

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: 25 Central Park West (West 62nd Street.)

Full Board Vote: 22 In favor 11 Against 3 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **disapproves** an application to the State Liquor Authority for a two-year liquor license by 25 CPW Café Associates, d/b/a Central Park West Café, unless the following stipulations are included in the Method of Operations for as long as it operates as Central Park West Cafe:

- A. The applicant's use of the space will be in compliance with the NYC Zoning Resolution regulations for R10A.
- B. Cafe will close at 12:30 AM Sunday, Monday and Tuesday and at 1:30 AM on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- C. All events in the space will be controlled and managed by management staff. Outside promoters will not be used. Velvet ropes will not be used.
- D. Manager on duty, who will have full authority to address any issue, will carry a designated "Complaint Line" cell phone whose number will be distributed to residents of 25 Central Park West and 15 Central Park West.
- E. Staff will get cell phone #'s of those who may be waiting and are on the "wait" list for seating and call them when space is available.
- F. Music will be background only. There will be no live music.
- G. CPW Café agrees, now and in the future, not to apply for:
 - A cabaret license,
 - A public assembly permit, or
 - A sidewalk cafe license.
- H. During hours of operation, staff will:
 - Monitor the outside of the premises and make every reasonable effort to enforce the Cafe's no-smoking and no-loitering policies,
 - Monitor vehicular traffic and make every reasonable effort to prevent idling, queuing and horn honking.
- I. Cafe operator agrees:
 - To hire a certified soundproofing engineer to consult with regard to sound proofing measures, including windows on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors,
 - To install security cameras,
 - To offer jobs to community residents.
- J. Management agrees to meet with designated representatives of Community Board 7 ("CB7") on a monthly basis, if requested, to discuss any quality of life issues that may arise concerning the café's operation.
- K. CPW Cafe agrees to submit these stipulations to the State Liquor Authority and be bound by them as part of its Method of Operations.

Committee: 7-2-0-0. Board Members: 1-1-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Transportation

Re: 2642 Broadway (West 100th Street.)

Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** renewal application #B00256 to NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission by Fast Operating Corp., d/b/a Carmel Car & Limo at 2642 Broadway for a For Hire Base Station license.

Committee: 9-1-0-0. Board Member: 0-0-1-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Transportation

Re: Name Secondly the southwest corner of West 64th Street and Central Park.

Full Board Vote: 11 In favor 23 Against 1 Abstention 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** the request to name secondarily the southwest corner of West 64th Street and Central Park “Ethical Culture Way” in honor of the New York Society for Ethical Culture.

Committee: 6-2-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

Resolution not adopted.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Transportation

Re: Riverside Boulevard traffic conditions.

Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in arriving at our conclusion:

The connection between Riverside Drive & Riverside Blvd is imminent, which will bring much more traffic along Riverside Blvd.

There are no traffic lights anywhere along Riverside Blvd.

Many safety concerns have been raised by residents along Riverside Blvd, including many near-misses and collisions between pedestrians & automobiles.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan implores DOT not to open the connection between Riverside Drive & Riverside Blvd until adequate safety measures have been taken, including installation of traffic signals along Riverside Blvd; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 requests increased enforcement of traffic regulations by NYPD and TLC and a reduced speed limit on the boulevard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 calls on the Extell Development Company and DOT to make the boulevard safer immediately.

Committee: 9-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Health & Human Services

Re: Int. No. 79 - A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring the Department of Homeless Services to notify the affected community prior to locating transitional housing for the homeless.

Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

For many years Community Board 7/Manhattan has been concerned about the practice of the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) of opening transitional shelters in SROs in our neighborhood with no notice to the community. Buses will suddenly arrive and the SRO, where rooms have been kept vacant by the landlord, will be filled with transitional tenants in a building which was supposed to be permanent housing. This has greatly contributed to the shortage of affordable permanent housing in the District. It also has meant that the community has no chance to share its knowledge of the landlord with DHS before agreements are made, sometimes leading to City arrangements with landlords who have a reputation for harassment of tenants in order empty out a building. Organizations with less than professional skills have sometimes been asked to provide support services to people who are in a crisis situation. The community has had to correct these problems after DHS has moved people in.

