

COMMUNITY BOARD 12, MANHATTAN
Executive Committee Meeting
10/8/2013
MINUTES

ATTENDING: Fernandez [Chair], Bing [Vice-Chair], Ferreira [Vice-Chair] Allman [Secretary], Benjamin, Berlin [not voting], Kalinsky, Florimon, Lewis, Simon, Vanterpool, Young
EXCUSED: ADiaz, Kach, North
ABSENT: Jimenez, Oglive, Prentiss, Rivera
STAFF: Smith [District Manager]

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fernandez @ 7:15 PM.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Issues/Updates

A meeting with PANYNJ staff re: GWB Terminal project has been scheduled.

NYPD and DA are conducting a six-month pilot No Trespassing Program for landlords.

Assy. Rosa's forum on Affordable Care Act discussion has been reviewed by HE Committee. NYSDOH, community groups, health care providers, and NYP/CUMC all have capacity to present.

Safety issues in parks have become critical, and a Public Hearing will be scheduled with all relevant committees involved. Discussion included relationship to Quality of Life Task force and agenda.

YE Committee is addressing issue of dezoning and impacts of colocations. A Public Hearing re CD6 schools is being considered panel and presentation.

Internal

An Employee Manual, as adopted by CB 10, was distributed for review.

Nominating Committee will be appointed at October General Meeting.

Board Budget Hearing is on 10/16; Notice will be sent out tomorrow.

Committee Appointments/Changes include:

- Lorena Jimenez-Castro; Assistant Chair, Youth & Education;
- David Kach; Acting Chair, Parks & Cultural Affairs; Harlan Pruden resigned as Committee Chair;
- Shahabudeen Ally; Assistant Chair, Licensing Committee; and
- Mike Jimenez will step down as Chair, Public Safety at the end of the year.

"New blood" is sought for both Parks and Public Safety.

Chair expressed concern about attendance at Committee meetings, with reference to attendance records sent to all Board Members and upcoming discussions with Councilmembers. Discussion addressed errors in attendance records; procedures for requesting/notifying excused absences; related By-laws issues; and Board Member responsibilities re: two committees. District Manager explained problems in answering phone and retrieving messages.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

CB 12 Office move to 530 West 166th Street, 6th Floor, is ready, except for telephone lines (DOITT and its vendor were no-show at most recent hearing) and fire alarm box (fire alarm system was the problem in August). 10/11 is currently projected moving date; 10/25 is backup date. District Manager is working with Columbia's technical staff re: connections and switchovers.

DM has attended Budget consultations with all City agencies. Input from Committee Chairs is needed asap, so that document can be prepared for 10/16 Hearing.

District Service Cabinet is addressing homeless issues at Duarte Park triangle at Broadway/170th, and had separate meeting re: these issues. Project Renewal has said that these are not their clients. Discussion addressed overall context, NYPD, and HHS.

CB 12 needs additional coverage for evening meetings with Rafael gone from staff.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Land Use [Wayne Benjamin, Chair]

Resolved to Support the proposed balcony replacement work at 775 Riverside Drive and 156-08 Riverside Drive West.

This Resolution addresses two buildings in Audubon Park Historic District with five crumbling decorative balconies, with change of materials proposed, but no change in building look. The Land Use Committee recommended support, but the 10/22 Public Hearing is prior to the General Meeting.

Approved 10-0 (Berlin not voting).

Traffic and Transportation [Yosef Kalinsky, Chair]

Issues addressed include:

- MTA 1 Line station at 157th has leaks, and pillars need to be replaced; there are additional MTA questions pending Committee appearance.
- DOT has studied Hillside/Dyckman speeding; cancelled appearance at Committee meeting.
- Proposal is being developed for Broadway/215/218 triangle to be included in DOT's Plaza Program; there is a pending issue with that area being unshoveled when it snows.
- West 215th steps are under construction, with projected 12/2014 completion.
- City bench program will include benches at 801 West 181st and at Broadway/211th.

Housing and Human Services [Richard Lewis, Chair]

Committee has reconnected with HPD ref: Assistant Commissioner Eva Trimble. Committee discussion addressed Budget impact of sequestration, issue of inspectors and inspections in Budget; and Section 8. Budget rankings were completed with priorities for affordable housing and daycare.

Concerns of the Aging [Gloria Vanterpool, Chair]

The Release Aging People in Prison campaign addresses the issue of older people in jails, especially re: people without violent tendencies and those facing medication limitations. Issue will be brought to future General Meeting.

Business Development

Committee has discussed having speakers and workshops on topics of benefit to local businesses. Projected meetings are:

- November: Port Authority speaking about potential business opportunities at the newly constructed terminal;
- December: NY Women's Chamber of Commerce speaking about the Affordable Care Act and Pedro Suarez from NY Business Solutions speaking about the services his office provides;
- January: NYPD representative speaking about their "Nightlife Business" guide; and
- February: Business Improvement Districts in the District giving updates on their work.

GENERAL MEETING/CALENDAR

Draft calendars were reviewed for November and December, including changes in calendar for holidays and probable 12/19 Holiday Party. Concern was expressed about short period between Licensing Committee date and General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

ATTACHMENTS

- *Meeting Agenda*
- *Chair's Report*
- *District Manager's Report*

COMMUNITY BOARD 12, MANHATTAN
Executive Committee Meeting
June 11, 2013
MINUTES

ATTENDING: Attending: Fernandez [Chair], Bing [Vice-Chair], Allman [Secretary], Berlin, Kalinsky, Lewis, North, Simon, Vanterpool,

EXCUSED: Florimon

ABSENT: Benjamin, ADiaz, Ferreira, Jimenez, Prentiss, Pruden, Young

STAFF: Smith [District Manager]

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fernandez.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Topic and Discussions: Road Map

- Met with NYCEDC and Saka Facility Base Operators and with Councilmember Jackson re: helicopter noise and routing. Discussions included maintenance, compliance, Air Traffic Control role re: flight altitude, etc. Actions being considered include contact with Mayoral candidates; petition; follow up with Federal FAA and National Park Service; meet with FAA and local/regional helicopter industry; enact municipal legislation re: lease and oversight.
- Spoke with BP Counsel Jimmy Yan re: Conflict of Interest training for Board Members and re: copy of CB10M employee manual.
- FY ends 6/30. See DM Report below for considerations.
- Committees to begin next FY Budget discussion and invite City agencies and CBO's to attend meetings.
- Summer outing planning should begin.

Pending Meetings

- Jennifer Hoppa re: 20-year plan
- Commissioner Castro re: FY 2014 PEP officers and Parks maintenance
- Sandra Harris, CUMC, re: office relocation
- Personnel Committee

Updates

- DOT Josh Orzeck re: a) new Street Cleaning signage and tickets [to be forwarded to him] and b) letter requesting that DOT, NYPD, and Elected Officials observe weekend traffic issues

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

DM Smith is working on closing of FY 2013, paying all vendors and determining funds available for supplies and other unmet needs. DM will consult with Committee chairs before decisions and purchases. Executive Committee discussed options.

Columbia, per Sandra Harris, is working on construction of the new CB12M office. Issues with DCAS and with Certificate of Occupancy are still pending.

As in Chair's Report above, DM worked on issue of helicopter noise and routing. Also toured Wall Street Heliport.

Over 50 people attended the grand opening of the NOMAA art exhibit at CB12 office on 6/7 in spite of heavy rain.

Personnel matters were presented to the Executive Committee for consideration.

M/S [Lewis, North] Go into Executive Session.

Approved without opposition.

M/S [North Vanterpool] Return to Open Session.

Approved without opposition.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone, [Pamela Palanque-North]

UMEZ' most recent Business Meeting discussed \$1.2M grant to NOMAA. Also discussed were grants and loans to Audubon Partnership, Alianza Dominicana, Hispanic Federation; and ongoing small business loans.

UMEZ has a \$400K annual operating budget; Chair is Mario Baeza.

Quarterly business meeting is upcoming. There is a potential presentation to General Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Housing and Human Services [Richard Lewis, Chair]

Health and Environment [Steve Simon, Chair]

A joint meeting of the Committees was held 6/6 to discuss Gas Conversions and Other Energy Alternatives and real costs for gas conversion. The panelists were from NYSERDA, Con Edison, Brightpower, Hugh Chrysler Engineering, Advanced Chimney, NYCEEC, and the PSC. Forty people attended. ConEd did challenge CB 12 re: Area Growth Zone—173rd to 178th Streets—for pipes to go in for free.

There are several dilemmas facing NYC property owners and stakeholders, addressing the necessity of energy conversions required by law and health issues related to the use of biofuels, real costs and funding availability, stakeholder involvement in facilitating timely conversions, and roles for building residents.

Traffic and Transportation [Yosef Kalinsky, Chair]

Parks and Cultural Affairs [Harlan Pruden, Chair]

A presentation was made at Parks Committee on the Hudson River Greenway, which extends through the District and northward to Westchester. A joint Resolution is forthcoming.

Update was presented on Sidewalk Café legislation, including outreach from CM Jackson. Council vote will happen pre-General Meeting.

M/S [Lewis, Vanterpool] **to Authorize** Chair to speak or write against legislation.

Approved 8-0, 1 not voting.

