

PEEVES CONT'D by Rev. Jim

Back to today. Officer Steve at 4 EC was actually very nice. He got calmly and guilt-inducingly upset when I called him a lackey. Eventually I complimented him on his calm demeanor and conflict resolution skills. He solved the situation by making me feel guilty about the “lackey” comment and for giving the \$8/hour guard a hard time. I completely lost track of his “lock up my bike” phrase. Unfortunately, a copy of that letter to 215 Fremont management was in my binder the whole time, but I forgot it was there. Dang. I could have shown Officer Steve that he was indeed acting contrary to the law which he was forsworn to uphold. And there were still fish tacos in need of attention.

This whole situation reminded me of the POPOS situation. That’s ‘privately-owned public open space.’ This is becoming another way that entities are trying to acquire, to take back, to squeeze, to deny what belongs to, or is at least intended for the use of, everyone. You, me, and J. Q. Public. You know these places: 100 First Street, 55 Second Street, 101 Second Street, 235 Second Street, 150 California Street, 200 California Street, 600 California Street, 199 Fremont Street, 500 Howard Street, 525 Market Street, 560 Mission Street, 505 Montgomery Street, 235 Pine Street and 343 Sansome Street,

They all contain POPOS’s. The owners are given massive dispensations of great monetary value in return for their provision of these spaces. They might get tax breaks, or a larger-than-zoned-for footprint to build on, or build-height allowed. Some of these places try to hide the POPOS away, putting it beyond a security desk or under surveillance. B***s**t. Don’t allow yourself to be hassled or shooed away. It is ours to use freely. Same with meters. Don’t take it. End corporate and private annexation of spaces intended for public use. Go take a visit to one of the buildings above, or even go on tour - can you visit all of them in one day? Do it and write the next installment in *Cognition*...

P.S. Thanks to Rebar(group.org) and their art project COMMONspace. Please check out their site!

CMWC Tokvo 09 photos by Steven Totorelli



photo: Lindsay Fromm

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Thankfully Joe Hendry the Founder and creator of the Incredible Website Messville was able to gather some CMWC results. He wrote: “From different sources I’ve been able to piece together some partial results:

Main Race

Men Juri (Tokyo), Sino (Tokyo), Stevie (Zurich)

Women JoJo (Stockholm), Yuki (Tokyo?), Christina (Chicago)

http://www.yfrog.com/froggy.php?username=tak_nyc

*Fixie Queen: * Perrine (Dublin)

*Fixie King: * Jumbo (Copenhagen)

*Sprints: *

Men: ?

*Women: *

1) Hannan (originally from SF)

<http://www.candycranks.com/archives/3595>

2) Kim (NYC)

<http://www.candycranks.com/archives/3597>

