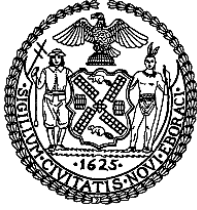


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RE: Flatiron/23rd Street Partnership Business Improvement District Proposed Expansion

Dear Chair Lago and Commissioner Doris:

The Chelsea Land Use Committee (CLU) of Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4), following a duly noticed Committee meeting on December 21, 2020, voted Unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed expansion of the Flatiron Business Improvement District (BID). The Executive Committee of CB4 ratified this CLU approval at its December 28, 2020 meeting.¹

The BID presented their expansion plans to CLU at the December 21st meeting as part of their public review process as they seek legislative approval.

The BID Expansion Steering Committee, a group of community stakeholders, is proposing to expand the district boundaries to provide services and improvements to areas of the neighborhood that were not included in the 2006 BID creation. The proposed expansion contains a small portion of Community District 4: three full blocks and one partial block facing the western side of Sixth Avenue between West 19th Street and West 26th Street.

The proposed expanded BID will have an increased budget utilizing a formula to calculate the annual special assessment for each property in the district. The proposed expansion will bring

¹ This recommendation is subject to ratification at MCB4's January 6th Full Board Meeting

their robust services—sanitation, safety, homeless outreach, marketing, and public improvements—to a larger footprint that includes NoMad, the Sixth Avenue gateway to the district and West 20th Street.

CB4 is pleased to join our neighbors in CB5 in supporting the expanded BID boundaries.

Sincerely,



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Hon. Gale A. Brewer, Manhattan Borough President