

Community Board 12, Manhattan
Minutes for the Public Safety Committee Meeting
October 4th, 2017 – Conference Room
530 West 166th Street – 6th Floor
New York, NY 10032

Committee Members Present (7): Richard Lewis (Chair), Domingo Estevez (Asst. Chair), Rud Morales, Katherine Diaz, Derek Peralta, Natalie Espino, and Mary O’Shaughessy.

Board Member (3): Mary Anderson, Elizabeth Lehman, and Ayisha Olgivie.

Public (75+): Captain and CO Richard Brea (33rd Precinct), Allan S. Valerio (Manhattan District Attorney Office), P.O. Danny Guzman (34th Precinct – Community Affairs), Lt. Salvatore Marchese (34th Precinct), Dt. Dago Remy Suarez (Aux NYPD 33rd Precinct), Ruth Fasoldt, (Intersection/LinkNYC), Jesse Campoamora (VP Capalino+Company), Etta Graham (Executive Director - Project Renewal), Charles Melham (Project Renewal), Susa Dov (Project Renewal), Lauren Zavier (Project Renewal), Awilda Morton (Project Renewal), Carlton Filln, (Project Renewal), Wesley Hamilton (Parks Dept), , Rev Al Taylor (District Leader), Cynthia Rivelli (Isabella), Carol Ban (Isabella), C. Kerreros, C. Barton, Marcia Nishio, N. Vargas, R. Rodriguez, R. Martinez, Vivian Grice, Venessa Rodriguez, Modito Reyes, Reynaldo Valdez, S.T. Cappel, E.J. Sneed, S. Hecker, B. Hecker, Benjamin Lopez, K. Ross, Anmgiolina Fripp, Paulina Mercato, Elvira Castillo, B. Nassau, D. Cardona, K. Lopez, V. Crice, Jan Hawkio, A. Hall, Pedro Acosa, N. Celina, Andeu Singe, Wade de Loe, Sergio Reyes, Raul I. R. Rivera, Carol Bar, M. Colon, Andrew Signer, Rosetta, Wanda Neston, Yvette Suarez, Ana R. C. Maria Arista, Ramon Lopez, Eduardo M., Juan Baldera, George Preston, Michele Harnett, ***SRO and 11 illegible names on the sign-in sheet.***

Other Agencies Reps Invited: (3): PO Damieon Frey Transit District 3 (excused); Jordan Nolan (HRA/DHS (excused), FDNY (absent) and PS 128 (absent).

Staff: Ely Silvestre.

Welcome, Opening Remarks and the Agenda. Richard Lewis, Public Safety Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm. Arrangements were made to record the meeting to a digital audio file on an OLYMPUS® handheld device. Board members introduced themselves as did members of city agencies and CBO’s present. A quorum was present for the entire meeting. Topics for the evening’s agenda were outlined.

Public Safety Committee Chair’s Report.

The chair announced that the on September 26th General Meeting the full board passed the Public Safety Committee’s resolution on support of DACA - The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. The resolution letter was sent to chief officials in executive and legislative bodies of city state, and the federal government, including the White House. Community Board is the first and only board to have passed this important resolution (audience applause). (***Resolution to Support Protection from possible Law Enforcement Outcomes for NYC Residents affected by The Rescission of The DACA Program*** -See http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb12/downloads/pdf/daca_final_signed_copy_20171012132633.pdf).

The Chair reminded the audience present about one of the roles of the board was to bring stakeholders together and try to resolve problems and issues. We can also craft resolutions based on findings and determinations as another form of advocacy.

Finally, the chair stated how the meeting would proceed as noted in the agenda. First, the agency or presenters will give their presentations or reports and then the committee members and board members will have the opportunity to ask questions, followed by the public. He further reminded everyone about some considerations on the main topic on the agenda: Homelessness. First, homelessness is not a crime, but these issues require compassion. They were also instructed to view the many questions listed in the talking points handout that agencies and guests would be covering. *See Appendix B.* And finally, they were ask to weight the collateral consequences of enforcement (as they may be counterproductive to the goals of reducing this problem) – where an arrest record might also hinder a homeless individual from getting a job, obtaining funding for

housing, or getting an apartment. This approach also does not mean that unlawful acts should not lead to law enforcement taking actions to protect the public.

Source Documents Released at the Meeting.

The following source documents were distributed or made available at the meeting.

Meeting Talking Points.

[See Appendix B of these minutes.](#)

from the desk of Richard Lewis – INTERIM REPORT ON LINKNYC WI-FI HIGHSPEED BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT IN COMMUNITY DISTRICT 12, MANHATTAN – September, 2017.

