

**COMMUNITY BOARD 9M
16-18 OLD BROADWAY
NEW YORK CITY, NY 10027
MAY 2022 EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: May 12, 2022

Time: 6:30

Place: Via Zoom and telephone

It was requested that Victor and Carolyn be forgiven and that it be included in the minutes

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order by Chair BW at 6:44.

CT/MHC: to approve the agenda with added resos. – UNAM

CT/JA: to adopt the minutes with any subsequent emendations – UNAM [TK abstain]

There were no presentations.

Reports

Chair Report: BW

We need all the chairs to testify at the budget hearings about everything we care about.

Any changes from HDFC/TIL should not burden tenants with debt

Covid continues to spread

We are moving to a new office—it IS happening

New CB appointments to come.

A judge in Bath NY threw out the new Senate and Assembly boundaries. This may move the primaries to August.

MHC wondered why the lines were drawn in uncertain ways

Treasurer Report in packet

E Prince: DM Report

Provided written report

Rally for Planned Parenthood on Sat at Union Square

Also nyc.gov/housing for all

Committee Reports

Health/Environment: LH

See committee minutes detailing mental health and the community

LTR Supt for potential candidate – see action items

Parks/Landmarks: HJ and JT

Had a mtg with no quorum

See committee minutes for discussion details

Arts & Culture: DH

See committee minutes detailing Arts & Culture

Harlem Stages: partner with Education Committee?

Michael Palma, CB9 member, Director West Harlem Arts Alliance, palmamir@gmail.com

Michael Unthank, Director West Harlem Arts Alliance, mkunthank@gmail.com

Continuity, non-profit status; Organization is now non-profit status 501-C3. They are establishing their three-year programming objectives; V. Benitez, M. Unthank, and himself have assembled a list of potential board directors and in the next week send out the invitation letters to the list of people

—Need to discuss about web-site, what are rules in new digital world?

—Talk with them about India artists to get info out to them on every level

—NOMA, please visit website nova.nyc.org; 6/1 6-8:30pm Annual Uptown Arts Stroll; several arts contests;

—Women in Arts exhibition 176th St

Dale Dobson, Maysles Documentary Center, 917-856-6473, dale@maysles.org

—Documentary workshops, classes; film screenings; help with digitizing, get people involved so memories can be digitized

—6/14 Children's Arts Festival

—New Biz: Harlem Arts Festival; Gabe Morales, Liz, 8/3-21

Unif Svcs/Transportation: CT and PWJ

See committee minutes detailing US&T

CT Address parking on 146th St., blocking and parking in bus stop

Economic Development: JA and MD

See committee minutes detailing Econ Dev

MD Historic Recognition

—No bathroom at Piers. Used to go to Fairway, now Parks needs to step up

—Tasty Bread Building—support Econ dev?

—Restaurant between 125th & Tieman Place blocking Broadway with outdoor dining

Youth, Education/Libraries: SW and DMB

See committee minutes detailing YE&L

SW CB9 Partner with Riverbank State Park 1st Empowerment Fair: Internships, schools, jobs

—Students and young adults attended. Had good group young students, meeting very full

—Techrow fund

—Harlem Swing Dance—preserving Lindy Hop

—Barnard STEAM, program cohorts of teachers K-8; Funds + Support

—leave to teacher to use funds, teachers followed for 3 months also summer prog; ID trees, find species and age; how to improve Morningside Park? One student suggested glow-in-the-dark stairs

—Suggestions: because no rules how measure success? How about programming on Columbia Campus?

DMB teachers given \$5K for supplies and \$1K stipend. Paid voluntary training; do not have requirements for report back; 1st year, going into 2nd year

Senior Issues: AF

See committee minutes detailing SI

AF 5/3 meeting no quorum for 45 minutes into meeting

—Dances for Variable Population, info how to contact <https://www.dvpnyc.org>

Naomi Goldberg Hass—schedule, in-person classes/meetings are back

—Officer 30th Precinct presentation on Senior crime. Often by phone or internet; stories scary, people getting gift cards to ask for personal & financial info; overview of what's on the Internet, what not to open or click on; No gov't institution will contact you by phone

—Prof. Marie Carmel Garcon, Assist Prof of Nursing at CUMC; Homebound Care, help seniors who not mobile enough to visit doctor, running out of funds, bootstrapped program because of on-going need

Housing: SM & LW

See committee minutes detailing Arts & Culture

LW chaired 5/10, **SM** work travel

BW St. Luke's Church 141st St & Convent Ave, potential buyer diocese needs to approve; possible ed institution or school

—Brianna Stucky(?) & Veronica planning Redlining Then and Now walking tour of W Harlem and Panel. Ask CB9 attendance bturkey8@gmail.com (?)

