

# MINUTES FROM THE MONTHLY MEETING OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD #1 DECEMBER 16, 2010 ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY 101 MURRAY STREET

# **Public Session**

• Margaret Chin –New York City Council Member

CHINATOWN BID. Thanked the Tribeca Committee for supporting the Chinatown BID.

MTA CHANGES. Based on conversations and a walkthrough with residents and the Council Member, the MTA has agreed to make the M15 and M20 bus routes overlap to improve service in southern BPC.

LMCCC. The City and State have agreed to reauthorize LMCCC.

FULTON STREET TRANSIT HUB. Progress is being made.

NEW BOARD MEMBER. Welcomed new board member Jana Friedman.

- David Louie Member of the Steering Committee of the proposed Chinatown BID
   CHINATOWN BID. Spoke in support of the Chinatown BID. Spoke about the benefits that the BID would bring to property and business owners and residents: 78% of the money would go towards sanitation improvements, and it will improve transportation and attract new businesses.
- *Peter Lau* President of the Steering Committee of the proposed **Chinatown BID** CHINATOWN BID. Spoke in favor of approving the Chinatown BID.
- Daniel Squadron New York State Senator

LMCCC. Announced that the LMCCC has been renewed until 2013.

DOGS IN BATTERY PARK. No solution has been reached yet to enable dogs to run off-leash in Battery Park in the early morning. The Senator plans to convene another meeting on the matter.

• Alec Schierenbeck – Representative from the Office of Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer

BOARD MEMBERSHIP. Reapplications by current community board members with terms expiring in 2011 are due December 31, 2010. New applications are due January 14, 2011.

• *John Ricker* – Representative from the **Office of New York City Comptroller John Liu** Referred the public to the Comptroller's website, where there is a new report card to track New York City spending and contracts with minority and women-owned businesses.

- *Maria Pico* Partnership for a Smoke Free New York Advocated for Community Board support for a City Council bill that would ban smoking in public parks and beaches.
- *Celine Mizrahi* Representative from the **Office of Congressman Jerrold Nadler** Announced that the 9/11 health care bill has been passed, and thanked everyone who supported the effort.
- *Noel Kirnon* Duane Street resident

LIQUOR LICENSE. Spoke against the granting of a liquor license at 90 Thomas Street a.k.a. 50 Hudson because the establishment is on a narrow street and across from a pre-school.

 Sarah Malloy-Good – Representative from the Office of New York State Assembly Member Deborah Glick

The Assembly Member has put together an alternate-side 2011 parking calendar.

- *Dr. Steve Okhravi* Founder of Tribeca Emergency Medical Care Center Announced the opening at 200 Chambers Street of an emergency care center that guarantees that patients will be seen in less than fifteen minutes.
- *Aaron Levine* Community Board #1Resident HUDSON STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. Asked that storage of construction materials for the Hudson Street Project be relocated elsewhere from the tapered zone on Hudson Street.
- *Curry Ford* Community Board #1Resident LIQUOR LICENSE. Spoke in opposition to the granting of a liquor license at 90 Thomas Street a.k.a. 50 Hudson.
- *Allan Tannenbaum* Community Board #1 Member Expressed satisfaction that the 9/11 Health Care bill has been passed.

*Marc Ameruso* – Community Board #1Member CHINATOWN BID. Expressed full support for the Chinatown BID.

• Raphael Carty – Community Board #1Resident

HUDSON STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. Asked that storage of construction materials on Hudson Street Project be relocated from the tapered zone on Hudson Street to Ericsson Place.

#### • Bethany Li

Spoke to clarify that the Chinatown Working Group Preliminary Action Plans have not been officially approved by the Chinatown Working Group. (Resolutions to support these preliminary action plans were on the agenda for the business session.)

• *Miriam Rothstein* and *Eric Schlagerman* – Owner of **Emporio** and Landlord of **90 Thomas** Street

LIQUOR LICENSE. Asked Community Board to approve a liquor license application for 88-90 Thomas Street. Argued that the addition of a bar would make the street safer and that they would not expand to the Hudson Street side of the building.

- Kathleen Daly Downtown Dog Owners Association
   Thanked Senator Squadron and others involved in working to find a way for dogs to run off-leash in Battery Park.
- Pat Moore Community Board #1 Member
   Announced that the CB1 holiday party would take place following the January full board meeting.

# **Business Session**

\* Due to the absence of a quorum, votes taken on all resolutions were unofficial. The Community Board will vote officially on the resolutions at the January 25, 2011 meeting.

## **Adoption of Minutes**

In the absence of a quorum, minutes could not be adopted.

## **Chairperson's Report**

No report was given.

# **District Manager's Report**

N. Pfefferblit

Welcomed new board member, Jana Friedman.

# **Committee Reports**

Note: If you wish to obtain a copy of a resolution referenced in the minutes, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1">www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1</a>.

