

CB12 Public Safety Minutes - October 3rd, 2012
Location: CB12 Main Office, 711 West 168th Street

Committee Members Present: Robert Reynolds (Committee Chair), Angelo Ortiz (Asst. Chair), Michael Jimenez, Dr. Michael Mowaatt-Wynn

[Committee Members Not Present: William T. Devlin, Ellen Kackman, Chris O'Sullivan]

Community Board Members Present: Pamela Palanque-North (CB12 Chair), Richard Lewis

CB12 Staff: Deborah Blow

Others Present: Captain Fausto Pichardo, 33rd Precinct Commanding Officer; Community Affairs Coordinator Sandrine Fermino, New York County District Attorney Cy Vance's Office; 5 members of the public.

Robert Reynolds called the meeting 7pm (quorum present)

- I. **NY County D.A.'s Report:** Sandrine Fermino replaces Joselinne Minaya as the Community Affairs Coordinator for the district. Ms. Fermino has a background in Domestic Violence, is familiar with the issues of the community, and speaks multiple languages. Ms. Fermino reported the following data for the two precincts in Washington Heights and Inwood (WHal):
 - a. 33rd Pct – 189 Arrests (vs 128 in 09/2011):
 - i. *Arrest Type:* 8 trespassing, 45 drug (non-marijuana), 76 drug (marijuana), 6 robbery, 0 burglary, 0 grand larceny, 10 criminal possession of a weapon, 24 domestic violence.
 - ii. *Adjudication:* 101 cases still pending, 38 sentenced, 14 jailed, 14 given community service, 10 released with time served or fined.
 - b. 34th Pct – 122 Arrests (vs 155 in 09/2011):
 - i. *Arrest Type:* 9 trespassing, 36 drug (non-marijuana), 36 drug (marijuana), 6 robbery, 2 burglary, 1 grand larceny, 13 criminal possession of a weapon, 19 domestic violence.
 - ii. *Adjudication:* 87 cases still pending, 23 sentenced, 3 jailed, 16 given community service, 4 released with time served or fined.

Ms. Fermino announced October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and left literature at the CB12 office as well as pamphlets regarding the following: Immigration Assistance (in Spanish and English); Elder Abuse.

- II. **33rd Precinct Report:** Captain Pichardo reported that while Comp Stat numbers were not available, crimes in general were fairly even compared to previous month (65 crimes for the month of September). Three individuals were arrested for burglary. He mentioned that crimes of opportunity are very preventable and encouraged residents to be aware of their surroundings and use good judgment. The body of a man was found the evening of the meeting at the base of a cliff in Highbridge Park-the investigation is ongoing. A ten year old boy who was recently reported missing was found in the Bronx after several hours. Captain Pichardo announced that the precinct will be hosting a Community Festival on 10/13/12. Different community organizations will be present with information tables and various recreational activities will be provided to children.
- III. **34th Precinct Report:** No representative was present from the 34th Precinct. A member of the public had a question specifically for the 34th Precinct and relayed her dismay at not having the opportunity to ask it. Captain Pichardo volunteered to relay that back to the 34th Precinct commander. The La Marina evening traffic situation along Dyckman Street and Riverside Drive was discussed as potentially affecting emergency response times. CB12 is conducting a walk through with several committees to evaluate to entire situation with La Marina. Committee

member Michael Jimenez brought up the issue that George Washington High School has been declared an "Impact School" due to a rise in crime. Discussion revolved around channeling resources into the school (i.e. the D.A.'s recreation initiative) as a better solution than policing children.

IV. *New Business:*

- a. Michael Jimenez suggested alternative locations for the CB12 Public Safety Committee to facilitate greater participation from community residents throughout the district. Angelo Ortiz will explore La Puerta Estrecha Church in Inwood, where the 34th Precinct Community Council recently held a meeting, as a possible venue.
- b. CB12 Board Chair Pamela Palanque-North recommended that the committee invite Aaron Simms of the Inwood Civilian Patrol to help recruit, generate interest, and possibly lay the seeds for a similar civilian patrol in the 33rd Precinct.
- c. There was an observation made that there are more homeless traveling the transit system and in train stations in WHal. The matter was referred to the CB12 Chair for further discussion with other committee chairs in the CB12 Executive Committee.

V. *Committee Budget Priorities:* The committee discussed and set the following budget priorities.

Expense Items:

1. Increase the number of Police Officers at the 33rd and 34th Precincts (NYPD)
2. Funding for the 33rd and 34th Precinct Council Committees
3. Funding for the new Civilian Observation Patrols in our district (remove language that said 'Primarily in...')
4. Restore Funding to Increase the Number of Fire Safety Inspectors (FDNY)

Capital Items:

1. Purchase cars, bicycles, (motorized and mechanical), vans, and All Terrain Vehicles for the 33rd and 34th Precincts (with priority and quantity being determined by each precinct)
2. Purchase of Decibel Noise Level Meters for the 33rd and 34th Precincts
3. Physical Plant of the 33rd and 34th Precincts: Modernization of building exteriors with perimeter lighting for both, and the replacement of the current telephone system for the 34th Precinct (NYPD)
4. Full Renovation of the Engine 67 firehouse on West 177th Street (FDNY)

(Remove purchase of emergency generators for firehouses in CB12)

There being no further business to discuss, Robert Reynolds adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Angelo Ortiz

Committee for the Concerns for Aging
At Community Board Office
October 9, 2012

Committee Members Present

Gloria Vanterpool,
Betty Lehman, Asst. Chair
Edgard Nau, Asst. Chair

Public Member

Chair Norma DeCandido

Absent

William T. Devlin

Guests: Zamira Setaro, Con Edison, Katherine Chen, CCNY, Francine Plata,
Wurzweiller School of SW, Ginna Addo, Olga Lauriano, Jim Mc Niff, Diane
Hernandez, ARC Ft. Washington.

Meeting convened at 10:15 am by chairperson. Welcome was extended to all.
Everyone introduce themselves.

Discussion opened on Budget FY 2014 recommendations for Committee for
Aging. Betty Lehman led the discussion sharing the priorities that Washington
Heights and Inwood Council on Aging suggested be submitted

- Preservation and development of affordable, accessible and safe senior housing
- Increasing the provision of accessible medical services meeting the specific needs of the geriatric population
- Increased legal services to educate and advocate for seniors
- Access to healthy food in the community and access to appropriate food programs that are designed to assist those with medical needs
- Access to safe public transportation 24 hours per day, seven days a week
- Increase in training, opportunities for the community to work in the field of geriatrics
- Compensate those who work in the field of geriatrics with a competitive wage commensurate with level of professionalism and skill that the position warrants

It was agreed by all, the suggestions would be included in the Public Hearing to be held on Thursday, October 18, 2012 at 6:30pm at the Community Board Office

The Chairperson requested that all persons who were able, to attend and give their views.

Meeting was adjourned 11: 25am.

Next meeting to be held on November 13th 2012

Business Development Committee

Minutes for 10/02/2012

Committee Members Present: Ariel Ferreira, Chair; Richard Allman; Nicole Foster; Ellen Kachman; Victor Santos; Anina Young; Christopher L. Smith.

Committee Members Excused: Rev. William Devlin

Committee Members Absent:

CB12 Staff Members Present:

CB12 Members Present:

Community Members Present: Leah Holzel; Maggie Clarke.

A. Welcome & Opening Remarks by Ariel Ferreira

B. Drafted Mission Statement for Committee

The members present worked on drafting a mission statement which will lay the role and responsibilities of the committee.

****Please note the mission statement below is just a draft and has not been voted on****

"The Mission of the Business Development Committee is to promote the economic well-being of District 12 with special concern for development and enhancement of the conditions and resources that retain and develop businesses, commercial districts, and jobs [and that address resident needs].

The Committee may undertake needs assessment, education, advocacy, facilitation of communication among District Stakeholders, program planning and development, and project monitoring as Activities in fulfillment of this Mission.

Stakeholders in CB 12's economic well-being include business operators and those seeking to develop businesses; jobholders and jobseekers; commercial associations and BID's; and residents and consumers concerned with the District's economic vitality and overall quality of life.

In undertaking these Activities, the Committee will work collaboratively with Stakeholders and with other CB 12 committees."

C. Washington Heights BID Expansion

- a. Ariel Ferreira informed the committee members and the public that the Washington Heights BID has begun the process to expand their BID. They are looking to expand west to Cabrini on 181st street and north to 193rd street on Saint Nicholas Ave.
- b. Ariel Ferreira will coordinate to bring in the Dept of Small Business Services to do a presentation on "What are BID's?"

D. Expense Budget FY 2014

E. Old/New Business

- a. N/A

F. Adjournment

- a. 8:55pm

Youth and Education Committee Monday, October 1, 2012

Location: 701 West 168th Street, (Room 305) New York, NY 10032

Committee Members Present: Fe Florimón, Chair, Michael Jimenez, Manny De Los Santos, Christopher Smith, Raybblin Vargas

Committee Members Absent:

Committee Members Excused: Maria Luna, Angelo Ortiz, Gabriela Rosa, Alyce Smith,

CB12 Members: Richard Lewis, Angela Sanchez

Guests: Mrs. Tara Notrica, Special Education Teacher and Mr. Jack Notrica

Community Members: Mr. Al Kurland and Roberto De la Rosa

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Chair Fe Florimón

Action/Discussion Items

Review of pending NYS Legislation that seeks to allow School Districts the discretion to provide transportation to children of parents with disabilities who do not otherwise qualify

- ❖ Mrs. Tara Notrica, Special Education Teacher presented this item. Her presentation included the following:
 - Personal background information
 - Education
 - Professional experience
 - Medical background
 - Explanation of the pending Bill
- Mrs. Notrica is a resident of Nassau County, Long Island; the mother of two minor children who are in public school. She has served as a Special Education Teacher at several public schools and has also served as an Assistant Chairperson at numerous Committees on Special Education (CSEs) in different boroughs. Unfortunately, her career and life style have been severely affected due to poor health conditions. Mrs. Notrica suffers from *anaphylactic episodes*, and often this condition impedes her to bring her children to school and to have a normal life. More hardship was added to her health condition after she learned that the school system does not provide transportation service for children living at certain distance from the school even though the parents may be experiencing physical disabilities. This challenging situation prompted the presenter to become an avid advocate for a new legislation that will fairly provide school transportation to assist parents with the same or different health impairments.
- The presenter is a co-proposer of the pending NYS Bill S595A/A9267A. If adopted, this legislation will put an end to the challenging situation many parents like Mrs. Notrica are facing. According to the presenter, the pending bill “allows board of education to provide transportation to school for a child living a lesser distance than two miles from school if the parent or guardian of the child has a physically limiting impairment and is unable to accompany the child to and from school.” The pending bill has been sponsored by several public officials including Senator Fuschillo, and Deputy Speaker Hooper. On June

19, 2012, the NYS Assembly Members voted in support; and two days later the same bill passed unanimously in the Senate. However, it was vetoed by Governor Cuomo. The presenter asked the Committee for its continuing support on the pending legislation and all members agreed.

- Moreover, based on the resolution already passed on June 4, 2012 by the Youth & Education Committee (Y&EC), the Committee passed unanimously a new resolution that called for a restatement and friendly amendments of the old resolution. The proposed changes will provide an update of the latest development and/or results on the pending bill. At the end of the discussion the Committee agreed to hold an event with the objective to bring awareness among public officials and the general public.

Review and Discussion of Budget Priorities FY14

- ❖ Chair presented this item and the following points were facilitated and fully discussed
 - A written statement explaining the needs of the community and the proposed priorities for FY14.
 - After a lengthy discussion on the Budget Priorities, the Committee recommended seven (7) new items were adopted for FY14.
 - Member Richard Lewis recommended two new items: Funding for community programs that specifically engage school-age girls in writing, coding and testing computer programs, consistent with DOE's initiative and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematic (STEM); and funding to fully renovate the Auditorium and Gym of PS 28 (NEW). Both items were adopted by the Committee.

