



THE CITY OF NEW YORK MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD 3

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January 2020 Full Board Minutes

Meeting of Community Board 3 held on January 28, 2020 at 6:30pm at PS 20, 166 Essex Street.

Public Session:

- Dina Suggs, Dawn Suggs, Basil Reyes, John Grauwiler, and Gabriella Sonawl: Supporting Donald M. Suggs Jr. street re-naming because Donald was a groundbreaking community organizer
- Dr. Amy Berkov: Supporting LESEC compost yard
- Albert Mercado: Wants an ADA fully accessible entrance on the corner of Essex and Delancey; MTA 2020-2024 capital plan recognizes that the corner is ready for at least one fully accessible entrance; needs support by calling local officials to make sure the entrance is funded for the first part of 2024
- Eric Diaz: Executive Director of Vision Urbana, starting digital literacy training for older adults. Health forum happening Thursday 1/30 @ 1:30 PM at 207 East Broadway. VU has also been selected by the city to do census outreach on the Lower East Side to get the count out.
- Pamela Ito: Director of Education for the Horticultural Society of NY. Hosting roundtable discussion about rats 2/7 @ 1 PM at Essex Market.
- Annabel Soto and Sam Rolf: Works for Alliance for Positive Change, Lower East Side Harm Reduction. Moving from 25 Allen Street to 35 East Broadway.
- Harry Bubbins: East Village and Special Projects Director at Village Preservation. Economic Development committee is doing great work on the EV special commercial district to support small businesses. Had a big rally against Madison Realty Capital that wants to demolish a building with 10 rent-stabilized apartments to build a tower. ULURP process has started on hotel special permit district for south of Union Square, no one has been in favor of it, CB2 rejected the request with stipulations.
- Ryan Gilliam: May is LES history month. Sign up with FAB NYC to participate.
- Nancy Yao: President of Museum of Chinese America. Thanking the community for supporting after the fire on Mulberry Street. MOCA will be able to enter the building tomorrow to retrieve some of the boxes, maybe 1/3 of the archives will be salvageable.
- Alan Good and Maria Littansk: Debra Hulse, statement of gratitude for her work gardening at Tompkins Square Park ahead of proclamation from Councilmember Carlina Rivera.

Public Officials:

Mayor Bill de Blasio, Gabrielle Dann-Allel: Did not report

Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, Lilah Mejia:

- Lilah is from the community and here to help you – please feel free to Facebook, email, or get her personal mobile number.

Comptroller Scott Stringer, Luke Wolf:

- Internship program just launched, paid internship for the summer
- Annual African American history month trailblazers event is happening in Brooklyn
- Stringer will be announcing new ideas about housing Wednesday 1/29

Borough President Gale Brewer, Brian Lewis:

- BP office is working with the municipal archives to help MOCA tragedy.
- March will be bringing a professional to teach about anti-Semitism at local schools in light of hateful anti-Semitic graffiti on Hillman Houses.
- Calling on city to keep the LES compost yard open until segments two and three and asking the city to commit to returning the compost yard once the project wraps up.
- LES resiliency task force is going strong. Next meeting about task force is 10 am 2/21 at 1 Centre Street. Community board applications are extended to 2/14.
- Calling for Gov. Cuomo to appoint two Manhattanites to congestion pricing review board – one from inside zone and one from outside zone.
- Organizing complete count committee, providing grants to local groups to ensure that everyone is counted. Interfaith census county meeting happening 2/4 @ 9 am at 1 Centre Street.
- Capital grants funding process deadline extended to 2/28.
- Manhattan solid waste advisory board is mid-application.
- Gale's final state of the borough address is coming up 3/29 at the Shed in Hudson Yards.

Congressmember Nydia Velazquez, Lingxia Ye:

- Working to secure emergency federal grants from national endowment center for MOCA. Working on a workshop that will give out information to religious institutions on how they can apply for grants to fight against hate crimes. Mid-census outreach for community members and one of the important things is for those receiving means tested public assistance, any money earned from the census is considered "sporadic" and won't impact their benefits.

