



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
COMMUNITY BOARD 9
MANHATTAN**

Morningside Heights
Manhattanville
Hamilton Heights
Sugar Hill

GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 16th, 2025

6:30 P.M. at The Lee C. Bollinger Forum at Columbia University

I. Call to Order

- Roll Call Attendance/Sign-in Sheet taken by 1st Vice Chair, M. Hardin-Cordero & District Manager, Eutha Prince
- The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm by 1st Vice Chair M. Hardin-Cordero

II. Adopt Agenda

- Motion made by M. Sarci re: Letter of Support for NYC Ballot Measures
- Motion to adopt the agenda made by W. Alexander. Seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- The meeting agenda has been adopted by all members present.

III. Adopt Minutes (from 9/18/2025 meeting)

- Motion to adopt the minutes made by D. McIntosh-Brown. Seconded by W. Alexander
- The meeting minutes from 9/18/2025 have been adopted by all members present.

IV. Presentation/Update/Discussion:

- Presentation on: Automatic Public Toilet (APT) – NYC DOT is proposing installation of an APT on 12th Avenue near St. Clair Pl. Installation would occur through NYC DOT's Coordinated Street Furniture Franchise (CSFF); given by, Rachel Frumin, Director of Concessions and Franchises-DOT; and Lyle Blackwood, Manhattan Borough Planner-DOT
 - Presentation slides shared in person
 - For more information visit:
<https://www.nycstreetdesign.info/furniture/automatic-public-toilet-apt>
- Continued Discussion on: 1727 Amsterdam Avenue Proposed Project: Nine-story, mixed-use building with approximately 200 dwelling units for senior, senior supportive, supportive, and low-income households, plus one super's unit and replacement community facility space for the Emma L. Bowen Community Service Center to be developed under HPD's Supportive Housing Loan Program (SHLP); given by, Joy Resor, Deputy Director, Manhattan Planning - HPD
 - Presentation slides shared in person.
 - Questions and Feedback until 11/15/2025
 - Funding sources - Low Income Tax Credits (Federal), State funds - will send list of sources to CB
 - No parking will be made available on the site

V. Reports:

1. Chair.....Hon. Victor Edwards
 - The report is included in the distributed meeting packet
 - Chair unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a previous commitment
 - New appointments - Marquis Bell is now Co-Chair on LPP Committee; Dejon Delpino is now Co-Chair on Strategic Planning Committee
 - Attended - Street Co-Naming of Sen.Bill Perkins
 - Attended - Open the Gates Rally at Columbia University
 - Will organize an opportunity for a Community Board Group Photo
2. Treasurer.....Hon. Deirdre McIntosh-Brown
 - The report is included in the distributed meeting packet
 - Open Public Town Hall Budget Hearing on Wed 10/29 at 6:30 PM at CB9 Offices
 - Discussing district top priorities
3. District Manager.....Ms. Eutha Prince
 - The report is included in the distributed meeting packet
 - Sen. Cleare - hosting breast cancer awareness month on 10/18 1-4 PM, see flyer
 - DA Office's March on Domestic Violence on 10/25, see flyer
 - Family History Workshop on 11/1 1-3 PM, see flyer
 - Voter Registration Forms are available on the table
 - Early NYC Voting begins on October 25th, 2025
4. WHDC.....Hon. Patricia Watler-Johnson
 - The report is included in the distributed meeting packet
 - WHDC Board met on 9/20/2025
 - Approved \$1.4 million in grants to 102 organizations
 - <https://westharlemdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/2025-CBG-RECIPIENTS-Oct-9-2025.pdf>
 - Next meeting on 11/1/2025
 - Invited Zead Ramadan and Judge Tingling to CB9 Executive Board Meeting
 - Sightseeing Boat Tour for Older Adults
 - WHDC continues to support West Harlem Arts Alliance (WHAA)
 - Supporting the initiative - Whilewearestillhere.org
 - WHDC honoring Bill Perkins
5. UMEZ..... Hon. Rev. Georgiette Morgan-Thomas
 - No update given at this time
6. MBPO.....Mr. Shawn Brannon, Community Liaison for CB9/CB10
 - <https://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/>
 - No update given at this time

VI. Public Session/Public Hearing:

1. Public Session – 3 minutes each Speaker

- Barry Weinberg, Public Member HLUZ & Former Chair of MCB9
 - Heritage Health does not have a place to go to if 1727 Amsterdam Avenue is demolished
 - Environmental Assessment Study should be done
 - Liquor License Opposition is not done frequently in our district
 - Thanking Sen. Cleare re: HHC Bill
- Isaac Sorrel - Hamilton Grange Library
 - New Library Manager
 - Social Work Intern started this week - assistance with accessing resources
 - Monday 10-6 or Friday 10-6 for appointments email - hgintern@nypl.org
 - Creative aging workshop for adults 50+
 - Temperature issues with the library
 - HVAC is very old and needs replacement
- Janelle Carter Bowman - George Bruce Library
 - Fitness Program in Community Room at 4:45 PM
 - Saturday 10/18 at 3PM - 3 dark comedies
 - Fall Fest - Friday 10/31 from 4-5 PM
- Alexander Abraham
 - Condemn any interference in Mayoral Election
 - MTA in desperate need of funding - businesses should continue to keep transportation infrastructure up
 - Safety Concerns re: 134th Street - CBG Auto Body Repair Shop blocking street/sidewalk
- Every Voice Choirs
 - Halloween Concert at Sakura Park at 4 PM on 10/26/2025
 - Register for free tickets on Everbrite
 - Looking for kids for youth choir , they meet on Saturdays from 3-4 PM
- Andres
 - 1963 decision to build new mental health facilities
 - Loss of healthcare in this district
 - Not many physicians accept Medicaid
 - Losing 1727 Amsterdam Ave will hurt our district
- Tiffany Khan
 - Voter Registration Deadlines coming up
 - Vote early
 - Nov. 4 is Election Day
 - No Kings Day on Sat 10/18 - 125th Street and Amsterdam Ave. from 1-230 PM
 - Right to peacefully protest
 - 1st Annual Young Entrepreneurs on Sat 11/1, see flyer
- Samantha Lowe, Director of Community Engagement - Councilman Saalam's Office
 - <https://council.nyc.gov/district-9/>
 - Emirill Williams - new staff member (Community Liaison)
 - Public Safety Walks
 - Holiday events at District Office
 - Phone: 212-678-4505 Email: slowe@council.nyc.gov
 - In the NYS Building on the 2nd Floor
- Jaime Perez - AM Lasher's Office
 - Westside Campaign Against Hunger

