

MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, October 22, 2019

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: Gibney Dance
53 Chambers Street, Suite C

A G E N D A

I. Public Hearing

Community Board 1 Capital and Expense Budget Requests for FY 2021

II. Public Session

- A) Assembly Member Yuh-Line Niou – update on 250 Water Street; campaign finance reform; MDC; incarceration changes, bail reform, criminal justice reform; Child Victims Act
- B) Maryam Abdul, Office of Assembly Member Deborah Glick – wrote letter to education department; plastic ban at grocery stores starting in March 2020; hearing on recycling and composting; early voting
- C) Luke Wolf, Office of Comptroller Scott Stringer – update on retail space and vacancies, reasons and potential remedies
- D) Ranger Jim – Visit our national parks, including Castle Clinton, Governors Island (closes October 31), Federal Hall, African Burial Ground
- E) Cora Fung, Office of Council Member Margaret Chin – fresh food for seniors (last session is November 6); ending ageism in the workplace; working on helicopter noise and light pollution; lower speed on west side highway; participatory budget; update on homeless situation; statement on closure of Riker’s Island (see statement)
- F) Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer – need regular meetings and communication with community about ongoing MDC situation; update on ticket hawkers; 3 Hanover Square update; Age-Friendly Conference on October 27; Census update; faith-based institutions; statute of women in Central Park; upcoming gathering of local historians; buildings must report retail vacancies on ground floors; update on charter revision
- G) Daniel Morote, Office of State Senator Brian Kavanagh – monitoring homelessness in the area; monitoring 250 Water Street; early voting
- H) Wilfredo Lopez, office of Council Member Viallo – deferred his time to the MBP
- I) Vittoria Fariello, Gateway Plaza Resident – update on Gateway Plaza

- J) Justine Cuccia, CB1 member and BPC resident – affordability and sustainability in BPC
- K) Maroua Righi, Civilian Complaint Review Board – town hall next month
- L) Graeme Birchall, Downtown Boathouse – had a record season; now closed for the season; lots of visitors who were transient residents (e.g., students)
- M) Margot Olavarria, River Project – come to Release of the Fishes event
- N) Bob Schneck, CB1 Member – Rector Street Bridge

III. **Business Session**

- A) Adoption of September 2019 minutes
- B) Treasurer’s Report – J. Kopel
- C) District Manager’s Report – L. Reynolds
 - a. Budget process changes
 - b. CB1 email account change
 - c. Importance of quorum
 - d. Manhattan Paper Challenge Update – CB1 won
 - e. Meeting with Downtown Alliance regarding Front Street
- D) Chairperson’s Report – A. Notaro, Jr.
 - a. What’s Happening
 - i. District budget consultations have begun
 - ii. Affordable housing win
 - iii. BPCA Board meeting 10/01 stands against rental to condo/co-op conversion
 - iv. NYC DOT meeting on FiDi Traffic Study
 - v. CB1 Consultants Contracts Renewal
 - vi. Manhattan Paper Challenge
 - 1. CB1 wins first quarter
 - 2. 10% Y-Y
 - 3. \$5,000 grant
 - 4. onward for full year \$20,000
 - 5. awarded to environmental groups within district
 - vii. Ticket Hawkers Task Force by Manhattan Borough President
 - viii. South Street Seaport Museum focus
 - b. Priorities
 - i. Event Space Task Force by CB1
 - 1. examples are Convene, American Stock Exchange, Spring Studios, 120 Broadway
 - 2. expansion of liquor license venues such as rooftops
 - ii. Congestion Pricing Working Group & Traffic Study(s)
 - 1. What is and isn’t involved in congestion pricing
 - 2. How do we live with this
 - 3. Where does the money go
 - iii. Urban Fellow 2019-2020 Project
 - c. WiFi Expansion
 - d. Recognizing Little Syria

- e. Focus on the South Street Seaport Museum
- f. See the full report:
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/manhattan-cb1/archives/monthly-chairpersons-report.page>