Congressmember Carolyn Maloney, Victor Montesinos: Did not report

Assemblymember Yuh-Line Niou, Shivani Gonzalez:

- Last weekend, Yuh-Line hosted her annual Budgetary and Legislative Town Hall
- Have print out with a breakdown of the governor's executive budget

Assemblymember Deborah J. Glick, Charlie Anderson:

- Joined joint testimony during PHPIC hearing calling on Dept. of Health to look at certificate of needs

Assemblymember Harvey Epstein, Mike Schweinberg:

- Held a townhall Sunday with breakout sessions, many elected officials attended
- Participating in Gompers event tomorrow 1/29 from 4:30-6PM "elected officials in your lobby"

State Senator Brian Kavanaugh, Greer Mayhew:

- Worked to pass historic voting reforms, including automatic voter registration and making sure college campuses are all part of the same voting district
- January 23 Senate Housing committee held hearing on the pieces of legislation were meant to strengthen housing enforcement
- Disability rights event 2/6 @ 6:30 PM at 18 Bleecker Street
- Sen. Kavanaugh will be second grand marshal at Lunar New Year Parade 2/9 at 1 PM at Mott and Canal Street
- Office is still following up on MOU with the city regarding Pier 42 and 36, has been difficult to get answers

State Senator Brad M. Hoylman, Caroline Wechselbaum:

- At end of 2019, Gov. Cuomo signed many of Sen. Hoylman's bills into law, including AIDs care for sexual assault victims.
- Priorities for this year: ban ICE from making arrests outside of courthouses; banning 3D printed guns; reducing trans profiling
- Already passed bill to require people to wear seatbelts in the back of cabs

Councilmember Margaret Chin, Marian Guerra:

- Thankful for support from the community related to the MOCA tragedy and working with local non profits to find alternative spaces
- Codified protections for classrooms and schools requiring DOE to inspect for peeling paint, lead, etc.
- Working with residents living at 184 Forsyth Street to make sure accessible smoke alarms are available
- Condem anti-Semitic vandalism at Hillman Houses

Councilmember Carlina Rivera, Isabelle Jackson:

- Working on improving the 14th Street busway. Ridership is up, buses are running on-time
- Passed legislation on high school safety, animal rights, and detecting lead in pregnant mothers
- Women's Caucus had a meeting with new NYPD Commissioner O'Shea, he has issues with bail reform
- Constantly putting forward workshops – whether it's college readiness or composting – in Gompers tomorrow 1/29 from 4:30-6PM "elected officials in your lobby"
- Property values session with 1-1 assistance
- Has a bill on food waste for city agencies
- On budget negotiations team, looking at a lean budget this year focusing on the basics
- Will look into trench left open at Smith Houses with lead and arsenic
- Making sure to test the soil at ERP because the same developers built a park in Staten Island that was found to have uranium.
- Mt. Sinai certificate of need – critical to have a returning birthing center. State will manage Mt. Sinai response from PHPIC stipulations
- Hopefully compost pile will be returned to ERP.
- Gave proclamation to Debra Hulse for her work gardening Tompkins Square Park

Members Present at First Vote:

David Adams	[A]	Dominic Berg	[A]	Karlin Chan	[P]
Yaron Altman	[P]	Lee Berman	[P]	Jonathan Chu	[P]
Jesse Beck	[P]	Lisa Burriss	[A]	David Crane	[P]

Felicia Cruickshank	[P]	Lisa Kaplan	[P]	Damaris Reyes	[P]
Paul DeRienzo	[P]	Olympia Kazi	[P]	Richard Ropiak	[P]
Eric Diaz	[P]	Joseph Kerns	[P]	Thomas Rosa	[P]
Alistair Economakis	[P]	Michelle Kuppersmith	[P]	Robin Schatell	[P]
Shirley Fennessey	[A]	Mae Lee	[P]	Heidi Schmidt	[P]
Ryan Gilliam	[P]	Alysha Lewis-Coleman	[P]	Laryssa Shainberg	[P]
Debra Glass	[P]	Ellen Luo	[P]	Clint Smeltzer	[P]
Herman Hewitt	[P]	Michael Marino	[P]	Anisha Steephen	[P]
Trever Holland	[P]	Alexandra Militano	[P]	Sandra Strother	[P]
Linda Jones	[A]	Nancy Ortiz	[A]	Josephine Velez	[P]
Vaylateena Jones	[P]	Michael Perles	[P]	Rodney Washington	[P]
Tatiana Jorio	[P]	Paul Rangel	[P]	Kathleen Webster	[P]
Meghan Joye	[P]	Carolyn Ratcliffe	[P]	Jacky Wong	[P]

Minutes:

Minutes of December 2019 were approved, with changes.