— Other issues, Grant House reports

—Approach WHDC low interest loans for capital repairs HDFCs

Cannabis Task Force: MHC

See committee minutes detailing CTF

MHC 4/28 meeting

—Discuss updates re: pending Cannabis legalization, many events! MAF, MHC & DH attended

—Working on formalizing response to 35 pages of Cannabis of Office Management rules

—Quite a few legacy operators to share their experience, important so we can be better situated and strategize in response

—Issues include: Ownership requirements; Affordability of licenses; Access to capital; Concerns of safety

—Need some type of public forum so they are aware especially legacies; need to be mindful how we get this info out

—How we support and help people with this opportunity?

—Columbia came in April, and City College

—Need to hear from multiple perspectives so we can be in good position to respond; things are rolling out and dropping any moment we have to be prepared

—Maybe move to Sat meeting in June

DH—Medgar Evers asked me to moderate panel, showcase ed program for Cannabis, vendors, forums, all day

—Program in jeopardy 3rd admin has different vision, not allow access to \$

MHC—Same day as April memorial, 4/30

BW—Memorial for April, lovely services, beautiful weather, many people came, Sylvia Tyler

PWJ—Was good to see officials, MBP Levine, Rep Espaillat, fitting tribute to amazing woman

Strategic Planning Committee: VE

See committee minutes detailing SPC

VE—met in March, sent questions to Zead, received answers

—Q: In-kind what allotted? A: \$20M allotted, \$18M remains

—Columbia charges for many things, asked for list of charges for venues, and added security, techs, OT, etc.

—new Community Alexis Walters (?)

—Q: Affordable Housing Fund? A: \$10M left in AHF, \$2M lent to dev on 124th St for foundation of building

—Q: Grants Project? A: \$13M left to community grants; 83 organizations

—Other questions referred to Columbia

—Q: SYEP and Senior Programs? No answer yet except: trying to allow many to participate

—ARISE: no notification that those programs not available

—Ask DYCD explain why slots in CB9 132 and others far more

MD Soul Saving Station w/124th St after 6/25

—Gun buy back

PWJ—WHDC Board meeting on Wed. Amazing meeting, many on Committee attended

Action Items

For exact wording of the resos, see attachments

Reso re: Open Meetings Law regulations

BW—draft out with attendance requirements; what/how virtual attendance “extraordinary” including caregiving & medical vulnerability to covid; reasons for virtual attendance to be recorded in minutes; **MBP** office—cameras on continually; if further disaster, then virtual meeting; How much public notice for meeting?

EP—7-10 business days; **BW** best to dot I’s before 6/8; still figuring this out; default is in-person; chairs of committees make sure people are there for quorum

LQH moved; **VE** seconded; **PWJ** that they be passed by Unam consent to bring to full Board UNAM

Reso re: DF RBSP Community Gardeners

HJ provided history

AF, MD, BW, DH, etc. contributed to discussion concerning proper procedure and community involvement

Not Passed 1-13

Reso re: Proposed Cannabis Regulations

MHC provided history

DH, CT, VE, etc. contributed to discussion concerning proper procedure and community involvement

DH unam? consent to bring to full Board UNAM

LOS re: Dr. Menaka Abeyewardene/City Prime Health

LQH provided history

DH, CT, VE, IP, BW, HJ etc. contributed to discussion concerning proper procedure

MHC unam? CT object UNAM

Passed 11-0-2

LOS re: 472 W 145th Street Proposed Railings and Gates

HJ provided history

AF, MD, BW, DH, etc. contributed to discussion concerning proper procedure and community involvement

Not Passed 1-13

Renewal of the Liquor License Application(s):

Greenwood Lake Group LLC, d/b/a At The Wallace, 3612 Broadway, NYC 10031;

AC Weirton LLC, d/b/a Uptown Bourbon, 3631 Broadway, NYC 10031

Given the lack of opposition from the 26 and 30th Precincts

MHC that they be passed by Unam consent to bring to full Board UNAM

New Liquor License Application(s):

Solo Nosotros LLC, d/b/a Billiards Juice Bar & Café 9.9, 3420-3428 Broadway, Store 1&2, NYC 10031;

Presto Fresh Mexican Grill Corp, 429 West 125th Street, NYC 10027;

Dado’s Pizza LLC, 341 St. Nicholas Avenue, NYC 10027;

Given the lack of opposition from the 26 and 30th Precincts

DH that it be passed by Unam consent to bring to full Board UNAM with HJ abstaining

OLD BUSINESS

PWJ Committee for 125th Street #1 IRT elevator lobby will meet May 23 for updates

NEW BUSINESS

None

There being no further business **BW** motion to adjourn?

CT/MHC to adjourn [at 9:48]

Respectfully submitted

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