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Meeting Date	February 6, 2019
Meeting Time	6:30 PM
Meeting Location	Mount Sinai West 1000 Tenth Avenue 2nd Floor Conference Room B

BURT LAZARIN
Chair

JESSE R. BODINE
District Manager

February 2019 Full Board Meeting Minutes

PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS	There were no presentations or public hearings this month.
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Public Session	
Bobby Vangelatos	Mr. Vangelatos, the deputy manager of the Chelsea Recreation Center, announced an open-house being conducted at the Center through February 9th where patrons can try out the newly-renovated facilities, regardless of whether they are members. There is also a free Learn-to-Tango event being held on Friday, February 8th from 6 to 8 pm.
Chris Mills	Mr. Mills is the pastor at One Community Church in Hell’s Kitchen. They are holding a community arts engagement event at Mathews-Palmer Playground on March 3rd and 4th in the afternoons where participants will work together building an art project. The purpose of the project is for the Church to identify needs in the community.
Michael Steigman	Mr. Steigman is the market manager for Down to Earth Farmer’s Markets, located on West 23rd Street between 8th and 9th Avenues and West 34th Street at Hudson Yards. Agenda Item 18 is a letter to DOT requesting parking on West 34th Street on Thursdays during Spring through the Fall for vendors at the market. He asked the members to vote in favor of the letter.
Marla Dafay	Ms. Dafay is an advocate for persons with disabilities and, last year, volunteered to assist CB4 in its efforts to identify small businesses in the district that comply with their ADA requirements for wheelchairs. She and her colleagues counted 107 establishments between West 34th Street and West 57th Street along Eighth and Ninth Avenues that provide wheelchair access. Ms. Dafay is a board member of the group known as Disabled in Action which has offered to distribute CB4’s ADA guidelines to small businesses.

Remarks from Elected Officials and Representatives	
Brian Lewis for Borough	Mr. Lewis made the following announcements on behalf of the Borough President: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The office is coordinating with community boards in connection with City

<p>President Gale Brewer</p>	<p>Planning’s proposed zoning text amendment to remove the “mechanical void” loophole that allows developers to add unnecessary height to their high-rise towers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Brewer joined Congressman Nadler in a letter to the USPS voicing their dismay in the decision to move their finance station out of the Google Building on Ninth Avenue without community input. They asked for the decision to be scrapped and the process to be restarted. • Applications for community board membership are due by 5 pm on Friday, February 8th. • Ms. Brewer will give her State of the Borough address at NYU’s Skirball Center on Sunday, February 24th from 2 to 5 pm.
<p>Carl Wilson for Speaker Corey Johnson</p>	<p>After having just returned from a vigil held for a cyclist who was killed by a truck at the intersection of 45th Street and Eighth Avenue, Mr. Wilson said there was much work that the City needed to do to ensure the safety of cyclists. He thanked the board for its efforts in that regard.</p> <p>A briefing session was held with representatives from the Departments of Sanitation, Health and Parks, along with those from every block association in the district between Canal and 63rd Streets to address best practices for rodent prevention. There will be a workshop at the Greenwich House Senior Center in the West Village to provide guidance on how to create a block association on March 7th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.</p> <p>The annual Community Resource Fair is being held at John Jay College on February 13th where free vision screening, blood pressure screening and flu shots will be available from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.</p> <p>A scoping meeting for a new green space in Hell’s Kitchen on Tenth Avenue will be held on Tuesday, February 12th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Urban Gateway School, located at 439 West 49th Street. Participants can share their ideas on how to transform the vacant City-owned lot between 48th and 49th Streets into a green space and have their input used by NYC Parks in developing a schematic design that will be presented to CB4 for public review.</p>
<p>Erica Overton for Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal</p>	<p>The Child Victims Act, co-sponsored in the Assembly by Ms. Rosenthal and in the Senate by Brad Hoylman, was passed in both chambers on January 28th and is now awaiting the Governor’s promised signing. The law allows survivors of sexual assault to sue their abusers and institutions until age 55, up from the current age of 23. It also includes a one-year look-back window that allows others who were not able to sue in the past to file fresh claims. Victims of criminal sexual abuse can now seek felony charges until their 28th birthday and misdemeanor charges until their 25th birthday.</p> <p>On January 29th, Ms. Rosenthal’s gun buyback legislation was passed in the Assembly and the Senate as part of a comprehensive gun safety package that includes the banning of bump stocks, strengthening background checks, limiting gun possession on school grounds, and creating extreme risk protective orders.</p> <p>During this past Summer, staff members from the assembly member’s office conducted a sanitation survey in response to numerous complaints about the buildup of trash at many locations in the district. After observing locations where trash was overflowing trash bins and strewn about, the office sent a letter to the Department of Sanitation and was advised that they had removed trash bins so that people would not litter. Realizing that the tactic failed, Sanitation is now replacing the bins.</p>
<p>Taysha Clark for State Senator</p>	<p>The Senate Majority Conference passed two bills sponsored by Senator Hoylman: The Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act (GENDA) and legislation to ban the use of</p>