[Copies available upon request from the community board office.](#)

Discussion and Ranking of the Committee’s Ranking for Public Safety FY 2019 Capital and Expense Choices.

- The committee had a discussion to rank its FY 2019 Capital and Expense Choices for the City’s new fiscal year that starts July 1, 2018. This a mandated process where the committee’s work will go to a full board ranking that is scheduled at a public meeting on October 19th, 2017. All the board committees will have submitted their rankings for all board members to rank the cumulative items submitted. The final board rankings will be submitted to the Mayor’s Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Their recommendations that will be released in January 2018.

A summary of last year’s board’s and committee rankings and agency responses from OMB was given as a handout, reviewed, discussed and voted on. The committee selected and ranked ten total items (five capital and five expense items) from last year’s ranking exercise and wanted changes in the narrative for the description and explanation sections with emphasis on training, counseling, and conditioning police officers on youth problems and programming. *See Appendix A.*

In response to the public’s request for an explanation on the Emergency Response System budget request the chair explained that the system was over a decade old, the city’s has changed and the geospatial mapping that was used when the 311 and 911 systems were initiated was already out of date. The city has outsourced a new EMR 2.0 System for better reporting, better operator assistance and a more user friendly interface that needs a timely completion date – so funding it now should help.

Discussion on the Committee’s Response to the Draft Scope of Work for the INWOOD NYC Rezoning.

- The community board was given an extension until October 13th, 2017 to allow board committees to make comments on the “Draft Scope of Work” (DSOW) on the Inwood NYC re-zoning initiative. The committee felt hat the DSOW did not address public safety concerns given the potential of an increase in future population growth and density in the re-zoning area under study as well no allowance for future ‘smart technologies’ and the infrastructure needed to harness them, and ‘eco-friendly environmental’ planning that should parallel that development. Committee member Rud Morales mentioned that similar concerns will be address the Board’s Business Development Committee as well. It was left to the char to write a response highlighting all the concerns and potential omissions and needs that will be packaged as part of the board’s response. The DSOW is only one vehicle that is being used before the actual INWOODNYC re-zoning plan will be finally released. The committee’s DSOW is available upon request in the board’s office.

Discussion from the 33rd Precinct – CO/Captain Richard Brea on Commentary Outreach and COMPStat.

- As part of the 33rd Precinct Community outreach PO Danny Guzman, Community Affairs announced that several Neighborhood Safety Officers (NCO) sector meetings have taken place and more are scheduled. There was a Safety Summit Meeting with Sector David’s Neighborhood Coordination Officers on September 15th in the J. Hood Wright Recreational room (**#BuildtheBlock #nypd**) and a similar meeting Sector Charlie’s Neighborhood Coordination Officers Hassel and Urena at Incarnation Elementary School on September 25th. (**#buildtheblock #wahi**) Calendars for future meetings and flyers will be e-blasted and posted on the board’s Facebook® account as well as by the precinct.
- Captain Richard Brea reported on the following crime statistics from the seven major crimes reported in the NYPD’s weekly COMPStat List. See charts below or follow this information at

<https://compstat.nypdonline.org> Crime is up from the same time (28 days) last year 53 incidents to 39 incidents. There are spikes in robberies, felony assault, grand larcenies. But, Year to Date totals for the precinct is down compared to highs in July and August.

- On September 15th, The DEA, NYC's Special Narcotics Prosecutor's office and NYPD announced the arrests, plus the seizure of controlled substances from a "traveling heroin mill" in a Manhattan apartment building—right across the street from a public school. PS 115 and apartment building located at 575 West 177th Street. See

http://gothamist.com/2017/09/16/heroin_mill_washington_heights.php

- The next 33rd Precinct Council meeting will be on October 26th.

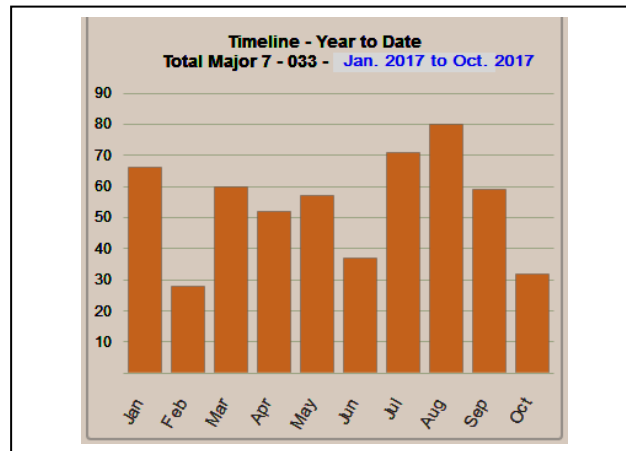


COMPStat 2.0 Year to Date Map and Charts.

