

COMMUNITY BOARD 1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE VOTE:	7 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	34 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Capital and Expense Budget Requests for FY 2021

BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 recommends the funding of the following budget requests for FY 2021
(attached).

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Enhance NORC programs and health services	Develop program to help urban communities who live in buildings or residential campuses apply for NORC-SSP designation with the State of New York	DFTA	Expense	
Remote Noise and Air Monitoring	Outdoor noise and air monitoring units should be deployed to take 24 hour readings at or around ferry docks in the district.	DEP	Expense	Brookfield Pier in Battery Park City, Citigroup Pier 25, and Pier 11
Provide more community board staff	Increase the overall Community Board budget to \$400,000 which would be the first increase in over 20 years. This does not count moving OTPS budgets over to PS and calling it an increase.	OMB	Expense	
Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Study potential opportunities to create a new library on the east side of Community District 1.	NYPL	Expense	
Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Restore funding to FY08 levels to provide increased hours, diverse programming, strong collections and sufficient staff to support these functions. The services provided through the Library are needed by New Yorkers now more than ever and with increased funding can be open more hours, including evenings and weekends, when working families need them.	NYPL	Expense	
Roadbed depression in front of 88 Reade Street	Sunken roadbed creates standing pools of water after it rains. Water does not drain and becomes stagnant.	DOT	Expense	
Improve placard enforcement	Continue expansion of placard technology, placard approval protocols, and rule enforcement in CB1 with the goal of improving curb access, deliveries, and pedestrian visibility/safety	DOT	Expense	Community wide
Enhance pedestrian safety	Pilot education/enforcement activities to reduce bicycle riding on sidewalks and in dense crowds of pedestrians.	DOT	Expense	Community wide

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming (Capital)	Fund additional intergovernmental coordinate to expedite the proposed intersection safety improvements that resulted from the study of Route 9A (West Street) traffic patterns from 59th Street to Battery Place, focusing on pedestrian and vehicular interaction.	DOT	Expense	Route 9A 59th Street Battery Place
Conduct traffic or parking studies	Conduct a Battery Park City North Neighborhood Traffic Study. This study should look at the impacts of increased commercial and placard parking (legitimate and illegitimate) of River Terrace from Chambers Street to Vesey Street as well as North End Avenue from the cul d sac to Chambers Street.	DOT	Expense	
Address traffic congestion	Provide funding to study the impacts of Holland Tunnel-related traffic on Canal Street and Laight Street and ways to mitigate the negative environmental and quality of life impacts.	DOT	Expense	Canal and Laight Streets
Other transportation infrastructure requests	Expand the scope of the study currently being framed by DOT for traffic and mobility analysis in the Financial District, including east of Broadway and south of Park Row, as well as the WTC area, to address safety, sanitation and crowding issues as noted previously by CB1 and numerous other groups, including for example, the "Make Way for Lower Manhattan" initiative.	DOT	Expense	
Manhattan Detention Center Traffic Impacts and Mitigation	Provide funding to study the impacts of traffic impacts related to the demolition, construction, and operation of present and future facilities related to existing and planned locally operated incarceration facilities between Centre Street and Baxter Street. This study should take in the impacts of movement of detainees, visitation of detainees, and commuting practices of detention center staff. The study should also contemplate ways to minimize the burden of these impacts, especially in regards to illegal parking practices of city employees.	DOT	Expense	Canal and Laight Streets
Study of Development Rights Transfers in Historic South Street Seaport	DCP should review development rights transfer zoning at the South Street Seaport Historic District, including an update and search for alternative receiving sites outside of the historic district.	DCP	Expense	

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	Allocate funds for staff to determine impact of contextual zoning district proposals and revise current zoning regulations for CB1 to better reflect delivery of City services and infrastructure investment to match growth of residents, workers, tourists and students.	DCP	Expense	
Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	Fund a study to create zoning requirements for cold waste storage rooms in newly constructed buildings as wells as enlargements and conversions.	DCP	Expense	
Special Sanitation District	Funding to study and create a special Sanitation district in Lower Manhattan, where the historic and narrow Colonial street grid presents unique challenges for DSNY pickups and leads to piles of residential trash on the sidewalks during peak pedestrian hours.	DSNY	Expense	
Other enforcement requests	Add personnel and resources to increase frequency of garbage pick-ups for all shifts and graffiti removal to match the residential population explosion in the district.	DSNY	Expense	
Other enforcement requests	Increase enforcement of regulations for commercial and residential waste.	DSNY	Expense	
Other DSNY staff resource requests	provide more personnel for coordinated homeless encampment cleanups with NYPD, DHS, and sometimes DPR.	DSNY	Expense	Community District 1
School Crossing Guards	Increase hourly rate for guards and provide full time positions	NYPD	Expense	CB 1 district
Other NYPD staff resources requests	Allocate funds for increased surveillance and law enforcement in non-permitted street encampments which are causing problems of safety, sanitation and economic distress to residents and retail merchants.	NYPD	Expense	