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

Board Chairperson's Report:

Chairperson Alysha Lewis-Coleman

- February 14 is the last day to apply for full membership
- Forming a task force to clarify of language about absence in by-laws. Task force will be comprised of the executive committee and will meet at 6:15 PM at the CB3 office before the February executive committee meeting, Thursday, February 20.
- Please be careful when representing yourself as a member of CB3. Please contact Alysha before representing CB3 publicly.
- CB3 has a Facebook page and it is looking for announcements from committees, task forces, etc. We're working on getting Twitter back.
- Be careful with flu season. Please look out for your senior neighbors.
- The census is coming. Please make sure you fill out your census!
- Michael Marino is working on attendance, and Lisa Kaplan will take it over shortly. Any communication you receive about attendance is notification, it does not mean you are being removed from the board.

District Manager's Report:

District Manager Susan Stetzer

- Starting March 1, grocery stores and some other retail stores will no longer use plastic bags. Department of Sanitation has provided free bags
- There was a shooting at 103 Avenue A. Bar was using an outside promoter for the first time. Both people that were killed were from outside the neighborhood. Owner bought the bar as a corporate change so there was never an opportunity for the owner to come before the community board for comments.
- Yuh-Line Niou will be calling an inter-city bus meeting. People need to keep calling 311 to keep a record.
- There were complaints about safety issues at loading docks at Trader Joe's and Target on Clinton Street. 7th Precinct has put auxiliary patrols in the area. DOT was supposed to come to the community board meeting but another meeting was request, but they'll only come once a month so they'll be on March agenda.
- Civic Engagement Commission has four mandates:
 - o Run a citywide participatory budgeting program with guidance from a participatory budgeting advisory committee;
 - o Partner with community-based organizations and civic leaders, increase awareness of City services, and assist New York City agencies in developing civic engagement initiatives;
 - o Develop a plan to consider the language access needs of limited English proficient New Yorkers with regards to the Commission's programs and services and provide language interpreters at poll sites by the 2020 general election, with advice from a language assistance advisory committee; and
 - o Provide assistance to community boards.
- CB3 is first in the city in structural fires.
- There the pilot project on Ludlow and Orchard removing one lane of parking and extra sanitation pickups. Those restrictions are now in effect. Sanitation department is giving summonses for noncompliant parking.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee

1. Exec Committee Vote 1

VOTE: The Executive Committee will invite Paul DeRienzo and Lisa Burriss to the February executive board meeting regarding their absences at or above 33%.

2. Exec Committee Vote 2: Support for allocation under Senator Hoylman's Community Board budgeting program

VOTE:

WHEREAS, New York State Senator Brad Hoylman has introduced for the first time a Community Board Budgeting program, which will allocate funding from the State for capital projects in the Senate district based on Community Board recommendations; and

WHEREAS, each Community Board within Senator Hoylman's district has been asked to submit up to five eligible projects, which must cost at least \$50,000 but cannot exceed \$250,000 in total; and

WHEREAS, to be eligible, the projects must be either publicly owned, an independent not-for profit higher education institution, or a private school for blind, deaf, or disabled students; and

WHEREAS, in December 2019, the Community Board 3 Executive Committee chose to investigate possible capital needs at the Campos Plaza Community Center at 611 East 12th Street and at two New York Public Library branches in the district (Tompkins Square and Ottendorfer); and

WHEREAS, both library branches reported that there were no current needs for capital funding at this time; and

WHEREAS, Campos Plaza reported that there were a number of capital needs at their Community Center, which currently hosts a Cornerstone Program run by University Settlement that provides free educational, arts, and health services for NYCHA residents and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, those capital needs as prioritized below from one through seven:

- 1) Kitchen ceiling replacement;
- 2) Fire suppression system;
- 3) Gymnasium light fixture replacement;
- 4) Gymnasium emergency exit doors replacement;
- 5) Gymnasium entry door replacement;
- 6) Basketball backboard replacement; and
- 7) Gymnasium floor including border replacement.

