

**Full Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Helen Rosenthal, Chairperson**  
**The School at Columbia**  
**February 3, 2009**

Helen Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 7: 09 pm.

Minutes from previous Full Board meetings were approved: January 6, 2009 Full Board Meeting: 31-0-2-0;

January 21, 2009 Full Board Meeting on the Fordham University Master Plan: 31-0-3-0.

**Chairperson's Report: Helen Rosenthal**

- Fordham University Update: Two weeks ago, CB7 voted to disapprove the Fordham University Master Plan. It remains CB7's responsibility to be a part of the discussions with our elected leaders as this moves forward in the ULURP process. CB7 will make very clear the details of what was said in our resolution of disapproval, ie. the necessity of significant reduction in FAR and density and the importance of a second review when the buildings are planned out and designed. Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer has 30 days to review. He is not having a public hearing, but is meeting with stakeholders. The Board is part of these conversations. City Planning is having its public hearing on March 4th. The Board will use the opportunity to testify on the importance of its additional requirements prior to the City Council's final disposition of the project. Ms. Rosenthal will report any new developments at the March 3 Full Board meeting.

- NYCHA: The Next 75 Years: In consultation with John Jay College, CB7's Housing Committee is developing a working discussion with various stakeholders on the future of NYCHA, including financing. The goal of the March 29 discussion/round table is to talk about the new paradigm.

- CB7 Public Hearing on the Mayor's Preliminary Budget: Tuesday, February 24 at 6:30pm at the CB7 office. The Steering Committee will review the Administration's responses to CB7's priorities for the Fiscal Year 2010 NYC Capital and Expense Budgets. Community-based organizations have been invited to share their comments on the Preliminary Budget. CB7 will send comments to the Office of Management and Budget on March 9. Ms. Rosenthal distributed a copy of the responses.

- CB7 Bylaws Report by Klari Neuwelt and Dan Zweig: The bylaws are not consistent with the vote count procedure. There are two amendments: Article VI, which deals with meetings, says the number of "yes" votes has to be greater than "no" and "abstain" votes; "present" votes (conflict of interest) do not count against the number; and Article IV of the committee section says at committee meetings, votes of Board members not on the committee are not counted with the committee vote. The amendments are available at the end of this document and at [www.nyc.gov/mcb7](http://www.nyc.gov/mcb7). The Board will vote at the April 7 Full Board meeting.

- Congrats: Alberto Cruz won the prestigious Pace Setter award. Jeff Siegel took a position as Legislative Director for Congressman Michael McMahon from Staten Island.

District Manager's Report: Penny Ryan

- In response to the increasing number of illegal bike rental vendors at Merchant's Gate (entrance to Central Park at Columbus Circle) and the impact on the local community, the Department of Parks & Recreation is issuing a request for proposals for a city-wide bike rental concession. It will begin with five sites where riders can pick-up and drop-off bikes. Locations in CD7 are: Merchant's Gate and Pier I in Riverside Park South at 70th Street. Until the concession is awarded, a temporary bike rental concession will operate at Merchant's Gate. Ms. Ryan asked for comments on the temporary concession and for recommendations on materials, training and regulations that Parks can incorporate into the permanent concession.

- The Mayor's Office and NYPD have confirmed that it is illegal to chain bicycles to public property, including light poles and traffic signs. Lolita Jackson of the Mayor's Office has provided a protocol that is used by NYPD in other areas to notify bikers, and then remove the bicycles. Asked for any locations in CD7 where this is a problem.
- In February, two committees are discussing issues that are on-going in CB7's District Service Cabinet. At the Housing Committee meeting, NYPD will give an update on the NYCHA developments in CD7. Meeting is at (February 9, 7PM at 218 West 64th Street). The Health Committee is discussing the Department of Homeless Services' request for proposals to coordinate faith-based organizations' overnight shelters for homeless individuals, and the Department of Health's rodent control initiatives and ways they can work with community groups. (February 17 at 7pm at CB7).

## Public Session

Maggie McClain, Stern building resident: Complained about the lease on the Kaufman building, owned by Jewish Home Lifecare (Housing Committee get more details on the lease).

Mike McCourt, United Federation of Teachers: Concerned about the fiscal crisis and the impact on teachers. Asked CB7 and public to sign up and join the President's recovery plan and address state legislators. Rally on March 5 at City Hall. Politicians need to hear concern about the education of our youth.

Peter Arndtsen, Director, Columbus Amsterdam BID: February 26 Black History Month event.

UWS Streets Renaissance Team, Mary Beth Kelly Dee Reiter, Peter Frisch: UWS Streets Renaissance Campaign working to make our streets more livable: beautiful, healthier, safer, and sense of community. Even though this is a difficult and dire time for many, does not mean this initiative should be forgotten. This is a way to bring people together and can help in hard times.

Lucia De La Cruz, US Census Bureau: To make sure the 300-million dollars allocated at the federal level trickles down to this community, everyone needs to respond to the 2010 Census.

Manhattan Borough President's Report: Sari Bernstein

The MBPO has received almost 400 applications for community board membership borough wide...the most applications ever. The MBPO is dealing with many transportation issues, including a response to the MTA's plan to eliminate the M10 bus line on Central Park West. Borough President Stringer discussed this in an El Diario op-ed.

Reports by Legislators

Gale Brewer, Council Member: Discussed budget challenges; federal stimulus package, specifically the difficulties in trickle down of money; bed bug problem; helicopter noise; affordable housing issues; and rats.

Reports by Legislative Representatives

- Lolita Jackson, Mayor's Office: Urged people to apply for Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Care tax credits. Refunds can be deposited in Save NYC accounts where they earn dollar-for-dollar interest up to \$250. 64 sites to do taxes where you can get free or reduced rate to get taxes done based on income. Information is available at [www.nyc.gov](http://www.nyc.gov).

- Calvin Solomon, New York County DA's Office – Press release on indictment of man pretending to be immigration lawyer and promising to obtain green cards for people. This indictment was spearheaded by the DA's new immigration office.

- Sandra Duque, Comptroller William Thompson's Office – Testified at MTA hearings in opposition to the proposed fare hikes and budget. Testimony is online. Commenting on the Mayor's Preliminary Budget and disagrees with the sales tax hike, saying it will hurt small businesses; opposes teacher

job losses; conducted audit of DOB and found over 2-million dollars in uncollected fines.

- Greg Monty, Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal's Office – Assembly Bill 2005 to repeal vacancy decontrol was approved; testified to the importance of maintaining the M10 line and opposed the fare hike. Recently held town hall meeting to discuss state budget deficit.
- Jarred Chausow, State Senator Tom Duane's Office – Senator Duane named chair of Senate Health Committee. Would like to keep up Bridges of Health, which prevents massive institutionalization of mentally disabled children.
- Michael Meade, State Senator Eric Schneiderman's Office – Chair of the Coats Committee, which oversees criminal and civil justice; concerned with budget cuts and many of the revenue raisers proposed by governor; will propose legislation to increase taxes on high-income people.
- Shane Seager—Assembly Member Daniel O'Donnell's Office —interested in hearing response to mayor control of schools.

