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GANSEVOORT ARTS ADVISORY PANEL

March 22, 2021

The Gansevoort Arts Advisory Panel of Community Board #2, Manhattan held an information session at 7:00p.m on March 22, 2021 via Zoom.

The meeting reviewed and explained the 60-74 Gansevoort project as well as the application process for the Master Tenant position for the project

There were no resolutions created from this meeting

Gansevoort Arts Advisory Panel:
Board Members Present: David Gruber, Chair; Carter Booth, Patricia Laraia, Robin Rothstein, Susan Wittenberg
Other Board members Present: Jeannine Kiely, CB2 Chair; Brian Pape, Donna Raftery, Frederica Siegel, Katy Bordonaro

Minutes:

- This meeting was an opportunity to introduce and explain the 60-74 Gansevoort project and the process of recommending a Master Tenant that will negotiate and sign a lease with building ownership. Additionally, the Art Advisory Working Group (AAWG) meeting was attended by Jared Epstein of Aurora Capital Associates, the building owner, who was available to answer questions and comment on various aspects of the project.

- The meeting was hosted by David Gruber, chair of the AAWG, and was attended by the Working Group members, and other board members noted above.

- The meeting began with a lengthy explanation of the project plus the complete description of what of the process is to become the administrator of the program.

- The criteria of who is qualified to become said administrator are contained in the Community Board resolution of the Arts and Institution meeting of April 3, 2020.

- The entire process and CB2 resolution is to be put the community board calendar, as a direct link. An email blast from the board office will also be sent. Notices are to be sent to various local and theater media.

- Gruber also touched on Phase Two of the project in response to a question from Frederica Siegel. An additional 2,000 square feet of space was to be provided at an under market rate of $50,000 per year on Weehawken Street as part of the overall Aurora effort to support arts and culture in Lower Manhattan and create an Arts District in and around Weehawken Street.

- That phase, however, is not yet ready to move forward at this time and we are proceeding with Phase One.

Respectfully submitted,

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