GENERAL MEETING/CALENDAR

Projected Resolutions for the 5/28 General Meeting were reviewed. June Draft Calendar was reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

ATTACHMENTS

- *Meeting Agenda*
- *Chair's Report*
- *District Manager's Report*
- *Q&A re: Gas Conversions and Other Energy Alternatives*

COMMUNITY BOARD 12, MANHATTAN
General Meeting
September 24, 2013

MINUTES

ATTENDING: Fernandez [Chair], Bing [1st Vice-Chair], Ferreira [2nd Vice-Chair], North [Treasurer], Alliman [Secretary], Ally, Arthur, Barberis, Benjamin, Bueno, Cespedes, ADiaz, MDiaz, Florimon, Glenn, Jimenez, Kach, Kackman, Lehmann, Lewis, Lorris-Ritter, McGougan, Mejia, Miller, Nau, Noboa, Oglive, O'Sullivan, Prentiss, Ramadan, Raysor, Rivera, Saneaux, Santos, Simon, CSmith, Tejada, Vanterpool, Young

EXCUSED: Berlin, Jimenez-Castro, Luna, Mazur, Ortiz

ABSENT: DeLosSantos, Kalinsky, Morales, Sanchez, ASmith

STAFF: Smith [District Manager]

ELECTED OFFICIALS and REPRESENTATIVES: Assy. Denny Farrell, Assemblymember Gabriela Rosa, Councilmember Robert Jackson, Councilmember Ydanis Rodriguez; District Leader Mark Levine; Mayor Bloomberg [Nivardo Lopez], Borough President Stringer [Ingrid Sotelo], Senator Espaillat [Elizabeth Lorris-Ritter], Assy. Farrell [Frank Hess, M. Rueda], Councilmember Jackson [Martin Collins], Councilmember Rodriguez [Yokarina Duarte]

The meeting was convened by Chairperson Fernandez at 7:15, and was called to order at 7:33.

The Agenda was approved without opposition.

CHAIR'S REPORT [George Fernandez, Chair]

Meetings & Events

CB 12 Summer Outing was festive, exciting, and full of kids. Thanks to the 33rd and 34th Precincts for their assistance.

CB 12 hosted Northern Manhattan Quality of Life Task Force with Councilmember Rodriguez. Meetings were focused on the impact that the operation of restaurants and bars have on the entire district. TF is working through goals and objectives, procedures, and meeting dates.

CB 12 participated in Congressman Rangel's Community Leaders meeting.

Updates

GWB Bus Terminal \$183M renovation project has received Notice to Proceed, per Brian Simon, Port Authority Director of Government & Community Affairs. Minority, Women, and Local Business Enterprise Outreach began with a 9/18 meeting, with 2nd meeting scheduled for 9/25. CB 12 is in discussion with PA re: development of community advisory board. Chair Fernandez expressed appreciation for MWBE outreach opportunities. He additionally noted 12% commitment to minority and women's contracting; and is seeking complete and comprehensive listing of opportunities and readily available certification process.

Upcoming Community Events

- 8th Annual Taxi Drivers Health Fair; 166th/Audubon; 9/28; 12:00 – 4:00 PM
- NYPH Chalk Field Day; near 171st; 10/5; 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- Isabella Geriatric Center Fall Health Fair; 10/9; 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- Teens On Board [Community Boards]; Isabella Geriatric Center; 10/10; 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- WHICOA Annual Conference; Isabella Geriatric Center; 9:00 AM

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"New blood" is sought for both Parks and Public Safety.

Thanks to IT Task Force for launching the CB 12 Facebook page. Task Force is working on upgrading Web Page and creating digital Community Complaint Form.

A CB-led community walk through is being scheduled, with focus on train stations, garbage, traffic, etc.

CB 12's FY 2015 Budget committee rankings have been completed, and **10/16 Public Hearing is scheduled** for Board to bring rankings together.

Early distribution of a draft of CB 12's monthly calendar is being done to help re: "Save the Date."

See District Manager's Report below for summary of information presented by Chair and District Manager re: Office Relocation, National Night Out

A Powerpoint Report was presented, and is attached to these Minutes.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT [Ebenezer Smith, District Manager]

Expenditures included supplies purchased from the wish list submitted in the Summer: digital camcorder, tripod, wireless microphone, printing paper, cleaning supply for the folding machine, etc. All vendors were paid at the end of the fiscal year, and new purchase orders were processed. Stamp account was replenished.

Relocation of Community Board Office to 530 W. 166th, 6th Floor, is projected for second week of October. In preparation for the office move, we consulted with the NYC Department of Record and Information Services (DORIS), which sent us filing guidelines. Debra, Paola and Rafael with the help of the Y's Youth Program, were able to identify permanent documents and discard what was not needed.

Statement of District Need for FY 2015 was written, based on meetings and review with Board Chair.

On Wednesday, July 31 2013, the NYC Department of Health led a rodent prevention seminar in our office. This event had thirteen participants that ranged from multi-family businesses to restaurants, and ten rat resistant cans were given away.

With the direction from our Chair, DM coordinated, organized and prepared the committee of the Whole Meeting for Wednesday, July 31. Alexander Kipp, Director of Training & Education for the NYC Conflict of Interest Board provided a Conflict of Interest training for Board Members.

CB 12, Manhattan participated in the 33rd and 34th Precinct National Night Out events. We had a table on each Precinct's event. Our flyers were given away, and people signed up to receive CB 12 e-mails.

The end of the year accountability report for FY 13 Imprest Funds account was prepared and submitted.

DM attended a formation meeting for the South Washington Heights BID.

We assisted the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) to process the local street activity permits in collaboration with the 33rd and 34th Precincts. Over one hundred street activity requests were reviewed to assure that these applications meet the SAPO and CB 12, Manhattan requirements.

NYC Department of Equal Employment Opportunity conducted an audit in our office this Summer. It was found that CB12M did not meet EEO criteria with respect to the bathroom and the upper office space. A compliance report was submitted, and the EEO sent a certificate of compliance.

See Chair's Report above for summary of information presented by Chair and District Manager re: Northern Quality of Life Task Force, GWB Bus Terminal project, and Summer Outing.

A written Report was presented, and is attached to these Minutes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

CB 12 honored Officers Richard Natal, Bryan Polster, and Juan Ramos of NYPD for their heroism in rescuing people from the Hudson River.

CB 12 honored Sergeant Brian Holshek; Detective Carmelo Santana; and Officers Michael Walsh, Stephen Schoefer, and Cleveland Duchatelier of NYPD for extraordinary work in a major narcotics bust.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S REPORT [Ingrid Sotelo]

Borough President Stringer is hosting Shine The Light on Domestic Violence at Duffy Square on 10/7 at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC SESSION

Jim and Ky Williamson of Rotary International/Rotary Club of Inwood reported on 10/19 food drive for food pantries and food banks. Checks are needed by 10/1. For information, call 212-304-8882.

Nick Cochrane reported on the development of Nextdoor New York City [www.nextdoor.com/nyc] as a social network for neighbors to talk to neighbors.

Vianela Rivas, NYPL, reported on the after-school program at Inwood Library.

Leah Holzel, 1825 Riverside, noted that LaMarina is permitted for 1800 patrons, not 500 as expected; two Parks Dept. Place of Assembly permits were granted without process; and CB 12 role is questioned.

Katherine O'Sullivan, Moving Forward Unidos, spoke re: multiplicity of bars on Dyckman Street and the need for further policy discussions re: Licensing and for automatic renewals for businesses that don't come to CB 12.

Loria Ayala, DinAction noted LaMarina's failure to comply with agreements with CB, the absence of an EIS for LaMarina, and threats received.

Gisselle Mejia of City Harvest's Healthy Neighborhood Initiative informed of new in-depth assessment of Washington Heights and Inwood food-related issues. Contact gmejia@cityharvest.org for copy of report.

Anina Young presented two issues.

- Medieval Festival is 9/29 in Fort Tryon Park. It is a free all day family-friendly event beginning at 11:30 AM. Young will sell corsets, and many other local vendors will be selling their items and talking about their services. There will also be jousting, dancing, singing, and food galore.
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. More and more people are experiencing breast cancer, or know someone that is going through it or has it. Young is hosting a bra design event where people will make, decorate, embellish, paint, color, staple, knit, crochet, decoupage, etc. a bra that will be auctioned off in October. All proceeds will go to The Breast Cancer Research Foundation, where 91 cents of every dollar go directly to research. For anyone interested in participating in decorating a bra, go to website at www.createforacausenyc.org, or e-mail bra@createforacausenyc.org. Additionally, to help raise awareness, Young is cutting off 90% of her hair 10/1, and will color it according to the highest number of votes.

Veronica Liu of Word Up, reported on Word Up's new opening and 10/19 Uptown Lit Festival, which includes Cong. Luis Gutierrez.

Liz Ritter reported on the photo exhibit that she and her husband have at Hebrew Tabernacle.

Prentiss noted that flu vaccination sessions at Hebrew Tabernacle and Inwood Academy are both inaccessible. She is available on an ongoing basis to provide accessibility advice.

A letter from resident Nancy Preston was read expressing grave concern about multiple public safety issues exasperated by rapid growth of the restaurant industry in Inwood and especially on Dyckman. She noted agencies and regulations responsible for oversight, perceived non-enforcement, and a resulting dangerous environment with escalating tempers. She implored CB 12 to work with the NYPD to insure that existing laws are enforced, see that businesses are compliant with laws and respectful of community and residents, give careful consideration to all license requests, and create accountability. Additional issues addressed include condition of parks, potential for Parks concession fees and contributions by concessionaires to improve local parks, use of Parks property for events that degrade women, use of public streets for valet parking, and control of amplified sound in original agreement with La Marina.

