

MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 1
MINUTES MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, September 27, 2016
Lower Manhattan HQ
150 Broadway, 20th Floor

Anthony Notaro, Jr. Chairperson called the meeting to order

Public Session:

- Ed Sullivan of Public Advocate Letitia James's Office – Praised NYPD response to recent bombing in Chelsea. Updated on the New York State Supreme Court decision affirming the Public Advocate's right to sue the City in a decision that upheld the Public Advocate's lawsuit challenging the City's use of overheated buses to transport children with disabilities.
- Roxanne Earley of Councilmember Chin's office – Provided updates regarding the recent City Council hearing on sightseeing buses. Legislation was discussed that would limit the total number of tour buses. Announced hearing on 9/29 at 9:30am at City Hall regarding deed restrictions and the process for modifying them. Announced second community resiliency workshop on 10/6 in BPC.
- Eric Mayo of Senator Squadron's Office – Reported on post-9/11 challenges for lower Manhattan including resiliency, overcrowded streets and sidewalks and overcrowded schools. Announced that bill was signed into law that will give small businesses greater access to small loans and seed funding. A guide for seniors is available and can be downloaded at https://www.nysenate.gov/sites/default/files/articles/attachments/squadron_2016_senior_resource_guide.pdf.
- Maryam Abdul-Aleem – Updated on Assembly Member Glick's efforts to address traffic problems at the corner of Chamber/West Streets, including a letter the Assembly Member wrote to DOT; she is also working on improving safety of crane operations and construction sites.
- Eric Holguin of Comptroller Scott Stringer's office – Announced that the Comptroller is part of a coalition of elected officials who introduced laws explicitly banning discrimination against minority, women, and LGBTQ-owned businesses in government procurement.
- Ranger Jim, National Parks Service Supervisor for African Burial Grounds, Castle Clinton and Federal Hall – Encouraged people to join the Rangers for series of events 10/5 to 10/8 from 9am to 5pm.
- Jenna Jaffe of Congressman Nadler's office – Announced that Congress is going on recess soon. Congressman Nadler is the lead sponsor of the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act (JASTA), a law that would hold foreign countries accountable for supporting terrorism. He is also co-sponsoring a bill to address the gender and racial pay gap by prohibiting employers from seeking salary history during the interview process.
- Morris Chan from Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer's office – Affordable housing is a priority for Borough President Brewer and she testified

recently in support of the right to counsel for lower income tenants facing eviction. In addition, she testified in support of legislation to limit the number of tour buses and better regulate them.

- Abby Suckle – the Lower Manhattan Then and Now Map has been issued. A group of students did the research and put together information of various kinds into one map that tells the history of lower Manhattan.
- Tony Simone – Introduce himself as the new Director of External Affairs for Friends of Hudson River Park. He is working on the effort to renovate Pier 40 by transferring air rights from the pier and his organization will help in the effort to raise more funds from the city and state.
- Re: 28 Liberty Plaza
 - Marissa Marvelli – Docomomo NY/Tri-State – Spoke against the new glass structures and spoke about the original intent and design. Supports retaining the original deed and opposes modifications.
 - Jenny Dixon – Former CB1 member and former Executive Director of Lower Manhattan Cultural Council – Spoke against the new glass structures and in support of maintaining the original deed.
 - Tammy Meltzer – Spoke to ask to ensure the Plaza will remain as a POPS with programing permanently.
 - Inez Elskop – spoke in opposition to changing the deed as requested and opposes added accesses.
- Jeff Mihok – regarding Core Structure of the Board – supports keeping the Battery Park City committee.
- James Kaplan, Lower Manhattan Historical Society – announced the events scheduled for the October 15 celebration of Saratoga and Yorktown Generals at 2:30pm at Trinity Chapel/Cemetery
- Bob Townley – Mike Nadel and his widow Julie (former CB1 member); Mike passed away this week. He was a judge and in large part responsible for improving traffic safety at Warren and West Street.
- Deron Charkoudian – Street Fair Task Force public hearing October 13 – CB1 is asking for a one month extension on proposals to change regulations for street fairs so that community boards can have meaningful input. The compressed timeframe for the proposals makes it impossible for community boards to provide input.

