

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 –MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE: 4 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: WITHDRWAN

RE: Asphalt Green Renovation and Programming Changes

WHEREAS: Asphalt Green (AG) was selected several years ago by the Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) to be the operator of the Community Center located on North End Avenue as a result of an RFP. The BPCA at that time sought the review and input via working group of five individuals selected by Manhattan Community Board1 (CB1) and

WHEREAS: The BPCA Community Center was to be a dedicated facility for the residents and workers of lower Manhattan beyond the excellent but part-time programming by the Battery Park City Parks Conservancy at Stuyvesant High School, and

WHEREAS: The BPC Community Center was planned to be almost fifty thousand (50,000) square feet and the objective was that it would offer athletic as well as cultural and educational programs, and

WHEREAS: It was clear during the community input process that the center would have to be financially sustainable assuming that the BPCA would not underwrite the cost of operations indefinitely, and

WHEREAS: While AG has been a very successful not-for profit organization offering excellent athletic programs at its Upper East Side location, it was clear that it had little experience in delivering the cultural and educational component. Nonetheless, the RFP and the subsequent contract required that the operator work with the community and partners to fulfill these components of the mission of the BPC Community Center, and

WHEREAS: AG formally opened the BPC Community Center on June 11, 2013 and since then it has achieved a membership of approximately 2,500, and

WHEREAS: During this time the cultural and educational programs have not developed into a robust component of the current operation. The theatre arts and culinary arts programs seem to have floundered and it is unclear if either AG or BPCA has

dealt with this or consulted with the community to address how these components can be enhanced and made more successful, and

WHEREAS: The BPC Community Center is owned by the BPCA and is meant to be a true community asset with Asphalt Green and the BPCA being its stewards, and

WHEREAS: AG has now come to CB1 with a proposal to remove the existing kitchen that was built out by the BPCA and to use the space for additional programs. AG states that it has attempted to promote this facility, partnering with an outside organization, and now seeks our support as it works with the BPCA for actual approval of the proposal, which would remove culinary arts programming from the Community Center, and

WHEREAS: The current state of the cultural and educational component of the Community Center is unsatisfactory and needs to be addressed, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 would approve Asphalt Green's Renovation proposal under the following conditions:

1. Asphalt Green engage immediately with CB1 to determine how the cultural and educational programs can be revitalized. This may include, but not be limited to, prioritizing what programs fit the needs of the community, what partners can be engaged to deliver programming, and what business models may be adopted. Particular attention should be given to theatre arts, visual arts, writing, dance and culinary programs
2. Should the kitchen space become available, Asphalt Green will use it for delivering senior fitness programs as its first and priority usage
3. These senior programs should be available to all residents of lower Manhattan without the need to be AG members and the cost should be affordable since this clientele is primarily on fixed incomes, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 invites the BPCA to be a partner with us to ensure that the BPC Community Center is sustainable and fulfills its mission of offering a variety of programming that serves the community. Community input will help ensure that the Center and Asphalt Green can adapt to changing needs and demographics.

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COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	4 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	34 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Downtown Little League 2016 Opening Day Block Party

WHEREAS: Downtown Little League has applied for a street activity permit for Saturday, April 9, 2016, on Warren Street between North End Avenue and West Street, 7:00 am to 1:00 p.m.; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted for Downtown Little League street activity permit for Saturday, April 9, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. The New York City Department of Transportation reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
3. Clean-up will be coordinated with the appropriate City Agencies, and
4. Bands and persons with megaphones are not situated along the route such that they disturb residents, and
5. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic in and out of all garages downtown remain open at all times.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: NEW BUSINESS

BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 195 Notice of Intent to Acquire Office Space, Department of Citywide Administrative Services/Department of Sanitation, Bureau of Information and Technology, 33 Whitehall Street

WHEREAS: The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) proposes to acquire approximately 17,000 rentable square feet of office space on the sixth floor of 33 Whitehall Street. The site is required to provide office space for Bureau of Information and Technology (BIT) personnel that cannot be accommodated in existing space assigned to DSNY at 137 Centre Street, a City-owned building which will be sold by the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) within the next few years (a request for proposals was released in February 2015); and

WHEREAS: BIT is responsible for the data processing functions and development, maintenance and operations of systems that provide operational, analytical and managerial support functions, as well as IT resource management, for DSNY; and

WHEREAS: BIT has occupied floors of the building at 137 Centre Street for decades, when it was the largest of several units across the agency that provided information technology and systems support. Staffing numbers were much lower than today, and the amount of servers that were housed on premises were also much less than exists today. BIT has grown significantly over the last few years, due to increased hiring to meet the demand, and also as a result of IT staff from other units and bureaus being consolidated into the bureau; and

WHEREAS: 33 Whitehall Street is a modern office building located between Bridge Street and Pearl Street. The building has 30 floors and is approximately 360,000 square feet; and

WHEREAS: BIT would occupy the entire sixth floor. The space is already equipped with specific essential BIT infrastructure requirements, such as a server room with sufficient power, cooling and ventilation systems, adequate work stations, conference rooms and storage space for IT inventory. BIT would be able to relocate to this space without any significant additional improvements or costs; and

WHEREAS: The space is sufficient in size to accommodate a minimum of 75 employees. The hours of operation will be between 6:00AM and 6:00PM, Monday through Friday although periodic 24/7 access will be required, particularly during winter emergencies; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application by DSNY/BIT to acquire approximately 17,000 rentable square feet of office space on the sixth floor of 33 Whitehall Street.

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RE: 195 Notice of Intent to Acquire Office Space, Department of Citywide Administrative Services/New York City Law Department, Tort Division, 233 Broadway

WHEREAS: The proposed acquisition of approximately 32,000 square feet of office space on the entire 5th floor at the Woolworth Building, located at 233 Broadway, is for new space for the Law Department's Tort Division; and

WHEREAS: The Law Department has been authorized by the Office of Management and Budget to acquire new office space for an expansion of staff within the Tort Division to handle an increase in cases city-wide. The Tort Division functions as the City's lawyer for the myriad personal injury and property damage suits brought against it each year; and

WHEREAS: The new office space is needed to house approximately 90 new staff members. 233 Broadway is in a suitable location, as it is close to the Law Department headquarters, within walking distance of the New York State Supreme Court-New York County and within walking distance of One Police Plaza, a primary agency client. This site is also suitable because of easy access to public transportation which makes it an easy destination for witnesses scheduled for interviews. The close proximity to headquarters will facilitate sharing of centralized support staff and reduce the effort required to move files between offices and the courts; and

WHEREAS: The Woolworth Building is a 55 story office building located on Broadway, between Park Place and Barclay Street. It was declared a NYC landmark in 1983. The 5th floor is currently vacant.

