

MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 1
MINUTES MONTHLY MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2016
MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE
36 BATTERY PLACE

Anthony Notaro, Jr. Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

I. Public Session

- Roxanne Early – Councilmember Chin’s office – The Committee on Aging, which Councilmember Chin chairs, held a hearing on legislation that would ensure a right to counsel in civil court cases for seniors. The Councilmember joined other elected officials at a protest in front of the office of the Department of Buildings against a recent decision by the Department of Buildings to approve a Niketown in SoHo as an alteration.
- Maryam Abdul – Assemblymember Glick’s office – The Assembly Member signed on to a letter with other elected officials asking the Department of Education to improve their projections of the need for school seats. The elected officials stressed that community input should be part of that process. The Assembly Member also attended the protest at DOB and urged DOB to better enforce zoning laws.
- Eamom Gallagher – Senator Squadron’s office – Thank you for to those who attended the Senator’s Town Hall. Reported on Daniel’s open letter to President Trump, which can be seen on the Daily Beast. Hosted a rally against racism in Adam Yauch Park in Brooklyn Heights after swastikas were painted on play equipment.
- Jenna Jaffe – Congressman Nadler’s office – Rep. Nadler joined other elected officials and faith leaders in condemning hate crimes that have occurred in New York since the Presidential election.
- Eric Holguin – Comptroller Stringer and a coalition of city and state elected officials introduced laws banning discrimination against minority, women, and LGBTQ-owned businesses in government procurement. The Comptroller issued a report finding that child care services at City shelters put children at risk as they are not subject to the same health and safety regulations that govern child care facilities outside of shelters.
- Ranger Jim - National Parks Service – Friday is Evacuation Day. Please visit Castle Clinton and Federal Hall for celebrations and tours. The African Burial Grounds will be celebrating Kwanza.
- Morris Chan – Manhattan Borough President Report – Borough President Brewer testified at the City Council hearing for the Street Vendor Act. The legislation would increase enforcement. The Borough President has requested that the DOS consider the possibility of revising its schedule of services. The Borough President's Office will soon be accepting applications for Manhattan capital grants. Information sessions have been scheduled. Community board applications will be live very soon.
- Anthony Notaro presented Morris Chan with a Certificate of Outstanding Service and thanked him for his assistance to CB1 and his constant presence and support for the Lower Manhattan community.
- James S. Kaplan – Lower Manhattan Historical Society – They are working in conjunction with the Parks service for Evacuation Day. Please come out this weekend for the events.

II. Business Session

- A) Adoption of October 2016 minutes - Minutes adopted unanimously as presented
- B) District Manager's Report – N. Pfefferblit
 - a. Street Activity Permit Office – The Mayor's Citywide Event Coordination and Management and SAPO cancelled proposed changes to street activity regulations. Last year's rules will remain in effect indefinitely. Therefore review of street activity applications will go forward at CB1.
 - b. Annual District Needs Statement – CB1 submitted its FY 2018 District Needs Statement including capital and expense budget priorities in late October. A PDF of the document is available for anyone who would like to review it and comments or suggestions are welcome.
 - c. Holiday hours – announced limited CB1 hours for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.
- C) Chairperson's Report – A. Notaro
 - a. CB1 Survey – Encourages all CB1 members to participate in survey regarding board procedures
 - b. Mobile Legal Help Center – Available for local organizations that have space available outside their facility
 - c. Borough Board & Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment – Commissioner Julie Menin did a presentation
 - d. Trust for Governor's Island – Met with the Governors Island Trust's new President, Michael Samuelian
 - e. Make Way for Lower Manhattan – Smart Streets – There are lots of consultants and larger organizations involved but no individual businesses or residents. Hoping that more individuals living and/or working in Lower Manhattan will become part of the meetings going forward.
 - f. DOB NOW – expanded website with new functions was presented at the District Service Cabinet Meeting
 - g. LMCR (Lower Manhattan Coastal Resiliency) Task Force – Next meeting is December 5th.

