

Minutes of the Parks/Landmarks Committee of CB#9
Meeting of January 12, 2004

In attendance: George Goodwill, Carolyn Kent, Co-Chairs: Sophie Johnson, John Reddick, Gladys Tinsley, Walter South, Joshua Weinman, Chantay Taylor, Nicholas Bunning, Committee members; Savona Bailey McClain, Jordi Reyes-Montblanc, Ernestine Welsh, CB#9 members; Community resident Gisile Guerrre; Bob Redmond, Director of Capital Projects, Manhattan Office, DPR, Lawrence Mauro, Olmsted Center, DPR, Jeff Dragan, Thomas Balsley Assocs.

George Goodwill called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM. DPR will present the Broadway Malls sculpture project to the Gen. Bd. meeting, Jan. 15th.

Main Business: Bob Redmond, Lawrence Mauro and Jeff Dragan presented plans for renovation of the Broadway Malls, 140th – 145th Sts. Reconfiguration of the walk-through mall, 143rd-144th Sts., Pin Oak replacement trees, Big Blue Lily-turf as ground cover throughout planted malls, Saucer Magnolia, Littleleaf Boxwood, Nikko Blue Hydrangea, English Laurel, Fairy Rose, Scarlet Meidiland Rose, Shrub Rose w. Purple-Darwin Hybrid Tulip & new benches at crosswalks. Funded by C. Va. Fields through a \$300,000 allocation to DPR raised by CB#9 member Savona Bailey McClain on behalf of CB#9 and West Harlem Art Fund. Approval voted Committee 9 – 0 – 0, Bd.members 2 – 0 – 1, community 1 – 0 – 0.

Variations before the BSA from developers of the apartment house proposed for NE corner of B'way and 110th St. will be discussed at Housing/LandUse, 1/13/04.

Co-Chair Kent distributed a draft resolution calling for skilled repair of the tile and terra cotta work in the landmark IRT stations under renovation at 110th and 116th St. Rewriting was suggested – more background, more specifics. Voted 9-0-0, Bd member 0-0-1, community 1-0-0 to put in a letter form for Board approval. [Following meeting, Chair Reyes-Montblanc asked that it be rewritten as a Reso so that he could send a letter based on Board-voted wording. This was done and Reso was passed unanimously at Gen. Bd. mtg. of 1/22/04.]

Preliminary discussion on Chair Reyes-Montblanc's request for Committee 2004-05 projects for three central focus areas: suggested, 1) Discussion with LPC on better working relations toward landmark protection in CB#9, 2) specific landmark designation agenda, 3) specific Parks agenda. To be continued 2/09/04.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Kent