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DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2021  
Time: 10:00am  
Meeting Access:  
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A G E N D A

DOHMH

- **COVID-19 Vaccines: The Mayor has been warning vaccines supplies will run out in NYC and as of 1-21-2021 some DOHMH hubs giving vaccines will be closed. Anyone who has made any appt. at a closed DOHMH hub they will contacted and given a new appt at another location**

NYPD (Traffic)

- **Midtown North Precinct**
  - Top Collision prone location: **W 57th & 12th Ave, W 50th & 9th Ave**
  - Top three major crimes: **Grand Larceny, Burglaries, Grand Larceny Auto**
  - Status of barricades at Precinct locations: **They are up but streets are open. Last week there was a protest and the block had to be closed to make sure they did not come up the block. Once the protesters left barricades were moved.**
- **Midtown South Precinct**
  - Top Collision prone location: **& W 40th & 8th Ave, W 39th & 8th Ave (Bicycle Accident), W 42nd & 9th Ave (Pedestrian Accident) No fatalities in any of these incidents**
  - Top three major crimes: **Robberies, Assaults & Burglaries**

- MTS: Public safety report on West 36 Street and relocated temporary Shelter on West 40<sup>th</sup> Street: **Have no complaints on the new location. Pct. Visiting both locations daily. W 36<sup>th</sup> Street does look better than it was. Community Affairs & NCOs have met with security personnel from the hotels.**
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- **10th Precinct**
  - Hybrid Conditioning: **Now at the Southern end of the Pct. Now in the area of W 20 – W22 on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue**
  - Top Collision prone location: **No locations for December or first part of January**
  - Top three major crimes: **Burglaries**
- **13<sup>th</sup> Precinct**
  - Top Collision prone location: **W 23rd & 6th Ave; W 28<sup>th</sup> & 6th Ave; W 27th & 7<sup>th</sup> Ave: all vehicle on vehicle accidents**
  - Top three major crimes: **Burglaries, Grand Larceny & Robberies**
  - 13<sup>th</sup> Precinct: Update on QOL and Public Safety issues on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and lower West 20s: **Continuing to monitor and patrol the area daily and work with the community and Speaker Johnson office.**

#### **FDNY/EMS**

- Fire\Service Stat Report for CB4 for the last 30 days: **Structural Fires: 26 (down 33%), Non-Structural Fires: 27 (up 58%); Suspicious Fires: 6 (doubled); Non-Medical Emergencies: 307 (down 19%); Medical Emergencies: 410 (down 6%); Total Emergencies for December: 717 (12% decrease); For the Year: Down 28%. For Open Streets there is a task force that is handling all the rules and regulations for the structures.**
- FDNY Community Affairs: **FDNYSmart.org/connect; Safety tip of the month is fire safety heating & keeping your community safe and warm. Virtual CPR Training, to schedule a class you can call 718-281-3888 or fdny.smart.org/cpr**

#### **DHS & Homeless Outreach (DHS, Breaking Ground, Goddard, Urban Pathways)**

##### **District Report**

- DHS Update: Temporary Hotel Shelters: **Density reduction Hotel are still being used and do not have a definitive end date but should be having some answers soon as the vaccine rollout has begun. BRC Jack Ryan site will be a vaccine distribution hub not only for their clients but other programs within their network. COVID cases: currently tracking amongst unsheltered NYers, 97 cases and 81 have been resolved.**
- Breaking Ground: **Had joint operations with Time Square Alliance but haven't done one recently because of Code Blue. Once Code Blue is lifted an operation will be conducted. Every Wednesday at Chelsea Park we join New York City Relief along with Ryan Chelsea/Clinton that has a medical health van that helps to get people get check-ups. Some areas of concern are W 58<sup>th</sup> & W 59<sup>th</sup> Streets under the Westside Highway for homeless encampments. We have staff**

constantly there to engage the homeless. Another area of concern is W 51<sup>st</sup> Street btw 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., we have a cleaning up scheduled for Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> and have out have outreach teams to monitor the area. Another area of concerns is 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (8/9) there has been a lot of drug active and homeless. It has decreased due to police presence. Clean up has been done in that area. W 41<sup>st</sup> (10<sup>th</sup>/Dyer) has seen an encampment and have done clean ups. Also have had 17 placements of individuals from that area.

