

CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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General Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting Wednesday, April 5th, 2023 - 6:00 PM Hon. Marquis A. Harrison- Chairperson

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER 6:06 pm

A. Meeting was called to order by Chair Harrison who gave the road rules, order of meeting; Wished everyone Happy Ramadan, Passover, Easter, overview of the agenda.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Elected Officials (2 minutes)

- 1. Nina Norwood, Espaillat's office: Wished everyone happy holidays; Announcements: Annual Arts Competition information will be sent out across the district for placement in the Congressional Office building Deadline ____; Coffee with the Congressman upcoming date to be determined
- 2. Minah White, Manhattan BP: BP is preparing for Passover; Extended Happy Holidays; Congratulations to Barbara Atkins, 125th St. BID Audi Award; Thanked the CBs on participation in Census training data to be posted on website. Received over 900 applications to CBs this term. Update on building sheds and BP's efforts to regulated length of time: Financial assistance to buildings in need; looking at a program to provide grants; providing building managers will expertise in filing; holding buildings accountable on length of time scaffolding stays up; local law 11;
- 3. **Troy Weeks, CM Jordan:** State of District Workshop on Housing on April 17th; One45 Project will answer questions; Update on jareid@council.nyc.gov; participatory budgeting link to survey in the chat
- 4. Cordell Cleare's office: Greetings and Happy Holidays; the Senator S1730 bill hopes to pass on elder abuse; S3004 recognizes and empowers older New Yorkers and workforce development; Budgetary items listed; Senator attending Behind the Bars including an upcoming visit to a women's prison on Mothers Day. 4/23 between 3 & 6pm, Senator's inauguration, all are invited.
- 5. Courtney Bennett, DA's office: Hate Crime Unit please contact Harlem office for update; Crime is down, a major area of focus will be gun violence this Summer; reported a shooting near St. Nicholas Houses; in addition to work at NYCHA, clamping down on Domestic violence one specifically calling on men to step to the forefront on the domestic violence

- movement; April 14th open house for the community to find out what the DA does.
- 6. Lermond Mayes, Dickens Office: Welcome and thank you. A5998 prohibits insurance companies from hindering insurance claims, canceling policies, etc. in order to not work with some policyholders; A5956 dealing with devaluing homes owned by Black & Brown owners; A5436 requires insurance for services for drug addiction, bill will provide all access; Signed A5421 Enroll students in technical education programs; renewing the school Co-Op program for extending career opportunities. Encourages the community to continue to reach out to the office.

CB10 Members - Community Announcements:

Derek Perkinson: National Action Network Rev Sharpton will hosting a forum on April 12th: Featured speakers include Kamala Harris, Magic Johnson others;
B. Public/Community (2 minutes)

- 1. Odette Wilkins: General Counsel for Wired Broadwin Link 5G asking for an extension of time for an extension or moratorium on installation of 5 G towers; 11 CBs have gone on record in opposition to the towers; Met with the Public Advocate's office; The pressing question is "is 5G safe">; there is no answer to the question. OGI says they comply with FCC limits on emissions
- 2. Tiesha Smalls: WeACT presentation April 15th, 2nd annual? event giana@weact.org/event (sound going in and out garbled); monthly membership meetings asking CB10 to attend candidate's forum for CC District 9, asking the CB to submit two (2) questions.
- 3. Lamar Renee Innis(?): Introducing Herschel Centra Harlem Family Enrichment Center is coming soon to 63 West 125th Street and will invite the community to visit; will send emails to distribute. There are 12 sites already. Wants the community to name it.
- 4. Marcus Wilson: Question: Legislation Chandler Warden funding for mass shootings resources. We are coming into a year when we had a mass shooting in the district. To the CM's office appointments to the CM board, will new members be added to the board and from what locations?
- 5. Sue Peters: Experience talking to CB over the past 3 months about the 5G cell towers going up on sidewalks 10 feet from where people live and children & pregnant women walk by. On top of these structures are 5 cells & antennas. If you go to your legislative reps you have to insist they get in writing an OTI. CB8 put a moratorium, and were informed a week or so ago that they are putting up in front of the Guggenheim museum. Gale Brewer was assured by the City that there would be none put up on the UWS. Must get these things in writing. Marquis: EC Devel Tech will be voting on something this month and will follow up.
- 6. Clayton Banks, Silicon Harlem: Would like to be involved in EcDev Tech committee; digital literacy; Public wifi not working and need to work to get it working; ongoing tech incubators; invite seniors and young people to come and learn. Marquis: I look forward to working with you.