A copy of the letter is attached to these Minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Club Liquor License to: Club Deportivo Dominicano of New York Inc., 2088 Amsterdam Avenue (at the corner of West 163rd Street). *In discussion, it was noted that this is a membership club that holds private events.* **Approved 33-2.**
2. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant an Alteration Application for a Change in the Method of Operation to: Pasapalos Inc. dba Marcha Cocina Bar, 4055 Broadway (at the corner of West 171st Street) **Approved 33-2.**
3. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: Caridad Cafe 207 Inc. dba El Rey Del Bistek & Caridad Rest, 565 West 207th Street (between Vermilyea and Sherman Avenues). **Approved 33-2.**
4. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: El Rancho Los Compadres Corp., 110 Sherman Avenue (between Dyckman and Academy Streets). **Approved 34-1.**
5. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: Bleu Evolution Bar & Rest Corp., 806-808 West 187th Street, (between Pinehurst and Fort Washington Avenues). **Approved 35-0.**
6. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: Agua Roja Bar & Restaurant Corp. dba Agua Roja Bar & Restaurant, 220 Nagle Avenue (at the corner of Academy Street). *In discussion, Chair Diaz informed the Board that the owner appeared to have answered the Committee's concerns regarding violence outside the establishment by seeking and following recommendations from the Police Department for the safe operation of the business and that, although there were no votes against the application, it failed to meet the requirements for a positive resolution by just one vote. This was therefore not a resolution of objection, but one of a failure to recommend its approval. Oglive then informed the Committee that, on one occasion, she witnessed the owner closing his establishment when his patrons' behavior threatened to get out of hand, something she has never seen anyone in his position do. The following text was accepted in amendment: "WHEREAS, at the Community Board's General Meeting on September 24, a member of the Board brought to the body's attention an incident in which the owner of the establishment canceled an event and closed the business, at personal cost, when a number of unruly patrons ignored his request that they behave in a more orderly fashion, a fact which the Board member offered as an indication of the owner's desire to be a good corporate citizen."* **Approved, as amended, 30-4, with 1 abstention.**
7. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: Villa Patron Inc., 104 Dyckman Street (at the corner of Nagle Avenue). *In discussion, a question was asked about TIPS training.* **Approved 28-7.**
8. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its On-Premises Liquor License to: 4060 Broadway Restaurant Inc. dba Aquamarina, 4060-4066 Broadway (at the corner of West 172nd Street). **Approved 35-0.**
9. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Fort Tryon Cafe & Grill Inc. dba Fort Tryon Café, 4026 10th Avenue (at the corner of West 215th Street). **Approved 28-7.**
10. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Yu Sushi Inc., 827 West 181st Street (between Cabrini Boulevard and Pinehurst Avenue). **Approved 35-0.**
11. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Cabana Salvadorena Restaurant, 4384 Broadway (at the corner of West 185th Street). **Approved 35-0.**

12. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Ceci Restaurant Inc., 78 Sherman Avenue (between Thayer and Dyckman Streets). **Approved 35-0.**
13. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Mi Paso Centro Americano Corp., 4129 Broadway (at the corner of West 175th Street). **Approved 35-0.**
14. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Jimmy Oro Restaurant Inc. dba Jimmy Oro Restaurant, 711 West 181st Street (between Broadway and Bennett Avenues). **Approved 34-1.**
15. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a Renewal of its Restaurant Wine License to: Lucky Jade House Inc., 4028-4030 Broadway (at the corner of West 169th Street). **Approved 35-0.**
16. **Resolution to recommend** the DCA to grant a Renewal of its Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License to: Antika Pizzeria Inc. dba Antika, 3924 Broadway (at the corner of West 165th Street). **Approved 35-0.**
17. **Resolution to recommend** the DCA to grant a New Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License to: International Drink Group Inc. dba Buddha Beer Bar, 4476 Broadway (between Fairview Ave and West 192nd Street). **Approved 34-1.**
18. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to: Sugary Goddess Corp. dba ARKA, 4488 Broadway (between Fairview Avenue and West 192nd Street). **Resolution was Withdrawn.**
19. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to: Corp. to be formed dba TBD, 145 Vermilyea Avenue (at the corner of West 207th Street). *In discussion, it was noted that an appearance had not been made.* **Approved 33-2.**
20. **Resolution to not recommend** the SLA to grant a New On-Premises Liquor License to: Un Chin De Vida LLC. dba Un Chin, 3795 10th Avenue (at the corner of West 203rd Street). *In discussion, the Resolution was amended to add the following text: "WHEREAS, at its General Meeting on September 24, the Community Board requested that the owner close the retractable roof whenever amplified music is played by a DJ; and WHEREAS, the owner agreed at that meeting to comply with the Community Board's request."* **Approved, as amended, 31-2, 1 abstention, 1 not voting.**
21. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a New Restaurant Wine License to: 5085 Broadway Restaurant Corp. dba Mi Ceniza Restaurant, 5085 Broadway (between West 216th and West 218th Streets). *A signed and notarized stipulation was submitted re: accessibility, as in the 4th Whereas.* **Approved 33-1, 1 not voting.**
22. **Resolution to recommend** the SLA to grant a New Restaurant Wine License to: Grito Mexican Grill, 1555 St. Nicholas Avenue (at the corner of West 188th Street). **Approved 34-1.**

14 people were absent for votes on Resolutions from the Licensing Committee.

A written Report was presented, and is attached to these Minutes, along with Resolutions.

Traffic and Transportation [Yosef Kalinsky, Chair; Mitchell Glenn presenting]

Resolution to Support DDC Project #HWMP2017 re: Reconstruction of Wadsworth Terrace (between 190th Street and Fairview Avenue)

Glenn noted that the remainder of Wadsworth Terrace reconstruction would be upcoming.

Approved 31-0.

A written Report was presented, and is attached to these Minutes, along with the Resolution

Parks & Cultural Affairs [David Kach, Acting Chair]

A Resolution concerning Greenway links to upstate was withdrawn, and will likely be presented next month. Planning for creation of a plaza in the triangle at Broadway/10th Avenue/215th Street was announced. The Committee is positive about green transformation in conjunction with Traffic and Transportation Committee.

A written Report was presented, and is attached to these Minutes.

Land Use [Wayne Benjamin, Chair]

A PDF of City Planning presentation on Flood Text amendment is available from the CB 12 office. The October Committee meeting will consider alterations at the Cloisters and two buildings in the Audubon Park Historic District.

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Youth & Education [Fe Florimon, Chair]

Forums scheduled for October 5 and October 10 were announced.

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Health & Environment [Steve Simon, Chair]

It was noted that major construction for emergency room expansion at NYP begins at the end of the month to double the size of the emergency room. All services will continue throughout construction.

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Housing and Human Services [Richard Lewis III, Chair]

DOB was at Committee meeting

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Concerns of the Aging [Gloria Vanterpool, Chair]

Note the WHICOA conference on 10/24; theme is "Going Strong."

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Public Safety Michael Jimenez, Chair

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ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Assemblymember Denny Farrell noted overall that State Budget remains in balance, and positive cash flow exceeds forecasts. He spoke to \$\$\$ identified for accessibility in Riverside Park for a second access boost.

Councilmember Robert Jackson spoke to the upcoming end of his term and to the redistricting which moves parts of District 7 into 9 [Dickens] and 10 [Rodriguez]. Community offices are being transitioned and readied for the incoming District 7 Councilmember. He is seeking positions for his 11 staff members.

The Community Safety Act passed, and will be in effect in 90 days. Appeal for a stay was denied; further appeal may happen after 10/20. There are pending Parks projects, and follow-up to be done re: LaMarina. Letter to EDC on helicopters was sent, and *will be attached to these Minutes*. Street naming issues for Willie Mays Place and Drive are being coordinated with Councilmember Rodriguez.

Councilmember Ydanis Rodriguez announced Dyckman House cameras ribbon-cutting; projected colocation at IS 52 building which he will consider with openness; and \$4.5M allocated for Isabella renovation. Emphasis was placed on Quality of Life issues, and respect for business was noted.

Assemblymember Gabriela Rosa presented a legislative update and information on key bills that she had sponsored and supported.

Mark Levine, District Leader and Democratic Nominee for Council District 7, expressed gratitude for community support; noted the impact of redistricting; and committed strongly to bridge-building throughout the District, CB, and environs.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Nivardo Lopez for Mayor Bloomberg and Liz Ritter for Senator Espaillat presented reports.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 PM without objection.

Attachments: *Agenda*
Chair's Report
District Manager's Report
Letter from Nancy Preston
Committee Reports [8]
Licensing Committee [22] Resolutions
Traffic & Transportation Committee Resolution
Letter to EDC

Community Board 12 Manhattan
Minutes for the Housing and Human Services Committee Meeting
October 3rd, 2013 at the Board's Offices 711 West 168th Street

Committee Members Present (3): Richard Lewis [Chair], Alyce Smith, and Ayisha Oglivie. **Committee Members Absent (5):** Excused Absences (Total)*- Ellen Kackmann (3) and Lorena Jimenez-Castro (1) Unexcused Absences (Total)*- Jay Mazur (2), Angelo Ortiz [Asst Chair](3)** and Christina Burgess (3) [Public Member].

Guest (1) Eva Trimble, Assistant Commissioner (HPD).

Public (9) Terrell Peters,(ASC/NYC), Derrick Horton (ASC/NYC), Taven West, Mariel De la Cruz, Peggy Shepard (Executive Director/WEACT, Nigel Chiwaya (DNAInfo), Milka Rodriguez (WEACT), Jordania Estrella, and Jocelyne Lamour.

Staff: Ebenezer Smith.

**Mr. Ortiz emailed his intent to resign – The HHS Chair requested a firm resignation date prior to next Committee meeting and requested the Board's Chair on the need to quickly fill this vacancy.

Welcome, Opening Remarks, and the Agenda. Richard Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm. Board Members introduced themselves. A quorum was not present during the meeting. We will have several presentations tonight: CBO's and NYC Agencies were invited to attend. The NYC Department of Homeless Services and Administration of Child Services submitted notes on their fiscal needs from the borough's budget consultation meetings. The following presentations were given.

Presentation by Ms Eva Trimble, Assistant Commissioner, NYCHPD

Ms. Eva Trimble begin her presentation by giving an overview on the role of the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) She stated that HPD was charged with preserving and developing affordable housing and enforcing the city's building maintenance code. They maintain a staff of 2,000 employees. There are many challenges still facing this agency's due to severe budget shortfalls..

First, Some 80% of its budget comes from several sources within the federal government, primarily from HUD. The rest some 20% comes from the city. In the last few years, HUD funding has been drastically cut. So much so that the city has not been able to replace these funds. In 2009 they downsized their operations some 25%. The federal sequestrations of January, 2013 used to resolve the fiscal crisis and the debt ceiling has led to severe cuts in Section 8 vouchers. Secondly, in the Community Development areas these cuts by the feds has hurt the city's ability to match funding replacements and has led to even more operational charges to absorb program losses and still keep the agencies mission on course. These effects can be felt on code enforcement, the AEP Program, for instance.