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Assign additional uniformed officers	Increase personnel of 1st Precinct for quality of life issues such as bus enforcement including double-decker and tour buses, street vendors, crime, traffic enforcement, noise related to disruptive bars and clubs and enforcement of traffic and parking regulations including placard parking, illegal parking and blocking curb cuts and bike lanes, black cars, limos, cyclists, motorcycles and electric bicycles. The NCO philosophy is widely seen as a very successful attempt to address these issues and more NCOs should be established for more numerous, and smaller sectors within the 1st Precinct.	NYPD	Expense	1st Precinct Territory
Other educational programs requests	Expand Student Metrocard program to cover full daily and weekend usage to allow for travel to school-related events, clubs and sports. Funding should increase to allow Metrocards for caregivers who bring children to said events.	DOE	Expense	
Improve school safety	Create a program to improve safety at all school lobbies in high density commercial buildings.	DOE	Expense	
Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Increase funding for mental health and outreach to the homeless population in CB 1 through THRIVE.	DOHMH	Expense	
Other DHS staff resources requests	provide more personnel for coordinated homeless encampment cleanups with NYPD, DSNY, and sometimes DPR.	DHS	Expense	Community District 1
311 Location Assistance	Develop improved ways to identify specific locations in parks that are solely under the jurisdiction of the Battery Park City Authority	DOITT	Expense	Battery Park City Parks
911 Location Assistance	Develop improved ways to identify specific locations in parks that are solely under the jurisdiction of the Battery Park City Authority	FDNY	Expense	Battery Park City Authority Parks

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Stormwater Retention in Barnett Newman Triangle	Work with DDG to implement stormwater retention practices such as bioswales in Barnett Newman Triangle	DEP	Capital	Barnett Newman Triangle
Bluestone Pathways in City Hall Park		DPR	Capital	City Hall Park
Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Renovate the pathway of Bowling Green Park, which currently pools with water after heavy rains.	DPR	Capital	
Accessibility in Public Rights-Of-Way	Continue funding projects to make intersections safe for all users using best available technology and techniques such as sidewalk ramps, smooth crosswalks, auditory signals, etc.	DOT	Capital	
Speed Cameras in CB 1	Install speed cameras in the most dangerous intersections that are close to schools	DOT	Capital	Community District 1
Restore and reopen Brooklyn Bridge Banks open space	This area had long served as an open space for basketball, skateboarding and other activities. In an area very lacking in such facilities, this open space needs to be restored and reopened as soon as possible.	DOT	Capital	Adjacent to Brooklyn Bridge Arches
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Franklin Street between Hudson and Varick Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Franklin Street and Hudson Street
Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Build out crosswalks that serve P.S./I.S. 89	DOT	Capital	

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Repair or provide new street lights	Replace non-historic street lamps with distinctive Bishops Crook street lamps or best fitting contextual alternative within CB 1s historic districts and adjacent to individual landmarks.	DOT	Capital	
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Repair Theater Alley behind the Park Row block.	DOT	Capital	Theater Alley Beekman Street
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Repair the currently cobbled roadbed of Moore Street between Water and Pearl Streets.	DOT	Capital	Moore Street, Water Street, Pearl Street
Install streetscape improvements	Design and build a public plaza to compliment the adjacent entrance to Pace University, which just completed massive renovations of the entrance and public areas that make up the main entrance of Pace University.	DOT	Capital	Park Row/Nassau Street entrance to Pace University
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Vestry Street between West and Greenwich Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Vestry Street, West Street
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Staple Street between Duane and Harrison Streets, a cobblestone street within CB1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Staple St Duane St Harrison St

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Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore N. Moore Street between Hudson Street and Varick Street within CB1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	North Moore Street Hudson Street Varick Street
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Greenwich Street between Vestry Street and Hubert Street, a cobblestone street within CB's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Greenwich Street Vestry Street Hubert Street
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Duane Street between Greenwich and Hudson Streets, a cobblestone street within CB 1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Duane St Greenwich St Hudson St
Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Reconstruct and restore Collister Alley between Laight and Beach Streets, a cobblestone street within CB1's historic district.	DOT	Capital	Collister Street Laight Street Beach Street
Other transportation infrastructure requests	Provide funds for improvements to areas under and surrounding the Brooklyn Bridge, including rebuilding active recreation space underneath the bridge as well as repairs to the staircase on Frankfort Street.	DOT	Capital	
Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Fund NYC's portion of the redesign and reconstruction of South End Avenue in Battery Park City.	DOT	Capital	South End Avenue Liberty Street West Thames Street