WHEREAS, these upgrades to the Campos Plaza Community Center would ensure that important free services for NYCHA youth and people of all ages in the surrounding community in our district would be located in safe, high quality facilities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Community Board 3 recommends that the funding allocation by Senator Holyman be dedicated in full for the Cornerstone Program run by University Settlement at Campos Plaza Community Center for the above mentioned upgrades. It should be noted that these are long-needed upgrades that are necessary to ensure the safety of the NYCHA families using the facility and have not been funded by NYCHA nor any other source as confirmed by the Office of Management and Budget.

3. Exec Committee Vote 3: Creation of a By-Laws Task Force

VOTE: A by-laws task force shall be formed to consider a clarification of language about absence in the by-laws.

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED (excluding Exec item 2)

40 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 1 PNV MOTION PASSED (Exec item 2)

Parks, Recreation, Waterfront, & Resiliency Committee

1. Approval of previous month's minutes
approved by committee
2. DDC: ESCR update on process and construction information
no vote necessary
3. Parks Manager Update
no vote necessary
4. Vote to adjourn
approved by committee

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

Health, Seniors, & Human Services / Youth, Education, & Human Rights Committee

1. Approval of previous month's minutes
approved by committee
2. Manhattan District Attorney: Manhattan DA's prevention model on fare evasion
no vote necessary
3. Request to extend the deadline to reserve land for a new school at Essex Crossing
no vote necessary
4. Planning for April panel on special education
no vote necessary
5. CAB reports
no vote necessary
6. Vote to adjourn
approved by committee

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

SLA & DCA Licensing Committee

1. Approval of previous month's minutes
approved by committee

Alterations

2. Brasserie Saint Marc (UKI Freedom LLC), 136 2nd Ave btwn St Marks Pl & E 9th St (op/method of operation/add DJ, Live Music (Acoustic), promoted events, any event at which a cover fee is charged, scheduled performances, add more than 12 private parties per year, add unlimited drink specials, add boozy brunches with food, extend Happy Hour, add Jukebox and Karaoke, add Video/Arcade Games)
withdrawn

Sidewalk Cafe Application

3. Love Mamak Corp, 174 2nd Ave @ E 11th St
no vote necessary - item was administratively approved

New Liquor License Applications

4. Tsismis NYC (Burgers and Chismis LLC), 143 Orchard St (upgrade to op)
withdrawn
5. Ichibantei (Lucky One Enterprises LLC), 20 St Marks Pl (op)
withdrawn
6. Fatboy Jukejoint (Fatboy Enterprises USA LLC), 15 Ave B @ E 2nd St (op)
withdrawn
7. Da Yu Manhattan LLC, 81 Bowery btwn Canal & Hester Sts (op)

VOTE: TITLE: Community Board 3 Recommendation To Deny Unless Stipulations Agreed To—Stipulations Attached

WHEREAS, Da Yu Manhattan LLC, with a proposed business name of Dayu, has applied for a full on-premises liquor license to operate a two-story restaurant in the premises located at 81 Bowery, between Hester Street and Canal Street, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, this applicant is seeking to operate a Chinese hot pot restaurant with a certificate of occupancy of two hundred thirty (230) people, thirty-six (36) tables and one hundred sixty (160) seats on two (2) floors with twenty-two (22) tables and one hundred four (104) seat on the ground floor and fourteen (14) tables and fifty-six (56) seats in the basement, an eight (8) foot bar with eight (8) stools on the ground floor, hours of operation of 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. Sundays through Thursdays and 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M. Fridays and Saturdays, a kitchen open during all hours of operation, a fixed facade, fourteen (14) televisions, recorded background music and happy hours to 7:00 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, this premises is a previously unlicensed location on a wide commercial avenue; and

WHEREAS, the applicant counted four (4) full on-premises liquor licenses within five hundred (500) feet of this location; and

WHEREAS, this applicant has experience operating similar businesses in Boston and Florida, as well as operates a similar business located at 36-36 Prince Street, Flushing, New York, which has operated with a wine beer license for four (4) years, and the subject business has been operating for four (4) months; and

