



THE CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 3

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January, 2007 Full Board Minutes

Meeting of Community Board #3 held on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at 6:45 at PS 20, 166 Essex Street.

Public Session:

Dr. Albert Favatis, M.D.--St. Vincent Stroke Awareness Center. They are providing alternative and cutting edge services to stroke patients. Patients who are treated within the first three hours can be given medicine or a procedure. When dialing 911, state that you want to be taken to a comprehensive stroke center.

Andres Puerta-- Organizer for the NYC District Council of Carpenters. Speaking regarding the Pomeranc Hotel at 200 Allen St. He is concerned about working conditions, safety, and area standards. This site is using non-unionized laborers which increases risks to workers.

John Leo-- CPLDC. Presenting Chinese New Year event at Columbus Park. Informational presentation and request for support. The event is on February 18 at 7:00 P.M. There will be illumination pyrotechnics (no noise).

Elizabeth Blatz-- South District Librarian. Thanked the Board for support of Public Libraries. The busiest branch in Manhattan is at Chatham Sq.

Richard Duane—Speaking in opposition to the 78 Second Ave Sandwich Shop application for a sidewalk café application. He is opposed to the application due to prior complaints. He thinks other restaurants next to him will want sidewalk cafes also if this is approved.

Royal Smith-- Representative of Nomad, 78 Second Ave. Sandwich, Inc. Believes that the sandwich shop should be granted a sidewalk café license.

Jonathan Zalisky-- Health Plus, has workshops for different health ailments.

Steven Tin--Better Chinatown Society-- Holding two events in Chinatown on February 18 and February 25 for the Lunar New Year. This is the 5th year of the parade. Asking for the Board's support this year.

Public Officials:

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Lolita Jackson-- Not Present

Comptroller William Thompson, Rafael Escano-- Not Present

Borough President Scott Stringer, Mary Cooley --
Applicants for the Community Board must submit applications by January 31.

Stay tuned for more information on the Open Meetings Law.

There is going to be a conference on Mitchell Lama at John Jay College. A Panel Discussion will explore ways to protect residents, provide incentives for owners and shareholders, and reinforce the rules and regulations of the program.

Randall's Island--Some schools want to use the ball field. The Borough President feels it is important to pay attention to this issue and how contracts are awarded there.

Congressmember Carolyn Maloney, Victor Montesinos--
Read newsletter on 9/11 health matters related to those who were involved in the recovery effort.

Congressmember Jerrold Nadler, Erin Drinkwater--
The Congressman introduced a bill to bring home the troops in Iraq by 12/07 and to cap funds.

Congressmember Nydia Velazquez, Not Present

Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Jessica Loesser and Ellen Ruchman--
Pier 35 and 36-- There is going to be a community recreational facility on that site, however, the Office of Emergency Management has vehicles parked there and it is not clear where they will move to or when.

There is a concrete barrier on the FDR Dr. that is supposed to be a pedestrian refuge, but cars are jumping it. DOT has put up a visible sign and has forced cars into a very wide turn. The Assemblyman is very concerned about this.

Assemblymember Deborah J. Glick, Gregory Brender--
With regard to affordable housing, Gov. Spitzer rejected the amendment to the proposals by the tenant's association which would have limited affordable housing.

Glick had a resolution supporting Roe V. Wade in recognition of the anniversary of the landmark case.

Assemblymember Brian Kavanagh, Wendy Frank-- District Office 237 1st Ave.
The Assemblymember will be sworn in on 2/24 1:00 P.M.

State Senator Martin Connor, Eva Ritteteau--
State Senator Martin Connor was just sworn into his 15th Term.

He has been put in his name as Comptroller and was interviewed today. If selected there would be a special election. He feels that he has a good understanding of what the job entails.

Rules changes were proposed, but quashed by the Republican Majority.

Sen. Connor's Office continues to attend NYU Public Hearings.

State Senator Thomas K. Duane, David Chang--
The Senator is happy about the rejection of the Tenant Association's proposed plan to change the affordable housing rules.

