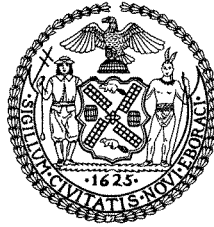


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The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8

November 27, 2013

Honorable Michael Bloomberg
Mayor of City of New York
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New York, NY 10007
Fax: 212-788-2989

RE: Street vendors and sanitation enforcement

Dear Mayor Bloomberg:

At the November 20, 2013 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board 8, the following resolution regarding street vendors and sanitation enforcement.

WHEREAS there is a New York City Sanitation garbage collection schedule for all buildings in the city and
WHEREAS there are regulations for street vendors which describe how they should dispose of their garbage, and
WHEREAS there are regulations for street vendors which require them to keep the street near their displays clean, and
WHEREAS there are regulations for street vendors which require them to return their garbage to the commissary daily for disposal, and
WHEREAS compliance with these regulations is routinely unenforced and enforcement is not as stringent for vendors as it is for the building owner who bears most of the responsibility, and
WHEREAS we have received numerous complaints from property owners about vendor debris, and
WHEREAS currently the building owner receives fines, because he is responsible for keeping his sidewalk clean up to 14 inches in to the street, and
WHEREAS the presence of vendors adds significant debris to a street and sidewalk,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 urges stronger and more consistent enforcement of existing vendor law with respect to sanitation, garbage collection and disposal.

This recommendation was approved by a vote of 46 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Please advise this office of any action taken regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Nicholas Viest.

Nicholas Viest
Chair

Handwritten signature of Michele Birnbaum.

Michele Birnbaum
Chair, Vendor Task Force Committee

Cc: Hon. Scott M. Stringer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Jose Serrano, New York State Senator

Hon. Liz Krueger, New York State Senator
Hon. Micah Kellner, New York State Assembly Member
Hon. Dan Quart, New York State Assembly Member
Hon. Jessica Lappin, New York City Council Member
Hon. Daniel Garodnick, New York City Council Member
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Jonathan Mintz, Commissioner, Department of Consumer Affairs
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