- Goddard: Homeless Outreach Report: (see attachment) **Currently have 327 clients but from this district we have 6. Have had 16 311 calls from the CB4 area. Currently out of the six clients: Two are in safe haven, 1 in a church bed, 1 in a stabilization bed, 1 on the street and 1 that whereabouts are unknown.**

#### **DOT:**

- **Update:** DDC Project MED 609 Parking Signage Change: **Sign has not been done as of yet. Will follow up with OCMC division.**
- **Update:** Status of the MCB4 supported 4 neckdowns along 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue: **Will need to follow up on the legal agreement**
  - 17th St: Double curb extension at the SW corner:
  - 25th St: Double curb extension at the SW corner:
  - 43rd St: Single curb extension on side street at the NW corner:
  - 45th St: Single curb extension on side street at the SW corner”

**Open Restaurants: Have been getting calls on locations where restaurants on not having outdoor dining due to restaurant going on out business. DOT will go out to see the location to determine if the restaurant is actually closed and to have barriers removed.**

#### **DOB**

- **Update:** West 24th Street SROs - 219-223 West 24 Street: **This is still in litigation. Did receive calls of intruders and inspection was done and it was unfounded. No intruders.**

#### **DEP/DDC**

- **DEP: See attachment**
  - Top three DEP 311 complaints: **54 Construction noise complaints for before and after hours; 17 odor; noise dog barking. Catch Basin issue on W 22<sup>nd</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> Ave, since September have been going out and in December was cleaned out and now functioning.**
- **DDC**
  - Project Updates:
    - MED 609 – Water Main Installation 9<sup>th</sup> Ave West 50s Street -Wayne Brown – Completion Date: November 2021: **Currently on W 57<sup>th</sup> Street to W 59<sup>th</sup> Street on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. Completion Date: June 2021**
    - MED598B – Trunk Water Main West 30<sup>th</sup> Street – Mike Whitfield – Completion Date: Spring 2022: **Currently work is on 31<sup>st</sup> & 33<sup>rd</sup> Street and the hang-up is the relocation of a steam main. Once this is taken care of, they will continue the trunk water main installation**
    - MED-645 – Water Main Installation 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> Ave and West 20<sup>th</sup> St./West 21 Str – Sayda Noboa-Torres – Completion Date: **Spring**

**2022: Water main job is done. Construction crew is assisting ConEd in relocating the gas pipe and Verizon equipment.**

- HWMP2020 – Gansevoort Area Reconstruction – Sofia Noboa – Completion Date: June 2021: **The contractor is working on the NWS corner of W 15<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. They are completing the electrical main hole reconstruction in that area. They are also working on 9<sup>th</sup> btw 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> for electrical layout. On the weekends ConEd is working on the intersection of W 16<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Ave to reconstruction two steam man holes.**
- HWPEDSF4 - Multi-Site Ped Ramp at West 34 Street 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Myriam Benjamin- Completion Date: **June 2022: DOT permits are allowing us to work at night from 8pm-6am seven days a week. ConEd us currently doing electrical work.**
- MEDA002 – Water Main Replacement 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Ave West. 34<sup>th</sup> St.-West 36<sup>th</sup> Street – Raul Marmol – Completion Date: Spring 2021: **Only work remaining is on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave & W 34<sup>th</sup> Street. Like other projects we have had delays but soon we will start the actual water main replacement.**

**DSNY: See attachment**

- District Report: **Continue to monitor drop-off locations on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave from W 39<sup>th</sup> Street to W 36<sup>th</sup> Street. Homeless cleaning continues, large encampments locations are W 41<sup>st</sup> Street (9/10), W 38<sup>th</sup> Street (9/10), W 39<sup>th</sup> Street (9/10).**
- Illegal Dumping Locations:
- Enforcement Report

**DPR**

- **Park Manager Report: Currently putting together Capital Improvement list. Sidewalk improvements for: Penn South, Hell’s Kitchen, Guttenburg playgrounds. Chelsea Green Playgrounds: the slides are being replaced to avoid the noise problems. The Dewitt Clinton Park construction is well on it’ way.**

**Con Edison**

- Current work locations within CD4: **The Smart Meter Installation, if customers call they can call to postpone the installation with no penalties. Two new work locations: 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue between W 14<sup>th</sup>/W15<sup>th</sup> Streets and W 49<sup>th</sup> Street (9/10) and both going thru March. The work is being done during the day and is being done seven days a week for both locations.**

**PANYNJ**

- Facility Report: **Significant increase in graffiti in the area.**

**Department of Consumer Protection: Beginning Jan 15<sup>th</sup> we will coordinating agency for Street Vendors and more information will follow in the next few weeks. Tax Season is starting late and will begin February 12, 2021.**

**Commission on Human Rights: Updated list of settlements & decisions at the Commission on Human Rights -- <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/enforcement/2020-settlements.page>**