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**Transportation, Parks, Recreation
And Public Safety
Committees
Wednesday June 12, 2013, 6:30 P.M.**

Hon. Deborah Gilliard, Chair
Hon. Manny Rivera, Chair

Board Members in Attendance: Deborah Gilliard, Karen Ann Horry Co Chair, Daniel Clark, Glen Martin, Keith Taylor, Andrew Lassalle

Guest: Mark Shine, Edward Harris, Cate Contino, Alel, Daryl Thomas, Benmore, Jake Carlson, Aron Sugiuna NYCDOT, Margaret Foigone NYCDOT, Marcus Book NYCDOT, Abena Smith Colonel Young Park, Deirdre Kennedy Colonel Young Park, Detta Ahi, Kieishehan Y. Garnes Parks, Tom Lunke HCDC, Tupacamaru Tiwoni Herb Farmers' Market, Seth Jones Parks Partnership, Mary Price Parks Partnership

Agenda

- **Colonel Young Park**
- **DOT select bus service 125th street**
- **Bike life "Dirt Bike Group"**
- **Matthew Henson Plaza –Farmer Market**

Colonel Young Park

Abena Smith and Deirdre Kennedy spoke about the neighborhood concerns with some procedures in Colonel Young Park. The Park is located from 145 to 143 streets from Malcolm X Blvd to 5Ave. The concerns are;

1. The Park lights are sometimes left on to 12 midnight.
2. Leagues, Private parties and Sponsors need to clean up after the events. Sometimes there are open trays of food left in the park all night feeding the rodents etc
3. The bathrooms must remain open while the leagues are still playing. When the bathrooms are close early the team members urinate on the trees, between cars and on the side of the buildings.
4. The Police and Park Enforcement Agencies must enforce the rules of no drinking or smoking in the park area.

DOT Select Bus Service

DOT Representatives spoke about the Town Hall meeting of Senator Perkins, Community Boards 9,10,11 and The 125th Street Bid concerning the select bus service at 125th street. The Town Hall

meeting was held May 23. The meeting was well attended by the community and it was clear that the people in Harlem had serious issues with the select bus service. A few weeks later DOT announced they will not move ahead with the select bus service.

Bike Life

The Bikers discussed the positive aspects of bike riding and park funding. The group had a meeting previously with members of the 32 prescient, representatives from Assembly Keith Wright office, Council Women Inez Dickens Office, Deputy Commissioner Parks Blackman, Harlem CDC and CB #10 Karen Horry. The purpose of the various meetings is to discuss funding for a possible Dirt Bike Park. It is clear that the popularity of the dirt Bike is growing in the urban areas. A Dirk Bike park would allow kids and young adults to practice and ride in an area safe from vehicles. The group will meet with various agencies throughout the year to resolve the bike issues in a positive way.

MATTHEW HENSON PLAZA – FARMER MARKET

Tom Lunke HCDC and T. Tiwon Herband Farmer's Market, spoke about their request to have a farmers market at Matthew Henson Plaza located at 150 street and Frederick Douglass Blvd. There is an open space program the Government funds for nonprofit agencies to create open spaces in select areas. At Matthew Henson Plaza selected streets in the area of the plaza would be closed for thru traffic and parking. The Committee could not issue a letter of support without the community recommendations for the project.