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Meeting Date	February 5, 2020
Meeting Time	6:30 PM
Meeting Location	Hudson Guild Elliott Center 441 West 26th Street 9/10 Dan Carpenter Room

LOWELL D. KERN
 Chair

JESSE R. BODINE
 District Manager

February 2020 Full Board Meeting Minutes

PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS	<p>Presentation: Michael Wiggins, Director of Engagement & Education, and Danielle Lee, Director of External Affairs. Update on Little Island Construction and Programming.</p> <p>Little Island is the new 2.4-acre park being constructed at Pier 55 along the Hudson River atop 132 tulip-shaped concrete pillars. The project is part of the Hudson River Park Trust and is a nonprofit funded by the Diller/von Furstenberg Family Foundation. Little Island will offer arts, education, and community programs throughout the year once completed. The park will be substantially completed by the end of the year and will be open to the public in the Spring of 2021.</p> <p>Public Hearing: Response to Mayor’s Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 Second Vice Chair Jessica Chait opened the hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the hearing was closed.</p>
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Public Session	
Miriam Fisher	Ms. Fisher represents the Elevator Action Group which advocates for making subways 100% accessible for people with disabilities and others who need access to the subway system. She asked for our support in seeking MTA funding from the Governor and asking that a person with a disability be appointed to the MTA board. Ms. Fisher provided pre-addressed and stamped postcards addressed to the Governor that can be filled out with requests and relevant zip codes.
Carla Fine	Ms. Fine is the author of <i>No Time to Say Goodbye: Surviving the Suicide of a Loved One</i> . She noted the recent suicide of a teenager at the 150-foot-high Vessel at Hudson Yards and worries that it will become a choice for others because of its historic significance. There are no safety measures employed on the structure that would reduce the risk such as clear plastic barriers. Ms. Fine is seeking the help of CB4 to have Related Co. erect barriers at the Vessel.
Tyrone Anthony	Mr. Anthony has lived at 300 West 46th Street for five years and is the building’s tenant president. He thanked District Manager Jesse Bodine for responding to complaints regarding the Greyline buses blocking a bus stop and related noise issues. He claims that tenants are being harassed by the landlord by depriving them of their community room. He also complained of frequent elevator problems in the building.

Lisa Wager	<p>Ms. Wager is the Director of the Office of Government Relations at the Fashion Institute of Technology. She made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salary data proves that FIT alumni are exceptionally prepared to excel financially. In its 2019-20 College Salary Report, <i>Payscale</i>, a career compensation website, ranked FIT 19th nationwide for media mid-career salary of associates degree holders. Ten years out, AAS graduates from FIT are earning an average of \$76,400, putting them in the top 2% nationwide. Among graduates with bachelor's degrees, FIT was ranked 14th nationwide in salary potential for art-related majors and 34th for communications majors. • Third-year fashion design student Yarden Sopher-Harelick designed a pair of custom football cleats for New York Jets player Bilal Powell that he wore as part of the NFL's <i>My Cause My Cleats</i> campaign, where players show off their causes with custom cleats. Mr. Powell chose charities that fight colon and pancreatic cancer.
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Remarks from Elected Officials and Representatives	
Council Speaker Corey Johnson	<p>Speaker Johnson gave former CB4 chair Burt Lazarin a framed Proclamation honoring him for his fifteen years of service on the Board, noting that Mr. Lazarin has held the positions of secretary, vice-chair and chair during that period. He also served as co-chair of the BLP Committee, one of the most demanding positions on the Board. Mr. Lazarin thanked the Speaker and stated that, in addition to being grateful for the opportunity to serve the community, he had fun doing so.</p>
Kevin Jean Baptiste for D.A. Cyrus Vance	<p>Mr. Jean-Baptiste announced the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Manhattan D.A.'s office is accepting applications for the high school summer internship program until March 9, 2020. • They are also offering a high school resume workshop. • The office will have a gun violence fellowship program for high school or college students, the deadline is February 29, 2020. <p>The office wrote a report titled The Vehicular Violence Accountability Act with six recommendations; a section of it became part of a bill sponsored by Assemblymember Dick Gottfried.</p>
Bryce Peyre for Assemblymember Dick Gottfried	<p>Mr. Peyre discussed The Vehicular Violence Accountability Act and thanked board members Martin Treat and Christine Berthet for their assistance. February 14 is the deadline to apply for community board applications and to enroll in a party to vote in the Fall primary. February 7 is the last day to apply for health insurance.</p>
Taylor Abbruzzese for Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney	<p>Ms. Abbruzzese made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held hearings regarding President Trump's attacks on children in the Oversight Committee. • Virginia is the 38th state to ratify Equal Rights Amendment and the House is continuing its work on full ratification. • House passed the Never Again Education Act regarding Holocaust education. • Signed a letter to ICE regarding a detained human trafficking survivor. • Worked on a moratorium on Taxi Medallion loans foreclosures. • Held a hearing on the 2020 Census to ensure an accurate count. • Introduced a bill to support NYCHA residents.
Borough President Gale Brewer	<p>The Borough President presented a framed Proclamation to Burt Lazarin for his professional and personal service including all of his work on CB4. She went on to provide the following updates:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NYCHA Chelsea meetings being held every Tuesday seem to be going well. • She met with the DoIt Commissioner to discuss the wi-fi Kiosks that have been a problem in the district. • Meetings regarding the relocation of the Tow Pound are continuing, as are meetings regarding the Women’s Building (aka Bayview Prison for Women). • The Chelsea Hotel issues seem to be progressing. • Manhattan Borough Historian, Dr. Rob Snyder, is seeking input from community members. • The BP’s office has received Census money from the state for hard-to-reach communities in the amount of \$450, 000; outreach groups can now apply for these funds. <p>Upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid Waste Advisory board and community board applications are due February 14. • The State of the Borough address will take place at the Hammerstein Ballroom on March 29. • The congestion pricing committee will commence soon; the BP is pushing to have two people from Manhattan on the committee, ideally someone in the 60th street area and someone from uptown. • The Capital Grants deadline is February 28.
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Board Reports & Business	
Adoption of Agenda and Minutes	The Agenda, as amended, and the January minutes were unanimously approved.
District Manager Report	<p>Highlights of events the District Manager or Staff attended on behalf of the board and upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Manager represented CB4 at a press event along with our local elected representatives to advocate for the Homes for the Homeless organization to partner with a nonprofit organization to maintain the Riverview Senior living complex at 519 West 49th Street. • District Manager held the follow-up meeting with the Mayor’s Community Affairs Unit and the Neighborhood Support Team regarding after-hours construction in the West 30s. • District Manager met with Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer’s office and NYC DCAS regarding ongoing office space search. <p>February Committee Updates and Board Reminders:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chelsea Land Use Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 pm at 353 West 30th Street because of the Presidents Day Holiday.</p>
Board Chair Report	<p>The Chair reviewed recent Board activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CB4 continues to participate in the Community Advisory Committee for the Lantern Organizations’s Stardom Hall supportive housing residents at 330-332 West 51st Street. • CB4 members met with our elected representatives and the New York State Empire State Development Corporation regarding reissuing an RFP for 550 West 20th Street, the former Bayview Correctional facility. • Members of both the Chelsea Land Use Committee and the Housing, Health & Human Resources Committee continue to attend and participate