Seven (7) Majors reported.

See <https://compstat.nypdonline.org>

	Week to Date			28 Day	
	2017	2016	% Chg	2017	2016
Murder	0	0	0.0 %	0	0
Rape	1	0	- %	1	0
Robbery	5	1	400.0 %	11	7
Felony Assault	5	3	66.7 %	13	15
Burglary	4	0	- %	7	0
Grand Larceny	7	2	250.0 %	18	14
Grand Larceny Auto	0	0	0.0 %	3	3
Total	22	6	266.7 %	53	39



Discussion from the 34th Precinct – Lt. Salvatore Marchese on Commentary Outreach and COMPStat.

Highlights of the latest COMPSTAT report was presented by the 34th Precinct's Lt. Marchese.

- COMPSTAT: Crime up 7.8% but robbery, felony assault and grand larceny down. Mailbox fishing and parcel theft are up. The Chair asked about NYPD distributing gel pens that resist forgery or altering and the 33rd Precinct indicated they had done so in the past at Senior Centers, but needed to get a new supply and would let the board know when they arrived. The 34th Precinct was asked to follow up on this request as well.
- On September 27th the city council passed a bill that would enforce stricter regulations on hookah lounges that the Mayor is expected to sign into law. (Int. 0139-2014 Version: C – Committee on Health) See <http://legistar.council.nyc.gov/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=1681027&GUID=CA7FCECC-AD77-46A5-84BE-FB1E16818D64&Options=&Search=> The bill would raise the minimum smoking age from 18 to 21. It would also require all hookah bars to have a special license and post signs that warn of the dangers of smoking. The bill's sponsors claim that smoking hookah for 40 minutes has the same health consequences as smoking 120 cigarettes. There are many hookah lounges, bars

and restaurants in the 34th Precinct areas of enforcement. There is a 50% threshold for those hookah businesses to meet if they wish to stay open.

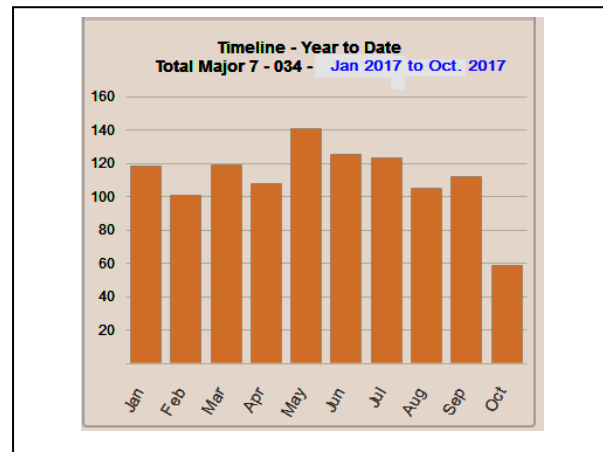
- Domestic violence presentations for October will be held.
- The next 34th Precinct Council meeting takes place on October 25th



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Rape	0	0	0.0 %	0	0
Robbery	7	4	75.0 %	15	11
Felony Assault	6	4	50.0 %	26	28
Burglary	2	3	-33.3 %	14	6
Grand Larceny	15	9	66.7 %	47	40
Grand Larceny Auto	2	2	0.0 %	4	10
Total	32	22	45.5 %	106	95



Discussion from the Office of the District Attorney – Allan S. Valerio

Allan S. Valerio appeared and discussed his role in the DA's Office

- Shine the Light March. In support of victims of domestic violence in our community, the Washington Heights & Inwood Coalition, the NY County District Attorney's Office, DWDC, NMIC, NYPH and many others are holding their Shine the Light march and vigil on Monday, October 16, 2017. The march will begin at the United Palace (175th and Broadway) and continue to 167th and Broadway. See [#shinethelight](https://twitter.com/shinethelight).
- The Manhattan District Attorney's Office has moved away from prosecuting low level summons. Since March, the NYPD will no longer arrest people for minor infractions such as drinking alcohol in public, urinating or littering in Manhattan. Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance, Jr. announced in August the dismissal of 240,472 summonses ten years or older, eliminating the collateral consequences of years-old summons warrants for hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers and enabling them to engage "more fully in their communities without fear of arrest." Under the old policy "Officers who caught someone with an outstanding warrant for even a minor offense committing a new low-level violation must arrest the individual for the old infraction as well. This requires judges to spend time hearing the new minor infraction as well as the old case, and the officer also has to appear in court. With these changes, the person with an outstanding felony warrant caught committing a minor offense will only face arrest for the felony. The minor charge will be dealt with as a summons by a judge on the spot. This new policy in Manhattan will save

valuable police resources.” The Manhattan DA's office said “it will continue to prosecute penal code violations such as disorderly conduct, trespassing, loitering and harassment. Other violations such as driving without a license, possession of a knife longer than 4 inches and selling or possessing synthetic marijuana will also be prosecuted.” See <http://manhattanda.org/press-release/district-attorney-vance-dismisses-240000-summons-cases>

Discussion on Homelessness in the District.