#### Youth, Education & Libraries Committee

Alberto Cruz and Mark Diller, Co-Chairpersons

1. The resolution to approve School Governance and Mayoral Control was adopted: 31-2-3-0. Some discussion on whether or not, in principle, the Board supports mayoral control, and whether or not that should be explicitly stated in resolution.

#### Transportation Committee

Andrew Albert and Dan Zweig, Co-Chairpersons

2. The resolution to approve application #M7-028 to the Mayor's Office of Street Activity Permits to conduct a farmers market on Fridays on the north side of West 97th Street between Amsterdam and Columbus Avenues was adopted: 36-2-0-0.
3. 444 Amsterdam Avenue, St. Agnes New York Public Library (West 81st – 82nd Street.) The resolution to approve petition to the Department of Transportation to construct, install, maintain and use a ramp and stairs was adopted: 35-0-0-0.
4. Bicycle Parking. The resolution to disapprove the proposed citywide text amendment to the Zoning Resolution to require indoor bicycle parking in new multi-family residential, community facility, and commercial buildings was adopted: 22-12-3-1.

A major contention was whether to approve the text amendment on principle because of the importance of sending a message in support of bicycles and voice problems at the same time, or to disapprove the resolution sighting problems.

- George Beane, UWS property owner on West 80th between Amsterdam and Broadway: People are having a difficult time finding places to park their bikes. This text amendment responds to bigger and new buildings. Even if there are problems with this amendment, CB7 should support cycling and show leadership for the city.
  - Adam Meagher, Department of City Planning: Public Hearing on February 4. Changes can be made, this is not a ULURP process, and it is open ended. Twenty community boards are in favor, four against the resolution. In Manhattan, seven community boards have supported the initiative.
5. One Lincoln Plaza, aka 1900 Broadway (West 62nd Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA# 1137714 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Fiorello's Roman Café, Inc., d/b/a Fiorello's Roman Café, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 32 tables and 64 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.
  6. 237 Columbus Avenue (West 71st Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA# 1219794 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 71 Wine Bar Café Operating Corp., d/b/a Bin 71 Restaurant, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 6 tables and 12 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.
  7. 286 Columbus Avenue (West 73rd Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA# 1231072 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by Wine and Roses Bar and Cafes, LLC, d/b/a

Wine & Roses, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 7 tables and 14 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.

8. 421 Amsterdam Avenue (West 80th Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA#1215000 to the Department of Consumers Affairs by Global Village Grill, Inc., d/b/a Monaco, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 18 tables and 36 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.

9. 494 Amsterdam Avenue (West 84th Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA# 1207810 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by PQ West 84th, Inc., d/b/a Le Pain Quotidien, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 8 tables and 16 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.

10. 412 Amsterdam Avenue (West 79th-80th Streets.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA#1158198 to the Department of Consumers Affairs by 412 Amsterdam Avenue Corp., d/b/a Bettola, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 13 tables and 26 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0.

11. 520 Columbus Avenue (West 85th Street.) The resolution to approve renewal application DCA# 1006183 to the Department of Consumer Affairs by 520 Columbus Avenue, LTD, d/b/a Nonna, for a two-year consent to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 10 tables and 24 seats was adopted: 34-1-1-0

#### Parks & Preservation Committee

Klari Neuwelt and Lenore Norman, Co-Chairpersons

Joint with Land Use Committee

12. 161 West 78th Street (Columbus-Amsterdam Avenues.) The resolution to disapprove the application for a maintenance and preservation plan for 161 West 78th Street as a predicate step for the applicant's application to be afforded an exception to the restrictions of the Sliver Law under 74-711 of the Zoning Resolution with regard to its proposed rooftop addition, and the Board's urging that the relevant city agencies work together with regard to appropriate procedures to resolve situations such as the applicant's in a manner other than applying 74-711 or any other device not intended for such circumstances, was adopted: 29-4-2-0.

A majority of the members of the Committee believe that the 74-711 device is not appropriate for this situation, particularly given that (a) the restoration work, while commendable, is relatively routine; (b) the building, while distinguished, and part of a distinguished group of row houses in a handsome Historic District, is not a major historic rowhouse; and (c) the restoration work has been and would have been undertaken by the applicant in any case.

The Committee is concerned that the application of 74-711 in situations such as this one would encourage myriad applications under 74-711 for benefits for which the applicant was not otherwise entitled, in exchange for a relatively routine preservation program that the applicant would undertake anyway, and that such applications would engulf the Community Boards, the LPC and the City Planning Commission, all of which are already overworked in considering other matters, and is also concerned that approving this application might set an undesirable precedent in that regard.

The Committee is also concerned that 74-711 should not become a device for circumventing the Sliver Law, which has a very important intent and effect with regard to the historic fabric of the built environment within Community Board 7, and is concerned that approving this application might set an undesirable precedent in that regard.

13. 303 West 90th Street (West End Avenue.) The resolution to approve application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for façade restoration and rear extension was adopted: 36-0-1-0.

14. 243/245 West 76th Street (Broadway – West End Avenue.) The resolution to approve application

to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a brownstone façade restoration was adopted: 36-0-1-0.

#### Land Use Committee

Richard Asche and Page Cowley, Co-Chairpersons

15. 40 West 68th Street (Central Park West-Columbus Avenue.) The resolution to approve application to the Board of Standards & Appeals by York Preparatory School for a lot coverage variance to allow the expansion of the school.

- Eugenio Cano, 48 West 68th Street: This project will adversely affect the local community in order to help many students who are not from the community.
- Paul Taylor, individual and 27 West 67 Studio Corp: Lighting from office window will be greatly reduced. Financial hardship issue not backed up with proof.
- Diana Garrett, 17 West 67th Street: Will be staring at a wall, if granted. What is to prevent the prep school from building on top of extension?
- Howard Goldman, Counsel to York Prep School: Enlargements on side kept below stained glass window of Synagogue on side. One building will be affected. Paul Taylor is owner, and the school continues to be in discussion with him.
- Ronney Stewart Headmaster, York Prep School: Small expansion, necessary. Currently the school is renting space from Christian Science Church with no lease in place.

Since there was inadequate time for full discussion, the application was laid over to the March 3 Full Board meeting.

#### Announcement of proposed amendments to the CB7 Bylaws:

Article VI – Board Meetings, C. Voting: “majority” defined; no proxies; minority reports.