WHEREAS, the applicant provided petition signatures, fifty-four (54) of which are from area residents, in support of its application; and

WHEREAS, given that this business will operate as a full-service restaurant with daytime hours of operation and early closing times, Community Board 3 will approve this application for a full on-premises liquor license with stipulations governing the method of operation of the proposed business; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 3 recommends the denial of the application for a full-liquor license for Da Yu Manhattan LLC, with a proposed business name of Dayu, for the premises located 81 Bowery, between Hester Street and Canal Street, New York, New York, unless the applicant agrees before the SLA to make as conditions of its license the following signed notarized stipulations that

- 1) it will operate as a full-service Chinese hot pot restaurant, with a kitchen open and serving food during all hours of operation,
- 2) its hours of operation will be 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. Sundays through Thursdays and 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M. Fridays and Saturdays,
- 3) it will not commercially operate any outdoor areas,
- 4) it will close any front or rear façade entrance doors at 10:00 P.M. every night or when amplified sound is playing and will otherwise have a closed fixed facade with no open doors or windows,
- 5) it will play ambient background music only, consisting of recorded music, and will not have DJs, live music, promoted events, scheduled performances or any event at which a cover fee will be charged,
- 6) it will not apply for any alteration in its method of operation or for any physical alterations without first appearing before Community Board 3,
- 7) it may have "happy hours" to 7:00 P.M. each night,
- 8) it will not host pub crawls or party buses,
- 9) it will not have unlimited drink specials with food,
- 10) it will ensure that there are no wait lines outside and will designate an employee to oversee patrons and noise on the sidewalk,
- 11) it will conspicuously post this stipulation form beside its liquor license inside of its business, and
- 12) it will provide a telephone number for residents to call with complaints and immediately address any resident complaints.

8. Corp to be formed by Erinson Salce, 112 Rivington St (op)
withdrawn

9. The Monroe Group 29 LLC, 244 E Houston St btwn Aves A & B (op)

VOTE: TITLE: Community Board 3 Recommendation To Deny Unless Stipulations Agreed To—Stipulations Attached

WHEREAS, The Monroe Group 29 LLC is seeking a full on-premises liquor license to operate a tavern in the premises located at 244 East Houston Street, between Avenue A and Avenue B, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is proposing to operate a tavern with a certificate of occupancy of one hundred ninety-six (196) people, twelve (12) tables and fifty (50) seats, a twelve (12) foot bar and a fourteen (14) foot bar with an aggregate sixteen (16) stools, hours of operation of 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 A.M. all days, less than a full kitchen serving food during all hours of operation consisting of a menu of appetizers and panini, three (3) to five (5) televisions, recorded music and DJs at background and entertainment levels, occasional events with cover fees, private parties, security, happy hours to 8:00 P.M. and wait lines outside; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has stated that this is a sale of assets of an existing tavern with a full on-premises liquor license; and

WHEREAS, the previous licensee at this location was approved a full on-premises liquor license by Community Board 3 in October of 2004 with stipulations that it would 1) serve food for the life of the license, 2) promptly address any resident complaints, 3) never use its backyard, and 4) never apply for a cabaret license; and

WHEREAS, the previous licensee was issued a full on-premises liquor license by the SLA on January 24, 2005; and

WHEREAS, there sixteen (16) full on-premises liquor licenses within five hundred (500) feet of this location per the applicant; and

WHEREAS, the applicant furnished petition signatures, forty-eight (48) of which are from area residents, in support of its application, and two (2) friends of the applicant appeared to speak on its behalf, stating that the principals are exemplary people with good moral character; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has no experience operating a licensed business but two (2) of the four (4) principals have experience working in eating and drinking establishments, including two (2) businesses located in the immediate area; and

WHEREAS, a resident of the neighboring large residential building appeared to complain that 1) the existing soundproofing is inadequate because she can hear music from DJs and noise from people and bass from the existing business in her apartment Fridays and Saturdays, from 9:00 P.M. to 4:00 A.M., 2) the existing business has a constant wait line when open with poor management of that line by the business which has made the sidewalk in front of the business inaccessible, 3) she often finds drunk people passed out in front of the business, and 4) the applicant did no outreach to residents of her building; and