Presentation by Captain Richard Brea (33rd Precinct).

- The Commanding Officer echoed the general theme of this meeting that homelessness is not a crime and requires a level of compassion. Many of these individuals have mental health issues including addiction; many are families and attempts to criminalize them will further limit their chances of getting housing or a job. He summarized enforcement efforts in various hotspots in the community where complaints have been received. Those potential hotspots are:
 - Duarte Square Park (a green street at West 170th Street between Broadway and St. Nicholas Avenue),
 - The Broadway corridor from West 168th Street to West 170th Street,
 - The St. Nicholas Avenue corridor from West 168th to West 170th Street,
 - The Audubon Playground on Audubon Avenue and West 170th Street and adjacent areas,
 - Mitchell Square Park (between Broadway and St. Nicholas Avenue - West 166th Street to West 167th Street),
 - "Needle Park" in the Fort Washington Park (near the Hudson River pathways from the George Washington Bridge Little Red lighthouse and along pathways south over the AMTRAK Bridge going east to West 170 Street Hudson River Parkways),
 - The perimeter of the West 168th Street Ft. Washington Armory and the Hospital from Broadway to Fort Washington Avenue and West 169th Street,
 - The Jumel Historic District (from St. Nicholas Avenue to Edgecombe Avenue at West 160 to West 162nd Streets)
 - The Green Street between Amsterdam Avenue and St. Nicholas Avenue (West 161st Street and West 162nd Street).
 - The subway stop at West 168th Street (the A, C, and #1 train stations - inside and outside).
 - The George Washington Bus Terminal at West 177th Street between Broadway and Fort Washington Avenue.
- NCO's have made eight (8) arrests this monthly period alone and there have been twenty (20) arrests made for the year. Some of these homeless individuals have broken the law for drug use. Unfortunately, the way the system works is that they are usually released within a day and return to the area. So what is needed is a multi-agency response. The 34th precinct commented that there were some areas where responders offered referral to services, but most of these homeless individuals refused as is their right.
- The chair asked if there was still a patrol car still stationed at West 168th and Broadway that was still policing panhandlers. Captain Brea responded they were restructured for the NCO program. On the public's question about problems at the Audubon Playground regarding safety and drug paraphernalia, given limited resources and overall precinct response he pointed out that the police cannot be dedicated there every day. He suggested that concerned residents call their NCO's on this matter. In the area of the Isabella Staff extension office at St. Nicholas Avenue and the West 170th Street corridor the problem is the behavior or a group of individuals that are not necessarily homelessness. Elderly clients are being accosted, subjected to aggressive panhandling or lewd behavior. The precinct will further investigate this problem. Committee member Domingo Estevez suggested that there is also a need for possible collaborative work Isabella staff and clients to do advocacy for the homeless and with that in mind Committee member Katherine Diaz said she will provide a resource list containing multiple agencies that could respond to many of these issues.
- The public had many other questions, but they will be given the opportunity to meet with the presenters during a short break.

Presentation by Etta Graham, Executive Director Project Renewal (Ft. Washington Men's Shelter).

- Ms. Etta Graham gave detail outline of her twenty (20) years experience working in the Fort Washington Men's Shelter (FWMS), located at West 168th Street and West 169th Street across from building complexes of New York Presbyterian Hospital. Project Renewal is the CBO under contract to operate this Shelter for the Department of Homeless Services (DHS). The Armory building itself is under the jurisdiction of the DHS.

