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DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MEETING

Date: Wednesday, June 17th 2020
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: https://zoom.us/j/94195292721?pwd=Q0pmejRtUmhzMEMydmRKeHoxbDkvUT09
Meeting ID: 941 9529 2721
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A G E N D A

District Issues

NYPD (10th, 13th, Midtown South Precinct, Midtown North Precinct, Traffic)
All Precincts District Report

- Enforcement response and arrests
Incidents of looting and vandalism-
10th Precinct: This is a city wide issue. NYPD is trying to preserve the life of the public and officers. They responded to issues regarding assaults and areas of protestors.
Midtown North: Looting occurred in 8th Avenue. The Verizon store on 8th Avenue & W.52nd to W.53rd Street had all their windows were broken. 7 Eleven, Rite-Aid on W.50th & 8th Avenue had broken windows too. Mickey Spillane on W.49th St & 9th Avenue had a window broken.
Demonstrators
10th Precinct: Nationwide issue. Peaceful walks were held. Little engagement was held. No demonstrators were arrested within the precinct area.
Midtown North: On 9th Avenue a group of about 200 people were marching down the street and 6 arrests were done for blocking the street.
Responses to reports of lack of social distancing and open containers
10th Precinct: Flyers were handed out and officers reminded businesses to practice social distancing as and post signage. Open containers is an issue they worry about. Businesses have prevented intoxication.
Midtown North: For social distancing NYPD is not giving summons out. They are advising them to stay six feet apart. If NYPD sees open containers they will take appropriate actions.
Top three major crimes-
10th Precinct: Criminal mischief, burglary, and robbery.
Midtown North: Crime is down due to the pandemic. Burglary has gone up, grand larceny, and robbery.

DOT:
DOT District Report
Past Outstanding Items:

- CB4 request for installation of bike corral at Southeast corner of West 23rd Street and 9th Avenue- Limited staff out at the location. The location has been approved.
- CB4 Request - status of Safety improvements at 7th Avenues and West 14th Street (Vermeer) and MTA Construction- It was installed early March. They spoke to residents and some were okay with it and other didn't think it would be effective.
- CB4 Request - Status of following intersections being included in Multi Ped Ramp Project: Ped Ramp are complex and on the list for future installation. CB4 should have the listed locations on their budget priority list. DOT will provide the board with updates as the contracts get assigned to DDC. The Ped Ramps will probably take approximately 5 years because they're capital projects (complex projects)
 - West 34th Street and Dyer Avenue (South West landing)
 - West 42nd Street and Dyer Avenue (North East and North West landing)
 - West 48th Street and Eighth Avenue (West crossing)
- Status of street marking for West 55th Street- Bike lane markings on West 52nd and 9th Avenue: Contractors weren't able to finish punchlist markings items this spring due to parked cars, they will be returning in the future after ASP suspension is lifted, to facilitate getting cars moved. I don't have a date range but will update you when we find out.
- Temporary solution to unfinished bike lane at West 52nd Street and 9th Avenue- DDC was working in this location. The issue was forwarded to the bike division to get the work done. DOT will check if it was completed.
- Damaged sidewalk at P.S. 111: 10th Avenue between West 52/53 Street- DOT agreed that the sidewalk needed repair. Before COVID they were estimating the cost it will take to make the repairs. Hopefully it's done before the school opens.
- Status of the replacement two street lamps on West 45th Street 8/9 Avenues- Waiting on the information of street lights.
- Street Lamp out at 509 West 29th Street & Lights under the Highline – A developer removed the light when construction was occurring. They are responsible for reinstalling the light. The lights under the highline are part of DOT. DOT will email streetlights to look into this issue.

DOB

DOB District Report

Phase 1 construction has resumed. DOB is doing inspection across the city to ensure that workers are maintaining social distancing and have a plan in place for social distancing. DOB is issuing summons regarding safety issues. They will warn contractors of social distancing and give them 30 days, after that they will issue them fines associated with their violations.

