtown schools.

BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

Chairperson David McWater announced that committees are going to be on a set schedule starting in April. Full Board will be on the 4th Tuesday of every month.

David reminded everyone to get in their Community Board applications if they were up for reappointment.

Executive committee- Dominic Pisciotta was elected as the Assistant Secretary.

David attended the Preliminary Budget hearing, but was disappointed that not many non-profits from the community showed up. They are still taking written testimony and are receiving applications for discretionary funds, so he recommended that they testify in this manner.

David requested that when splitting out a block of votes that they be written down. For tonight they will need to be said out loud and/or until there is a ruling as to whether or not they need to be stated verbally or can be done only in writing.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT:

January minutes have been distributed for first distribution.

Update on Whole Foods liquor license: SLA denied the license. Whole Foods is now applying for retail wine license—which is on agenda tonight. The SLA hearing will be in April.

There have been complaints regarding maintenance and other issues in Joint Operated playgrounds—that is playgrounds used by schools during the day but under Parks dept. jurisdiction. We had a joint meeting in the office with parks, DOE, and a member of the CEC that was very productive and cleared up all account accountability issues of who does what and who should get what complaints. If you have any questions regarding this please call me –I know this has come up at committee meetings and from parents.

We are taking applications for block parties. Remember that it takes 1 month for CB to process and 2 months for Mayor's office to process—so please spread the word to anyone you know that might want to sponsor a block party.

We also now have applications for summer play streets.

Construction will begin soon at the “pencil building” at 215 E. Houston. I will be getting details of permits for lane and sidewalk closings—so call the office if you need this information.

During the public session people mentioned overall nightlife-related problems, including traffic problems, in specific areas—and specifically mentioned Ludlow/Orchard area. We are not getting complaints from these areas and we cannot deal with the problems if we do not get complaints. In the Avenue B area where we do get complaints, we have been working with the police and community on enforcement initiatives. 75 traffic tickets were given out in one night to cabs, and this has encouraged TLC to target enforcement in this area.

So, please let us know your problems.

Executive Committee

1. **VOTE:** To co-sponsor community meetings with GOLES, Manhattan Borough President's Office, and Congresswoman Velazquez's office for subsidized housing residents beginning in April. The purpose is to encourage people to join Community Boards pursuant to an initiative of the Borough President.

33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

Public Safety & Sanitation Committee

1. Assemblyman Speaker Silver - Alternate-side parking Stanton btwn Allen & Forsyth, Forsyth btwn Houston & Delancey and Rivington between Allen & Forsyth request to change from middle of the night to hours more appropriate for residential area.

VOTE: To support Assemblyman Speaker Silver's request to change the following alternate-side parking regulation 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., based on Department of Transportation approval .

31 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 1 Present Not Voting
(by Pia Simpson)

Transportation Committee

1. DOT: proposed 3-month pilot program to remove evening parking on the eastside of Ave B from E 2nd to 4th Sts and change it to "No Standing" on Thursday thru Saturday from 11pm to 6am

VOTE: To approve the DOT proposal for a 3-month pilot program to remove evening parking on the eastside of Ave B from E 2nd to 4th Sts and change it to "No Standing" on Thursday through Saturday from 11pm to 6am. CB3 requests that this pilot program commence after March and end before August to coincide with the warm weather months and that the 9th Precinct and TLC coordinate with DOT for maximum enforcement.

2. Hotel 91, 91 E B'way, requesting installation of "Loading Zone, No Standing Anytime" signage

VOTE: To postpone until the Mach 2006 meeting.

3. Cabrini Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation, 542 E 5th St: request signage change to "Cabrini Doctors' Parking Only"

VOTE: To approve the Cabrini Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation request to change signage from "Doctors' Parking Only" to "Cabrini Doctors' Parking Only" in front of 542 E 5th St.

4. Trader Joe's, 140 E 14th St: request for signage change to "No Standing 10pm-5am" and "No Standing Except for Loading/Unloading 5am-10pm"

VOTE: To approve Trader Joe's request for signage change in front of 140 E 14th St to "No Standing 10pm-5am" and "No Standing Except for Loading/Unloading 5am-10pm". The existing regulations only allow loading/unloading during 7am-6pm.