Councilmember Alan Gerson, Michael Regolia--
NASA School in the Corlears Complex had its inauguration.

He has introduced a new law that bans exhibitionist motorcycle maneuvers and bans straight pipes on bikes.

There is a contest being run to have students write about a street name.

Councilmember Rosie Mendez, John Fout--
She is looking forward to working with John Sexton.

HOPE 2007--wants volunteers to count homeless people. DOHS has not been asking if the homeless are veterans. So the Councilmember has asked for them to count veterans.

Union Square enforcement has been requested due to recent violent and criminal activities.

Members Present at First Vote:

David Adams [P]	Guido Hartray [A]	Verina Reich [A]
Paul Bartlett [A]	Herman F. Hewitt [P]	Richard F. Ropiak [P]
Rev. Joan Brightharp [A]	Carolyn Jeffers [P]	Estelle Rubin [P]
Mayra Cappas [P]	Anne K. Johnson [P]	Elizabeth Sgroi [P]
Wendy Cheung [P]	Joel Kaplan [A]	David Silversmith [P]
Rocky Chin [P]	Eden Lipson [Sick Leave]	Deborah A. Simon [A]
David Crane [P]	Bernice McCallum [P]	Pia Simpson [A]
Andrea Diaz [P]	David McWater [P]	Arlene Soberman [P]
George Diaz [P]	Alexandra Militano [P]	Nancy Rose Sparrow-Bartow [P]
Harvey Epstein [P]	Lillian Moy [A]	Harold Stelter [P]
Morris Fajtelewicz [A]	Roberto Ortiz-Arroyo [A]	Elinor Tatum [P]
Beth From [P]	Dominic Pisciotta [P]	David Weinberger [P]
Rabbi Y. S. Ginzberg [P]	Barden Prisant [P]	Nina Werman [A]
Alexander Gonzalez [P]	Carolyn Ratcliffe [P]	Harry Wieder [P]
Carlos Juan Gonzalez [P]	Joyce Ravitz [A]	Samuel Wilkenfeld [A]
Aurora Guzman [A]	Lois M. Regan [P]	Thomas Yu [P]

Minutes:

Minutes of November, 2006 were approved, as is.

Board Chairperson's Report:

Chairperson David McWater
Joyce Ravitz's mother passed away.

Eden Lipson has returned home.

David will be attending the NYU taskforce on the Board's behalf.

We have formed another taskforce with either the intent of developing another committee or it becoming part of Parks. Paul Bartlet is going to become the first Chairperson. This is being done due to the belief that we are losing a lot of theaters in our neighborhood.

MOU-- Alex and David will be on this.

Committee assignments are up on the table.

Open Meetings Law—Community Board 3 had a meeting with the Borough President's Office regarding the open meetings. 14 or 15 Board Members were present and the general sense was that we should be more open. David also feels that we should be more open. It is being sent to the By-Laws Committee to craft new laws to try to be more open.

District Manager's Report:

December Minutes for first distribution are available.

Letisha Frasier is a new intern in the office. She will be there 3 days a week.

There is a sheet on the table explaining how to volunteer for the homeless count.

The District is losing Commanding Officer Mike Lau. This is a loss to the community since he has been very open to working with us on many issues important to us.

DEP did a horn honking crackdown on Ave. B. Results aren't in yet.

Susan had Green Thumb and multiple agencies get together to discuss the rat problem in community gardens. There is a real problem with rats in these locations because they are open spaces. Let Susan know if you are interested in volunteering to reach out to the gardens on how to reduce rats.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee

DISCUSSION: Estelle Rubin doesn't believe that it is the Board's job to do work on quality of life issues since she feels this is the job of the Councilmember. Susan explained that since we work with them on a daily basis and it is our job to help residents with these issues then it is the Board's job. Mary Cooley pointed out that it is in the City Charter that Community Boards work on quality of life issues and with the agencies.

VOTE: That Community Board #3, Manhattan, co-sponsor a quality-of-life forum with the office of Council Member Rosie Mendez and Community Board #6, Manhattan.