New Business and Community Updates

- ❖ During this segment the following announcements were made:
 - Community Festival "Unity in the Heights" by: Mrs. Kimberlee Gonzalez, Representatives of 33rd Precinct
 - "Youth Leadership Roles" Saturday 6th by: Y&EC, and Dr. Isabel Martine, Professor at John Jay College
 - By: Mr. Al Kurland suggested presentation on the pending legislation for 16 and 17 years old to be appointed to serve on local Community Boards.
 - Member Vargas suggested discussion between the Committee, District Attorney's office and the Police department to address the presence of public authority in public school.
 - Christian Cabrera, Representative of *The Door*, an organization that provides various services for young people between the ages of 12 and 21. Mr. Cabrera believes that although his organization is not located in the community WAHI, young people in this community may still benefit from their services. He also expressed interest in working with the Youth Committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30pm

Land Use Committee - Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2012

Committee Members Present

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

Committee Members Excused

Wayne Benjamin, Chair

Board Members Present

Chris O'Sullivan

Staff: Ebenezer Smith, District Manager

Public Member Present

Vivian Ducat

Guests: M. Morrissey, D Klaber, Marlon J. Barrera, Harold Pinales, Charles Eichacker, Rita Gorman, Erika Lindsey-Man. Borough President's Office, Nadim Moldova, Mary Engelhardt.

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Chair Anita Barberis at 7:10 PM. She stated that the purpose of the meeting was to review and discuss goals and objectives for the rezoning of the CB 12 district. She introduced Sumaila Palla, our new Planning Fellow, who is currently a student at New York University. One clear goal, according to A. Barberis, of the rezoning of the community is to be sure that "no towers would be put up where no towers should be."

A. Barberis called on the Committee to raise points of discussion where they would like to see new focus. Vivian Ducat, public member, raised the wish for the Committee to be kept up to date more regularly on new construction in the area. LU member Tamara Rivera noted that all new construction permit applications are arranged by community board on the Department of Buildings website and can be downloaded. The committee discussed the idea that from now on District Manager Ebenezer Smith be asked to print out and distribute a list of the latest permit applications for the CB12 area at Land Use meetings. LU member Obie Bing noted that all the local political figures with the exception of one apparently favored high-rise construction in the area.

LU member Steve Simon suggested the committee recommend that the Department of City Planning begin the contextual rezoning effort in the area between West 181st Street and Dyckman Street because most of the development pressure in recent years has been concentrated in that section of the community. A. Barberis noted that Columbia University had emptied a small apartment building on Haven Avenue and is planning to construct a 14-story building in its place, and remarked that this building should be a matter of concern for residents of Washington Heights. LU member Jim Berlin commented on the unique geography of Washington Heights and suggested that the Committee pay attention to the eastern as well as the western portion of our community.

Members of the public asked about the stalled projects on Cabrini Boulevard opposite Castle Village and on Wadsworth Terrace next to Gorman Park. Other potential development sites raised by the public included the lots on Broadway below 204th Street opposite the Muscota School, the former welfare center on Sherman Avenue and Broadway, and an empty lot on Hillside Avenue, which a resident of 45 Fairview Avenue said belonged to her building. She said the lot could not be built on because it was used to determine the height of the Mitchell-Lama coop when it was built and that the residents might be willing to donate it for construction of a neighborhood playground.

J. Berlin raised the idea of blanket rezoning for the area, giving all areas the "A" of contextual zoning, and to make exceptions to that rule where applicable. T. Rivera asked about plans for the now empty lot on 207th Street and Broadway where a fire last year destroyed the "taxpayer" building with shops that once stood there. [S. Simon later reported that he learned from Martin Collins of Council Member Robert Jackson's office that the owner is planning to build a two-story commercial building just like the one that was there before.]

A. Barberis asked S. Simon to draw up a draft resolution urging the Department of City Planning to initiate the rezoning process for CB 12's district in the area roughly from West 181st Street to Dyckman Street, as had been discussed earlier. The Committee voted unanimously in favor of the proposed resolution as follows:

LU Committee: 6-0-0, CB12 Board Members: 1-0-0, Members of the Public: 7-0-0.

Under New Business, a member of the audience inquired about Quadriad's plans to construct towers at West 190th Street and Broadway. There was discussion about the developer's statement that much of his funding is coming from the AFL- CIO Housing Investment Trust.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Vivian Ducat & reviewed by Anita Barberis.

HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES – October 4, 2012

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Simon (chair), Isaiah Bing, David Kach, Elizabeth Lehmann, Helen Morik, Edgard Nau, Raybblin Vargas

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Beatrice Hall (Public Member)

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pamela Palanque-North

GUESTS: Yonel Letellier Sosa, SHARE; Sandra Harris, Columbia University Medical Center; Leeann Rizk and Alexandra Cerda, Harlem Dowling Westside Center; Joyce Warthen; Clarissa Polanco; Rebecca Landrum; Kimberlee Gonzalez; Sherry Mazzocchi and Robin Kilmer, Manhattan Times.

S. Simon, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

1. **Indian Point Energy Center** – Yonel Letellier Sosa, executive director, Safe Healthy Affordable Reliable Energy (SHARE), gave the following presentation:

- SHARE is a not-for-profit formed five years ago by Entergy, operator of the Indian Point nuclear power plant, and 25 other organizations, including unions (carpenters, painters), NAACP, chambers of commerce, others
- He speaks to community organizations, senior centers, etc.
- SHARE supports renewable energy – solar, water, wind – as well as nuclear energy, “one of the safest and cheapest methods”
- SHARE does not support use of fossil fuels, such as oil or coal, or natural gas because they release pollutants and cause asthma in kids and cardio-vascular diseases in seniors
- NYC has installed solar panels on 10 City agency buildings as part of PlaNYC program
- NYC's normal electricity usage is 8,000-9,000 megawatts per day. In the summer, it goes up to 12,000 MW.
- “There is not enough energy to go around”
- “There is poor air quality, especially during the summer”
- He is opposed to the Champlain-Hudson Power Express, which will bring 1,000 MW from Canada to NYC through a 300-mile cable to Queens. “We should bring [the power] from upstate, not Canada.”
- Indian Point's carbon footprint is “equivalent to a windmill.”
- It provides 1100 jobs and “30% of NYC's energy” (2,000 MW).
- There has been no additional energy production in NYC area in last 30 years.
- “You cannot close down Indian Point... Scientific studies have proven that you can only replace 1,000 MW.”

S. Simon: Nuclear energy should be discussed separately from renewable energy. Significant issues cannot be ignored, such as the safe disposal of spent fuel rods and a possible calamity that could result from an accident such as the ones that occurred at Three Mile Island and Chernobyl. Indian Point should be phased out.

I. Bing: Indian Point is beyond its 50-year lifespan. Replacing 2,000 MW is no problem. Half the time the plant is shut down anyway. We've never had a blackout because of a lack of power; they've been caused by an antiquated distribution system. There's no evacuation plan for Indian Point in case of an accident. Nuclear waste has been left on the property.

Y.L. Sosa: Nuclear energy is 95-100% efficient. The biggest solar farm produces only 700 MW. There are dangers in everything. You have to weigh the pros and cons... You would end up paying more for energy.

I. Bing: You should weigh the cost vs. safety. We have a nuclear plant 30 miles away with no evacuation plan.

R. Vargas: Why are you here?

Y.L. Sosa: The operating license for one of Entergy's reactors is up for renewal in 2013; the other in 2015.

D. Kach: What % of SHARE's budget comes from Entergy? What measures will Entergy be taking to ensure the safety of people living within 50 miles of the plant in case of a foreseeable accident and to safeguard the facility from terrorism?

Y.L. Sosa: He said he didn't have the budget info with him and that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission regulates the plants. He said he would provide the details of the evacuation plan to the committee.

2. **Presentation to Helen Morik** – The chair of the board, Pamela Palanque-North, and the committee chair, S. Simon, presented Ms. Morik with a bouquet of flowers to recognize her valuable service on the board and her key role in improving relations between NY-Presbyterian Hospital and the community over the last 25 years. This is her last meeting as a CB 12 member since she is retiring from the hospital.

3. **Ranking of FY 14 Expense and Capital Budget Priorities** – The committee reviewed its FY 13 budget priorities and District Manager Ebenezer Smith's notes from the budget consultations with the Environmental Protection, Sanitation and Fire departments. Two new expense budget items were added (increase funding for school-based health clinics and fund additional summer play streets), and one was dropped (increase funding for CPR training for the public). In response to a request by the Fire Department, a capital budget item was added (purchase a Major Emergency Response Vehicle for EMS). After discussion of the various items, the committee members agreed on the rankings by consensus.

4. **Resolution endorsing "Together on Diabetes" campaign** – S. Simon distributed a proposed resolution following up on a discussion at last month's meeting. The committee reviewed the resolution, which states that CB 12 "agrees to join the community advisory committee and assist in achieving a successful outcome for this project." There were no suggested changes. The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Committee Members	6-0-0-1
Members of the Public	5-0-0-0

5. **Columbia University Medical Center Report** – Sandra Harris, Assistant Vice President – Government & Community Affairs, reported as follows:
 - She distributed copies of the Manhattan Times with a cover story about a laboratory technician who assists in conducting research on brain tissue at the NYS Psychiatric Institute.
 - A forum, "Health Care in the 2012 Election," will be held in the Alumni Auditorium on October 23.
 - The Children's Environmental Health Center held a policy breakfast, discussing its latest findings on research on hazardous materials, asthma, etc. with recommendations for improving the community's health. She will provide copies at the next meeting.
 - CUMC launched a program in Harlem, Hip-Hop Heals, to educate children and parents on cardio-vascular diseases, including telling parents not to smoke. Research found it was a tremendous success, and CUMC now has funding to expand the program to the Hispanic community. Project Exodus, Fresh Youth Initiatives and Children's Art and Science Workshops will be involved.
 - School-based dental clinics are having problems providing services after school hours. The Dept. of Education has established an "extended use policy" and is now charging fees to these programs, which are already running at a loss. She will provide the committee with further details.

6. **NY-Presbyterian Hospital Report** – Helen Morik, Vice President – Government & Community Affairs, reported as follows:
 - The ABC-TV program, "NY Med," a documentary or reality show that ran for eight weeks over the summer, was very well received across the country. It was filmed in NYPH's emergency rooms, operating rooms and doctors' offices over 1½ years. It may be re-run or additional segments may be filmed. It showed that nurses play prominent roles and make a lot of decisions on their own.
 - The hospital has a "Walk in My Shoes" program in which administrators work in support services, such as food, transport and laundry, for a few hours.
 - The 168th Street entrance to the Vanderbilt Clinic, which had a revolving door and was not accessible to the disabled, was recently renovated and is now accessible.
 - The ER is being expanded into space vacated by the Children's ER, which moved into new space built in Babies' Hospital. A new program has been initiated to reduce the EMS turnaround times in the ER. Dr. Giglio, the head of the ER, or Tony Dawson, the VP for Operations, would be willing to come to the committee in four months to report on the program's results.

7. **Isabella Geriatric Center Report** – Betty Lehmann, Director of Marketing & Communications, reported as follows:
 - Isabella is holding its 9th annual health fair on Oct. 10. 45 community organizations are participating.
 - Its annual fundraiser for its community programs is being held on Nov. 8 – wine tasting and live auction.
 - Isabella has a \$120M budget and is facing an \$11M shortfall because NY State revised its Medicaid rates retroactive to 2009.
 - In February, 17 people were laid off, 40 positions (most of them vacancies) were eliminated.
 - Another 25 positions were eliminated in August; no full-time staff lost their jobs.
 - Isabella has been able to pay back all but \$3.5M to the state.
 - NY State reinstated \$2.2M in Medicaid reimbursements.
 - People coming into nursing home are frailer and older than before and have "a tremendous amount of complex needs."

