

**Community Board 12, Manhattan**  
**Parks & Cultural Affairs Committee Meeting: November 14, 2017**  
**CB12 Conference Room (530 W. 166<sup>th</sup> St., 6<sup>th</sup> fl., NYC 10032)**

Committee Members Present: Mitchell Glenn (Ass't Chair), Daryl Cochrane, Natalie Espino, Barbara Frazier, Richard Lewis. Committee Members absent: Elizabeth Lorris Ritter (excused), Domingo Estevez. Board Members Present: Sara A. Fisher. Staff: Paola Garcia. Also attending: Trish Anderton, Inwood Canoe Club; Michael Fuhrman & Meghan Alvarez, RowNY; Edna Fernandez; Joanna Castro, NoMAA; N. Manza, Alzheimers Assn. Jennifer Hoppa, NYC Parks.

**Meeting called to order at 6:45pm.**

1. **Welcome, Opening Remarks & Announcements** (Mitchell Glenn, Assistant Chair)
2. **Review of FY'19 Capital & Expense Budget Priorities** as passed by CB12M PCA expenses priorities were not ranked highly by the full Board. Two PCA Capital Priorities ranked well: Native American & African Slave Burial Capital projects ranked (10<sup>th</sup>) and Maintenance of Fort Tryon, Highbridge, & Inwood Hill Parks Paths and Trails (15<sup>th</sup>).
3. **NYC Parks Report** (Jennifer Hoppa, Northern Manhattan Parks Administrator) See full report in separate document. There were discussions about:
  - RFP for community garden on W. 167<sup>th</sup> going out next week. Questions about public participation in the process. Ms. Hoppa says one of the criteria is community participation in programming.
  - Inwood waterline project proceeding. Bathrooms in IHP Nature Center should be completed by spring 2018
  - MTA is doing clean up in some parks; they will follow up on misleading signage
  - Questions about Anne Loftus stairs having handrails.
  - Follow up questions on Juan Pablo Duarte square and similar safety issues in other green spaces
4. **Report from Northern Manhattan Arts & Culture** (NMAC) on new website and Artists & Arts Resources Directory (Natalie Espino). NMAC had successful website launch. Artists, arts organizations, arts professionals, and community members with spaces to list should register at [www.nmac.nyc](http://www.nmac.nyc).
5. **Report from Northern Manhattan Arts Alliance** (NoMMA) on the 2018 Uptown Arts Stroll and Technical Assistance Institute (Joanna Castro).
  - Art of Healing at Allen exhibit opened in October; on display until early January.
  - Two installations in Inwood Hill Park through Partnerships for Parks under theme "New Bench"; meet-the-Artist mixer on Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup> at 11am.
  - Please support Latin American Cultural Week; some events partnering with Sugar Hill Museum.
  - 16<sup>th</sup> annual Uptown Arts Stroll June 2018; calls for artists start in a few weeks
  - Richard Lewis asked for past NoMAA poster art for the new CB12 site.
  - Fall 2017 Technical Assistance Institute Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9am-3pm at Gregorio Luperon HS.
6. **Announcements:** NYPL free Internet access for families with children; flyers and postcards at CB office and in the back.

There being no old or new business, **the meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.**

Respectfully submitted: Natalie Espino.