The final proposed new language for Article VI, Section C (1) -- substituting for the entire existing paragraph -- is:

Except as otherwise required by these By-Laws or the City Charter, all actions of the Board shall be decided by a majority vote. All Members who are in the room at the time of a vote must record one of four positions: (1) vote "Yes"; (2) vote "No"; (3) vote "Abstain"; or (4) abstain by reason of conflict of interest. "Yes", "No" and "Abstain" shall be considered votes for purposes of determining whether an action has carried. An abstention by reason of conflict of interest shall not be considered a vote for such purposes. The number of "Yes" votes must be greater than the total number of "No" and "Abstain" votes for an action to carry by majority vote. If the number of "Yes" votes is the same as or less than the total number of "No" and "Abstain" votes, the action does not carry.

Article IV - The language for Article IV, Section E(3) -- to follow the existing sentence in that same paragraph -- is: The vote of committee members at a committee meeting shall be taken separately from the vote of Board members present at the meeting who are not members of the committee. In the case of a joint committee meeting, the votes of the members of each of the joint committees shall be aggregated in determining whether an action has carried. For purposes of determining whether an action of a committee or joint committee has carried, the votes of non-committee Board members shall not be counted. However, such votes of Board members who are present at a committee meeting but are not members of the committee or joint committee shall be separately recorded in the minutes.

The Full Board will vote on the proposed amendments at the April 7, 2009, meeting.

Present: Helen Rosenthal, Barbara Adler, Andrew Albert, Linda Alexander, Richard Asche, Lindsey Boylan, Hope Cohen, Page Cowley, Alberto Cruz, Mark Diller, Miki Fiegel, Sheldon J. Fine, Paul Fischer, Marc Glazer, Victor Gonzalez, Molly Gordy, Phyllis E. Gunther, David Harris, Robert Herrmann, Lawrence Horowitz, Ulma Jones, Blanche E. Lawton, Lillian Moore, Johnetta Murray, Klari Neuwelt, Gabrielle Palitz, Michele Parker, Sharon Parker-Frazier, Oscar Ríos, Madge Rosenberg, Liz Samurovich, Roberta Semer, Ethel Sheffer, Elizabeth Starkey, Barbara Van Buren, Thomas Vitullo-Martin, Melanie Wymore, George Zeppenfeldt-Cestero and Dan Zweig. Absent: Rosa Gonzalez, Bobbie Katzander, Barbara Keleman, Daniel Meltzer, Lenore Norman, Anne Raphael, Charles Simon.

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## **Steering Committee**

### **Helen Rosenthal, Chairperson**

Ms. Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 6:40pm.

Fordham University Master Plan Update.

Ms. Rosenthal and Ethel Sheffer reported. CB7 has been actively involved in Fordham negotiations with the Manhattan Borough President and his office. Scott Stringer has been meeting with the community. Fordham has agreed to reduce the size of the buildings on Columbus Avenue, eliminate one garage, open the stairway on West 62nd Street, expand the green space at the southern end of Columbus Avenue, and to use the buildings, with the exception of the two residential buildings on Amsterdam Avenue, for educational purposes. The BP's review ends on February 25. CB7 will join him for a press conference

206,000 sf have been taken off the original plan by reducing the floor-to-floor height and moving mechanicals to the basements. CB7's resolution had asked for a 500,000 sf reduction, but that was not included in final version.

Widening green space at southern end of Columbus. Other questions about curb cut locations.

Buildings authorization form DCP if envelopes changed. Reported that developer of first building has except for the two private buildings on amst. withdrawn or reneg making it more critical to have additional review. Don't know what will happen in to designs in future. Want in the Dec. Sidewalk width and landscaping. Design review. BP saying yes.shrink wrap provision.

Haven't said CB is arb of taste – design review. Need not be just CB members in review.

LEED – claim Leed compliant. Don't know details.

Buildings without basements. BP asked them to put mechanicals in basements. Agreed.

RSS/ES: Sent in scoping docs. Hearing at DCP in Jan. No schedule for return of comments. Extell willing to engage in pre-certification discussions. RSTF will work out subgroups in CB7. Extell hasn't provided materials. Study groups and organizational structure. Move with the community. Looking into obtaining technical assistance. There is precedent for this. Would follow the City's procurement policies.

The Board will continue to work on building height and density on Amsterdam Avenue and second tier review. There will be an update at the March 3 Full Board meeting.

## **FY2010**

Responses to CB7 priorities. And response to the Mayor's preliminary budget. Distributed agency PEG programs (available on ) Financial plan is available ...

Each committee asked to write up comments on the agency responses and budget. DH and AC will coordinate letter to OMB.

ET: Cuts in agency and senior programs on govt and private sector. Much of God's budget comes from private sector. Hoping new DFTA commissioner will work with CBOs in trying to plan to deal

with economic reality. And evaluating increased need for services.

SP: UNH met with Lilian. She supports neighborhood-based organizations. Has been regionalizing and redesigning services. 4-5% cut for all centers doesn't make sense. Looking at MOW and contracts which aren't working. Wants umbrella agencies to meet with their constituencies and she will meet with reps

Revenue has to come from someplace. UNH proposing revenue streams that might work.

LSNC – impact on youth services. Devastating cuts. Eliminating program across city – 10,000 young people. OST 31 and #1. 1600 positions from SYE. No services for over 13 years.

BVB: NYCHA decisions to close programs affect you? 18M from city council to take over DYCD and DFTA contracts. NO effect. Directly-operated centers not sponsored agency

March 5 rally for after-school programs.

Doreen – Citizens Committee for Children -

Enormous increase in people coming for food and counseling. 135 households, now 200. 3000 meals, this year 4000/day. 79,000 in 2008 54% CHILDREN, 20% INCREASE IN seniors and families with children. maintained policy of not turning people away. End of Oct over budget \$45,000. End of Jan over \$38,000 due to Farm Bill. If maintain program, food and staffing deficit of 100,000 for this year.

Two opportunities – extend Food Stamps to able bodied unemployed adults through 2010. Mayor doesn't want to do that. Able bodied people need to work.

Second – eliminate finger imaging for Food Stamp applicants. Saves \$500,000.

Next FY – take a longer view of hunger, health, and obesity. Excess of junk foods.

Long term goal: Food in the public interest report. Comprehensive view and recommendations.

LSNC – 80 to 120 food program

Have HRA workers an dterminal on site for Food Stamps. 10 to 80 people a month. 40% eligible not getting them. AARP helps with taxes – see about 50 households. Last year did 200 families - \$104,000

200 instead of 130 people with fewer staff.

What can businesses do for staff of CBOs?

MBP report – goals and responsibilities.

OP-ed

AA: no agreement on MTA funding.