8. **Harlem Hospital Report** – Raybblin Vargas, CB 12 representative to the Community Advisory Board, reported that:
 - Harlem Hospital opened its Mural Pavilion, a beautiful ambulatory care facility with dental, ob/gyn services, etc.
 - The CAB is launching a campaign to return chemotherapy services to the hospital. Dr. Wright, new medical director who took over in 2010, transferred the service to Lincoln Hospital. He found that the equipment was too old and that the staff needed to be retrained. Patients went to the Ralph Lauren Cancer Center. Patients get everything but chemo at the hospital.
 - The Doctors Council asked to meet with the CAB to discuss issues.
 - The hospital's Executive Director agreed that CAB members can sit on hospital committees.

9. **Old Business** – I. Bing asked about the status of the brownfield site at 4566 Broadway at Nagle Avenue. S. Simon said he would call the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation prior to the next meeting.

10. **Mail** – The Dept. of Environmental Protection reported that it will be surveying and cleaning 1,275 catch basins in Community Board 12's area in the last quarter of 2012. This work is done on a three-year cycle.

11. **Announcements** – R. Vargas said she will be going to Baltimore to work on a hospital union campaign for several months.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Simon

Traffic & Transportation Minutes
October 1, 2012

Committee Members Present: M. Glenn Asst. Chair, A. Barberis, J. Berlin, A. Diaz, R. Allman

Excused: Y. Kalinsky, E. Lorris-Ritter

Other Board Members Present:

Members of the Public: Arlene Shulman, Josh Orzeck (NYC DOT), Lance Dixon, Norberto Acevedo (NYC DDC), Maria Centeno (NYC DDC), Marcus Book (NYC Transit GCR), Alimur Rahman (NYC DDC), Andre Autz (NYC DOT).

Assistant chair, Mitch Glenn opened the meeting at 7:17pm and introduced the members of the committee presently in attendance.

Report from Josh Orzeck, NYC-DOT

➤ Street paving:

Three streets were completed in August

- 1) 218th St. from 9th Avenue to Indian Road
- 2) Beak St. to Riverside Drive
- 3) Overlook Terrace between 184-186 Streets

In mid-October, the following two streets will be paved as they have presently been milled down.

- 1) 169th St from Amsterdam Avenue to Haven Avenue
- 2) 168th St Jumel Place to Ft. Washington Avenue

There has been a delay on the section of Pinehurst Ave. due to Con Edison activity of oil-to-gas conversions in the surrounding buildings.

Inquiry from the public about resurfacing Seaman Avenue and remarking the bike lanes. Response that that stretch is paved in concrete and testing a new kind of asphalt

- Concerning the feasibility study to permit cars that exit the Henry Hudson Parkway at Exit 15 to go north to 181 St, it has been determined that this is a Capital project under the jurisdiction of New York State DOT and has been referred to them.

➤ Requests from public:

- 1) Study the traffic flow on Dyckman Street to the Marina to remediate the newly presented problems.
- 2) Robin: What is the schedule for repaving after the conversion of #6 oil to #2 oil in various buildings?
- 3) Catherine: Please address Riverside Drive and Seaman
- 4) Restore the 3 parking spots on Haven Avenue at 173 St that were taken away so that pedestrians could see traffic coming south, which is impossible as it is a curve and the residents need the parking.

➤ Speed Humps:

The following three speed humps were requested and studied by DOT.

- 1) Arden St between Nagle and Dungan
- 2) Bennett Avenue between 189-190 Streets
- 3) Overlook Terrace between 184-186 Street

As the speed barely passed the limit of 30mph we requested DOT to postpone the installation of all three as traffic enforcement can handle this and it would further impede emergency vehicles

Vote on resolution supporting our request was: Committee: 5-0-1, Public: 0-0-5

➤ Requests of DOT to investigate:

- 1) Look at intersection at W 155 St and St Nicholas Place, Edgecomb Ave and Harlem River Dr.
- 2) Review curb cuts at 155th St and 7th Avenue

➤ Two Retaining Walls to be rehabbed-presented by Philip Swanson

- 1) 176-177th Street at Riverside Drive
Estimate: \$1 million, Time Frame: 12 months beginning Spring 2013
In order to fill in voids with new mortar, replace missing coping. add weep holes.
Traffic on RSD will be maintained and parking not impacted.
- 2) 155th Street between Riverside Drive and Broadway – lower two-way road
Estimate-\$1.65 million, Time Frame: 12 months beginning Spring 2013
Issues of tapered wall, parapets main issue, weep holes. The work will be done in three stages in order to accommodate the 40 parking spots it impacts on the upper one-way street heading east to Broadway.

Resolution supporting the above work: Committee: 6-0-0, Public: 1-0-2

➤ Marcus Book of MTA will be addressing surface and underground (busses & subways) issues in our Community of upper Manhattan.

There seemed to be no transition of the various issues we raised with Ms. Taub from the MTA at our meeting last Spring, so we will start from scratch again.

Some thoughts were discussed on:

- 1) Utilizing the forms that Edith Prentiss revised.
- 2) Sending Marcus Book a copy of our minutes addressing the issues with the bus and subway service in our community.
- 3) Inviting Riders Alliance to our next month's meeting so that we may partner with them to pressure the MTA to provide efficient service to our community. (Richard Allman offered to do this)

Some of the issues we raised were:

- Bronx busses travelling 181 St block the north/south traffic on St. Nicholas as they try to beat the red light
- Wadsworth traffic problems with busses parked on the side streets.
- Bronx busses parking on both sides of 179th St reducing the traffic flow to the GW bridge.
- Contingency plans for the Bronx busses that park all over our community especially during the rehabilitation of the Port Authority terminal

Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm
Minutes respectfully taken by: Anita Barberis

Community Board 12 Manhattan
Minutes for the Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee Meeting
October 16th, 2012 at the Board's Offices - 711 West 168th Street

Committee Members Present (7): Harlan Pruden, Ernest David Kach, Michael Diaz, Mitchell Glenn, Richard Lewis, Chris O'Sullivan, and Zead Ramadan.

Committee Member Absent (1): Joan Neuman.

Board Members (3) Michael Jimenez, Elizabeth Ritter, and Steve Simon

Public (34): Damon Sebastien, Leah Hozel, Carla Zaroni, Nina Koenigsberg, Peter Levy, Michael Callori, Lorenzo McGougan, Yentl Pinales, Jon Emerenciano, Kristin Norderval, Michael Fisher, Kevin McKeon, Elizabeth G. Colahan, Catherine Featherston, Maceo C. Rasor, Arlene Schulman, Bill Waced, Frank Hess, M. Rueda, Brad Conover, Jesulu Tenebaum, Martin Collins, Jane Solomon, Chris Vanterpool, Robin Kilmer, Allisha Oglivie, Jessica "Jeshaze" Forester, Rich Perez, Led Black, Michael Fisher, Leah Holzel, Libby George, Steve Harris, and Allone.

Guests (6): Pat Courtney, Gerald Tannebaum, Josh Rosen, Terese Flores, Hassan Rachid, and Tohamy Bahr.

Staff (1): Debra Blow.

Welcome, Opening Remarks, and the Agenda by Harlan Pruden. The chair called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. The agenda was presented. He reviewed how we would proceed in presentations, participation in the FY 2014 committee's budget ranking process, and the question and answer sessions. Due to the length of the meeting presentations on the Bennett Park Renovations will be held over.

Isham Park Centennial Presentation - Ms. Pat Courtney of the Volunteers of Isham Park.

A slide show was given about the 100 years since the opening of Isham Park. This centennial celebration was shown along with a discussion of the park's pictorial history, its donation by the Isham family. Descendants of the Ishams family were also in attendance along with electeds and NYC Park Officials. And in the 1912 tradition, the IS 52 Marching Band led the parade up to the park. Further information may be found in a ten minute online video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KTIVTEkEWvw>

Capital and Expense Budget Committee Rankings for FY2014:

CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 2014

PCA Ranking	Project #	Description
1	NEW	New Adventure Playground in Highbridge Park (165th and Edgecombe) - Restrooms, BBQ area and playground
2	NEW	ADA compliant ramp(s) and bathroom facilities and HVAC and digital/cabling access capabilities at the Jumel Mansion
3	312201005C	Repair the Highbridge water tower: stairs, pointing, windows and carillon
4	312201105C	Fund Hispanic Society of America's renovations and eventual ADA compliance efforts
5	312200415C	Reconstruct park pathways and paving in Inwood Hill, Highbridge and Fort Tryon Parks
6	NEW	Inwood Hill Park Lighting for Tennis and Basketball Courts
7	NEW	NYRP Phase II clean-up & waterfront access at Sherman Creek
8	NEW	Pathways to waterfront 165th-179th Streets
9	NEW	Hurst House (W. 215th & Park Terr. E) and convert to community use
10	NEW	Boathouse Marsh storage containers
11	312200412C	Reconstruct Gorman Park's stone stairway, paving, planting, and benches

12	NEW	Ball field Renovations Inwood Hill Park
13	312201104C	Renovate the Javits Playground in Fort Tryon Park
14	NEW	Dyckman Farmhouse roof repairs
15	NEW	Path from 176th & Haven to Ft. Wash Park tennis courts
16	312201204C	Renovate Inwood Hill Park comfort station for ADA compliance
17	312201103C	Renovate Fort Washington Park Ball fields
18	312201004C	Install lighting and drinking fountain in Fort Washington Park at 165th Street and RSD Dog Run
19	312201105C	Complete Bennett Park Phase II Renovation
21	NEW	Constructing a greenhouse and planning an aquaponic tilapia and basil farms in local community gardens or city own vacant warehouses.
22	NEW	Fort Washington Comfort Station as per PlaNYC
23	NEW	Funding for more Wi-Fi locations, particularly in the southern tier of CB12M.

EXPENSE BUDGET 2014

PCA Ranking	Project #	Description
1	312201104E	Increase funding for after school programs at J. Hood Wright, Highbridge and Inwood Parks
2	312200509E	Fund additional Park Enforcement Personnel (DPR)
3	312201103E	Fund additional staff for Sanitation, Maintenance & Operations, Horticulture, and Street Tree Pruning
4	NEW	Fund enhanced digital surveillance in parks

La Marina Presentation – Owners Mr. Gerald Tannebaum and Josh Rosen.

Two owners from La Marina (348 Dyckman Street) introduced themselves and presented nine PowerPoint© slides on what they considered relevant issues related to La Marina and steps they have taken to address community and neighborhood concerns.

Since the restaurant's opening July 19th 2012, they have employed more than 250 people, including a substantial number from the local community members and contractors. There has been considerable positive exposure from the main stream press with a strong draw from celebrities. They claimed to have made a significant and positive economic impact for local businesses. Mr. Tannebaum and Mr. Rosen proceeded to address several allegations related to excessive noise, crowds, garbage, traffic and crime. The restaurant's audio system is engineered to comply with local code and sound is kept inside the premises to avoid disturbance to residents living in the area. Noise complaints are from source(s) other than those emanating from La Marina. They concluded that there is no evidence that noise is audible in-residential areas surrounding that can be traced to the restaurant from their sound system. The size of crowds has been under control, except for two isolated occasions that they were unprepared for. This occurred during the Dominican Independence Day after parade celebrations.

They stated that the garbage problem in the neighborhood does not originate from La Marina, but from other business such as handling out flyers. La Marina also requires customers to toss any beverage or containers in receptacles before they leave the premises.

They admit that traffic around Dyckman Street was a problem on Sundays in July and August and they have taken steps to help ease that situation with discussions for changes in enforcement and signage with the NYCDOT and the 34th Precinct. Despite these efforts they insisted that traffic has always been a problem in the area.

