



THE CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 3

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December 2003 Resolutions

At its December 2003 monthly meeting, Community Board #3 passed the following motions:

TITLE: Dept. of Youth and Community Development/NYPD Youth

That Community Board #3 will support the DYCD/NYPD youth forum in the spring of 2004.

TITLE: Tax Abatement for 149-151 Essex Street and 152 Ludlow Street

To oppose the tax abatement application for 149-151 Essex Street and 152 Ludlow Street since the developer is not providing any affordable housing; this is in conformity with Community Board #3's longstanding position on the issue.

TITLE: Zoning Amendments for Sidewalk Cafés in the M1-5A and M1-B Districts of SOHO and NOHO

To oppose, as currently written, the proposal by DCP for a zoning text amendment to allow Sidewalk Cafés in the M1-5A and M1-B Districts of SOHO and NOHO, due to concerns raised regarding whether DCP has proper zoning designation for specified areas. Furthermore, to request that DCP representatives attend the January 2004 Economic Development Committee meeting to clarify the zoning designation of the affected area.

TITLE: Lease Negotiations with Basketball City Regarding Pier 36

To support the NYC Economic Development Corporation lease negotiations with Basketball City regarding Pier 36, subject to all review processes and involvement of Community Board #3 on a step by step basis.

TITLE: N 030228 ZRY, Scientific Research and Development Facilities

To state that Community Board #3 is not taking a position regarding the above-mentioned matter because DCP did not give Community Board #3 adequate time for review of the application and that, in the future, the Community Board needs to get material in time for full review by the public and Community Board.

TITLE: HPD Lack of Oversight of 507-509 East 11th Street

That based upon the information presented to Community Board #3 regarding the condition of 507-509 East 11th Street, HPD has completely abdicated its responsibility to oversee this TIL

building; it has ensured neither proper officer election procedures nor financial accountability. We strongly urge HPD to act quickly to correct this situation, so that proper elections can be held and financial disclosures made. In addition, we strongly urge HPD to halt all eviction actions until this situation is corrected.

TITLE: Street Safety Issues for Schoolchildren at PS2, Corner of Henry and Pike Streets

To ask the 7th Precinct to address issues concerning the safety of schoolchildren at the corner of Henry and Pike Streets by meeting with the Public School 2 Parent Association to discuss these issues, and contacting Public School 2 about conducting school safety education for the children. In addition, that the 7th Precinct report back to Community Board #3 on the feasibility of an additional crossing guard.

TITLE: Speed Bump for Front of PS 2, Henry Street, between Pike and Rutgers Streets

To ask DOT to install a speed bump on Henry Street between Pike and Rutgers Streets, in front of Public School 2, and to provide safety education for Public School 2 through their Safety City program.

TITLE: Safety Improvements at Clinton and Delancey

To ask the DOT, Department of City Planning (DCP) and Councilmember Gerson's office to consider Officer Britton's proposed safety improvements on Delancey Street at Clinton Street. There are serious safety problems along this corridor, which is the approach to the Williamsburg Bridge. Community Board #3 is very concerned about the recent increase in accident rates at Clinton and Delancey Streets, especially in light of future development in the area. Officer Britton's proposal gives concrete solutions to these real safety problems, and deserves serious consideration. Community Board #3 would like the Delancey Street Study being conducted by the DCP to respond to this proposal, and for DOT to study it as well. We would like Councilmember Gerson's office to work with the agencies and Community Board #3 in improving safety in this area.

TITLE: TLC License Renewal for Golden Dragon Limo Service, Inc., 112 Madison Street, New York, NY 10002 (B01926)

To deny the application by Golden Dragon Limo Service, Inc. for renewal of the TLC license (B01926) for a For-Hire Base at 112 Madison Street since the applicant failed to appear at the meeting of the Transportation Committee, Board members did not have an opportunity to discuss quality of life issues including, but not limited to, traffic congestion, sidewalk congestion and noise.

