

RESOLUTION Date: March 2, 2000

Committees of Origin: Parks, Cultural Affairs and Libraries, Transportation, and Landmarks

Full Board Vote: 12 In Favor 5 Against 4 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: The design of Alfred Nobel monument to be placed on the sidewalk at Central Park West and 81st Street.

WHEREAS, the Nobel Prize is given each year to individuals who have significantly contributed to humanity; and

WHEREAS, there have been 243 Americans who have been recipients of the Nobel Prize in the categories of peace, literature, economics, medicine, chemistry or physics, and next year marks the 100 year celebration of the prizes, and

WHEREAS, Olle Wastberg, the Consul General of Sweden, and Adrian Benepe, Manhattan Borough Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, presented the design; and

WHEREAS, names of new American recipients of the prize will be added each year to the Swedish pink granite by engraving, the names being the major element of this granite, rectangular, living monument to Alfred Nobel and the prize recipients; and

WHEREAS, the monument, designed by Sivert Lindblom is attractive and a gift of the Swedish government; and

WHEREAS, the Swedish government will establish a maintenance fund for the monument, and

WHEREAS, it is expected that the new monument will create an immediate new "landmark" in the neighborhood;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the request by the Department of Parks and Recreation for the design of a living monument to Alfred Nobel and the recipients of the Nobel Prize, at a location in Theodore Roosevelt Park, which will be presented to the Board at a future date.

Parks, Transportation, & Landmarks Committees: 8-0-0-0. Board Members: 1-0-0-0.

Public Members: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committees of Origin: Transportation and Landmarks

Full Board Vote: 16 In Favor 0 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: The Bolivar, 230 Central Park West.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the request to the Department of Transportation by the Bolivar Apartment Corp., 230 Central Park West, for a revocable consent to construct an area for planting on Central Park West and on 83rd Street.

Transportation Committee: 8-0-0-0. Landmarks Committee: 0-0-1-0. Board Members: 10-0-0-0. Public Members: 4-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Transportation

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: Department of Transportation's proposal to install muni-meters on the eastside of Columbus Avenue from 77th-81st Streets, and to extend metering to 7 days per week.

A). BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan approves the Department of Transportation's proposal to install Muni Meters on the east side of Columbus Avenue between 77th and 81st Streets, in an appropriately unobtrusive color (such as dark green), reflecting the esthetic concerns of the Parks and Landmarks Committees, as long as there is a permitted duration of 2 hours parking.

Committee: 7-0-0-0. Board Members: 6-0-0-0. Public Members: 5-0-0-0.

Full Board Vote: 16 In Favor 3 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

B). BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan wants the metering of the Muni Meters on the east side of Columbus Avenue between 77th and 81st Streets to continue to be limited to 6 days a week, Monday through Saturday only.

Committee: 5-1-1-0. Board Members: 5-1-1-0. Public Members: 6-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Youth

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: NYC budget cuts in Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP).

WHEREAS, the 1998 federal Workforce Investment Act ("WIA") has replaced the Summer Youth Employment Program with legislation that identified summer jobs as one of 10 youth employment activities that should be offered by cities and states, and does not require that as many jobs be provided as in the past; and

WHEREAS, the WIA requires the city to provide a broader range of services to youth participating in the summer jobs program and requires that the city allocate a minimum of 30% of its WIA youth funds to services for out-of-school youth up to age 21, resulting in broader services for a larger population and decreasing substantially the funding available for summer youth employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the values of and need for comprehensive year-round services for both in-school and out-of-school youth is evident; and

WHEREAS, the loss of thousands of summer jobs will impact tremendously the city's youth, families and communities;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan requests that:

q City officials maximize the use of federal dollars to support summer jobs; and

q The city and state make funds available to fill the remaining gap in order to assure that the number of summer youth jobs opportunities for youth is at least the same number as were available in 1998 and 1999.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Landmarks

Full Board Vote: 20 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 370-374 Columbus Avenue, d/b/a Potion Lounge (77th-78th Streets). Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC#002304) to legalize a sign installed without permits.

WHEREAS, the sign which is 2 and 1/2 by 3 feet with white lettering and a blue background is in keeping with existing projecting signs on the block and immediate vicinity; and

WHEREAS, the owners have been assured that the sign meets the requirements of the Buildings Department;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the application.