Q&A

Concluding this overview Ms Trimble answered several questions:

What has been the effect of letters sent out forcing changes in Section 8 vouches? Faced with implementing the reality of \$35 million dollars in federal cuts as a result of sequestration and no additional assistance from Congress, HPD issued letters this summer notifying some Section 8 residents that they were "overhoused". Without the downsizing, 2,500 facilities might have their vouchers rescinded. And as many as 3,300 families could be further impacted if the sequester cuts remain unchanged through 2014. There are some 37,000 households on the books for Section 8 and some 11,578 live in Manhattan. For more info on

Section 8 (Housing Choice Voucher Program) see: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/hpd/html/section8/section8-tenantshtml> or <http://www.nyc.gov/html/hpd/downloads/pdf/Admin-Plan.pdf>

What is the effect of the budget on increasing the pool of code enforcement officers? Code enforcement is funded by a Community Development block grant. It is an 80%/20% federal/state split. Through retirements and attrition HPD has been able to do some back filling of positions, but some of the monies must be returned to the federal government.

Can the code enforcement/violations online database be improved for more reports on a global or district basis rather reports on an individual property search and is this work done in-house or through DoITT? Work on information technology is always a challenge. It is done in-house and HPD is always in need of keeping up with upgrades and programming changes. Other agencies, such as DOB have similar challenges.

Can there be a better way of removing and curing a violation other than the owner's self certification process now in place? The agency calls the party who posted the original complaint for verification or re-inspects. But, Ayisha Oglivie, a board member raised the issue that some kind of dual certification or "tenant certification" would be a much better process and save scarce resources ? HPD representative indicated that this matter could be looked into.

Is it possible for HPD to have its own "Administrative Tribunals" like DMV's Traffic Courts so that fines and penalties could be collected and not reduced as in Housing Court so that this change could have an impact on mediating some of HPD's budget shortfalls? Some of the fines do come back to HPD. We recapture fines levied in Housing Court. However, a judge may reduce or throw out a fine and HPD has no control over that process. Last year, however, the City Council enacted legislation where heat and hot water fines and penalties can be collected like a parking ticket. A landlord may pay the fine online or waste time going to Housing Court where it may be reduced. Since this legislation was only enacted last December and January, we will have to wait and see if it changes behavior in this area. Ms Trimble further stated that if there is nonpayment on these fines, the law allows for an immediate levy on the property or an ERP lien at a certain threshold and then a tax sale or property auction may follow.

Presentation by Ms. Peggy Shepard, Executive Director -WEACT.

Ms Peggy Shepard reinforced the need for increased funding in code enforcement and in particular lead paint and black mold abatements. Mold and other obstructive pulmonary irritants are related to the high asthma rates in our community. We need more funding for education and advocacy purposes for CBOs since Housing Court takes too long for resolution of these problems. We need more funding for better pest control services (DOH, DSNY, and HPD). Rodents are out of control, especially in CD12. Some local businesses, a lack of commercial garbage pickups, illegal vendors, excessive community use of city trash cans with their home garbage, has had an impact on fueling the rodent crisis. We need to strengthen partners in the community to lessen this issue. Improper disposal of restaurant cooking oil and grease has been a problem with some commercial establishments. Finally, she stated that there was a need for more pilot programs on composting in CD12. Selecting sites could be problematic however. There is at least one in our district that is funded by the Manhattan Borough President's Office.

Ms. Shepard concluded her presentation on the need to change the use of high polluting and high sulfur fossil fuels, i.e., #6 and #4 fuel oils and urgent need to migrate to ULS2 fuel oil or natural gas. She urged support of the NYC Clean Heat Program in this regard and possible funding from NYSERDA for multifamily

buildings. The issue of MCI charges to tenants on these retrofits for boilers and weatherization projects may prove not to be an issue should an owners normalize these costs through long range savings or tax credits via state and federal income returns and the offsets for depreciation. Finally, there was a brief discussion on the efficacy of recycling plastic bags, charges for their continued use, and City Council committee bills pending on this matter.

Presentation by Terrell Peters, ASCNYC.

Mr. Terrell Peters gave a short presentation on the missions of his CBO. They did not come to ask for funding. His organization has intervention programs for PWA, clients with substance abuse and those who need to-develop better coping dills. The grow 120 pounds of produce/vegetables though a United Way grant.

Final FY 2015 Budget Review and Committee Rankings.

Committee members and the public discussed the previous meeting’s budget ranking and made only two ranking order changes. Item 4 in last week’s expense budget became Item 5 in the final rankings and Item 5 in the previous expense budget became Item 4 in the final ranking. Given below are the final rankings that will be submitted with all the board’s committee rankings at a full Community Board 12M Public Hearing on October 16th. Final board and agency rankings on all committee submissions on FY2015 Budget as required by law will be crafted. Given below is a table of the committee items, ranking and an explanation.

Final HHS Committee FY 2015 HHS Capital and Expense Budget Rankings

NEW HHS COMMITTEE CAPITAL BUDGET RANKINGS – FY 2015		
COMMITTEE RANKING	ITEMS (New and Old)	EXPLANATION
1	Affordable Housing (Unfulfilled promises for adequate new construction, development and preservation in CB12M).	This item was ranked Number <u>One</u> by the Committee and the Board for FY 2014 and FY 2013
2	Daycare Centers	This item was ranked Number <u>Two</u> by the Committee and the Board for FY 2014 and FY 2013.
3	<u>NEW ITEM</u> -Funding the establishment of capital resources for existing and legacy Housing and Human Service Organizations and CBO’s in CB12M so that their support services can be housed and operate in central “Non Profit Clusters” or relocated in one.	Space for these organizations is a very scarce resource. The cost and time spent to move and relocate due to organization growth or even funding to lease space is a serious hardship. Today, the movement is towards Non Profit Clusters akin to popular Tech Hubs where capital resources are shared and leasing is low cost.
4	<u>NEW ITEM</u> - Solar Thermal Demonstration Project(s) in CB12M focusing on affordable rent regulated Multifamily Buildings.	CB12M still has a very high number of buildings that have not converted to cleaner and more energy efficient fuels. This project can demonstrate how savings can be achieved and encourage others to follow. We also need also to insure that adequate and continuous training on the use of these systems once building ownership or management has changed.

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NEW HHS COMMITTEE EXPENSE BUDGET RANKINGS – FY 2015		
COMMITTEE RANKING	ITEMS (New and Old)	EXPLANATION
1	REWRITTEN - Provide <u>sufficient</u> funding for CBO's in CB12M that provide legal and or administrative assistance, advocacy or intervention for CB12M residents.	There is extremely limited funding to help clients in housing and human services who need legal assistance with filing documents or representation or advocacy. Recent studies on <i>pro se</i> representation have shown a heavy eviction rate for families in housing courts.
2	NEW ITEM - Funding to <u>expand</u> an Online Agency Information Systems, make their databases more user friendly, for searches, apps, or visual mapping of data with drill downs. Allow <u>global queries</u> by Community District or Zip Codes, generate online reports with extractable data, permit joint certification of violations cured for transparency and public oversight, and provide seamless linkage to DOB, HPD, DOF, EPA, and ACRIS databases.	At present there is no online means to search all buildings in our community district with a certain number of violations in agency databases – only one building at a time can be searched or viewed. There is no ability to achieve joint certification of violation removals by both the tenant and the landlord online. Finally, the Public Advocate's Office has long requested some kind of interconnectivity between city agency databases for better data analytics.
3	NEW ITEM - Funding for more inspectors and more building inspections by HPD, DOB, and DEP.	CB12M has an aged stock of buildings that are in constant need of repair – some older than 100 years.
4	NEW ITEM - Funding to help initiatives lower energy costs, produce savings through weatherization, efficient boiler/heating systems and retrofits.,	This is part of the greater greener urban movement towards sustainable and more energy efficient systems and to better accommodate unfunded city mandates.
5	Provide training in Building administration /Management to local housing organizations and residents/shareholders who live in CD12 HDFC's.	Many HDFC's in our community are poorly managed within and without. Training on all levels is needed for new equipment, property management, finances and , accounting, and how to avoid foreclosure.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58PM
 Respectfully submitted by,
 Richard Lewis, Chair HHS Committee
 (with assistance by Alyce Smith)
 October 3rd, 2013

Committee for the Concerns for the Aging

@ Community Board Office

October 8, 2013

Committee Member Present

Gloria Vanterpool, Chair
Betty Lehman, Asst. Chair
Edgard Nau
Liliana M. Sanseux

Public Member

Norma De Candido

Guests, Laura Whitehorn – R.A.P.P., Jim McNiff, Mary Anderson, Giselle Mejiia

Meeting called by Chairperson at 10:15am. A warm welcome was extended to all. All those present introduced themselves.

Committee Reports

Betty Lehman discussed highlights of the Health Committee
Liliana Sanseux shared highlights of the Public Safety Committee

Budget Priorities

We reviewed our Budget Priorities FY 2015 and they will be posted with the District Manager and presented at the Public Forum on October 16

Celebrate Life—Fe Florimon

Fe Florimin, Chairperson of the Youth & Educ. Committee proposed cosponsoring with the Aging Committee a special event celebrating seniors 90 years and older in our community. It would be named “Celebrate Life”. The committee agreed to explore the idea further with her for a possible Spring Date.

RAPP = Release of Aging People in Prison

Laura Whitehorn, organizer, Discussed an issue that has become a serious problem in our prisons,- the aging of the American prison population, its causes and consequences. Prisons were never designed to be geriatric facilities. It is no place to grow old. She spoke of the formation of RAPP to address this issue. The support of our board is requested. This will be shared with the Executive Committee for further action.

For further information see: www.nytimes.com/2013/10/09/nyregion/hes-over-80 and

<http://newoldage.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/10/04/in-a-quick-parole->

Mary Anderson discussed the Healthy Food program meeting held in the community and Giselle announced when the next meeting will be scheduled with a film showing

**We will man a booth at Isabella’s Health Fair on October 9th for Community Board 12

**All were reminded of the Breakfast Conference held by Washington Hgts. & Inwood Council on Aging on October 24, 2013 @ Isabella Geriatric Center.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30am

HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES – OCTOBER 3, 2013

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Simon (chair), Karen Arthur, David Kach, Elizabeth Lehmann, Juan Mejia, Edgard Nau, Beatrice Hall (Public Member)

ABSENT: Lorenzo McGougan, Raybblin Vargas (Public Member)

GUESTS: Sandra Harris, Columbia University Medical Center; Julio Batista, NY-Presbyterian Hospital; Alice Elste, K. Gonzalez, Osi Kaminer, Chris Kelly.

