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Nilsa Orama
Chair

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Executive Committee Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2019, 6:30 p.m. Board Office

***** MINUTES *****

- Present:** Jose Altamirano, Adem Brija, Melanee Farrah, Judith Febbraro, Marissa Mack, Mahfuzur Rahman, Xavier Santiago, Jason Villaneuva, Steven Villanueva, Candy Vives-Vasquez, Angel Mescaín (staff)
- Absent:** Adem Brija, Elsie Encarnacion, David Giordano, Jeremiah Schlotman, Ryan Sheffield
- Guests:** Leonard Fusco, GF55, Jonathan Cruz, MDG, Derek Gaskill, Ascendant, Michael Rooney Jr., MDG, A.L. Hua, Ascendant, Eric Parsons, Ysabel Abreu, MBPO, Diane Malika Moomun Pinkston, Malika's Keepers, Veanda Simmons, HPD, Liz Simmons, HNBA

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Nilsa Orama at 6:45 pm.
Quorum was achieved at 7:10 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Candy Vives-Vasquez and seconded by Xavier Santiago and passed.

3. Discussions & Presentations

a. Informational presentation regarding NCP Development sites

i. NYC Department of Housing Preservation & Development

- A presentation was made regarding the NCP Development Sites "La Raices" Project. The "La Raices East Harlem" Project will consist of four new construction buildings across four scatter sites throughout East Harlem. The project will create 83 units of new affordable housing and will include community facility rental space. 21 of the units will be permanently affordable; 9 units will be for homeless/formerly homeless. 9% of the project will be funded with LIHTC tax credits. Ascendant, working with HPD, MDG, GF55 and Forsyth Street are looking to break ground in 2021.

b. Committee discussion on Fiscal Year 2021 Statement of District Needs & Budget Requests

- Jason Villanueva-Chair Budget Committee congratulated all the committees for their work on the Statement of District Needs and Budget documents. He mentioned that the current documents reflected the hard work done and it was pretty much completed but if there was anything that needed to be added, to please contact him

c. Committee Chair Reports

- Steven Villanueva-Landuse Chair mentioned that they had a brief agenda and the committee focused on the Statement of District Needs and Budget requests. He mentioned that an update on the Points of Agreement sites was given by George Janes.
- Judith Febbraro-Vice Chair-Licenses and Permits mentioned that the Prime One application will be discussed in new business due to not having all the documents at their meeting.
- Xavier Santiago-Vice Chair CB11 gave the Housing Committee report due to the absence of Jeremiah Schlotman-Chair. He mentioned that Henry Flores chaired the meeting and went over the Statement of District Needs and Budget requests. He also mentioned that the Housing forum that had been planned, was temporarily on hold due to the lack of availability of certain panelists.
- No representative from Youth and Education but committee member Jason Villanueva mentioned that the committee had spoken about needs assessment.
- Marissa Mack mentioned the HDFC CO-OP board event being sponsored by CB 11 and others.
- Jose Altamirano-Public Safety mentioned that a presentation about school safety measures at 109th Street was given to the committee. He also mentioned that there was questions regarding the removal of the bike rack near 7 Eleven by Citibike.
- Mahfuzur Rahman- Human Services committee reported that the committee among other things, discussed the need for more personnel in regards to discarded needle collection.
- Jason Villanueva-Budget Committee again thanked all the Chairs for their work. Candy Vives-Vasquez brought up the fact that specific funding should be requested for supportive services for those suffering from Autism or on the autistic spectrum. Jason will include autism in the request for additional funding for mental health services. Jason also mentioned that the Executive Committee should have the “East Harlem Points of Agreement” and the tracking of when completed as a standing agenda item.
- Melanee Farrah-Chair-Economic Development and Culture mentioned that Union Settlement presented on the Neighborhood 360 program and activities and informed the committee that it was the last year of the grant award. Melanee also mentioned that the committee discussed the Monumental Women Statue in Central Park and a resolution for support with some language changes. The committee had no additional feedback regarding the Statement of District Needs and Budget.
- Ryan Sheffield submitted his Parks report via email.

d. Review of draft agenda for upcoming Full Board

- Due to time constraints, full review of the agenda was tabled.

e. Discussion on removal of board members for attendance

- Due to time constraints, the discussion on removal of board members was tabled but Nilsa mentioned that the Executive Committee will take up a motion to remove a Board member due to attendance in the next meeting.

4. Old Business

- Nilsa mentioned that she will be assessing board members availability for the MTA task force. The Executive Committee originally was going to be working on this and while this is still a possibility, she wants to gauge who else may want to be part of a task force.

5. New Business

- a. Prime One 16 LLC. New application for full liquor license for a restaurant located at 2257 First Avenue, New York, NY 10029 (116th Street)

This item was denied by the committee because the applicant failed to submit required supporting documents. The applicant was advised to submit a new petition and a new completed stipulation form which reflects that the establishment will stop serving liquor at 2am.

- Due to the incompleteness of the application, a motion to deny the new application for the full liquor license for Prime One 116 LLC was made by Melanee Farrah and seconded by Jason Villanueva and passed.

6. Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn was made by Melanee Farrah and seconded by Steven Villanueva and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.