Committee: 4-0-1-0. Public Member: 0-1-1-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Landmarks

Full Board Vote: 20 In Favor 0 Against 1 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 317 West 87th Street (West End Avenue-Riverside Drive). Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC#001755) to construct a rooftop addition.

WHEREAS, the architect's plan to change the windows and doors is not esthetically appropriate; and

WHEREAS, sliders have a tendency to deteriorate more rapidly; and

WHEREAS, the proposed material is not appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the addition is not really visible from the street;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the application if the architect agrees to change the windows to double hung and to retain the French style doors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board recommends the building be clad in brick rather than stucco.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Public Members: 2-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Landmarks

Re: 50 West 72nd Street (Central Park West - Columbus Avenue). Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC#001639) to establish a master plan governing modifications to windows that were installed without permits and the future installation of windows.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of a window restoration plan to both improve the serviceability of windows that are installed to substitute for existing failed windows; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed appropriate to have a master window plan as close as possible the original fenestration of the building; and

WHEREAS, several residents of 50 West 72nd testified that double-hung windows previously installed to replace the original windows proved to be difficult and hard to operate and the master plan as submitted calls for the replacement of all East, West and South Wall casement windows to ultimately be replaced by such double-hung windows;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan:

Full Board Vote: 23 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

A) approves the part of the plan to replace the north facade windows of 4 over 4 double hung and the north columns of windows on the east and west walls with a nearly in-kind replacement double hung windows; and

Full Board Vote: 23 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

B) disapproves the part of the plan that replaces the balance of windows on the West, South and East facades, whether they be double-hung or casement, with a double-hung window with mullions to suggest divided lights, since these facades are very prominent in the skyline and such a change would detract from the original appearance, and the units used in combination to replace casements windows do not work satisfactorily for the user tenants.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Landmarks

Full Board Vote: 21 In Favor 0 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 18 West 89th Street, a.k.a. 17-19 West 88th Street, The Dwight School (Central Park West - Columbus Avenue). Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC#002924) to construct a rear yard addition.

WHEREAS, the addition of a second story to an already existing incursion into the rear yard is precedent setting; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the 20-foot building there will be a 6' fence raising the height even further; and

WHEREAS, the surrounding buildings will be deprived of light and air; and

WHEREAS, the noise from the HVAC system will only acerbate an already problematic situation; and

WHEREAS, the character of the neighborhood will be irrevocably changed; and

WHEREAS, the Dwight School seems unwilling to consider alternative plans such as housing these facilities in another building;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan disapproves this application, but commends the architects for their work and their attempt to be responsive to the Committee's suggestions.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Public Members: 1-0-1-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Housing

Full Board Vote: 21 In Favor 0 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

10. For ratification re: Rent regulations.

WHEREAS, rent regulations in the City of New York expire on April 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS, 74 percent of Community District 7 residents are renters and almost all would be adversely affected by the weakening of rent regulations; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, the City Council introduced "luxury decontrol" and decontrols were expanded by the State Legislature in 1997, and these changes have produced exorbitant rents in vacant apartments that are adversely impacting our community; and

WHEREAS, other provisions of the rent regulations permit rent increases [for Major Capital Improvements ("MCI"), Individual Apartment Improvements ("IAI"), vacancy allowance, fuel pass-along, and the "poor tax" (an increase in monthly rents applicable only to rents below \$500, hitting mostly seniors, people with disabilities, and those of moderate incomes)] that are increasing rents in regulated apartments beyond the level affordable by many people in the district; and

WHEREAS, the effect of these changes is to close our community to many new families, and to push out many long-time renters who have contributed

much to our community, and to discourage renters from establishing roots in the community because of the level and uncertainty of the rents,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan calls for a strengthening of the rent regulations, and of their fair and effective administration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 calls on the City Council to renew the rent regulations, and to rebuff any weakening changes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 is concerned that tenants of deregulated apartments may not be provided with the information necessary for them to ascertain whether the decontrol meets the requirements of the law, and to file a timely challenge to the decontrol, as provided by the law, and the Board calls on the City Council to enact a requirement that landlords must furnish tenants of "deregulated" apartments, at the time of their renting, with copies of all documents pertinent to the claim of decontrol, under penalty of the rejection of decontrol.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 1-0-0-0. Public Members: 4-0-0-0.

Steering Committee: 11-0-1-1.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Housing

Full Board Vote: 21 In Favor 0 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: The Department of Housing Preservation and Development's Asset Sales Program in CD7.