5. Transportation Alternative: Cyclist safety program to reduce incidence of delivery cyclist violations

VOTE: That CB3-Manhattan encourages passage of City Council Introduction #58-2006, proposed by Council Member Gale Brewer, which would require businesses that employ delivery cyclists to post signs detailing bicycle traffic laws, safe biking tips and the commercial cyclist laws employers must follow. This would improve public safety through education of delivery cyclists and their employers about the importance of safe cycling and dangerous and illegal behavior such as driving against traffic, sidewalk cycling, red light running and failure to yield to pedestrians.

6. Street Closure for Sunday Greenmarket: Orchard St btwn Delancey & Broome Sts

VOTE: To support the LES BID proposal to operate a farmer's market on the block of Orchard St between Delancey St and Broome St, on Sundays between 8am and 6pm during the months of June through October 2006. This would require closing this block of Orchard St during these hours, which would be an extension of the long-standing street closure between Delancey St and Houston St. The farmer's market would be operated by Greenmarket, which also operates other farmer's markets in the area (at Union Square and Tompkins Square Parks), and would only contain produce stands. Current plans call for operating this farmer's market during the summer of 2006, and the LES BID might return to CB3 to ask for extended approval after this summer's period.

7. Spring 2006 Bus Schedule - 10% reduction of PM Peak Hour Service for M22

VOTE: WHEREAS, Community Board 3-Manhattan has consistently supported increased bus service in our district, which is underserved by the public transit system. We continue to oppose cuts in service on any bus route within the district. Despite the density of our district, many of our residents live more than half a mile from the nearest subway stop.

WHEREAS, public transit is a public good and New York City is dependent on public transit. It is a vital public service like schools and police and hospitals: everyone depends on it—businesses as well as workers, students, government agencies; and

WHEREAS, our NYC economy, the infrastructure of our city, is dependent on public transit, including the many small businesses built around public transit stops; and

WHEREAS, Seniors are particularly dependent on public transit service because many of them are on fixed incomes that do not allow for the luxury of cabs and car service, and a decrease in public transit causes them to become isolated; and

WHEREAS, many members of our disabled community also have a higher percentage of people on fixed incomes that do not allow for private service. Without frequent bus service, more members of the disabled community will be dependent on access-a-ride—which will have a far higher economic cost to our city as well as providing diminished accessibility; and

WHEREAS, every time service is decreased, ridership goes down. Less ridership means less revenues in the fare box, and the downward spiral of more waiting, more crowding, less safety and less accessibility continues; and

WHEREAS, our environment is very affected by public transit. NYC has one of the highest rates of asthma in the country, and the Lower East Side has one of the highest rates in NYC—pollution from cars triggers asthma attacks and causes premature death. Decreased public transit encourages more reliance on motor vehicles. Air-quality standards, fossil fuel consumption, and disproportionately high rates of asthma in many poor communities demand that every reasonable option should be employed to make certain that service is not decreased; and

WHEREAS, affordable, safe, accessible transit reduces air and noise pollution, causes less accidents, and saves energy and reduces traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the M22 bus route being decreased is the very one used by residents and tourists and other shoppers and day-trippers to access Chinatown, which is in transportation crisis. People and businesses are looking for more parking and less congestion. Instead of exacerbating these problems by reducing public transit options, the NYCT should contribute to the solution by increasing M22 bus service;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board 3-Manhattan strongly opposes the service reductions in the NYCT Spring 2006 Bus Schedule Revision, particularly the 10% reduction in M22 service during the weekday PM peak hour that would be caused by increasing headway from 9 to 10 minutes.

8. CB3 Street Co-Naming Guidelines

VOTE: To postpone until the March 2006 meeting.