II. **Conflict of Interest Board Training for Community Board Members**

Robert Casimir, Senior Trainer, NYC Conflicts of Interest Board

Spoke about conflict of interest regulations and encouraged community members to contact the NYC Conflict of Interest Board with any questions or concerns. Phone calls can be made anonymously.

- Public Session closed at 7:03pm

III. **Business Session**

- A) The minutes of the monthly meeting held on July 26, 2016 were adopted as presented.

- B) District Manager's Report – N. Pfefferblit
- a. Attended a meeting of the Manhattan District Service Cabinet Meeting with Lucy Acevedo regarding Street Activity Permit Office proposals describe by Deron in the public session.
 - b. Testified at the City Council Hearing regarding Intro 950 which would limit the number of tour buses and better regulate them and reduce their impact on community quality of life.
 - c. Budget consultations with city agencies are underway and CB1 staff is attending the relevant sessions. Budget priorities will be discussed at the Executive Committee meeting in October and CB1 staff is currently revising the board's priorities to be presented to the committee.
 - d. October calendar – please check the CB1 October calendar carefully as several meetings have been changed due to holidays.
 - e. Construction Forum – Thank you to all who participated. Many city agencies and utilities were there to answer questions and clarify their processes.
- C) Chairperson's Report – A. Notaro reported on the following:
- a. Announced he has set up meetings with the following:
 - i. Parks Department Manhattan Commissioner Bill Castro
 - ii. DOT Manhattan Commissioner Luis Sanchez
 - iii. State and City DOT meeting regarding West/Chambers Street traffic
 - iv. EDC regarding ongoing projects including 137 Centre Street and South Street Seaport
 - v. Lower Manhattan Cultural Council
 - b. Looking for the most effective structure and process to address our needs.
 - c. Met with China Institute – Ribbon Cutting is tomorrow.
 - d. Commented for CB1 on land use, an important topic including ULURP process and other aspects
 - e. Introduced new CB1 Community Planning Fellow, Jahnvi Aluri, who will work on the livability index for our neighborhood over the next eight months.
 - f. Lower Manhattan construction – there is a weekly meeting on construction convened by DOT. Information from the meeting will be circulated to board members.
 - g. Congrats to Pat Moore on being honored by Downtown Our Town newspaper.
 - h. Congrats to Manhattan Youth and Bob Townly on celebrating 30 years of serving the youth and families of lower Manhattan.
 - i. Ruth Ohman is moving to Virginia by ambulette today. She has been an amazing role model and member of our CB for many years. Her address and phone number are available through the office to stay in touch.

IV. **Old Business**

- A. 28 Liberty Street/Chase Plaza Deed Restriction Modification – Resolution
- a. Motion to table the resolution to next month by a Roll Call vote of 38 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 abstained and 0 recused

V. **Committee Reports:**

NOTE: FULL VERSION OF RESOLUTIONS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE

A) **Financial District Committee**

S. Cole

- 1) The Quad Preparatory School 5K Fun Run – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) 140 West Street, application for a waiver of the rooftop recreation space – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 3) By a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused the following committee resolutions were approved:
 - a. 1 World Trade Center, application for alteration of an existing liquor license for Legends Hospitality LLC d/b/a OWO World Observatory – Resolution
 - b. 108 Greenwich Street, application for alteration of an existing liquor license for Suspenders and Belt LLC d/b/a Suspenders – Resolution; language needs to be added to ensure the hours are the same as before
 - c. 185 Greenwich Street, application for liquor license for Slow Food LLC d/b/a Market Lane NYC – Resolution
 - d. 185 Greenwich Street, application for liquor license for Fine Casual LLC d/b/a Little Hunter Burgers – Resolution
 - e. 8 Park Place, application for a liquor license for Five and Dime Hospitality LLC – Resolution
 - f. 84 William Street, application for hotel liquor license for 84 William Street Property Owner LLC d/b/a aka Wall Street – Resolution
 - g. 25 Broadway, 9th & 10th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 25 Broadway LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - h. 25 Broadway, 5th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 25 Broadway LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - i. 110 Wall Street, 9th Fl, application for liquor catering license for LQ Holdings LLC d/b/a We Work – Resolution
 - j. 110 Wall Street, 2nd-6th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 110 Wall LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - k. 200 Broadway, 3rd Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 11 John LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - l. 222 Broadway, 24th-27th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 222 Broadway LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - m. 222 Broadway, 18th – 22nd Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 222 Broadway LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - n. 85 Broad Street, 16th & 18th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 85 Broad LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - o. 85 Broad Street, 28th & 29th Fl, application for tavern/bar wine and beer license for WW 85 Broad LLC d/b/a WeWork – Resolution
 - p. 1 World Trade Center, 34th Fl, application for catering facility liquor license for Convene at Conde Nast, LLC d/b/a Convene at Conde Nast – Resolution
- 4) Governors Island Cube & Survey– Report