III. Committee Reports

A) Executive Committee

A. Notaro

- 1) Manhattan Borough President's Office overview of CB structure – Report
- 2) 6 month agenda analysis – Report
- 3) Core team report about CB1 committee structure – Report

B) Quality of Life Committee

J. Ehrlich

- 1) Street Vending Modernization Act – Report on proposed legislation to double the number of street vendor permits and use funds from the proceeds from the sale of new license to increase enforcement. The QOL Committee received a presentation from Paul Leonard, Chief of Staff for

Council Member Margaret Chin. The committee needed time to review the legislation and will discuss it again at next month's meeting.

- 2) Construction Forum follow-up discussion – Report
- 3) Livable Cities – Report

B) **Tribeca Committee**

E. Lewinsohn/A. Blank

- 1) 279 Church Street, application for Board of Standards and Appeals Special Permit for a Physical Culture Establishment, Lyons Den Power Yoga
Resolution passed by a Roll Call vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused approved
- 1) 88 Franklin Street, application for wine and beer license for Acqua Ancient Bath New York LLC – Friendly Amendment to Ensure Events will not impact the quality of life of the neighbors. Approved by a hand vote of 33 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Tribeca Trust – Report

C) **Financial District Committee**

M. Ketring

- 1) 180 Maiden Lane, Intent to Acquire Office Space, Department of Investigation – Proposed changes approved– Add in the last whereas: “CB 1 has expressed its displeasure that ...”
Second change request – 2nd resolve – add after the word will “inform CB1 when it files notice with DCP and...”
Resolution Approved by a hand vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Approved by a hand vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
 - a. 3 WTC – Level 3 aka 175 Greenwich Street, application for liquor license for Hawksmoor Group LLC d/b/a Hawksmoor – Resolution
 - b. 52 William Street, application for hotel liquor license for SCCQ Downtown LLC & Bailey Restaurant Group Inc. – Resolution
- 3) The Quad Preparatory School Bus Stop – Report and they will return after connecting with the other schools in the same building.

D) **Landmarks Committee**

B. Ehrmann

- 1) Approved by a hand vote of 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
 - a. 308-310 Canal Street, application for rooftop addition - Resolution
 - b. 250 West Street, application for renovation of existing penthouse - Resolution
- 2) 53-55 Beach Street, application for reconsideration of one story rooftop addition - Resolution
Approved by a hand vote of 31 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused

E) **Youth & Education Committee**

T. Joyce

- 1) Millennium High School Lease Renewal – Report – The lease is in the works – nothing is official yet but it is in progress.
- 2) Severely Extended Trips Via School Buses – Report on Children taken from BPC to the upper west side before returning to their intended destination – Peck Slip
- 3) Peck Slip Play Street – Report

- 4) Murry Bergtraum High School – Report given on 2 incidents in the school and the combination between the High School exiting at the same time as Spruce Street School youth.
- 5) Parent Action Conference – Report

F) **Battery Park City Committee** N. Segarra

- 1) Tunnel to Towers Foundation street activity permit application for Vesey Street between West Street and North End Ave., September 23, 2017, 7:00 am to September 24, 2017 5:00 pm – Resolution Approved by a hand vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Allied Universal Ambassadors – Report
- 3) West Thames Street bridge – Report
- 4) Wagner Park – Report
- 5) Battery Park City Authority – Report
- 6) Bike Safety - Report

G) **Seaport/Civic Center Committee** M. Pasanella

- 1) 119 South Street, application for sidewalk café renewal for PC Restaurant Corp. d/b/a Paris Café – Resolution approved by a hand vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) 15 Cliff Street, application for café/restaurant liquor license for Hole in the Wall – Resolution approved by a roll call vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused
- 3) 5 Beekman Street (The Beekman Hotel) – Report

H) **New Business** A. Notaro

Resolution passed unanimously by a hand vote of 36 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused – requesting that Governor Cuomo sign legislation to ensure that changes in use for MTA properties go through same zoning process as other property owners in city and state.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tammy Meltzer, Secretary