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Rebuild New Market Building for Public Use with Community Amenities	The City is scheduled to demolish the old New Market Building in the upcoming months. There is no plan on what to build there. This idea comes from the 2002 Downtown East River Waterfront Concept Plan sponsored by CB 1 and the Alliance for Downtown NY. Such uses could include, but are not limited to a community center with indoor and rooftop recreation space, public uses, community amenities, and possibly a restaurant, rental and repair facilities for bicycles, boats and other recreational equipment.	EDC	Capital	New Market Building site at East River
Restore the South St. Seaport Museum historic Thompson Warehouse on Water St.	These historic mid-19th century buildings that house the Melville Gallery and other SSSM facilities urgently need to be upgraded to allow for safe and legal access, security and flood resiliency. The SSSM did get a \$4.8 million grant for this renovation from LMDC but that funding is insufficient. The project needs an additional \$3 million for capital work and \$300,000 for design and engineering.	EDC	Capital	South Street Seaport Historic District
Integration of Resiliency Measures on the West Side of Manhattan between Battery Park City and Canal		EDC	Capital	
Infrastructure investments for Governor's Island	Provide funds to continue transformation of Governors Island. As the Island completed its ambitious 40-acre park project last year, it is now focusing on a new plan to create a 24/7 community with even more public parks, nonprofit tenants, restaurants, and 5 million square feet of new commercial, office and education space. Funds are also needed for the Islands aging or absent infrastructure and for the maintenance of historic buildings.	EDC	Capital	
Provide a new or expand an existing high school	Expand Millennium High School leasing and building out a floor in the building at 75 Broad Street or establish another high school with the same model as Millennium High School.	SCA	Capital	75 Broad Street

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Enhance student safety and access via renovations of interior building.	Renovate or replace the elevators serving school facilities at 75 Broad Street, 81 New Street, and 26 Broadway	SCA	Capital	
Investigate air quality complaints at specific location	Increase personnel for 24/7 air/noise/idling inspections (enforcement teams) including for helicopters, trucks, buses and construction equipment.	DEP	Continued...	
Inspect water main on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed (Capital)	Replace or upgrade water mains aging infrastructure in water delivery systems is a serious problem that results in large losses due to leaks. There have been several water main breaks in Tribeca in recent years, We are looking forward to the completion of Water Tunnel No. 3 in 2020 so that Tunnel No. 1 and No. 2 can be closed for inspection and repairs. Continued infrastructure upgrades and repairs of CD 1 water pipes are necessary.	DEP	Continued...	
Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	Provide or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales - CB 1 would like to see budget increases for investment in new technologies required to advance sewage treatment plants and wastewater management.	DEP	Continued...	
Support nonprofit cultural organizations	Provide ongoing, consistent funding for Seaport Museum operations in support of programs, ships and collections.	DCLA	Continued...	12 Fulton St
Other cultural facilities and resources requests (Expense)	Fund after-school and recreational programs district-wide.	DCLA	Continued...	

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Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Increase full-time personnel for Parks Department Enforcement (PEP) Officers and maintenance workers, including in the Battery.	DPR	Continued...	
Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Complete construction of Peck Slip Park.	DPR	Continued...	
Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconstruct playground in The Battery.	DPR	Continued...	
Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Rebuild comfort station and park office in The Battery.	DPR	Continued...	
Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Provide additional funding for the expansion and renovation of Elizabeth Berger Plaza to include Trinity Plaza.	DPR	Continued...	
Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconstruct playground in The Battery.	DPR	Continued...	

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Provide increased maintenance of green spaces adjacent to Hudson River Park	Provide funding to supplement maintenance and upkeep at Hudson River Park.	DPR	Continued...	
Finish renovations of the New Amsterdam Branch	Finish the remodeling of the New Amsterdam Branch of the NYPL as soon as possible so that it may reopen to the public.	NYPL	Continued...	New Amsterdam NYPL Branch Library
Other health care facilities requests	Provide funding to Gouverneur Healthcare.	HHC	Continued...	227 Madison Street
Conduct traffic or parking studies	Fund and deliver Edgar Street Traffic Study beyond the Trinity School impact to also cover Greenwich South.	DOT	Continued...	
Provide increased maintenance of green spaces adjacent to Hudson River Park	Provide funding to supplement maintenance and upkeep at Hudson River Park.	DOT	Continued...	
Other affordable housing programs requests	Establish a program with the aim of the preservation of affordable housing in Battery Park City.	HPD	Continued...	
Other affordable housing programs requests (Capital)	Develop and maintain affordable housing including rent stabilized rentals units.	HPD	Continued...	

