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COUNCIL MEMBER ALAN GERSON REPORTS TO COMMUNITY BOARD 1

Gerson Continues to Vigorously Oppose Burying West Street

Council Member Gerson remains unalterably opposed to sinking West Street. The concept of a tunnel would result in expenditure of funds that the city, state and federal government do not have, and should be spending to keep services at their current levels and the construction work that would be required to effect the creation of a tunnel could tie up traffic in Lower Manhattan for up to a decade, traumatizing the residents of Battery Park City and adjacent areas. Council Member Gerson continues to feel that this is simply unacceptable and rededicates himself to the fight to make West Street a beautiful, non-buried promenade. Council Member Gerson salutes the Save West Street Coalition for keeping up pressure on the Governor on this important issue. In this time of fiscal crisis, wasting resources on burying West Street in contravention of local wishes, is wasting our scarce resources.