34 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Items 2,5-8)
33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 1 Present Not Voting (Items 1,3&4)
(by Pia Simpson)

Parks & Recreation Committee

Street Fair/Special Events Permit Applications

1. Transportation Alternative, 4th Ave (E 5th St-Astor Pl), 4/1/06
VOTE: To approve the Transportation Alternatives request for a street fair on 4th Avenue (5th - 8th Streets) on 4/1/06.
2. Asian Women in Business, Mott St (Canal & Worth Sts), 4/22/06
VOTE: To approve the Asian Women in Business request for a special event on Mott Street (Canal - Worth Streets) on 4/22/06.
3. Asian Women in Business, Mott St (Canal & Worth Sts), 10/21/06
VOTE: To approve the Asian Women in Business request for a special event on Mott Street (Canal - Worth Streets) on 10/21/06.
4. Middle Collegiate Church, 2nd Ave (E 3rd-E 14th Sts), 5/6/06
VOTE: To approve the Middle Collegiate Church request for a street fair on 2nd Avenue (3rd - 14th Streets) on 5/6/06.
5. St George Ukrainian Catholic Church, E 7th St (2nd & 3rd Aves), 5/19/06-5/21/06
VOTE: To approve the St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church request for a street fair on East 7th Street (2nd - 3rd Avenues) on 5/19/06 - 5/21/06.
6. Two Bridges Neighborhood Council, 3rd Ave (E 6th-14th Sts), 5/27/06
VOTE: That although this is a respected organization within Community Board #3 and has made positive contributions to our neighborhoods, based on CB#3's long-standing street fair guidelines, this request is denied based on CB#3's policy of one street fair per major avenue per year and to the policy of requiring organizations sponsoring street fairs to be adjacent to the applicant's requested locations.
7. Loisaída Inc, Ave C (E 3rd-12th Sts), 5/28/06
VOTE: To approve a street fair request by Loisaída, Inc. for Avenue C (5th - 12th Streets) on 5/28/06.
8. Cooper Square Committee, 3rd Ave (E 6th-14th Sts), 6/17/06
VOTE: To approve the Cooper Square Committee request for a street fair request on 3rd Avenue (6th - 14th Streets) on 6/17/06.
9. East Village Visiting Neighbors, 4th Ave (E 8th-14th Sts), 7/22/06
VOTE: To approve a street fair permit for East Village Visiting Neighbors for 4th Avenue (5th - 8th Streets) on 7/22/06.
10. Andrew Glover Youth Program, 4th Ave (E 8th-14th Sts), 9/2/06
VOTE: To approve the Andrew Glover Youth Program request for a street fair on 4th Avenue (8th - 14th Streets) on 9/2/06.
11. AAFE, Bayard St (Elizabeth & Baxter Sts), 8/6/06
VOTE: To approve the AAFE request for a street fair on Bayard Street (Elizabeth - Baxter Streets) on 8/6/06.

0 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention

Parks Committee Items

12. Presentation by Parks Dept of Allen/Pike Streets demonstration mall project

VOTE: To approve the proposed Allen/Pike Streets demonstration mall (Delancey - Broome Streets) as presented by the Parks Department with the understanding that any changes will be brought back to Community Board #3 for further review.

13. Wallspace Media, Proposal for installation of Projection Systems at Houston/Second Avenue Park

VOTE: To deny the Wallspace Media proposal for access to the Houston/Second Avenue Park for an advertising purpose, and to further urge the restoration of this property for park purposes.

14. Request for Proposal for First Park concession

VOTE: To approve the draft RFP for First Park with the following recommendations: (1) that the exact area (for which the concessionaire will be responsible) be more precisely defined in the RFP and (2) that the current de facto extension of the kiosk during the winter months be recognized by Parks to permit conformity with all other provisions in the RFP. (3) That the RFP include a combination of waiter/self-serve use of the tables.

34 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Items 1-6,9-14)

33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 1 Present Not Voting (Item 7)
(by Mayra Cappas)

33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 1 Present Not Voting (Item 8)
(by Barden Prisant)

Housing & Land Use Committee

1. Initiative to encourage NYU & NYC to plan secondary campuses outside of CB2 & 3 to allow for future growth by NYU outside of our community.

