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# Housing Committee

Monday, October 24, 2016 - 6:30 PM

Hon. Charles Powell, Chair  
Hon. Donna Gill, Vice Chair  
Hon. Danni Tyson, HDFCs Subcommittee Chair

**Committee Members in Attendance (7):** Brian Benjamin; Charles Powell; Donna Veronica Gill; Danni Tyson; Kevin Bitterman; Shanelle Washington; Ibrahima Diafoune

## PRESENTED ITEMS:

### 1. Welcome/Introductions

### 2. Review and Acceptance of Minutes of September 26, 2016 Committee Meeting

- a. Motion to approve made by Bitterman, seconded by Gill. All in favor.

### 3. Discussions

- a. Housing Committee District Needs Statement
  - i. Call for Committee and Community to submit district needs by Sunday, October 30 for consideration for budget priorities. Community can also prepare brief comments for Nov 2 General Board Meeting.
- b. Report and discussion of the expansion of CB10's Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH) Resolution to include stronger mandates and safeguards for deeper affordability and fair assessment of community applicants in the selection process
  - i. Community has asked for greater exploration of deep affordability projects, and how CB10 could be more explicit about its MIH Resolution to support the deep affordability section of our community.
  - ii. Copies of CB10's 2016 [Mandatory Inclusionary Housing \(MIH\) Zoning Resolution](#) were provided. This is also available on CB10's website.
- c. Report and discussion on CB10's Upcoming Legal Public Information Meeting re: HPD Proposed Regulatory Agreement on October 27, 2016 in the Harlem State Office Bldg at 6:45pm. See Handout for details.
  - i. Hon. Danni Tyson summarized CB10's upcoming forum. Hon. Ibrahima Diafoune requests that this information be shared with the African

Community in Harlem. Chair Powell has asked that we have the doc translated.

- d. Discussion of Strategies for addressing Homelessness in CB 10 and beyond
  - i. Need for a clear policy position
  - ii. Donna Gill to follow up with Health of Human Services Committee on cross-committee work on this issue.
  - iii. Dr. Kay Samuels was invited to speak on this issue, but she was not able to attend. CB10 will follow up.
- e. Update and further discussion of NYCHA Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Project & Proposed Lease of Public Lands and related NYCHA issues
  - a. Report out from Dr. Fields: Over 300 attended from the recent October NYCHA Meeting to make statement against the privatization of Public Housing in the Community. Many in the community are opposed to the Next Generation Plan. Preservation of playgrounds and open space should be a priority, along with the enforcement of the known maintenance issues.
  - b. Chair Powell reminds the Committee about the importance of this work as it relates to a policy statement, stance, and action plan regarding the Next Gen NYCHA plan.

#### **4. Old/New Business**

- a. Shanelle Washington issued a proposal letter calling to explore the relationship between gentrification and Real Property Appraisals/Appreciation in our district.
- b. Discussion and Comments on CB 10's public meeting on November 26, 2016 regarding the HPD Proposed Regulatory Agreement.
  - a. Dani is looking for a panel that includes auditors who are familiar with HFDC auditing process; bankers who can inform how HFDCs prepare themselves for financing from Banks. The 10/27/16 meeting will help define the focus of the 11/26/16 session. CB10 is committed to helping HFDCs in CB10 district to thrive; hence the committee's approach to more sessions and forums on this process.

#### **5. Announcements**

- a. CB10 Chair Brian Benjamin has been asked by Manhattan Neighborhood Network to host a series of Represent NYC shows on Community Issues. Benjamin will host show on Nov 4 for airing on Nov 13<sup>th</sup>. The topic will be the HFDC Regulatory Agreement and the next session will likely address the sanitation issues along the 125<sup>th</sup> BID.

#### **6. Next meeting date: Monday November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6:30**

#### **7. Adjournment**

- a. Motion by Donna Veronica Gill, seconded by Kevin Bitterman. Adjourned at 8:12pm.

**Meetings submitted by:** Hon Kevin Bitterman