- <https://www.wscah.org/>
 - Donations for JCC Harlem
 - <https://www.mmjccm.org/event/fall-clothing-drive>
 - Sign-Up for Newsletters
 - <https://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/Micah-C-Lasher/enews/>
 - Assemblyman's Office at 245 west 104th Street ; 2128663970 (office)
- Ian Boldiston - Councilman Abreu's Office
 - <https://council.nyc.gov/district-7/>
 - Contact 212-928-9614
 - Contact email: iboldiston@council.nyc.gov
 - New Bill to prevent ICE at NYC DOC property
 - Participation Budgeting - collecting ideas
 - 10/30 - HPD will be in the office with any housing related issues
 - Office on 141st Amsterdam
- Lucas Pasquina - State Senator Cleare's Office
 - Job Fair at NYS Office Building
 - Open Gates Rally at Columbia
 - Rent Stabilized Units owned by Columbia - lottery for CB9 residents
 - Malcolm X Plaza by 110th Street by 2/3 Subway line
 - Breast Cancer Event on 10/18/2025, see flyer
 - Contact for more information : 212-222-7315; pasquina@nysenate.gov

VIII. Action Items:

1. LOS re: Automatic Public Toilet (APT)

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
- Supported by UST Committee
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- Letter of support passes, there were no stated objections

2. LOS re: St. Nicholas Park - 136th Street Staircase Renovation

- Presented by V. Savage
- Supported by LPP Committee
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- Letter of support passes, there were no stated objections

3. Ltr. of Opposition re: New Liquor License Application for Patrick's On The Hill Address: 1627–1635 Amsterdam Avenue, New York, NY 10031

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
- Supported by UST Committee
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- Letter of support passes, there were no stated objections

4. LOS re: Street Co-Naming: Morningside Avenue between West 123rd Street and West 124th Street “Mohamed Bah Street”

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
- Supported by UST Committee
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. Hardeman
- Letter of support passes, there were no stated objections

Renewal Liquor License Applications:

5. Bird in Hand NYC - 3569 Broadway (W. 146th Street)

6. El Porton Bar & Restaurant - 3151 Broadway (btw W. 124th & W. 125th)

7. Kanu Bar & Grill - 3628 Broadway (W. 149th Street)

8. La Botanera de Acapulco - 540 West 145th Street (btw Broadway & Amsterdam)

9. Lux Bar & Grill - 3480 Broadway (W. 142nd Street)

10. Panda Restaurant & Lounge - 2331 12th Avenue (W. 133rd Street)

11. Parlay Cafe - 1780 Amsterdam Avenue (W. 148th Street)

12. Jin Ramen - 3138 Broadway (W. 125th Street)

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
 - Supported by UST Committee
 - No objection(s) from NYPD 26th and 30th Precincts
 - Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
 - Liquor License Renewal applications #5-12 passed , there were no stated objections.
- Abstentions: P. Caldwell, H. Jason

Class Change or Alteration Application(s):

13. Loui Amsterdam aka Captain Loui Broadway Seafood Boil - 3147 Broadway (corner of La Salle Street)

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
- Supported by UST Committee
- No objection(s) from NYPD 26th Precinct
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- Class change/alteration application #13 is approved with no objections

Sidewalk Cafe Applications:

14. 1274 Amsterdam Avenue aka Maz Soha (W. 123rd Street)

15. Fumo Restaurant - 1600 Amsterdam Avenue (W. 139th Street)

16. At the Wallace - 3612 Broadway (W. 149th Street)

17. Bus Stop Diner - 3341 Broadway (W. 135th Street)

18. The Chick Inn aka The Inn by Fumo - 3508 Broadway (W. 143rd Street)

19. Bono Trattoria - 3658 Broadway (btw W. 151st and W. 152nd Street)

- Presented by S. Prophete / A. Adams
- Supported by UST Committee
- No objection(s) from NYPD 26th and 30th Precincts
- Motion for Unanimous Consent made by W. Alexander, seconded by D. McIntosh-Brown
- Sidewalk Cafe Applications #14-19 is approved with no objections

IX. Old Business

- None brought up at this time.

X. New Business

- None brought up at this time.

XI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn made by J. Martin-Green and seconded by W. Alexander
- The meeting was adjourned by 1st Vice Chair M. Hardin-Cordero at 9:11 PM.

Please note: The next General Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20th, 2025

Respectfully submitted by Solomon Prophete (Secretary MCB9)