WHEREAS: There is no available expansion space at the Law Department's headquarters at 100 Church Street, or at the Law Department's Tort Manhattan Borough Unit offices located at 52 Duane Street; and

WHEREAS: While most of the activity in the office will take place during normal business hours, there will be building access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The lease is expected to include five parking spaces in a garage. Fewer than 100 visitors a day are expected and there will be no walk-in service at the site; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application for the Law Department's Tort Division to acquire approximately 32,000 square feet of office space on the entire 5th floor at the Woolworth Building, located at 233 Broadway.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Redesign to the Existing Street Seat at Pearl Street and Coenties Slip

WHEREAS: Street Seats is a citywide program where local partners apply to transform underused streets into vibrant, social public spaces. Street Seats are installed in the roadbed along the curb line to create an attractive setting for eating, reading, working, meeting a friend or taking a rest. The applying partner selects the design and maintains the Street Seat; and

WHEREAS: Any type of business or institution (such as a restaurant or community organization) that owns or operates the frontage at the ground floor of a building may be eligible to install a Street Seat. Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) and non-profit organizations without frontage can also be eligible if they work in partnership with a local business that does have frontage. All applications for Street Seats require support from the property owner and approval from the local Community Board before installation can take place; and

WHEREAS: All Street Seats installations must include plantings that screen the seating area from traffic while still providing visual permeability across the street and a continuous open edge along the curb. The installations must maintain roadway drainage, be ADA compliant, and also allow for access to any below-ground utilities; and

WHEREAS: Fika, Shorty's and Bombay located at 60, 62 & 66 Pearl Street between Broad Street and Old Slip applied to DOT for a non-platform, DOT's Standard Design. Design and installation are done in-house by DOT. The non-platform Street Seat is 8' W x 80' L, consisting of epoxy gravel directly on the roadbed along the curb line and delineated by a double white striped line, an existing ramp for ADA access, planters with plantings along the edges and moveable tables and chairs. Additionally, DOT will provide operational elements such as signage, wheel stop bars, striping on the parking lane, and/or temporary plastic bollards; and

WHEREAS: Installation would occur as early as March 2016 and remain permanently with use only during the warmer months. All seating is open to the public, no commercial activity permitted and the partners (Fika, Shorty's and Bombay) are responsible for the day to day maintenance via an agreement with DOT; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) has issued resolutions recommending approval of the Street Seats at these locations since 2010; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 supports the redesign to the existing Street Seats program locations at Pearl Street and Coenties Slip.

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RE: Helicopter tourism in Lower Manhattan

WHEREAS: The NYC Economic Development Corporation (NYC EDC) owns and leases Pier 6 to the Downtown Manhattan Heliport operator and estimates that there are 50,000 takeoffs and 50,000 landings for a total of 100,000 operations per year. Residents have seen up to eight helicopters landing and taking off simultaneously in the restricted small area of Pier 6, making it one of the most heavily congested heliports in the country; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) has long been concerned about the safety and quality of life (environmental) issues from helicopters landing and taking off from the Downtown Manhattan Heliport at Pier 6 in our densely populated district which has some of the tallest buildings in the country; and

WHEREAS: CB1 is on the record by the passing of four resolutions: "Downtown Manhattan Heliport tour flights (July 2011), "Tourist Helicopter Flights from the Downtown Manhattan Heliport" (October 2009), "Downtown Manhattan Heliport at Pier 6 and elsewhere in CB1" (June 2015) and "Int. No. 858 & Int. No. 859" (November 2015) and has testified often on this subject and had numerous meetings with various agencies and elected officials over the years; and

WHEREAS: In January 2016, an agreement was reached between NYC EDC and the Helicopter Tourism and Jobs Council regarding the helicopter tourism industry; and

WHEREAS: Under the agreement, tour operators will reduce the number of flights to and from the Downtown Manhattan Heliport at Pier 6 in Lower Manhattan by 50% by January 2017, resulting in the elimination of nearly 30,000 flights per year; and

WHEREAS: In addition, operators have agreed to end all flights on Sundays and prohibit flights over Governor's Island; and

WHEREAS: The agreement includes air and noise quality monitoring; and

WHEREAS: Operators will be required to provide monthly reporting to the NYC Council on the number of flights conducted, and if they are determined to have violated key terms of the agreement, the City will have authority to mandate further reduction in operations; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 commends the City for reaching this agreement with the Helicopter Tourism and Jobs Council, which is an important first step in addressing the chronic quality of life issues related to the helicopter tourism industry; and

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THAT: CB1 highlights the importance that the number of flights, air and noise quality monitoring be conducted by an independent third party.

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BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 25 John Street, application for a beer license for New Toasties Deli, Inc.

WHEREAS: The applicant, New Toasties Deli, Inc., is applying for a deli beer license; and

WHEREAS: The deli's hours of operation are 5:30am – 5:00pm (Sunday closed); and

WHEREAS: The total area of the deli is 615 square feet with a dining area of 200 square feet with 3 tables and 10 seats and a kitchen area of 100 square feet; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license, and does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 opposes the granting of a beer license to New Toasties Deli, Inc. unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 9 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 15 William Street, application for a wine and beer license for Open Market 15, Inc.

WHEREAS: The applicant, Open Market 15, Inc., is applying for a wine and beer license; and

WHEREAS: The committee and applicant have agreed to the bar service hours of 11:00am – 8:00pm (12:00pm opening Sunday); and

WHEREAS: The total area of the restaurant is 5,000 square feet with a dining area of 3,000 square feet with 12 tables and 40 chairs inside and 8 tables and 32 chairs outside, and a kitchen area of 2,000 square feet; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license, and does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are not three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; now

THEREFORE
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THAT: CB 1 opposes the granting of a wine & beer license to Open Market 15, Inc. unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Downtown Independent Democrats Festival street activity permit application for Liberty Street between Broadway and Church Street, Sunday, July 24, 2016 10:00am to 7:00pm

WHEREAS: Downtown Independent Democrats have applied for a street activity permit application for Liberty Street between Broadway and Church Street on Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 10:00am to 7:00pm (including set-up and break-down); now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted for Downtown Independent Democrats for a street activity permit on Sunday, July 24, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
3. Clean-up will be coordinated with the appropriate City Agencies, and
4. Bands and persons with megaphones are not situated along the route such that they disturb residents, and
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BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Greek Easter Block Party street activity permit application for Cedar Street between William Street and Pearl Street, Sunday, May 1, 2016 11:00am – 9:00pm

WHEREAS: Pita Press Greek Rotisserie has applied for a street activity permit application for Cedar Street between William Street and Pearl Street on Sunday, May 1, 2016 from 11:00am – 9:00pm; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by Pita Press Greek Rotisserie for a street activity permit for Sunday, May 1, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
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BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: LMC Public Art Show street activity permit application for Broad Street between Exchange Place and Wall Street, Thursday, May 26, 2016 4:00pm – 8:00pm

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan Community Middle School has applied for a street activity permit application for Broad Street between Exchange Place and Wall Street, Thursday, May 26, 2016 from 4:00pm – 8:00pm; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by Lower Manhattan Community Middle School for a street activity permit on Thursday, May 26, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
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BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Chabad of Wall St. Community Fair street activity permit application for Liberty Street between Broadway and Trinity Place, Monday, May 30, 2016 11:00am – 6:00pm