The DHS has developed procedures for notification of communities when they are about to approve a building for occupancy by their clients, but they do not apply when the Department makes “emergency” or “annex” placements. These are the placements most frequently made in our District. Since these placements supposedly are made in buildings which have been approved, and are up to standards, the committee sees no reason the community should not be notified that the buildings have asked to be approved and are going through a process. This will give the community the opportunity to make comments prior to, rather than after, DHS approval.

The City Council members have been concerned that DHS not only have notification procedures, but that they carry them out. Intro 79 will create a law to that effect. CB7’s Health & Human Services Committee is supportive of that, but is concerned that the language be as specific as possible.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan supports City Council Intro 79, and urges that more specificity be added to its language as follows:

- SROs should be mentioned in the listing of the types of buildings used by DHS
- 30 day notice should be given to the Council Member and Community Board of the buildings’ application to house DHS clients, in order that there be opportunity for full community participation in the process
- Sites selected for “emergency” and “annex” housing should also be included in the notification process, as these also have to go through a certification process
- Standards for certification for the buildings and service providers should be set and publicized in the community.
- The dollar amount per unit for “emergency housing” should be made public.

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 105 West 72nd Street (Columbus-Amsterdam Avenue.) Application #10-8871 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a balcony replacement.

Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in arriving at our conclusion:

An 11th floor balcony was removed without a permit because of unsafe conditions.

Landmarks directed the applicant to replace the balcony having denied an application to legalize the removal.

A new balcony will be affixed to the building replicating the removed balcony except it will not project 36 inches and will be constructed of fiber glass, an approved material for designated buildings.

The balcony's width will be reduced to 14 inches and will be purely decorative. There are no doors that open on to the balcony.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves application #10-8871 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a balcony replacement.

Committee: 5-0-0-0.



RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 108 West 74th Street, d/b/a to be determined (Columbus – Amsterdam Avenues.) Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for store front restoration.

Full Board Vote: 27 In favor 5 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were taken into consideration in arriving at our conclusion.

In 1941, this space was used as a tailor shop and then as an apartment and is currently empty.

The proposal is to restore the ground floor to commercial use.

The entryway will have two doors, one to the shop and one to the apartments above.

The proposal is to create a new storefront entrance modeled on similar ones from the 1940's.

The single glazed door will be centered, set back from the front facade between two pairs of fixed windows. The windows and door will be multi-paned wood, painted black.

The rear portion of the ground floor will be elevated to coincide with the front portion.

There are no detailed drawings or photos of this building, as it was originally constructed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves the store front restoration at 108 West 74th Street.**

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 301 Columbus Avenue d/b/a HSBC (West 74th – 75th Street.) Application # 10-7983 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to install signage.

Full Board Vote A: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Full Board Vote B: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

Full Board Vote C: 21 In favor 11 Against 1 Abstention 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in reaching our decision.

The Applicants are proposing to standardize the signs and logos on their HSBC branches. Fixed awnings of a black material are proposed for the Columbus Avenue facade; signage will be mounted on a white aluminum background bolted to the front facade of the building. The letters and logo will be centered over the entire storefront and will be back lit with low-voltage LED lighting. In addition a blade sign will be mounted on an armature on the south end of the Columbus Avenue facade.

On the West 74th Street facade, the letters will be spread across the signs, which will be installed on the inside of the two windows on soffits visible from the street. They will have low-voltage LED lighting. Although this appears to be a lot of signage, though discretely lighted, the Committee considered the fact that this is a commercial area, while acknowledging that this also is a historic district.

A. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** the West 74th Street changes and the Columbus Avenue awnings; and

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

B. BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **disapproves** the Columbus Avenue signage unless the following changes are made:

- the length of the white aluminum back plate is reduced to be approximately the same length as the proposed centered HBSC sign and logo, in order to keep the maximum amount of rusticated masonry visible;
- the rusticated masonry that is exposed when the existing off-center sign is removed be repaired/ restored as required; and

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

C. BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** the Blade sign as presented.

Committee: 4-1-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 25 West 75th Street (Central Park West – Columbus Avenue.) Application #10-7373 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to alter the basement entrance.