VOTE: WHEREAS, New York University (NYU) is the largest private university in the United States, and is comprised of 14 schools, colleges, and divisions, occupying all or part of approximately 100 buildings in and around Washington Square and Union Square; and

WHEREAS, in the last 20 years, NYU has also built approximately 12 high-rise buildings in our area and NYU's utilization of the community facilities bulk bonus, has allowed NYU to routinely erect buildings that are larger than zoning regulations for our area would otherwise allow; and

WHEREAS, NYU is currently planning to build the tallest building in the East Village - a new 26-story dormitory on East 12th Street; and

WHEREAS, NYU has additionally occupied at least 25 existing buildings in this area since the early 1980's; and

WHEREAS, NYU's growth has continued unabated, and is likely to continue in future years; and

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of community residents have expressed concerns about NYU's expansion and the changes to the essential character of our communities and neighborhoods, both physical and otherwise, that NYU's expansion has caused; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the City of New York finds NYU's continued growth beneficial, due, at least in part, to the jobs, economic development, cultural activity, and skilled professionals that NYU's continued growth brings to our City; and

WHEREAS, NYU understandably needs and desires to grow in such a manner that allows its facilities to be located in proximity to one another; and

WHEREAS, NYU is a long-standing and essential member of our community, whose presence greatly contributes to the economic and cultural health and vitality of our combined communities; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding NYU's positive contributions to our communities, there are deep and genuine concerns that NYU, through its continued expansion, will cease being an important part in the make-up of our neighborhoods and instead become a dominating and overwhelming presence in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, we believe it is beneficial and desirable to our neighborhoods and to the City as a whole, that the East Village, the Lower East Side, Greenwich Village and Noho maintain their world-famous character and diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation is urging the City and NYU to work together to help NYU establish one or more satellite campuses outside of our combined neighborhoods, allowing future growth by NYU to be channeled to other parts of our City; and

WHEREAS, this proposal is supported by the Noho Neighborhood Association, the Greenwich Village Community Task Force, the Cooper Square Committee, the Coalition to Save the East Village, the Union Square Community Coalition, and the St. Ann's Committee, among others; and

WHEREAS, NYU's structure of multiple schools under the umbrella of the University seems to lend itself to such an arrangement, and as NYU previously had another campus in the Bronx and presently has a second campus for its medical school in East Midtown; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of one or more satellite campuses would enable NYU to meet its growth requirements while reducing the prospect that NYU's continued growth will completely overwhelm our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City is presently encouraging redevelopment in various communities throughout our City, and many of those communities might, in fact, welcome a satellite NYU campus that can serve as catalyst and/or anchor for economic and cultural development; and

WHEREAS, such an arrangement is likely to benefit NYU as well, by allowing for long-range planning, the creation of a campus-like environment that is difficult to attain within our neighborhoods and affording greater access to more affordable development sites; and

WHEREAS, NYU can easily establish a satellite campus which is connected to NYU's main campus by mass transit, since virtually every subway line in the City travels through our neighborhoods; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Community Board #3, Manhattan, urges our elected officials, the Mayor, relevant city agencies including, but not limited to, the Department of City Planning and the Economic Development Corporation, and New York University to work cooperatively towards the goal of establishing one or more satellite NYU campuses outside of our combined neighborhoods and to turn this possibility into a reality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Community Board #3 recognizes that establishing one or more satellite NYU campuses at other locations in our City will require large investments of time, effort and planning, but is also aware of the harm caused by maintaining the status quo, Community Board #3 urges all relevant parties to move with all due speed to begin this process so that our combined communities, the City, and NYU may all benefit from the implementation of this plan soon as practicable.

Discussion: There has been tremendous support for this with over 100 postcards. There is a Zoning task force working with NYU that has found that this resolution is diametrically opposed to NYU's belief in not having satellite campuses. Sam also stated that it is not the intention to provide a bias in the wording of resolutions and going forward we will pay particular attention to not create any biases.

32 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

2. ULURP 060277 ZSM: Common Ground, 133-139 Pitt St

VOTE: To approve upon the representation by Common Ground that it will use its best efforts to enable applicants from within the CB #3 area to occupy all of the 104 units that will be available for working adults.