WHEREAS: Base Yisrael has applied for a street activity permit for Liberty Street between Broadway and Trinity Place on Monday, May 30, 2016 from 11:00am – 6:00pm; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by Base Yisrael for a street activity permit on Monday, May 30, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
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COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 37 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Ziua USA – Romanian Day Festival street activity permit application for Broadway between Liberty Street and Battery Place & Whitehall Street between Stone Street and Morris Street, Sunday, May 15, 2016 11:00am – 6:00pm

WHEREAS: Ziua USA Cultural Foundation has applied for a street activity permit for Broadway between Liberty Street and Battery Place and Whitehall Street between

Stone Street and Morris Street on Sunday, May 15, 2016 from 11:00am – 6:00pm;
now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by Ziua USA Cultural Foundation for a street activity permit on Sunday, May 15, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
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BOARD VOTE:	37 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: NYC Police Museum Fair street activity permit application for Maiden Lane between Water Street and South Street on Friday, June 24, 2016 from 11:00am – 6:00pm

WHEREAS: NYC Police Museum has applied for a street activity permit application for Maiden Lane between Water Street and South Street on Friday, June 24, 2016 from 11:00am – 6:00pm; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by NYC Police Museum for a street activity permit on Friday, June 24, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 79 Chambers Street, application for new storefront

WHEREAS: The application is to legalize a signage violation filed on the applicant by LPC, and

WHEREAS: The signage installed – without permission – on the signage band above the store front would be acceptable to the Committee as long as the current application to apply more signage – in the form of a 24” diameter round sign to be hung inside the store is withdrawn, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 recommends that the Landmark Preservation Commission legalizes the application for the existing signage on the store’s signage band on the condition there is no further signage added to the store.

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BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Application for restoration, window replacement, removal of rear addition, fences and gates and for a cantilever

WHEREAS: 67 Greenwich Street a.k.a The Dickey House is an individual landmark building representative of the blocks of buildings in the area during the early 20th century (in the neighborhood known as Little Syria), and

WHEREAS: Originally built in 1810 as a 3-story Federal style building with a pitched roof and a uniquely Federal style curved rear wall, the building experienced a series of renovations typical of surviving buildings from this heritage, and

WHEREAS: In the early 20th century, the roof was raised to add an additional floor, windows were altered, several window sills and window lintels were removed and fire escapes were added to the front and rear facades, and

WHEREAS: The proposed building restoration program (including and not limited to extensive repairs, the removal of fire escapes, a new Greenwich Street storefront, replacement wood windows and doors and new shutters) is based on the 1914 views of the building and is an appropriate restoration, and

WHEREAS: The proposed removal of an existing 1920's commercial extension at the rear of the lot improves pedestrians' views of the historically significant features at the rear façade (including the unique curved brick wall) and is appropriate, and

WHEREAS: The proposal to erect a new tall building on the abutting northern lot that cantilevers over the landmark building starting at approximately 185 feet is inappropriate and should be avoided, and

WHEREAS: The proposed small entry plaza and surrounding plaza fence at the rear of the building are underdeveloped and underwhelming, and

WHEREAS: The proposed sign at the Trinity Place entrance plaza is too large, lacks any design intent and inappropriately blocks the restored rear façade, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the restoration of 67 Greenwich Street and work with the applicant to improve the plaza design on Trinity Place including the inappropriate sign obelisk and property line fence, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: The Friends of the Lower West Side (an organization instrumental in The Dickey House landmarking process) is in favor of the planned building restoration.

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RE: Request for Evaluation to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for landmark designation of two extraordinary historic interiors, The Red Room and The Observation Lounge, each located within 1 Wall Street, a landmarked Art Deco Skyscraper designed by Ralph Walker of Voorhees, Gmelin & Walker in 1929-31

WHEREAS: The Red Room and The Observation Lounge are worthy of landmark designation, but are not yet so designated; and

WHEREAS: Despite, and over, Community Board 1's explicit objection, the Landmarks Preservation Commission in January 2016 approved the renovation to 1 Wall Street proposed by the Macklowe/Stern development team; and

WHEREAS: Christopher Gray, then-architectural critic for The New York Times called the beautiful Art Deco interiors at 1 Wall Street, "among the most unusual spaces in New York", and

WHEREAS: The Red Room is one of New York's most prized and beautiful interiors with a three-story vaulted ceiling, walls covered in magnificent mosaics in different shades of red, and orange interlaced with thin lines of gold and bronze, and

WHEREAS: The Red Room is the original public reception room for the Irving Trust Bank of America, designed by Hildreth Meière in 1931, and

WHEREAS: The Red Room has always been open to the public and was only closed in 2001, shortly before 1 Wall Street was designated as a landmark, and

WHEREAS: David Dunlap of The New York Times in 2001 noted that the Red Room is "conspicuously undesignated," and

WHEREAS: The reason given for the fact that The Red Room interior was not landmarked in 2001 was that, at that particular time, the reception area was not open to the public, and

WHEREAS: The Red Room remains in use today and is in good condition, and

WHEREAS: The designer of The Red Room, Hildreth Meière, was the most prominent muralist of her day, designing work for St. Patrick's Cathedral, Temple Emanu-El, Radio City Music Hall, St Bartholomew's Church, the Nebraska St. Capitol, National Academy of Sciences, and many other buildings interiors, and

WHEREAS: Hildreth Meière and Kimon Nicolaides designed a magnificent cubist style mural titled “The Pursuit of Wealth” on the ceiling of the space leading to The Red Room, and

WHEREAS: “The Pursuit of Wealth” mural has been covered (or possibly destroyed) and no information is available to the public as to its location and condition, and, assuming it exists, if and when it will be uncovered and restored, and

WHEREAS: Shortly after “The Pursuit of Wealth” mural was completed in 1931, The Evening Post described the mural as:

“[O]ne of the most costly and beautiful pieces of mural decoration ever attempted in the US . . . The pageant-like paintings which compose its decoration are painted upon pure silver leaf. . . This is the first time that a painting on pure silver has been attempted and authorities believe that the achievement may well take its place in the future of art beside the beautiful murals of the Renaissance . . . The subject matter - ‘The Pursuit of Wealth’ - is allegorical, in character suited not only to the present age but to all time. Brought out in rich copper and gold metallic colors in translucent appliqué and warm color relief, the figures in the pageant-drama symbolize man’s world old struggle for wealth”, and

WHEREAS: The Observation Lounge, located on the top floor of 1 Wall Street, is a magnificent multi-story vaulted room with a ceiling faced with luminous shells from the Philippines and wall coverings modeled after Native American Headdress, and

WHEREAS: The Observation Lounge was open to the public by appointment in 2015 and was at that time in use and in good condition, and

