

**Community Board 7/Manhattan Resolutions November 2001**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Steering**

**Re: Club Etr'e LLC d/b/a Club Ivy, 2130 Broadway, (74th – 75th Streets)  
Liquor License Renewal.**

**Full Board Vote: 40 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, Club Etr'e LLC, d/b/a Club Ivy's ("the club"), 2130 Broadway, New York, NY 10023, owners/management, through the three and one-half years of operation, have been repeatedly cited by the NY Police Department for serious infractions of the law; and**

**WHEREAS, owners/management of the club have not fulfilled the agreements they made in conjunction with Community Board 7/Manhattan's approval of a liquor license and a cabaret license in 1998 (Resolution of February 3, 1998 attached); and**

**WHEREAS, Community Board 7, the 20th Police Precinct, and members of the community have met repeatedly during the past three years with Thomas Viola, an owner of the club, to improve security management and to reduce disruption of the quality of life in the surrounding community; and**

**WHEREAS, the club's management has disregarded recommendations to ensure safety inside and outside, including repeated requests to provide bonded private security, and instead relies on the presence of the 20th Police Precinct officers to be a de-facto security force; and**

**Whereas, the club's operation necessitates continual police presence and interferes with patrol capacity in the rest of the 20th Precinct; and**

**WHEREAS, on October 8, 2001, the disregard of these recommendations resulted in a violent episode with weapons inside the club that spilled into the street, in which three police officers were injured, two male civilians were stabbed, two female civilians were seriously injured, and four arrests were effected; and**

**WHEREAS, the Beacon Hotel has ignored requests by Community Board 7 and the 20th Precinct to address issues at the club and has demonstrated a marked indifference to club operators occupying the premises; therefore**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan disapproves the renewal of the liquor license of Club Etr'e LLC's, d/b/a Club Ivy at 2130**

**Broadway, and calls upon the NY State Liquor Authority to deny the renewal application; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 asks the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs to begin a review now for the renewal of the club's cabaret license, which expires on September 30, 2002; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 supports NYPD in seeking a nuisance abatement action to prohibit the club from operating until the NY State Liquor Authority holds public hearings on pending violations and the suitability of management to maintain their license for the cited premises.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Landmarks**

**Re: 455 Central Park West, aka the Towers Nursing Home. Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to modify Certificate of Appropriateness #93-0115, 93-0116.**

**Full Board Vote: 37 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, the Towers Nursing Home is an individually designated landmark located at 455 Central Park West, between West 105th and 106th Streets; and**

**WHEREAS, the building remained vacant for a number of years and finally received approvals for conversion to residential uses; and**

**WHEREAS, the approvals were based on the applicant demonstrating that he would maintain the integrity of the building as much as possible; and**

**WHEREAS, an application has been filed to modify the Certificate of Appropriateness on 5 items ie: the roof material, changes to the profile and material of the windows; the installation of parapet railings; moving the dormer window and infill to the arched openings; and**

**WHEREAS, the Landmarks Committee of Community Board 7/Manhattan (the Committee) reviewed the changes to each of these items separately and determined that all but one of them would not have a negative impact on the landmark;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee disapproves the use of artificial slate on the roof: Committee 0-5-0-0. Public 1-0-0-0; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee approves the proposed changes to the profile and material of the windows, which will be wood on the exteriors and metal on the interiors:**

**Committee 5-0-0-0. Public 2-0-0-0; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee approves the design of the parapet railing as recommended by the Landmarks Preservation Commission:**

**Committee 5-0-0-0. Public 2-0-0-0; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee approves the moving of the dormer window 10 feet to the East (out from behind the chapel wing) to provide light and air into an apartment:**

**Committee 4-1-0-0. Public 1-1-0-0; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee approves the proposal to fill in the arched openings at the basement with glass to create living space at that level:**