Discussion: Lorian Girvan from Common Ground stated that the applicants are usually referred by agencies and not by lottery with CB #3 being given a preference. 60% will be referred by the agencies and 40% of the tenants will have to meet income qualifications.

30 YES 2 NO 1 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

3. ULURP 060281 HAM: Fabria Houses, 212-214 E 7th St & 617-619 E 9th St

VOTE: To approve in accordance with CB #3's prior resolution of support for the development of Fabria Houses. (1/06).

32 YES 1 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

4. 515 E 5th St: tenant concerns regarding demolition application.

VOTE: 1) To request that DHCR advise CB #3 of the status of the demolition application for 515 East 5th Street.

2) To request that our elected officials respond to growing concerns by community members that owners of rent regulated housing may be utilizing DHCR regulations regarding demolition of occupied buildings as a subterfuge to end rent-regulated tenancies, undertake "gut-rehabilitation" of previously occupied buildings without actually demolishing the buildings and thereafter develop the "new" units at market-rate.

3) To request that DHCR provide CB #3 with the following information: As it relates to those procedures outlined in DHCR Operational Bulletin 2002-1, from January 2003 to the present date, how many applications for the demolition of occupied housing accommodations have been submitted to DHCR, how many have been approved, how many have been denied and how many are still pending.

Discussion: It's understood and supported by Deputy Mayor Doctoroff that the original law was to fix dilapidated housing and not to push out tenants.

32 YES 1 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

5. Housing Questionnaire revision
No Vote Necessary

197 Plan Task Force

No Votes Necessary

Human Services & Seniors Committee

1. Support for Henry St Settlement's reapplication to NYC Dept of Homeless Services to operate the employment shelter for homeless single adults at 282 E 3rd St

January 11, 2006

Ms. Susan Stetzer
District Manager
Manhattan Community Board 3
59 East 4th Street
New York, NY 10009

Dear Ms. Stetzer:

I am writing today to inform Manhattan Community Board 3 of Henry Street Settlement's impending reapplication to the City Of New York's Department of Homeless Services to operate the employment shelter for homeless single adults at 282 East Third Street and also to ask for your support in that reapplication process. Based on Henry Street's long and successful history of providing services in the Lower East Side, and of managing this site in particular, I believe that Henry Street Settlement is uniquely qualified to offer the programs outlined in their proposal.

As a community-based, comprehensive social services agency, Henry Street Settlement aims to challenge the effects of urban poverty through a variety of educational and supportive services for members of our community of all ages. Henry Street has over 30 years experience in providing services to homeless and at-risk populations. Our Urban Family Center was the country's first apartment-style shelter for homeless families, and today houses eighty-two families, including both single-parent and two-parent families. Helen's House provides shelter to sixteen young mothers and their preschool-age children. Our shelter for female domestic violence survivors and their children was one of the first such publicly funded shelters in the nation and today has the capacity to house 26 families. And finally, at our Third Street Shelter, seventy-nine single adult women reside in a dormitory-style setting, well supported by carefully tailored programs and we integrated into the life of the community.

We hope that you will show your support of Henry Street's continued operation of the shelter at 282 East Third Street by countersigning this letter and returning it to our offices for inclusion in our reapplication package. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

With all best wishes for a health and happy new year,

Verona Middleton-Jeter
Executive Director

Susan Stetzer
District Manager, CB3

Discussion: There are rumored cuts in funding at Henry Street Settlement and that possibly adequate services aren't being provided. No one was able to confirm this.

VOTE: To support. Henry St Settlement's reapplication to NYC Dept of Homeless Services to operate the employment shelter for homeless single adults at 282 E 3rd St (See above attached letter)

2. Support letter: Housing Works: request for updated support letter for needle exchange facility at 743 E 9th St

February 28, 2006

Mr. Charles King, President
Housing Works, Inc.
57 Willoughby Street, 2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Dear Mr. King:

At its February 2006 monthly meeting, Community Board #3 passed the following motion:

To reaffirm its support for the Housing Works' in-house medical based needle exchange program, serving residents and health care clients at 743 East 9th Street, in Manhattan.