Dr. E. Nau, assistant chair, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

1. NY-Presbyterian Hospital Report – Julio Batista, Director of Community Affairs, reported as follows:

- The 8th annual Taxi Drivers' Health Fair was held on Sept. 28. 120 drivers were screened: 60 found with prostate problems, 20 with HIV, 3 were referred to ER because of hypertension.
- CHALK will hold its field day in Highbridge Park on Oct. 5, promoting 10 healthy habits.
- The third annual Latina Breast Cancer Awareness Walk will be held on Oct. 6.

Juan Mejia: phase 1 of the expansion project for the adult ER is starting next month. Temporary entrance will be at 622 W. 168th St. The pediatrics ER is not affected. Work will be done in three phases and should be completed in 3-5 years.

2. Columbia University Medical Center Report – Sandra Harris, Assistant Vice President, Government & Community Affairs, reported as follows:

- She distributed cards for the Latina Breast Cancer Awareness Walk.
- CUMC is hosting its second forum for the community on "cutting edge research and innovation at Columbia" on Oct. 23. The title of this forum is "The Silent Killer – Hypertension."

3. Committee's Recommendations for FY 15 Expense and Capital Budget Priorities – S. Simon led the discussion by first reviewing the committee's recommendations for the expense budget from last year. It was agreed that the request to restore funding for the Adopt-a-Basket program could be removed. D. Kach suggested including the request for increased funding for Sanitation police officers with the one calling for hiring additional Sanitation workers. It was agreed that hiring additional staff for the two HHC facilities should be placed ahead of the request for increased funding for education and outreach on recycling and the proper disposal of household garbage. The need for additional adult mental health services was discussed, but these services are funded by the state and therefore do not belong on the board's list of priorities for the City budget.

The committee then discussed its capital budget priorities. We should still advocate for constructing a new Sanitation garage for District 8 since its trucks are still traveling back and forth through our district to the garage on W. 215th St. The City is planning to build a garage for Districts 6 & 8 in the East 20s with funds obtained through the purchase of the former District 8 garage site on E. 74th St. by Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital. We need to check on whether our second priority – constructing a school-based health clinic at Gregorio Luperon H.S. – is still needed. We can remove the requests for the purchase of a Major Emergency Response Vehicle for EMS since it was purchased and for the construction of an EMS base station for our district since it was done.

With the various changes to last year's lists, the committee agreed to recommend seven expense budget and three capital budget priorities to the full board.

4. Isabella Geriatric Center Report – Betty Lehmann, Director of Marketing & Communications, reported as follows:

- Renovation of the short-stay rehab unit in 515 Audubon Ave. has started.
- Isabella's 10th annual health fair will be held on Oct. 9.
- WHICOA is holding a breakfast conference at Isabella on Oct. 24: "Seventy Plus and Still Going Strong – New Opportunities for Later Life."

5. **Old Business** – S. Simon reported that the Operation Scorecard street cleanliness rating has dropped by about 10 points in parts of our district over the last year since the alternate-side-of-the-street parking rules were changed. If this continues, the ASP rules may revert to two days a week. We need to address this issue.
6. **New Business** – E. Nau spoke about the need for a multi-disciplinary clinic that would focus on preventing amputations in diabetes cases and in providing coordinated care. S. Harris, J. Batista and J. Mejia agreed to work with him on this issue and in particular to check on the programs available at the Russ Berrie Diabetes Center. S. Simon suggested that we invite a representative from Russ Berrie to speak at a future committee meeting.

S. Simon: DEP has asked the community boards to support pending legislation in Albany to approve the proposed Clean Water/Clean Air/Green Jobs Bond Act of 2014. After reviewing material sent to us by DEP and a brief discussion, the committee voted as follows to submit a resolution in favor of the bill to the full board:

	Yes	No	Abstain
Committee Members	7	0	0
Members of the Public	6	0	0

Alice Elste spoke about complaints she has made about a chimney at 353 Fort Washington Ave. spewing black smoke. She reported it to 311, and a DEP inspector showed up but couldn't get access to the building. S. Simon asked her for more info and said the board would follow up.

S. Simon: The New York State Health Exchange is now in effect as of Oct. 1. Assembly Member Rosa is holding a forum on the health care exchange at Isabella on Oct. 30 in conjunction with Empire Blue Cross, one of the companies offering plans to uninsured New Yorkers. The committee agreed that it was not a good idea to allow only one insurer to promote its plans since the purpose of the Health Exchange is to foster competition and WH-I residents should be provided with full information regarding the available plans.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Edgard Nau and Steve Simon

CB12M-Youth and Education Committee

October 15, 2013

Location: Meeting Location: 711 West 168th Street Main floor (Haven Entrance)
New York, NY 10032

Committee Members Present: Fe Florimón, Chair; Chris Smith, Asst. Chair; Alyce Smith, Ayisha Oglivie, Lorena Jiménez Castro

Committee Members Absent: Maria Luna, Manny De Los Santo, Angelo Ortiz,

CB12 Members: Richard Lewis

Community Members: MS. Denise Hikes, WHI- Youth Council – WH & I – Youth Council; Joe Rogers, Founder- Total Equity Now; Denny Swersky, Founding Principal of KIPP Charter School; Christian Guerrero, Director of Community Engagement for Inwood Academy for Leadership.

The Chair Fe Florimón opened the meeting at 7:25 pm and welcomed everyone. Those in attendances were invited to introduce themselves.

❖ Meeting Phase I/ Open issues

- ✓ **Mr. Toby Kasavan**, a Pianist, Composer and Music Instructor. He also the Founder of the non-for profit organization-Neighborhood Music & Arts. Mr. Kasavan Presented an overview of his programs “Performing Arts Residencies.” The programs consist of” All Neighborhood Music and Art teaching artist residency programs in music, theater and dance are designed to address the skills and knowledge areas emphasized in the NYC Blueprint for at the Arts, and the NYS learning standards for the arts.” In addition, Mr. Kasavan is a vendor contractor for the DOE, which means his program, has been approved to satisfy the school curriculum requirements. At the end of his presentation, he also encouraged those in attendance to share his program information with the community.
- ✓ Asst. Chair Smith asked Mr. Kasavan what makes your program distinctive. Mr. Kasavan replied that his has chosen a really good art program, with high quality teachers and the fact that his also tries to craft the program for particular needs of the schools.
- ❖ Presenter, **Mr. James Gillard** is a Filmmaker and Playwright, author of several books including “If Harlem Could Talk, “They Will Scream” and the book “Can Anybody Hear Me?!!”- This was the book brought to the meeting. This book represents the voices of youth, containing short stories, and scenes monologues. The book is also aimed for Middle and High School students. One of the author main objectives is to put his books in circulation into the school system.
- ✓ Mr. James Gillard – also teaches theatre, drama to high school students, Crafted short stories students would tell him in their after school program. He has also received grants for his initiative.

❖ **Ms. Denise Heights** – Representing Unidos Coalition

- ✓ Ms. Hykes provided an update and review on the Youth Council and on the underage drinking initiative. Ms. Hikes stated that the Coalition's goal is to reduce underage drinking in the community. She indicated that their organization is open to share resources, advocacy & network strategies.
- ✓ Youth Collective Meetings for the ages of 14-21 is youth led and adult guided, held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Also, young people from 14-21 years old meet every Wednesday, from 4:30-6:00pm
- ✓ They do three middle school programs helping in the community and they hope to extend their program into high schools as well.
- ✓ Service providers were highly encouraged to participate.
- ✓ Meeting location: Inwood Academy for Leadership: 108 Cooper Street, New York, NY 10034
Time: 5:30 pm-7: pm October 16, 2013. For this and other program please contact: (212) 942-0043 extension 194 or by email: UNIDOSCoaliton@gamil.com; Facebook.com/UNIDOSCoalition

❖ **Meeting Phase II**

Budget Ranking & Open Hearings for FY2014 by: Mr. Chris Smith, Assist Chair

- ❖ Mr. Smith discussed the Committee ranking priorities for FY 15 again, and encouraged people to participate on the CB12M's Public Hearing- to be held on Wednesday, October 16th
- ❖ Copies of the raking priorities were provided to those in attendances and opportunity for comments as well.
- ❖ Mr. Richard Lewis asked the Committee to consider the restoration of funding for the complete novation of the Auditorium and Gym at PS 28. However, the committee rejected his request based on the report outcome provided by the Register of Community Board Budget Request for the FY 14, which stated that the work on this project has been/or will completed by FY 13. But, Mr. Lewis is in disagreement with the report. According to him the project to fix the Auditorium and the Gym was never funded neither finished, and the allocated funds the school received was only for the computer laboratory, and perhaps other items not related to the original request.
- ❖ A motion was made to write the DOE and request an explanation on the funding to fully renovate the auditorium and gym at PS 28. This motion was fully supported for all committee members and the public.

❖ **Old/New Business**

- ❖ **Joe Rogers, Facilitator** for the Uptown Education Collaborative initiative, pro-advancing Education Excellence into Communities. Mr. Rogers discussed the objective of the pending the resolution proposed by the Uptown Education Collaborative to bring together CEC & CB 9, 10, 11, and 12, which also seeks the commitment of CB12M Members, especially Members of the

Y&EC to participate in their quarterly meetings. At the request of the Executive Board the pending resolution was sent back to the committee for final decision. The Committee (Y&EC) voted on the pending resolution with the following voting results: **Committee: 4 -1 -0 and Public: 5 - 0 - 0** The final decision on this resolution will be decided at the Board General Meeting on October 22, 2013 where the resolution will presented to the full board.