**Committee 5-0-0-0. Public 2-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: La Bicyclette Restaurant, 519 Columbus Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 1 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 0928022 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 519 Columbus Restaurant Corp., d/b/a La Bicyclette Restaurant at 519 Columbus Avenue (West 84th–85th Streets), for a five-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 11 tables and 22 seats.**

**Committee: 2-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: SIDO, 267 Columbus Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 1 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves renewal application DCA#1072082 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Classic Food Inc., d/b/a SIDO at 267 Columbus Avenue, for a five-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 3 tables and 6 seats.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: The City Grill, 269 Columbus Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 25 In favor 5 Against 4 Abstentions 1 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 695954 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 269 Columbus Restaurant Corp., d/b/a The City Grill at 269 Columbus Avenue (West 72nd–73rd Streets), for a five-year consent to operate an enclosed sidewalk café with 16 tables and 34 seats.**

**Committee: 4-0-1-0. Board Members: 1-0-1-0. Public Member: 1-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: Café Rocchetta, 513 Columbus Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 1 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 1007182 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Wilson and Raul Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Café Rocchetta at 513 Columbus Avenue (West 84th–85th Streets), for a five-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 18 tables and 38 seats.**

**Committee: 2-0-0-0.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: Niko's Mediterranean Grill & Bistro, 2161 Broadway.**

**Full Board Vote: 34 In favor 1 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 0917301 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Broadway 76 Ltd., d/b/a Niko's Mediterranean Grill & Bistro at 2161 Broadway (West 76th Street), for a five-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 6 tables and 12 seats.**

**Committee: 4-0-0-0.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: Niko's Mediterranean Grill & Bistro, 2161 Broadway.**

**Full Board Vote: 25 In favor 5 Against 4 Abstentions 1 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA# 0917302 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Broadway 76 Ltd., d/b/a Niko's Mediterranean Grill & Bistro at 2161 Broadway (West 76th Street), for a five-year consent to operate an enclosed sidewalk café with 15 tables and 30 seats.**

**Committee: 3-1-0-0.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Department of Transportation's proposal to install a bike lane on northbound Central Park West.**

**Full Board Vote: 19 In favor 13 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan supports the NYC Department of Transportation's proposal to install, on an experimental basis with a six-month test period to begin in the Spring, a bike path for northbound bicycle riders on the east side of Central Park West between West 59th and 110th Streets, on the condition that DOT provide interim and final reports to the Board on the safety of the lane before it is made permanent.**

**Committee: 7-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0. Public Members: 6-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Plant Shed, 309 West 96th Street.**

**Full Board Vote: 32 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan supports Plant Shed's application to the NYC Department of Transportation for a dedicated loading zone in front of 309 West 96th Street, consisting of the two parking spaces west of the bus stop on the north side of West 96th Street, between Amsterdam Avenue and Broadway.**

**Committee: 7-0-0-0. Board Member: 1-0-0-0. Public Members: 5 -0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Two Way Black Cars, 2642 Broadway.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application #B01743 to NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission by Two Way Black Cars, 2642 Broadway, for a For Hire Base Station license.**

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

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Youth**

**Re: Proposed Establishment of a CB7 Youth Council.**

**Full Board Vote: 25 In favor 0 Against 3 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, Community Board 7/Manhattan, through its Youth Committee, has worked to engage the youth of the Upper West Side to become involved in public decision-making that affects their lives, friends, family and community; and to motivate and assist fellow community organizations to encourage young people to become involved in community activities; and**

**WHEREAS, an informal Community Board 7/ Youth Council, composed of volunteers, 15-18 years old, from the various schools and community based organizations of the Upper West Side, was organized in 1999:**

**To serve as a neighborhood-based forum for young people; and**

**To empower young people to develop organizational skills, leadership, civic responsibility, and knowledge of the policy-making process through direct involvement in local public issues; and**

**To create opportunities for young people to participate in public policy development and community projects and to speak out on issues they identify as important; and**