Name	Explanation	agency	Type	Location
Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	Install waste containment compartments in the public rights-of-way in areas where residential conversion buildings overwhelm the sidewalks. Such installations may be found in other large cities like Barcelona, Seville, and The Hague.	DSNY	Continued...	
Assign additional crossing guards	Fund additional school crossing guards in needed locations, especially near elementary schools. It is also critical to increase the pay rate for school crossing guards and to offer full-time positions in addition to part-time.	NYPD	Continued...	
Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Provide traffic personnel with traffic mitigation training and mitigation measures along Canal Street at the following intersections: West Street, Washington Street, Greenwich Street, Hudson Street, Varick Street and Church Street during evening rush hours, nights and weekends and provide the same at the intersections of West Street and Albany, Liberty, Murray and Warren Streets, and at the intersections of Hudson and Vestry Streets and Hudson and Laight Streets.	NYPD	Continued...	
Reduce rat populations	Increase resources to address the proliferation of rats and other vermin in Lower Manhattan.	DOHMH	Continued...	
Provide programs for homeless veteran	Increase funding for mental health and outreach to the population of homeless veterans in CB1.	DHS	Continued...	
Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Complete construction of East River Waterfront Esplanade up to Brooklyn Bridge.	EDC	Continued...	
Make infrastructure investments that will support growth in local businesses	Invest in infrastructure upgrades to that support small businesses (some clarification required)	EDC	Continued...	

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

RE: 1 & 5 Coenties Slip, application for a transfer of liquor license from JPK Restaurant Corp. to Lovelace Tavern LLC d/b/a The Lovelace

WHEREAS: The applicant, Lovelace Tavern LLC, is applying for an on-premise liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is an American craft restaurant; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is approximately 2000 square foot restaurant with a public assembly capacity of 70, and a 800 square foot dining area, and a 600 square foot bar area and one 600 square foot kitchen area, with 1 U-shaped 25-foot stand-up bar on the main floor and no food counters, and the basement being used for storage; and

WHEREAS: The hours of liquor service will be 11AM to 12AM Sunday through Thursday and 11AM to 1AM Friday and Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there will be two TV monitors, recorded background music, no DJs for occasional private events, live jazz music on the weekends, no dancing permitted, no promoted events, no cover fee events, scheduled performances, no non-musical entertainment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to abide by the CB1 definition of background music, such that no sound from events, performances or music will be heard outside the premises or by neighbors; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will have delivery of supplies, goods and services during the hours of 9AM and 11AM; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will close all doors and windows by 10PM Sunday through Thursday and 11PM Friday and Saturday; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will install 4x1 inch layers of sheetrock underneath rock wood for soundproofing; and

WHEREAS: The applicant does not intend to apply for a sidewalk cafe license; and

WHEREAS: The applicant confirms that there are no violations from previous establishments for which they have served as principal; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed and notarized a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to Lovelace Tavern LLC, at 1&5 Coenties Slip unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above.

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PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	31 In Favor	2 Opposed	0 Abstained	1 Recused

RE: Applications for 225 Liberty Street, Street and Lobby Level, and 225 Liberty Street, Lobby Level, applications for liquor license for 225 Liberty Location LLC d/b/a Convene

WHEREAS: The applicant, 225 Liberty Location LLC, is applying for an on-premise liquor license; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is a Corporate Meetings and Events Venue; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are no buildings used primarily as schools, churches, synagogues or other places of worship within 200 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that there are three or more establishments with on premises liquor licenses within 500 feet of this establishment; and

WHEREAS: The establishment is approximately a 73,000 square foot venue, and the first floor, Level 1, holding the Banquet with 466 seats, and the Theatre holding 521 seats with no tables, and the second floor, Level 2, with several layouts: The Forum holding the Banquet of 360 seats, and the Theatre of 432 seats with no tables, the North Hub with 68 seats, the West Hub with 72 seats, the Central Hub with 73 seats, and the East Hub with 73 seats; and

WHEREAS: The community had asked for earlier closing hours for the catering establishment space; and

WHEREAS: The hours of liquor service for the catering/event space will be from 8AM to 10PM Monday through Thursday, 8AM to 11PM Friday and Saturday, 10 AM to 10PM on Sunday, with hours of operation from 8AM to 11PM Sunday through Thursday, 8AM to 12AM Friday and Saturday, with closing hours at 11PM Sunday through Thursday and 11:30PM Friday and Saturday; and