- ❖ Ms. Florimón provided a short summary of Co-Location meeting held on Saturday Oct 5th. Also Mr. Al Kurland also joined the conversation and provided comments on the Co-Location meeting outcome. Both agreed that the meeting was successful delivered.
- ✓ The planning of the Aging and Youth Committees to celebrate life of those over 90 years old has been postponed for spring 2014 according to Ms. Florimon who stated that the agreement was decided at the Aging Committee.
- ✓ Several community events were reported including:
- ✓ “Parent and Youth Leadership in Education Decision Making” to be held on Monday, Oct 25th @ 5:30pm; Locaiton: 2005 Amsterdam Ave Near 159th and 160th Street, 2nd Floor. All welcome by Mr. Joe Rogers.
- ✓ A Community/Parent Workshop will be provided by Inwood Academy for Leadership to address: How to help your child with his/her academic needs, Common Core Test, and will also have Specialists in Literature and basic reading. Available to whole the community. To be held on October 23th @ 6:00pm. Further information at: (212) 942-1450

Meeting ended: 9:50pm

LAND USE COMMITTEE - MEETING MINUTES

October 2, 2013

Committee Members Present

Wayne Benjamin, Chair
Anita Barberis, Asst. Chair
James Berlin
Dulce Bueno
Tamara Rivera
Steve Simon
Jason Miller
Isaiah Bing

Committee Members Absent

Board Members Present

Elizabeth Lehman

Public Member Present

Vivian Ducat

Public Member Absent

Staff: Debra Blow

Guests: Osi Kammer, Isak Radoncic – 156-08 RSDW & 775 RSD, Avi Maor – Comprehensive Designs, Rita Gorman,

1. The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Land Use Committee (“Land Use” or the “Committee”) Chair Wayne Benjamin began the meeting by welcoming committee members and guests and welcoming Jason Miller as a new member of the Committee. He advised that the presentation that was scheduled to be made by representatives of the Cloisters Museum has been rescheduled to November.
2. Avi Maor of Comprehensive Designs made a presentation to the Committee concerning the proposed replacement of decorative balconies at 773-775 Riverside Drive and 156-08 Riverside Drive West, located in the Audubon Park Historic District. He stated that Arnold Cheung who was supposed to make the presentation was unable to attend. Isak Radoncic, Project Manager with the Pinnacle Group was also present. Mr. Maor explained that the two buildings were constructed in 1930 and have a total of five decorative balconies made of an imitation terra-cotta material that are deteriorating, causing a potential hazard to the public. The building management company attempted to restore the cracks, but noticed significant rotting of the concealed supporting structural elements. To rectify the issue building management propose to replace all the balconies with weatherproof fiberglass. The fiberglass replacements will maintain the architectural integrity of the buildings, be identical to the existing balconies in shape, design, and size and will be finished so that they have a weathered appearance similar to the existing balconies. Mr. Maor stated that it is not unusual for fiberglass to be used to replace architectural building details made of terra-cotta, stone or other materials – it is lightweight, durable and weather-resistant.

Since the buildings are located in an historic district the work proposed must be approved by the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) in addition to the Buildings Department. Further, since a change in material is proposed LPC must hold a public hearing. The public hearing is scheduled for October 22nd, the day of General Meeting of Community Board 12-Manhattan (CB12-M). After further discussion a motion was made (S. Simon) and seconded (J. Berlin) supporting the work proposed to replace the decorative balconies at 775 RSD and 156-08 RSD

RSDW and to request that the Executive Committee consider the Land Use resolution on behalf of the full Board so that CB12-M can provide LPC with written comments at the October 22nd public hearing. **The resolutions passed based on the following votes.**

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>
Committee Members:	9	0	0
Board Members:	1	0	0
Members of the Public:	1	0	1

3. The Committee reviewed a list of development projects in Washington Heights and Inwood that are recently completed, underway or proposed. Land Use Chair Benjamin stated he prepared the initial draft at the request of CB12-M Chair George Fernandez who thought it would be informative to take a look at development activity in the district. It was agreed that Committee would forward revisions to the list to Chair Benjamin, that the updated list would be shared with the full Board and the public and that the list would be periodically updated.
4. The Committee discussed the October 16th Budget Ranking exercise and the inclusion of the following Expense Item:
 - Request that the Department of City Planning hire more professional planning staff to facilitate review of rezoning and other planning studies, such as the Contextual Zoning and C8 Rezoning request made by CB12-M.

After further discussion a motion was made (S. Simon) and seconded (T. Rivera) in support of the proposed expensive item. **The motion passed based on the following votes.**

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>
Committee Members:	9	0	0
Board Members:	1	0	0
Members of the Public:	2	0	0

5. After further discussion the Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jason Miller and Wayne Benjamin

Community Board 12 Licensing Committee

Minutes, October 09, 2013

Committee Members Present: Aldemar Diaz, Chair; Shah Ally, Vice-Chair; Rolando Cespedes; Michael Diaz; Elizabeth Lorriss-Ritter; Edith Prentiss; Luis Tejada; Maceo Raysor; Angela Sanchez; Anina Young

Committee Members Excused: N/A

Committee Members Absent: Ulises Noboa

CB12 Members Present: Ariel Ferreira

CB12 Staff Members Present: Paola Garcia

Community Members Present: Gladys Bencosme, Rick Rodriguez, Linette Quezada, Mario Polanco, Santiago Quezada, Carol McKenny, Haithem Oueslah, Tony Trinidad, David Brodherson, Jose Abreu, Yvelisse Rossi, Felipe Gutierrez, Annie Ramirez, Edcon Familia, James Lee, Pablo Gomez, Gus Anton, Jhorman Garcia, Yokarina Duarte, Mercedes Valera, Franklin Morales, Arlene Shulman, Carlos Guzman, Maggie Clarke

A. Welcome and Opening Remarks: Aldemar Diaz, Committee Chair

B. State Liquor Authority *Renewal* Licenses:

C. *Alteration Application for Change in Method of Operation*

1. Block Rockers LLC. doing business as Public Access Bar Cafe - 711 West 181st Street between Broadway & Bennett Avenue

Owner/Representative	Manuel Rosario
Type of Establishment	Bar/Lounge – no food
Hours of Operation	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel	
ADA Compliant?	SEE NOTES BELOW
Employees	
Capacity	
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	
33rd/34th Precinct	

Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	<p>(1) Owners appeared having filed an application of alteration of their practice. The owners stated that the proposed alteration would be to include a menu and a change of location. As to the menu, owners indicated that the focus would be on serving paninis, salads and hot beverages. A copy of the menu was provided to the committee. As to the new location, owners indicated that the space would be around the corner from the existing shop. At the new location, owners agree to add additional security cameras. Owners further agreed that the new location would be ADA compliant.</p> <p>(2) It was stated that construction on the new premise has not begun yet. The work will begin in November. The local precinct will conduct a walk through only after the construction of the new premise.</p> <p>(3) Owners agree to withdraw application until such time that construction is completed and police precinct has conducted a walk through.</p>
Committee Vote	Application withdrawn

On-Premise Liquor License

- International Drink Group Inc. doing business as Buddha Beer Bar - 4476 Broadway between Fairview Avenue & West 192nd Street

Owner/Representative	James Lee
Type of Establishment	Restaurant – American/Bar food
Hours of Operation	Sun.-Thurs. (12p-2a) and Fri.- Sat. (12p-3a). Last call is 30 minutes prior to closing.
Tables/Chairs	8 Tables and 64 Chairs
Music	iPod
Security Cameras	3 outside; 13 inside
Security Personnel	1 ; NYS licensed; works on Friday & Saturday, from 9pm to close.
ADA Compliant?	Yes, entrance and restrooms
Employees	12 (mix of part time and full time)
Capacity	74
Emergency Exits	2 (fire exits) one on Broadway and one in the back
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objections
Community Comments	N/A

Stipulations	N/A
Notes	(1) At the last renewal meeting (9/28/11), the Board strongly objected to the applicant based on the number of full-liquor licenses within 100 feet of each other. Owner indicates that there is only one other establishment that has a liquor license within 100 feet; and (2) Council member Rodriguez offers no objection to applicant.
Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 6/0/0

3. Pipers Kilt of Inwood Inc. doing business as Pipers Kilt of Inwood - 4946 Broadway at the corner of West 207th Street

Owner/Representative	Carol McKenny (212) 569-7071 owner
Type of Establishment	Restaurant/Tavern
Hours of Operation	Mon.- Sat. (11am to 1am) & Sun (12pm to 1am). Last call is 40 min prior to closing.
Tables/Chairs	15 tables and 18 chairs. There are 12 seats at the bar.
Music	Juke box
Security Cameras	No
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes (portable ramp). 1 accessible bathroom.
Employees	25-28 employees
Capacity	32-25
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	Reserved. The 34 th precinct reserves recommendation pending a meeting with the owners.
Community Comments	
Stipulations	(1) Owners will meet with representatives from the 34 th precinct and the Community Board to discuss the issue of sell of alcohol to minors.
Notes	(1) No objection at the last renewal process (4/24/12); (2) Council member Rodriguez supports the recommendation made by the 34 th precinct; and (3) 34 th precinct wants to meet with Owners prior to making a recommendation regarding the renewal application.
Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/0/1

4. JBD Billiards Corp. - 174 Audubon Avenue at the corner of West 174th Street

Owner/Representative	Xiomara Gutierrez & Felipe Gutierrez (manager/part owner)
Type of Establishment	Billiard Hall – cold sandwiches and juices served
Hours of Operation	Mon.-Sun. (2pm to 2am). Last drink 30 minutes prior to closing.
Tables/Chairs	8 Tables, 25 Chairs with 1 large bench.
Music	Juke box – with a sound regulating device.
Security Cameras	5 cameras - 1 outside, 4 inside.
Security Personnel	1 - not licensed by NYS; works Fri. to Sun. from 8pm to 2am.
ADA Compliant?	No
Employees	1
Capacity	55
Emergency Exits	3(2 in front entrance and 1 in the back)
Restaurant Letter Grade	N/A
33rd/34th Precinct	Opposed. See Notes below.
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	<p>(1) At last renewal (11/29/11), the Community Board offered Strong Objection in granting the license based on excessive noise, summonses and unlicensed cabaret. The State Liquor Authority (SLA) granted the license over the Board's objection;</p> <p>(2) Owner indicated that the previous owner was responsible for the violations;</p> <p>(3) Captain Greene from the 33rd precinct indicated that the police department does not support the renewal of this license. Captain Greene indicated that there have been numerous arrests made for assault, disorderly conduct and public drunkenness that relate to this establishment. Captain Greene indicated that the time period of June 2013 through August 2013 was particularly active for police in connection to this establishment including an arrest for an assault that occurred within the establishment. The Captain also noted that the owner was arrested on August 11, 2013 for operating an illegal billiard hall;</p> <p>(4) The owner admitted that he was arrested on August 11, 2013. Owner indicated that he was arrested for "pulling down the gate to the store while people were still inside." Owner admitted that his case proceeded to disposition (although he wasn't certain as to what exactly happened to his case) and he served 1 day of community service; and</p> <p>(5) Elected official will follow police recommendations.</p>

Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 0/7/2
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Restaurant Wine License

5. Beans & Vines Corp. - 4842 Broadway at the corner of Academy Street

Owner/Representative	Edson Familia (Owner)
Type of Establishment	Restaurant
Hours of Operation	Mon-Sun (11am -11pm). Last call at 10:30pm.
Tables/Chairs	8 table and 18 chairs
Music	iPod
Security Cameras	2 inside
Security Personnel	No
ADA Compliant?	No
Employees	4
Capacity	20
Emergency Exits	1 – in front
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objections
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (11/28/12) the Community Board offered an Objection based on the applicant’s failure to appear at the Licensing Committee meeting. The owner indicated that, in 2012, the meeting that he was to attend was rescheduled and at the point he received the rescheduled notice, he had already received the license. Owner believed that he did not have to take any further action; and (2) Committee member Edith Prentiss voiced her frustration that the owner did not follow through with getting a ramp for the front entrance, as he promised at his previous appearance before the Committee.
Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/1/0

6. AJE Management Corp. doing business as El Viejo Jobo - 231 Sherman Avenue at the corner of West 207th Street

Owner/Representative	No appearance by owner or representative.
Type of Establishment	
Hours of Operation	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	

Security Cameras	
Security Personnel	
ADA Compliant?	
Employees	
Capacity	
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (11/28/12), the Community Board offered no objection.
Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/1/0

7. Venerato Inc. doing business as Garden Cafe - 4961 Broadway between West 207th & Isham Streets

Owner/Representative	Gus Anton
Type of Establishment	Modern American
Hours of Operation	Mon.– Fri. (11a – 11p) and Sat. – Sun. (10a – 11p). Last call 10:30pm
Tables/Chairs	12 table inside 34 seats inside; outside 6 tables and 30 seats
Music	iPod/occasional live music.
Security Cameras	10 total: 7 inside and 3 outside.
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	11 (mix of full and part time)
Capacity	74
Emergency Exits	2 (1 in front and 1 in the alleyway)
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	Reserved. Would like to meet with owners regarding dispensing alcohol to minors.
Community Comments	
Stipulations	(1) Owner will meet with 34 th precinct prior to general meeting on 10/22/13 and abide by any recommendations purposed by the precinct.
Notes	(1) At last renewal (10/24/12) the Community Board offered No Objection; (2) see police concerns above.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/0/1

8. Cafeteria Billar Cibao II - 90 Nagle Avenue between Ellwood & Sickles Streets

Owner/Representative	No appearance by owner
Type of Establishment	
Hours of Operation	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel	
ADA Compliant?	
Employees	
Capacity	
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	N/A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection. Police representatives indicated that any concerns regarding this establishment selling alcohol to minors has been addressed and resolved.
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (9/30/10), Community Board recommends that SLA grant renewal of liquor license; and (2) Council member Rodriguez supports application.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/0/1

9. El Guanaco Restaurant & Pupuseria - 4195 Broadway at the corner of West 178th Street

Owner/Representative	No appearance by owner or manager
Type of Establishment	
Hours of Operation	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel	
ADA Compliant?	
Employees	
Capacity	
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	B
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	

Notes	(1) At last renewal (11/28/12) Community Board offers No Objection to the SLA granting a renewal of license.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

10. 181st Caridad Restaurant Inc. - 554 West 181st Street between St. Nicholas & Audubon Avenues

Owner/Representative	Gladys Bencosme - owner
Type of Establishment	Restaurant
Hours of Operation	24 hours, 7 days a week. Last call for alcohol is at 3:30a.
Tables/Chairs	4 tables and 18 chairs. 7 chairs at counter.
Music	Juke box.
Security Cameras	7 cameras in total – 5 inside, 1 in the kitchen and 1 outside.
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	6 employees
Capacity	25 people
Emergency Exits	1 exit, the entrance.
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (6/27/12) Community Board offered an Objection based on applicants failure to appear at the meeting; and (2) Councilman Rodriguez supports the police recommendations.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

11. Galicia Segundo Restaurant Corp. - 4083 Broadway at the corner of West 172nd Street

Owner/Representative	Jose Abrau – Representative
Type of Establishment	Restaurant – Spanish food
Hours of Operation	Sun. – Thurs. (6am – 12a) & Fri – Sat (6a – 1a). Last call at closing time.
Tables/Chairs	13 tables/40 chairs
Music	Music from CD or radio.
Security Cameras	No
Security Personnel	No
ADA Compliant?	Yes (entrance and bathroom)
Employees	14 employees
Capacity	52

Emergency Exits	2 fire exits (1 in the front of the business and other in the basement)
Restaurant Letter Grade	B
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (11/28/12), Community Board offered No Objection.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

12. 207th Street Lina Restaurant Inc. doing business as El Lina Restaurant - 500A West 207th Street between Post & 10th Avenues

Owner/Representative	Santiago Quezada– Representative
Type of Establishment	Spanish food – Dominican food
Hours of Operation	Mon.-Sun. (6a to 1a). Alcohol service begins at 12pm. Last call is 30 minutes prior to closing
Tables/Chairs	5 tables and 15 chairs. 10 at the counter.
Music	Juke box
Security Cameras	1 camera (inside)
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes, ramp at entrance.
Employees	12
Capacity	35
Emergency Exits	1 in front
Restaurant Letter Grade	Pending
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) No objection at last meeting; and (2) Council member supports police recommendation.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/0/1

D. NYC Department of Consumer Affairs *Renewal* Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe License:

13. 187 Restaurant Corp. doing business as Refried Beans Mexican Grill - 591 Ft. Washington Avenue at the corner of West 187th Street

Owner/Representative	Yvelisse Rossi – Owner
Type of Establishment	Mexican restaurant

Hours of Operation	Sun.–Thurs. (11a to 11p) & Fri. -Sat. (11a to 12a). Last call is 20 min. prior to closing.
Tables/Chairs	17 tables and 34 chairs inside. Sidewalk is 4 tables and 16 seats.
Music	iPod
Security Cameras	13 (1 sidewalk; 5 in dining room; 1 in stairs; 3 in basement; 2 in the kitchen and 1 backyard)
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	16
Capacity	55
Emergency Exits	3 (one at kitchen door, one at entrance and one at yard)
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) At last renewal (12/20/12), Community Board offered No Objection.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

E. State Liquor Authority *New Applications:*

On-Premise Liquor License

14. Malecon Restaurant Corp. doing business as El Malecon - 4141 Broadway at the corner of West 175th Street

Owner/Representative	Pablo Gomez & Persio Gomez - co-owners
Type of Establishment	Restaurant – Dominican food
Hours of Operation	Sun.-Thurs. (7a to 1a) & Fri.- Sat. (7a to 2a). Last call is 30 minutes prior to closing.
Tables/Chairs	15 tables and 60 seats. 11 booths of 4 persons each.
Music	iPod.
Security Cameras	32 (2 outside, 12 in dining room, 12 in basement and 6 in the kitchen)
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	12 full time and 15 part time.
Capacity	119
Emergency Exits	4 (2 in dining room; 1 in kitchen and 1 basement)
Restaurant Letter Grade	
33rd/34th Precinct	No objections
Community Comments	

Stipulations	
Notes	(1) Owners have an on-premise beer and wine license currently. Applying for full liquor license. Owners indicated that their mood of operation will remain as a restaurant and would like to offer customers a full range of drink options.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

15. Inversiones Diversas Inc. doing business as ABUDHABI LOUNGE - 151 Nagle Avenue at the corner of Arden Street

Owner/Representative	Jhorman Garcia - owner
Type of Establishment	Restaurant – Spanish and Tapas
Hours of Operation	Mon. – Sun. (4p to 4a). Last call for alcohol is 3:30am.
Tables/Chairs	20 tables, 100 chairs (including space at the bar)
Music	Juke Box and DJ (on Thurs., Fri and Sat from 10p to 3:30a). Owner will work on sound-proofing.
Security Cameras	8 total
Security Personnel	Yes; 2 NYS licensed.
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	3-7
Capacity	130
Emergency Exits	3 (2 in the back and 1 at the front entrance)
Restaurant Letter Grade	
33rd/34th Precinct	Reserved. Would like to meet with owners.
Community Comments	
Stipulations	(1) Owner has agreed to meet with representatives from the 34 th precinct, Community Board and Council Member Rodriguez’s office prior to general meeting on 10/22/13. Owner has agreed to comply with all recommendations proposed from the meeting.
Notes	(1) Owner will take measures on sound proofing the interior of the lounge; (2) Owner has retained company to regulate sound from the speakers; (3) Owner has hired security to control crowds; and (4) Council Member Rodriguez reserves decision until a meeting with the owners.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

16. FLK INC. doing business as Sushi Mambo - 431 West 202nd Street between 9th and 10th Avenues

Owner/Representative	Annie Ramirez – Representative
Type of Establishment	Restaurant – Tropical Japanese Food
Hours of Operation	Mon. – Sun. (5p– 4a). Last call for alcohol is 2:45a/3a.
Tables/Chairs	13 tables & 38 chairs. Large counter.
Music	Ambient (from iPod/computer).
Security Cameras	8 security cameras (5 inside and 3 outside)
Security Personnel	1-2, NYS licensed (on Thurs., Fri and Sat. nights).
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	20 employees
Capacity	60-70
Emergency Exits	3 exits (one connecting to the parking lot, front and back)
Restaurant Letter Grade	N/A
33rd/34th Precinct	Reserved. Pending a meeting with the owners.
Community Comments	(1) A resident in audience voiced the following concern: How will the establishment handle traffic? If there is a parking lot, how many spots in that lot? Will the cars be parked on the street? Owner does not have the answer at present time. But does have an arrangement with local parking lot to offer discounted pricing to patrons of the restaurant.
Stipulations	(1) Owner agrees to meet with the 34 th precinct and a representative from the Community Board prior to the general meeting on 10/22/13. Owner agrees to follow recommendations from the meeting.
Notes	(1) Restaurant as a parking lot with valet parking.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 9/0/0