**WHEREAS, this informal youth council has met and committed to working together on the above goals;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the establishment of the CB7 Youth Council.**

**Soldiers'and Sailors'Memorial Plaza**

**Committee: 5-0-0-0 Board Members: 0-0-0-0 Public members: 1-0-0-0**

**Riverside Drive from 79th to 87th Street**

**Committee: 5-0-0-0 Board Members: 0-0-0-0 Public members: 1-0-0-0**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Parks, Cultural Affairs and Libraries**

**Re: P.S. 199.**

**Full Board Vote: 32 In favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation has a proposed a reconstruction of the playground 70 at PS 199 on West 70th Street as a "playground for all children"; and**

**WHEREAS, the school population includes students with special needs/disabilities and the proposed design will make the playground accessible and usable by all children; and**

**WHEREAS, plan for the playground has had the input of parents and Board of Education personnel;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the proposed reconstruction of playground 70.**

**Committee: 5-0-0-0; Public Member: 1-0-0-0.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Parks, Cultural Affairs and Libraries**

**Re: Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument Plaza, Riverside Park.**

**Full Board Vote: 29 In favor 2 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, the Memorial Plaza surrounding the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument at West 89th Street and Riverside Drive is in need of repair; and**

**WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation has a plan to renovate the existing plaza configuration to reflect the original 1900's plan, in the**

**City Beautiful style, including reconstruction of the 88th Street stairs and reconstruction of the asphalt plaza south of the monument; and**

**WHEREAS, the plan will also improve conditions for the trees and improve drainage in the area;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the plan for the reconstruction of the Soldier's and Sailor's Memorial Plaza and the 88th Street stairs.**

**Committee: 5-0-0-0; Public Member: 1-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Parks, Cultural Affairs and Libraries**

**Re: Riverside Drive, West 79th-87th Streets, Riverside Park.**

**Full Board Vote: 30 In favor 1 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation has previously undertaken the reconstruction of Riverside Drive pedestrian areas from 72nd to 79th Streets; and**

**WHEREAS, the Department wishes to continue this reconstruction project by reconstructing the pedestrian areas from 79th to 87th Streets; and**

**WHEREAS, the project will restore deteriorated sidewalks, walls, benches, lights and curbing; and**

**WHEREAS, the project will restore the historic hex block and cobblestone paving west of Riverside Drive and will install new drains, fences, benches and paths;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the plan for the reconstruction of Riverside Drive pedestrian areas from 79th to 87th Streets.**

**Committee: 5-0-0-0; Public Member: 1-0-0-0.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: NYC Budget and Capital Planning**

**Re: CB7's priorities the NYC Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2003.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the following priorities for the NYC Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2003.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: NYC Budget and Capital Planning**

**Re: CB7's priorities the NYC Expense Budget for Fiscal Year 2003.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the following priorities for the NYC Expense Budget for Fiscal Year 2003.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Date: November 7, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Steering**

**Re: Executive Order 52 restricting 15% of NY City agencies' budgets.**

**Full Board Vote: 29 In favor 0 Against 1 Abstention 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, Community Board 7/Manhattan recognizes the need for fiscal responsibility following the September 11, 2001, WTC tragedy; and**

**WHEREAS, since 1989 when community boards became Charter-mandated agencies, their budgets have actually been reduced because they have never received increases for inflation; and in 1996 had a \$10,000 budget reduction and elimination of funding for full time youth coordinators, neither of which has been restored; and**

**WHEREAS, Community Board 7's 50-volunteer members and 3 staff members carry out the Charter-mandated board responsibilities and serve a growing community of 208,000 residents, countless businesses and organizations, and millions of tourists each year, with a budget of \$175,758, \$26,353 of which has been restricted by Executive Order 52;**

**WHEREAS, the restriction of 15% of the board's budget will result in the Board having no operational funds for the next 8 months, or in the layoff of one staff member;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan asks the Administration to exempt community boards from the 15% restriction.**