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Chairperson

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District Manager

Transportation, Historic Preservation, and Landmarks Committee

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

Hon. Raquel Vazquez, Chair
Hon. Lisa Downing & Hon. Maurice Sessoms, Vice-Chairs

Committee Members in Attendance: Lisa Downing, Crystal Shipp, Keith Taylor, Raquel Vazquez

Excused: Maurice Sessoms, Troy Gethers

Unexcused: Daniel Clark, Karen Horry, Aarian Punter

MINUTES

1. Welcome/Introductions

2. DOT Updates – Lyle Blackwood, DOT

a. Bx6 SBS Implementation (along 155th St.)

- This bus line was identified as a candidate for SBS service in 2009. DOT informed the committee that the MTA would maintain the local Bx6 service, but add Bx6 SBS service, as an express option.

b. 155th Street Viaduct Proposal

- DOT presented their proposal to remove an eastbound lane on West 155th Street (Bronx-bound) to become a third westbound lane on West 155th Street and the viaduct leading onto the Macomb Dams Bridge. The committee and all community attendees were strongly opposed to this proposal. DOT explained that this proposal would relieve traffic, but DOT did not present any data suggesting that traffic would alleviate due to eliminating this lane in the viaduct.
- The committee decided that this issue should be addressed to the full board. CB10 will be holding a public hearing on Thursday, May 4th at 6 pm on this issue.
- We asked DOT to provide the items listed below ASAP, however we are still waiting to receive the following:
 - A copy of the presentation
 - A traffic impact study
 - All feedback they received from the community

c. Vision Zero Safety Improvements on 116th Street

- DOT stated that they would take our board's resolution into consideration, but have not made a final decision on the principal objection expressed by

the board – the decision to restrict northbound turns from West 116th Street onto Lenox Avenue. DOT will provide an update prior to our next committee meeting.

3. Presentations: LPC Applications

a. Archer & Goat Restaurant - 187 Lenox Avenue

- This is a new comfort food restaurant opening in the coming months.
- The LPC hearing is anticipated in late-April/early-May.
- Proposed work: Installation of ductwork in the rear of the building

b. Sugar Hill Creamery - 184 Lenox Avenue

- This is a new ice cream shop opening in the coming months.
- The LPC hearing is anticipated in late-April/early-May.
- The owners plan to hold youth programs and provide discounts for kids.
- A low-storefront window will serve children and individuals with disabilities (wheelchair-bound).
- Proposed work consists of:
 - i. Renovation of existing retail space for a new ice cream and coffee shop
 - ii. Replace the existing storefront window system with an operable storefront system

4. Discussion Items

a. Street Co-Naming Presentations – Tues. April 25th at 6 pm

- 13 street co-naming proposals will be presented at this special meeting.
- The votes on the street co-namings will take place at the May committee meeting.

b. Jane's Walk with the Municipal Arts Society – Sat. May 6th at 11 am – 1:30 pm

- Theme: Historic Preservation & Landmarks in Central Harlem
<http://janeswalk.org/united-states/new-york-city-ny/historic-preservation-landmarks-central-harlem/>
- Tour leader: Michael Henry Adams, Save Harlem Now

c. Uptown Preservation Conference – Sat. April 28th, 9 am – 5 pm

- CB10 is a co-sponsor and Raquel will serve as the co-MC at the conference, along with Valerie Bradley of Save Harlem Now.

5. Voting Items

- a. 187 Lenox Avenue: The committee voted in favor of this application.
- b. Sugar Hill Creamery (184 Lenox Avenue): The committee voted in favor of this application.

6. New Business

7. Adjournment

Minutes prepared by Raquel Vazquez