30 YES 1 NO 1 Abstention 0 PNV - MOTION PASSED

Human Services & Seniors Committee

1. Request for support for paper ballots optical scanner to replace our current mechanical lever voting machines

DISCUSSION: Estelle Rubin asked what the new voting machines would be. Carolyn described the different types of machines. The committee and City Council are endorsing an optical scanner that has a paper trail. It will also tell you if you missed something in the vote and won't let you vote twice on the same line.

VOTE: Resolution urging the New York City Board of Elections to select a precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan system as the new voting technology for the City of New York, and urging the New York City Council to go on record as supporting the selection of a precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan system by passing Resolution 131 as soon as possible.

Whereas, observable election procedures that ordinary citizens can witness, understand, and attest have been properly conducted are the basis for public confidence in elections; and

Whereas, direct recording electronic (DRE) voting machines prevent citizens from witnessing and understanding the handling of votes; and

Whereas, New York State law requires the New York City Board of Elections to select new voting technology to replace the mechanical lever machines which we currently use; and

Whereas, New York State law allows the New York City Board of Elections to select either a precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan system or a Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting system; and

Whereas, paper ballots can be marked by voters with disabilities and/or non-English languages by the use of accessible ballot-marking devices; and

Whereas, precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan systems can provide the advantages of quick election-day results and accessibility without the risks associated with electronic voting;

Therefore, be it resolved, that Community Board 3 urges the New York City Board of Elections to select a precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan system as the new voting technology for the City of New York;

And be it further resolved, that Community Board 3 urges the New York City Council to go on record as supporting the selection of a precinct-based Paper Ballot/Optical Scan system by passing Resolution 131 as soon as possible.

32 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 PNV - MOTION PASSED

2. Request for support to keep Cabrini Medical Center open
No vote necessary.
3. Discussions and concerns regarding proposal for comprehensive program to treat, track, and research negative health impacts post 9/11 pulmonary health issues of residents and employees of Lower Manhattan
No vote necessary.

Youth & Education Committee

No votes necessary.

SLA & Economic Development Committee

1. SLA's new policy to hear some NYC applications in upstate cities

VOTE: WHEREAS, the New York State Liquor Authority (hereinafter "SLA"), in an effort to be fair to applicants in all areas of the State of New York, will conduct hearings in Albany and Syracuse, as well as within the City of New York, and

WHEREAS, Community Board #3, Manhattan, acknowledges that the SLA has been making every effort to be responsive to community and community board needs and recommendations and Community Board #3 wishes to state on record its appreciation of the recent changes instituted by the SLA which have greatly benefited communities, and

WHEREAS, Community Board #3 believes that community board and community resident representation at SLA hearings is an important component of community input during the application process, and

WHEREAS, New York City community boards and residents cannot afford the cost of travel and the loss of a full day of work to attend hearings in Albany or Syracuse, and

WHEREAS, applicants have legal representation paid to attend full board hearings and the inability of community board representatives or residents to attend such hearings may result in an unfair disadvantage to applicants, and

WHEREAS, applicants who are applying to be licensed within New York City, who themselves live and work within the City, as well as their legal representatives with offices within the City, may also be disadvantaged by having to travel great distances to attend hearings;

THEREFORE, Community Board #3 urges the SLA to make every effort to conduct hearings for licenses with community opposition within the city in which the license will be located.

Renewals with Complaint History

2. Bar On A, 170 Ave A (op)

VOTE: To approve the renewal of a full on-premise license for Bar On A, 170 Avenue A, with the understanding that the owner will alleviate the existing noise complaints of neighboring residents occasioned by bands and music in his establishment, which includes but is not limited to, installing sound baffling and additional soundproofing and by restricting live bands to earlier hours during the week.

3. Odessa Restaurant, 117 Ave A (op)

Withdrawn

Sidewalk Café Application

4. 78 2nd Ave Sandwich Shop, 78 2nd Ave

VOTE: To approve the application for a sidewalk café permit for four (4) tables and eight (8) seats for 78 Second Avenue Sandwich Shop, 78 Second Avenue, because the applicant has signed a change agreement to close said café at 10:00 P.M. every night which will become part of his DCA license.

