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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 2, 2022 - 6:00 PM Hon. Chair - Cicely Harris, Presiding Zoom Meeting - <u>Registration Link</u>

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> (6:06PM)

II. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

- A. Elected Officials (3-4 minutes)
 - 1. Nina Norwood: Con. Espaillat is hosting a Women's History Month event. Will create a way for people to nominate women to be honored at his event via his website.
 - 2. Lafayette Moore- Sen. Cordell Cleare, she is prioritizing fair pay for home workers. She is introduced bills, including ensuring space heaters have thermostats, reducing the amount of suspension in school and finding other ways to help children in school instead of being sent home. Supporting fair placement of mental health and addiction facilities across NYC instead of saturating them in Harlem.
 - 3. Nina Whyte-Assm. Al Taylor's office. Applications for rental assistance submitted through January are being considered. The rest are in que and will be considered. She also updated on deadlines on One Shot Deal and ERAP portal. NYS energy assistance- the hikes re ConEd, Gov. Hochul wrote a letter urging them to communicate with its customers about the surcharge and in the meantime, her office will see if they can support through HEAP which is income based.
 - 4. Giselle Hearne: CC member Kristin Jordan-Richardson. COVID testing sites announced. 3/26 they will be organizing street and park cleaning groups. Is working on the sanitation issue in our neighborhood. Went on a DOT walk w/ Shatic through the neighborhood. Will meet with CC member Sandy Nurse, head of sanitation, to figure this out.
 - 5. Daryl Cochrane: NYC Commissioner of Human Rights. Let the community know they can reach out to his office for discrimination issues.
 - 6. Jacques Brunvil- DANY Alvin Bragg's office: announced a monthly newsletter. Extended deadline for HS internship program and Gun prevention program from March 4th to open ended.
 - 7. Manhattan Deputy Borough President Keisha Sutton-James: introduced herself in her new role. Mark Levine will be joining later to give announcements. ML joined and praised Cicely, reviewed his decision and report to reject One45 application based off

CB10s resolution which he used as a roadmap. There were not enough family units, most of them were studios and 1 BR apartments. He has been working on supporting Ukranian people by working to freeze property of Russian Oligarchs and put them on the sanction list to seize the property. Subway safety crisis- we need to install safety screen doors on the subway. MTA screened many platforms and found a lot of stations they think are ready for the infrastructure with a few in CB10. He is going to push them to not only do a pilot but make sure it done fast and is permanent. Update from COVID: All screenings, masks, and vaccine mandates will end on 3/7. Although we are in a better place but there are still 700 cases a day and the CBC put out a report about racial inequality and the disproportionate impact of Omicron on communities of color.

- B. Public/ Community (2 minutes)
 - *1*. Julius Tajiddin- young men ages 18-40 are being neglected and need more resources. Spoke about shootings. We need to come up with ideas and strategies for these young men.
 - 2. Brianna McClure- thanks Cicely and Karen Dixon supporting the community during the One45 Planning Commission hearing.
 - 3. Sonya Simmons- chair of Jackie Robinson Park Conservancy: introducing themselves to us. Has been away because of rezoning she has been in CB9 but will be attending parks and recreation meeting coming up. She wanted to reintroduce herself to CB10.