- 7. Amber Stacks: Announcing Open Harlem Conference Sponsored by Mt. Sinai, FCBC Sat May 13th 10 am and street fair. Open to the public; Tricia Hersey, Nat Ministry is featured speaker. Pastor Mike; Anne Sullivan, Commissioner of Mental Health; Ichaan School of Medicine representative; panel discussion on faith and mental health; honoring community members "Heroes of Hope" and looking for nominations. Marquis: Announcement CB10 May 4th Mental Health Forum
- 8. Environmental Health Trust: Theadore Spradell, commenting on 5G polls sued the federal government on the antennas; it was found that long term effects on children, animals and trees, etc.; towers in other countries makes it illegal to be so close to humans.
- 9. Abena: Sharing that the COVID emergency order ending on May 11th. If you have a non profit or other space, please reach out to the Dept. of Health if you can store tests. Free supplies will be gone soon.

III. PRESENTATIONS: None present

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

- A. 1st Roll Call Hon. Delsenia Glover, Asst. Secretary Quorum
- B. Minutes Adoption (March 2023) Approved
- C. Agenda Adoption (April 2023) Adopted
- D. Chair's Report (10 minutes) Hon. Marquis A. Harrison
 - 1. Women's Herstory Month highlighted great work of women on the board; proclamations presented to Arts & Culture Committee; presented Dr. Hazel Dukes for her work on the Health Committee during street naming in Roslyn Long Island;
 - 2. Convened first personnel committee meeting and elected Chair Derek Perkinson, Vice Chair Daniel Paterson.
 - 3. Discussion with new board members (since the pandemic) which contained important discussions about operating procedures, things we can do better; thanked Tiffany Bowen at Harlem Hooah.
 - 4. Met with Co-Chairs of the Strategic Planning Committee led by Dr. Franklin and Delsenia Glover; encouraged members to work with the task force.
 - 5. Met with community entities including the Chamber of Commerce; former Board Chairs; to gain insight into history of the board.
- E. District Manager's Report (5 minutes) Shatic Mitchell
 - 1. NYC Public Health Lab at Harlem Hospital 137th Street; will include a training lab and auditorium for use by the community; (DG gets report from Shatic for bullets to drop in).
 - 2. Attended event on National Poison Week
- F. Presentation: Louis A. Molina Commissioner of DOC
 - 1. Not present
- G. Presentation Sidney Hankerson MD.VP of Psychiatry
 - 1. Amber Stacks representing: Screen share: Hope in Harlem Conference Presentation Saturday, May 13, 10-13; Patricia Hershey featured

speaker; Pastor Mike; Dr. Lena Green; Anne Sullivan, Dr. Sidney Hankerson; Faith & Mental Health Partnerships; CARES w/ Dept. of Education; Conference will be targeting; community organizations can table at the event; contact information in the chat; awarding community heroes of hope; Information in the chat.

H. Presentation of Voting Items

- 1. Economic Development Communications and Technology
 - a) HIDDEN OWL LLC. (New & Temporary Retail Permit) received on 12/8/2022. type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 218 Lenox Avenue Cross Street: (between 120th and 121st Street) 311 Complaints (0) PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee

New applicant;

b) WAT'S ON YOUR PLATE 2 CORPORATION (New & Temporary Retail Permit) received on 11/23/2022. type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 641 Malcolm X Blvd. Cross Street: (between 142nd and 143rd Street) 311 Complaints (5) Social Distancing(4) Face Covering Violation(1) PASSED 13-Yes 1-Opposed in Executive Commiteee

New applicant

c) LA DIAGONAL (New) received on 2/14/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 185 St. Nicholas Avenue Cross Street: (between 119th and 120th Street) 311 Complaints (4) Loud Music/Party (3) Banging/Pounding (1) PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee

New applicant

- d) LEGENDS BOATHOUSE LLC. (New & Temporary Retail Permit) received on 2/23/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at East 72nd Street & Park Drive 311 Complaints (0) PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee

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- e) PODO INC./YUZU (Renewal) received on 2/23/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 350 Lenox Avenue Cross Street (127th and 128th Street) 311 Complaints (1) Social Distancing PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee

 Renewal
- f) HUDSON YARDS CATERING LLC AND NY SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL (Renewal) received on 2/23/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Wine, Beer & & Cider. This business is located at 63 Central Park West 311 Complaints (0) PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee Renewal
- g) PAINTING LOUNGE LLC. (Renewal) received on 2/14/2023 type(s) of alcohol to be sold or to be sold: Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at: 15 West 116th Street Cross Street (5th and Lenox Avenue) 311 Complaints (0) PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee

 Renewal
- h) **CAFE AMRITA (Renewal)** received on 2/14/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at: 301 West

- i) HARLEM TAVERN (Renewal) received on 2/14/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 2153 Frederick Douglass Blvd. Cross Streets (116th &117th) 311 Complaints (3) Banging/Pounding (1) Loud Music PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee Renewal
- j) CANTINA TAQUERIA & TEQUILA BAR (Renewal) received on 2/23/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider This business is located at: 2099 Frederick Douglass Blvd. Cross Streets (113th &114th) 311 Complaints (1) Site Set-up Condition PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee Renewal
- k) ANGEL OF HARLEM (Renewal) received on 2/28/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 2272 Frederick Douglass Blvd. Cross Streets (121st and 122nd) 311 Complaints (126) (124)Loud Music/Party (1) N/A (1) Loud Talking PASSED 10-Yes 4-Opposed in Executive Committee Renewal
- 1) SUGAR MONK (Renewal) received on 2/28/2023 type(s) of alcohol sold or to be sold Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider. This business is located at 1955 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Cross Streets (117th & 118th) 311 Complaints PASSED UNANIMOUS 14-0 in Executive Committee Liquor license

Cannabis forum scheduled; Inperson event at Schomburg, register through eventbrite. Will be reaching out to Silicon Harlem for next week's meeting.

2. Transportation Landmarks and Historic Preservation

- a) Open Streets Application Review
 - (1) Frederick Douglass Blvd. From W. 112th Street to W. 120th St.

Frederick Douglass Business Alliance: Saturdays 10am to 10pm; Sundays 10am - 10pm Comments: Resident of a condo on 116th. Re Frederick Douglas Application; we are very supportive of the open streets but have concerns with the fact that the program is sat and sun all day for 5 months a year and the program usually includes very loud music for the whole time. During all of the best months of the year - warm weather months when windows are open - are subject to loud music; it would be great if there could be a stipulation to limit the concert level music and noise to shorter hours (during the periods of street openings.)

- (2) W. 128th St. From Frederick Douglass Blvd. to St. Nicholas Ave Harlem Mother's Save street activities; July 4th through August 30th, Tuesdays & Wednesdays from (time)
 - (3) W. 120th St. From Lenox Ave to Mt. Morris Park West

 "Marcus Meets Malcolm" not approved by TLHP

 committee; approved with stipulations in the EC: Hours and days are not

 reflective of the schedules need closure parameters to reflect the activities;

 issues with signage: See EC minutes. letter to be sent after review and approval

this evening. Comments: **G. Baggett** - 1. What is the open streets type for the other projects approved without conditions; 2. based on the research of the two doctors, what was their definition of limited application open space? **Answer:** The committee did not take a position on the city's definition of the language. We took a position in the letter asking for more clarity. Referred everyone to the letter written which expresses concerns by many people in the committee conversation.

Zakia Reins: Mother of 4 children, since the pandemic the open streets have been amazing for the children during the pandemic, provides a space for children; to take it away would be a wound in childhood. (Letter screenshared);

3. Education Youth & Libraries

- a) Letter of Support
 - (1) Mari Moss, Co Founder We Love Harlem Initiative, Black History in the Schools and Social Economical Issues

Plan to diversify student curriculum.