Alterations/Transfers/Upgrades

5. Veniero's, 342 E 11th St (alt/op/sidewalk café)

- VOTE:** To approve a full on-premise license for the sidewalk café for Veniero's, 342 East 11th Street, because the applicant has signed a change agreement to close said café at 11:00 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 12:00 A.M. Friday through Saturday which will become part of his DCA license.
6. Bronte's, 218 Ave A (trans/op)
VOTE: To approve the transfer of a full on-premise license to Bronte's, 218 Avenue A, provided that the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will serve food to within one (1) hour of closing every night, 2) it will not operate later than 1:30 A.M. Sunday through Wednesday and 3:00 A.M. Thursday through Saturday, 3) it will keep façade doors and any windows closed, and 4) it will not have DJs, live music and promoted events.
7. Himi, 71 Clinton St (trans/op)
 Withdrawn
8. SIJV Pizza, 231 1st Ave (trans/rw)
 Withdrawn
9. Kolkat Restaurant, 198 Orchard St (alt/op)
VOTE: To approve the alteration to Kolkat, 198 Orchard Street, reflecting that said location has an existing bar on premise.
10. Jehan, 198 Orchard St (trans/op)
VOTE: To approve the transfer of a full on-premise liquor license to Jehan, 198 Orchard Street, provided that the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will close no later than 11:00 P.M. every night, 2) it will serve food to within one (1) hour of closing and operate as a full-service French restaurant, and 3) it will close all doors and windows at 10:00 P.M., including the façade accordion doors.
11. Brown Bean, 61 Hester St (alt/rw)
VOTE: To approve the alteration for Brown Bean, 61 Hester Street, expanding into the adjacent store front which the licensee currently uses as an appended grocery store, with the understanding that the method of operation as a coffee shop/café and hours of operation will remain the same.
12. Orchard Foods, 152 Orchard St (alt/add/op)
 Withdrawn
13. 88 Empire Corp, 75-78 E B'way, (trans/rw)
VOTE: To deny the transfer of a restaurant/wine license to 88 Empire Corp., 75-78 East Broadway, because the applicant did not appear before Community Board #3 for review of its application and did not furnish any application materials regarding its application.
14. Thailand Café, 95 2nd Ave (up/op)
VOTE: To approve an upgrade to a full on-premise liquor license for Thailand Café, 95 Second Avenue, provided the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will maintain its hours of operation of 11:00 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 12:00 A.M. Friday and Saturday, 2) it will maintain its method of operation as a full-service Thai restaurant, serving food to within one (1) hour of closing, 3) liquor service will only be at tables, and 4) its French doors will be closed at 10:00 p.m. every night.
15. Third Ave Restaurant, 64 3rd Ave (alt/add)
 No vote necessary
16. Cronkite, 133 Norfolk St (up/op)
 Withdrawn
17. Tonic, 107 Norfolk St (add/op)
 Withdrawn
18. Ludlow Café, 87 Ludlow St (alt)
VOTE: To deny the application for an alteration, for Ludlow Cafe, 87 Ludlow Street, to wit, increasing its size by 30% by converting an existing storeroom into space for patron seating and use, for the following reasons: 1) the original approved use for this location was a restaurant with closing hours of 12:00 A.M. every night 2) in the past year, this location has had a consistent history of violations with various City agencies, including violations for unlicensed cabaret and bar, as well as numerous violations for serving alcohol to minors (see attached letter from Lt. Joseph Del Duca of the 7th Precinct), which have culminated in two (2) nuisance abatement closings within 2006, 3) this establishment is located on Ludlow Street, which is already overcrowded by traffic and people patronizing existing nighttime businesses and which requires special operations and weekend closing of the street by the 7th Precinct because of the incredible congestion and unruliness occasioned by nighttime patrons and, most recently, Community Board #3 has, at the request of the 7th Precinct, voted to ask the Department of Sanitation to eliminate parking on one side of Ludlow Street between Houston and Delancey Streets, due to this overwhelming congestion, 4) given the existing deleterious conditions on Ludlow Street, Community Board #3 cannot now sanction the expansion of an establishment whose operation is contributing to these conditions and communicated this opinion to the justice overbearing the nuisance abatement action in August of 2006 (see attached letter of Community Board #3), 5) it is the understanding of Community Board #3, based upon discussions with the above-referenced Lieutenant from the 7th Precinct that this applicant has already been improperly operating the space it now seeks to incorporate into its existing license as part of its commercial space for at least the past eight (8) months, and 6) this establishment may be within 200 feet of a school, to wit Seward Park High School.
19. Star Foods, 64 E 1st St (alt)
 Withdrawn
20. B Foster Restaurant, 500 E 11th St (trans/op)
VOTE: To deny the transfer of the full on-premise license to B Foster Restaurant, 500 East 11th Street, because the applicant did not sign a stipulation stating that 1) it will close at 3:00 A.M. all nights, 2) it will serve

