

Waterfront & Economic Development Committee Manhattan Community Board Nine

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Committee Meeting Minutes of February

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Committee Co-Chairs Savona Bailey-McClain and Jane Arrendell.

Present: Savona Bailey-McClain, Jane Arrendell, Brandon Brice, Elvis Hernandez, Ernestine Welch, Mark Irgang, Evelyn, Maritta

Absent: Caren Irgang,

Board Member: Vicky Gholson, Ph.D., Walter South, Pat Jones

Guests: Evelyn Burnett, James Subudhi

Special Presentation

The Committee had a special presentation by Mr. David Hochman. Mr. Hochman wrote an opinion report for the Center for an Urban Future. The Center is an important think tank and its recommendations are usually recognized or adopted by the Mayor. Ms. Evelyn Burnett from Living Cities, a policy organization attended the meeting and was pleased that our Board was being so pro-active. The opinion report on Manhattanville share similar recommendations posed by the Board and the purpose of the presentation to hear other perspectives on how to integrate our economy with technology based companies.

Mr. Hochman is an independent consultant in technology-based economic development, serving a broad range of clients in the government and non-profit sectors nationwide. For lists of representative engagements and some recent projects, see the left-hand sidebar.

From 1997 through late summer 2009, he was also a part-time employee of the Technology Partnership Practice at Battelle Memorial Institute, which which he will be maintaining a consulting relationship.

Prior to this work, he served as Deputy Director of the New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology, where he guided a \$125 million capital-investment program at the state's research universities; the startup of a dozen university-based academic/industrial research centers and associated incubators; and the development of a comprehensive technology-transfer system serving the state's community of small, high-growth, technology-based businesses.

In the early 1980s, he co-founded and served as Chief Operating Officer of a high-technology business venture based in New York City. He holds an A.B. in History of Science from Princeton University and an MBA in Finance from NYU's Stern School of Business, and has taught Strategic Management to MPA students as an Adjunct Associate Professor at NYU's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.

He is the author of opinion columns on City economic-development issues that appeared as part of the "NYCInc." and "Off the CUF" series that the Center for an Urban Future

has sponsored. He has been honored by the Mayor and City Council of Philadelphia for contributions to community development while a resident of that city in the early 1990s.

The Committee then worked on a draft letter of support stating that they agree with the findings of the opinion report to the Mayor. It was stated by Vicky Gholson that we should review the CBA agreement so that we would be in step with the community's official framework.

There was healthy discussion on bringing City College into discussions as well because they could play an important role as an educational institution. This would help bring innovative and technology companies that could supply both universities with services and employ local residents with higher paying jobs.

Changes were made to be presented to the Executive Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.