Brad Hoylman	<p>conversion therapy on minors under the age of 18 by mental health professionals. GENDA prohibits discrimination based on gender expression or identity and adds transgender New Yorkers to those protected by the state’s Hate Crime Law.</p> <p>The Senator has taken part in the discussions regarding the Women’s Building and will continue to monitor developments.</p>
Robert Atterbury for Congressman Jerry Nadler	<p>The first hearings in Congress on H.R. 1, the For the People Act of 2019, began on January 29th. The comprehensive bill strengthens our voting, campaign finance, lobbying, and government ethics laws.</p> <p>On this day, February 6th, the first hearing in eight years was held on gun violence. Congressman Nadler, who is the new House Judiciary Chairman, opened the hearing with a statement that can be seen here: https://nadler.house.gov/press-release/chairman-nadler-opening-statement-hearing-preventing-gun-violence-america .</p> <p>Acting Attorney General Whitaker is scheduled to appear before the Judiciary Committee on Friday when he is expected to answer a long list of prepared questions about such matters as his discussions with the President and his unwillingness to recuse himself from the Special Counsel’s investigation. Next week, the committee will hold an oversight hearing on the Trump Administration’s family separation policy that separated children from their parents at the border.</p> <p>Congressman Nadler joined other elected officials in a letter to the Federal Bureau of Prisons and Department of Justice regarding the horrific conditions over the past week at the Metropolitan Detention Center in Brooklyn where inmates were left with no power or heat. He also joined the families of inmates, public defenders and New York lawmakers on a tour of the facilities where they spoke to the warden and demanded immediate action by the BOP. Electricity was restored on Sunday and efforts are underway to fix the heating system.</p>

Board Reports & Business	
Adoption of Agenda and Minutes	The Agenda and January minutes were unanimously approved.
District Manager Report	<p>Highlights of events the District Manager or Staff attended on behalf of the board and upcoming events:</p> <p>Meetings/Events attended by CB4 staff on behalf of the board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant District Manager Nelly Gonzalez attended a walk-through with small business representatives impacted by the Ninth Avenue DDC Water Trunk Main Project • CB4 Associate Janine Pretente attended a briefing on the revised L Train renovation plan <p>February Committee Updates and Board Reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHKLU Committee will be held in a new location at 322 W. 48th Street Local 802 Building • CLU and HHHS Committees will hold a joint meeting on Thursday,

	<p>February 21st at 6:30 pm at 353 W. 30th Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All other committees will meet at their regular times and locations <p>Mr. Bodine thanked the members of CB4 for the generous gifts of books and clothing for his new-born son Lev. He also mentioned the many positive reports he received about the operation of the board office while he was away on paternity leave. He thanked Nelly Gonzalez and Janine Pretente for keeping the board running so smoothly.</p>
Board Chair Report	<p>The Chair asked for volunteers to man CB4's booth at Speaker Johnson's Community Resource Fair at John Jay College on February 13th.</p> <p>He noted that the City has created an office to deal with the 2020 Census and that we would hear a presentation from that office in March or April regarding the efforts that CB4 might provide in getting the census accomplished productively in the district.</p> <p>Brett Firfer, Chair of the 2019 Charter Revision Working Group, reminded everyone that proposals from each of the committees should be submitted as soon as possible so that they may be reviewed by the board in time for the March deadline.</p> <p>A small business working group has been created with Chris Lebron as Chair. One of the goals of the working group is to name a Small Business of the Month and post it to the CB4 website. The objective would be to identify businesses that have become longstanding cherished members of their neighborhood.</p>