WHEREAS: The Macklowe/Stern development team has made no mention as to what is being proposed in the future for the Observation Lounge and if, how and when the Observation Lounge will be restored and to what end; and

WHEREAS: 1 Wall Street has already incurred great loss of its Art Deco furnishings and interiors; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly recommends that The Red Room and The Observation Lounge, originally conceived as public spaces, be made open to the public once again, and that no further work be allowed to alter these magnificent interiors, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly recommends that the extraordinary body of work by Hildreth Meière, the leading muralist of her time, and an extraordinary female leader in the arts at a time when there were few female leaders in the arts, now be recognized and

celebrated through the immediate preservation of these two path-breaking beautiful and historic interior spaces at 1Wall Street; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 strongly recommends that given the extent of the proposed upcoming renovation by the Macklowe/Stern development team, all historic spaces and artifacts should be photographed and catalogued and that 1Wall Street should not incur any further loss of its Art Deco interiors and objects during this and all future renovations so that it can be preserved for public enjoyment and use; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly recommends that the public should be informed as to what use is intended for The Red Room and The Observation Lounge after the renovation is completed, and the public should be assured the proposed new uses are correct and non-invasive as befits these special historic interiors, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly recommends that the ceiling leading to The Red Room off Broadway should be opened to see if “The Pursuit of Wealth”, the famous and original cubist mural, still exists, and if so, that this beautiful and historically important mural should be fully uncovered and immediately restored prior to any restoration work being done in this area of the building, and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly urges the Landmarks Preservation Commission to designate The Red Room (inclusive of the Broadway entrance ceiling mural) and The Observation Lounge at 1 Wall Street, and that it do so immediately, prior to the commencement of any further renovation work on these areas of the building.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: PLANNING

COMMITTEE VOTE: 11 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 1 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 16 In Favor 15 Opposed 6 Abstained 1 Recused*

*Resolution did not carry

RE: Water Street Upgrades Text Amendment N 160166 ZRM

WHEREAS: The Alliance for Downtown New York (ADNY), the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) and the New York City Department of City Planning (DCP) are proposing a zoning text amendment to the Special Lower Manhattan District of the New York City Zoning Resolution to allow the infill of existing arcades for retail use and the improvement of existing plazas by certification and authorization along and near Water Street (the “Proposed Action”); and

WHEREAS: The proposed text amendment would also allow as-of-right public events and programs and the placement of publicly accessible tables and chairs within plazas and arcades, and would continue to allow cafes within arcades by certification; and

WHEREAS: The amendment is intended to enhance the pedestrian experience along a street that is characterized by limited ground floor retail and a high concentration of privately owned public spaces (POPS) lacking in amenities, and to implement one of the resilience initiatives identified for Southern Manhattan in *A Stronger, More Resilient New York*; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) has been supportive of past text amendments to improve the pedestrian and plaza environments on Water Street, such as the April 2011 text amendment to allow cafes, tables and chairs in existing arcades and the May 2013 text amendment to allow temporary programming and amenities for the summer, fall and holiday seasons of 2013; and

WHEREAS: In the past few years the NYC Department of Transportation (DOT), in partnership with other City agencies, have been working to implement streetscape improvements along Water Street; and

WHEREAS: The Project Area is centered along Water Street and is generally bounded by Fulton Street to the north, South Street to the east, Whitehall Street to the south, and Pearl Street and South William Street to the west. Water Street spans more than one-half-mile from Whitehall Street to Fulton Street; and

WHEREAS: The Proposed Action would allow horizontal enlargements (“infill”) within underperforming arcades for retail and lobby uses as part of comprehensive upgrades to building ground floors; and

- WHEREAS: Uses located within arcade infill would be retail uses that are typical of streets such as Fulton Street and Broadway, but are intended primarily to serve nearby residents and employees. Restaurants, clothing stores, drug stores, and art galleries are among the many types of uses that could be located within arcade infill; and
- WHEREAS: As part of allowing arcade infill, the Proposed Action would require property owners to make significant improvements to existing plazas. Plazas would be upgraded to more closely meet the updated design standards for new public plazas. Useful public amenities such as trees, planting, fixed and moveable seating, drinking fountains, lighting, public space signage and bicycle racks would be provided; and
- WHEREAS: The Proposed Action would *allow* building owners to infill approximately 100,000 square feet of currently underperforming public arcade space, but as part of the same repurposing, would *require* owners to significantly upgrade approximately 250,000 square feet of plaza space that would permanently remain as publicly accessible amenities; and
- WHEREAS: As a means of activating the plazas, the Proposed Action would facilitate more activity in plazas and arcades along Water Street by allowing free, non-ticketed events as-of-right, and would allow moveable public seating to be placed within the plazas and arcades as-of-right; and
- WHEREAS: To facilitate the Proposed Action, the Zoning Map of the Special Lower Manhattan District would be modified to eliminate the existing “Public Space Activation Area” and “Arcades Modification Area” to create a single, simplified “Water Street Subdistrict;” and
- WHEREAS: The proposed zoning text will allow arcade infill by City Planning certification and authorization. A new text map will be added to Appendix A of the special district that will delineate which portions of the Water Street arcades may infill by certification (Area A), those that may infill by authorization (Area B), and those that would not be permitted to infill by either certification or authorization (Area C); and
- WHEREAS: Alternatively, if no plazas exist on the zoning lot, the provision of an indoor public space or an off-site public space could satisfy the requirement for a compensating amenity (e.g., 7 Hanover Square, 110 Wall Street, and 175 Water Street do not have plazas or urban plazas available for upgrade); and
- WHEREAS: As part of the arcade infill, buildings would also require new flood-proofing strategies for their ground floors to ensure they are resilient against flooding and damage from storms; and
- WHEREAS: While arcade infills would allow owners to use underutilized arcades to build smaller retail spaces, those retail spaces would still be required to meet all other rules, codes, ordinances and laws (e.g., the retail spaces could not be used for banks, as banks are not permitted to face plazas); and
- WHEREAS: No changes would be permitted to the use of any plazas without a full permitting process that includes Community Board review procedures; and

WHEREAS: DCP referred the proposed text amendment on January 19, 2016 and the 60-day review period for zoning text amendments under the City Charter began to run on that date, now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 supports Water Street Upgrades Text Amendment N 160166 ZRM, provided that:

- 1) A referral mechanism is incorporated into the zoning text to require a 60-day period of Community Board review and comment, on a site-by-site basis, of any request to infill any arcade space within the Proposed Area, whether it is by certification (Area A), authorization (Area B), or by any other process or mechanism whatsoever that may be promulgated in the future;
- 2) Because building owners / landlords are getting great value from the loss of these public amenities (no matter how underutilized), the community's needs for various types of facilities within the future infilled arcades must be considered and encouraged, including but not limited to schools (including pre-kindergarten centers), libraries, senior centers, ice skating rinks and other recreation, *etc.*;
- 3) Certifications or authorizations by the City Planning Commission (CPC) or CPC Chairperson should strongly consider the community's view that small, independent retail establishments are preferred in any future infill space, as well as consideration for affordability so as not to lead to vacancies
- 4) During the Community Board review for each application for the 17 buildings with arcades, the applicant is responsible for explaining the specific community offset and benefit that will be provided in exchange for the arcade infill; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that particular attention is paid to the issue of lighting on Water Street. Improved lighting along Water Street will enhance safety and encourage more people to visit the area; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that ADNY, EDC and DCP work together with property owners and the NYC Department of Education and NYC School Construction Authority to create suitable locations for schools and pre-kindergarten centers within the infill spaces.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: SEAPORT/CIVIC CENTER

