

## COMMITTEE FOR CONCERNS OF THE AGING MINUTES

Thursday, October 5, 2017

@ Community Board Office

### Committee Members:

**The attendees were:** Mary Anderson, Chair; Fern Hertzberg, Assistant Chair; Domingo Estevez, Board member; Norma De Candido, Public Member; Ann McCosh; Isaiah Pittman, NYPL-Inwood.

**Absent:** Eleazar Bueno

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The meeting was called to order at 10:45AM.

### Budget priorities

1. Discussion was held on Budget priorities of this committee for FY19. Distributed documents included FY19 Borough Budget Consultations; OMB report to CB12 on prior items listed; FY18 Capital and Expense rankings; Building a Safety Net for Older New Yorkers and FY18 advocacy requests for the “Year of the Senior” campaign.
2. Priorities were—expense budget:
  - a. Senior Center system-wide upgrades
  - b. Increased funding for EISEP (In-home Services for the Elderly Program)
  - c. Increase funding for transportation services for seniors
  - d. Fund for food to accommodate medical needs
  - e. Funding for NORCs to fulfill the unfunded mandate for nursing hours
3. Priorities for Capital budget were:
  - a. Affordable housing
  - b. Renovate and build senior centers, as needed
4. Voted on priorities
  - a. Board members 3-0
  - b. Public 3-0
  - c. Votes passed unanimously

Isaiah Pittman presented on **Inwood Public Library**. He brought material on the plans to build. He stated that the library building has structural issues and that the new library was needed, regardless of the affordable housing plan. He stated that he will return and follow up with us as the RFP is responded to and as plans become clearer.

Fern Hertzberg presented general information about the engagement project she has just gotten funded, “**Addressing Health Disparities on Metabolic Syndrome**”. She gave overview information on the project and informed the committee that they will be updated throughout the project, with the project beginning in November 2017.

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**Future of the Committee \_ homework is to come up with additional ideas**

Goals are to improve attendance

Possibly create a flyer or submit an article to Manhattan Times for publicity

Revisit prior plans for the committee that had not come to fruition

**Old Business**

None

**Announcements**

Isabella Health Fair on 10/13- We will hand out material

33<sup>rd</sup> Precinct contact information distributed

**Adjourn:** Fern/Domingo approved unanimously at 12:10PM

Adjourned at 12:10pm.