DEP/DDC

• DEP

DEP District Report

DEP is continuing operations to make sure water is safe and clean for engineers and scientists. As for operations, they've looked at all water shut down requests and have been able to prioritize and push back any requests. May's report stated that there were 225 complaints via 311. 74 complaints were regarding construction noise. Construction is opening up since Phase 1 has begun. The 2019 new water quality report is up on the website.

• DDC

• Project Updates:

- HWPEDSF4 - Multi-Site Ped Ramp at West 34 Street 8th/9th Avenue – Richard Perez- Completion Date: Summer 2020: Currently working on electrical and telephone layouts. Con ED decided to change the layout so DDC has been delayed.
- MED598B – Trunk Water Main West 30th Street – Mike Whitfield – Completion Date: Spring 2021- 80% done with project. Currently moving to West 30th Street & 9th Avenue

with a 48 inch water main trunk and that portion will be between West 30th -31st Street. Additional work is being done between W.31st-33rd Street & 9th Avenue.

- MED-645 – Water Main Installation 10th/11th Ave and West 20th St./West 21 Str – Sayda Noboa-Torres – Completion Date: Winter 2020- Working throughout COVID. Currently working on the corner of W.21st & 10th Avenue. Assisting Con Ed in relocating their gas main to make way for the water main pipe. DDC can't do water shut downs, so they have to work around it. They've received a couple of noise complain regarding the backup machine. A contractor placed a noise muffler to reduce beeping sound of the backup machine.
- HWMP2020 – Gansevoort Area Reconstruction – Sofia Noboa – Completion Date: Winter 2020- Worked during pandemic and extended work hours. Con Edison work has mostly been done on the intersection of West 16th Street & 9th Avenue. The gas main has been sealed and there is a new layout that they're working on West 15 & 9th avenue. Cobblestone on W.14 & 15th Street and 9th avenue has been done.

DPR- See attachments

DSNY

District Report

- Status of corner baskets- They were removed during the protest but have been placed back. Garbage & recycle is delayed. Residents have to wait until the next day to make a complaint about garbage or recycle delay.
- Sidewalk litter in front of closed commercial establishments- Property owners are still responsible for maintaining a clean sidewalk.

DHS & Homeless Outreach (DHS, Breaking Ground, Urban Pathways)

District Report

DHS: Commissioner's call is every Tuesday and it's the best way to get life updates in response to Report regarding COVID: 1192 Positive COVID cases. 1016 were from shelter New Yorkers. 750 have been resolved (resolved is referring to clients who are no longer positive for COVID). 58 unsheltered clients tested positive. 45 have been resolved. 118 clients were referred by agency partners. 115 were resolved. To decrease spread DHS worked with Health & Hospital & CDC. They also moved shelter clients to commercial hotels. Street outreach canvassing assessment and medical survey assessments were done to homeless individuals. If they have any symptoms they're connected to care. DHS has given out masks. They're also part of the end of line subway service and folks are more willing to accept services.

Con Edison

District Report

- Current work locations within CD4- Com Ed has resume non-emergency or essential work on streets. Con Ed is not entering homes. They're only entering to turn on services, but they're not entering homes to do turn offs. Con Ed is waiving late payments.

Additional Agency District Reports

CCHR –

- New protected class regarding testing for marijuana usage in the hiring process for employment <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/cchr/downloads/pdf/materials/FAQ-Preemployment-Testing-for-Marijuana-May-8-2020.pdf>
- Report on Anti-Black Racism https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/cchr/downloads/pdf/publications/AntiBlackRacism_Report.pdf
- Statement on the recent Supreme Court ruling on LGBTQ rights in the workplace -- https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/cchr/downloads/pdf/press-releases/scotus_ruling_final.pdf

- Discrimination regarding COVID: 389 cases were reported. 149 cases were discriminations towards the Asian community

NYC Emergency Management

NYCEM is supporting all operations. There's less people requesting services, but still supporting DSNY with food operation. They're also supporting AC installment for vulnerable clients. Updated hurricane guides and costal and heat plan. Share your space program helps identify space for any type of operation (hotel, empty lots in the community, or nonprofit organization)

Additional Agency reports, including updates on any policy or personnel changes.

Next DSC meeting: Wednesday, July 15th at 10:00AM.

