

Franchise & Concession Review Committee Public Hearing
March 8, 2021

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FRANCHISE AND CONCESSION REVIEW COMMITTEE

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Monday, March 8, 2021
2:38 p.m.

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VIA MICROSOFT TEAM'S CONFERENCE CALL

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APPEARANCES:

Mayor:

Bess Chiu

Clerk:

Gregg Alleyne

Office of the Mayor:

Benjamin Furnas

Corporation Counsel:

Sharon Cantor

Office of Management and Budget:

Yvonne Quintian

Comptroller:

John Katsorhis

Borough President of the Bronx:

Mirtha Camille Sabio

Borough President of Manhattan:

Rosie Mendez

Borough President of Queens:

Allan Swisher

Borough President of Staten Island:

Lashay Young

Department of Transportation Representative:

Rachel Frumin

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2 THE CLERK: Hello, this is Gregg
3 Alleyne, clerk for the FCRC. Before we
4 get started with today's proceedings,
5 I'd like to confirm that everyone can
6 hear me clearly.

7 (Chorus of "Yeses.")

8 Today's hearing is being held via
9 Microsoft Teams conference call and we
10 ask that all attendees announce their
11 name on the record each time they speak
12 on the call for ease of transcription.
13 If you are not speaking, we ask that you
14 mute your microphone to avoid background
15 noises during the call. Only one person
16 should be speaking at any given time. I
17 will direct, should there be any
18 conflict.

19 Chair, we are ready to begin.

20 CHAIR CHIU: Good afternoon and
21 thank you all for being here. My name
22 is Bess Chiu, Chair of the FCRC. The
23 Franchise and Concession Review
24 Committee remote public hearing will now
25 come to order.

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Will the Clerk please call the roll.

THE CLERK: Mayor?

CHAIR CHIU: Bess Chiu, here.

THE CLERK: Office of the Mayor?

MR. FURNAS: Ben Furnas, here.

THE CLERK: Comptroller?

MR. KATSORHIS: John Katsorhis,
here.

THE CLERK: Corporation Counsel?

MS. CANTOR: Sharon Cantor, here.

THE CLERK: Office of Management and
Budget.

MS. QUINTIAN: Yvonne Quintian,
here.

THE CLERK: President, Borough of
the Bronx?

MR. LUCANIA: Tom Lucania, here.

THE CLERK: President, Borough of
Brooklyn?

(No response was given.)

THE CLERK: Let the record reflect
that the President, Borough of Brooklyn,
is not present.

President, Borough of Manhattan.

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MS. MENDEZ: Rosie Mendez, present.

THE CLERK: President, Borough of
Queens?

MR. SWISHER: Allan Swisher,
present.

THE CLERK: President, Borough of
Staten Island?

MS. YOUNG: Lashay Young, here.

THE CLERK: Representative from the
Department of Transportation.

MS. FRUMIN: Rachel Frumin, here.

THE CLERK: Thank you.

CHAIR CHIU: Welcome to this remote
public hearing of the Franchise and
Concession Review Committee. The
hearing being conducted today has been
publicly advertised in accordance with
the New York City Charter and Concession
Rules of the City of New York. We want
to be sure that anyone desiring to be
heard has an opportunity to do so. All
persons wishing to speak must provide
their name, affiliation, indicate which
calendar item/items they wish to testify

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on and whether they are "for" or
"against" said item to the Clerk at this
time.

(No response was given.)

CHAIR CHIU: Does anyone wish to
testify?

(No response was given.)

THE CLERK: It appears that no one
from the public wishes to testify at
this hearing.

CHAIR CHIU: You may also submit
written testimony to the clerk which
will be made part of the record. Any
written submissions must be given to the
clerk before the close of the remote
public hearing via email to
fcrc@mocs.nyc.gov and will be provided
to the committee after the hearing.

Will the Clerk please call the first
item?

THE CLERK: New York City Department
of Transportation, Calendar Item No. 1:
In the matter of the intent to award a
concession for the operation, management

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2 and maintenance of outdoor food and
3 beverage concessions at the kiosks at
4 Saint Andrew's Plaza adjacent to the
5 Municipal Building at 1 Centre Street in
6 the borough of Manhattan, for a five
7 year term, with three five year renewal
8 options, to The Sanctuary Courts LLC.

9 CHAIR CHIU: We will take testimony
10 from the public, but first, I'd like to
11 ask the members of the Committee if they
12 have any statements.

13 (No response was given.)

14 CHAIR CHIU: Will the clerk please
15 call the next person who wishes to
16 testify.

17 THE CLERK: We have now heard all
18 testimony on this calendar item.

19 CHAIR CHIU: Will the Clerk please
20 call the second calendar item.

21 THE CLERK: New York City Department
22 of Transportation, Calendar Item No. 2:
23 In the matter of the intent to award a
24 concession for the development,
25 operation and maintenance of a food,

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2 beverage and/or merchandise café, at
3 Fordham Plaza in the borough of the
4 Bronx, for a ten year term, with two
5 five year renewal options, to Café Lalo
6 Fordham Road, Inc, d/b/a Café Lalo
7 Fordham Plaza. Please be advised that
8 at the request of the agency this item
9 will be held over to the April 12, 2021
10 FCRC public hearing, which will be held
11 remotely at 2:30 p.m. Any changes to
12 this schedule, which will result in a
13 Public Hearing being held remotely or
14 scheduled prior to the April 12, 2021
15 FCRC Public Hearing, will be noticed in
16 the City Record and as required by
17 Section 104 of the Open Meetings Law.

18 CHAIR CHIU: Will the Clerk please
19 call the third calendar item.

20 THE CHAIR: New York City Department
21 of Transportation, Calendar Item No. 3:
22 In the matter of the intent to award a
23 concession for the development,
24 operation, and maintenance of a food,
25 beverage and/or merchandise concession

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2 at Kiosk 2 at Fordham Plaza, at Fordham
3 Plaza in the borough of the Bronx, for a
4 five year term, with two five year
5 renewal options, to Fordham Plaza Kiosk,
6 Inc. Please be advised that at the
7 request of the agency this item will be
8 held over to the April 12, 2021 FCRC
9 Public Hearing, which will be held
10 remotely at 2:30 p.m. Any changes to
11 this schedule, which will result in a
12 Public Hearing being held remotely or
13 scheduled prior to the April 12, 2021
14 FCRC Public Hearing, will be noticed in
15 the City Record and as required by
16 Section 104 of the Open Meetings Law.

17 CHAIR CHIU: That concludes today's
18 hearing. We ask that the Reporter make
19 the entire Remote Public Hearing Agenda,
20 which was made publicly available at the
21 FCRC website, part of the final record
22 of the proceeding. The hearing is now
23 closed. Thank you.

24 (Thereupon, the meeting was
25 concluded at 2:45 p.m.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF NEW YORK)

: ss


COUNTY OF NASSAU)

I, JAMES A. TETTA, a Notary Public within
and for the State of New York, do hereby
certify:

That the witness whose examination is
hereinbefore set forth was duly sworn and that
such an examination is a true record of the
testimony given by such a witness.

I further certify that I am not related to
any of these parties to this action by blood or
marriage, and that I am not in any way
interested in the outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
hand this 8th day of March, 2021.



James Tetta

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