- In 1979 a lawsuit, “Callahan v. Carey” ensured the right to shelter for homeless men, women, children, and families in New York City. The New York State Supreme Court ordered the City and State to provide shelter for homeless men in a landmark decision that cited Article XVII of the New York State Constitution. In particular, the lawsuit pointed to Article XVII of the New York State Constitution, which declares that “the aid, care and support of the needy are public concerns and shall be provided by the state and by such of its subdivisions....”. In August 1981, after nearly two years of intensive negotiations between the plaintiffs and the government defendants, Callahan v. Carey was settled as a consent decree. By entering into the decree, the City and State agreed to provide shelter and board to all homeless men who met the need standard for welfare or who were homeless “by reason of physical, mental, or social dysfunction.” **Thus the decree established a right to shelter for all homeless men in New York City, and also detailed the minimum standards which the City and State must maintain in shelters, including basic health and safety standards.** See <http://caselaw.findlaw.com/ny-court-of-appeals/1102948.html>
- The FWMS is not a lockdown shelter – its residents are free to come and although there is curfew.
- There are 200 beds available in the FWMS in the shelter - the only men’s shelter in Community Board 12, Manhattan. The FWMS does not choose their clients. They are sent to this shelter after a screening at the Bellevue Center. They all have been diagnosed with mental health illness and or chemical abuse problems (MICA). Her professional staff includes psychiatrists, nurses, case/social workers, and DHS Peace Officers. These officers can make arrests, but only within the facility. As a result her staff must perform daily perimeter patrols around the Armory and in hotspots in the community. They encourage the few clients they find not to loiter or create behavioral problems for the community. Their clients have been given assignments within a ‘rescue’ plan. J. Baldera of the 71st AD office attests to the fact that many in the men’s shelter are seeking help from constituent services and trying to rebuild their lives.
- The result of canvassing these ‘homeless hotspots’ has confirmed that most of the homeless in the area causing problems are not from the FWMS. Ms. Graham has also participated in these canvassing activities. So the community should be aware that just because there is a homeless shelter in the area no one should make the false connection that all homeless people in the community are from their facility. This has also been confirmed by many outreach CBO’s that operate in the city and this community and who attend the board’s District Services Cabinet meetings. The DHS also has outreach teams.
- There are many positive results from the programs at the FWMS. Program Aides do outreach, there is intensive counseling and a recreation staff. Meals are also served. The outreach team has placed a hundred (100) of their clients per year in housing and seventy (70) clients so far in 2017. There are about 10% of their clients that are sent to the shelter and sent back to DHS after repeated efforts show that the FWMS may not be an appropriate setting for the overwhelming extent of their problems. There is a special database cautiously used for these purposes. Ms Graham then opened the floor to any issues or questions now and others that will be addressed by staff later.

Presentation by Wesley Hamilton (Department of Parks).

- In response to complaints of Duarte Square Park, a green street also under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation (DOT) there are some immediate changes that will take place. The area will close at 9 pm instead of 1 am and the signage to that effect will be posted. This should allow for greater enforcement to prevent hanging out at late hours. Since this area is a green street access must be kept open for individuals to cross the street and therefore it cannot be gated off. In addition, there will be some engineering changes in the benches that will prevent individuals from reclining or sleeping on them. This will also aid enforcement efforts. Audubon Playground will be closed for renovation in early 2018 and there are more secure changes, more landscaping and fencing planned in the design. This project was driven by the local community advocacy and was approved by the community board several months

ago by a resolution out of the board's Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee and a public design meeting. See (**Resolution Supporting the Renovation of the Audubon Playground** http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb12/downloads/pdf/june_2017_parks_resos.pdf) The Parks Department is aware of the homeless situation and drug abuse in all of its parks and has partnered with many agencies and CBO's to perform needle exchanges, needle cleanups, prevention and removal of encampments, fire prevention, cameras, call boxes, vandalism and new comfort station and landscaping designs.

After a prolonged discussion on these matters and a commitment to place them on next month's agenda the Chair called for a short recess so that the large number of attendees could meet in the sixth floor hall with Project Renewal Staff, Isabella Staff, and the NYPD and follow-up on any personal or related issues. As they left we continued the meeting with a much smaller group on the next item on the agenda.

Presentation by Ruth Fasoldt Ruth Fasoldt, External Affairs Manager- LinkNYC - Intersection Co.

Ruth Fasoldt, the External Affairs Manager from Intersection/LinkNYC gave a brief PowerPoint© presentation on the history, functions and current rollouts in the city of the LinkNYC kiosk. The current system is under a franchise agreement with the City that started in 2014. Community Board 12, Manhattan testified at the City's Franchise and Concession Review Committee (FCRC) when the proposed NYC DoITT contract was under review and made several recommendations. *Copies available at the community board's office upon request.*

The contract with City Bridges, Inc. calls for them to replace all the current street payphones with these kiosks that will have free Wi-Fi. The revenue generated from advertising will allow the city to share in some \$400 to \$500 Million dollars over the twelve year life span of the contract. (Note: Technological changes and telecommunication advances will rapidly develop during this time period)

Each kiosk will have at least one camera for security of the device, be ADA compliant and accessible, have limited internet service. There will be content allowed for Office of Emergency Management (OEM) alerts, Community Board announcements, Health Department notices and free link for local ads related to community events, businesses, voter info, etc. There are 11 inch tablet interface, a 911 button, charging outlet and even "Aunt Bertha" for connecting people and programs. See images below.



LinkNYC Kiosks.