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Community District 1 Resiliency

WHEREAS: Community District 1 (CD1) is surrounded by water on three sides. At a height of seven feet, CD1 experienced one of the highest inundation levels in Manhattan during Superstorm Sandy, resulting in the drowning of two people in our district as well as extreme property and financial damage; and

WHEREAS: Superstorm Sandy also affected tens of thousands of individuals in Lower Manhattan, including seniors and otherwise vulnerable populations who were displaced or unable to evacuate, and who consequently suffered the extended loss of basic services within their own buildings and in the community, causing dangerous and unsanitary conditions; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) has played an active and positive role in the public process of Sandy recovery with the City since October 29, 2012; and

WHEREAS: While great strides have been made in CD1 in terms of recovery and relief, there is still much that must be done to rebuild and revitalize what was destroyed, and to protect the area in anticipation of future extreme weather events; and

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan is in desperate need of immediate resiliency and hardening measures; and

WHEREAS: According to the American Geophysical Union, “combining the newly calculated rise in storm tide with the rise in sea level that has taken place since the mid-1800s, the researchers found that today, waters can be expected to overtop the lower Manhattan seawall -- 1.75 meters (5.74 feet) high -- once every four to five years;” and

WHEREAS: We are concerned about both the short-term and long-term time frame because Lower Manhattan remains largely unprotected approaching the fourth anniversary of Superstorm Sandy and faces an increasing potential for suffering extreme weather events and subsequent financial damage to Lower Manhattan and the City at large; and

WHEREAS: The Lower Manhattan Protect and Connect Project is a vision of comprehensive resiliency investments that are integrated into the community fabric; and

WHEREAS: The Lower Manhattan Protect and Connect Project defines Lower Manhattan to be south of Montgomery Street, including a large portion north of the Brooklyn Bridge which is the northern boundary of CD1 on the east side; and

WHEREAS: In March 2015, the City announced nearly \$15 million for Lower Manhattan resiliency, which included \$6.75 million from the City and State for preliminary design and environmental review and another \$8 million in City capital funds for first-phase flood protection design and implementation at the Battery; and

WHEREAS: The City also recently announced that it will commit an additional \$100 million for this project. The City intends to leverage its own commitment to this project with National Disaster Resilience Competition (NDRC) funds to make the next phase of this project a reality; and

WHEREAS: New York City's Phase 2 application for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) NDRC contains four main components:

1. Coastal Protection for Two Bridges
2. Coastal Protection for Manhattan Tip
3. Stormwater Management through Placemaking
4. Multi-Family Resiliency Retrofit Program

WHEREAS: Of these four components, Coastal Protection for Manhattan Tip, which is defined as the area from the Brooklyn Bridge to the western edge of Battery Park, is the only one that occurs in CD1; and

WHEREAS: The Manhattan Tip project is expected to cost \$234 million in capital costs; and

WHEREAS: The coastal flood protection system for the Manhattan Tip area begins adjacent to the Brooklyn Bridge, connecting to the southern end of the coastal flood protection system for Two Bridges, and continues along the southern tip of the island to the western edge of Battery Park but does not include Battery Park City; and

WHEREAS: The application proposes transitions from fixed walls along the FDR, to deployable panels along the Whitehall Ferry Terminal building, and concludes with a levee system at the perimeter of the Battery; and

WHEREAS: The coastal flood protection system would defend the critical arteries and infrastructure of the region, including the Battery Park Underpass and the entrance to the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel as well as other key assets; and

WHEREAS: The City proposes a levee for Battery Park and aims to add a series of landscape elements to the levee, including constructing a pedestrian and bicycle trail and adding various shading elements, a covered walkway and an outdoor amphitheater; and

WHEREAS: Five deployable pump stations and wet wells would be placed based on the proximity to key portions of the existing sewers and the alignment of the coastal flood protection system along the East River; and

WHEREAS: In September 2015, CB1 adopted a resolution endorsing the Manhattan Tip portion of the proposal, the only proposal in the application affecting CD1, as a medium to long range solution and stating that we remain gravely concerned by the lack of short to medium range strategies to protect CD1 in the event of another large storm; and

WHEREAS: In January 2016, HUD announced that New York City would be awarded \$176 million from the NDRC. It is unclear where those funds will be allocated, or if any will be assigned to projects in Community District 1; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor's Office of Recovery and Resiliency has indicated the possibility that all of the funds will be allocated north of the Brooklyn Bridge, outside of Community District 1, but that HUD will ultimately dictate the allocation of funds awarded through the NDRC; and

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 still has several questions and concerns regarding the \$100 million in resiliency funds designated by the City, and the \$176 million recently awarded through the NDRC:

- What is the order of implementation for proposal projects?
- How will the funds be allocated? What are the priority projects?
- Number two of three items is "stormwater management for NYCHA campuses in the Lower East Side and Two Bridges." What is the plan for south of that area in Community District 1 for stormwater management?
- Will stormwater storage be located under the Brooklyn Bridge for areas north of it? CB1 is currently working with City agencies to restore parks and recreation space in that area, as well as to relocate placard cars from under the bridge to alleviate congestion.
- The section outlining coastal protection for Manhattan Tip states that "the most feasible option for the coastal flood protection system for this area based on preliminary site analysis and basic design concepts transitions from fixed walls along the FDR, to deployable panels along the Whitehall Ferry Terminal building." We would like the City to clarify and provide details on specific types of protection along this stretch.
- Battery Park City and Tribeca are not included in the application. Therefore, CD1 continues to be exposed even if Manhattan Tip is completed; and

WHEREAS: There is still no comprehensive resiliency plan for CD1. The City has issued a Request for Proposals for Montgomery Street through Tribeca, but that engineering study cannot begin for some time due to vetting by the City and we have been told the planning process is expected to take two years; and

WHEREAS: CB1 has repeatedly made priority requests for the provision of funding for short, medium and long term resiliency infrastructure in its annual budget priorities. In response to these requests for the FY2017 budget priorities, the Economic Development Corporation's (EDC) response was that, "securing funding for this request is outside of EDC's jurisdiction; please contact the agency if you have any questions about the EDC budget process" and "EDC suggests that the Community Board work with federal and state representatives to secure grant funding;" and

WHEREAS: Above all, it is of the utmost importance to CB 1 that public participation throughout the planning and design process is implemented in a way that is equitable for all areas affected; and

