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ARTS & INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Arts & Institutions Committee of Community Board #2, Manhattan held a meeting on Monday, June 27 at 5:30 P.M. via Zoom.

Arts & Institutions Committee:

Board Members Present: Ivy Kwan-Arce Chair; Robin Rothstein Chris Dignes, Susan Gammie, Dan Miller; Rocio Sanz

Public Members Present: Kristin Jones, Andrew Ginzel, Gail Fox

Public Members Absent with Notification: Kristin Marting

Public Members Absent without Notification:

Other Board Members Present:

There was one item on the agenda. Meeting Commenced: 5:30 pm

1. Kristin Jones, Andrew Ginzel, architects of the Metronome presented their developing proposal for and upgrade of the project.

Kristin Jones and Andrew Ginzel, are the original architects of the Metronome / Climate Clock" located at One Union Square South they have been working on proposing an upgrade to the project to the new building owners who recently repointed and regilded the building. The architects shared their preliminary proposals to Arts & Institutions Committee of Community Board #2 for review, comments and suggestions. The presentation included their desire to and add a backlight and a globe rotating in the adjacent building with a live feed from NASA.

Members of Arts & Institutions Committee of Community Board #2 expressed support to the project under development, noting that the owners / management of the property had not asked for and update to the project and have not replied to the architects requests for a meeting. The architects are proposing the upgrade. Cost and estimates such us cost of the wifi to the rotating globe, the cost of the project upgrade such as the lighting cost and the maintenances of the lights are still being researched by the architects to be expenses of the landlord. Andrew provided the follow information about the landlord

In November of 2020 The Related Companies sold a partial share of the building to an Argentine family business: Raghsa Real Estate LLC (MKF Realty).

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Architects met with Edgar. He indicated the Raghsa Real Estate are doing extensive upgrades to the residential floors.

The Related Companies continues to manage the building.

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In response to a request from the architects for CB2 support in this endeavor, the committee suggested to step our support in sync with the evolving phases of the project. It is premature to write a blanket endorsement of support, but at this stage, CB2 could support the creative concepts of the artists' reimagined iteration of their previous work, in the hopes that our support will help the artists move their work forward..

Executive

June 27, 2022 was Ivy Kwan Arce first meeting as the chair of the Arts & Institutions Committee, with gratitude of Dan Miller, continued support of Robin Rothstein and Jeannine Kiely.

In reviewing the schedule with Robin Rothstein, the committee will not meet in August and our next meeting will be in September.

The committee will draft a letter of support in step of the evolving phase of "Metronome / Climate Clock" located at One Union Square South. The architects have signed up to present to full board meeting on July 21, 2022 at 6:30 pm. Aiming to have a letter for approval for the August executive meeting.

Ivo E. Philbert Vice President, Community Engagement, Partnerships and Communication The Jackie Robinson Foundation will attend the full board meeting on July 21, 2022 to share their opening plans.

Ivy Kwan Arce is delivering a next installment to the Whitney Biennial Aug. 5, the event is a talk with global longterm AIDS survival and activist that will be present at the Whitney. The event is free.

<https://whitney.org/events/activism-for-global-pandemic-equity>

No new business.

Meeting Adjourned: 18:36:16 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ivy Kwan Arce
Chair, Arts & Institutions Committee
Community Board 2, Manhattan