Environment, Open Space, & Parks Committee
Thursday, September 5, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
Board Office

*** MINUTES ***

Present: Jessica Elliott, David Giordano, Jada Heredia, Nilsa Orama (ex officio), Frances Mastrota, Malik McCullough, Jeffrey Monteiro, Jessica Morris, Russel Shuler, Ryan Sheffield (Chair), Carly Wine (staff)

Absent: none

Excused: Diane Collier

Guests: John Doherty, Mitchell Giurgola; Mary Caraccioli, Central Park Conservancy; David Salerno, RIPA; John Riddick, Central Park Conservancy Consultant; Susan Rodriguez, Architect; Shena Kaufman, NYC Parks; Omar Hoyos, Consultant; Lia Soorenian, NYC Parks; Lane Addonizio, Central Park Conservancy; Chris Nolan, Central Park Conservancy; Janine Douglas, NYC Parks; Noel Byfield, NYC Parks; Ivy Hume, Foster + Partner Architects

1. Call to Order– Adoption of the Agenda

The meeting was called to order by committee member Frances Mastrota at 6:42 pm

2. Announcements

   a) Ryan Sheffield announced the MBPO meeting re: the Monumental Women project which seeks to place 3x statues of New Yorkers Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B Anthony and Sojourner Truth statues in Central Park.

3. Informational updates (20 mins)

   a. Randall’s Island Park Alliance
      i. Update provided on ongoing outreach and activities.

   b. NYC Parks
      i. Updates provided on ongoing outreach, activities and projects.
4. Presentations & Discussions

a. Presentation by Central Park Conservancy of the Harlem Meer Project, AKA Re-Envisioning Lasker Pool & Rink (30 mins)
   i. Lane Addonizio, Central Park Conservancy and team presented an hour-long presentation on the history and future development of the Lasker Pool and Rink. This is anticipated to be a three year project beginning in 2021. The committee will send the organization any final questions/concerns and will vote on a LoS at October’s committee meeting.

b. Committee discussion on FY 2021 Statement of District Needs and Budget Requests
   i. The committee will submit SDN and Budget Request updates for finalization by the October Committee meeting.

5. New Business

6. Old Business

7. Adjournment

   Meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 8:31pm.