The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 AM and will last approximately an hour and quarter. As always, it is important for everyone to attend so that productive multi-agency dialogues may occur. Please contact the Board Office regarding questions about the meeting. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Department of Sanitation (DSNY):

Unfortunately DSNY does not have the IT capacity to participate in meetings remotely, at least not at the District level, therefore I will not be able to participate on Wednesday.

However DSNY report is as follows:

As I am sure you are aware, due to the recent protest, for safety reasons, ALL corner baskets including BID baskets (800 baskets in total) were removed district wide. The removal process took approximately 2 DSNY shifts (approximately 16 hours to complete). As of Tuesday 6/9, DSNY M4 began to replace the baskets. The process of replacing baskets including those that were vandalized has taken some time, as baskets have to be placed out exactly according to DSNY Basket Maps. As of 06:15 hours on 6/15 M4 still has approximately 10 baskets to be placed out. Along with placing out the remaining baskets and verifying their correct locations, and making any necessary corrections, M4 would like to have these process completed by end of shift 6/17. M4 D/S Agazzi has notified BIDS of the removal and replacement process.

DSNY continues to remove any sidewalk litter in front of closed commercial establishments. Side walk and curb line litter adversely affect the Score Card rating and therefore is removed as quickly as possible with existing DSNY resources. DSNY is unable to issue any violations to a closed commercial establishment.

ASP remains suspended until 6/22. However, this does not excuse homeowners, business owners (that are open), building owners from cleaning / maintain their sidewalks and 18 inches into the street. DSNY does and continues to issue violations for failing to do so.

DSNY continues to participate in conjunction with DHS and NYPD, both logging and cleaning Homeless conditions throughout the District. M4 has seen an increase in homeless activity but Homeless clean ups are currently suspended. DSNY M4 responds repeatedly to the same locations, 47 street off of 11 ave, 6th ave from 23 to 24, Dyer ave and the entrance to the Lincoln Tunnel.

As always DSNY continues to operate on a 24 x7 basis providing essential services to the citizens of New York City, and I can be reached any time for any questions / concerns you may have. Continue to stay safe and I hope to see you soon.

Parks: Hudson River Park Trust

In terms of the park, we are obviously open but the majority of our fenced/gated recreation and athletic areas are still closed. Yesterday we added distancing circles to our lawn at Pier 84, similar to what Domino Park has done. Our PEP staff continues to distribute masks and educate park patrons on social distancing guidelines. We are not hosting any public events in the park for the foreseeable future. Let me know if you have any questions.

SRs - Top 30 by CB

Borough **MANHATTAN** Community Board Sequence **4**

May 2020

Descriptor 1	# of SRs
Noise: Construction Before/After Hours (NM1)	74
Noise: Construction Equipment (NC1)	42
Noise, Ice Cream Truck (NR4)	16
Noise: Jack Hammering (NC2)	15
Noise: air condition/ventilation equipment (NV1)	15
Manhole Cover Broken/Making Noise (SB)	7
Air: Odor/Fumes, Vehicle Idling (AD3)	6
Hydrant Leaking (WC1)	6
Leak (Use Comments) (WA2)	6
Noise: Alarms (NR3)	6
Lead Kit Request (Residential) (L10)	5
Noise: Private Carting Noise (NQ1)	4
Manhole Cover Missing (Emergency) (SA3)	3
Dirty Water (WE)	2
Hydrant Defective (WC2)	2
Sewer Backup (Use Comments) (SA)	2
Air: Odor/Fumes, Restaurant (AD2)	1
Chemical Odor (HD1)	1
Chemical Spill (IAC)	1
Chemical Spill/Release (HA1)	1
Hydrant Running (WC3)	1
Hydrant Running Full (WA4)	1
Illegal Use Of Hose - Other (CCO)	1
No Water (WNN)	1
Noise, Barking Dog (NR5)	1
Noise: lawn care equipment (NCL)	1
Rooftank Leak Or Overflow (CKO)	1
Sewer Odor (SA2)	1
Street Flooding (SJ)	1
unknown odor/taste in drinking water (QA6)	1