Action Items	Motions, Amendments, & Comments	Result
Business License and Permits Committee (BLP)		
Item 1: Letter to SLA re 512 W 42nd Street (10/11) – Playboy Club New York	Items 1 – 10 were bundled.	Passed Unanimously
Item 2: Letter to SLA re 510 W 42nd Street (10/11) – Cachet Boutique and Treadwell Park		Passed Unanimously
Item 3: Letter to SLA re 796 9th Avenue (52/53) – Gustaly LLC		Passed Unanimously
Item 4: Letter to SLA re 230 9th Avenue (24) – 230 Ninth Avenue Restaurant LLC		Passed Unanimously
Item 5: Letter to SLA re 158 7th Avenue (19/20) – Craft + Carry		Passed Unanimously
Item 6: Letter to SLA re 405 W 44th Street (9/10) – Wine Escape		Passed Unanimously
Item 7: Letter to SLA re 662 9th Avenue (46/47) – Yum Yum		Passed

Too		Unanimously
Item 8: Letter to SLA re 688 10th Avenue (48) – WBNC Restaurant Management LLC		Passed Unanimously
Item 9: Letter to SLA re 35 Hudson Yards a/k/a 560 W 33rd Street – Equinox Hudson Yards Inc.		Passed Unanimously
Item 10: Letter to SLA re 622 W 47th Street (11/12) – Spearmint Rhino Gentlemen’s Club		Passed with 31 in favor and 1 PNE
Clinton/Hell’s Kitchen Land Use Committee (CHKLU)		
Item 11: Letter to DCP re Streetscape Text Amendment for 66 Hudson Boulevard		Passed with 32 in favor and 1 PNE
Item 12: Letter to HPD and DOB re 317-319 West 35th Street Development		Passed Unanimously
Item 13: Letter to HPD and DOB re 319-321 West 38th Street Development		Passed Unanimously
Item 14: Letter to DOB re New Building Application in Special Clinton District – 435 W. 48th Street		Passed Unanimously
Transportation Committee (TRANS)		
Item 15: Letter to DOT re DOT re 11th Avenue Changes (34th – 57th Streets)	Items 15 – 20 were bundled.	Passed Unanimously
Item 16: Letter to DOT re DOT re Application to Install Benches at 401 9th Avenue (31/33)		Passed Unanimously
Item 17: Letter to Edison Properties re Sidewalk Improvements for West 29th Street (10/11)		Passed Unanimously
Item 18: Letter to DOT re DOT re Parking Request for North Side of 33rd Street (10/11)		Passed Unanimously
Item 19: Letter to DCA re Newsstand Application on West 15th Street and 9th Avenue		Passed Unanimously
Item 20: Letter to DOT re Prioritizing Bike Lane Intersections for Improved Protections		Passed Unanimously
Arts, Culture, Education and Street Life Committee (ACES)		
Item 21: Letter to Mayor re Dept. of Education Accessibility	As amended.	Passed

Funding Resolution		Unanimously
Item 22: Letter to Manhattan Leadership Council re School Mental Health Resolution - Tabled		
Executive Committee (EXEC)		
Item 23: Memo to CB4 from ADA Working Group re ADA Guidelines		Passed Unanimously
New Business		
Item 24: Letter to ESD re 550 W. 20th Street - Former Bayview Correctional Facility	Friendly amendment accepted.	Passed Unanimously
Item 25: Letter to DOT re Safety Improvements for 8th Avenue		Passed Unanimously

Meeting Resolution	
Adjournment	7:55 PM Meeting Adjourned
Next Meeting Date and Location	6:30 PM March 6, 2019 Hudson Guild Elliott Center 441 West 26th Street 9/10 Dan Carpenter Room

As recorded by M. Noble

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