Finally, they asserted that La Marina is not responsible for any increase in crime the area. This assertion can be verified by the precinct's stats as well as residents claims that the neighborhood is much safer since the restaurant opened.

Speakers: Support (La Marina).

Elizabeth Lorriss-Ritter, Jon Emerciano, Michael Fisher, Led Black, Jessica Forrester, Steve Harris ,and Allisha Ogilvie, All speakers were asked to state their name and to reveal how long they have lived in the community. For the most part these speakers were long term residents from ten to sixty years. Herein are some common remarks expressed. Almost all of them claim La Marine was a positive experience and a positive addition to the neighbor. They echoed many of the same points presented by the owners in their presentation. They claimed that for decades this site and the neighborhood was a toxic area - heavy with crime and drug ridden and this has now changed where it is safe to walk around without problems. Blight in this area has now changed to a positive multicultural experience, despite the elements of "race-baiting" found in the social media. Some people love having the presence of security guards. The stereo broadcasts or playing different music genres is not La Marina's fault.

Several speakers expressed the feeling that the downtown experience has come uptown where our community can celebrate here locally instead. La Marina has helped give Washington Heights/Inwood a new and better name and image. One of the speakers claimed that traffic is still a large problem and the community needs to work with them to solve it. One possible solution raised was the possible use of an the use of Metropolitan Waterfront Alliance planned "Eco Dock" — defined by the group as a floating dock that rise and fall with the tide -- with some arrangement with a water-taxi service.

Speakers: Some Reservations (La Marina).

Leah Holzel, Peter Levy, and Kristin Noordeval.

At least one of the speakers lived in the community for about a year while others lived here for over ten years. They all took issue with various points made in the La Marina presentation. One speaker complained about the crowds and traffic and stated that there was major grid lock from 4pm to 2:30am from Thursdays to Sundays. To emphasize this point the point was made that La Marina's Infrastructure needs to be adjusted: "The way La Marina markets its business requires an equally sophisticated way of handling special events or the restaurant itself." There was a corresponding claim made that the scale of La Marina was just too large for this "cul de sac" site. This speaker questioned whether traffic problems will ever be technically solvable since more vehicles are trying to enter than leaving this type of end zone.

Questions were raised about the rationale for the NYC Parks Department issuing permits for parties with amplified sound or whether the capacity for 1000 seats in essence exceeded the contract' agreed upon limitation for 500 tables. The owners were asked whether there was any management planning involved to inform the neighborhood about DJ parties or big events? One speaker wanted to know how can individuals who raise potentially legitimated complaints about noise and traffic based on direct observation avoid being accused of making "race-baiting" statements. They also wanted to get answers from the city on the issues they raised? With that in mind a question was raised why none of the contract's provisions are being enforced? And why concerts are not prohibited or if they are permitted why these events haven't ended at 10pm? To alleviate traffic two novel ideas were raised: Can a nearby building that used to house a bakery business be purchased by La Marina and converted to a parking garage? And finally, can there be a barge vessel docked for traveling to and from La Marina or can some kind of local van service be implemented?

There were some contentious issues related to what was live music and what was not. Is a live DJ plying music and bringing in more people not the same as a live instrumental or vocal performance? Do live acts require permits? What is the capacity inside the restaurant and the capacity outside the facility? If the capacity was 297 inside the restaurant who determines what the capacity is outside?

Responses by the La Marina Owners to the Speakers and the Public's Questions.

Many questions posed to the owners where answered throughout their session of the meeting. Here are some of their answers. Mr. Tannebaum was incensed about a letter to the NYSLA sent by one of the speakers and that prompted an investigation. The document apparently claimed that La Marina was responsible for area drug activity, public urination,

and other criminal acts. He said the document was full of lies and claimed the 34th Precinct CO supported his position. The speaker admitted that these allegations of criminal activity came from social media and amounted to hearsay when later asked by Mr. Tannebaum.

On the matter of the contract the owners claimed that live music was subject to the Parks Department permits and they end at 10pm. He advanced a case that the performance of a DJ is not a live music event and music goes through the restaurant's sound system without amplification. As a consequence it is not considered live. On the issues of seating vs. people they claimed the NYSLA and the EDC approved their plan for a 1,000 seat venue. They stated that the reason the number of seats were-reduced to 500 was due to the actions of a few people who "put pressure on the NYC Parks Department." As one consequence of this decision La Marina is now forced to move a lot of chairs around. When this claim was expressed, Steve Simon of the Parks Department objected to that sequence of events and answered that the Parks Department used their own judgment about such a high number of seats for this space and reduced it accordingly.

On the issue to determine the capacity on the site's outside areas they have consulted the NYC Department of Small Business Services, their attorney, and an architect. They claimed however that neither the FDNY nor the NYPD have indicated they are not breaking any laws. Their response to La Marina preventing or lessening access to the adjacent park was denied and they were surprised that his would ever become an issue. The beach is a public access point that they do not control, but maintain it. The Lighthouse link when completed will provide more than sufficient access and finally, the proposed "Eco-Dock" will be a place to get access to the waterfront.

On the issue of traffic they are doing what they can, but solving this problem is a collaborative effort that requires the help of others. The suggestion that they buy the old nearby bakery building for a parking garage, while well intentioned is too expensive for them at this time. They also indicated that boating and docking was a difficult matter due to the dock's structural limitations, space, and access. Finally, on the matter of non seasonal staffing they indicated that the budget has not yet been completed

Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee Comments

Member of the PAC Committee raised some new issues and gave suggestions for remedies. Zead Ramadan stated that the bottleneck was a consequence of a successful business and the community should not expect anything different. Out of this exchange it was agreed that some kind of a coalition or forum was needed with several CB12 board committee, the NYPD, FDNY, NYCSBS, and the DOT. On the matter of outdoor capacity, he stated that demand is high and they need to work with the NYCSBS to define a number for outside capacity. It is also difficult to tell a business the number needed since that would affect their profit margin. So what is needed is a balance. In terms of the contract and the concessionaire arrangement in a public park it is important that all parties, including outside groups to know the contract's terms and how it will be enforced. David Kach mentioned that in the formal PAC Committee's walkthrough on October 15th, 2012 he wanted to know if it were possible to have a public seating area outside the confines of the restaurant for relaxing. This is a common feature of street furniture throughout the city. He also did not want La Marina to become an elitist enclave like the old Tavern on the Green restaurant. Michael Diaz mentioned that the NYDOT needed to get more involved with the traffic lights and syncing them better from Broadway and Dyckman. Mitchell Glenn commented as Assistant Chair of the Board's Traffic and Transpiration committee that the NYCDOT is looking closely into this problem at this intersection.

Nature Center Boiler and Heating Systems Reconstruction Project Presentation.

Hassan Rachid and Tohamy Bahr – NYC Parks Department – Capital Design Division.

The presenters gave a brief slide show with a few questions taken about replacing the existing boiler and heating system at Inwood Hill Park's Nature Center. The project will include a new boiler/burner unit (H.B. Smith Model LO –W-6H Boiler), piping/valves, fittings, including a new hot water heater and storage tank (30 gallon capacity - Model: DSE-30 Electrical HW Heater – A.O. Smith Corp), new an oil/fuel, system and pipelined. The louver for the common air intake window will also be replaced. The exiting radiators will be cleaned, painted, and the valves replaced in all units. The existing underground 2500 gallon oil tank also will be clean. The old chimney will be replaced with a new stainless steel chimney. The project comes under Contract #MG-212M. Steve Simon commented that the fuel supplied will be #2 fuel oil. This will be in compliance with the city's new clean energy policies and laws. Starting and ending dates for this project were not given.

Renovation of the Nature Centers Public Restrooms – David Kach, Assistant Chair. David Kach, Assistant Chair attended a walk thru with NYC Parks Department staff regarding plans for the renovation of the public restroom as the Nature Center as part of the Perks Department Master Plan indicative to provide available comfort stations within park areas. The new facilities will be ADA handicap compliant with equal access. A report was emailed last week by week to committee members and is available for inspection at the board's offices.

J. Hood Wright Park Update. Steve Simon reported that the individual with the unleashed dog in this park was issued a summons by the 33rd Precinct. It was also reported that although this action satisfied one of the complainants in the park, the individual was seen with the dog running loosed, but with the leash attached. Other issues in the park are still outstanding.

Wright Brothers Playground Update

Richard Lewis, CB12 Board Member and Steve Simon, representing the NYC Department of Parks.

Mr. Simon began the presentation by handling out a layout plan for the Basketball Courts with length and with sizes of the three courts and claimed they were discussed and agreed to by all parties involved with the community. Mr. Lewis handed out a document listing all the requests discussed and concessions agreed upon by all parties. These agreements that will be sent to the NYC Public Design Commission for approval before any new construction can be done:

1. Basketball Court Design Changes Recommended and Approved (Site Meeting on October 11th, 2012)

Request: Remove game area (hopscotch and skelly) at the north end of the basketball court removed from the design.

- ▶ **Parks Department** presented the new design.
- ▶ **Community Representatives** approved this change.

Request: Lengthen the two north south mini-courts to their approximate original pre-construction (1996-2007) design and orientation with new measurements and sector corrections presented.

- ▶ **Parks Department** presented the new design.
- ▶ **Community Representatives** approved this exact relocation.

Request: Relocation of the four north-south backboards and vertical post moved slightly. Requires concrete footings to be broken and reconstructed at southern end. At northern end backboards and vertical posts will be constructed short of a five foot walkway between the bench areas. Location of all these backboards will be close to where they were in the original 1996 court design.

- ▶ **Parks Department** presented this new design to accommodate this request and claimed it would not change the overall newly restored 1996 original length or width of the two mini-courts.
- ▶ **Community Representatives** accepted this explanation, but wanted to know the exact sideline distances now between the large east west court north and south.

Request: Centering east west basketball court with the handball court's vertical wall edge and backboards

- ▶ **Parks Department** claimed this was a technical impossibility, due to space limitations and was not needed.
- ▶ **Community Representatives** accepted the court's location as currently designed and to be built.

Request: New fiberglass backboards to replace six metal backboards currently ordered installed (four currently installed - posts remain unchanged) Specification not discusses

- ▶ **Manhattan Parks Commissioner William Castro** approved this recommendation after a separate meeting with Councilman Robert Jackson
- ▶ **Community Representatives** accept this change
- ▶ Note: Limited specifications were discussed such as:

Request: Branches and tree limbs overhanging the east-west court need to be trimmed back (no measurements given) to remove and prevent a condition that has the potential to block shots or passing.

- ▶ **Parks Department** will place the decision making on how much is to be trimmed without sacrificing tree life with their Forestry Division.
- ▶ **Community Representatives** approved this change.

The following matters are under consideration, were not discussed, will be looked into, or are off the table. At the Parks and Cultural Affairs meeting Mr. Simon explain the Parks Department's position and gave outcomes we could expect about the following remaining issues and problems:

- ▶ Design of the court's slope or pitch as a result of these changes. Concern has been voiced about pooling of rain water in the past, if the same slopes are used and the pitch of the various playing surfaces also may significantly vary. This may become a factor when the asphalt layers are laid down.

OUTCOME: Parks claimed that there would be no reason pooling should happen given the fact there is a sizable amount of being spent. Justification for this position included heavy excavation to removed and unearthed old foundations of buildings buried in the first construction of this playground several decade ago, compacting, and between drainage and lastly new gravel laid down.

- ▶ Color coding and painting basketball lines and areas other than Parks Department standards.

OUTCOME: The Park Department's position is that these lines are highly visibility demarcations and there is no need to change them.

- ▶ Safety factors associated with the metal covers over the two drainage wells at the south end of both of the mini-courts.

OUTCOME: The Parks Department does not feel they represent a safety issue at this time.

- ▶ Safety factors associated with two entrance gates opening into both mini-courts at the south end of both mini-courts.

OUTCOME: The Parks Department will examine this issue on whether the gates should close in or out, but they feel this may be a problem in the school's walkway.

