

**COMMUNITY BOARD 1**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Tuesday, September 25, 2018

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: The Peck Slip School

1 Peck Slip

Full Board meeting presentation can be found on our website:

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/manhattancb1/archives/board-meeting-presentations.page>

**I. Public Session**

- Michael Stinson – NYC Comptroller Stringer’s Office – Focus right now is on affordability for housing in NYC. Please join Scott Stringer for celebration of Italian Heritage Breakfast at the offices at 1 Centre Street on October 17th.
- Ranger Jim, supervisor of African Burial Ground, Federal Hall, and Castle Clinton in Battery Park; Come visit and live through its important history; lots of activities and rangers will be giving tours.
- Senator Brian Kavanagh – Advocating for more transparency and public input on the scoping of the relocation of the Riker’s Island inmates. Please note today is National Voter Registration Day – in NYC all are required to register to vote by 10/12 in order to vote in November. Discussed the L train and the construction progress which will affect traffic in 12 miles in each direction. Governor’s island scoping will be reviewed soon and Brian will be a part of that dialogue. Williamsburg bridge HOV discussion and plans need to be discussed as they affect all residents as well as commuters.
- Peter Nguyen from NYS Assembly Member Yuh-Line Niou – Thank you to those who visited the new offices this summer. Yuh-line has been working to get the governor on the 9/11 Health Benefits Extender; residents from 85 Bowery return home.
- Andrew Chang – MBPO office – Thurs 6-8pm Public Hearing on City Charter Revision, please come and give testimony on what they would like to see in the charter. Give testimony on anything that is important to you...At the same time the Mayor is having a forum on the new jail system including 80 Center Street. Please come and voice your concerns. Gale is requesting DCP to close the loop holes that allow developers to build higher than the community wants. There is a public hearing on NYCHA at the US District Court at 500 Pearl Street. NYCHA residents are encouraged to testify on the settlement and how the city can better use the funds.
- Paul Smith-Leonard, Council Woman Chin’s office – We welcome your comments on 80 Center Street. Governor’s Island Wednesday (Sept 26) at the Battery Ferry Marine Terminal is hosting a scoping meeting. Excited to attend the resiliency kick off meeting with BPCA and partners today for lower Manhattan.
- Emily Ching – Assistant District Attorney in the NY County District Attorney Office Team: hotline 212 335 9373. They work on work-related Sexual Assault/violence as well as other types of work. They have noticed that there has been a large increase in violence in the work place.

They offer reporting and counseling services and will work with the NYPD so the process is not overwhelming.

- Celine Mizrachi and Hannah Weiner, New CB1 Liaison from Congressman Jerry Nadler's office – Welcome to Hannah! Congressman is working on many things in DC including protecting the Mueller Investigation working with the house Democrats and Republicans. Working on the newly released from the White House of proposed requirements of legal immigration in terms of what public benefit programs are legally available to immigrants. Working on legislation to allow all 9/11 Memorials to apply for grant funds. Working on helicopter rules and regulations for NY and NJ flight paths.
- Assembly member Deborah Glick – The Mayor has commissioned a ballot question on Charter Changes – 1 question has to do with reducing the amount of contributions a city official can receive but increase an amount of tax payer dollars can be applied to officials which increases their revenue and impacts tax dollars; another questions is to give term limits to Community Board Members but this can negatively affect qualified community advocates and the plan would give money and options to special interests and contractors. 3<sup>rd</sup> question is a commission on civic engagement which in her opinion is counterproductive to the process of community boards. Sets up a commission to replace the current input process.
  - Proclamation and Honor for Michael Levine for his tenure with CB1, service and support of the community in Lower Manhattan
- Graeme Birchall – Downtown Boathouse – come join us and try boating for free on the Hudson. Open for another 2 weeks– it is a great amenity.
- Steven Diaz and Joe Polichelli - Made Fit Workout Stations – Outside workout opportunities – all free paid for by sponsors.
- Captain Doug Reynolds – North Cove Sailing – Open until 10/31 – had 100 kids go sailing this summer up from about 40 last year. Club is going strong with racing (12 boats) and they are looking to expand next year.
- Gary Fagin – re: Blue Bloods film shooting on Water Street was hours of a simulated assassination of officers in their car. It was highly disturbing all day long – referred to Quality of Life.
- Amy Brock Snider – Former Milstein Parking Lot – Developers need to remember we need green space. We are losing our Historical aspects in the South Street Seaport with gentrification.
- Julian Giordano – Stuyvesant High School – representing Study Body re: escalators since the accident have been closed for the last week and a half which costs the students 45 minutes per day of learning time due to re-routing. They are asking for assistance of the community to help advocate for replacing the escalator that caused injury as the school has been told there is no funding available for replacement.
- Chernow – Community Rep for Solar One – Please sign up to receive more information.
- Group on the same topic: Jan Lee, Don Lee, Irving Lee, Karlin Chan, Nicholas Stabile (President, Chatham Towers), Carrie Smith, M George
  - The building was designed to be 9 stories and not more.
  - No public input in the process
  - Complete lack of answers from the Mayor's office on concerns
  - Lack of transparency in the process
  - Please do not approve the ULURP or EI process
  - Stop the process
  - Stop the tear down of historic building for rebuilding profit buildings
  - Do not destroy the neighborhood – fix the jail system

