

## **COMMUNITY BOARD 7/MANHATTAN JANUARY 2001 RESOLUTIONS**

### **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Proposed changes in traffic regulations on West 66th Street, Broadway - Amsterdam Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 31 In Favor 1 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the removal of five parking spaces on the North side of West 66th Street, located from the point 40 feet east of the awning of 165 West 66th Street going west to Amsterdam Avenue, and that the regulations for this location be changed from allowable Alternate-side parking to "No Parking Anytime".**

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

### **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Broadway and 110th Street turn signal.**

**Full Board Vote: 31 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the installation of a southbound advance left-turn signal and a northbound delayed green at Broadway and 110th Street, and urges NYC Department of Transportation to implement this as rapidly as possible.**

**Committee: 5-0-2-0. Board Members: 2-0-0-0.**

### **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: West 83rd Street Block Association proposal to install Bishop's Crook lampposts.**

**Full Board Vote: BACK TO COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS, the West 83rd Street Block Association has made many improvements to the street; and**

**WHEREAS, the block association is seeking to further beautify the street;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan supports the proposal to replace the street lights on West 83rd Street between Amsterdam Avenue and Riverside Drive with Bishop's Crook lampposts.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Transportation**

**Re: Con Edison work on Broadway between 107th and 110th Street and West 66th-70th Streets on West End Avenue**

**Full Board Vote: 34 In Favor 2 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, ConEdison needs to repair the main feeder line that runs under the most easterly southbound lane of Broadway from 107th-110th Streets and West 66th-70th Streets on West End Avenue; and**

**WHEREAS, in presentations to the Transportation Committee and District Service Cabinet, the contractor has proposed working 24 hours a day to complete the work in one-half the time, thereby minimizing disruption to traffic and to the neighborhood; and**

**WHEREAS, 'quiet' work, which can be performed during the nighttime hours, has been shown to be less disturbing to area residents than the less than satisfactory use of metal plates to cover the trench at night; and**

**WHEREAS, ConEdison has committed to working with Community Board 7 and the affected community for the duration of the project;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan has no objection to 24-hour work on this project.**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Uniformed Services and Environment**

**Re: Multi-block Street Fairs for 2001.**

**WHEREAS, the 13 street fairs proposed for the spring, summer, and autumn of 2001 conform to all current requirements of CB7 for street fairs including the agreement to schedule street fairs only on Sundays and to contribute 20 percent of net income to non-participating community based organizations.**

**WHEREAS, the host organizations have on-file credentials attesting to their status as community based not-for-profit organizations; and**

**WHEREAS, at the December 2000 Uniformed Services Meeting, the prevailing sentiment of the community in attendance and the Mayor's Street Activity Permit Office, was the acknowledgement that while street fairs may place a temporary burden on traffic and residents in the area, their benefits to the community, the City, and the general public outweighed these inconveniences; and**

**WHEREAS, market economics – a large attendance of eager buyers and willing sellers – indicate that street fairs remain popular on the West Side with the general public.**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the following dates and locations for 2001:**

**4/29**

**Veritas Family & Children's Services  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 96 - 104 Sts.**

**Duke Ellington Boulevard Neighborhood Association  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 104 - 108 Sts.**

**24th Precinct Community Council  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 108 - 110 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 29 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 3 Present**

**5/6**

**The Broadway Center Inc.  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 86 - 93 Sts.**

**Stryker's Bay Neighborhood Council  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 93 - 96 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

**5/13**

**Committee for Environmentally Sound Development  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 60 - 65 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

**5/20**

**West Side Chamber of Commerce  
Amsterdam Avenue  
Between W. 77 - 96 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 30 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 2 Present**

**5/27**

**Coalition for a Livable West Side  
Broadway (west side)  
Between W. 73 - 82 Sts.**

**Safe Haven West Side Basketball League  
Broadway (west side)  
Between W. 82 - 86 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

**6/3**

**West Side Crime Prevention Program  
Columbus Avenue  
Between W. 86 - 91 Sts.**

**Mitchell-Lama Residents Coalition  
Columbus Avenue  
Between W. 91 - 96 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 31 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 1 Present**

**6/17**

**West Side Federation Neighborhood and Block Associations, Inc.  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 73 - 82 Sts.**

**The Broadway Mall Association  
Broadway (east side)  
Between W. 82 - 86 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 29 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 3 Present**

**6/24  
Project Open at Lincoln Towers  
Broadway (west side)  
Between W. 66 - 72 Sts.**

**Valley Restoration  
Amsterdam Avenue  
Between W. 97 - 107 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

**8/5  
Lincoln Square Neighborhood Center  
Columbus Avenue  
Between W. 66 - 72 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

**9/16**

**West Side Chamber of Commerce  
Columbus Avenue  
Between W. 66 - 86 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 30 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 2 Present**

**9/30**

**NAACP, Mid-Manhattan Branch  
Broadway (west side)  
Between W. 86 - 90 Sts.**

**Symphony Space  
Broadway (west side)  
Between W. 90 - 96 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 30 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 2 Present**

**10/7**

**Safe Horizons  
Amsterdam Avenue  
Between W. 76 -81 Sts.**

**Concerned Citizens for Community Action  
Amsterdam Avenue**

**Between W. 81 - 86 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 2 Present**

**10/21**

**Bloomingtondale Area Coalition**

**Broadway (west side)**

**Between W. 96 - 106 Sts.**

**West Side One Stop for Coordinated Senior Services**

**Broadway (west side)**

**Between W. 106 - 110 Sts.**

**Board Vote: 32 In Favor 2 Against 2 Abstention 0 Present**

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Uniformed Services and Environment**