food to within one (1) hour of closing, 3) it will employ employee doormen Friday through Sunday and for parties, 4) it will close its front doors at 10:00 P.M. all nights, and 5) it will maintain a method of operation as a bar/pub.

New Liquor License Applications

21. Flora & Jasper, 247 Broome St (rw)

Withdrawn

22. Mighty Ocelot, 246 E 5th St (rw)

Withdrawn

23. Ravi Lalchandani, 111 E 7th St (rw)

VOTE: To approve a restaurant/wine license for Ravi Lalchandani, 111 East 7th Street, provided that the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) it will operate the same business as its existing licensed business, the Bourgeois Pig, located at 122 East 7th Street, a cheese and chocolate fondue restaurant, and 2) it will remain open no later than 2:00 A.M. every night.

24. Lucky 11 HK Cuisine, 11 Mott St (rw)

VOTE: To approve the restaurant/wine license for Lucky 11 HK Cuisine, 11 Mott Street, understanding that this establishment will remain a full-service Chinese restaurant which will be open no later than 11:00 P.M. seven days a week.

25. Cooper Square Hotel, 25-33 Cooper Sq (hotel liquor)

No vote necessary.

26. 88 2nd Ave Food Corp, 88 2nd Ave (op)

VOTE: To deny a full on-premise liquor license to 88 Second Avenue Food Corp, 88 Second Avenue, because the applicant did not appear before Community Board #3 for review of its application and did not furnish any application materials regarding its application.

27. La Botica, 91 Clinton St (rw)

Withdrawn

28. Royal Sperm Whales Inc, 77 Delancey St (op)

VOTE: To approve the full on-premise liquor license for Royal Sperm Whales Inc., 77 Delancey Street, provided that the applicant furnishes a signed notarized stipulation that 1) the hours of operation will be no later than 12:00 A.M. Sunday through Thursday, and 2:00 A.M. Friday and Saturday, 2) it will serve food to within one (1) hour of closing every night and operate as a full-service Scandinavian restaurant, and 3) it will install soundproofing, if necessary.

29. Asian Fusion, 37A Orchard St (rw)

VOTE: To deny a restaurant/wine license to Asian Fusion, 37A Orchard Street, because the applicant did not appear before Community Board #3 for review of its application and did not furnish any application materials regarding its application.

32 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 PNV - MOTION PASSED

Public Safety & Sanitation Committee

1. Request for city regulations to require ultra low sulfur fuel for generators used by film production companies in NYC

VOTE: Whereas filming production in Community Board 3 has increased due to recent initiatives to bring more filming to the city for economic benefits, and

Whereas Community Board 3 is viewed as a highly desirable area for filming, and much of the increased filming in the city occurs within Community Board 3, and

Whereas film production necessitates generators for film production and for catering trucks, and these generators produce unhealthy and unpleasant smelling diesel fumes, and

Whereas the Community Board office receives complaints from residents that the fumes are unbearable, and

Whereas the Community Board office receives complaints from merchants saying that the fumes drive people away and has negative impact on their businesses, and

Whereas Community Board 3 understands that filming in New York City brings many economic benefits to the City but also believes that the City should require that every effort be made to mitigate negative impacts on the residents who live and work in the filming location, so

Therefore Community Board 3 requests that the city to pass legislation to require that film production companies use ultra low sulfur fuel when filming in NYC.