WHEREAS, consistent with these complaints, there were seventeen (17) 311 commercial noise complaints about the previous business within the past year, five (5) of which required a police response to correct; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to contract with a sound engineer for recommendations about installing soundproofing and has agreed to ensure that sound from its business is inaudible in the apartments adjacent to the business; and

WHEREAS, given the concerns expressed by neighboring resident but recognizing that this is a previously licensed location with a similar method of operation, Community Board 3 would support this application for a full on-premises liquor license with stipulations governing the method of operation of the business which includes ensuring that sound is inaudible in neighboring apartments; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 3 recommends the denial of the application for a full on-premises liquor license for The Monroe Group 29 LLC, with a proposed business name of Writing on the Wall, for the premises located at 244 East Houston Street, New York, New York, between Avenue A and Avenue B, unless the applicant agrees before the SLA to make as conditions of the license the following signed notarized stipulations that

- 1) it will operate as a tavern, with less than a full kitchen serving food during all hours of operation,
- 2) its hours of operation will be 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 A.M. all days,
- 3) it will not commercially operate any outdoor areas,
- 4) it will close any front or rear façade entrance doors at 10:00 P.M. every night or when amplified sound is playing and will otherwise have a closed fixed facade with no open doors or windows,
- 5) it will employ security guards all days, at least one (1) of which will be at the entrance outside,
- 6) it will install soundproofing consistent with the recommendations of a sound engineer and will work with neighboring building residents to ensure that sound and bass from the business will be inaudible in neighboring apartments,
- 7) it will play recorded music generally and may have DJs three (3) times per week, may charge a cover fee no more than twelve (12) times per year and may host private parties no more than twelve (12) times per year but will not have live music, promoted events or scheduled performances,
- 8) it will not apply for any alteration in its method of operation or for any physical alterations without first appearing before Community Board 3,
- 9) it may have "happy hours" to 8:00 P.M. each night,
- 10) it will not host pub crawls or party buses,
- 11) it will not have unlimited drink specials with food,
- 12) 12) it will ensure that any wait lines outside are against the façade of the building to allow pedestrians access to the sidewalk and will designate an employee to oversee patrons and noise on the sidewalk,
- 13) it will conspicuously post this stipulation form beside its liquor license inside of its business, and
- 14) it will provide a telephone number for residents to call with complaints and immediately address any resident complaints.

10. Cozy Cafe (Cozy Cafe Corp), 43 E 1st St (upgrade to op)
withdrawn

Items not heard at Committee

11. Boxcar Lounge (Oops of New York Inc), 168 Ave B (op/alt/move bar from left to right side and remove basement from license)

- administrative approval
- 12. Spectrum Catering and Concessions (Facility Concession Services Inc), 119-125 E 11th St (op/alt/reconfigure basement lounge)
administrative approval
- 13. Minnie's (Avir LLC), 29 Clinton St (op/corp change) (aka 168 Stanton St)
no vote necessary
- 14. Lalito (Winnies NYC LLC), 104 Bayard St (op/corp change)
no vote necessary
- 15. The Ground (Chinatown United Food Services LLC), 130 Madison St (wb)
administrative approval
- 16. I Love Panzerotti NY (I Love Panzerotti NY LLC), 130 St Marks Pl (wb)
administrative approval
- 17. KTMD Holdings LLC, 175 Orchard St (wb)
administrative approval
- 18. Prince Tea House (E Village Tea House Inc), 204 E 10th St (wb)
administrative approval
- 19. Nostro East Village (Romi Ripa LLC), 75 2nd Ave (wb)
withdrawn
- 20. Taste Cafe (Taste Collection LLC), 81-83 Rivington St (wb)
administrative approval
- 21. SushiLab (11th Street Sushi LLC), 320 E 11th St (wb)
administrative approval
- 22. Vote to adjourn
approved by committee

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

Landmarks Committee

meeting canceled

Land Use, Zoning, Public & Private Housing Committee

no meeting scheduled

Transportation, Public Safety, & Environment Committee

1. Approval of previous month's minutes
approved by committee
2. Update on the 14th Street Transit and Truck Priority Pilot Project. Informational presentation on the independent monitoring program for the pilot project.
no vote necessary
3. Informational presentation on 2020 United Airlines NYC Half marathon (Allen St / Pike St, from Canal to South St – same streets as previous year)
no vote necessary
4. Street co-naming request for Donald Suggs, SW corner of E 6th St & Ave B