17. The Lazer Restaurant Group. doing business as TBD - 5025 Broadway at 215th Street

Owner/Representative	Linette Quezada - owner
Type of Establishment	Sports Bar
Hours of Operation	Sun.-Thurs. (11:30a to 12a) & Fri. to Sat. (11a to 2a). Last call at 11:30p (from Sun to Thurs) and 1:30a (Fri to Sat.)
Tables/Chairs	6 tables, 20 chairs & 7 bar stools
Music	Ambient music (played from an iPod or Pandora)
Security Cameras	2 outside & 6 inside
Security Personnel	When needed – will be 2 NYS licensed security personnel during sporting events.
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	5 full time (dinner time) and 3 part time (lunchtime)

Capacity	Approx. 27
Emergency Exits	1 (front entrance)
Restaurant Letter Grade	N/A
33rd/34th Precinct	Pending. Meeting with the Owners.
Community Comments	<p>(1) A resident in the audience voiced opposition (via written comment) based on the following: (a) noise from the establish, both past and present; (b) hazards from drunk and disorderly individuals associated with the business and (c) already more than desired businesses with some sort of liquor license, wine license or restaurant;</p> <p>(2) Chairman Diaz reads 2 letters from community residents into the record voicing objections to the application;</p> <p>(3) Community resident voiced concern regarding what will happen if owner violates terms of lease;</p> <p>(4) Community resident raised concerns regarding the density of establishments on 10th Avenue, which would be one block east of this establishment; and</p> <p>(5) Concerns were raised by various Committee members regarding the prolific use of hookahs in the establishments surrounding this establishment.</p>
Stipulations	<p>(1) Owners will meet with representatives from the 34th precinct, the Community Board and Councilman Rodriguez's office prior to the Community Board's general meeting on 10/22/13. The owner agrees to follow any recommendations arising from that meeting;</p> <p>(2) Owner agrees to contract with a sound engineer to determine the best placement of speakers within the establishment and to follow any reasonable recommendations from the engineer;</p> <p>(3) Owner agrees not to permit the use of Hookah in the establishment;</p> <p>(4) Owner agrees to not apply for a cabaret license for this business in the future; and</p> <p>(5) Owner will not apply for an extension of hours of operation.</p>

Notes	<p>(1) The owner indicated that the restaurant's focus is on creating interesting flavor combinations for burgers (menu provided at meeting) and pairing those burgers with the appropriate drink choice;</p> <p>(2) Owner provided a copy of the lease that prohibits the owners from playing loud music and requiring the owner to comply with a code of conduct;</p> <p>(3) Owner indicated that she has completed an alcohol training awareness program and provided certificate of completion of this program.</p>
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/1/1

Restaurant Wine License

18. Tacos Mi Lupita Corp. - 112 Audubon Avenue at the corner of West 171st Street

Owner/Representative	No appearance by either owner or representation
Type of Establishment	
Hours of Operation	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel	
ADA Compliant?	
Employees	
Capacity	
Emergency Exits	
Restaurant Letter Grade	
33rd/34th Precinct	
Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	
Committee Vote	

19. Taszo coffee LLC. - 6 Edward Morgan Place between West 157th & West 158th Streets

Owner/Representative	Haithem Oueslati - owner
Type of Establishment	Coffee Bar/Cafe
Hours of Operation	Mon.-Fri. (7am – 11p) and Sat. - Sun. (9a-11p). Last call for alcohol is at 10:30p

Tables/Chairs	10 tables and 24 chairs
Music	iPod (intended for background music)
Security Cameras	6 (4 inside and 2 outside); live feed
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	No (not required; grandfathered)
Employees	6-8 employees
Capacity	74
Emergency Exits	2 (1 entrance and 1 fire exit)
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection
Community Comments	Two comments of support were read into the record by Chairman Diaz.
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) The business has been open for the past 5 months; and (2) Business will regularly host art exhibits with local artist.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 8/0/0

20. Cloisters Deli Inc. - 7 Henshaw Street between Riverside Drive & Dyckman Street

Owner/Representative	Mercedes Valera – Owner
Type of Establishment	Restaurant/Deli – Dominican/Caribbean Food
Hours of Operation	Mon. – Sun. (7am to 8pm). The hours will be extend to 11pm if license is approved. Last call will be 10:30p and will start serving beer/wine at 4:30p.
Tables/Chairs	9 tables and 18 chairs. One 7-foot counter with 6 chairs
Music	No music at present but will consider an iPod for music in the future
Security Cameras	8 cameras (1 outside and 4 in the dining room; 2 in the kitchen and 1 in the prep area).
Security Personnel	None
ADA Compliant?	Yes
Employees	5 (2 part time and 3 full time)
Capacity	20-25
Emergency Exits	2 (one in the main entrance and one in the back)
Restaurant Letter Grade	A
33rd/34th Precinct	No objection if the establishment does not extend operation beyond 11pm.
Community Comments	(1) Community resident voiced concerns regarding the excessive amounts of establishment with liquor licenses in the community. Resident recommends that the application be denied; and (2) Resident’s letter read into record by Chairman Diaz, voicing objection to the application.

Stipulations	<p>(1) Owner agrees not to apply for an extension of hours beyond 11p;</p> <p>(2) Owner agrees to meet with representative from the 34th precinct and the Community Board and comply with all recommendations from this meeting;</p> <p>(3) Owner agrees to post signs directing customers not to loiter in front of or near the restaurant; and</p> <p>(4) Owner will encourage curbside delivery, to address the concerns of double-parked cars.</p>
Notes	<p>(1) Owner has an agreement with the parking lot across the street to provide patrons with discounted rates while dining at the restaurant;</p> <p>(2) Restaurant has been in business for 3 years;</p> <p>(3) Committee members voiced concerns regarding the traffic concerns caused by this restaurant including double parked cars; excessive garbage on the street, in close proximity to the restaurant; and</p> <p>(4) Committee members voiced concerns regarding the noise coming from the restaurant.</p>
Committee Vote	In favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 4/1/2

Eating Place Beer License

21. Seaflower Fish Market Inc. - 4127 Broadway between West 175th & West 176th Streets

Owner/Representative	Maokai Kai - Owner
Type of Establishment	Restaurant - Seafood
Hours of Operation	Sun. – Thurs. (8a to 2a) & Fri. - Sat. (8a to 4a).
Tables/Chairs	15 chairs and 3 tables
Music	No
Security Cameras	9 security cameras
Security Personnel	0
ADA Compliant?	Entrance=yes; bathroom=no
Employees	3
Capacity	15
Emergency Exits	2 (front entrance and kitchen)
Restaurant Letter Grade	N/A
33rd/34th Precinct	

Community Comments	
Stipulations	
Notes	(1) Owner is applying for an eating place beer license.
Committee Vote	In Favor/Opposed/Abstaining: 7/0/0

F. New Business/Adjournment

Business Development Committee
Minutes for 10/01/2013

Committee Members Present: Ariel Ferreira (Asst Chair), Ellen Kachman, Jason Miller, Luis Tejada, Christopher Smith

Committee Members Excused: Anina Young

Committee Members Absent:

CB12 Staff Members Present: Paola Garcia

CB12 Members Present:

Community Members Present: Tony Trinidad

A. Welcome & Opening Remarks by Ariel Ferreira

B. Jason Miller provided a recap of the last meeting.

C. The committee then moved to a planning session for the next four months.

- First, Ariel presented the idea of having the NY/NJ Port Authority & Developer of the GWB Bus Terminal project attend November's meeting to give a presentation about the contract and leasing opportunities available in the project. The committee agreed pending the Chairman George Fernandez's approval. Ariel will confirm with George Fernandez. Once approved the committee would commence a grassroots marketing effort.
- Second, Ariel also suggested having Pedro Suarez from the New York Business Solutions to come in December to presentation free services provided by the center. The idea was also raised about bringing someone to talk about the Affordable Care Act (e.g., "Obamacare") and how it impacts businesses.
- Third, Ariel also suggested that the committee invite the Washington Heights BID and the Southern Washington Height BID to provide updated presentations on the developments of the two newly proposed bids.
- Fourth, Ariel informed the committee that the NYPD releases a "Nightlife Business Guide" publication which discusses proper practices for a nightlife business. Due to the nightlife issues in Washington Heights and Inwood, Ariel suggested invited someone from NYPD in relation to the publication come and give presentation a Best Nightlife Business Practices.
- The committee as a whole agreed on the proposed plan of invitations and agendas for the next for meeting.

D. Business Development Committee – Marketing Efforts

- The committee began to discuss strategies to increase community participation specifically business owners. Ariel suggested we try both a High tech (FB, email blasts, tech.) and Low tech (direct visits to the business community) approach.
- The idea of to create a database of businesses in Washington Heights and Inwood was discussed to BDC's marketing purpose. It was mentioned by Jason the need to ensure the database is reserved solely for the use of CB12. Ariel stated he would reach out to the IT taskforce to see if the creation of the business database is possible and proper protocol.

E. Business News & Resources

- Tony Trinidad mentioned the Police Precinct will offer free security surveys for any business including recommendations for camera placements and suggested locks and gates to prevent crime and ensure safety.

- Jason/Edison Properties is hosting a Halloween event on October 30th at 5030 Broadway with trick or treating on top and carnival in back. There will also be several community sponsors. This is for the community's children.

F. Committee Budget Rankings

- Chris gave the committee an update on the committee ranking of items to be submitted for budget approval. He stated Anina Young had all the details and will be submitting it to the Chairman George Fernandez.

G. New/Old Business

H. Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 pm.