III. <u>PUBLIC SESSION</u>

- A. 1st Roll Call Board Secretary, Tahanie Aboushi
- B. Minutes Adoption (February 2022) <u>Click here to view committee minutes MOTION</u> <u>GRANTED</u>
- C. Agenda Adoption (March 2022) Board Secretary, Tahanie Aboushi MOTION GRANTED
- D. Chairperson's Report Cicely Harris- Application to submit CB10 applications is extended to 3/15. CPC hearing regarding One45 was thorough and written comments can be submitted throughout the month. Charles Powell commended Cicely on her presentation at the CPC. In person meetings will resume soon and we need to prepare for in person meetings for April. She is in touch with the Manhattan BP's office to gain information as to options, including hybrid options. She is looking for alternative ways to have the meetings- for instance, maybe outdoors when the weather gets warmer. It is also important to keep up the increase in attendance since going remote.
- E. District Manager's Report Shatic Mitchell- reserved the state office building in case they are back in person so if we need to meet there we can. A few months before extending the open meetings law they did look into hiring a videographer to film the meetings to make sure the technology properly works. Previously CB 10 went live on facebook via a cellphone and we want to keep up the professionalism.
 - 2/3 he was invited by Alfonso Cohen w/ Juanita Holmes and DANY Alvin Bragg about youth and law enforcement. The young men discussed racial profiling. Thurgood Marshal Academy has a program wherein Rev. Cohen invited young men to mentor students during dismissal.
 - 2/10 attended 125th public safety meeting involving NYPD and 125th street store owners. Owners felt there needs to be more police presence between Lenox and Morningside
 - 2/11 did a walk through with DOT and Mena Whyte to review the possibility of building barriers to prevent cars from jumping the curb. Also 149st Bus stop on ACP was removed

because there is a school that pick up kids with mobility issues and that is where the school bus meets. The school request that DOT remove the bus stop and they did, they moved it to 148th street.

- 2/15 NYC tourism 101
- 2/15 Jackie Robinson Park meeting to discuss capital improvements and maintenance of the park.
- 2/16 Kevin Mathews from the Schomburg center presented to DOS, DHS about issues with vendors about the sanitation issues, homelessness, bike rack that had shopping carts chained to it.
- 2/18 did a walk-through of 145-155th street along FD Blvd with elected officials about the sanitation issues and illegally parked vehicles. PSA 6 was invited but didn't show up.
- 2/22- attended grand opening on Lidl on FDB and 118th street. It was meant to be easier and cheaper shopping experience and he invited them to attend the public safety meetings.
- 2/23 Celebrated the historic district markers
- 2/23 Attended Black History Month panel at the Malcolm Shabaz center
- There is an upcoming meeting with DOE Commissioner Banks.
- NYPL 3/12 will be closed for floor replacement work and to reopen on 6/22- but people can go to nearby branches.
- F. Committee Reports/ Announcements (1-2 minutes)
 - Economic Development by Cheryl Smith and Marquis Harrison: updated on SLA applications below. Dr. Franklin asked how establishments verify that their workforce is from the neighborhood. They review the petitions to see where the signatures are coming from but do not review employment records. Stanley Gleaton asked why the committee didn't vote on the applications and the answer is there was no quorum. He also raised the issue of rising costs of bags at stores- some as high as 75 cents.
 - 2. Health and Human Services Committee- Dr. Hazel Dukes and Donna Gill: Came up with a letter, worked on by Dr. Smith, Dr. Franklin and Joshua Clennon to address the issues- see letter below. They finished the letter and can present it tonight. It is in the agenda for tonight's meeting. Shatic shared his screen for the public to read/see the letter and it was also part of the agenda that was emailed out. Jasmin also put a link with the documents in the chat for the public to access. Athena Moore from MBPs office said her office submitted a letter in support as well. 12/20 the letter was sent out after the walkthrough.
 - *3.* Housing by Charles Powell: No voting items for housing. The committee worked on a letter supporting the Legal Aid Society in its endeavor to bring an article 78 proceeding. The letter is forthcoming.
 - 4. Public Safety Committee: Charles Johnson, no update.
 - 5. Transportation by Keith Taylor: no voting items. Dorrance Brooks historical designation swearing in happened.
 - 6. Land Use by Karen Dixon: wrapped up One45. Is now working on facilitating a land use study, with funding from former CM Perkins.
 - 7. Parks and Recreation- Committee did not have quorum at subcommittee meeting and the below items were not voted on.

-Letter of Request for NYC Parks Development of CB10 Parks Master Plan for Harlem parks and add investment and bridging long standing disparities of equitable space. It was previously voted on unanimously.

