



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

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### **Chair's Report – November 2025**

#### **1727 Amsterdam Ave.**

During the past month, several meetings have been held regarding the demolition and conversion of the 1727 Amsterdam Ave. site. CB9's Housing, Land Use and Zoning (HLUZ) committee had a large turnout for their monthly meeting on November 6. Several area residents expressed their concerns regarding the over-saturation of supportive facilities within a 10-block radius of the proposed 1727 Amsterdam Ave. redevelopment site. HLUZ Co-Chairs David Ratner and Metin Sarci noted residents' opinions as they finalized the committee's resolution for the upcoming Executive Board meeting.

#### **Strategic Planning Task Force**

This session's first meeting of the Strategic Planning Task Force (SPTF) was held on October 21. Newly appointed Co-Chairs Dejon Delpino and Chris Johnson, reviewed their goals for the committee. I also reviewed some of the areas of the West Harlem Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) that I would like the committee to examine, including the selection of area students for scholarships to Columbia University, assistance to local businesses through the C.U. Business School, and continued support from the CU Health Professionals to our community.

#### **NYC Community Planning Fellowship**

Community Board 9 was selected as one of the NYC Community Boards to be granted a Fellow from the Fund for the City of New York. The chosen proposal will focus on assessing CB9's housing stock and its affordability, the density of supportive facilities in the district, and conducting a survey of available mental health resources in the district. This project will span CB9's Health and Environment Committee, as well as CB9's Housing, Land Use, and Zoning Committee. The direct report of the fellow will be Cameron Clarke.

#### **CB9 Newsletter**

The CB9 Newsletter, which has been dormant for the past year, is being reactivated. Under the direction of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Monique Hardin-Cordero, Kristina Maria Lopez, and Marquis Bell, news of various CB9 and community activities will be documented and shared with our community.

#### **Food Pantries**

CB9 will keep District residents updated on active food pantries in our area. These listings will be forwarded on our e-blast, shared with various housing complexes in the district, and posted in the CB office windows.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Victor Edwards*