VOTE: TITLE: Support "Donald Suggs Jr. Way" Co-Naming for Southwest Corner of E 6th St and Ave B

WHEREAS, Donald Suggs, Jr., a distinguished writer and activist, an African American, gay man, moved to his long-time residence of 526 E 6th St in 1990 and remained an important figure on the block until his untimely death in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Donald's work as a writer and senior editor at the now-closed Village Voice unearthed unique stories important to the LGBTQ community and to NYC culture at large, stories ignored by other media outlets at the time. He penned the first major article about the transgender Harlem ballroom scene in New York for the Village Voice. His writings from the Advocate to the New York Times and his activism, which began at Yale University, led to ground breaking discourse on black LGBTQ people around the world; and

WHEREAS, Donald was former board chairman for the public access cable network Manhattan Neighborhood Network (MNN). In 2001, he founded People Using Media to do Prevention, or the PUMP project, which taught young people from neighborhoods decimated by HIV how to produce HIV prevention videos to combat the spread of HIV within their communities. These young people went on to co-produce with Better World Advertising and Salt and Pepper Media HIV prevention videos for Harlemites airing on BET, LOGO, MTV, NY1 and VH1. Donald's bi-lingual HIV prevention work extended to Central and South America and included Latino and African immigrant communities in the

U.S. His work continues to be cited for changing the landscape of American HIV messaging campaigns; and

WHEREAS, A petition for co-naming the southwest corner of E 6 St and Ave B as "Donald Suggs Jr. Way" demonstrated substantial neighborhood awareness and support. The petition gathered 340 signatures from the blocks of E 6th St between Ave A and B and the block of Ave B between E 5th and 6th St, consisting of 315 residents and 27 owners/managers of business/institutions. The block has 410 residential units and 19 businesses, so the petition drive exceeded the 75% thresholds called for in the CB 3 Guidelines for Street Co-naming; and

WHEREAS, Donald Suggs Jr. meets the criterion in the CB 3 Guidelines for Street Co-naming titled "Accomplishment during lifetime:"

An individual who had demonstrated an extraordinary and consistent long-term commitment to benefit the community. The individual's accomplishments would not be considered if done in connection with the operation of a commercial enterprise. The individual must have been deceased for at least 2 years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that CB 3 Manhattan supports co-naming the southwest corner of E 6th St and Ave B as "Donald Suggs Jr. Way." This street co-naming would be a celebration of the progressive ideals, open mindedness and artistic life of the East Village, which Donald stood for, embodied and loved.

Bus Stop Application

5. Bus Stop Application: LX Transportation LLC (on Canal St, from Orchard St to Allen St; In front of 59 Canal St) Destination: Columbus, Ohio

VOTE: TITLE: Deny a Curbside Bus Stop for LX Transportation LLC at 59 Canal St

WHEREAS, LX Transportation LLC has applied for a designated bus stop for curb-side loading/unloading operations located in front of 59 Canal St, between Orchard and Allen St. The buses will operate under the LX Transportation brand name, providing service between New York and Columbus, OH with 1 departure per week – at 11:00 pm on Thursday. The applicant stated his intention to expand operations to a few nights per week if business is successful. Express Bus would be approved for only one bus at a time loading/unloading; and

WHEREAS, This location at 59 Canal Street is an existing curbside bus stop that would be shared with two other permitted bus operators: Virginia Seagull Travel with four arrivals/departures daily, and Z&D Tours with three arrivals/departures daily. If LX Transportation is approved, there would be up to a combined 7 arrivals/8 departures at this location. Directly around the corner, there is another curbside bus stop at 32 Allen Street with at least a combined 15 arrivals/departures daily, shared by at least two other bus operators: Eastern Coach with 14 arrivals/departures daily, and No. 1 Bus Tour with one arrival/departure daily; and

WHEREAS, The number of bus operations on this stretch of Canal Street – a small local street with a single moving lane in each direction – has surpassed the saturation point because of the other permitted curbside bus stops in the immediate area as well as numerous unpermitted buses using these stops. This has contributed to unsafe streets and has caused negative impacts on the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, the Community Board 3 District Office receives complaints regularly about issues concerning the Canal Street corridor and the proliferation of permitted and unpermitted bus operators in the immediate area. The following issues were discussed at the Community Board 3 Transportation Committee meeting:

- Noise - buses are noisy and crowds of riders are disruptive through conversations and confrontations with pedestrians;
- Sanitation Issues - Garbage is left in the streets and riders use the street and parks as bathrooms;
- Security Concerns - Riders commonly enter residences' vestibules for protection from the elements;
- Vehicle Congestion - Riders use ride shares and private cars to arrive and leave the designated bus stop; and
- Respect for Community - LX Transportation was not communicating appropriately with the CB 3 office in advance of its application review, resulting in the community thinking that the application would come up as an agenda item at two monthly meetings. The office had to cancel the agenda item shortly before the December 2019 committee meeting, leaving very little time for the

community to learn of the agenda change and modify their plans to attend. The applicant did confirm three hours before the January 2020 committee meeting after receiving the invitation on December 18, 2019, but only after repeated attempts to confirm his presence that were ignored. The applicant admitted that this is because this stop is a "sidebar" business to test this new location. This disrespectful behavior resulted in many hours spent by CB 3 staff and portends poor future relations with the community by LX Transportation; and

WHEREAS, CB 3 is concerned that LX Transportation would not agree to provide a storefront for the use of customers, so they may wait to board their bus and use the restroom facilities. This will inevitably cause crowds of passengers jockeying for position on the sidewalk, which will create nuisance, safety and sanitation issues; and now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that CB 3 Manhattan objects to issuing another permit at the 59 Canal Street location, and recommends that DOT should not issue a permit for LX Transportation LLC to operate their bus service at a designated curbside bus stop located in front of 59 Canal St.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that CB 3 Manhattan encourages LX Transportation LLC to identify a storefront for the use of customers, so they may wait to board their bus and use the restroom facilities. If LX Transportation is unable to lease a full storefront, they should attempt to negotiate an agreement to share facilities with another business near the bus stop.

- 6. Vote to adjourn
approved by committee

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED (excluding Transportation item 5)
40 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 1 PNV MOTION PASSED (Transportation item 5)

Economic Development Committee

- 1. Approval of previous month's minutes
approved by committee
- 2. Finalize Special Enhanced Commercial Districts Proposal (2nd Ave & 1st Ave; Aves A, B, C, D; E 14th St, E 13th St, E Houston St)
no vote necessary
- 3. Vote to adjourn
approved by committee

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

Vote to adjourn

41 YES 0 NO 0 ABS 0 PNV MOTION PASSED

Members Present at Last Vote:

David Adams	[A]	Herman Hewitt	[P]	Michael Perles	[P]
Yaron Altman	[P]	Trever Holland	[P]	Paul Rangel	[P]
Jesse Beck	[P]	Linda Jones	[A]	Carolyn Ratcliffe	[P]
Dominic Berg	[A]	Vaylateena Jones	[P]	Damaris Reyes	[P]
Lee Berman	[P]	Tatiana Jorio	[P]	Richard Ropiak	[P]
Lisa Burriss	[A]	Meghan Joye	[P]	Thomas Rosa	[P]
Karlin Chan	[P]	Lisa Kaplan	[P]	Robin Schatell	[P]
Jonathan Chu	[P]	Olympia Kazi	[P]	Heidi Schmidt	[P]
David Crane	[P]	Joseph Kerns	[P]	Laryssa Shainberg	[P]
Felicia Cruickshank	[P]	Michelle Koppersmith	[P]	Clint Smeltzer	[P]
Paul DeRienzo	[P]	Mae Lee	[P]	Anisha Steephen	[P]
Eric Diaz	[P]	Alysha Lewis-Coleman	[P]	Sandra Strother	[P]
Alistair Economakis	[P]	Ellen Luo	[P]	Josephine Velez	[P]
Shirley Fennessey	[A]	Michael Marino	[A]	Rodney Washington	[P]
Ryan Gilliam	[P]	Alexandra Militano	[P]	Kathleen Webster	[P]
Debra Glass	[P]	Nancy Ortiz	[A]	Jacky Wong	[P]

Meeting Adjourned