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Economic Development Committee Minutes
Tuesday, December 14th, 2010 – 7:00 PM
Community Board 11 Office
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Present: Laura Benitez, Diane Collier, Judith Febbraro, Amie Kyros-Petrucci, Hilda (Candy) Vives-Vazquez, Israel Miranda, Antonio Rivera, Xavier Santiago, Hally Chu, Tatiana Orlov, and Tasha Williams

Excused: Cesar Ortiz, Robert Rodriguez

Absent: Chester Asher, Frank Brija, Jonathan Carrillo, Edward Santos, Jose Altamirano, Roberto Ayala, Erik Mayor, Koyi Mchunu, Celia Ramirez

Guests: Tom Lunke and Nina Saxon

Meeting called to order by Chair Xavier Santiago at 7:25 PM

1. Presentations and Discussions

a. Jobs Fair Update

Mr. Rivera along with Jose Garza from East Harlem Business Capital Corporation met with Metropolitan Hospital. They have booked Draper Hall for April 7th, 2011 and the next steps will include coordinating vendors and sponsors.

b. East 125th Street Development

Mr. Santiago had several conversations with Michael Kramer who is coordinating and representing the vendors of local business at the East 125th Street Development area. A letter requesting the developers of the project present to both the Economic Development Committee and the City and Land Use Committee will be sent. Several items, which will be requested for an update, will include the "Points of Agreement" and its status, contracts that are being offered to vendors and inclusion of existing businesses.

c. Market Mile – Tom Lunke, Harlem CDC

Tom Lunke presented the La Marqueta Mile Concept to the committee, whereby he requested a letter of support. Several members had questions regarding the project, including but not limited to community outreach, local business impact and integration. However, as the project is in the conceptual stage and many of these concerns could not be addressed, a proposal for a letter of support for a feasibility study was offered but with the caveat that it must include community outreach and impacts (see below for Action Item language).

2. Old Business/New Business

Ms. Vives-Vazquez presented an e-mail that concerned the economic impact of violence in our community. The James Garcia shooting incident at 112th Street and 2nd Avenue was the event in question. As there can be a direct correlation to violence and economic prosperity, the committee is referring the e-mail to the Public Safety and Transportation Committee for action.

3. Announcements

4. Action Items

- a. **Letter of support for a feasibility study for the La Marqueta Mile concept that will include a concrete community outreach component that includes both residents and businesses. Israel Miranda made motion to approve, Seconded by Candy Vives-Vasquez. Judith Febbraro Abstained. Approved by committee.**

5. Adjournment

Antonio Rivera made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Judith Febbraro and approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Minutes prepared by Xavier Santiago and George Sarkissian