- (2) Tiffany Fulton, Publisher Harlem Westside Publishing Request for Letter of Support for Plaque in Memory of "William Donnell Porter" *Will be placed at P.S. 90 school*
- (3) Capital Funding to Manhattan Borough President's Office *Two schools in District 5 for capital funding (to increase the number of schools from the district) to encourage the BP to lend support; principles and dep. the superintendent has attended the last two meetings.*

I. Committee Reports/Announcements

- 1. Arts & Culture Committee: March 10, celebrated Herstory Month honoring Vy Higginson and (?); On the 24th of March Arts & Culture committee received 3 comp tickets to Sweet Honey & the Rock, gave out 22 tickets. EC of Project one-fourth(?); On March 16th Olithia Brown held an art learning event; working on the spring & summer lineup of cultural events and initiative and hope everyone will join us each month.
- 2. **Health & Human Services Committee:** Committee will host a mental health forum May 4th from 5:30 pm at Kennedy Center including tabling for community based organizations in Harlem, and will include a panel discussion on issues effecting members of the community on issues of mental health with referrals; will include LGBTQ; Link will be put in the chat.
- 3. **Housing Committee:** Housing Forum by Pilante on April 28th at Kennedy Center at 6:30 pm; focused on the TIL program;
- 4. **Public Safety:** 38th & 27th precincts teaming up on public safety issues on train stations.
- 5. Land Use Committee: Presentation by One45 on new iteration; 915 units and 458, ami ranges; committee asked for additional information on the ami levels; rent; correspondence sent to the BP's office regarding green initiatives. The project is not in ULURP, and anticipates it will happen in 2024.
- 6. **Parks & Recreation:** Will submit minutes (chair has has a death in the family)

- 7. **Bylaws Task Force Report:** Delsenia Glover: The 2023 By-Laws Task Force is approximately a month away from a full board vote on the recommended revisions to our current By-Laws. We are pretty much done with the draft process after twice presenting to the Executive Committee and over months Bylaws task force meetings. There were a few items left that were reviewed by EC members and are now resolved: The sergeant of arms position; the appointment of standing committee vice chairs and the establishment of a secretary position for standing committees. We agree:
 - In anticipation of returning to in person meetings, we agreed it would be efficient to appoint a sergeant of arms, as it is in the bylaws, and we have had that position filled in the past and also defined the position further: The Sergeant of Arms will be responsible for overseeing decorum of board members and guests general board meetings.
 - We also defined the process for the appointment of The Standing Committee Vice Chairs: The Standing Committee Chairs will initiate selection of a Vice Chair when the position opens and work collaboratively with the Board chair in the final selection.
 - The Standing Committees will have flexibility in this but can appoint a secretary; in the alternative, they may chose to share the responsibilities with members of the committee on a month by month basis. The responsibilities of the secretary will include taking minutes of the monthly meetings, keeping reports and other documents in order, and taking attendance at meetings.
- 8. **Senior Task Force:** Building a task force in support of walk-in bathtubs as a safety and health issue.
- 9. Strategic Planning Task Force:
 - The strategic plan is targeting internal processes within the board: how we onboard new members; how the committees work together; how we work within the committees; how the board is facilitated overall; working on an initial internal board survey to get their views on how we can improve and accomplish our goals; will survey the community after. Call for more members to join the committee.

V. BUSINESS SESSION

- A. 2nd Roll Call
- **B.** Voting Items
 - 1. Economic Development Technologies and Communications
 - a) Hidden Owl Passed Unanimous
 - b) Wat's On Your Plate Passed Unanimous
 - c) La Diagonal Passed Unanimous
 - d) Legends Boat House Passed Unanimous
 - e) YUZU Passed Unanimous
 - f) Hudson Yards Catering Passed Unanimous
 - g) Painting Lounge Passed Unanimous
 - h) Cafe Amrita Passed Unanimous
 - i) Harlem Tavern Passed Unanimous
 - j) Cantina Taqueria Passed Unanimous
 - k) Angel of Harlem Passed 30 yes / 7 no
 - 1) Sugar Monk Passed Unanimous

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 - (2) W. 128th St. from Frederick Douglass Blvd. to St. Nicholas Ave. Passed unanimously.
 - (3) W. 120th St. From Lenox Ave to Mt. Morris Park West *Passed with 1* abstention.

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- VI. **OLD BUSINESS** (5 minutes) NONE
- VII. **NEW BUSINESS** (5 minutes) NONE
- VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (5 minutes)
 - 1. Marcus Meets Malcolm on Easter Sunday Egg Hunt from 3 under 5; 3:30, 10 and under; 4pm all ages;

 - Cannabis forum on the 29th.
 April 8th Impact Reperatory Theatre is holding auditions at The Conversation Room 653 Malcolm X Blvd. Ages 10 19. 11am 4pm; Arts & Culture Committee will prepare flyer.
 - IX. ADJOURNMENT Chair Harrison closed with acknowledgement of all current and upcoming religious holy days at 8:51pm.