**Re: Applications to the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications to install and maintain public pay phones**

**Full Board Vote: 36 In Favor 0 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**WHEREAS, Community Board 7/Manhattan ("CB7") recognizes the importance for the security, safety, and convenience of the public to have operable public pay phones ("PPTs") located strategically throughout the community; and**

**WHEREAS, CB7 believes that the community should have an instrumental role together with the relevant city agencies including the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications ("DoITT") in the siting of those phones; and**



**WHEREAS, deregulation has created a competitive environment and DoITT is currently entertaining applications from a variety of independent phone companies for 2,262 new phones, 168 to be located in CB7; and**

**WHEREAS, the City's standards for design are so general that phone kiosks can be as large as 7**

**and a half feet high, 7 feet wide and 3 feet deep for a two phone installation, and the street footprint of new phone booths will be generally larger than existing curbside phones; and**

**WHEREAS, previous experience has demonstrated that PPTs are a magnet for graffiti, are frequently broken, interfere with sightlines and create street obstacles, and are an attraction for petty street crimes, which seriously interfere with the quality of life for residents of the community; and**

**WHEREAS, once a street phone is installed it is very difficult for the community to hold the franchisee accountable for maintenance and other quality of life issues; and**

**WHEREAS, there is no current mechanism to enforce local, state, and federal telecommunication laws and regulations pertaining to existing phones; and**

**WHEREAS, CB7 believes that the current DoITT procedures and guidelines used to solicit public input on proposed PPTs are restrictive and limit public input on the siting process;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan strongly urges the New York City Council to make the following changes to existing regulations governing the siting of PPTs:**

- 1. Amend the siting criteria to assure that the street footprint for each phone and the size of the advertising panels are contextual with the surrounding streetscape, and to include existing street furniture and PPTs on nearby block fronts,**
- 2. Require that DoITT provide community boards with complete information on the street footprint and advertising panels of the proposed PPT, as well as the street furniture and PPTs on nearby block fronts,**
- 3. Adopt a bollard regulation that standardizes size, shape, numbers, and color,**
- 4. Require replacement of inoperable PPTs and removal of illegal PPTs prior to approval of any new installations,**
- 5. Mandate that DoITT consult with city agencies with have jurisdiction over public safety, sidewalks, parks, historic districts and designated buildings to insure that no new PPTs are installed at sites that are intended for, or have, other uses, or where there is objection by the NYPD,**

6. Require that each PPT must have the technology to communicate to its vendor when it is out of service,

7. Permit no advertising until a PPT is fully operational,

8. Require that each PPT must comply with New York State Public Service Commission's rules and regulations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7 opposes the siting of the following PPTs as forwarded by DoITT.**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: Viva Brazil, 473 Columbus Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 28 In Favor 4 Against 0 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA#1008999 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Club America Inc., d/b/a Viva Brazil at 473 Columbus Avenue, for a five-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 7 tables and 14 seats.**

**Committee: 4-0-1-0. Board Members: 2-0-1-0.**

#### **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Land Use**

**Re: Monsoon, 435 Amsterdam Avenue.**

**Full Board Vote: 22 In Favor 9 Against 3 Abstentions 0 Present**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/Manhattan approves the renewal application DCA#0890567 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Bowery/Grand Food Inc., d/b/a Monsoon Vietnamese Restaurant at 435**

**Amsterdam Avenue, for a five-year consent to operate an enclosed sidewalk café with 7 tables and 24 seats.**

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

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Landmarks**

**Re: 291 Central Park West.**

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

**WHEREAS, the structure was added prior to the Landmark designation and is therefore grand fathered, and**

**WHEREAS, the Landmarks Committee finds the existing structure to be inappropriate to an otherwise beautiful building, and**

**WHEREAS, changes (A) and (C) are not objectionable, but the Committee found changes (B) & (D) to be too large, unappealing and much more visible from the street,**

**BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 7 Manhattan approves alterations (A) & (C) which are less visible from the street and smooth out some of the awkward angles of the structure, and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the architect has indicated a willingness to address the Landmark's Committee's concerns about (B) and (D). The architect will contact the Board when he has altered the design of areas (B) and (D) which were found unacceptable.**

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

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Landmarks**

**Re: 321-329 Amsterdam Avenue.**

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

**WHEREAS, there was an absence of historical data to determine the original condition, and**

**WHEREAS, the Architect agreed that signs for the retail stores will be installed on a strip of wood or brass so as to reduce the amount of penetration of the limestone frontage as each sign changes, and**

**WHEREAS, the architect agreed to install darker wood trim (preferably black),**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Community Board 7 Manhattan approves Application #012291 to Landmarks Preservation Commission to create a master plan governing further modification to storefronts.**

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

## **RESOLUTION**

**Date: January 2, 2001**

**Committee of Origin: Landmarks**

**Re: 2211 Broadway-Apthorp Apartments.**

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

**WHEREAS, the designer has made a clear effort to build a more harmonious, aesthetically pleasing structure, and**

**WHEREAS, the color of the material is of low shine stainless steel and the brass detailing is kept to a minimum,**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Community Board 7 Manhattan approves the new guardhouse application #01-2243 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to replace the security guard booth.**

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