

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 - MANHATTAN**  
**RESOLUTION**

DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2003

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused  
BOARD VOTE: 35 In Favor 3 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Bus idling legislation

WHEREAS: Citing the health dangers of exhaust-spewing idling buses, the City Council has called for stricter enforcement of idling laws and several members have released a study showing that in parts of the City, thirty percent of the buses idle too long, and

WHEREAS: Idling buses have been a chief constituent complaint in Lower Manhattan and New York's half million-asthma cases can be partly attributed to toxic diesel fuels, and

WHEREAS: According to the Environmental Protection Agency, 53% of the particulate matter in Manhattan's air comes from diesel fuel, and

WHEREAS: A 1971 law caps bus-idling time to three minutes when the temperature is above 40 degrees, and

WHEREAS: The City Council members called for stricter enforcement and as well as for the Metropolitan Transit Authority to use cleaner emission technology on all buses, and

WHEREAS: Lower Manhattan already contends with hundreds of commuter and tour buses which descend on our community every day and the redeveloped WTC memorial and site will attract hundreds of additional daily buses to this area in the next few years, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 commends the NYC Council for demanding stricter enforcement of the bus idling law (including tourist buses) and urges that the pending Council bill be passed which will require that the City post "Don't Even Think About Idling Here" signs and increase the fines to \$1,500 from the current maximum of \$500.

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RE: Proposed skating rink south of Pier 40

WHEREAS: The Hudson River Park Trust is considering the installation of a year round skating rink south of Pier 40, and

WHEREAS: A skating rink is a desirable amenity which would particularly appeal to our ever-growing youth population, and

WHEREAS: The specific site under consideration, however, would encroach on the adjacent esplanade which is frequently extremely crowded with pedestrians, bladers etc., and

WHEREAS: It appears that HRPT is trying to move a bit too quickly to implement this desirable use, running the risk of negatively impacting the overall Hudson River Park, in order to have the rink in place for this winter, and yet it is our understanding that the rink is unlikely to be ready prior to March 2004, and

WHEREAS: The proposed skating rink is not a priority use for LMDC funding, now

THEREFORE  
BE IT  
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 supports the installation of a year round skating rink in the Hudson River Park, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 calls on the HRPT to reconsider the proposed skating rink site south of Pier 40 and to more thoroughly consider alternative sites in consultation with our Community Board prior to making any final decisions on this matter, and

BE IT  
FURTHER  
RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that LMDC funds not be used for this skating rink project.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

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

BOARD VOTE: 38 In Favor 3 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 110 Hudson Street, application to install a metal canopy

WHEREAS: The applicant did not appear before the committee, and

WHEREAS: We are already concerned about the plastic, illuminated canopies with signage that have been newly installed in 110 Hudson Street's window bays, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: The Landmarks Preservation Commission is urged to hold over this application until the applicant makes its presentation before the Landmarks Committee of Community Board #1.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LANDMARKS

COMMITTEE VOTE: 6 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused  
BOARD VOTE: 30 In Favor 2 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 130 Duane Street, concerns of community with development

WHEREAS: A number of downtown Manhattan residents and local community groups appeared at several meetings of Community Board #1's Landmarks Committee to voice their concerns over the proposed development slated for the open lot at 130 Duane Street, and

WHEREAS: These concerns, which have extended over years, were heightened by the illegal construction of 320 Pearl Street, designed by Gene Kaufman, the same architect as 130 Duane Street, and with the involvement of Mr. Hersha, the developer, and

WHEREAS: 320 Pearl Street was built so totally without regard to the approved Landmarks Preservation Commission plans that the L.P.C. took the rare, extreme action of denying Mr. Kaufman and Hersha the means to legalize virtually any element of what has been erected, and

WHEREAS: The proposed use of 130 Duane Street has shifted from a residential building to a hotel, yet the sponsors claim that virtually no difference exists in the Landmarks Preservation Commission's approved specifications for the project, and

WHEREAS: In the shifting usage proposal, the Landmarks Preservation Commission sanctioned modifications at the staff level, offering no opportunity for Community Board #1 to review the changes, and the community has no clear manifest of those staff-level approvals, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Given both the history of the development and the development team, the Community Board wishes to express its apprehension at what may be the lack of a full disclosure process here, and respectfully asks that the Landmarks Preservation Commission re-examine and review 130 Duane Street's approved plans and proposals with the neighborhood, and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: If construction does proceed, the Landmarks Preservation Commission should monitor it closely and frequently in concert with the Department of Buildings until it is completed according to approved plans.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: WATERFRONT

COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: Downtown Boathouse temporary dock

WHEREAS: The Downtown Boathouse began operation in 1995 as the first boathouse in Lower Manhattan, and has become a downtown institution, offering free boating experiences on the Hudson River, and

WHEREAS: The planned redevelopment of Segment 3 of the Hudson River Park will cause Pier 26 to be closed for a period of time and will result in the suspension of operation of the Downtown Boathouse's free kayaking program, and

WHEREAS: The Downtown Boathouse board has submitted a proposal to provide temporary space for their free public kayaking program during park construction using a barge to house the kayaks, which could be moved so as not to interfere with the park construction, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 recommends that the HRPT approve the request the Downtown Boathouse has submitted to allow for a movable barge to house the kayaks and run their program while the park is under construction.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 5 Recused

RE: 25 N. Moore Street, liquor license application for Brandy Library Lounge LLC

WHEREAS: The applicant proposes to operate a brandy lounge in a space located on the ground floor of the residential building located at 25 North Moore Street with a total area to be occupied of approximately 2,000 square feet, and

WHEREAS: The applicant appeared before the Committee but did not submit a completed check list for a liquor license application or a floor plan for the proposed establishment, and

WHEREAS: The applicant agreed to return to make a full presentation to the Tribeca Committee at a later date, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB#1 strongly requests that the State Liquor Authority require the applicant to provide all required information and to reappear before the Tribeca Committee before taking any action on the subject application.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

COMMITTEE VOTE: 8 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 3 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 1 Opposed 0 Abstained 4 Recused

RE: 345 Greenwich Street, Beer and Wine license application for Viet Cafe

WHEREAS: The applicant proposes to operate a restaurant for a maximum of 120 people, with 14 tables and 111 seats, which will include a bar with 9 seats, and

WHEREAS: The proposed maximum hours of operation will be 11 AM until 11 PM Sunday – Thursday and 11 AM until midnight Friday and Saturday, and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have quiet background music only as appropriate for an establishment located on the ground floor of a residential building, will not have a DJ or live music and will install soundproofing and other insulating materials to ensure that sounds from the establishment will not disturb residents in the building, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that the kitchen to be installed in the establishment will be properly vented and that all other reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that residents in the building are not bothered by cooking smells, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that it will not be seeking a sidewalk cafe license or a cabaret license, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to cooperate with the residents of the building in which the establishment will be located to ensure that it is operated in a reasonable manner taking into consideration its location on the ground floor of a wooden warehouse building previously converted to residential use and that the residents of the building are not adversely affected by the operation of the proposed establishment, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has specifically agreed to provide copies of plans in advance of construction, to work with engineers or other consultants retained by the residents of the building to address potential problems such as sound insulation, venting and similar issues, and to take all necessary steps to provide adequate sound proofing, ventilation and other similar measures, and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to add these conditions to the SLA application, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 does not oppose the application for a new beer and wine license for Viet Cafe at 345 Greenwich Street for a period of two years subject to compliance by the applicant with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRIBECA

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

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

RE: Proposed newsstand, n/e/c Chambers Street and West Broadway

WHEREAS: Thomas Tinervin has submitted an application to the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs for authorization to install a newsstand measuring 4 feet by 10 ½ feet on Chambers Street just east of the northeast corner of Chambers Street and West Broadway, and

WHEREAS: The proposed newsstand appears to be well designed but the requested location is a very busy corner adjacent to a subway entrance and is already very crowded with pedestrian traffic on this important east west artery, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board #1 strongly recommends that this application be rejected due to the fact that the proposed location is inappropriate and would unreasonably and unnecessarily contribute to the overcrowding of the sidewalk at the corner of Chambers Street and West Broadway and would seriously impede pedestrian traffic on Chambers Street.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 11 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 5 Recused

RE: 25 Hudson Street, liquor license application for Shinobi NY LLC

WHEREAS: The applicant failed to appear before the Committee in person or through an authorized representative and did not submit a completed check list for a liquor license application or a floor plan for the proposed establishment,  
now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB#1 strongly requests that the State Liquor Authority require the applicant to provide all required information and to actually appear before the Tribeca Committee before taking any action on the subject application.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: FINANCIAL DISTRICT

COMMITTEE VOTE: 5 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

BOARD VOTE: 34 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

RE: 110-112 Liberty Street, liquor license application

WHEREAS: The applicant did not appear before the committee nor did they call the Board office, now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB #1 recommends that the SLA not approve the liquor license application for 110-112 Liberty Street until we have an opportunity to review and comment on this application.