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in arriving at our conclusion.

This application seeks to restore some original elements of the building. The facade is to be returned to its original brownstone, the current white ceramic tiles will be removed from the entryway and replaced with brownstone materials to match the rest of the building and the surround design will replicate the one at 21 West 75th Street, a simple brownstone design. Unfortunately, there are no plans to change the very pedestrian door, the light above the door, or to restore the stoop.

The applicant agreed to modify the entrance light to match 27 West 75th Street.

The Committee urged the managing agent to have the door changed to a more appropriate one, and she agreed to discuss it with the owner and the LPC staff.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves application #10-7373 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to alter the basement entrance and encourages the applicant to consider completing the job by changing the door and the light above the front entrance.

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 201 West 75th Street (Amsterdam Avenue.) Application # 09-3560 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for window replacements.

Full Board Vote: 31 In favor 2 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in arriving at our conclusion:

The current wood windows are in derelict condition. The replacement windows will be of aluminum set within new wood enframements. The fan shaped special windows on the 5th floor will be replaced with new wood transom windows. At this time, the Architect does not anticipate being able to salvage any of the original wood.

The window frames will be painted black, based on paint samples. The south facade has open masonry openings; new aluminum louvers will be installed and painted black.

The Preservation Committee is disappointed that the replacement windows will not be of wood, which is more appropriate for this individually designated landmark constructed in 1888-1890. The Committee was reasonably satisfied that the profile of the windows will match as closely as possible to the original window and the building will retain its distinctive appearance.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves application # 09-3560 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for window replacements.**

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Preservation

Re: 428 Amsterdam Avenue, d/b/a Jimmy's BBQ (West 80th- 81st Streets.) Application #08-2827 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to legalize storefront alterations, installation of light fixtures, conduit, and signage.

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

The following facts and concerns were considered in arriving at our vote:

The proposal is to remove all the neon signage, the light fixtures and the exterior decorations, and to add a decal to the north fixed window to match the one on the south window. A new cut aluminum sign with illumination from behind will be installed over the front door and raised wood panels will be installed on the baseboard and painted brick red.

The Committee suggested they should use a lighter color on the baseboard that matches some painted wood above.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan **approves** application #08-2827 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to legalize storefront alterations, installation of light fixtures, conduit, and signage.

Committee: 5-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: 49 West 64th Street (Central Park West-Columbus Avenue.)

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** applications to the State Liquor Authority for a two-year liquor licenses by 48-50 West 65th Street LLC, d/b/a "To Be Determined".

Committee: 8-0-0-0.

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Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: 160 West 72nd Street, Suite 2-R (Broadway-Columbus Avenue.)

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** applications to the State Liquor Authority for a two-year liquor licenses by The Wine Workshop LTD, d/b/a The Wine Workshop.

Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: 483 Amsterdam (West 83rd – 84th Streets.)

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** renewal application DCA# 1027927 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Good Enough to Eat Uptown LTD, d/b/a Good Enough to Eat, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 6 tables and 15 seats.

Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: 519 Columbus Avenue (West 85th – 86th Streets.)

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** re-apply application DCA# 1251454 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Food 01 Corp, d/b/a Zeytin, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 16 tables and 32 seats.

Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Committee of Origin: Business & Consumer Issues

Re: New Unenclosed Café Applications.

Full Board Vote: 33 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan **approves** the following unenclosed café new applications:

- **982-988 Amsterdam Avenue** (West 108th-109th Streets.) New application DCA# 1347879 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Amsterdam Avenue Restaurant, LLC, d/b/a Village Pour House, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 20 tables and 40 seats.
Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.
- **187 Columbus Avenue** (West 68th – 69th Streets.) New application DCA# 1353186 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Roma 380 Operating Corporation, d/b/a Bomboloni, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 6 tables and 16 seats.
Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.
- **2454 Broadway** (West 90th – 91st Streets.) New application DCA# 1353319 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Big Daddy's III LLC, d/b/a Big Daddy's, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 21 tables and 42 seats.
Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.
- **2518 Broadway** (West 94th Street.) New application DCA# 1353701 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 94 Corner Café Corp., d/b/a Café 71, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 4 tables and 16 seats.
Committee: 8-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Re: Arizona's new immigration law.