2. Report from Con Ed Subcommittee on status of proposals for environmental benefits using settlement monies

No vote necessary

3. Support for CB 1 proposal requesting EPA to withdraw its December 2006 "test and clean" program and work with community and elected officials to develop a new testing and cleanup plan for WTC residual contamination

VOTE: RE: EPA's 2006 Final Test and Clean Program

WHEREAS: On December 6, 2006, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its Final Lower Manhattan Indoor Test and Clean Program, and declared this program the final phase of EPA's response to the national terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and

WHEREAS: Community Board #3 unanimously passed a March 2006 resolution calling upon EPA to abandon its technically and scientifically flawed November/December 2005 Test and Clean Program, and

WHEREAS: One year later, without any input from World Trade Center community residents or workers, or CB#3, the EPA released a program which provides grossly insufficient financial resources (only \$7 million) to test and clean all potentially affected residences and workplaces, and which is substantially the same as, but in some key areas worse than, its previous inadequate plan, and

WHEREAS: EPA's December 2006 program fails to correct the major shortcomings of its 2002-3 test and clean program, cited by EPA's Inspector General in a highly critical August 2003 report, including: failure to address potential residual contamination in HVAC systems, failure to test and clean whole buildings as a system, failure to address potential residual contamination in workplaces, failure to expand testing and cleanup beyond the arbitrarily imposed Canal Street boundary line, and failure to incorporate appropriate Science-based testing methods, and

WHEREAS: George M. Gray, the Assistant Administrator for the EPA Office of Research and Development states, that "The vast majority of occupied residential and commercial spaces in Lower Manhattan have been repeatedly cleaned, and we believe the potential for exposure related to dust that may remain from the collapse of the World Trade Center buildings is low." However, the substance of that statement is impossible to verify since the onus for virtually all testing and cleaning undertaken over the past five and a half years was placed upon individual residents, employers, or landlords without proper guidance, oversight or verification, without centralized information collection, and with little or no financial support, from the Federal, State or City government. Moreover, his statement ignores that, in the absence of an appropriate emergency response by EPA, the health of tens of thousands of residents and workers left to their own devices to conduct unsafe cleanups was placed at risk and that, without further scientifically sound large-scale testing, there is no basis for an assertion that the risk that remains to the community is "low", now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT: CB#3 rejects EPA's December 2006 plan and expresses outrage at the EPA's failed federal response to the September 11th attack on the United States of America which occurred at the World Trade Center in the heart of our neighborhood, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT: CB#3 calls upon EPA to withdraw its December 2006 "test and clean" program and work with the community and elected officials to develop a scientifically sound testing and cleanup plan for World Trade Center residual contamination.

IN ADDITION: CB#3 requests that such a plan determine the geographical extent and characteristics of WTC residual contamination in Community Board #3, and clean up contamination that endangers public health.

4. Correction for previous resolution regarding Asthma Free Zone proposal

VOTE: To amend the Resolution passed by the full board in June 2006.

Full Board Resolution June 2006:

Community Board No. 3 supports an initial funding allocation to launch the Asthma Free School Zone Program as outlined in the enclosed attachment. This is a three year project for which Asthma Free School Zone, is requesting an allocation of \$50,000.00 from the Con Ed Settlement Fund.

The funds shall be used in year one to focus on PS 34, East Village, and Children's Workshops schools and in the second year to schools in close proximity to the plant. A total of 12 schools and 6 day care facilities will be helped at the end of the three year implementation program.

CB#3 is requesting consent from all signatories of the settlement funds, Con Edison, NYPIRG, NYS Public Service Commission, and Mayor's Office for re-allocation of the settlement funds.