Present: Helen Rosenthal, Andrew Albert, , Alberto Cruz, Mark Diller, Miki Fiegel, David Harris, Bob Herrmann, Lenore Norman, Michelle Parker, Madge Rosenberg, Elizabeth Starkey, Barbara Van Buren and Melanie Wymore. Board Members: Ethel Sheffer and Thomas Vitullo-Martin. Absent: Barbara Adler, Richard Asche, Lindsey Boylan, Page Cowley, Victor Gonzalez, Klari Neuwelt, Jeffrey Siegel, Charles Simon, George Zeppenfeldt-Cestero and Dan Zweig.

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## **Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **Andrew Albert and Dan Zweig, Co-Chairpersons**

#### **February 10, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M.

MTA proposed fare hikes/service cuts

More than 100 people attended the meeting regarding this issue, effectively filling the meeting room. In general, the sense of the public was that no one likes the fare increase, but more than opposing a fare increase, the primary reason for people turning out was firm opposition and testimony regarding the proposed service cuts, specifically the elimination of the M10 bus, the end of overnight service on the M66, M79, M96 buses, the truncation of the M104 bus at Times Square, and the shorter spans of service on several routes, and the elimination of several booth agents on the West Side IRT line.

- Walter Dolkinspoke in opposition to the service cuts.
- Ms. Leedy Lied suggested that Governor Paterson look to Washington for money for the MTA, and stop spending it on cluster bombs.
- Many spoke in opposition to the complete elimination of the M10.
- State Senator Bill Perkins was holding a hearing on the MTA's proposals on February 19, and many spoke of attending this hearing at the State Office Building.
- Petitions are being collected to oppose the cuts.

Andrew Albert introduced the following resolution opposing the many service cuts & fare hike proposals:

WHEREAS New Yorkers in general and Upper West Siders in particular, rely on public transportation as one of the basic services that makes their lives economically viable, as well as convenient and pleasurable, and

WHEREAS our subway and bus routes are our equivalent of private automobiles, and

WHEREAS due to declining subsidies over many years from the City & State of New York, the MTA finds itself in a fiscal crisis, with declining revenues and spiraling pension costs as well as debt service, and

WHEREAS New York has 2/3 of the transit users in the entire United States, with everyone benefitting from a robust, frequent, reasonably-priced transportation system, including automobile users, and

WHEREAS the MTA has proposed slashing many important services throughout the transit system, including many in Community Board #7, including elimination of the M10 bus route, elimination of overnight service on the M66, M79, M96, severing the M104 at Times Square, cutbacks on spans of service of the M104, M20, M11, revision of subway loading guidelines to 125% of seated load in off-peak hours, resulting in less-frequent service and more packed trains, change in overnight subway service from every 20 minutes to every 30 minutes (50% cut in service), and many more city-wide which will affect every subway & bus user, and

WHEREAS in addition, it is proposed to eliminate many station customer agent (SCA) positions, which will endanger the lives of many subway users, as well as remove the eyes and ears of a human presence in many stations, encourage fare evasion, vandalism & crime, as well as make it impossible to enter with wheelchairs, luggage, or oversized packages, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan abhors these proposed service cuts as attacks on the New York way of life, and demands that our State & City legislators come up with a package of proposals to eliminate any service cuts, as well as lessen any proposed fare hikes, either by means of the Ravitch Commission recommendations, or a combination of the Ravitch Commission recommendations, in conjunction with a return of the commuter tax, an improved congestion pricing plan, or Comptroller Thompson's weight-based charge on vehicles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Community Board 7/ Manhattan decries the attack on our most vulnerable citizens who utilize Access-a-Ride, and demand that any increase in the cost of the paratransit system be commensurate with any increase in the fare for all other citizens utilizing our transit system.

Vote: Comm: 9-0-0-0. Public: 33-0-0-0 (sense of the room)

Sidewalk Cafe applications

The following applicants did not attend and will be on the March 10 agenda:

- 2672 Broadway - Mama Mexico.
- Tapas Food & Wine Inc d/b/a BarCibo Enoteca
- 425 Amsterdam - McAleer's Pub.

480 Amsterdam Ave - Soldier McGee

Robert Callahan, of Michael Kelly expeditors appeared. Application was for 8 tables/16 seats. After close examination of the plans, it was determined that there wasn't proper waiter access to one set of tables, and the Committee recommended removing one table and two seats. Mr. Callahan agreed

to remove these, and will submit revised plans before the March 3 full board meeting (received). Thus - the application is now for 7 tables/14 seats, and was approved: 6-2-1-0.

722 Amsterdam Ave - Charm Thai

The Committee approved the application for 8 tables/16 seats: 7-1-1-0.

423 Amsterdam Ave - Sarabeth's

This is actually a modification - there is a change from 5 table/10 seats to 8 tables/16 seats. There will not be any expansion to the limits of the cafe - there is ample room in the existing footprint for the additional tables/seats.

The Committee voted to approve the change: 8-1-0-0.

476 Amsterdam Ave - Fred's

Kimberly Evans, owner, & Robert Callahan, of Michael Kelly expeditors, appeared. No changes to the café. The Committee voted to approve: 9-0-0-0.

Committee Accomplishments/Goals

The Committee discussed their accomplishments for 2008, and goals for 2009.

2008 Accomplishments

- Obtained new signage for Riverside South & Park West Village
- Major bicycle lane installed on West 106th Street
- Pushed for licensing of commercial bicycles
- Negotiated settlement between residents of West 86th Street & Atria Senior Living Facility
- Completed a newsstand survey of CB7 district
- Dealt with relocation of Greenmarket/Greenflea market during M.S.44 reconstruction
- Supported many small west side businesses with approvals of unenclosed sidewalk cafes

2009 Goals

- Pursue licensing of commercial bicycles
- Review bike lane on West 106th Street/make changes due to Jewish Home construction
- Work on Riverside Center/South transportation plan
- Ongoing issues with garages on West 108th Street
- Explore re-routing of some bus lines
- Pursue enforcement of traffic regulations by bicycle riders
- Get 10 "stop here on red" signs installed at 10 Broadway intersections

New Business

George Beane testified regarding bikes secured to signs, meters, trees, etc. Mr. Beane sent a letter to the committee proposing making legal parking available for bikes in new ways. Dan Zweig asked what kind of public space was to be used for bicycle parking under this proposal? The committee will look at Mr. Beane's letter and the item will be on the March Transportation Comm agenda.

Al Cohen testified that Texas Rotisserie at 97th Street & Broadway locks their bicycles to the awnings of the residential building on 97th Street all night long (241 West 97 St). The CB#7 office will call the 24th Precinct about this.

A member of the public complained about leaks at the 96th Street IRT station, explaining that the drain on the west side of Broadway - one flight down - was completely stopped up. Andrew Albert said he would report this problem.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Present: Andrew Albert, Dan Zweig, Linda Alexander, Marc Glazer, Ulma Jones, Bobbie Katzander and Barbara Oscar Rios. Absent: Barbara Keleman, Blanche E. Lawton and Anne Raphael.