There are some standards for site planning and a "notice to proceed" from DoITT/LinkNYC. There are permits from DOT and agreements with Verizon and Con Edison that need to be made prior to site deployment. This process takes about six months or less.

NOTE: It was reported in a news article that the cost of installing these kiosks is \$12,900 each and connecting the gigabit internet optical fiber is \$15,000. There is also a \$5,000 per kiosk to a "warranty and hardware refresh fund," presumably to allow for repairs and upgrades. Along with these one-off costs each kiosk would run up \$1,440 in maintenance fees, \$2,400 in power bills and a hefty \$8,400 in fiber charges annually. The total first-year expenses installing 100 kiosks would be more than \$4.5 million. There is a large opportunity for advertising revenue that would offset these costs and to allow the kiosks to "pay for themselves in two years" See <https://www.recode.net/2016/7/1/12072122/alphabet-sidewalk-labs-city-wifi-sidewalk-kiosks>

The Chair raised the issues of site planning questions, community involvement and transparency regarding the deployment of these units. While it was understood that there is a city contract/franchise agreement for deployment of and replacement of the street payphones there is no direct involvement of the community board on public safety and other issues related to the actual sites involved. In fact, some of the street payphone sites have proven unusable given the engineering standards required for fiber optic and the distance from subway entrances. In this case 'Greenfields' or an optional site has been chosen. Given that situation, community boards and the borough president have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that require prior approval or consultations.

Greater transparency is needed on these issues such as some form of involvement prior to the 'notice to proceed' from DoITT. After the fact publishing in the Open Data Website just does not address this issue as could 'before the fact' consultation with community stakeholders including the NYPD. This could help prevent unforeseeable local problems.

One of these unforeseeable problems has now come before the board and this committee. Some residents from the West 162nd Street and Sylvan Terrace (ostensibly the Jumel Terrace Historic District) appeared at this meeting and at the 33rd Precinct meeting to raised concerns about a class of users drawn to the free kiosk service that they felt were creating safety and quality of life issues. They site under dispute is the LinkNYC kiosk located in front of 450 West 162nd Street (some 30 feet East of the South East corner) near the St. Nicholas Avenue/Amsterdam Avenue Triangle Green Street. This is the same site of the old street payphone now removed and replace with the kiosk on November 2016. The behaviors and activities of concern that this group mentioned were: "drug transactions, actual drug use, homelessness, littering, harassment of female residents, defecation, urinating, sexual intercourse, and violent fights." The tree pit and the low iron fence adjacent to the kiosk has become "a cesspool or garbage dump". Note: It is common occurrence for some kiosk users to sit on this fence with their smart phones plug in.

Most of these claims could not be objectively substantiated in terms of frequency or duration as occurring 24/7 every day. Others, including the police also could not substantiate all these reports weighed against the frequency and duration of the higher incidence of crimes reported and found throughout the precinct and in particular in the same sector west of Amsterdam Avenue. While this kiosk may be an attractive nuisance it does raise the issue of the lack of community input in these rollouts such that this group vociferously has called for this "kiosk to be immediately disabled and relocated!"

It was pointed out to them that them that no kiosk has ever been removed in the city to date and that the rollout into northern Manhattan into CB12, M has just begun with only 17 installed on the Amsterdam and Broadway corridors (with only 16 activated). *See the maps on the next page.* This scarcity could easily account for the overuse at this station and the need to rollout more units sooner. In fact there have been over 200,000 internet connections in the district since 2016. The building at 450 West 162 Street (Class B – 45 Units – 6 stories – 2109/088) unlike most other neighborhood buildings is not a brownstone, but a multifamily building of renters. They were in attendance at this meeting. Some

may be kiosk users and it is entirely out of order at a public meeting for anyone present at the meeting as was suggested to claim they can speak for or represent them, particularly since those assembled are property owners. There is no attorney-client relationship here as well. The community board represents all communities and clearly there is a high digital divide in this community where these kiosks will serve an important need now and in the future.

So first, we must establish if these claims are founded or unfounded or hyped. To this end the general consensus at the meeting was to have only this kiosk camera(s) activated. Ms Fasoldt inform the group that this might require a subpoena from the NYPD and in any event the NYCLU had asked the Mayor due to privacy concerns to place restrictions on any activation of these cameras outside of kiosk abuse concerns. See <https://www.nyclu.org/sites/default/files/releases/city%20wifi%20letter.pdf>

Ms Fasoldt responded that she would get back to the committee on this matter as well as on the issues a greater transparency and 'before the fact' actions is taken on "notices to proceed" from DoITT.

Concurrently, the 33rd Precinct will patrol the area, gather information and meeting with the neighborhood associations to followup. This item will be on the November Public Safety Committee agenda.

See Maps below.