WHEREAS, many city-owned apartment buildings, operated by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development ("HPD"), are located in CD7, and these apartments provide housing for a significant number of low and moderate income families; and

WHEREAS, HPD is engaged in a program to sell these buildings to the tenants or private owners, without any requirement that low and moderate income families be served in the future; and

WHEREAS, HPD has available programs that would return these buildings to private hands, but would require that they serve income-qualified renters; and other alternatives to the disposition of these properties, that would have positive benefits for the CD7 community and for the city appear not to have been explored; and

WHEREAS, this action by HPD will have a substantial impact on the character of CD7, and has not been submitted to the Board for review;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan requests that HPD's Asset Sales Program be temporarily halted in the district, and submitted to the Community Board for its review; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 requests that HPD not proceed with the sale of any of the four listed buildings at this time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 requests that the City Council direct HPD to obtain the advice of the Community Board before proceeding with its projected sales; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 requests that the city preserve existing low- and moderate-income housing in our community by employing Tenant Interim Lease or similar programs, rather than unrestricted Asset Sales.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Member: 0-0-1-0. Public Members: 5-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 1 Against 1 Abstention 0 Present

Re: 1920 Broadway, The Saloon.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 0738437 to the Department of Transportation by S.B. Restaurants of 64th Street, d/b/a The Saloon at 1920 Broadway (64th-65th Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 34 tables and 78 seats.

Committee: 6-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 412 Amsterdam Avenue, Baci.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 0934102 to the Department of Transportation by Attenti Ai Quei Tre, Ltd., d/b/a Baci at 412 Amsterdam Avenue (79th-80th Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 6 tables and 18 seats.

Committee: 6-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 414 Amsterdam Avenue, Savann Restaurant.

WHEREAS, the applicant agrees to amend the café plans to show a café depth of 9 feet and a railing around the café and to provide those amended plans, stamped by the Department of Consumer Affairs, to Community Board 7/Manhattan in advance of the Full Board meeting of March 2, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed not to operate in advance of securing all necessary permits;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the new application DCA# 1016775 to the Department of Transportation by BEK Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Savann Restaurant, 414 Amsterdam Avenue (79th-80th Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 8 tables and 17 seats.

Committee: 7-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 320 Amsterdam Avenue, Citrus Bar & Grill.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the new application DCA# 1025224 to the Department of Transportation by Surtic Inc., d/b/a Citrus Bar & Grill at 320 Amsterdam Avenue (75th-76th Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 20 tables and 46 seats.

Committee: 6-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 392 Columbus Avenue, North West.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the new application DCA# 1025224 to the Department of Transportation by 100 West 79th Street, NYC Corp., d/b/a North West at 392 Columbus Avenue (79th Street) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 21 tables and 42 seats.

Committee: 5-0-2-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 2290 Broadway, Artie's Delicatessen.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the new application DCA# 1023819 to the Department of Transportation by Westside Deli, LLC, d/b/a Artie's Delicatessen at 2290 Broadway (82nd-83rd Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 20 tables and 60 seats.

Committee: 6-0-1-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 2745 Broadway, Henry's.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the new application DCA# 1025182 to the Department of Transportation by Grillo, Ltd., d/b/a Henry's at 2745 Broadway (105th-106th Streets) for a one-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk cafe with 32 tables and 94 seats.

Committee: 6-0-1-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin

Full Board Vote: 16 In Favor 7 Against 5 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 7 West 83rd Street, Congregation Rodeph Sholom.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the Application to the Board of Standards and Appeals (BSA701-49-BZ) by Congregation Rodeph Sholom to seek an amendment to the December 20, 1949 variance, 701-49-BZ, for the rear yard depth and sixth floor height, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) that the rooftop not be used for parties;
- 2) that Congregation Rodeph Sholom comply with all noise and air quality regulations of the City of New York for all activities going on in the rear yard or on the roof top, and that there be no amplification in any outdoor areas of the building other than a single device used for children's programs;
- 3) that the seventh floor rooftop be used only for children's play activities and occasional religious observance;
- 4) that new air conditioning units will be spring mounted units with slow speed fans;
- 5) that Rodeph Sholom will work closely with the community and will designate a staff person to resolve any issues arising during construction;
- 6) that Rodeph Sholom and the surrounding community continue to work in good faith, through the good offices of Community Board Seven, to negotiate any differences and resolve any issues which may arise in the future.