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**Business & Consumer Issues Meeting Minutes**  
**Michelle Parker and George Zeppenfeldt-Cestero, Co-Chairpersons**  
**February 11, 2009**

**1. 380 Columbus Avenue: P&G Café LLC.**

Owner Steve Chahal is present. Lost lease at end of December 2008 at 73rd Street. Kitchen downstairs, venting goes to roof. Would like to put up neon sign from 73rd street but may have size restrictions of 50 square feet. Landmarks, CB7 and land lord have to agree P&G can put up sign. Sign will in effect be at ground level. Lights from sign may affect those nearby including apartments across the street. Impact from lighting may affect duplex across the street. Will go to neighbors; wants to be part of neighborhood, not alienate the neighbors. Total occupancy 150 people and 16 at the bar. Entertainment will include art, poetry, and light singers/songwriters. Has agreement with landlord on sound levels. Installed juke box today. Ocean is 2/3 above P&G. ATTNY Steve Morello. This is a transfer of license, not a new application. Dropped ceiling 2 feet and installed foam to soundproof. Will have piano in venue. Will not have live music, unless they receive permission from landlord. Mon-Sat 10am-4am; Sun 12pm-4am. Not planning to have tables outdoors. People will have to smoke outside downstairs. We asked P&G to ask patrons not to smoke in front of establishment on sidewalk. Motion brought to approve the application to SLA: 6-0-0-0.

**2. 340 Amsterdam Avenue, Amsterdam Ale House Inc., dba Amsterdam Ale House.**

New lease and transfer of existing license. Formerly West Side Brewery. Frank Palillo, Esq. present. Jack Abbot and Talladi Ladi, manager present. Manager has experience in Manhattan and Bklyn. Palillo cites tax law 1133 as grounds to transfer license from one corporation to another. Committee must be sure transfer can be made in this fashion before application approved. Notice was not posted in buildings but some in lobbies. Almost same menu and same bar and outdoor unenclosed café. Have to go before Transportation Comm. Going to take down outdoor platform. 90 seated occupancy, 15 bar stools. Delivery but no bicycles. Flu has to be raised to address odors. Will be sensitive to needs of new building around them. Will keep doors to outside. After 11pm all doors and windows have to remain shut to keep lessen noises. Asked to be mindful of smoking in outdoor café. No live music. 2 managers available for calls from complainants. One main entrance. Disapproving application with contingency that SLA will accept a transfer application from one corporation to another. Patron of West Side Brewery spoke about the uniqueness of place and hope the new applicant can sustain the same scale as West Side Brewery. Hours of operation: Mon-Tues 12-2am; Wed –Sat noon to 3:30am; Sunday noon to 2am. Motion to disapprove the application pending confirmation/clarification with SLA that they will permit a transfer of a license from one licensed corporation to the applicant. 5-0-1-0.

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**3. 100 West 72nd Street: Green Mt. Productions LLC dba Columbus 72**

Mark Glazer present. Hours of operation: Fri-Sat 10pm-4am; Tuesdays 6pm-12am; Wed 8pm-11pm. Posted notice @ 100 W 72nd Street. Prior problems with prior owners no longer exist. No promoters at this site. Wants to be a neighborhood place and has had over 30 bar/bat mitzvahs over 2 years. Have a receptionist till 2am to answer phones and deal with issues in neighbors. 280 occupancy. 2 bars. No seats at bar; banquette seats/tables. To approve an application to change the name at the Dept of Consumer Affairs. Motion to approve an application to conform the name on the present cabaret license from Water Lounge to that on the liquor license which is Green Mountain Production LLC, dba Columbus 72. The principals Marc Glazer and John Juliano are the same. Motion to approve: 5-0-0-1.

**New business**

Mildred Trencher, 340 W 86th Street. Called 311 to complain about the hazard the construction on 72nd Street causes to those using busses. Advised to call Penny Ryan to send message to Transportation Committee. Gave her the telephone number.

Present: Michelle Parker, George Zeppenfeldt-Cestero, Lindsey Boylan, Marc Glazer, Ulma Jones, Roberta Semer and Madge Rosenberg. Absent: Rosa Gonzalez and Anne Raphael.

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**Parks & Preservation Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Klari Neuwelt and Lenore Norman, Co-Chairpersons**  
**February 12, 2009**

**1. Riverside Park South- Pier 1 Café, Riverside Park South @ 70th Street**

Buck Moorhead, Architect presented the proposed café and accessory structures design. John Krevey, the concessionaire, and the architect are presenting again after the Design Commission disapproved of specifics of plan.

Amended café and accessory structures will be no larger in size and have no change of function. There is some change in the new configuration with the accessory structure. The new plan makes more of a distinction between the café itself and the accessory structure (which is made to look more temporary now). Committee members focused questions on the appearance of the new “temporary” design of the accessory structure. Café now has large screen about 8-feet in front of the bulk structure itself to provide lighting shield. The only other difference from the last community board presentation is a small perforation in the northern end of the roof to let out smoke. Material treatment on both buildings also remains the same as the last presentation.

Margaret Bracken, Department of Parks & Recreation —Questioned safety of space between building and large screen when café is not in operation (ie does space provide harbor for people to hide). Committee members agreed with her that the vinyl solution would not be aesthetic.

Mr. Krevey discussed the fact that the Department of Health & Mental Hygiene requires such extensive daily cleaning that there would always be someone cleaning on site and ensuring some level of safety and illumination from the interior of the café. He also explained the issues with the in-ground waste disposal system as opposed to holding tanks.

- Motion to approve the café building as presented based upon the understanding at meeting that an appropriate permanent gate or other closure of the space between the screen and the café building be built so that the structure can be completely closed off when building is not in open operation: 7-0-0-0.

- Motion to approve accessory building as is: 7-0-0-0.

**2. 56 West 66th Street, ABC Armory (Columbus Avenue.) Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to lower the height of HVAC cooling tower equipment on the roof of The Armory by 26 inches.**

Landmarks had problems with the proposed colorations and wanted to distinguish modern structure (air cooling) from the historic building. Elise Wagner, Kramer Levin, brought options for finish, rotary or gray paint options. Rotary finish would require much less maintenance. High heat created by filming “One Life to Live” requires a great deal of air conditioning. Cooling tower used to be on top of building. This cooler failed and was replaced on an emergency basis. When ABC tried to legalize this emergency system, it was not approved by LPC because of aesthetic issues. Lengthy back and forth ensued.

- Motion to approve the lower height of the HVAC cooling tower and allow applicant to choose proper finish of either gray paint or rotary finish: 7-0-0-0.

**3. 105 West 77th Street (Columbus Avenue.) Application # 09-5281 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to legalize the installation of storefront infill without Landmarks Preservation Commission permits.**

- REMOVED FROM AGENDA—APPROVED AT STAFF LEVEL.

**4. 118 West 79th Street, Apt #15AB (Columbus Avenue.) Application #09-5577 to the Landmarks Preservation Commission to combine windows on a visible façade.**

This room, with setback can be seen only when crossing 79th Street and from the American Museum of Natural History Museum on Columbus Avenue. Three windows on one side of the apartment would be extended and broadened to form a full kitchen window to replicate bedroom window on other end of apartment façade. This would require cutting masonry on the building. Committee had limited opposition, given that it is in a recessed portion of the building and change responds to design integrity of the building.

There was some concern from the Committee that there was not enough notice posted. Cynthia Wright, Architect from Gottesman Zuckerman Renovation, gave a presentation to the Director of Operations at the AMNH where the extended windows will look onto.

- Motion to Approve combined windows on a visible façade: 6-0-1-0.

5. 258, 260 & 262 West 88th Street (West End-Broadway.) Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for façade renovation.

Previous applications for rear-yard extension and roof-top addition were approved by CB7 and LPC. Application is back, based on promise to present changes to front of the building. Gendell Architecture: Middle (260 West 88th Street) will be main entrance with restored stoop based upon other stoop and details in the neighborhood.

Committee members questioned the logic of adopting a totally different ornamentation for the center gating rather than incorporating the railing at either 258 or 262 West 88th Street. Committee members were somewhat concerned by the applicant's assertion that no certificate of appropriateness would be required for the façade renovations, particularly given the changes in the gating. Applicant will check with Landmarks about this issue.

- No approval required. Will touch base with LPC to see if further approvals required for façade renovation.

6. 49 West 94th Street (Columbus Avenue – Central Park West.) Application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for façade restoration and raising existing flowerbed to match that of the neighboring building.

Did not appear at CB7 because it was approved by LPC at staff level. But violation issued for four work items done without permit. Issues not permitted: removal of railing surrounding flowerbeds and raising flowerbeds, paint color (beige chosen over white), window frame color (black originally and painted black), and the light fixture changes. Olga Steinberg, owner, presented. A building residents, who has lived there through several owners, supports, wholeheartedly, the changes to the building.

- Motion to approve, retroactively, the two-tone paint, altered planter with removal of the railing, and change of the lighting fixtures based upon the owner's agreement to paint the window sash black. 7-0-0-0.

## 7. New Business

- Con Ed building designation as a landmarked building. Paul Elliston came to discuss the issue in advance of meeting next month. Building is in CB4 but CB7 would like to support application as well and it does affect CB7 within Riverside South/Center Plan. Con Ed building could potentially be used as a community cultural center.

- West-Park Presbyterian Church (86th and Amsterdam Avenue). Ceiling collapsed. Discussion of landmark designation. It is not being used now as the congregation is meeting elsewhere. At some point there was interest from a developer, Richmond. There may be discussion on this in the future.

- Committee members should try to attend joint committee with Land Use next Wednesday.

- How to make meetings run more effectively: Lenore and Klari are putting together a form for presenters to fill out to make the presentation process more fluid.

Present: Lenore Norman, Klari Neuwelt, Lindsey Boylan, Mark Diller, Molly Gordy, Blanche E. Lawton and Gabrielle Palitz. Absent: Miki Fiegel, Phyllis E. Gunther, Roberta Semer.

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**Health & Human Services Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Madge Rosenberg and Barbara Van Buren, Co-Chairpersons**  
**February 17, 2009**

**CLOSING FAITH BASED SHELTERS**

Ed Snowden ([esnowden@pfth.org](mailto:esnowden@pfth.org)) and Lindsey Shilleh ([lshilleh@pfth.org](mailto:lshilleh@pfth.org)) from Partnership for the Homeless said that their organization will no longer provide services to the Network for Faith Based Organizations. An RFP for the services that PFH now provides has been issued by the Department of Homeless Services. The Partnership will not bid on the contract as the funds have been cut while more services are required.

Representatives from the Spirit Fellowship Ministry and the shelter at Rodelph Sholom reported on changes planned by the City. They said that the City will no longer fund buses to shelters from drop in centers. Only faith-base shelters that can be open at least five days a week, year round, will be used. Screening of clients was also to be eliminated. Shelters will no longer have specific populations such as battered women, elderly, handicapped. These faith based groups cannot accept people that have not been screened and do not come directly from drop in shelters by bus, since clients may have access to drugs or alcohol before arriving at the shelters. The City prefers to use mega drop-in centers, perhaps three in all of Manhattan. Bellevue center will be closed. Partnership will administer only Veterans center in the Bronx. Last summer 33 faith based shelters were closed. The CB7 area currently has 12 faith based shelters. The Mayor's five year plan to reduce chronic homelessness has not worked. Faith based shelters house many people in transition, not chronically homeless. There is no proof that larger shelter save money. Faith based shelters are staffed by volunteers and subsidized by donations from their congregations. This provides a big bang for the bucks the city puts in.

Channa Camins ([camins@bj.org](mailto:camins@bj.org)) coordinator of the Social Action Committee of B'nai Jeshrun and member of Emergency Shelter Network came directly from a meeting with DHS Commissioner Hess. ESN wants the shelters to be able to serve special populations, not general populations. ESN asked DHS for screening at the drop-in centers; direct transportation to faith based shelters, and flexibility in number of beds and the days each shelter can be open. She felt that the meeting with Commissioner Hess opened better communications, although the ESN did not have any input into the RFP that will replace the Partnership. He listened to their concerns, and said he would look into them. He hadn't realized all they were doing. Channa asked that a letter be sent to the Commissioner from the Board, supporting the Network's requests. This was agreed to.

**RAT CONTROL**

Caroline Bragdon ([cbragdon@health.nyc.gov](mailto:cbragdon@health.nyc.gov)) is the outreach person for Dept. of Health and Mental Health's Environmental Health and Pest Control Center.

The proactive, prophylactic Bronx Rat Initiative will be coming to Manhattan. Every block and lot will be inspected for signs of rats. At this time, the Manhattan rat control is reactive, responding to complaints to the DHMH.

For the present she suggests the following:

- Report rats through 311 complaints. Parks, Schools, and the Housing Authority have their own rat programs; the Health Department gets the residential and commercial complaints. Rat sightings are the number one complaint received by the Health Department.
- Clean up work areas and garbage. FOOD ATTRACTS RATS. A rat can live on one ounce of food a week. Litter from picnics in the park, food for pigeons, crumbs from construction workers' sandwiches, all make the rats happy.
- Be sure construction companies inspect for rats when they begin and continue to inspect during construction.
- Put out garbage as close to pick up time as possible. Encourage commercial carters to pick up closer to closing time.

- Use closed cans on streets, not wire that is on many street corners cans. Block associations might raise funds to replace their wire baskets.
  - “Send superintendents and exterminators to RODENT ACADEMY run by Bobby Corrigan the city’s chief rodentologist, where they will learn how to locate rats, and what to do about them. Ask if your exterminator has a certificate from this free course.
  - Check [nyc.gov/rats](http://nyc.gov/rats) to obtain a rat map of your neighborhood. This is the Rat Information Portal, and can show you every building where there have been rats sighted.
  - Check for gnaw marks, burrows, feces, tracks, all signs of rats. Use bleach or vinegar and water to wash tracks. (Rats use these signs to learn where other rats have found food.) Check website for ways to close holes, exterminate and landscape correctly.
- We plan to follow-up on this issue with the broader community.  
Meeting adjourned.

Present: Barbara Van Buren, Madge Rosenberg and Miki Fiegel. Board Member: Paul Fisher.  
Absent: Barbara Keleman and Daniel Meltzer. Electeds: Jesse Bodine (Councilman Brewer’s office) and Rep from Linda Rosenthal’s office. Public members: Fern Fleckman (Ryan Center) and Judy Martinez (VOA.)

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**Land Use & Parks & Preservation Joint Committee Minutes**  
**Klari Neuwelt & Lenore Norman Co-Chairpersons Parks & Preservation**  
**Richard Asche and Page Cowley, Co-Chairpersons**  
**February 18, 2009**

Informational presentation and discussion on the Central Park West Skyline Study by Landmark West! and Weisz+Yoes Architecture,” Update on Fordham University Expansion and Redevelopment discussions, and review of Land Use Committee Accomplishments and Goals from the 2007 Annual Report to the Manhattan Borough President.

Agenda Items:

1. Central Park West Skyline Study by Landmark West! and Weisz+Yoes Architecture titled “Central Park West Skyline Potential Futures.”

Kate Wood gave opening remarks about the origins of the study and pressures for development that could affect other sectors of the Upper West Side considered “protected” by current zoning and landmark designation under the Upper West Side / Central Park West Historic District, 1990. Ms. Wood also acknowledged the efforts of Norman Marcus, to whom the study is dedicated, members of Landmark West! The Department of City Planning, CB7 board members, in particular Shelly Fine, Klari Neuwelt and Lenore Norman, and residents of the Upper West side.

The study was presented using a Powerpoint presentation by Claire Weisz, principal of Weisz + Yoes Architecture. The draft presented at the meeting is comprehensive with chapters describing the history of the street and the architectural heritage, current protection and preservation challenges, and a summary of the regulatory framework and processes that are in place. Zoning maps accompany a descriptive and quantitative analysis of important potential development (referred to as “soft sites”). While not every building with a low floor area ratio (FAR) has been listed, those that have the greatest capacity for change are studied. The criteria for the selected sites is also provided.

There followed an animated discussion about the report including the need for completion of the other three sides that form a boundary for Central Park, and the character of the future replacement buildings. This led to a general discussion about the need for architectural guidelines, and which agencies could or would be able to regulate and/or enforce any prescriptive measures. There were equal support and opposition to guidelines that may limit creativity and good architecture in the

future. Generally, it was agreed that on the Upper West Side, current new buildings were of a commercial rather than lasting quality and over-scaled in size and proportion to their neighbors. Ms. Wood stated the objectives of the study and welcomed comments that they would like received by the end of the first week in March. The study would be presented to other agencies and preservation zoning groups. It was also suggested that this report be presented to the NY Chapter of the AIA.

Praise for this study was unanimous from both committees.

## 2. Update on Fordham University Expansion and Redevelopment

Richard Asche gave a summary of discussions with Borough President Scott Stringer and the nature of the concessions now being discussed regarding the height of the buildings on both Amsterdam and Columbus Avenues. Richard reported that the developer for the Amsterdam site at the north east quadrant had withdrawn. CB7 position is to enable the community to be part of a further review at the time the various building components of Fordham's plan are ready for construction and / or when the development sites have confirmed designs. Continued community oversight remains unresolved although the Borough President now believed that there was sufficient revisions to the bulk and height for portions of the Fordham replacement buildings, by placing some of the mechanical systems underground thereby reducing the height of some of the proposed towers. Richard reported that Council Member Gale Brewer remains committed to seeking a better solution to the development fronting Amsterdam and is working with Amsterdam Houses. Council Member Brewer has more time to formalize her statements and recommendations to the Department of City Planning.

## 3. Land Use Committee Accomplishments and Goals

In addition to those provided in the draft of activities and the following other development projects are proposed for specific listing:

Axton House – UWSURA modifications to the setback for commercial use

Modification to zoning as it affected the former Red Cross site development to change community use to retail.

Text Amendments and policy changes related to the Department of City Planning and to the Department of Buildings zoning review

There being no further business the meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Page Cowley, co-chair Land Use.

Present: Richard Asche, Page Cowley, Paul Fischer, Victor Gonzalez, Daniel Meltzer, Lillian Moore and Roberta Semer. Parks & Preservation Committee: Klari Neuwelt and Gabrielle Palitz. Absent: Hope Cohen, Lawrence Horowitz, Liz Samurovich, Ethel Sheffer, Jeffery Siegel and Tom Vitullo-Martin.

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## MCB7 DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MINUTES

**Penny Ryan, District Manager**

**February 25, 2009**

New personnel in district – Mark Vaccaro, District 7 Manager, Dept. of Parks & Recreation; Capt. O'Brien, Executive Officer and Lt. Vincent DeSantis, Operations Officer, both from the 20th Pct. NYPD – Reports on high traffic accident locations this past year and recommendations to improve conditions in CD7.

- 20th Pct: W. 81st Street and CPW had the highest accident rate last year. In 2008 there were 18 accidents, 6 had injuries. Most accidents caused by cars coming from the park. Traffic enforcement is up 54% in the 28-day period.

- 24th Pct: Amsterdam Ave & 106th Street and 96th Street & Broadway have the highest accident

rate and continue to be focal points. Many taxis involved in accidents; Pct is working with the Taxi & Limousine Commission to enforce traffic regulations. Pedestrians cause half of accidents involving pedestrians. Bike injuries – YTD there were three accidents - up 200%. In the 28-day period, there were two. There has been less enforcement on bike regulations this year.

Broadway has 30% of total accidents in the district.

Follow-up: Amount of accidents in the 24th Pct mapped. DOT requested NYPD traffic reports be sent to their agency, including suggestions to enhance traffic safety and flow.

DOT – Updates on the West Side Traffic Study and the Senior Traffic Study Area. Still collecting data. Will be reporting to community soon. Focusing on problematic intersections, meeting with the community and elected officials for input.

Follow-up: DOT will request a firm completion date on the traffic report. Suggestions from Council Member Brewer's business owners report (not completed) may be part of the final study.

Parks – Plans for Spring and need for any additional enforcement and services.

- Parks bike concession is coming soon. Parks is requesting input from all agencies – forward to CB7 or Parks.

- Graffiti: Email photographs of graffiti to the 20th Pct. (via CB7). Parks will do a non-scientific correlation study of graffiti arrests to frequency of tagging.

- New horticulture manager at Theodore Roosevelt Park at the museum.

- Follow-up: Report of Square(s) events in the district.

DCA/DOT/NYPD. Regulations governing food vendors who park in the curb lane. Examples are south side of West 86th Street, east of Bway, and 94th Street and Bway. 20th Pct to research regulations – DI Keith Spadaro.

- DOHMH gave CB7 mobile food vendor regulations.

- CAU vending meeting – can forward report to CB7 as well as add a topic to the agenda, also can be added to Borough Cabinet agenda.

- Follow-up: DSNY & 24th Pct parking enforcement of mobile food vendors.

Update on homeless conditions and outreach in Riverside Park and in CD7– Goddard Riverside.

No one in parks overnight; status of faith based institutions still undecided; Ollies individuals are not homeless; met w/20th Pct and started working with the 24th Pct.

Update on quality of life conditions on Amsterdam Avenue sidewalks from 106th-110th Streets, priority is 109th Street, and 101st –105th, priority is 105th. No bar incidents since beginning of the year.

Bicycle rentals at Merchants Gate and Riverside Park – New RFP. Lawsuit needs to be settled first.

NYPD TD #1 Garbage storage on Columbus Circle station platform causing rodent infestation.

Follow-up: CB7 will do a walk through with NYPD, and NYCTA.

DSNY/NYPD/DOT

Broadway and 74th Street - Fairway update. Fairway – working with multi-agencies to enforce regulations. Major problem is commercial parking overnight on 74th Street, residential area.

Overnight truck parking on 74th Street is illegal. Enforcement to begin.

DCA

Enclosed cafés:

Magnolia is now in compliance. Lansky's has an operating letter that expires 5/15/2009.

District Watch Construction Updates: DOB

Report stalled construction sites, 3months or more.

- 208 West 96th Street (Broadway-Amsterdam)

- Audit report on 230 West 78th Street (Broadway.) Closing out soon.

- 732/734 WEA demolition is stalled, permits not issued.

- 508-510 WEA, no movement.

Construction Projects:

Address	Stories	Status
208 West 96 <sup>th</sup> Street (Bway-Amst)	10	Demolition (Need Update)
60 Riverside Blvd (63rd Street)		Finishing
80 Riverside Blvd (64 <sup>th</sup> Street)		Superstructure
West 64 <sup>th</sup> Street (RSS)		Superstructure
239 West 60 <sup>th</sup> Street (WEA-Amst)	29	Superstructure
150 Amsterdam Ave (65 <sup>th</sup> Street)	41	Superstructure
200 West 72 <sup>nd</sup> Street (Bway)	19	Superstructure
205 West 76 <sup>th</sup> Street (Amst-Bway)	21 and 18	Finishing
230 West 78 <sup>th</sup> Street (Broadway)	20	Finishing
535 West End Avenue (86 <sup>th</sup> Street)	21	Superstructure
775 Columbus	13	Superstructure
795 Columbus	15	Excavation/Foundation
805 Columbus	14	Superstructure
808 Columbus	29	Superstructure
801 Amsterdam	15	Superstructure
214 West 76 <sup>th</sup> /2148 Broadway (SEC)	21	Demolition
	Condo/Garage	
96 <sup>th</sup> Street IRT Station		
Lincoln Center Redevelopment Project		
180 Amsterdam Avenue (68 <sup>th</sup> Street)	8	Foundation
MTA Flood mitigation at 79 <sup>th</sup> , 86 <sup>th</sup> , and 91 <sup>st</sup> Street Bway Malls		
Lincoln Square Synagogue		

#### NYPD PSA6 –

- Overall decrease in crime. Arrest activity up 20% for the month, still focused on QL incidents: drinking, trespassing, noise more difficult.
- Activity up in 24th Pct, C summonses are up.
- Installation of cameras at 866 and 830 Amsterdam Avenue, 880 and 826 Columbus Avenue. Amsterdam & 103rd Street covered as well.
- PSA6 officers have been making home visits to teens who are habitual offenders to let parents and kids know about available programs. Visits have been received well.

DA's office – 300 arrests for both Pcts.

NYPD TD #1 – down 24% in overall crime.

NYPD TD #3 – down in overall crime. CPW line is experiencing snatches of phones and iPods; some cutting of pockets to steal wallets.

NYPD 24th Pct –

- Overall crime down 15%. Increase in grand theft auto on riverside drive.
- Arsonist caught through a plan submitted by DI O'Reilly. Evidence gathered next day with suspect's calendar and diary.
- QL – sweep 32 summonses returnable to criminal court.
- Reminder: Handing out money to homeless encourages aggressive panhandling.

DOT – Riverside Park administrator requested that DOT reroute bike path away from the boat basin area.

FDNY - fire and incidents are up, non-medical emergencies down.

NYPD 20th Pct. Down 9% in overall crime. GL up due to unattended property and gym locker break-ins. District Manager suggested that gyms install a lockbox close to the reception area where members can place valuables.

DCA has a new financial empowerment program. Go to their website for more information: [nyc.gov/dca](http://nyc.gov/dca).

Present: Penny Ryan, District Manager, John Martinez, Asst. District Manager; Capt. Elisa Cokkinos, PSA6; Det. Vassallo, PO Clark Tiger, Lt. DeSantis, 20th Pct; Capt. O'Brien, NYPD TD#3; Vincent Durante, Capt. O'Brien, 24th Pct; Capt. Maguire, NYPD TD#1; Leah Donaldson, DOB; Rosario Morrone, DSNY; Joselinne Minaya, DA's Office; David Lipsky, DEP; Evelyn Nieves, DoITT 311; John Pellegrinelli, FDNY; Michael Congo, DOHMH; Solly Corrado, DCA; Lolita Jackson, CAU; Susan Singer, NYPL; Jesse Bodine, CM Gale Brewer's office; Kristen Oates, Goddard Riverside; Josh Orzeck, DOT; Mark Vaccaro, Paul Evans, Parks; Damekit Douady, SAN ENF; Paula Sanders, CCHR; Melvin Alston, ACS/CPT; Arturo Bauchs, CAU Fire Dept; Pat Richardi, ConEd; Marjorie Cohen, WCPP; Richard Juliano, Rebecca Gerber, LS BID; Jill Greenbaum, SUN.