WHEREAS: CB1 thanks the City for the investment of over \$100 million towards resiliency planning and protection in Lower Manhattan, but the City has never disclosed if,

where or how this money will be spent in Lower Manhattan south of Montgomery Street; and

WHEREAS: On February 18, 2016, the City shared a letter dated January 21, 2016 addressed to the New York City Office of Management and Budget from HUD regarding the NDRC, notifying that NYC will receive a grant award of \$176 million. The letter states that HUD reserves the ability to partially fund proposals to ensure geographic diversity and that exact project funding amounts will be conveyed to designated staff; and

WHEREAS: The project is described in the award letter as follows:
“Coastal Protection: Two Bridges (Eastern) This project constructs a floodable coastal protection system from the Two Bridges neighborhood to the Manhattan Tip that incorporates both active (pumps) and passive stormwater management through placemaking features at nine NYCHA sites throughout the neighborhood. Community uses will include small retail and active and passive recreation areas;”
and

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 reiterates the importance of implementing both short and long term resiliency projects in Lower Manhattan as soon as possible; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests its fair share of resiliency funding to ensure that our district is protected not only in the future, but in the interim as well.

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests detailed information from the City on how the \$176 million awarded by HUD will be allocated, and whether or not the award project includes the Manhattan Tip component of the NDRC application; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: Regardless of how the \$176 million HUD NDRC grant award and \$100 million in dedicated City funds are allocated, CB1 maintains that it is necessary for the City to allocate \$234 million of dedicated funds to finance the Manhattan Tip project and ensure that Community District 1 is protected against future extreme weather events. We urge our elected officials including Mayor de Blasio, Comptroller Stringer, NYC Council member Chin, Manhattan Borough President Brewer and Public Advocate James to include in this budget cycle whatever funding is necessary to cover the funding shortfall for hardening Manhattan Tip.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: SEAPORT/CIVIC CENTER

COMMITTEE VOTE:	10 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	32 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: River to River street activity permit application for Front Street between Beekman Street and Peck Slip, Sunday, June 26, 2016 3:00pm – 6:00pm

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan Cultural Council has applied for a street activity permit application for Front Street between Beekman Street and Peck Slip on Sunday, June 26, 2016 from 3:00pm – 6:00pm; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 does not oppose the application submitted by Lower Manhattan Cultural Council for a street activity permit on Sunday, June 26, 2016 subject to the following conditions:

1. New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (LMBCO) reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
3. Clean-up will be coordinated with the appropriate City Agencies, and
4. Bands and persons with megaphones are not situated along the route such that they disturb residents, and
5. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic in and out of all garages downtown remain open at all times.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: SEAPORT/CIVIC CENTER

COMMITTEE VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 31 In Favor 0 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 181 Front Street, application for a liquor license for an entity to be formed by Yang

WHEREAS: The applicant, Artists Loft LLC, is applying for a restaurant liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The Committee and applicant have agreed to the bar service hours of 12pm -12am on Sunday, 11am – 12am Monday to Wednesday, 11am – 1am Thursday to Friday and 10am – 1am on Saturday for a six month trial basis after which the applicant may revisit the Committee and request extended hours based on performance in the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS: The total area of the restaurant is 2,998 square feet, including a dining area of 1,000 square feet with 9 tables and 36 chairs, a bar area of 500 square feet with 0 tables and 18 chairs, and a kitchen area of 300 square feet; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license, and does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Artists Loft LLC at 181 Fulton Street unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	8 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	2 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	38 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Need for greater construction safety and coordination in light of tragic crane crash on Worth Street

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) passed the attached resolution on December 17, 2015 strongly urging the City of New York to reverse its decision to phase out the Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (DOTLMBCO) in March 2016 and to instead fund the office for at least one additional year; and

WHEREAS: CB1 passed this resolution because DOTLMBCO continues to oversee roughly 90 major ongoing construction and redevelopment projects in the 1.5 square miles of CB1 and given the level of construction activities at present and projected for the future the coordinating efforts of this office are essential for the efficient functioning of Lower Manhattan and to minimize the negative quality of life impacts of construction on those who live, work and visit downtown; and

WHEREAS: On Friday, February 5 a tragic crane crash occurred in which a crane collapsed while being lowered in high winds, leading to the death of one man who was on his way to his office in Tribeca and injuring several other people; and

WHEREAS: The 90 projects being tracked by the DOTLMBCO do not include all construction sites, and the work at 60 Hudson Street, the site of the recent crane crash, is one of those not included, however, NYC DOT provides the permits for contractors working at 60 Hudson Street to close the streets and related coordination; and

WHEREAS: This tragic crane crash dramatizes the dangers of the construction that is rampant in Lower Manhattan and the need for ongoing close coordination of the many projects by a dedicated agency to protect public safety; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO has many years of experience working with CB1 and the local community, as it has held monthly community meetings including CB1 and has also appeared almost every month at the CB1 Quality of Life Committee since February 2014 when it assumed responsibility for construction coordination after the Lower Manhattan Construction Command Center (LMCCC) was discontinued; and

WHEREAS: CB1 has not received a commitment from DOT that these monthly meetings and appearances at the CB1 Quality of Life will continue if the DOTLMBCO is discontinued, although there is a continuing need for public monthly meeting updates where both DOT and DOB are present, and there is a need for

information on the number of vehicles entering CB1 including whether they are construction vehicles, tour buses, computer buses, delivery trucks or otherwise; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO also provides other valued services including making available to CB1 a chart of major constructions projects and their timelines and maps of construction activity in CB1 which are available on its website along with community meeting minutes and other information in addition to facilitating presentations by the developers, contractors and agencies at various public CB1 meetings; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 strongly reiterates its resolution of December 17, 2015 and reiterates the urgent need for the City of New York to reverse its decision to phase out the DOTLMBCO and instead fund the office for at least one additional year and ensure construction safety of the 90 major construction projects in 1.5 square miles; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: In light of the tragic crane crash on February 5, 2016, and DOT's stance that it was not the agency tasked with monitoring the crane work on the street, CB1 calls for greater construction safety and for the New York City Department of Buildings, the New York City Department of Transportation and other agencies involved in regulating construction to better coordinate and communicate regarding construction activity and monitor much more closely potentially dangerous activity such as the assembling/raising/lowering of cranes and moving of construction vehicles.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: DECEMBER 17, 2015

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: QUALITY OF LIFE

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	32 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Continuation of New York City Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office

WHEREAS: Community Board 1 (CB1) was informed on Friday, December 11 that the Department of Transportation has decided to phase out the Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office (DOTLMBCO) in March 2016; and