- No New Jails Coalition - spend the money on the community not new jails
- Corrections Officers Union does not support the decentralization of Jail system.

## II. **Business Session**

- A) Adoption of July 2018 minutes were approved unanimously as presented.
- B) District Manager's Report – L. Reynolds
  - a. Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings
- C) Chairperson's Report – A. Notaro, Jr.  
 Full version of report can be found on our website:  
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/manhattancb1/archives/monthly-chairpersons-report.page>
  - a. Honoring Michael Levine – 11 years of Service to CB1 and 50 years of being an Urban Planner in Lower Manhattan; proclamation from the MBPO
  - b. Honoring Diane Lapson – for years of service and helping advocate for the tenants of IPN with CB1
  - c. Wishing Diana and Erin endless happiness; Wedding Congratulations
  - d. Governors Island Public Scoping Meeting - 9/26 at Battery Maritime Building (10 South Street in Manhattan), 6PM
  - e. Manhattan Detention Center (Rikers Island closure) Public Scoping Meeting - 9/27 at 1 Centre St., 6PM
  - f. Charter Revision - 9/27 at City Council Chambers, 6PM
  - g. Transportation Committee launches in October
  - h. Rebalance committee assignments

## III. **Committee Reports**

Full version of resolutions can be found on our website:  
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- A) **Executive Committee** A. Notaro, Jr.
  - 1) FY 2020 District Needs Statement and budget priorities – Report
- B) **Battery Park City Committee** T. Meltzer
  - 1) Presentation on the W. Thames Bridge and Rector Street Bridge – Report
  - 2) New Metropolitan College of New York – Report
  - 3) Battery Park City Updates – Report
  - 4) Special Patrol Officers and Local Statistics – Report
  - 5) Placard Parking in North Battery Park City – Update

C) **Quality of Life & Service Delivery Committee**

F. Curtis

- 1) Report on spotlight on senior forum

D) **Land Use Zoning & Economic Development Committee**

M. Romero

- 1) 51-53 White Street, application 180439 ZSM for Special Permit for modifications to bulk regulations – Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
- 2) Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
  - a. 78-80 Leonard Street, Board of Standards and Appeals application for a Physical Culture Establishment Special Permit for Crunch, LLC – Resolution
  - b. 1 Wall Street, Board of Standards and Appeals application for a Physical Culture Establishment Special Permit for Life Time, Inc. – Resolution
- 3) Governors Island Draft Scope of Work for a Draft Environmental Impact Statement – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
  - a. Friendly amendments:
    - i. Whereas: the GIT assured CB1 its commitment and promise to not develop but to retain and maintain the natural beach currently existing on GI.
    - ii. Add as first Therefore B IT R: CB1 is very troubled by the scope and magnitude of development being assessed. CB1 feels it is excessive and inconsistent with the vision and values due to its large scale. CB1 Does not endorse many components of this draft scope of work. We look forward working with the GIT to modify the final scope.
- 4) Manhattan Detention Complex with the amendments as noted below the Resolution passed by a hand vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 1 recused
  - a. Friendly Amendments: Whereas: The de-mapping of Hogan Place would further contribute traffic and pollution to one of the most heavily congested areas and streets in the Civic Center and Chinatown. In the city regardless of the eventual reopening of worth street to full traffic; Hogan Place is used as a viable east west traffic route in lower Manhattan and alleviates traffic from other nearby streets including canal street.
  - b. Whereas: Reducing the prison population with this plan by 50000 inmates is an unrealistic goal.
  - c. Change the wording Office Building to Historic Building
  - d. Add in the whereas about Columbus Park: Columbus Park is utilized by organized school groups, afterschool groups