# **Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee**

J. Galloway

- 1) Chinatown Working Group Preliminary Action Plans
  - Immigrant Affairs and Social Services Resolution
  - Transportation Resolution

#### **Battery Park City Committee**

L. Belfer

1) Vessel Docked at North Cove, application for vessel liquor license for Honorable William

#### Wall 0N1137359 - Resolution

Vessel already had seasonal liquor license; applying for year-round license.

- 2) Arthritis Walk in Battery Park on May 15, 2011 Report Event did not require Community Board approval, but was presented to Battery Park City Committee for informational purposes. Event will take place on May 15, 2011.
- 3) West Thames Bridge Report

  The LMDC has allocated some funds for the construction of the bridge, but more money will be needed for the bridge to be constructed.
- 4) Follow-up report on walk-through with Council Member Chin regarding MTA service cuts Report

  The Council Member has worked with Community Board 1 Member Ruth Ohman and Public Member Fran Dickson to improve MTA bus service in Community Board 1.

#### **Youth & Education Committee**

A. DeFalco

- 1) Update on Millennium High School Report
- 2) Bike path through City Hall Park Resolution\*

  The bike path poses a risk for students attending school at Tweed and other pedestrians.

  Resolution calls on the City to work with Community Board 1 to improve safety.
- 3) Recent cuts to Manhattan Youth I.S. 89 after-school program Report *The after-school program is facing severe midyear budget cuts*.
- 4) Report on progress in siting new school Reported progress in negotiations for use of Peck Slip Post Office site for new school.
- 5) Speaker Silver's Overcrowding Taskforce

# **Seaport/Civic Center Committee**

P. Hovitz.

- 1) Proposal for Chinatown Business Improvement District Resolution \*
- 2) 29 Peck Slip, application for liquor license for Vincent Molini / J.P. Rest Corp. d/b/a Carmines Since 1903 Resolution
- 3) Bike path through City Hall Park Resolution\*\*
- 4) Request to add features to Delury Park Report

  The Department of Parks reported that additional funds and an amendment to the contract

<sup>\*</sup>Passed jointly with the Seaport/Civic Center Committee

would be needed to increase seating in the park.

- 5) Pearl Street Playground Report *The playground is due to open in the spring.*
- 6) New Amsterdam Market Update Report *The market organizers are seeking an indoor location.*

\*Passed jointly with the Tribeca Committee

Tribeca Committee P. Braus

- 1) Discussion regarding potential alternatives for storage of construction materials for the Hudson Street Project Phase II Report

  The committee is continuing to explore alternative locations for storage currently located on Hudson Street for Phase II and Phase III. Two other streets are being explored: N. Moore Street and Ericsson Place, but Marc Ameruso reported that the NYPD would not allow use of Ericsson Place.
- 2) 162 Duane Street, application for liquor license for Boji, LLC Resolution
- 3) 189 Franklin Street, application for liquor license for MVNBC Resolution
- 4) 90 Thomas Street, application for liquor license for Emporio 50, LLC Resolution **Jeff Ehrlich** offered a friendly amendment to the resolution stating that the establishment would not expand to Hudson Street. The applicants agreed to this amendment and it was so included.

# Tribeca and Transportation and Parking Regulations Sub-Committee M. Ameruso

1) Preliminary discussion regarding potential alternatives for storage of construction materials for the Hudson Street Project Phase II – Report *As reported for the Tribeca Committee.* 

#### **Financial District Committee**

R. Sheffe

- 1) 160 Water Street, BSA application to allow the continued operation of a physical culture and health establishment (New York Sports Club) Resolution
- 2) 88 Fulton Street, application for restaurant wine and beer license for Polyanka, Inc. Resolution
- 3) 55 Stone Street, application for tavern-restaurant liquor license for 55 Stone Street LLC Resolution

<sup>\*\*</sup>Passed jointly with the Youth & Education Committee

4) Report from the Subcommittee to Review the Battery Park Off-Leash Dog Resolution The Community Board and elected officials will continue to work with dog owners and other stakeholders towards an acceptable solution.

## **WTC Redevelopment Committee**

C. McVay Hughes

- 1) Report on presentation by Alice M. Greenwald, Executive Vice President for Programs and Director of Memorial Museum, National September 11 Memorial & Museum
- 2) Lower Manhattan Construction Command Center Update Resolution
- 3) Lower Manhattan Development Corporation Update Report *The deconstruction of 130 Liberty is projected to be complete by January 2011.*
- 4) Report on presentation on Route 9A by New York State Department of Transportation
- 5) Update on the 9/11 Health Bill Resolution
- 6) Disputed LMDC & Bovis Lend Lease 130 Liberty Funds Resolution

#### **Landmarks Committee**

R. Byrom

- 1) 326 Canal Street, application for storefront renovation Resolution
- 2) 385 Greenwich Street, application for modification of rooftop bulkhead Resolution
- 3) 175 West Broadway, application for sign Report
- 4) 502 Canal Street, demolition by neglect Discussion

# **Old Business**

# **New Business**

# Adjournment