- ▶ The ten panel/poster designs in the playground areas (ranging from about 28 to 54 inches) do not represent the well documented contributions of other ethnic groups or gender in the contribution in the history of powered flight (a sensitive matter for role modeling since the playground is next to an elementary school and is located in an area where there is high density of Afro-Americans and Hispanics). These changes may be more administrative in nature and information will be provided by the community.

OUTCOME: Both Mr. Simon and Mr. Lewis will review alternative photos, graphics and the narrative and submit these replacements in the total package of changes.

- ▶ There is also no explanatory posters in the twelve planned set (freely available from NASA) that depict in lay terms the science, technology, engineering, and math (S,T,E,M.) involved in aerodynamic principles that played a significant role in developing the pioneering the Wright Brothers first heavier than air flying machine the later engineering models that followed. The current design is out of step with 21st century STEM education initiatives, the lack of our kids getting a strong foundation in these areas, and NYS DOE standards for science and math.

OUTCOME: Recognizing this need both Mr. Simon and Mr. Lewis will review alternative photos, graphics and the narrative and submit these replacements in the total package of changes.

At the October 11th construction site meeting community representatives claimed that the new green areas in the playground and more trees was excessive and would lead to an increase in rodent infestation in the community and they wanted 75% of this planned "green" installation removed and replaced with asphalt or concrete.

OUTCOME: The Parks Department position was that green areas initiatives are attempts in all future parks and playgrounds deslans to reduce asthma and other chronic obstructive lung diseases as well as to be more eco-friendly.. Such a radical change for more asphalt in the playground area, given the total amount of changes agreed to so far, would in effect constitute a redesign of the entire playground, would be too costly, and may lead the Public Design Commission to reject agreed upon concessions. In addition, they will monitor site qarbage and have the NYC Department of Health's top expert Mr. Robert Corrigan who has been contacted look into this matter

It should be noted that as part of CB12M's rodent Infestation initiative during last summer, a workshop and training session co-sponsored by the NYC Department of Health took place at a location very near the for residents of the Wright Brother Playground. It was heavily advertised with flyers posted and visitations to building superintendants and stores. But there was a very poor community turnout. Mr. Corrigan explained that the main problem m with any increase in rodent population is due to food, primarily improper garbage disposal, rather than rodents seeking shelter in green areas. The general messages is to eliminate the food supply and the other one can be controlled.

The Parks Department claims that all these design changes will eventually cost more time and money since all of these items need to go before the NYC Public Design Commission and contractor change orders will be needed. Some of these changes may delay the project's completion for up to six months. Community representatives indicated that they were less concerned with these potential issues.

Announcements, Mail, and New Business.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lewis

Edited by Harlan Pruden – October 22nd, 2012

CB12MANHATTAN

Licensing Committee *Minutes for 10/02/2012*

Committee Members Present: George Fernandez, Acting Chair, Assistant Chair, James Amodeo, Rolando Cespedes, Melanie Hidalgo, Edith Prentiss, Anina Young, Angela Sanchez, Elizabeth Lorris-Ritter,

Committee, Members Absent:

CB12 Members Present: Michael Jimenez, Aldemar Diaz, Ariel Ferreira

CB12 Staff Members Present: Paola Garcia

Community Members Present: A. Theodore, Yokarina Duarte, community liaison, Council member Rodriguez, district 10, Jason Minter, Arelia Taveras, S. Kartsonis, Rolando Lantigua, E. Porter, Osvaldo Rosado, Marlen Mercedes, Santiago Quezula, Bernado Colon, Jose Sierra, Helen Corrigan, Manuel Garcia, Tony Caffrey, Jason Paul, H. Rivera, Manuel Ashamouts, Gus Antón, Cynthia Diaz, Jose Morales, Jorge Peralta, Tomas Trinidad, Denise Hykes UNIDOS, Manual Hernandez, Eufemio Infanto, Jose Serverino, Deyarina Jimenez, Michel James, Kal Narvilas, Manuel Vidal, James Lee, Sandra Jaquez, Edison Rivera,

Welcome & Opening Remarks

George Fernandez, Acting Chair & Assistant Chair James Amodeo called meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Acting Chair George Fernandez introduced himself and the committee members to the public. He went on to inform the public and all that were present that he is the Acting Chair for the moment until a permanent chair is appointment.

Acting Chair went on to inform those wishing to ask questions to please complete write down their question on an index card and submit to the committee for public session. As well, anyone wishing to speak during the public session; to sign the public speakers list. Furthermore, Acting Chair explained to everyone who speaks to please speak to the application in question and not that of another application. Chair explained that it is his understanding that those who do not show up, it's an automatic no vote fro the licensing committee.

MEETING DETAILS

There were two application that did not show up for the licensing committee meeting on October 2, 2012 , which were La Estufa Inc. – 5035 Broadway (at the corner of W. 215th St); who were requesting Corporate Change License and The Heights Restaurant Corp. dba The Heights Restaurant – 203 Audubon Ave (bet. W. 175th & W. 176th Sts.)

As you are aware there were 4 items tabled in September's licensing committee meeting. He is the update on those items 4 items that were tabled in September.

The district manger of Community Board 12 Manhattan Ebenezer Smith was invited to a meeting which was scheduled by Martin Collins from the office of council member Robert Jackson of councilmatic district 7 to further discuss **le Cheile** request to extend hours their hours of operation. During this meeting as reported by district manager Le Cheile request that there hours to serve alcoholic beverages be extended to 4a.m and that the district manager expressed concerns that the community at large id oversaturated with liquor license and that extend ding to 4 a.m may not be recommended. The ending results were that le Cheile than requested Monday thru Sunday until 3 am and this was presented to the License committee on October 2, 2012. during this meeting it was discussed and the licensing committee had no objections of extending hours until 3 am for seven days under the conditions that le Cheile Tony Caffrey sign an agreed upon stipulations with the board; given that 2 years prior the establishment stated it would, put in sound proofing, hire security guards and until this date has not done so. He happily agreed to do so. Le Cheile is expected to meet with the district manager of community board 12 Manhattan on October 22, 2012 to sign the written agreed upon stipulations authored by that licensing committee.

El As de Espada returned to the licensing committee on October 2, 2012 to inform the licensing committee that while they are not in total agreement with solely operating as a Mexican restaurant with out a wine or Beer License have made decision to improve their establishment by hiring a new representative Arelia Tavaréz, who has advised them surrender the Wine Beer licensing they were operating under and have done so. They are seeking all of the appropriate paper work for the construction of the restaurant they intend to open on the second floor of th and that they are being mindful all that is required to run and operate a business correctly under the law and will returned when everything is order.

La Parilla, attended the October 2, 2102 meeting to further discuss the request for cooperate change License. It was felt by some committee members and the representative of council member Rodriguez that Mr. Manual Hernandez who is requesting the change was ill prepared when he arrived to the Licensing Committee Meeting and did not appear to know what was going on. Through out the discussion Mr. Manuel Hernandez who is applying to be the new principal of La Parilla in the place of his brother, he reiterated that he is willing to do what ever he needs to do work with the community, the precinct and the board.

Some committee members however were speculative about the owner intention and knowledge of issues and asked: Why is the client not prepared to have answers for the questions presented by the board? The client is apprehensive to reduce hours in these economic times. Representative of Council Member Rodriguez councilmatic district 10

Yokarina a Duarte stated that the council member is not willing to support the applicant unless they are willing to adhere to the stipulations and changes previously discussed. Mr. Hernandez agreed to the following stipulations, **1.** Comply with all SLA laws, **2** Purchase a scanning machine to record all Id's, **3.**Check all Id's, **4.** Hire security guards for events and to notify the PCT when he is hosting events, **5.** Shall operate Sunday thru Thursday until 2 a.m. and Friday and Saturday until to 4 a.m. The discussion around the apartment, which appears to have been signed into agreement with landlord, is still pending investigation from the New York City Department of Buildings Due to no C of O on file. The committee voted and the application received a no vote, please see voted.

Cafeteria Ciballo applying for a new on premises liquor application was informed during the meeting at the office of council member Rodriguez councilmatic district 10, presented were Lt. Muniz, and Community Affairs unit officer Perez of the 34th Pct. District manager Ebenezer Smith of CB 12 Manhattan, Aldemar Diaz, and my self George Fernandez who informed Mr. Osvaldo Rosario, General Manager that no new On- Premises Liquor Application would be supported. However, we could discuss working out stipulations for his wine beer license and Mr. Rosado general manager who was in agreement to doing what ever he needed to do to make good with the community m, the precinct and the board.

During the October 2, 2012 licensing committee meeting Mr. Osvaldo expressed being under the impression that the stipulations that he originally agreed to would be for a New Application for an On- Premises Liquor License and chair of informed him that we would not be rewarding him for breaking the law and that the added stipulations -Sunday thru Thursday 2 a.m. and Friday Saturday 4 a.m., scanning machine, will notify Local pct of all events, comply with the SLA laws, Rule and Regulations , also that his establishment is across the street from a school and the 200 ft rule is called into question and that he has the ask for the SLA to conduct a measurement. He stated he did not agree with added stipulations and therefore wanted to continue with his application for a New Application for an On- Premises Liquor License.

A discussion under new business was held around licensing committee of Community Board 12 Manhattan to no longer support any New Applications for On-Premises Liquor, Wine or Beer after 2:00am Monday-Sunday within community district 12. Given the late hour the committee voted to table this item for further discussion in November.

B. State Liquor Authority *Renewal* Licenses:

On-Premise Liquor License

1. Trio's Café 7 Lounge Inc., dba ARKA Lounge 4488 Broadway (bet. Fairview Ave. & W. 193rd).

Owner/Representative:	Rolando Lantigua, Manager (Kisha Lantigua – Owner)
Type of Establishment:	Restaurant/Bar/Lounge
Hours of Operation:	7 pm – 4 am Weds – Sun
Tables/Chairs	19 Tables
Music	DJ – iPod/Mix – no outside music

Security Cameras	22 cameras/2 outside – 22 inside		
Security Personnel:	5 Security; Licensed in NYS		
ADA Compliant:	Fully Accessible ,		
Employees:	18 Employees		
34th Pct. Comments:	No Opposition		
Comments:	No Opposition from office of council member Ydanis Rodriguez office district 10 No comments or complaints from the public		
Stipulation(s) Added:	None		
Vote:	Committee 6-0-1	Board 2-0-1	Public 17-0-1

2. Punto de Sabor Inc. – 1464 St. Nicholas Ave. (bet. W. 183rd & W. 184th Sts.)

Owner/Representative:	Eufemio Infanto		
Type of Establishment:	Restaurant (Spanish/Int'l Food)		
Hours of Operation:	7 am – 12 midnight		
Tables/Chairs	60 Seats; 14 Tables		
Music	No music		
Security Cameras	14 total – 1 outside 13 outside , in the kitchen and in the dining room		
Security Personnel:	None		
ADA Compliant:	Yes, there is a ramp at the entrance and the bathrooms are in compliance		
Employees:	20 Employees		
34th Pct. Comments:	None		
Community Comments:	There is no sound buffering No complaints or comments from the public		
Stipulation(s) Added:	None		
Vote:	Committee 6-0-1	Board 2-0-1	public 17-0-1

3. Antika Pizzeria Inc. – 3924 Broadway (bet. W. 164th & W. 165th Sts).

Owner/Representative:			
Type of Establishment:	Family Style Pizzeria/ Restaurant		
Hours of Operation:	11 am – 11 pm		
Tables/Chairs	18 tables inside, 10 outside (6 months out of the year) Capacity -69 people		

Music	None
Security Cameras	16 - 3 outside
Security Personnel:	None
ADA Compliant:	Yes – wheel chair lift in the front; sign located by lift
Employees:	19 employees
33th Pct. Comments:	No objections
Community Comments:	No complaints or comments from the public
Stipulation(s) Added:	None
Vote:	Committee 6-0-0 Board 3-0 -0 Public 19-0-0

4. 839 W. 181 Food Inc. dba LE CHEILE – 839 W. 181st St (at the corner of Cabrini Blvd.)