- WHEREAS: For the cafe the hours of liquor service would be Monday through Friday 7AM to 7PM, and Saturday 9AM to 4 PM, with the hours of operation from 7AM to 7PM Monday through Friday, and 9AM to 4PM on Saturday, with final closing hours at 7PM on Monday through Friday, and 4PM on Saturday; and
- WHEREAS: For the café, the applicant may add Sunday hours from 9AM to 4PM if they so choose; and
- WHEREAS: The applicant has represented that for the event space there will be recorded background music, DJs for occasional private events, live music, dancing, no promoted events, no cover fee events, no scheduled performances; and
- WHEREAS: For the café the applicant has represented that there will be no DJs, no live music, recorded background music, no dancing, no promoted events, no cover fee events and no scheduled performances; and
- WHEREAS: Brookfield presented on behalf of Convene to the Battery Park City Committee of CB1 in May 2019, but had no traffic and security plan at that time and instead presented a study that did not include 2018 approved NYC DOT or NYS DOT changes for traffic control and traffic calming measures on Liberty Street; and
- WHEREAS: Due to serious community concerns about the impact on local traffic and street/sidewalk congestion of such a large event space (initially presented as for 300 but most recently for 1249 people) directly across from a building with 3400 residents, the applicant was asked to provide a traffic and security plan security plan for future meetings with the BPC Committee and the Licensing Committee; and
- WHEREAS: Convene appeared two months later at the July Licensing Committee, with a questionnaire stating, “See attached”, for information about security and crowd control, but in fact there was no such attachment, and were told they were still working on it; and
- WHEREAS: Convene attended a further BPC committee meeting on September 4, now with a separate application for the cafe, and still without a traffic/security plan, and was reminded again that one was needed for the Licensing committee on Sept. 18; and
- WHEREAS: We understand that Convene applied to the State Liquor Authority after our July Licensing committee despite our request to return with the promised traffic and security plan for proper review and vetting; and
- WHEREAS: Convene appeared again at the October Licensing meeting and presented the traffic plan that was provided in September to work on with board members and revise and give recommendations; and
- WHEREAS: Because CB1 was not given proper time to review and discuss a crucial traffic and security plan, despite months of requests for such, we asked the SLA to send the

applicant back to CB1 or delay if possible any hearing on both of these applications until after the CB1 October Board meeting, in the expectation that we will have received and examined a proper plan and any further submissions the applicant deems appropriate; and

WHEREAS: In response to community concerns about the impact on local traffic and street/sidewalk congestion, CB1 asked Convene to designate for-hire vehicles for drop-off and pick-up service between 200 and 230 Vesey Street in order to alleviate traffic through West Street and South End Avenue, although Convene was not able to reach a compromise because of the implications that using for-hire vehicles would have on its business model; and

WHEREAS: Convene has agreed to stagger concurrent events with Brookfield that have 750-1000 attendees each, and have a traffic manager present at all times and an operations manager employed with a phone that the public can access; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to no street-side delivery between 12AM and 7AM, as well as to use the loading dock inside Brookfield instead; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed to employ traffic agents as well as an operations manager to oversee traffic control; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will not have more than 1000 people in attendance for events for the first 12 months, and no more than 10 events at that capacity; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has agreed that events that have over 750 people in attendance will require a traffic manager on-site at all times and an operations manager with a phone that the public has access to; and

WHEREAS: The applicant will notify the community in advance regarding red-carpet events; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has stated that their business model has the catering establishment not open for events during the weekends; and

WHEREAS: CB1 has still not been given the public assembly capacity for the space; and

WHEREAS: The applicant has signed and notarized a stipulations sheet; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 opposes the granting of a liquor license to 225 Liberty Location LLC, at 225 Liberty Street for both applications unless the applicant complies with the limitations and conditions set forth above, and;

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 recommends for Convene to reappear before the committee in six months with the Quality of Life Committee invited to discuss operations and any possible issues or concerns from the community.

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RE: East River Swim Facility RFEI

WHEREAS: The New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) has issued a Request for Expressions of Interest (RFEI) from entities interested in developing, installing and operating a self-filtering swim facility to be located in the East River; and

WHEREAS: The project area in the RFEI is described as “the area between the northeast side of the Brooklyn Bridge and the southwest side of Pier 35”; and

WHEREAS: In January 2019, Community Board 1 (CB1) issued a letter supporting the concept of +Pool and stating the Board’s intent to continue to assess how to integrate +Pool into our objective of improving the East River Esplanade area; and

WHEREAS: In February 2019 CB1 adopted a resolution on the Brooklyn Bridge Esplanade which stated that “CB1 supports efforts to locate +Pool into the East River in the area between the Brooklyn Bridge and Pier 17 and the design of the esplanade should allow for the future incorporation of +Pool; and

WHEREAS: Our understanding is that the area between Pier 17 and the Brooklyn Bridge is a feasible location for a self-filtering swim facility in terms of engineering requirements; and

WHEREAS: In addition to a self-filtering swim facility between the northeast side of the Brooklyn Bridge and the southwest side of Pier 35; the RFEI calls for the respondent to include a “plan for facilitating managed access” to the sand strip located underneath the Brooklyn Bridge; and

WHEREAS: In October 2019 +Pool installed a public art installation north of Pier 17. The +Pool Light is constructed of LEDs and floats in the East River as it changes color based on the condition of water; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CBI urges NYCEDC to revise its RFEI to include the area between Pier 17 and the Brooklyn Bridge as a possible location for a self-filtering swim facility. We believe this would be an ideal potential location since it is in close proximity to both the New Market Building site, which is city-owned and could be used for upland supporting infrastructure, and to the area under the Brooklyn Bridge Beach which the respondent will be responsible for facilitating managed access to; and

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THAT: CBI requests more information from NYCEDC about why the location between Pier 17 and the Brooklyn Bridge was excluded from consideration for a self-filtering swim facility.