in the NYCHA Chelsea Working Group.

Action Items	Motions, Amendments, & Comments	Result
Business License and Permits Committee (BLP)		
Item 1: Letter to SLA re 197 7th Avenue - Chelsea 191 Corp.	Items 1 – 9 were bundled	Passed Unanimously
Item 2: Letter to SLA re 319 W 51st Street - RLA 319 W 51st Street Corp.		Passed Unanimously
Item 3: Letter to SLA re 623 9th Avenue - Taste With Style LLC Inc.		Passed Unanimously
Item 4: Letter to SLA re 734 10th Avenue- 71 Worth LLC		Passed Unanimously
Item 5: Letter to SLA re 263 W 19th Street - CKBA LLC		Passed Unanimously
Item 6: Letter to SLA re 695 9th Avenue- El Mil Sabores Inc.		Passed Unanimously
Item 7: Letter to SLA re 787 8th Avenue - Brazilian 48 Restaurant Corp.		Passed Unanimously
Item 8: Letter to SLA re 796 9th Avenue - 796 9th Avenue Inc.		Passed Unanimously
Item 9: Letter to DCA re 798 9th Avenue - The Meatball Shop		Passed Unanimously
Arts, Culture, Education & Street Life Committee ()		
Item 10: Letter to DOE re Dyslexia Screening and Student Training	As amended	Passed with 34 In Favor and 5 Opposed
Item 11: Letter to IndieSpace re Letter of Support		Passed Unanimously
Chelsea Land Use Committee (CLU)		
Item 12: Letter to LPC re application for 210 11th Avenue Modification of Existing Loading Dock and New Storefront		Passed Unanimously
Waterfront, Parks & Environment Committee (WPE)		
Item 13: EDC re Upcoming NYC Ferry Landing	Friendly amendment accepted	Passed Unanimously
Item 14: HRPT re Pier 84 Bike Rental	Friendly amendments accepted	Passed Unanimously
Item 15: HRPT re Pier 97 – Tabled		
Housing, Health & Human Services Committee (HH&HS)		
Item 16: Letter to Hartley House re Letter of Support	Friendly amendments accepted	Passed with 38 In Favor and 1 P.N.E.

Item 17: Letter to Joined Development re 354 West 56th Street SRO Preservation and CURE Proposal – Tabled	Restored to Agenda later in the meeting as New Business	
Executive Committee		
Item 18: Proposal to Dedicate Board Funds for Short Term Transportation Consultant		Passed with 38 In Favor and 1 P.N.E.
Item 19: Letter to State Senator Brad Hoylman re Funding Recommendations for Capital Projects		Passed with 38 In Favor and 1 P.N.E.
Item 20: Letter to Lantern organization re Supportive Housing SRO Preservation at 330-332 West 51st Street – Tabled		
New Business		
Item 21: Letter to Joined Development re 354 West 56th Street SRO Preservation and CURE Proposal		Passed Unanimously

Meeting Resolution	
Adjournment	8:20 PM Meeting Adjourned
Next Meeting Date and Location	6:30 PM March 4, 2020 Mount Sinai West 1000 Tenth Avenue 2nd Floor Conference Room B

As recorded by M. Ortiz and M. Noble

VOTING KEY Y=Yes N=No A=Abstain PNE=Present, not eligible A'-- = No vote ATTENDANCE KEY P=Present Ab=Absent E=Excused	ATTENDANCE																														
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