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Housing Committee December 4, 2018, 6:30 p.m. Board Office

*** AGENDA ***

Present: Henry Flores, John Green, Jean-Pierre Kamwa, Xavier Santiago, Jeremiah Schlotman (Chair), Shawn Smith

Excused: La Shawn Henry, Jason Wu

Absent: none

Guests: Lydia Guerrero-Barlow, East River Houses; Denilyn Arciaga; Theresa Richardson; Jessica Morris

1. Call to Order – Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Henry Flores, second by Jean-Pierre Kamwa, unanimously passed at 6:41pm.
2. Informational Updates: The committee did a recap of the forum that took place on 11/29 at the Museum of the City of New York. The committee then opened the floor to the public for comments. A member of the public suggested better advertisement of future community forums.
3. Presentations & Discussions
 - a. Support of buildings in the Tenant Interim Lease ("TIL") program: The committee began a conversation regarding how the committee can support buildings in the TIL program to ensure that the City is fulfilling its promises to tenants in the program. The committee will continue the conversation in January and discuss possible resolutions and other action to support TIL occupants, particularly in light of the scarcity of affordable homeownership.
 - b. Privatization of operations at New York City Housing Authority public housing: The committee discussed the Rental Assistance Demonstration ("RAD") program, under which NYCHA developments are being converted to project-based Section 8 buildings and responsibility for improvements and ongoing maintenance and operations will be given to private developers. The committee noted the need to remain vigilant to ensure

that RAD conversions do not lead to an erosion of public housing tenants' rights and that they deliver on promises to clear maintenance backlogs and provide efficient ongoing services. The committee also noted that the only reason that such public-private partnerships are being explored is because of the defunding of NYCHA over the years, which has created deferred maintenance and a ballooning deficit.

4. Old Business

- a. Continuing discussion East Harlem Rezoning Points of Agreement (10 mins)
- b. Continuing discussion on Capital and Expense Budget Requests (10 mins)

5. New Business

6. Announcements

7. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Henry Flores, second by Xavier Santiago, passed unanimously at 7:34pm.