Sincerely,

David McWater, Chair
Community Board #3

Carolyn Jeffers, Chair
Human Services Committee

cc: MBP Stringer
CCM Mendez

Discussion: It was requested to find out if the needle injections were being done by licensed medical personnel.

VOTE: To support Housing Works request for updated support letter for needle exchange facility at 743 E 9th St. (See above attached letter)

3. Access-A-Ride: Presentation & Q&A session
No Vote Necessary
4. Presentation by Village Care Health Clinic on services for the community
VOTE: To postpone indefinitely.
5. Presentation by New York Downtown Hospital regarding community services
No Vote Necessary
6. Presentation by Commission on the Public's Health System
VOTE: To postpone indefinitely.
7. CB3 Human Services Committee: selection of Hospital Liaisons
VOTE: To postpone until March 2006 meeting.

34 YES	0 NO	0 Abstention	0 Present Not Voting (Items 4,6,7)
32 YES	1 NO	0 Abstention	1 Present Not Voting (Item 1) (by Bernice McCallum)
30 YES	3 NO	1 Abstention	0 Present Not Voting (Item 2)

Youth & Education Committee

No Votes Necessary

Cooper Square Urban Renewal Area Task Force

That Community Board 3 has now learned that, on January 27, 2006, Whole Foods submitted a request to the State Liquor Authority that its license application be reconsidered as a retail wine license;

That Whole Food did not notify Community Board 3 that it was asking that the State Liquor Authority reconsider the denial of its license application or supply Community Board 3 with the supplemental information provided to the State Liquor Authority, although Community Board 3 had been engaged in an ongoing dialogue with Whole Foods regarding the status and effects of it having a liquor license at the Houston and Bowery Streets location;

That the original license application of Whole Foods incorrectly, by mistake or by design, identifies the closest competitive wine businesses which are, in fact, 1) 253 Elizabeth Street-Elizabeth Wine. 2) 171 Elizabeth Street-Wine Therapy. 3) 225 East 5th Street-Is Wine. 4) 300 East 5th Street-S&P Wine.

That the local small retail wine and liquor stores within Community Board 3 continue to be strongly opposed to the addition of a liquor store within the Whole Foods location at Houston and Bowery Streets because they foresee that the addition of this license will be the inevitable end to their own businesses;

That by the admission of the representatives of Whole Foods, the estimated business from selling wine at the subject establishment will only comprise 2.2% of their sales; and

That given these potential foreseen consequences, Community Board 3 believes that the detrimental effects of approving this license, that being the destruction of numerous small family-operated retail wine businesses in the surrounding area, far outweigh the benefits to the community and its residents.

34 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting

SLA & Economic Development Committee

1. Request to SLA to post applicants addresses on board meeting calendar on website.

VOTE: To thank the SLA for including its 500 foot hearing agendas on its website and listing the addresses and community boards of proposed establishments being heard at said hearings because said notice apprises any and all residents directly affected by the approval of licensed establishments. Community Board 3 now asks that the addresses of the attorneys and/or representatives of the applicants being heard also be included in those postings so that residents may provide those attorneys and/or representatives with any documentation or comment they have forwarded to the SLA with respect to a specific license, as required by SLA procedure.

Alterations/Transfers/Upgrades:

2. Victory Corp, 513 E 6th St (trans/rw)

VOTE: To approve the transfer of the restaurant/wine license to Victory Corp, 513 East 6th Street, provided the applicant furnishes resident petitions as well as a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will close its backyard at 9 p.m. every night and 2) it will immediately cease operation of the backyard if there is even one noise complaint.

3. Finnerty's Irish Pub, 221 2nd Ave (transfer)

VOTE: To approve the transfer of a full on-premises license to Finnerty's Irish Pub, 221 Second Avenue, provided the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will not open the existing roll-up front window while establishment is open for business.