Proposed Amended (Corrected) Resolution January 10, 2007:

Community Board No. 3 supports an initial funding allocation to launch the Asthma Free School Zone Program as outlined in the proposal reviewed in May-June 2007. This is a three year project for which Asthma Free School Zone, is requesting an allocation of \$50,000.00 from

the Con Ed Settlement Fund for the first year. AFSZ must return for CB#3 approval for the 2nd and 3rd years of funding.

The funds shall be used in year one to focus on educational facilities (e.g. public schools, pre-school, day care) for children in close proximity to the Con Ed plant. A total of 12 schools and 6 day care facilities is proposed to be helped at the end of the three year implementation program.

CB#3 is requesting consent from all signatories of the settlement funds, Con Edison, NYPIRG, NYS Public Service Commission, and Mayor's Office for re-allocation of the settlement funds.

Transportation Committee

1. Support for the passage of NYC Council Intro 199 ("The Traffic Information and Relief Bill")

VOTE: Resolution Calling for Passage of NYC Council Intro 199 ("The Traffic Information and Relief Bill")

WHEREAS, traffic congestion in New York City steadily worsens, hindering movement of buses, endangering pedestrians, creating more air and noise pollution that compromises people's well-being and threatens their health, as studies show, with increased risk of illnesses like asthma, diabetes, cancer and heart disease, and costing New Yorkers extensive time loss and unnecessary fuel consumption (2003 figures show an average of \$6.78 billion worth of time lost and 198 million gallons of fuel wasted); and

WHEREAS, upzoning, new development and a projected increase of one million more New Yorkers by 2030 will increase travel demand, further clog our streets and exacerbate the City's traffic problems; and

WHEREAS, the City needs a more comprehensive information base and system of analysis to understand and evaluate existing traffic conditions, weight alternative solutions to reduce their impact and establish a more effective balance of transportation modes that can better server the City's needs for efficient movement of people and goods, better performing streets, increased public transit use and an improve quality of life; and

WHEREAS, NYC Council Intro 199 ("The Traffic Information and Relief Bill") calls for provision by the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) of detailed information on the location and nature of traffic congestion and other transportation-related problems in the City, to properly analyze and address them on both micro and macro levels and to devise solutions, through an open public process, that allow for modal flexibility and innovations such as pricing, design and regulatory changes, as well as for the establishment of performance measures and targets to achieve and assess these objectives;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB3-Manhattan supports the passage of NYC Council Intro 199 ("The Traffic Information and Relief Bill") and looks forward to working with the New York City Council and DOT to implement its provisions.

2. Request to remove or modify loading/unloading sign at 301-305 E 5th St

VOTE: To ask DOT to reduce the length of the "No Standing Except Loading/Unloading" zone in front of 301-305 E 5 St, by relocating the sign at the west end of the zone to a location just east of the tree located inside the zone. This would decrease the length of the zone from about 70 feet to 50 ft, which should be sufficient for deliveries. This would solve a problem with visibility of the sign, which residents who have been ticketed have complained about.

3. 55-59 Chrystie St request for signage change on west side of Chrystie St btwn Canal & Hester Sts be changed to "Passenger Loading and Unloading Only"

VOTE: To support the tenants' request for a change of signage in front of 55-59 Chrystie St on the west side of Chrystie St between Canal St and Hester St from a "No Standing Except Loading/Unloading" zone to "No Parking Anytime." This building is a commercial building with professional tenants including doctors and rehabilitative counseling services, and CB3 feels that "No Parking" regulations will allow the elderly, handicapped and young children to safely exit and enter their vehicular transportation.

4. Support to convert an on-street metered vehicle space to bicycle parking by widening the sidewalk in front of Mud Cafe (307 E 9 St)

VOTE: To postpone until February 2007.

5. Suggested improvements for Dept of Transportation process to design for new bike lanes

VOTE: To postpone until February 2007.

Parks & Recreation Committee

Parks Permit Application

- Howl Festival, 9/8/07 - 9/9/07, Tompkins Sq Park

VOTE: To table further consideration of this item pending its completion by the applicant (FEVA).