B) **Landmarks Committee**

S. Cole and J. Friedman

- 1) 166 Duane Street, application for Rooftop Pergola and Cable Railing – Resolution Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
- 2) By a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused the following committee resolutions were approved:
 - a. 195 Broadway, application for installation of sculpture and hanging tapestries within a portion of interior designated lobby
 - b. 11 Harrison Street, application to repair and replace building parapet and penthouse bulkhead
 - c. 143 Franklin Street, application for removal of a portion of the rear building & loading dock, replacement of existing and missing cornices, replacement of all front facade windows and storefront door, and construction of penthouse and elevator bulkhead
- 3) 92 Reade Street, application for replacement of existing roof stair bulkhead – Report
- 4) 51 White Street, application to remove 20th Century stucco façade – Report

C) **Youth & Education Committee**

T. Joyce

- 1) Taste of the Seaport – Report
- 2) The Quad Preparatory School 5K Fun Run – Report
- 3) Peck Slip Play Street – Report
- 4) School Crossing Guards – Report
- 5) School Overcrowding Task Force – Report
- 6) Fall School Registration Numbers – Report
- 7) The Downtown Soccer League – Report
- 8) New Business: Elections, Voting & Schools – Report

D) **Battery Park City Committee**

J. Mihok

- 1) 200 Vesey Street, application for restaurant liquor license for Del Frisco's Grille of New York LLC – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
- 2) 250 Vesey Street, application for liquor license with live music for S.S. Beacon – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
- 3) BPCA Permit Request for the Quad Preparatory School 5K – Report
- 4) Pier A Taste New York Store – Report
- 5) Asphalt Green Community Center Senior Programming – Report
- 6) West Thames Bridge – Report
- 7) Allied Universal Ambassadors – Report
- 8) Battery Park City Authority – Report
- 9) South End Avenue Study – Report

E) **Quality of Life Committee**

P. Moore

1) Report – Construction Forum

F) **Seaport/Civic Center Committee**

M. Pasanella

- 1) Minor modifications to previously approved Pier 17 ULURP – Friendly Amendment added to reevaluate three months after the 1st event- Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) 77 Fulton Street, application for restaurant liquor license for Pizzaiuoli Napoletani 1 LLC d/b/a TBD – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 3) 181 Front Street, application for change in method of operation of an existing liquor license for Artists Loft LLC – Approved by a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 4) Taste of the Seaport – Report

G) **Planning Committee**

P. Kennell

- 1) NYC Street Design Manual – Report
- 2) Resiliency Task Force – Report

H) **Tribeca Committee**

E. Lewinsohn

- 1) By a hand vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused the following committee resolutions were approved:
 - a. 158 Duane Street, application for Board of Standards and Appeals Special Permit for a Physical Culture Establishment, YogaSpark
 - b. 225 West Broadway, application for liquor license for 225 West Broadway Corp
- 2) 5 White Street, application for change in method of operations for North of Houston LLC – Report
- 3) 412 Greenwich Street, application for liquor license for entity to be formed by Tom Gialamboukis – Report
- 4) Two Hands sidewalk café, 251 Church Street – Report

VI. **New Business**

- 1) Proposed changes to SAPO regulations – the resolution was approved by roll call vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tammy Meltzer, Secretary