

**CB1 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 2015**

DATE: Thursday, December 17, 2015

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: South Street Seaport Museum  
Melville Gallery

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**Public Session**

Chairperson Catherine McVay Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, EST.

Guest speaker Jonathan Boulware gave an update regarding the South Street Seaport Museum.

1. Maryam Abdul-Aleem, Report from Assembly Member Glick
  - Concerned regarding Battery Park City Authority plan to hire private guards. Is calling for more transparency and community input.
2. Mauricio Pazmino, Report from Senator Squadron
  - Plans to continue the School Overcrowding Task Force in tandem with other elected officials, CB1 and advocates.
3. Roxanne Earley, Report from Council Member Chin
  - Pressing for more resiliency funding for the city from the federal government.
4. Celine Mizrahi, Report from Congressman Jerrold Nadler
  - Announced that the Zadroga Act has been renewed for 75 more years.
5. Ranger Jim
  - Encourages residents to visit National Parks in the area.
6. Louis Klienman
  - Discussed access to Brooklyn Bridge Beach.
7. Anas Uddin, Report from Comptroller Scott Stringer
  - Discussed the Comptroller's efforts to ensure that banks better serve communities and low-income people.
8. Graene Birchall of Downtown Boathouse
  - Discussed Brooklyn Bridge Beach.
9. Craig Mayers, NYC Rescue Mission

- Discussed efforts to commemorate honor homeless people who have passed away in NYC.

#### 10. Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer

##### Updates:

- \* Residential luxury high-rise will not be built as planned at South Street Seaport
- \* School Overcrowding task-force will continue with participation from her office and other elected officials, CB1 and others
- \* Mandatory Inclusionary Housing zoning proposal update
- \* Youth Councils - 81 young residents showed up for the BP's forum

#### **Business Session**

Adoption of November 2015 minutes

- Approved as presented

#### **Chairperson's Report – Catherine McVay Hughes**

The full Chair's report is available at the following link on the Community Board 1 website: [http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1/html/archives/chairpersons\\_report.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/mancb1/html/archives/chairpersons_report.shtml). A few highlights:

- An effectively permanent, 75 year renewal of the World Trade Center Health Program and a five year, fully funded renewal of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund are included in the final omnibus spending bill Congress is set to pass later this week; thank you very much Senators Gillibrand and Schumer and Congressman Nadler and other Senators and Congress Members, responders, survivors, advocates and CB1 resident Jon Stewart
- Former Fulton Fish Market at the New Market Building site that sits underneath the FDR Drive will become a "commercial building," not a luxury condo tower said Chris Curry, speaking on behalf of developer Howard Hughes Corporation (HHC) at CB1's Seaport Civic Center Committee; no information about what kind of business might be in building (12/15/15)
- School Overcrowding Task Force – spoke with the offices of our elected officials Senator Squadron, Assemblymember Glick, NYC Councilmember Chin and Manhattan Borough President Brewer about the importance of continuing this important task force and hope that a model similar to the Seaport Working Group with representation of CB1 and elected officials will continue this process and that there will be a meeting set-up in January 2016 – especially in light of CB1's December 2015 Population Analysis which includes an update on added new residential units and subsequent projected population increase
- Crossing Guards follow-up to make streets near schools safer at Spruce Street School and Peck Slip School with NYPD and NYC DOT

## **District Manager's Report**

\* Small surplus of funds will be used in part on new computers

## **Committee Reports**

### **Personnel Committee – S. Cole**

Board Vote: Tamar Hovsepain Child Care Leave Request – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 31 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

### **Financial District Committee – S. Cole**

1. 150 Broadway, 20th Fl, liquor license application for Alliance for Downtown New York, Inc. d/b/a LMHQ – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 2 Recused

2. 85 Broad Street, liquor license application for LPQ 85 Broad Inc. d/b/a Le Pain Quotidien – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

3. 27 Barclay Street (aka 30 Park Place), hotel liquor license application for 30 Park Place Hotel LLC d/b/a Four Seasons Hotel New York Downtown – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

4. 99 Church Street, liquor license application for FSNY Restaurant Associates, LLC; 30 Park Place Hotel LLC d/b/a Cut by Wolfgang Puck – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