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RE: 315 Church Street, application to legalize removal of fire shutters at rear back corner of building

WHEREAS: This application asks for legalization for the removal dozens of historic shutters on the rear of the Kingsland Building in the Tribeca East Historic District; and

WHEREAS: The structure, on an L-shaped lot fronting Lispenard and Church Streets, is historically and architecturally important, with many fine original details intact from its construction in 1867, and of importance in the textile business because it is where the term “blouse” was coined; and

WHEREAS: During recent pointing and light renovation, ALL the dozens of iron shutters on a large rear bay of the building were removed and destroyed or disposed of; and

WHEREAS: The presenter claimed that the owner did not understand Landmarks law; and

WHEREAS: The location is in a triangular area slightly larger than an airshaft and completely invisible from any street vantage; and

WHEREAS: The only way to replace the shutters now would be to duplicate them at enormous expense; and

WHEREAS: It is pitiable to have lost this historic fabric, and without consequence to the applicant; and

WHEREAS: There seems to be no remedy to the destruction, and the material was never visible from any street; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: The applicant must make an concerted effort to search for the original shutters; and

BE IT

FURTHER

RESOLVED

THAT: CB 1 recommends that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve this application, but with censure to the applicant.

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COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: BATTERY PARK CITY

COMMITTEE VOTE:	6 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	34 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Brookfield Properties' Proposed Changes to Public Spaces known as the Oval Lawn & Birch Grove, a/k/a Pumphouse Park

WHEREAS: Brookfield Place ("Brookfield"), owned and operated by Brookfield Properties, is a 14-acre, 5-building complex on leased land from the Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) located in Battery Park City (BPC), New York; and

WHEREAS: The Oval Lawn, and the Birch Grove are public parkland spaces that are collectively known as Pumphouse Park, falls adjacent to the 14-acres operated by Brookfield and is owned by the BPCA; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to contracts with the BPCA, Brookfield is responsible for the care and maintenance of the public spaces commonly known as Pumphouse Park; and

WHEREAS: The Oval Lawn and Birch Grove public parkland is a treasured calming, natural oasis where residents, workers and visitors go to escape the frenetic pace and urban fabric that is NYC. The natural colors of the pavement and furniture, the shade of the trees, the open-access lawn and the beautiful plantings are vital components of these spaces; and

WHEREAS: The Oval Lawn which has historically been a public space where families and young children engage in both passive and active recreation; and

WHEREAS: The BPCA in its design has done an admirable job of pairing utility with aesthetics and are encouraged to look to the surrounding parks in BPC for guidance and inspiration; and

WHEREAS: The Oval Lawn is plagued by drainage problems, causing water to pool in the center and along the edges. Additionally, the various paths around the Oval Lawn and throughout the Birch Grove are buckling and need to be repaired; and

WHEREAS: In July 2019 Brookfield presented initial plans to BPC Committee for redesign of Pumphouse Park Oval Lawn and the Birch Grove. The Brookfield plan as presented was uniformly rejected by the Battery Park City Committee, as it

dramatically changed the character and usage of Pumphouse Park without plans presented to substantially fix the underlying drainage issues; and

WHEREAS: Brookfield agreed to take the community's concerns and feedback, and come back to the CB1 with revised plans; and

WHEREAS: Brookfield presented revised plans to the Battery Park City Committee of CB1 on October 2nd and CB1 supports some of the planned changes and premises:

- Commitment to keep all the healthy trees in both areas of the park,
- Replacement of any unhealthy trees that must be removed,
- Retain existing Birch Grove design also popularly known as "The Maze",
- Keep picnic tables in the Birch Grove, update with newer movable versions that retain the ability for families to gather together as a group as well as their natural style in color and texture,
- Seasonal changes to flowers and plantings in the Birch Grove to continue,
- Plantings surrounding edges of Pumphouse Park to be native plants in connection with BPCA horticultural plans,
- Retain the style of benches currently surrounding the Oval Lawn with newer updated furniture,
- Commitment to fix the underlying drainage system with sand-based sod field below the Oval Lawn to store water that infiltrates quickly and collect into perforated pipes that lead to the sewer,
- Change the lawn from concave to convex by slightly raising the center of the lawn while still maintaining a playable surface,
- Determine walkway edging to retain soil around cherry trees and lawn; and

WHEREAS: CB1 strongly objects to the following portions of the redesigned plans:

- Brookfield's plan to encircle the Oval Lawn with six feet of floral plantings and hedge resulting in a loss of open lawn space contiguously around the Oval Lawn.
- Reduction of current open access to the Oval Lawn down to 4 entry points thus changing accessibility, usage and character of the Oval Lawn, which the landscape designers stated as one of the goals.
- Planned options of tables and seating in the Birch Grove, with light-colored, movable tables and chairs versus the natural colored picnic style as requested.
- The complete change in color, texture and style of the new permeable pavers for the pathways around the Oval Lawn and throughout the Birch Grove. CB1 noted Brookfield made no change since the initial plan to its choice of materials of bright light rectangle or square bricks and claimed there were no other options despite evidence to the contrary in other parks within BPC; and

WHEREAS: CB1 requests Brookfield to ensure all changes to drainage in the Oval Lawn fits in with and complements the overall resiliency plans being implemented by the BPCA; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 requests that this public park retains access points to the oval lawn as currently designed and a lawn border without border plantings to be as minimal as possible; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 insists that any replacement to the asphalt walkways be made with permeable, outdoor pavers or pavement surfaces that are consistent with the parks of BPCA that are earth toned in color, and remain in juxtaposition to the surrounding urban landscape of Brookfield; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 supports the overall intent of the renovation and hopes to continue working with Brookfield to further improve the plan for Pumphouse Park.

COMMUNITY BOARD 1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LAND USE, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE VOTE:	9 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	2 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	26 In Favor	8 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Intro 1701-2019: Community notification requirements for transfers of development rights

WHEREAS: New York City Council Member Ben Kallos has introduced a bill that would require the City to notify, within 5 days, affected community boards, council members, borough presidents and the Speaker of the Council whenever a deed memorializing a transfer of development rights or a zoning lot description related to a Department of Buildings permit for development or enlargement is recorded; and

WHEREAS: The legislation is introduced in conjunction with Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and is co-sponsored by Council Members Helen Rosenthal, Antonio Reynoso, Mark Levine and Keith Powers; and

WHEREAS: Developers may purchase or transfer development rights, or merge zoning lots for projects, in order to maximize the size of a building. According to Council Member Kallos, the legislation would give New Yorkers more time to prepare when a developer is cobbling together air rights or zoning lots to build towering buildings; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: Community Board 1 (CB1) fully supports Intro 1701-2019 to require notification to affected communities where a transaction for the transfer of development or air rights occurs, and CB1 requests the legislation be strengthened by including provisions: (1) to address community notification upon the grant, transfer or exercise of any options agreement for the transfer of development or air rights, if feasible; (2) to specify the legal moment at which the obligation is triggered (*e.g.*, upon or within a certain period of time after recording); (3) to require expedited or heightened notification for transfers within a historic district, and; (4) to add measures of accountability and a penalty for violation of the new code.

COMMUNITY BOARD 1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: LAND USE, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE VOTE:	9 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	2 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	34 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: 15 Cliff Street, application for City Planning Commission Chairperson certification to allow an existing café to be maintained as a permitted obstruction within an existing plaza

WHEREAS: CP IV 15 Cliff LLC (the “applicant”) is requesting certification from the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission (CPC) to maintain an existing, 297-square foot (sf) open air café within an existing 3,565 sf urban plaza; and

WHEREAS: Open air cafes may be placed within an existing urban plaza upon certification by the CPC Chairperson. The prior Certification (N 160171 ZCM, approved on July 4, 2016) expired on July 4, 2019. The Cliff Street café continues to meet the requirements of the zoning resolution and no changes are proposed; and

WHEREAS: The approvals are granted for three-year terms. If approved, the applicant would return to Community Board 1 (CB1) in three years (*i.e.*, 2022) for the next renewal; and

WHEREAS: The current café, Hole in the Wall Café and Bar, operates from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS: The existing café tables and chairs are beyond what is required by zoning within the plaza, though individuals technically can be excluded from sitting in those café chairs if they are not purchasing from the café; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 does not object to the application for CPC Chairperson certification to allow an existing café to be maintained as a permitted obstruction within an existing plaza at 15 Cliff Street. CB1 requests, however, that the café tables and chairs be left out after the café closes so that there may be unrestricted use for the public.