IV. **Committee Reports**

A) **Executive Committee**

T. Meltzer

- 1) Upcoming meetings at City Hall
- 2) Quorum issues
- 3) New CB1 Member
- 4) Stopping Super Calls meeting
- 5) FY 2021 District Needs Statement and budget priorities – friendly amendment proposed by Bruce Ehrmann moved to fund the expansion of the enforcement division of the Landmarks & Preservation Commission (LPC) and to have LPC study the Little Syria neighborhood of CD 1 for future historic district protection – Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 6) 1 & 5 Coenties Slip, application for liquor license for Lovelace Tavern LLC d/b/a The Lovelace – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 7) 225 Liberty Street, 1st and 2nd Floor, application for liquor license for 225 Liberty Location LLC d/b/a Convene and 225 Liberty Street, 2nd floor, application for café permit for liquor license for 225 Liberty Location LLC d/b/a Convene – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 31 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstained and 1 recused
- 8) East River Swim Facility RFEI – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 9) 250 Water Street Brownfield Cleanup Program; Remedial Investigation Work Plan – Update

B) **Nominating Committee**

M. James

- 1) Report on candidates running for the Secretary and Assistant Secretary positions to fill the current position from 2019-2020
 - a. Elizabeth Lewinsohn elected Secretary unanimously
 - b. Colin Mahoney elected Assistant Secretary unanimously

C) **Waterfront, Parks & Cultural Committee**

P. Goldstein

- 1) South Street Seaport Planning Workshops – Report
- 2) Hudson River Park – Report
- 3) Battery Park City Ballfields – Report
- 4) Temporary Public Art Installations – Report

D) **Youth & Education Committee**

J. Mihok

- 1) Trinity Place traffic study – Report

- 2) “Parks over Plastic” and other programming at Manhattan Youth – Report
- 3) Crossing Guards at Peck Slip and PS 276 – Report
- 4) Elementary school 2019 enrollment numbers – Report
- 5) Millennium High School expansion – Report

E) **Landmarks & Preservation Committee** R. Byrom

- 1) 315 Church Street, application to legalize removal of fire shutters at rear back corner of building – friendly amendment to add a Be It Resolved that the Applicant must make an concerted effort to search for original shutters (or similar language) and eliminate word “reluctantly” – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and 0 recused

F) **Battery Park City Committee** J. Cuccia

- 1) Pumphouse Park – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Protecting Wildlife at Lily Pond from Future Harm – Report
- 3) BPCA Strategic Plan – Report
- 4) Allied Universal Report, Year Over Year Comparisons – Report
- 5) BPCA Report with an Update on Rockefeller Park Renovation – Report

G) **Quality of Life & Service Delivery Committee** M. James

- 1) Large Venue Task Force
- 2) Introducing the New Neighborhood Coordination Officer Sergeant – Report
- 3) Homelessness in Manhattan – Report
- 4) Setting Goals for Affordable Housing in Lower Manhattan – Report
- 5) Lighting on Collister Street – Report
- 6) Impact of Film Industry Expansion and Reform – Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 33 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused

H) **Land Use Zoning & Economic Development Committee** P. Kennell

- 1) Int 1701-2019: Community notification requirements for transfers of development rights – Resolution passed by a hand vote of in 26 favor, 8 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) 15 Cliff Street, application for City Planning Commission Chairperson certification to allow an existing café to be maintained as a permitted obstruction within an existing plaza – Resolution passed by a hand vote of 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused

I) **Environmental Protection Committee** W. Chapman

- 1) Lower Manhattan Quarterly Resiliency Update – Report
- 2) South Battery Park City Resiliency Update – Report (BPC confirmed they will not knock down the trees)

J) **Licensing & Permits Committee**

S. Cole

- 1) Legislative Updates – Report
- 2) Review Status of Sidewalk Café Rule Change – Report
- 3) 77 Fulton Street, application for renewal of liquor license for 3 Three BS Corp d/b/a T.J. Byrnes Bar & Restaurant – Report

K) **Transportation & Street Activity Permits Committee**

B. Kay

- 1) Verrazzano Bridge Two-Way Tolling – Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 0 recused
- 2) Bus Queue Jump; Battery Pl at West St – Report
- 3) Congestion Pricing Working Group – Report
- 4) City Hall to Battery Park Bicycle Connection; Broadway, White Hall Street – Report

V. **Old Business**

VI. **New Business**

VII. **Meeting Adjournment at 9:24pm**

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Lewinsohn, Assistant Secretary