Owner/Representative:	Tony Caffrey (Richard)
Type of Establishment:	Bar/Restaurant – American/Irish
Hours of Operation:	10 am – 2 am
Tables/Chairs	20 Tables/ 70 chairs and stools
Music	iPod/Live
Security Cameras	12 – 2 outside
Security Personnel:	
ADA Compliant:	Yes
Employees:	14 4 exits
34th Pct. Comments:	No objections as long as they watch for quality of life.
Comments:	CB12 Member – Concerned about the lack of C.O. for space; concerned that establishment is not soundproofed yet want to have live music. The CFO is pending city approval. PUBLIC: -Likes the recommendation of having someone monitoring the outside for noise. -Claims the establishment is open 24 hours with last call at 4 and people leaving near 5:30 am. She also claims that they have a State Liquor License until 4 am. -They are not open 24 hrs; they are cleaning during the off hours. - Kal , fellow establish owner, supports them that there is little noise and finds the late hours as a safety plus.
Stipulation(s) Added:	Met with Martin Collins to work out arrangement for extended hours. Agreement worked out to Mon – Sun until 3 am upon agreement of stipulation. Committee Stipulation: having someone outside controlling the noise, informing the officer when having an event, hrs. 7 days up to 3am, Getting scanning device.
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 16-2-2

5. Hudson Fulton Corp. dba Indian Road Café & Market – 600 W. 218th St. (at the corner of Indian Rd.)

Owner/Representative:	Jason Minter		
Type of Establishment:	Restaurant/Coffee Bar/Bar		
Hours of Operation:	7 am – 12:30 (Fri/Sat) otherwise 10:30 pm each other night		
Tables/Chairs	Approximately 60		
Music	iPod and some live music		
Security Cameras	9 – 3 outside		
Security Personnel:	None		
ADA Compliant:	Yes		
Employees:	20 Total Capacity – 75 2 exits in front		
34th Pct. Comments:	No objections		
Comments:	Committee Member Liz Ritter : Excellent community member		
Stipulation(s) Added:			
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0	Board 3-0-0	Public 17-0-0

6. Apt. 78 – 4455 Broadway (bet. Fairview Ave. 7 W. 193rd St)

Owner/Representative:	Jose Morales		
Type of Establishment:	Café/Lounge		
Hours of Operation:	Tues – Thursday 4 pm- 12 am Fri /Sat 4 pm – 4 am Sunday 11 am – 12 am		
Tables/Chairs	35		
Music	iPod/DJ		
Security Cameras	6 cameras – 4 inside and 2 outside		
Security Personnel:	3-4, NYS licensed		
ADA Compliant:	Sign with a portable board; bathroom ADA compliant		
Employees:	14		
34th Pct. Comments:	No objections		
Community Comments:	No Board Questions/Comments Public: Courteous to environment yet enjoyable for the neighborhood.		
Stipulation(s) Added:	They only had one complaint on a Weds night event and that was quickly resolved. They responsibly handled crowds. The owner should build a ramp in according to ADA.		
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0	Board 3-0-0	Public 13-0-0

7. Saggio Restaurant Inc. dba SAGGIO – 829 W. 181st St (bet Cabrini Blvd & Pinehurst Ave)

Owner/Representative:	Kal Narvilas		
Type of Establishment:	Italian Restaurant		
Hours of Operation:	Mon-Thurs 4 pm – 11 pm Fri 4 pm – 12 am Sat 7 Sun 10 am – 12 am (Sat) and 11 pm (Sun)		
Tables/Chairs	23 Tables, 14 inside and 9 outside		
Music	iPod		
Security Cameras	6 1 mezzanine, 2 bar, 2 dining, 1 outdoor		
Security Personnel:	None		
ADA Compliant:	Yes		
Employees:	12 1 main Exit		
33rd Pct. Comments:	No objection		
Comments:	No community comments or complaints		
Stipulation(s) Added:			
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0	Board 3-0-0	Public18-0-0

Restaurant Wine License

8. Venerato Inc. dba GARDEN CAFÉ – 4961 Broadway (bet. W 207th & Isham Sts.)

Owner/Representative:	Gus Anton, Owner		
Type of Establishment:	Restaurant		
Hours of Operation:	Mon – Fr 11am – 11 pm, Sat & Sun 10 am – 11 pm		
Tables/Chairs	Indoor 13 tables, 32 chairs Outdoor 13 tables, 32 chairs		
Music	iPod; live music Fri-Sat 7:30 – 10:30 pm		
Security Cameras	Inside 7; Outside 2		
Security Personnel:	None		
ADA Compliant:	Yes		
Employees:	10 Capacity – 75 people 1 exit; 1 rear		
34th Pct. Comments:			
Comments:	No public complaints. Maggie Clark – just because no one is here does not mean that no one complains. It could be weather, it could be apathy.		
Stipulation(s) Added:			
Vote:	Committee7-0-0	Board 3-0-0	Public 17-0-0

9. JAPP Business Inc. dba Pick & Eat – 4179 Broadway (at the corner of W. 177th St.)

Owner/Representative:	Jorge Peralta
Type of Establishment:	Salads/Restaurant/Organic
Hours of Operation:	9 am – 10 pm 7 days
Tables/Chairs	20 Tables, 48 chairs
Music	iPod
Security Cameras	16
Security Personnel:	None
ADA Compliant:	Yes
Employees:	8 employees Egress – 2 main floor; 2 basement
33rd Pct. Comments:	No objections
Comments:	Committee: Nice alternative for food alternatives for local business and health care PUBLIC – no comments
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 20-0-0

10. Ceci Restaurant inc. – 78 Sherman Avenue (bet. Thayer St. & Dyckman Ave.)

Owner/Representative:	Michael James, shift manager (evening 4 pm – close; Sundays differs)
Type of Establishment:	Spanish Restaurant
Hours of Operation:	6:30 am – 11 pm Mon- Thurs 6:30 am – 12 am Fri & Sat
Tables/Chairs	8 tables
Music	Jute box
Security Cameras	4 cameras, 2 inside, 2 outside
Security Personnel:	None
ADA Compliant:	Yes – with physical ramp (as per code after fire approx. 4-5 years ago)
Employees:	10 Fire exits: 2 one on each side
34th Pct. Comments:	No objections
Comments:	Committee: Concern about narcotics bust in 2010 yet manager does not recall. Just wanted them to be aware. Maggie Clark: Concerned about leading questions
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7- 0-0 Board 3-0 -0 Public 18-0-0

11. 207th Street Lina Restaurant Inc. – 500 W. 207th St. (bet. Post & 10th Aves)

Owner/Representative:	Santiago Quezada, manager
Type of Establishment:	Spanish Rest.
Hours of Operation:	6am to 2am 7 days
Tables/Chairs	8 tables 10 tools
Music	jukebox
Security Cameras	1 camera inside
Security Personnel:	no
ADA Compliant:	Ramp. The bathroom is not ADA
Employees:	12 full time.
34th Pct. Comments:	No objections.
Comments:	No comments or complaints from the community
Stipulation(s) Added:	none
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 17-0-0

Eating Place Beer License

12. Post Billiards Café Inc. – 154 Post Ave (bet W. 207th St & 10th Ave)

Owner/Representative:	Manuel Garcia, owner
Type of Establishment:	Pool H in the 2 nd fl. Only sale beers. 19 pool tables. 10 eating tables
Hours of Operation:	7day form 12pm to 3am sometimes in weekend to 4am
Tables/Chairs	10 eating tables
Music	iPod
Security Cameras	16 cameras
Security Personnel:	2
ADA Compliant:	yes
Employees:	7 to 10
34th Pct. Comments:	No comment
Comments:	No comments or complaints from the community
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 17-0-0

Catering Establishment License

13. Greek Orthodox Community of Anargyri – 1547 St. Nicholas Ave. (bet. W. 187th & W. 188th Sts.)

Owner/Representative:	Adres Teodoro, president of the church
Type of Establishment:	Rental place

Hours of Operation:	Once a week. Most likely on Saturday or Friday. Only rent the space. 2-2am
Tables/Chairs	10 table
Music	DJ brought by the renters
Security Cameras	no
Security Personnel:	1
ADA Compliant:	no
Employees:	2
34th Pct. Comments:	No objection
Comments:	No comments or complaints from the community
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 18-0-0

Corporate Change License

14. 3920 BWY REST INC., dba La Parilla Steakhouse – 3920 Broadway (bet. W. 164th St. & W. 165th St.)

Owner/Representative:	Manuel Hernandez, proposed owner Manuel B. Vidal Jr. (Accountant) Hector Santana, Compliance Consultant Joseph Farrell, Security Consultant
Type of Establishment:	Argentine/Latino Restaurant
Hours of Operation:	11 am – 4 am
Tables/Chairs	30 Tables, 68 chairs
Music	iPod, Live Jazz (occasional)
Security Cameras	16 cameras covering the entire floor area (4 outside)
Security Personnel:	2 Security Personnel, 1 inside, 1 outside
ADA Compliant:	Yes
Employees:	35 employees; 120 people Emergency: 1 front, 1 rear
33rd Pct. Comments:	OPPOSE Allegations that alcohol sold to minors 5/25, 5/31/ 6/19, 9/14 with the last 2 resulting in arrests
Comments:	Committee: Why is the client not prepared to have answers for the questions presented by the board? The client is apprehensive to reduce hours in these economic times. Council Member Rodriguez is not willing to support the applicant unless they are willing to adhere to the stipulations and changes previously discussed. BOARD QUESTIONS: LL took a rent regulate apt and converted it to commercial lease. It was an illicit removal of housing stock without going through DACR.

	PUBLIC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is clear that the owner does not fully understand the process and has people working with him. Recommends tabling this until he has an opportunity to come back with appropriate letters and papers. The apartment should not affect license - The past is the past. Columbia has many properties. Why pick on Manuel. - Give him a chance to understand the process and since language is an issue, he needs more time.
Stipulation(s) Added:	<p>Issue with regulated apartment (had since 1998) though this is no C of O is still an issue though the apartment conversion was approved. No one got back to the Committee after the last meeting though Mr. Hernandez claims he did respond and was unable to meet CB12 timetable.</p> <p>Discussion of Sun- Thurs 2 am; 4 am on Sat & Sun. Adding security personal, scanning machine, checking ID, The apartment is still an issue.</p>
Vote:	<p>Committee 3-1 -3 Board 2-1-0- Public17-0-0</p>

15. La Estufa Inc. – 5035 Broadway (at the corner of W. 215th St)

Owner/Representative:	No show. absent
Type of Establishment:	
Hours of Operation:	
Tables/Chairs	
Music	
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel:	
ADA Compliant:	
Employees:	
34th Pct. Comments:	
Comments:	
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	<p>Committee 0-7-0 Board Public</p>

C. Department of Consumer Affairs Renewal of Unenclosed Sidewalk Café License:

16. The Element Restaurant Group.

Owner/Representative:	James Lee, owner
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Type of Establishment:	Sidewalk cafe
Hours of Operation:	9am to 10am
Tables/Chairs	22 chairs. 11 tables
Music	no
Security Cameras	3
Security Personnel:	no
ADA Compliant:	yes
Employees:	18. most of them par timers
34th Pct. Comments:	No objection
Comments:	No objection
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 Public 13-0-0