5. 1 Carder Road/Governors Island, liquor license application for Governors Garden Management, LLC d/b/a Governors Club – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

6. Statue of Liberty New Museum Construction – Letter of support

7. Retail at Fulton Transit Center and World Trade Center Transportation Hub – Report 8. Traffic noise and congestion in Hanover Square area – Report

8. Battery Maritime Building Fan Plants – Report

### **Landmarks Committee – J. Ehrlich**

1. 13 Jay Street, application for approval of rooftop addition – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

## **Youth & Education Committee – P. Hovitz**

1. Universal Cold Breakfast in the Classroom – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

2. Future of the School Overcrowding Task Force – Report (see above under Chair’s Report)

3. City Council Committee on Public Safety hearing on Int. 983-2015 and Int. 992 regarding school crossing guards – Report

4. 75 Morton Street meeting on admissions, Monday, January 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at The Clinton School for Writers and Artists, 10 East 15th Street, Gymnasium – Announcement

## **Battery Park City Committee**

1. Tunnel to Towers Foundation street activity permit application for Vesey Street between West Street and North End Ave., Saturday, September 24, 2016, 8:00 am to September 25, 2016 5 p.m. – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

2. Pier A – Report

An update was provided at the committee by the Pier A operators. It has been very successful.

3. West Thames Lawn – Report

The Battery Park City Authority presented its plans for the Lawn.

4. Liberty Street Bridge work – Report

5. MTA decision to not restore M22 bus stop at North End Avenue and Murray Street – Report  
This stop was taken out of service during the Chambers Street Reconstruction Project which required the bus to be rerouted. It will not be restored as usage was very light and there is another stop nearby.

6. Street activity permit process – Report

7. Free weekday skating at the Rink at Brookfield Place – Announcement

8. Spring Season Application Process for BPC Ball fields – Announcement

## **Quality of Life Committee – P. Moore**

1. Sanitation issues – Discussion

A representative of the Sanitation Department explained regulations for collection of residential garbage and answered questions. Residents of the Financial District are complaining about garbage taking up space on sidewalks leaving insufficient room for people

to walk. There needs to be sufficient room to walk or violations will be issued.

2. After hours street construction friendly amendment - Discussion

3. M1 Bus Extension - Discussion

4. Status of Department of Transportation Lower Manhattan Commissioner's Office – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

5. NYC Department of Transportation construction updates – Report

6. Proposed service changes for the M5 route in Manhattan – Report

New York City Transit is considering changing the route into two segments: one from the Battery to 37th Street and the other from 37th Street to Washington Heights. The committee members discussed the plan and may offer comments prior to the public hearing which has not yet been scheduled.

### **Seaport/Civic Center Committee – M. Pasanella**

1. Brooklyn Bridge Beach – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

2. AIGA/NY at the South Street Seaport – Report

3. 33 Peck Slip (aka Best Western) – Report

### **Planning Committee- M. Connolly**

1. Non-water shale gas fracking methods – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 34 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

2. NYC Council Res 0909-2015: Department of Housing and Urban Development to support NYC's application for National Disaster Resilience Competition funding – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 34 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

3. Chinatown Working Group proposal – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 32 In Favor 1 Opposed 1 Abstained 0 Recused

4. New residential units and population in Community District 1 – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 34 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

5. Hearing: OneNYC - Review of the City's Resiliency and Sustainability Plans – Report 6. Riverkeeper – Presentation on “How's the Water? 2015, Fecal Contamination in the Hudson River and its Tributaries” Report

### **Tribeca Committee – A. Blank**

1. Newsstand application for 292 Greenwich Street, southwest corner at Chambers Street – Resolution

BOARD VOTE: 33 In Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstained 0 Recused

2. Temporary public art project in Capsouto Park – Report

3. Ann Benedetto, Founder, Tribeca Alliance – Report  
Discussed the new organization for Tribeca businesses.

4. 105 Duane Street Plaza – Report

**Old Business**

No old business to report.

**New Business**

No new business to report.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 9:15pm, EST.

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Gault, Assistant Secretary.