

**MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD No. 4** 

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#### JESSE R. BODINE District Manager

# MINUTTES DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MEETING

Date: Wednesday, March 18th, 2015

**Time:** 10:00 AM

Place: Community Board 4 Office

330 West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (b. 8/9 Aves.)

26<sup>th</sup> Floor

**Attendance:** Provided upon request

#### AGENDA

# 1. AGENCY ISSUES AND UPDATES

# NYPD (10th, 13<sup>th</sup>, Midtown South Precinct, Midtown North Precinct, Traffic)

- Top three crimes of the 7 major crimes for last 28 day period
  - Midtown North Precinct
    - Grand Larceny: 112/2015 vs. 139/2014
    - Burglary: 18/2015 vs. 16/2014
    - Robbery: 9/2015 vs/ 7/2014
- Top three collision prone locations for February
  - Midtown North Precinct
    - W. 57<sup>th</sup> St and 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. 7 accidents, 1 injury
    - W. 57<sup>th</sup> St. and 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. 5 accidents, 1 injury
    - West 48<sup>th</sup> St. and 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. 6 accidents, 0 injury

#### **FDNY**

- Fire\Service Report for CD4 for the Month of February 2015
  - No Major Structural Fires in CD4 for February and March
  - 20% increase in calls regarding potential gas leaks, smoking manholes and transformers due to the weather conditions.

## **DOT**

- Vision Zero in CD4
  - DOT will be attending CB4 TRANS Committee in April to present On Dyer Ave Contra Flow and split phase for 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Ave



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- West 57 Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Ave
  - Reviewing the existing 7 second LPI and possible split phase signal at the intersection
- Snow removal on DOT Bridges in CD4
  - DOT is responsible for maintaining a number of overpasses and bridges above the Amtrak rails in the district, which are listed in the DOT <u>Annual Bridge and Tunnel Report</u>, however, snow Removal of the East River Bridges are the priority locations
- Manhattan Speed Bump Schedule for 2015
  - Vision Zero's plan to install speed bumps near schools is the priority; all prior requests will be reviewed and installed subsequently.
- The conversion of 11 Ave between West 57 Street and West 44 Street from two way to one way is not planned to occur in 2015
- Partial Collapse of Ped Ramp SE Corner West 15th St & 7th Ave
  - After inspection it was discovered that there was a collapsed catch basin and NYC DEP inspected and is making the necessary repairs
- Dyer Ave Contra Flow Lane
  - DOT will have a presentation to show CB4 in May 2015

### **DOB**

- DOB following inspections of locations involved in since Manhattan DA's office arrest of DOB inspectors
  - 613 8<sup>th</sup> Ave Last application request was for a T.C.O in?
  - 346 West 46 Street Last active permit was in 2008
  - 732 8<sup>th</sup> Ave Last application request was for installation of a fire suppression system in 2014
- Status of 559 West 22 Street Stalled Site
  - Currently the site is not in the stalled site program and has a expired fence permit.
  - DOB will reach out to the owner and inform them the fence needs to be removed.



# Chair

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- Inspection results of 4 Pennsylvania Plaza Lighting
  - DOB inspected the lights on February 24, 2015 and found them in compliance.
- Storm enclosure inspection update and 311 reporting update
  - DOB will be sending out letters to all of the sites visited to remind them of the DOB rule requiring the storm enclosures can only be 18 inches in depth.
- Every Tuesday night from 4pm-7pm DOB holds Owner's Night which allows property owners to meet with DOB staff to review potential projects and review the necessary permits required.

#### **DEP/DDC**

- DEP
  - Fire hydrant at West 40th Street and 9th Ave patch repair
    - DEP Repair Unit will return and backfill and blacktop the site in the next couple of weeks
- DDC
  - See enclosed monthly updates
  - CB4 and DDC will be planning a public update forum regarding the status of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ave water tunnel in April

#### **DOHMH**

- Update on community outreach of temporary closure of health department clinic at 303 West 9th Ave
  - DOHMH website updated with relocation information and worked with 311 to have the relocation information "encoded" there effective 02/26/15
  - DOHMH sent communiques to community-bases organizations and provide flyers to patients
  - DOHMH provided posters and signage with the relocation information on it.

#### DHS

- DHS\Out Reach Team stats for chronic street homeless CD4
  - **Clients:** 38 clients, 11 are staying on the street in the area, 7 are in transitional housing and 20 are in permanent housing.



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- <u>Placements:</u> Past six months, DHS was able to house a total of 17 clients. 8 of these placements were into transitional housing and 9 were into permanent housing.
- <u>311 calls:</u> DHS received 36 calls in the February. 14 calls resulted in individuals being found at the location. 0 of the 14 calls resulted in transport to shelter (all individuals engaged declined immediate services).
- Priority outreach team location in CD4
  - **40**<sup>th</sup> **btwn 10**<sup>th</sup> **and Dyer:** 3 clients, under scaffolding, no significant structures other than cardboard boxes, a mattress periodically.
  - 51<sup>st</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Ave.: 2 clients, under scaffolding, client has one large cart, the other client had a significant amount of belongings has been moving after a recent clean up, she stays around 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. area
  - Chelsea Park: We have not seen a lot of individuals overnight (likely due to the weather) but is more of a hangout spot during the day with the nearby soup kitchen.
  - 302 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. (at 25<sup>th</sup>): 1 client, she has not been seen in the area for two months, she frequents Grand Central Terminal when it is cold. She has one large cart covered with a tarp near the 7-11 at this address.
  - 101 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave: we have not engaged anyone here or seen evidence of homeless activity but will continue to check.

## BRC\Subway Out reach

- Starting July 2014 homeless outreach in the subway system budget was raised to \$6 million.
- Resulting in increased presence at priority locations such as Penn Station.

## **DPR**

• CD4 will be receiving 47 Street Trees in spring 2015 – see the enclosed document for locations.



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## ConEd

- Work hours at West 16<sup>th</sup> Street and 9<sup>th</sup> Ave
  - As per CB4's request, work will be done during the day and on Saturday, not on Sunday.
- See enclosed location list for ConEd load transfer work in the Clinton area
- ConEd is waiting for Spring to repaint the S.W. corner of 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and West 41 Street

#### **MTA**

• Work on the L line will begin in late March on the weekends for 5 weeks. Riders should use the M14 bus and MTA proved shuttled buses as an alternate route.

## **OSE**

• OSE appreciates Council Member Corey Johnson for his support and advocating increasing the operating budget to \$2 million – see enclosure for further details.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am