WHEREAS: The state funding for the DOTLMBCO expired on September 11, 2015, and the office has been funded by the city on an interim basis; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO, which was created on July 1, 2003, and ultimately acquired several functions of the Lower Manhattan Construction Command Center in February 2014, is a small office which was created to oversee the extraordinary number of construction projects in Lower Manhattan following September 2001, and the need for this office continues as it currently oversees roughly 90 major ongoing construction and redevelopment projects in the 1.5 square miles of CB1; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO coordinates with many City, State and Federal agencies and dozens of private stakeholders details of construction projects including the timetables, street closures, construction deliveries and heavy machinery which are critical to keeping the construction projects on time, saving costs and minimizing the negative impact on nearby small businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO keeps vehicular traffic and emergency vehicles circulating in CB1's very dense neighborhood with a large residential (70,000), worker (320,000) and tourist (14 million last year) population; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO monitors construction safety for nearby workers and people; e.g. recently it helped improve student safety near the Peck Slip and Spruce Street Schools; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO works with other agencies to minimize and mitigate negative quality of life impacts due to noise, air quality issues, traffic flow and congestion, street closures, night and weekend construction, and vehicle idling – including by enforcement of Environmental Performance Credits; and

WHEREAS: In addition to the City 311 complaint system, DOTLMBCO has its own complaint registration system on its website for residents and businesses to alert the Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner of any violation at a construction project or site; and

WHEREAS: There have been frequent complaints that agencies and construction companies conduct various types of illegal work and exceed their permitting parameters during after-hours – late at night, weekends and early mornings (‘off hours’) – it proves problematic for Lower Manhattan residents to get relief through the 311 complaint system because complaints are not addressed by the City in real time while the violations are occurring; and

WHEREAS: As the DOTLMBCO is an operating Downtown office, it is well positioned to report, coordinate and resolve local complaints and issues involving other agencies; and

WHEREAS: The DOTLMBCO improves communication about projects by providing information and services on its website and convening and appearing at meetings in ways including the following:

- Summary of Lower Manhattan Construction Projects:
http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/about/lower_manhattan_construction.shtml
- Lower Manhattan Construction Map and List:
http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/about/lmcc_maps.shtml
- Monthly Community Construction Meetings that include agency representatives, developers and stakeholders (including CB1 and representatives of elected officials): http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/about/lmcc_meetings.shtml
- Direct contact for help by writing to Lower Manhattan Borough Commissioner Luis Sanchez about a specific construction issue:
<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/contact/contact-form.shtml?routing=lm>
- Monthly updates at CB1's Quality of Life Committee meeting where the public can be updated; and

WHEREAS: Although CB1 has been informed that some responsibilities performed by the DOTLMBCO since February 2014 will continue to be provided by the DOT Manhattan Commissioner's office, including the monthly visits to the CB1 Quality of Life Committee and the convening of Lower Manhattan Construction meetings, CB1 and other Lower Manhattan stakeholders will lose an invaluable resource that continues to be much needed due to the enormous amount of construction activity in the district; and

WHEREAS: CB1 previously supported the continued funding for the DOTLMBCO in a resolution adopted in July, 2014 and supported its predecessor the Lower Manhattan Construction Command Center in numerous resolutions (including June 25, 2013; January 24, 2012; September 27, 2011; March 22, 2011; January 25, 2011; June 22, 2010; December 15, 2009; June 19, 2007) and testimony at various hearings (including a testimony to the City Council on April 23, 2012); now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 strongly urges the City of New York to reverse its decision to phase out the DOTLMBCO and instead fund the office for at least one additional year, because given the level of construction activities at present and projected for the future the coordinating efforts of this office are essential for the efficient functioning of Lower Manhattan and to minimize the negative quality of life impacts of construction on those who live, work and visit downtown; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: With the continuing current and future construction projects in Lower Manhattan and considering the relative success of the DOTLMBCO, we urge the City and State to strongly take under advisement making the DOTLMBCO a permanent office with a line item annual budget during the fiscal years going forward; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: If the DOTLMBCO is phased out, it is imperative that its key functions should continue, including assisting CB1 in getting presentations about significant projects and monthly Lower Manhattan Construction meetings; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: If the DOTLMBCO is phased out, it is also imperative to provide an online complaint system with direct contact to the Manhattan DOT Commissioner and/or her staff, similar to that which has existed for Lower Manhattan residents, so that the many issues resulting from roughly 90 ongoing and future construction sites be dealt with in real time directly with the Commissioner or her staff, as opposed to the delays and inadequate follow-up inherent in the 311 system.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	5 In Favor	0 Opposed	2 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	1 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	38 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 52 Walker Street, application for alteration of tavern liquor license to permit DJ for KNH Enterprises, LLC d/b/a M1-5

WHEREAS: M1-5 is requesting an alteration of a tavern liquor license to permit a DJ; and

WHEREAS: M1-5 came before Community Board 1 (CB1) in June 2015 regarding the establishment's application to renew their liquor license and after hearing from numerous neighboring residents who complained about late-night noise and disturbances to quality of life from the establishment, CB1 passed a resolution asking that "the SLA investigate whether M1-5 is legally operating within the parameters of its OP license as an eating and drinking establishment"; and

WHEREAS: In response to CB1's resolution of June 2015 the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) conducted an investigation and the matter was discussed at an SLA hearing on December 16, 2016 at which the Chairman of the SLA strongly admonished the attorney for the establishment, noting that the establishment had been in violation of its Method of Operations for many years and asking them to return to CB1 to request changes that would resolve these inconsistencies; and

WHEREAS: CB1 would like to thank the SLA Chairman, Commissioners, and investigators for their due diligence with regards to the investigation of M1-5, and for referring the matter back to CB1 for advisory comment; and

WHEREAS: M1-5 returned to the Tribeca Committee (the Committee) at its meeting on February 10, 2016 and neighboring residents and their attorney once again appeared and stated that disturbances from the establishment have continued as well as submitted written and photographic documentation to the committee, and further stated that and no improvement has been observed; and

WHEREAS: At this meeting, members of the Committee noted inconsistencies in statements by representatives of M1-5 at this meeting and the prior one in June 2015, specifically regarding whether dancing takes place at the establishment among other things; and

WHEREAS: Members of the Committee were also troubled by the lack of improvements in control of crowds entering and exiting the establishment late at night, with several noting that this was the primary concern for the Committee; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the application for an alteration of the liquor license to permit a change in the Method of Operations to permit a DJ; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 is dismayed by the continued lack of progress by the establishment in controlling disturbances by crowds outside the establishment late at night; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 repeats our request to the SLA that the hours be reduced from 4 a.m. to 2 a.m., as stated in our June 2015 resolution (attached).