Committee: 5-0-0-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0. Executive Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Transportation

Full Board Vote: 20 In Favor 8 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: Verdi Square Market.

WHEREAS, the Verdi Square Greenmarket, located on Broadway between 72nd and 73rd Streets for the past four years, has been extremely well patronized and a benefit to the Upper West Side community; and

WHEREAS, the 72nd Street IRT Subway Station re-construction makes it impossible for the Greenmarket to remain at this location, and the market has proposed relocating to the east side of Broadway between 73rd and 74th Streets, a site market operators and patrons see as a key to its continued success;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan supports the application to the Mayor's Street Activity Permit Office by the Council on the Environment to relocate the market and close the east side of Broadway between 73rd and 74th Streets, 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, on 39 Saturdays from April 1 to December 23, 2000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 requests New York City Transit to re-route the northbound M104 along Amsterdam Avenue from 72nd to 79th Streets, then across 79th Street to Broadway at the times of street closure; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 asks the Department of Transportation to post appropriate signage (perhaps as part of its current M.P.T.s on Amsterdam Avenue) to suggest to vehicular traffic that 75th and 77th Streets are NOT to be used as an alternate route for traffic re-routed from West 73rd Street; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7, in cooperation with the Greenmarket, will establish an oversight committee, including representatives from local block associations, buildings, and businesses, as well as appropriate governmental agencies to monitor traffic and transportation issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 accepts the commitment of the Greenmarket to implement measures to address any traffic and transportation problems that may be caused by the street closing, including:

- 1. Hiring appropriate personnel to inform drivers or to direct traffic, as necessary, to minimize drivers' confusion and traffic congestion resulting from the closure of Broadway;**
- 2. Mitigating the impact of re-routing the M104 bus on riders who use the Broadway stops at 73rd, 75th, and 77th Streets with measures including assisting those who may have difficulty navigating the block between Broadway and Amsterdam Avenue;**
- 3. Removing of any temporary traffic related signage after each of their market Saturdays.**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan supports the relocation of Greenmarket to the east side of Broadway between 73rd and 74th streets and urges further investigation of appropriate traffic plans to accommodate the new location, including, but not limited to, the utilization of 79th Street, 75th Street, and 74th Street in re-routing 73rd Street westbound traffic.

Committee: 5-3-0-0. Board Members: 5-1-0-0. Public members: 8-4-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committees of Origin: Uniformed Services and Transportation

Full Board Vote: 19 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: Enforcement in MCD7 of the ban on storage of garbage dumpsters on city sidewalks.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan approves the Department of Sanitation's enforcement of the code [Sanitation Code Section 16-120(c) and Section 16-118 (2)] that the storage of garbage dumpsters on city sidewalks by commercial establishments.

Transportation /Uniformed Services Committees: 13-0-0-0. Board Members: 6-0-0-0. Public Members: 6-0-0-0.

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Date: March 2, 2000

Committee of Origin: Land Use

Full Board Vote: 15 In Favor 7 Against 3 Abstentions 0 Present

Re: 4 West 93rd Street, Columbia Grammar and Prep School.

WHEREAS, the West Side Urban Renewal Plan was enacted, in part, to preserve existing low and moderate income housing in the Urban Renewal Area; and

WHEREAS, 7 West 92nd Street was an intended specific beneficiary of the Urban Renewal Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed addition to Columbia Grammar & Preparatory School would eliminate light and air for several residents of 7 West 92nd Street; and

WHEREAS, the residents of 7 West 92nd Street are not in a position to move; and

WHEREAS, the residents of 325 Central Park West and 322 Central Park West will also suffer a substantial reduction the light and air of their apartments; and

WHEREAS, a substantial addition to Columbia Grammar & Preparatory School could be constructed in such a way as to reduce somewhat the impact on residents at 7 West 92nd Street, while still accommodating most of the programmatic needs of Columbia Grammar & Preparatory School; and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Jerry Heymann, President of Columbia Grammar & Preparatory School's Board of Trustees has written that the school has "what we believe to be the most square footage per student of any school in the city";

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan disapproves the proposed 7th amendment (ULURP# 00303HUM) to the West Side Urban Renewal Plan.

Committee: 6-0-1-0. Board Members: 0-1-0-0.