17. Sol's Restaurant Inc. dba IL SOLE – 233 Dyckman Street, (bet. Broadway & Seaman Aves)

Owner/Representative:	Sandra Jaquez
Type of Establishment:	Sidewalk cafe
Hours of Operation:	Sunday 11-10. Mo- thru 10pm Friday and Saturday 12am
Tables/Chairs	13 tables. 38 chairs
Music	computer
Security Cameras	2
Security Personnel:	Sundays during the summer. 2
ADA Compliant:	yes
Employees:	
33rd Pct. Comments:	No objection.
Comments:	Maggie Mark. She has seen the establishment open after at hours, later than the hours stipulated by the agreement with Robert Jackson Office. She has seen the sidewalk café after 10pm during the last month. The noise is hard to determine whether coming from one business or another is. Christopher Taveras disagreed with comment Maggie Mark made as he visits the business frequently and he has been asked to move inside before 10pm. Katherine Silverman, She has not seen whether they violated the stipulation. Jaisy, Employee of the Restaurant, he understands that perhaps the people that just spoke saw picking up after 10 as they usually pick up. Sandra, sometimes, yes, the business closes at 10:15 pm and at 12:15pm. Ariel, the owner should inform the customers at least 45 mins before closing time to be able to close as per the agreement. Ariel, Dyckman is doing at lot better.
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 6-0-1 Board 3-0-0- Public 10-0-0

State liquor Authority New –Applications

On-Premises Liquor License

18. Nayelin Bar & Restaurant Inc 101 Sherman Avenue (bet. Dyckman & Academy St)

Owner/Representative:	Marlen Mercedes, manager. Mirella, the owner is sick in the hospital		
Type of Establishment:	Latin food		
Hours of Operation:	8 am to 2am 7days		
Vehicles			
Music	jukebox		
Security Cameras	4 cameras. inside		
Security Personnel:	1 from Friday to Sunday		
ADA Compliant:	yes		
Employees:	4 – 2 full and 2 part timers		
34th Pct. Comments:	The Restaurant violated the law. Selling alcohol to a minor on . Marlen indicated that she was the one that sold the alcohol to the minor on her first day of work due to lack of knowledge about the law and the minor looked older to her. The officer object to the license.		
Comments:	No comments from the public		
Stipulation(s) Added:			
Vote:	Committee 0- 3--4	Board 0-3-0	Public8-0-0

19. Cafeteria Billar Cibao | 90 Nagle Avenue (bet. Ellwood & Sickles St)

Owner/Representative:	Osvaldo Rosario, General Manager		
Type of Establishment:	Sport Bar		
Hours of Operation:	4pm – 3am Mon – Th. Fri- sun 4pm – 3:45 am		
Tables/Chairs	3 high tables. 6 chairs and 6 chairs at the bar		
Music	jukebox		
Security Cameras	4 cameras. 2 outside. 1 front by the entrance. 2 by the door. 3 wide angle point south. And 4 angle point north.		
Security Personnel:	Yes, when special sporting events		
ADA Compliant:	no		
Employees:	2		
34th Pct. Comments:	Objection.		
Comments:	The owner is willing to work with the community. His establishment is directly in front of a public school. This item was tabled in September to discuss improving business operations and compliance with SLA. Mr. Rosario agreed to sign the stipulations provided by the licensing committee Board if the wine beer renewal license is given. If he does not comply the Board will not support any future license. He is willing to do the hours. Mr. Rosario reports to be under the		

	impression that if applying for liquor license that he will comply with reduction in hours. Chair of licensing committee explained to Mr. Rosario that the LCM is not looking to reward him for being violation. Board member Ariel Ferreira attempted to clarify how Mr. Rosario does not understand, Chair explained that Mr. Rosario is well informed of his rights and the process and it's my opinion that we are not supporting any New Application on –premises liquor		
Stipulation(s) Added:	stipulations -Sunday thru Thursday 2 a.m. and Friday Saturday 4 a.m., scanning machine, will notify Local pct of all events, comply with the SLA laws, Rule and Regulations , On Premise Liquor License denied		
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0	Board 2-0-1	Public 5-0-0

D. State Liquor Authority New Applications:

20. The Heights Restaurant Corp. dba The Heights Restaurant – 203 Audubon Ave (bet. W. 175th & W. 176th Sts.)

Owner/Representative:	No show		
Type of Establishment:			
Hours of Operation:			
Tables/Chairs			
Music			
Security Cameras			
Security Personnel:			
ADA Compliant:			
Employees:			
34th Pct. Comments:			
Community Comments:			
Stipulation(s) Added:			
Vote:	Committee 0-7-0	Board	Public

21. Taco Mix – 1986 Amsterdam Avenue (bet. W. 158th & W. 159th Sts.)

Owner/Representative:	Edison Rivera,
Type of Establishment:	Tacos/Mexican Food
Hours of Operation:	24 hrs/ 7 days a week
Tables/Chairs	
Music	Mariachi Band by request
Security Cameras	
Security Personnel:	None now but plans at least 3
ADA Compliant:	1 st Floor Bathroom ADA, basement bathroom not
Employees:	

33rd Pct. Comments:	OPPOSED because at the street corner of establishment there is a lot of trouble. Would like to meet with owners to work out concerns. Kids hanging out on corners, street violence, and another place across street serving alcohol. Problem not with establishment but the environment. Some concern about public phone booth.
Community Comments:	FDNY issued fines/summons Egress, one in back, one in side, one in basement RICHARD LEWIS: Are you the owner of the property? Not the owner. Richard Lewis asked the owner if there were 2 apartments above and representative answered yes. They are not registered with the City of NY. Their plan is - Alcohol will not be served after 1 am and only food will be offered 24 hours. Committee discussed supporting applicant on condition that they get apartments above establishment registered with the department of buildings and the owner meet with the 33 rd Pct
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0-0 public 6-0-0

Restaurant Wine License

22. DTONY Sport Corp. dba Nagle Avenue Sport Associates- 258 Nagle Avenue

Owner/Representative:	Jose Sierra and Bernado Colon, owners
Type of Establishment:	Social Club. Cafeteria billiard. 2 pool tables
Hours of Operation:	11 am – 4pm. 7days
Tables/Chairs	25 chairs. And 3 tables
Music	jukebox
Security Cameras	8. 2 outside. 6 inside
Security Personnel:	1
ADA Compliant:	yes
Employees:	Expecting to have 6
34th Pct. Comments:	Lieutenant Muniz from the 34 th pct conducted an inspection of the premises and reports. Only the corporate information was available. The other permits were not shown. They are not open yet but Lt. Muniz police officer observed 25 people playing and the officer saw a cashier working. Accountant, Miguel Acosta. The officer objects due to the window blocked, the permits were not shown, the refrigerator was not appropriate.
Comments:	Owner reports that the person doing the construction was not

	<p>present the day of Lt. Muniz visit to establishment due to being ill. As per Bernardo, they have the corporation license. They talk to the accountant and he is who tells them what to do. They are a group of friends who will work together to play billiard. Everything, including the windows is cover due to publisher posters. Applicant was informed to gather all of the appropriate permits before moving ahead with opening doors to the public. Lt Muniz reported there were no cert of authority, neither for assembly.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The applicant withdrew the application.</p>
Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 0-0-0 Board 0-0-0 public0-0-0

23. El As De Espada Mexican Restaurant Inc 3868 10th Avenue (at the corner of W. 207th St)

Owner/Representative:	Areliia Tavarez, representative. Herminio Perez, owner
Type of Establishment:	Grocery Deli. Beer, Sandwiches, Soups, Omoette, Taco and Burrito
Hours of Operation:	7 days from 6am to 2am
Tables/Chairs	2 tables 4 chairs
Music	none
Security Cameras	1
Security Personnel:	none
ADA Compliant:	Yes. 2
Employees:	
34th Pct. Comments:	
Comments:	<p>This item was tabled last month (sept). They had a meeting with Ydanis Office, Councilman. As per Ms. Taveras, The business surrendered the license to the liquor authority as per Saturday Sept. 29, 2012. They are coming back next month. .It was explained by the chair of t the committee that this establishment has not been operating under their own license and that also the establishment was involved in underage drinking sting operations on three occasions and that the manger bought stolen goods. (Fencing) further more that the discussion held at counsel member Rodriguez office that neither the Pct. Council member or the opinion of the LCM would support a new application that the said business should operate as a Mexican restaurant.</p> <p>No Application being presented; an update to the committee</p>

Stipulation(s) Added:	
Vote:	Committee 0-0-0 Board 0-0-0 Public 0-0-0

125 Mi casa Restaurant Corp 125 Nagle Avenue, Store #a, (bet, Sickles & Arden St

Owner/Representative:	Owner: Manuel Agramonte, owner
Type of Establishment:	Type: Spanish food
Hours of Operation:	Hrs: 7 days from 7am to 10 pm
Tables/Chairs	Tables Chairs: 6 tables and 36 chairs
Music	
Security Cameras	Camera: no
Security Personnel:	Security Personal: no
ADA Compliant:	Capacity: 70 people
Employees:	Employees: 4 full time (family)
34th Pct. Comments:	34 th Pct. Comments: no objections
Comments:	No Community Comments or complaints
Stipulation(s) Added:	none
Vote:	Committee 7-0-0 Board 3-0- Public 6-0-0

E. New Business/Adjournment

Read above for minutes on new business item. Discussion around licensing committee of Community Board 12 Manhattan to no longer support any New Applications for On-Premises Liquor, Wine or Beer after 2:00am Monday-Sunday within Community District 12 Manhattan.

**Community Board 12, Manhattan
General Meeting-September 24, 2012
Isabella Geriatric Center
515 Audubon Avenue
Corner of W. 190th Street**

PRESENT

Richard Allman	Elizabeth M
James J. Amodeo	Lehmann
Wayne Benjamin	Maria Luna
James Berlin	Richard R. Lewis
Dulce Bueno	Helen Morik
Rolando Cespedes	Edgar Nau
Manny De Los Santos	Angelo Ortiz
Aldemar De Jesus Diaz	Chris O'Sullivan
Michael Dfaz	Pamela Palanque-North
Ariel Ferreira	Edith Prentiss
George Fernandez	Harlan Pruden
Mitchell Glenn	Zead Ramadan
Michael Jimenez	Gabriela Rosa
Ernest David Kach	Angela Sanchez
Yosef Kalinsky	Victor Santos
	Steve Simon

Alyce Smith
Christopher Smith
Gloria Vanterpool
Raybblin Vargas
Anina Young

EXCUSED

Isaiah Bing
William T. Devlin
Fe Florimon
Elizabeth
Lorris-Ritter
Jay Mazur

ABSENT

Anita Barberis
Nicole Alexandra Foster
Leandro Hidalgo
Melanie Hidalgo
Ellen Kackman
Carole Mulligan
Robert Reynolds
Tamara Rivera

The General Meeting was called to order by Chair Dr. Pamela Palanque-North at 7:15pm.