Full Board Vote: 28 In favor 1 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

WHEREAS, America is a nation of immigrants and New York City is sustained by our immigrant past, present and future; and

WHEREAS, New York City is home to the largest population of immigrants of any city in the U.S.; well over 3 million foreign-born residents comprise nearly 40 percent of New York City's total population; and immigrants compose over 40 percent of the city's workforce and are essential to our economic output and stability; and

WHEREAS, over 30 percent of Manhattan's residents are foreign-born and a number of the borough's community districts are majority foreign-born; and

WHEREAS, the City of New York and the nation as a whole could benefit from comprehensive immigration reform that does not divide families or create a climate of fear in immigrant neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, immigration reform is an issue that transcends party affiliation and requires input from all elected officials; and

WHEREAS, an enforcement-only approach to immigration is ineffective, cruel and wasteful of Federal and State resources; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Arizona, on April 23, 2010, signed into law Senate Bill 1070 which requires Arizona law enforcement to question and arrest individuals if there is a "reasonable suspicion" that they are in the country undocumented; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's new law promotes a policy of profiling and infringes on individual civil rights; and

WHEREAS, any such law in the State of New York would violate our basic notions of fairness, decency and justice; and

WHEREAS, such laws create a significant chilling effect on many communities' willingness to report crimes and cooperate with police and government overall, and criminals will be more free to prey on immigrant communities, diminishing public safety for citizens as well as non-citizens; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Senate adopted a resolution denouncing any policy of profiling in New York State and urging the federal government to denounce any similar state sanctioned immigration policy; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Assembly adopted a resolution denouncing Arizona's new immigration law;

WHEREAS, Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer has highlighted the inconsistency of Arizona Senate Bill 1070, as adopted and amended, with basic notions of fairness, efficiency, and respect for our richly diverse nation and City;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan denounces the passage and signing of Arizona's Senate Bill 1070 (as adopted and amended) and urges Arizona not to implement the law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan applauds the passage by the New York State Legislature of Senate Bill J5081 and Assembly Bill K01282, and encourages the adoption of federal comprehensive immigration reform that strengthens the family immigration system, protects human and civil rights and provides a meaningful path to citizenship.

RESOLUTION

Date: July 6, 2010

Re: Marriage equality.

Full Board Vote: 28 In favor 1 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present

WHEREAS, the "freedom to marry" is, in the words of the United States Supreme Court, "one of the vital personal rights essential to the orderly pursuit of happiness by free people;"

WHEREAS, civil marriage grants special rights and privileges in such areas as property ownership, inheritance, health care, hospital visitation, taxation, insurance coverage, child custody, pension benefits and testimonial privileges, married couples receive important safeguards against the loss or injury of a spouse, and crucial assurances against legal intrusion into their marital privacy;

WHEREAS, civil marriage is the means by which the State defines a couple's place in society;

WHEREAS, same gender couples are denied access to the institution of civil marriage;

WHEREAS, those who are excluded from its rubric are told by the institutions of the State, in essence, that their solemn commitment to one another has no legal weight;

WHEREAS, Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer [, as well as Senators Tom Duane and Eric Schneiderman and Assembly Members Daniel J. O'Donnell and Linda Rosenthal and others,] [has/have] spoken eloquently to the need to make the fundamental personal rights embodied in the civil institution of marriage equally available to all New Yorkers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan urges the New York State Senate and Assembly immediately to pass, and the Governor immediately to sign into law, legislation in the form of Senate Bill S4440 amending the New York Domestic Relations Law to include the following:

A MARRIAGE THAT IS OTHERWISE VALID SHALL BE VALID REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PARTIES TO THE MARRIAGE ARE OF THE SAME OR DIFFERENT SEX (S4440).

This amendment, Bill S440, provides same-sex couples the same opportunity to enter into civil marriages as opposite-sex couples. The bill also provides that no member of the clergy may be compelled to perform any marriage ceremony.