Figure 1. Current LinkNYC Locations in Community Board 12, Manhattan

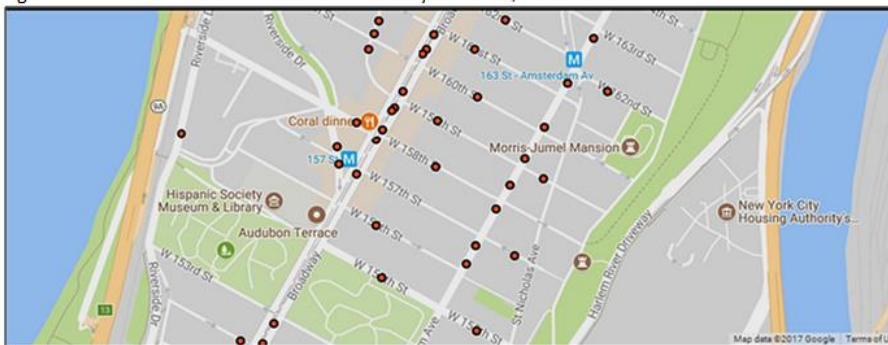


Figure 2. Public Street Pay Telephone Locations, circa 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 10:16PM

Respectfully submitted,
Natalie Espino
Edited and Expanded by Richard Lewis, Chair
Public Safety Committee
October 4th, 2017

Appendix A

Final Public Safety Committee FY 2019 Capital and Expense Budget Rankings

NEW PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE RANKINGS AND LAST YEAR'S BOARD EXPENSE BUDGET RANKINGS – FY 2019				
NEW COMMITTEE RANKING	OLD COMMITTEE RANKING	OLD BOARD RANKING	DESCRIPTION	EXPLANATION
1	4	34	YOUTH CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS. More outreach and conditioning programs.	This Item was ranked #4 by the Committee last year and the #34 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201834E</u>
2	5	16	EXPAND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS. More multi-agency response needed with NYPD.	This Item was ranked #5 by the Committee last year and the #16 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201834E</u>
3	3	41	ASSIGN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICERS – Not enough.	This Item was ranked #3 by the Committee last year and the #41 st by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201841E</u>
4	2	21	ASSIGN ADDITIONAL STAFF TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC CRIMES. More training needed in youth crimes	This Item was ranked #2 by the Committee last year and the #21 st by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201321E</u>
5	1	13	MORE POLICE OFFICERS. To maintain neighborhood stabilization.	This Item was ranked #1 by the Committee last year and the #13 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312010181E</u>

NEW PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE RANKINGS AND LAST YEAR'S BOARD CAPITAL BUDGET RANKINGS – FY 2019				
NEW COMMITTEE RANKING	LAST YEAR'S COMMITTEE RANKING	LAST YEAR'S BOARD RANKING	DESCRIPTION	EXPLANATION
1	4	21	UPGRADE EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM New version needed for both 311 and 911 calls received and rapid agency response	This Item was ranked #4 by the Committee last year and the #21 st by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201820C</u> <i>There are too many agency closed calls without real-time caller authentication. Also no record of operator pickup times and the current geospatial mapping software used is over a decade old and needs modern techniques to find the correct locations or de-mapped streets in a changing cityscape.</i>
2	3	10	JOINT BUDGET ITEM REPAIR OR PROVIDE TRAFFIC LIGHTS, PARK AND STREET LIGHTS.	This Item was ranked #3 by the Committee last year and the #10 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201810C</u> <i>The turnaround time to fix street and park lights and traffic lights and or their systems takes too long. Standards and procedures to obtain new traffic lights also need to be updated for faster request turnaround.</i>
3	1	8	CAMERAS FOR SURVEILLANCE. Street monitoring systems in high crime areas not spying	This Item was ranked #1 by the Committee last year and the #8 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201808C</u> <i>An established crime fighting tool that augments basic crime prevention or aids forensics for prosecution.</i>
4	2	23	SHOTSPOTTERS. Devices to detect the origin of gun shots.	This Item was ranked #2 by the Committee last year and the #23 rd by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201823C</u> <i>These triads of sensors are installed on tall buildings and are effective in crime fighting and saving lives.</i>
5	5	26	NOISE DECIBEL READERS (Other NYPD Equipment) in high noise areas.	This Item was ranked #5 by the Committee last year and the #26 th by the Board. <u>BUDGET CODE: 312201826C</u>

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Appendix B

TALKING POINTS FOR THE NYPD (33rd and 34th Precincts and Transit District 3)

Talking points that may come up in tonight's Public Safety Committee

Community Board 12, Manhattan

Public Safety Committee Meeting – October 4th, 2017

1. Please highlight salient points of the precinct's latest COMPSTAT Report on the major crime indices. List them Year to Date and well as spikes.
2. Describe what steps you are taking to lower these spikes. Are there any hotspots?
3. How many summonses, arrests, detentions, removals, warnings have your police officers in either the 33rd or 34th Precincts made related to homelessness, illegal trespass, aggressive behavior, mental illness (DSP), drug overdosed (substance abuse), alcohol intoxicated, needle use, or similar incidents in the

street, parks, playgrounds, buildings, commercial establishment recently (the past two months) and year to date (YTD).