COMMUNITY BOARD 1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: TRANSPORTATION

COMMITTEE VOTE:	8 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	32 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Two-Way Tolling on the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge

WHEREAS: Since 1986, one-way tolling has had the unintended consequence of increasing pollution and traffic congestion, especially in Lower Manhattan. By only charging vehicles in one direction, from Brooklyn to Staten Island (toward New Jersey) on the Verrazano-Narrows bridge and from New Jersey into Manhattan for the Holland Tunnel, drivers to/from New Jersey, especially truck drivers, are driving longer distances and causing traffic congestion in Manhattan as they seek to avoid paying a toll; and

WHEREAS: Canal Street, which leads to the Holland Tunnel, experiences high levels of air pollution, dangerous driving, chronic traffic congestion and honking by frustrated drivers; and

WHEREAS: Pedestrian safety, health and quality of life in the Manhattan neighborhoods located around the entrance to the Holland Tunnel and along Canal Street are severely compromised by the congestion, exhaust fumes, and noise that are related to one-way tolling on the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge; and

WHEREAS: Electronic tolling has removed the traffic backup and pollution on Staten Island and hence the reason for the federal legislation that mandates one-way (vs two-way) tolling; and

WHEREAS: Vehicle exhaust is a significant contributor to global warming and flooding, such as that caused by Hurricane Sandy, which requires costly repairs to our subways, tunnels, buildings, and other infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: The House has already passed HR 3055 which removes the ban on 2-way tolling on the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge; now

THEREFORE
BE IT
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 urges a passage of bill S.2584. This bill both repeals the ban on two-way tolling and allows for tolls to be collected on both sides of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED

THAT: CB1 strongly urges the MTA to implement two-way tolling on the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge.

COMMUNITY BOARD 1 – MANHATTAN
RESOLUTION

DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
PUBLIC VOTE:	0 In Favor	0 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused
BOARD VOTE:	33 In Favor	1 Opposed	0 Abstained	0 Recused

RE: Impact of Film Industry Expansion, NYC Council Int. 158, 937, 1495, 1515, 1700 and 1722

WHEREAS: The NYC Council Committee on Small Business held an oversight hearing of the impact of the film industry on residents and businesses on 9/26/2019; and

WHEREAS: CB1 acknowledges that the film the television industry is an economic benefit to NYC and provides jobs to New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS: However, there must be a balance for residents to avoid negative quality of life impacts from the film industry; and

WHEREAS: With regards to the Local Laws being proposed, CB1 agrees that:

- 1) Fees should be commensurate with the public cost of filming on public rights-of-way.
- 2) There be 72 hours-notice when filming will disrupt street parking to give the community enough time to work with the film production to find an alternate location if there are local issues with the original permit.
- 3) A local community and media bill of rights is created to address the issues that communities face during filming.
- 4) A task force is required to review and consider impacts and benefits from film and TV production.
- 5) There be a 14-day notice when special parking requests are required, and that “special parking” be defined.
- 6) Certain applications pay an \$800. Fee and provide that such permits expire after 30 days

WHEREAS: Since the CB1 resolution of June 2018, CB1 has identified other neighborhoods that face quality of life disruptions such as late night and early morning noise, as well as valuable alternate side street parking being taken away for non-filming purposes when there are other parking options available for trucks, equipment, trailers, craft service, etc.; and

WHEREAS: Most film companies work with the community, but some do not; and

WHEREAS: There needs to be policies and procedures to which the Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment (MOME) must adhere added to the Administrative Code; and

WHEREAS: There must be a justification for a film production to take away alternate side street parking for non-filming purposes; and

WHEREAS: That a film production company have an around-the-clock neighborhood liaison with a working contact phone number and email; and

WHEREAS: In June 2018, CB1 requested that MOME not issue film permits on alternate side streets for non-filming purposes; and

WHEREAS: In a response letter MOME said they would not accommodate our request; and

WHEREAS: It was evident from the hearing testimonies, councilpersons' concerns, and MOME's response to the CB1 resolution that the Administrative Code needs to be updated as MOME has not indicated that they will voluntarily implement the necessary changes needed City wide to improve community quality of life, and

WHEREAS: CB 1 requests that our additional requests be added to the Administrative Code as they will not be burdensome to MOME or negatively affect any jobs in the film and TV industry; now

THEREFORE

BE IT

RESOLVED

THAT: The NYC Council amends the Administrative Code to include the following:

- 1) Film production companies must have a justification for taking away alternate side street parking for non-filming purposes and that this justification requirement question is added to the permit application. And that alternate side street parking should not be first choice when non-alternate side street parking is available nearby.
- 2) That a film production company provides a neighborhood liaison with contact information for the community to contact with any issues, at any time.
- 3) That MOME have a 24/7 contact phone number and email for residents and business.
- 4) When issuing film permits consider holidays and when alternate side parking is suspended so parked personal vehicles and the posting of a film permit do not overlap.
- 5) Allow permit modifications with less than 48 hours taking into consideration weekends and holidays and with regards to where productions and neighborhoods are negotiating alternative parking locations and that MOME honor these mutually agreed upon requests; and

BE IT
FURTHER
RESOLVED
THAT:

CB 1 supports NYC Council Int. 158, 937, 1495, 1515, 1700, and 1722 to amend the Administrative Code and to include the five CB 1 recommendations above.