Chair's Report

- Chair welcomed everyone back including members and new attendees, and wanted to know how many had never attended a Community Board Meeting before
- Glad everyone had a wonderful summer
- Thanked NYPD for hosting Community Leaders Forum for Precinct Council Presidents & Community Board Chairs. It was a social event and we got to hear what is going on at various precincts
- Member of UMEZ Meeting (Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone) and attended with Zead Ramadan as they are in the sunset faze of their business and funding is running out under the original legislation, but they are moving into another phase of venturing on business development in the zone which includes our community
- Spoke to SLA Commissioner Rosen to follow up on the Boards position on Papisito
 - Close vote in June on this resolution
 - Board voted not to renew the license
 - Sent resolution to Commissioner for July 25 hearing
 - There is community support for getting a renewal and there are residents who are challenging the renewal
- July we had the Committee of the Whole with a robust discussion with the community involving the Public Safety Committee who had announced they would have a hearing that would allow NYS residents to go through fewer approvals for license of firearms.
 - Raising this because it was in the Press. Body as a whole defeated hearing
- CB12 had Personnel Committee Meeting to evaluate and support our District Manager and this is an internal matter
- Invited to speak at the reopening ribbon cutting of 552 Academy Street building that was being renovated. This building was in horrible disrepair, but many displaced residents should be moving in soon.
- CB12 has been working with the Affordable Housing Council that CM Ydanis Rodriquez has organized. We have been working on the site at West 172nd Street and Amsterdam. The FDNY would like an EMS Bay Station at that site. Discussions to be continued.
- CB12 non-voting member of Washington Heights Business Improvement District (WHBID) resolved and negotiated settlement with former vendor who was on contract
 - There was a study to set up a BID in the southern part of the heights on Dyckman Street, river to river
- OMB budget cuts will be discussed by the District Manager
- Thank CM Robert Jackson for money allotted \$1000 for translation services and CM Ydanis Rodriguez bequeathed us the equipment so we could translate our meetings
- There was a miscommunication between DOT & DNAinfo (an online newspaper) about the resolution the Board passed about Street Cleaning, which reduce number of days people have to move their cars. Steve Simon who was instrumental in

putting together the document will explain. Board voted in favor of resolution and it reduce in most area four days to two days to remove cars

- Thank Columbia University for football tickets to CB12, churches, children's service agencies and schools
- Attended Manhattan District had community leaders breakfast trying to get an office in this district; they are working on a location and discussion around crime and adjudication
- Attended Monthly Borough Board Meeting with resolution passed to do with preparing elevators in NYC with Dyckman Houses cited
- Attended Chamber of Commerce Breakfast. NYNJ Port Authority; they are forming a working group and Chair requested CB12 be involved as we are looking for more community space
- Chair would like to work with DM and Executive Committee around bylaws and conflict of interest laws.
- Assemblywoman –elect Gabriela Rosa was congratulated for her primary victory by Chair North

Quorum: 7:28pm

District Manager's Report - Ebenezer Smith

- DM hoped everyone had a wonderful summer
- Activities this summer included:
 - Dept. of Health & CB12 Rodent Forum, 2nd part to start soon
 - Web page has been updated to June 2012, encouraged to visit webpage
- CM Jackson had meeting with residents & restaurant owners concerning complaints about LaMarina Restaurant.
 - DM experienced personally a traffic jam that took him an hour to get to Henry Hudson Parkway via Dyckman
 - City agencies discussion at District Cabinet Meeting was to find a balance for restaurant owners and residents as restaurant owner wants to extend their hours of operation and residents find that sidewalk cafes and quality of life must be addressed
- Immigration Services : Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Seminar @ CM Jackson's office, 1st Wednesday of each month from 10:00am-5:00pm @ 751 W 163rd Street

Elected Officials' Reports

Mayor's Office Representative – Nivardo Lopez

- Will be working with this community as well as with the Bronx community

Borough President Representative – Nina Saxon, Community Liason for CB9 & CB10

- MBP welcomes everyone back
- Please read NYCHA Reform Report on MBP website. Holds NYCHA management accountable and how they run their projects
- MBP Newsletters are available
- 2nd Annual Shine The Light on Domestic Violence, 50 organizations will be involved wearing purple
- MBP has a resource guide for parents concerning young people in school

Councilmember Ydanis Rodriguez

- Celebrated first anniversary of Occupy Wall Street, much work still to be done
 - 99% Middle & working class on one side and the 1% on the other side
- Did not like way Muslim was profiled by MTA in negative way
- Education is a priority and being Chair on Committee of Higher Education & College Readiness
 - Held hearing related to lack of diversity in staff of public and private institutions, more work to be done
 - Past summer Columbia University forced Latino engineer to resign from his position, first person of color in that position
 - Need professors of all ethnicity
- Education Conference on October 12th & 13th at City College, flyers will be available
- GWHS has been declared as an Impact School
 - School has increased in crime and is going down academically
 - more police officers will be in the hallways of the school
 - school will be getting support
- Not happy what Mayor Bloomberg did with W. 172nd Street site
 - Residents were not consulted, questioning procedures
 - Lot has been vacant for years
 - Asked if land could be released to HPD

- Land released to Fire Department by City
- Received applications for license renewal from Livery Taxi Drivers, one for Dyckman and one for Riverside
 - 60 days to reject application
 - Congratulations to Gabriela Rosa

Motion to adopt the agenda and accept the minutes with Chris O'Sullivan and Angeleo Ortiz being present at June Meeting, and adding to Parks & Cultural Affairs, J Hood Wright Park

Public Speakers' Session

Rebecca Siegel – Together On Diabetes

- Work for United Hospital Fund which is a Healthcare Think Tank Policy Program
- They received a grant to create a community control strategy for seniors
- They kicked off the program in May which will provide community support to those who have diabetes
- 10/26 @ Broadway Temple having a community advisory meeting

Awilda Báez – Principal @ P.S. 28

- Want to introduce herself to us as 2nd year Principal @ P.S. 28 @ W. 152nd Street

Damon Sebastian – Wright Brothers Playground

- Miscommunication on renovation of Orville Wright Playground on W. 156th Street
- 1.8 million was allocated
- Park is not being done the way community want
- Unsafe conditions and Park officials say designs cannot be changed
- They design basketball and hopscotch close together
- Want Parks Department to settle this

Leah Holzel – Infrastructure

- Represents 1825 Riverside Drive
- Indignation at the living conditions in Dyckman area
- When will task force be created regarding La Marina so that community can participate
- Want return on their investment and the right to peace in the community

James Smith – Bicycle Safety issue near GWB

- Sidewalk at 178th Street is not part of pathway
- Traffic flow coming off bridge by cyclist go the wrong way
- People cycling are not regarding pedestrians
- Faded “do not enter sign” is not seen
- Traffic cops are at risk
- Need to create new path

Ross Frommer – Columbia University Medical Center Election Forum

- Representatives from Obama & Romney campaign
- Tuesday, October 23rd from 4pm-5:30pm, Alumni Auditorium, 650 West 168th Street, reception to follow

Kristin Norderval – 25 year resident, Noise, Traffic and Safety Violations

- Upset about conditions on Dyckman regarding opening of La Marina
- Community presented with a different picture of what La Marina was to be about
- La Marina in violation of contract
- La Marina advertised a concert and contract specify “no concerts” as they have no permit
- Why Parks and 34th Precinct not enforcing rule

Wayne Benjamin – President of Co-op Board @ 800 Riverside Drive

- Late August there was a burglary in the building
- Have tried to contact person in charge of case at 33rd Precinct to no avail
- Need CB12 assistance to ensure Precinct has this issue on their radar and are following through

- Also, pedestrian safety at intersection of 157th Street and Edward Morgan needs to be looked at by DOT because of the speed of traffic making right turn to catch light to get to Henry Hudson Parkway
- Need DOT to look at broad pedestrian safety issue in area

Arlene Schulman – Parks Dept, Noise, Permits

- Support neighbors who made complaints about La Marina
- Is questioning the fact that she attended Public Safety Meeting and find the minutes do not reflect issues that were discussed
- How does minutes reflect accuracy and eliminate personal propaganda that's included in the context of the minutes
- Chair of Public Safety indicated that will be taken care of

Helen Morik – New York Presbyterian

- Has been on Community Board for 26 years and will no longer be representing hospital
- This has been a great experience; The Board does a great job and is committed to improving the life of the community and it's been an honor to be on the Board
- Chair North commented:
 - that Helen has saved many lives in this community, helped the Board and handled grants and conflicts that has been presented to the Board
 - There will be others coming to represent NYPH, but none will take Helen's Place

Before Reports Chair Palanque-North comments on new Committee

- Business Development licensing term is still Economic Development
 - Bylaws allow chair to set up a special committee
 - How to get pass dealing with Licensing and Economic Development
 - Want to get Business Development Committee to develop scope of work reporting back to Board what are conditions of business away from licensing; have resolution come back to Board and let Board vote on sanctioning another standing committee that deals with business outside licensing request
 - If doesn't work we will discuss and now we will have first report

Committee Reports

Traffic & Transportation – Yosef Kalinsky, Chair

- Refer to minutes
- Confirmed Marches Book of MTA will be at October Meeting
- Gathering information from residents as to what needs to be changed
- Will be having meetings in different areas of CB12
- Have one resolution next month more resolutions on retaining walls
- 4th whereas on resolution in question as to recommending full project not partial and was not mention in resolve
- Move to table for one month: VOTE: Favor (6) Oppose (26) Abstain (0)
- Vote on Resolution: VOTE: Favor (29) Oppose (2) Abstain (1)

Licensing Committee – George Fernandez, Acting Chair

- # 7 not to recommend s/b to recommend
- # 3, #9 – no shows
- 4 applications were renewed over the summer, #1, #2, #9 and #14
- 4 items were tabled; 3920 Broadway Rest; Cafeteria Billar Cibao II; 839 W 181 Rest; El As De Espada Mexican Rest, #22 selling alcohol to minors
- Friendly amendment
 - # 1- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)
 - # 2- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)
 - # 3- VOTE: in favor (34) opposed (0) abstain (0)
 - # 4- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (0) abstain (0) not voting (1)
 - # 5- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)
 - # 6- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)
 - # 7- VOTE: in favor (34) opposed (0) abstain (0)
 - # 8- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)
 - # 9- VOTE: in favor (34) opposed (0) abstain (0)
 - #10- VOTE: in favor (34) opposed (0) abstain (0)
 - #11- VOTE: in favor (34) opposed (0) abstain (0)

- #12- VOTE: in favor (26) opposed (8) abstain (0)
- #13- VOTE: in favor (24) opposed (10) abstain (0)
- #14- VOTE: in favor (33) opposed (1) abstain (0)

Parks & Cultural Affairs –Harlan Pruden, Chair

- Refer to minutes
- Will meet on Tuesday, October 16th
- Two resolutions with misspelling corrections
 - # 1- VOTE: in favor (29) opposed (1) abstain (0) not voting (1)
 - # 2- VOTE: in favor (31) opposed (0) abstain (0) not voting (1)

Business Development – Ariel Ferreira, Chair

- First time meeting
- Will tackle Mission Statement next month
- Possible agenda items may include:
 - Holding forums
 - What is BID and services they provide
 - Capital access for local business
 - Working with PANYNJ business development

Land Use – Wayne Benjamin, Chair

- Refer to two sets of minutes
- Existing zoning map for West Harlem, City Planning Commission approved

Housing & Human Services – George Fernandez, Chair

- Committee rankings, expense and capital
- Housing Task Force re: affordable housing
- Public forum – Commissioner Wambua
- Hunter college – reaching out to Richard Lewis
- There is a march on October 4th @ 2pm organized by Councilman Rodriquez

Youth & Education – Angelo Ortiz

- Refer to minutes
- Presentation on undocumented youth
- State bill allowing disabled students to get picked up by a school bus if they live within 50 miles of their school was vetoed by Governor Cuomo
- Maria Luna was honorary coach at Columbia University’s Community Day football game
- Play Streets
- Proud of Gabriela Rosa for winning her primary

Concerns for Aging – Betty Lehman, Asst. Chair

- Refer to minutes

Public Safety – Angelo Ortiz, Asst. Chair

- Energetic meeting on personal safety and use of firearms

Health & Environment – Steve Simon, Chair

- Sanitation Street cleaning plan reduce alternate side of street parking
- Sweeping on commercial street will increase

Announcement

- Maria attended Judicial Convention and Manuel Mendez former CB12 member was elected to Supreme Court

Elected Official Report

Assemblyman Herman Farrell

- Hope you had nice summer
- Albany was out of session
- Good year last session
- Checks budget to see where it is at; has shortfall of million which is not bad
- New person in Albany working with him (Gabriela)
- This building is no longer in his district
- New low affordable housing on W. 155th Street
 - Construction was working till midnight, has been moved to 9:00pm
- Free flu shots for senior citizens @ Hebrew Tabernacle, 185th Street & Fort Washington Avenue, Wednesday, October 31st, 10am – 1pm, must register beforehand

Meeting adjourned at 11:00pm
Submitted by Alyce Smith