4. How many of these incidents that required police responses were located in or near Duarte Square, Audubon Playground, the Armory and the Broadway Strip from West 168th Street to West 1714st Street, and the green street triangle located at West 161st Streets/162nd Street between Amsterdam/St. Nicholas Avenue.
5. If there were arrests or summonses how many were confirmed residents of the Fort Washington Men's Shelter?
6. If they were confirmed – how were they and was each case reported to Project Renewal the not for profit that administers the shelter for the Department of Homeless Services?
7. Are there routine patrols (NCO's and others) in or near Duarte Square, Audubon Playground, the Armory and the Broadway Strip from West 168th Street to West 1714st Street, and the Green Street triangle located at West 161st Streets/162nd Street between Amsterdam/St. Nicholas Avenue.
8. Are there active and ongoing communications with DHS, HRA, Project Renewal the Parks Department, DOT and or homeless outreach organizations on these homelessness issues in Community District 12, Manhattan?
9. Now that the George Washington Bridge Bus Terminal is re-opened what is the state of homelessness there and what preparations are being made when the cold/winter weather starts?
10. What is being done with the homeless and panhandling on the subways? Be specific about incidents.
11. What has been the effect of new quality of life summons reduction enacted by the Manhattan District Attorney?
12. Describe what community outreach programs your precinct is sponsored during the past month and the coming month?

TALKING POINTS FOR THE MANHATTAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE

1. How many arrests went to trial? (Manhattan and Community District 12, Manhattan)
2. How many cases are awaiting trial? (Manhattan and Community District 12, Manhattan)
3. How many trials led to convictions? (Manhattan and Community District 12, Manhattan)
4. How many convictions are awaiting sentencing? (Manhattan and Community District 12, Manhattan)
5. How many to some kind of work release program?
6. Explain the new rules regarding summonses or arrests related to quality of life matters.
7. What outreach programs will the Manhattan DA's Office be conducting this month and coming months?

TALKING POINTS FOR THE FORT WASHINGTON MEN'S SHELTER (PROJECT RENEWAL)

1. Explain the intake and outtake procedures at the Shelter and the Callahan Court Order and Homelessness.
2. Explain security in and outside the Shelter.
3. Explain your experience in this community and Shelter.
4. Explain any false impressions about this Shelter and how this Shelter is audited and it's ranking.
5. Explain services rendered at the Shelter and transition rate to supportive housing.
6. Explain the typical profile without breaching confidentiality of Shelter residents (mental illness/substance abuse, average age, the number of beds, etc.)
7. Explain the annual percentage of residents who are re-referred for repeated bad behavior to DHS.

TALKING POINTS FOR AGENCIES AND OTHER HOMELESS OUTREACH ORGANIZATIONS

1. What is the total number of homeless individuals in NYC?
2. What is the number of homeless families in this total number?
3. What are some of the known cause of homelessness?

4. What is being done to reduce the homeless crisis?
5. Explain the difference between compassion, rehabilitation, and criminality in handling homelessness in our city?
6. How are encampments handled?
7. How are various situations involving homeless individuals handled in city parks and playgrounds? What is deemed inappropriate or unlawful?
8. Explain the Needle Exchange and Needle Disposal Programs.
9. Explain lawful and unlawful use of needles and substance abuse.
10. Explain the so-called 'Opioid' crisis. Explain the street and designer drug use and relationships to homelessness.

TALKING POINTS ON THE LINKNYC 'KIOSK' SYSTEMS

1. What is a LinkNYC 'Kiosk' and its history?
2. Who are the responsible parties and what is the scope of the franchise agreement?
3. What has happen or will happen to all the old street public payphones?
4. How many of these LinkNYC 'Kiosks' are installed city-wide, in Manhattan, and Community District 12, M?
5. What are the determining factors, rules, permits agreements for each location? Is there community input?
6. How long does it take from planning to installation to activation for each location?
7. Once installed and activated can these LinkNYC 'kiosks' be re-located? If so where, why and at what cost and time?
8. What has been community response to these 'kiosks'?
9. Have there been abuses and if so how have they been addressed or prevented? Who is responsible for complaints?
10. Given the advances in technology, W-Fi and telecommunications what are some future plans?



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