Task Force on Religious Institutions and Land Use

- Plan for Public Awareness hearing in February on Religious Institution and Land Use
No vote necessary

Cooper Square Urban Renewal Area Task Force

- Update on YMCA/University Settlement/Avalon Bay Communities: lack of signage on the east side of the building (E Houston & Chrystie Sts)
No vote necessary
- Final decision on budget request from YMCA/University Settlement
No vote necessary
- 23 2nd Ave/Avalon Bay construction blocking windows of neighboring residence
No vote necessary

Housing & Land Use Committee

- ULURP #070263HUM for extension of three sites located within Two Bridges Urban Renewal Area with is bounded by Montgomery, South, Market, & Cherry Sts (B246, L1 & B248, L1,15,17)
No vote necessary
- Developing new agenda to address affordable housing crisis
No vote necessary
- Council Member Oddo's report on Dept of Buildings Task Force hearing
No vote necessary
- Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development's recommendations for anti-harassment legislation
VOTE: To support the Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development's campaign for legislation that will provide tenants with more tools to fight harassment by landlords, specifically by allowing tenants to bring harassment suits against landlords.
- Dept of Housing Preservation & Development: Chinatown/Lower East Side Acquisition Program, working with HUD funds provided by the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation, the program is designed to support the acquisition and preservation of affordable housing in Chinatown and the LES by local non-profit organizations
VOTE: To ask that HPD consider modifying the program as regards 1) the length of the term of affordability, and 2) allowing options other than just a classic rental model.
- Discussion of mechanisms through which the City & State governments can encourage green construction in new developments throughout NYC
No vote necessary

Public Safety/Sanitation & Transportation, Parks, Housing
32 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 PNV (Excluding Parks) - MOTION PASSED
31 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 1 PNV (Parks) - MOTION PASSED

197 Plan Task Force

- Continued discussion of zoning plan for 13th St to Houston/Delancey--Ave D to Bowery/Third Ave
No vote necessary

New Business

DISCUSSION: David would prefer that this go to committee since we have a relationship with the Allen Street Hotel developers and have the taskforce ask them to address the violations and perhaps to ask them to use union workers. Estelle Rubin moved that the 200 Allen St. Taskforce should immediately look into the violations and concerns of non-union members at the work site at 200 Allen St.

VOTE: The 200 Allen St. Taskforce immediately look into the violations and concerns of non-union members at the work site at 200 Allen St.

32 YES 0 NO 0 Abstention 0 PNV - MOTION PASSED
Unanimous Hand Vote

Members Present at Last Vote:

David Adams [P]	Rabbi Y. S. Ginzberg [P]	Alexandra Militano [P]
Paul Bartlett [A]	Alexander Gonzalez [P]	Lillian Moy [A]
Rev. Joan Brightharp [A]	Carlos Juan Gonzalez [P]	Roberto Ortiz-Arroyo [A]
Mayra Cappas [P]	Aurora Guzman [A]	Dominic Pisciotta [P]
Wendy Cheung [P]	Guido Hartray [A]	Barden Prisant [P]
Rocky Chin [P]	Herman F. Hewitt [P]	Carolyn Ratcliffe [A]
David Crane [P]	Carolyn Jeffers [P]	Joyce Ravitz [A]
Andrea Diaz [P]	Anne K. Johnson [P]	Lois M. Regan [P]
George Diaz [P]	Joel Kaplan [A]	Verina Reich [A]
Harvey Epstein [P]	Eden Lipson [Sick Leave]	Richard F. Ropiak [P]
Morris Fajtelewicz [A]	Bernice McCallum [P]	Estelle Rubin [P]
Beth From [P]	David McWater [P]	Elizabeth Sgroi [P]

David Silversmith [P]
Deborah A. Simon [A]
Pia Simpson [A]
Arlene Soberman [P]

Nancy Rose Sparrow-Bartow [P]
Harold Stelter [P]
Elinor Tatum [P]
David Weinberger [P]

Nina Werman [A]
Harry Wieder [P]
Samuel Wilkenfeld [A]
Thomas Yu [P]

Meeting Adjourned at 8:23 P.M.