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: JUNE 23, 2015

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	8 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	34 In Favor	2 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 52 Walker Street, application for renewal of tavern liquor license for KNH Enterprises, LLC d/b/a M1-5

WHEREAS: M1-5 is requesting a renewal of their State Liquor Authority (SLA) On Premises (OP) restaurant liquor license as an eating and drinking establishment; and

WHEREAS: A number of residents appeared before the committee and presented information which they distributed in a document alleging that M1-5 is causing continuing excessive noise, loud music, urinating, vomiting, traffic with horn honking, leaving garbage on the street, fighting in front of the building, and other quality of life issues late at night and after 4 am, which they alleged are all associated with the patrons and operation of M1-5, and

WHEREAS: The residents also alleged that M1-5 has been operating as a dance club and lounge in violation of the SLA licensed method of operation, and

WHEREAS: The document presented by the group of residents included: several letters from various neighboring buildings, 311 complaint numbers, complaints to the NYPD, photos, and advertising from M1-5's facebook page which they said support their claims and identifies M1-5 Lounge as Sports Bar/Dance/Lounge; and

WHEREAS: The representative from M1-5 when asked did not deny the presence of dancing but asked, "what is dancing?" and

WHEREAS: The representatives of M1-5 stated that they have attempted to mitigate the residents' complaints and other quality of life issues related to the operation of M1-5, and

WHEREAS: At the Tribeca committee the representatives of M1-5 and residents agreed to begin meeting to try to resolve all the complaints, and

WHEREAS: Both parties agreed to return with any progress or updates on the status of the meetings, and

WHEREAS: The Tribeca Committee has concerns that M1-5 may be operating as dance club and lounge in violation of the its New York State SLA OP license, and

WHEREAS: The committee feels that the SLA should investigate whether M1-5 is legally operating within the parameters of its OP license, and

WHEREAS: The committee also feels that the 2 year renewal of M1-5 should be suspended during the SLA's investigation and while the owners and residents meetings are taking place, and

WHEREAS: However, we feel that M1-5 should be able to continue to operate with a temporary extension in the interim until the investigation is completed, and

WHEREAS: A reduction in the closing hours from 4 a.m. to 2 a.m. may improve some of the quality of life issues raised by the residents, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: The SLA investigate whether M1-5 is legally operating within the parameters of its OP license as an eating and drinking establishment, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that the 2 year renewal of M1-5 should be suspended during the SLA's investigation, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: M1-5 should be able to continue to operate with a temporary extension of its OP license in the interim during the SLA investigation; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board One requests that the closing hours be reduced from 4 a.m. to 2 a.m. every day of the week.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Tribeca Film Festival, application for a street activity permit on Saturday, April 23, 2016 on Greenwich, Beach, North Moore, Franklin, Harrison, Jay, Duane and Reade Streets during the hours of 10:00 AM to midnight

WHEREAS: The applicant has applied for a street activity permit on Saturday April 23, 2016 on Greenwich, Beach, North Moore, Franklin, Harrison, Jay, Duane and Reade Streets; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 does not oppose the proposed application for a street activity permit submitted by Tribeca Film Festival for Saturday April 23, 2016 from 10 a.m. to midnight, subject to the following conditions:

1. The NYC Department of Transportation reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
2. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
3. Clean-up will be coordinated with the appropriate City Agencies, and
4. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic in and out of all garages downtown remain open at all times.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE:	4 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained	1 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS:	1 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	37 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Pier 26 at Hudson River Park, 233 West Street, application for restaurant liquor license for City Vineyard

WHEREAS: City Vineyard is applying for a restaurant liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant agreed to a closing hour no later than 12:30 a.m. seven days a week subject to approval of the Hudson River Park Trust which will lease the space to the applicant; and

WHEREAS: The total area of the restaurant is 1,150 square feet with public assembly capacity of 65; and

WHEREAS: There will be live acoustic music at a background level not audible to the nearest residential neighbors and a roof-top bar with ambient music also at a background level only; and

WHEREAS: The windows on the east side of the building housing the restaurant will close at 10 p.m.; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk café license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a cabaret license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used exclusively as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are not three or more establishments with on-premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed and notarized a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 *opposes* the grant of a liquor license at Pier 26 at Hudson River Park, 233 West Street for the City Vineyard *unless* the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 36 In Favor 1 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Transportation Alternatives, application for a street activity permit on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 on Beach Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHEREAS: The applicant has applied for a street activity permit on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 on Beach Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and

WHEREAS: Members of the Tribeca Committee meeting expressed support for this event but some believed that there might be a more suitable location for the event; and

WHEREAS: Concern was expressed about the suitability of Beach Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets for this event due to the exit to the Holland Tunnel located there as well as the presence of two schools for young children who are picked up and dropped off in passenger vehicles throughout the day; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 does not oppose the proposed extension of a street activity permit submitted by Transportation Alternatives for a street activity permit on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, subject to the following conditions:

1. The applicant returns to CB1 to request a different and more suitable location that is acceptable to the majority of CB1 members, and
2. The NYC Department of Transportation reviews the application and determines that it is compatible with nearby construction activity that is expected to be simultaneously underway, and
3. Traffic control agents are deployed as needed to ensure that there is no significant adverse impact from the event on traffic flow, and
4. Clean-up will be coordinated with the appropriate City Agencies, and
5. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic in and out of all garages downtown remain open at all times; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 does not approve of Beach Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets as a location for this street activity.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
PUBLIC MEMBERS VOTE: 2 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 38 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Request for funding by the Hudson River Park Trust for security

WHEREAS: A representative of the Hudson River Park Trust (HRPT) appeared at the Community Board 1 (CB1) Tribeca Committee meeting on February 10, 2016 (the Meeting) to request support from CB1 for HRPT's request for funding from Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and City Council Member Margaret Chin for security cameras and equipment for the Harrison Street to Watts Street section of Hudson River Park; and

WHEREAS: There have been several serious if isolated incidents in recent years that have caused concern about safety in Hudson River Park and CB1 has been contacted by people concerned about the need for enhanced security and cameras there; and

WHEREAS: It was noted at the Meeting that emergency call boxes may enhance security in parks and other public areas; and

WHEREAS: CB1 commends Hudson River Park Trust for efforts to ensure safety in this park and for developing a proposal for enhanced security including cameras that will enhance public safety in this busy section of the park; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 supports the request by Hudson River Park Trust for funding from Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and City Council Member Margaret Chin for security cameras and equipment.

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: YOUTH & EDUCATION

COMMITTEE VOTE: 7 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused
BOARD VOTE: 35 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Lack of School Crossing Guards

WHEREAS: School guard presence at three major schools in the district, PS 276, PS 234 and IS 81 continues to be a major unresolved problem, and

WHEREAS CB1 still has no guard at PS 276 and we continue to have problems at the West Side Highway crossings with only one guard at the Warren Street/West Side Highway crossing who only stands on the sidewalk at the west corner blowing her whistle at light changes and we have been told that the only permanent guard we have in place downtown, at PS 234, is about to go on maternity leave with no apparent replacement; and

WHEREAS: The First Precinct has assigned traffic enforcement officers to school crossing duty at the Spruce Street and Peck Slip schools as a temporary measure until permanent crossing guards are assigned, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 asks the New York Police Department to extend the precedent of the Spruce and Peck Street Schools and assign traffic enforcement officers as a temporary solution to the lack of school crossing guards, at the following locations: PS 276, PS 234 and the east side of the West Side Highway at IS 89.