4. 205 Chrystie St Restaurant, 205 Chrystie St (alt/one additional bar)

VOTE: To approve the alteration of 205 Chrystie St Restaurant, 205 Chrystie Street, to wit, adding a service bar in the basement level of said establishment.

5. Skyway Malaysian Restaurant, 11 Allen St (alt/one additional bar)

VOTE: To approve the alteration of Skyway Malaysian Restaurant, 11 Allen Street, to wit, adding an additional restaurant/wine license in the basement level of said establishment, understanding that said area will have three (3) tables, approximately fifteen (15) chairs and a two (2) foot by six (6) foot bar.

6. Cremcaffe, 65 2nd Ave (up/op)

VOTE: To approve an upgrade to a full on-premises license for Cremcaffe, 65 Second Avenue, with the understanding that its method of operation as a full service Italian restaurant will remain the same.

7. The Boiler Room, 86 E 4th St (trans/op)

VOTE: To notify the SLA that the application for a transfer of the full on-premises license to The Boiler Room, 86 East 4th Street, has been withdrawn by the applicant and asking that the SLA not review said application until the applicant has reapplied to Community Board 3 and it has had an opportunity to comment on said application, as required by law.

8. Metropolitan Grill, 1-3 Madison St (trans/op)

VOTE: To approve the transfer of the full on-premises license to Metropolitan Grill, 1-3 Madison Avenue, with the understanding that the method of operation as a bar and restaurant will remain the same.

New Liquor License Applications:

9. Robert Lummerman, 252 Broome St (op)

VOTE: To deny the full on-premise license for Robert Lummerman, 252 Broome Street based upon the following factors: 1) there are already numerous existing licenses on the surrounding streets and on the corners of this street, 2) this is a small, narrow predominantly residential street, 3) this is a previously unlicensed location, 4) the method of operation and limited menu of this application do not appear to be that of a full service restaurant, and 5) this location may be within 200 feet of a building in which six (6) schools are located, to wit Seward Park High School.

10. Broome Dog, 250 Broome St (rw)

VOTE: To notify the SLA that the application for a transfer of the restaurant/wine license to Broome Dog, 250 Broome Street, has been withdrawn by the applicant and asking that the SLA not review said application until the applicant has reapplied to Community Board 3 and it has had an opportunity to comment on said application, as required by law.

11. ChikaLicious, 212 E 10th St (op)

VOTE: To approve the full on-premises license for ChikaLicious, 212 East 10th Street, with the understanding that it will operate the same business, closing at 10:45 p.m. as its current dessert bar, located at 203 East 10th Street.

- 33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 1)
- 32 YES 1 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 2)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 3)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 4)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 5)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 6)
- 31 YES 1 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 7)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 8)
- 33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 9)
- 33 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 10)
- 31 YES 2 NO 0 Abstention 0 Present Not Voting (Item 11)

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

Outreach Taskforce: Lillian would like CB #3 to support and approve a forum with the Borough President's office to reach out to the Lower East Side/Chinatown community for new board membership and to also find out what Community Board #3 does.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT LAST VOTE:

David Adams [P]	Herman Hewitt [P]	Joyce Ravitz [P]
Rev. Joan Brightharp [A]	Keisha Hogans [P]	Lois Regan [P]
Roberto Caballero [A]	Carolyn Jeffers [P]	Verina Reich [P]
Mayra Cappas [P]	Barbara Jeter [A]	Richard Ropiak [P]
Rick Carman [P]	Anne Johnson [P]	Estelle Rubin [P]
David Crane [P]	Joel Kaplan [P]	Eunice Samuels [A]
Elizabeth Cruse [P]	Jennifer Lim [A]	Deborah Simon [A]
Andrea Diaz [P]	Bernice McCallum [P]	Pia Simpson [P]
David Diaz [P]	David McWater [P]	Arlene Soberman [P]
George Diaz [P]	Alexandra Militano [P]	Nancy Rose Sparrow-Bartow [P]
Harvey Epstein [A]	Lillian Moy [P]	Harold Stelter [P]
Morris Fajtelewicz [P]	Jason Nagel [A]	Steven Tin [A]
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Adjournment: