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### MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 10

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# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 12, 2013, 6:30pm

Hon. Keith Taylor, Chair Hon John Lynch, Co chair Maria C. Garcia Secretary

#### Meeting began at 6:30 pm

**Members present:** Keith Taylor, John Lynch, Pamela Bates, Deneane Brown-Blackmon, Maria Garcia, Tamara Martin, Cheryl Smith, Forrest Taylor, Danni Tyson, Cicely Harris, Donna Gill, and Manuel Rivera.

There was no liquor or sidewalk café new or renewal applications to be considered at this meeting.

There was a presentation by Ms. Mari Moss-Yawn, representative for the Office of the Mayor about the Mayor's New Business Acceleration Team-

- It supports and guides new businesses: it focuses on new restaurants and retail businesses to provide direct access to city agencies.
- There is a fee waiver program available for its services
- The Team provides process and timeline guidance from construction to inspection to obtaining city agency permits
- Pre-inspections with the Department of Health / Mental Hygiene are coordinated so businesses can open up to code

Other website resources for workforce support shared include:

- NYC.gov
- Workforce 1

The presentation by Mr. Brian Smith, co-founder, Harlem Solar Cooperative, about the "Harlem Solar Cooperative" was postponed to the October 10, 2012 meeting.

## CB 10 Economic Development District Needs Statement:

Statement of Needs: Purpose

- The Group will compare the Preliminary Budget documents and the needs conveyed to City officials at district and borough consultations, in the Board's Needs Statement, and in its budget requests, to determine whether the City's budget has included its district needs.
- The Group decided to submit its top three suggestions for inclusion into a group response on behalf of the Economic Development Committee.

### **Blue Violin:**

- Timeline for when issues are planned to be addressed is requested
- Determination of who is doing the work
- Owner is requested to come before the CB 10 Eco Dev Committee as a follow-up to this meeting
- Noise mitigation has been inconsistent. Owner previously agreed to address noise complaints by dropping the establishment's ceiling and addressing loudspeakers as per architectural drawings.
- Develop noise decibel level agreement.