TITLE: Proposal to Co-Name Allen and Pike Streets to the "Avenue of the Immigrants"

WHEREAS: Since the early 1800's, Allen Street and Pike Street, between East Houston Street and South Street, have served as gateways for migrants and immigrants to the United States;

WHEREAS: Allen Street and Pike Street form a prominent corridor of residents and businesses from diverse ethnic and immigrant groups in the Lower East Side and Chinatown;

WHEREAS: In the struggle to overcome poor housing and working conditions, African-Americans and Puerto Ricans, and Jewish, Irish, Polish, Italian, German, Dominican, South Asian, and Chinese immigrants, and many more in the Lower East Side and Chinatown have improved the quality of life in these neighborhoods and contributed to the civic life, economic vitality, and cultural richness of New York City;

WHEREAS: Allen Street and Pike Street have fallen into disrepair, despite the wealth of rich immigrant histories they hold and the entrepreneurial, religious, and social activities they sustain;

WHEREAS: Uniting Neighborhoods to Revitalize Allen and Pike Streets, a coalition that includes the following community organizations (in alphabetical order): Asian Americans for Equality, Chinese Christian Herald Crusades, Civic Center Residents Coalition, Garment Industry Development Corporation, Hamilton-Madison House, Immigrant Social Services, Indochina Sino-American Community Center, Lower East Side Business Improvement District, Lower East Side Tenement Museum, Renaissance Economic Development Corporation, Two Bridges Neighborhood Council, and University Settlement Society, proposes to co-name Allen Street and Pike Street to "Avenue of the Immigrants," in order to honor the past and current immigrant residents and businesses in the Lower East Side and Chinatown, and to be part of a broader effort to revitalize the Mall---unifying and linking the diverse neighborhoods to the waterfront.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board #3 supports and recommends the proposal to the City Council to co-name Allen Street and Pike Street between South Street and East Houston Street, to be the "Avenue of the Immigrants."

TITLE: Proposal to Co-Name Bayard Street, between Mulberry and Baxter Streets to "Zhe "Zack" Zeng Way"

WHEREAS: Zhe "Zack" Zeng, a victim of the September 11th attack, will be honored by co-naming Bayard Street, between Mulberry and Baxter Streets, to Zhe "Zack" Zen Way. Zack was born on September 30 in Guangzhou and died on September 11, 2001, at the age of 29. Zack was an active member of the Brighton Volunteer Ambulance (BVA), who returned to New York City, following graduation from the University of Rochester William E. Simon School of Business Administration, to support his mother and brother. During his time at BVA, he was an emergency medical technician;

WHEREAS: On the morning of September 11, 2001, although his workplace, Bank of New York was safely evacuated, Zack saw what had happened, re-entered his workplace gathering all the first aid kits he could carry and headed for what would soon be known as "Ground Zero." Media

accounts state that he assisted in the rescue of two NYFD firefighters and then began rendering first aid to injured civilians. NYC Fox 5 TV news captured the last moments of Zack's life as he was helping others. His DNA was recovered from "Ground Zero" in May 2002. A funeral service was held on September 9, 2002, on Mulberry Street in New York City's Chinatown;

WHEREAS: Both Governor Pataki and the NYS Commissioner of Health recommended that Zack's death be declared a "line of duty" death and his name be included on the National EMS memorial located in Roanoke, Virginia;

WHEREAS: His heroic act on 9/11 is significant to all New Yorkers, especially to the Chinese American community in the New York metropolitan area. By co-naming Bayard Street, between Mulberry and Baxter Streets, to Zhe "Zack" Zeng Way, this prominent block of Chinatown will highlight his heroic act and unselfishness character to all Asian Americans living in the area, and it will remind all the youngsters to follow him as their role model;

WHEREAS: Although Zack did not live in Chinatown, he considered Chinatown his second home, attending and graduating from Seward Park High School. Zack spent much of his free time in Chinatown, playing sports and socializing with friends at Columbus Park. According to his mother, Mrs. Zeng, Zack will be pleased to have his name up on the corner of Mulberry and Bayard Streets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Community Board supports and recommends the proposal to the City Council to co-nall1e the section of Bayard Street, between Mulberry and Baxter Streets, to "Zhe "Zack" Zeng Way."

TITLE: Signage for Eldridge and Rivington Streets

To support the Rivington House's request that DOT install a "Stop" sign for the north-bound traffic on Eldridge Street at the intersection of Rivington Street.

TITLE: Bus Layover for Columbia Street under the Williamsburg Bridge

To ask the MTA, DOT and DCP to consider using the area on the east side of Columbia Street, under the Williamsburg Bridge, as a layover for the M14-C/D buses, instead of Columbia and Delancey Streets. This change would alleviate hazardous conditions caused by double-parked buses on Delancey Street.