

THE CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 3

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July 2003 Resolutions

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

TITLE: Acknowledge Elizabeth Cruse

To support City Council Citation acknowledging Elizabeth Cruse for her Community Services.

TITLE: Tax Abatement for 112-114 Ridge Street

To deny the application by Ridge Street Partners LLC for a 421-a tax abatement for the property at 112-114 Ridge Street, based upon the longstanding Community Board #3 position against granting 421-a tax exemptions to developments which only provide market rate housing and because the applicant failed to attend the Housing Committee meeting.

TITLE: Tax Abatement for 222 East 3rd Street

To deny the application by 222 East 3rd Street, LLC for a 421-a tax abatement for the property at 222 East 3rd Street, based upon the longstanding Community Board #3 position against granting 421-a tax exemptions to developments which only provide market rate housing and because the applicant failed to attend the Housing Committee meeting.

TITLE: Condominium Conversion at 59-61 East 4th Street

To conceptually support the condominium conversion proposal for 59-61 East 4th Street to serve the current tenants, but to recognize that a great deal more work must be done to develop a financially viable plan before the sale comes before us for final approval.

TITLE: Dissolve the PS 196 Umbrella/Coalition School and Rezone Member Schools

That Community School Board One dissolves the PS 196 Umbrella/Coalition School and rezones each of its member schools as an independent school to be led by a principal as follows: Lower East Side School/PS 315; Neighborhood School/PS 363; Earth School/PS 364; Children's Workshop School/PS361; and Tompkins Square Middle School/IS 839.

That the City maintains current levels of funding (i.e., FY'03 levels) to allow schools to provide the same level of educational services for all schools in Community School District #1.

That the City maintains Full Day Pre-Kindergarten in Community School District #1.

TITLE: Community Advisory Committee for Columbus Park Renovation

To request that the Parks Department form a community advisory committee consisting of community residents and community board members concerning the proposed renovation plans for Columbus Park and foster an ongoing discussion during renovation period and to establish a meaningful and ongoing dialogue of park use and permits.

TITLE: Positive Declaration and Draft Scope for the World Trade Center Memorial and Redevelopment Plan Generic Environmental Impact Statement

To strongly protest LMDC's decision to have a restricted forum on the E.I.S. for the World Trade Center Memorial and Redevelopment Plan Generic Environmental Impact Statement and...

To strongly urge LMDC to convene another meeting, open to the larger community, to discuss this issue as well as the allocation of funds to programs which benefit low income residents and...

To support position in report by "Rebuild With A Spotlight on the Poor Coalition" that the E.I.S. does not, but should, include the following:

- In the investigation of Socioeconomic Conditions, the study should include the potential economic and housing impacts (specifically, indirect displacement of small business and low-and moderate income residents) on neighborhoods outside of the ½-mile radius, including Chinatown and the Lower East Side up to at least 14th Street.
- In the Infrastructure section, the GEIS must include a full investigation of
 the power sources that will be needed for this site and surrounding
 community in future years, and disclose where those could be located.
 Historically, these have been sited in low-income communities of color.
 Lower Manhattan cannot be reconstructed on the backs of low-income
 communities. Along with disclosure of potential or existing power sources,
 the study should include a primary and cumulative health assessment of
 communities surrounding the power source.
- In the Environmental Justice section, again the geographic scope of
 investigation must be wider than the communities within a ½-mile radius.
 "Communities of concern that could be affected by the project" must
 include all of Chinatown and the Lower East Side as well as other

- communities that have made their concerns known to the LMDC. Outreach to these communities must be multi-lingual, timely, and truly public and accessible, unlike much of the LMDC's work up to this point.
- Any action to move forward must include full and complete clean up of affected communities in Manhattan, Brooklyn and any area under the cloud of WTC dust. This includes residences, businesses and open areas. It also includes studying the health impact of 9/11 on communities and workers beyond the immediate site, and providing treatment and help to those who were and continue to be affected.

TITLE: TLC License Renewal for Quick Ride Corp., 88 Hester Street, New York, NY 10002 (B01764)

To approve the application by Quick Ride Corp. for renewal of the TLC license (B01764) for a For-Hire Base at 88 Hester Street.

TITLE: Signage Change at Bowery between Doyers and Pell Streets

To designate the block of the Bowery on the west side between Doyers and Pell Streets as a "Truck Loading and Unloading Zone" from 7AM – 7PM, 7 days per week.