Housing Committee
October 2, 2018, 6:30 p.m.
Board Office

*** Minutes ***

Present: Henry Flores, John Green, Xavier Santiago, Jeremiah Schlotman (Chair), Shawn Smith, Nilsa Orama (ex officio), Angel Mescain (staff)

Excused: La Shawn Henry, Jean-Pierre Kamwa, Jason Wu

Absent: none

Guests: Lydia Guererro, CVH; Sherrill Henry, HCCI; Micki Garcia, HCCI; Shaneah Taylor, NYAM; Kimber Bogarts, NYAM; Malcolm Punter, HCCI; Beverly McFarland, Taft Houses TA

1. Call to Order – Adoption of Agenda

   Motion to adopt agenda: John Green, seconded by Henry Flores and passed unanimously at 6:52pm

2. Informational Updates

   --The Taft Houses TA President updated the committee on ongoing conditions at Taft Houses that need to be addressed, especially lack of hot water without notice for lengthy periods of time.
   --the development director of Acacia Gardens will extend an invitation to the committee for a tour of the premises

3. Presentations & Discussions

   a. Completed residential project at 46-48 East 129th Street (15 mins)

      i. Harlem Congregations for Community Improvement, Inc.: Building contains ten units, and four units, which are HDFC cooperative apartments, are currently available for $108,000 for each unit. Each unit is three-bedroom, 1.5 baths, with washer and dryer with monthly maintenance of $1,291. Target is individuals at 80% to 120% of the Area Median Income (“AMI”). The application can currently be accessed at HDCI.org.
b. Discussion on support for efforts to address NYCHA lead and mold issues: The committee discussed drafting a resolution in support of NYCHA residents facing persistent lead and mold issues. Guest Beverly McFarland suggested collaboration with NYC Health and Hospitals to do mobile testing for lead poisoning. The committee also discussed collaboration with CB11’s Human Services Committee and Council Member Diana Ayala, who chairs the NYC Council’s Health Committee.

4. Old Business

   a. Continuing discussion on Capital and Expense Budget Requests (10 mins)

5. New Business

6. Announcements

   --On 11/29/18 from 5:30pm to 8:00pm, Cornet and CB11 will hold a forum at the City Museum of New York. An RSVP is required; attendance will be limited to 100 persons.

7. Adjournment

   Motion to adjourn by Xavier Santiago, seconded by Henry Flores and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.