- Hansborough Recreation Center Letter of Reaffirmation- stop the moving the start date of construction from 2022 to 2023. The Community has not had access to full facility since 2018 in preparation of the construction including the synchronized

swimming team. The delay is due to the changes in renovation plans. The ask is that the project is expedited or at least kept to the 2022 start date.

- Colon Charles Young was named Brigadier General Charles Young Playground to reflect his promotion posthumously and there may be a celebration.

- Seneca Village has a temporary exhibit in Central Park and it was featured on CBS on a Sunday morning.

-Field of Dreams program will accommodate a series of sports and is expected to be done by the end of the years and the comfort station will also be upgrades. 2/28 there was a meeting and Com. Park Reynolds gave an update on the progress and he confirmed the ball fields will be regulation size.

- G. Presentation of Voting Items
 - 1. Economic Development Youth & Technologies
 - a) SLA Application
 - Corner Social is a (RENEWAL) SLA Applicant, received on 01/07/2022 This business is located at <u>321 Lenox Ave New York</u>, <u>NY 10027</u> Cross Streets: (*On Lenox Ave on the Southwest corner of 126th Street*) <u>Click here to view supporting documents 311</u> <u>Complaints - (8) And have worked to resolve this by renting an</u> <u>apartment upstairs for an employee.</u>
 - (2) Juicery Harlem is a (Temporary Retail Permit) SLA Applicant, received on 01/12/2022 This business is located at <u>370 Malcolm X</u> <u>Blvd New York, NY 10027</u> Cross Streets: (On Malcolm X Blvd. between 128th and 129th Streets) Click here to view supporting documents No 311 Complaints - None (0)
 - (3) Harlem Bar-B-Que is a (Method of Operation) SLA Applicant, received on 02/03/2022. This business is located at <u>2367 Frederick</u> <u>Douglass Blvd New York, NY 10027</u> Cross Streets:(*On the Westside* of Frederick Douglass Blvd. Between 126th and 127th Streets) <u>Click here to view supporting documents</u> 311 Complaints - None (0)
 - 2. Health & Human Services
 - a) Letter of Recommendation Mount. Sinai Hospital's proposed CARES outpatient program relocation:
 - b) CARE- outpatient program relocation to 124th street and Lenox avenue. The request is to reconsider the move because of over saturation of these services in a burdened area. The letter was sent out to the health committee today. It was shared with the EC during the meeting. The letter is not ready to be presented to EC because it is still in draft mode but the EC can vote on the spirit of the letter subject to amendment and the committee will have the correct version available at the next GB meeting.
 - 3. Parks & Recreation
 - a) Letter of Request <u>NYC Parks Development of CB10 Master Plan</u>

IV. <u>BUSINESS SESSION</u>

- A. 2nd Roll Call
- B. Voting Items
 - a) Economic Development Youth & Technologies
 - (1) SLA Applications
 - (a) Corner Social- PASS common consent
 - (b) Juicery Harlem PASS common consent
 - (c) Harlem Bar-B-Que PASS common consent
 - b) Health & Human Services
 - (1) Letter of Recommendation Mount. Sinai Hospital's proposed CARES outpatient program relocation: PASS common consent
 - c) Parks & Recreation
 - (1) Letter of Request NYC Parks Development of CB10 Master Plan: PASS common consent
 - (2) Letter of Reaffirmation Hansborough Recreation Center: PASS common consent

V. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

A. Joshua Clennon- District Needs Statement- City released its preliminary budget, which Shatic sent out, that included the City's responses to our various request. Encouraged the committees to read the report to learn information about their particular areas and prepare letters of comment.

VI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Donna Gill: reminded everyone about the forum this Friday: Rethinking social housing legislation and policy March 4th at 7pm. Flier shared. Apostle Staci Ramos- tomorrow is 28 precinct clergy council meeting and community council meeting is the following week. Barbara Nelson- request the support of the public safety chair and Apostle Ramos, to bring to the attention to these meeting the concerns of the community and how the vehicles of the police- private and work, has burdened our neighborhoods.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT (8:28 pm)