E) **Waterfront, Parks & Resiliency Committee**

P. Goldstein

- 1) Hudson River Park Citigroup Water Taxi – Report
- 2) +Pool – Report
- 3) Brooklyn Bridge Beach/Esplanade – Report

F) **Youth & Education Committee**

T. Joyce

- 1) Community Education Council District 2 Meeting Regarding Change of Middle School Rubric – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Millennium High School Expansion to 14<sup>th</sup> Floor – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 3) Proposal by Chancellor to cancel specialized high school exams – Report
- 4) Trinity School Traffic Study – Report
- 5) Millennium High School Crossing – Report
- 6) Introduction to Patrick Joseph, Senior Education Policy Analyst, Office of the Manhattan Borough President – Report

G) **Landmarks & Preservation Committee**

R. Byrom

- 1) Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused
  - a. 39-41 Worth Street, application for partial floor rooftop addition on an existing five-story with the friendly amendment – MOVE THE WORDS “Highly Visible” to the 1<sup>st</sup> WHEREAS– Resolution
  - b. 92 Laight Street/416 Washington Street, application to legalize as-built storm leaders, removable emergency flood piping and installation of wheelchair accessible lift – Resolution
  - c. 119 Hudson Street, application for approval of sign CHANGE 4<sup>TH</sup> WHEREAS add the word “why” after precisely– Resolution
  - d. Pier 17, application for interior common area alterations – Resolution
- 2) Revised LPC Rules Amendments – Public Hearing October 16, 2018 – typo – remove “w” in TBIT word now to be “no”- passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 1 recused

H) **Licensing & Permits Committee**

J. Ehrlich

Battery Park City area

Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused

- a. 250 Vesey Street, application for a vessel liquor license for Full Moon - Resolution
- b. 455 North End Avenue, application for liquor license for Brookdale Battery Park – Resolution with correction as noted

Seaport/Civic Center area

Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused

- a. 19 Fulton Street, application for liquor license for Cobble & Co. – Resolution
- b. 19 Fulton Street, application for alteration of liquor license for Cobble & Co. – Resolution
- c. 203 Front Street, application for liquor license for Cobble & Co. – Resolution

- d. 1 Fulton Street, application for alteration of liquor license for HHC Fulton Retail, LLC – Resolution

Tribeca area

- a. 205 Hudson Street, application for liquor license for Chefscape NYC LLC – Resolution  
Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- b. Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
  - a. 71 Worth Street, application for wine, beer and cider license for Wine Bar 71 Worth LLC – Resolution
  - b. 77 Hudson Street, application for liquor license for Zutto Japanese American Pub – Resolution
  - c. 134 West Broadway, application for liquor license for corporation to be formed – Resolution

Financial District area

Resolutions taken together and passed by a hand vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and 0 recused

- a. 11 Stone Street, application for liquor license for The Mint – Resolution
- b. 59 Nassau Street, application for wine, beer and cider license for 22 Thai Cuisine – Resolution
- c. 170 John Street, application for Method of Operation Change for Trading Post – Resolution
- d. 22 Stone Street, application for liquor license by the Range, NYC LLC – Resolution
- e. 78 South Street, Pier 15, application for liquor license by Hornblower Cruises and Events for vessels one, two and three – Resolution
- f. 50 Varick Street discussion on meaning of the original stipulations; application for change in method of operations for rooftop usage, hours and sound amplification for Spring Studios – Resolution passed by a Roll Call vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained and 1 recused

IV. **Old Business**

V. **New Business**

VI. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Submitted by Secretary, Tammy Meltzer and Assistant Secretary Elizabeth Lewinsohn