Housing Committee
May 1, 2018, 6:00 p.m.
Community 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

Absent:    Emily Grajales, Jean-Pierre Kamwa

Guests:    Lydia Guererro; Loly Zabala; Lucy Block, ANHD

1. Call to Order – Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Xavier Santiago, second Henry Flores, unanimously passed at 6:07pm.

2. Informational Updates

3. Presentations & Discussions

   a. Presentation: Introduction to Displacement Alert Project District Reports (30 mins.)

      i. Lucy Block, Research & Policy Associate, Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development (ANHD): Lucy Block presented on the Displacement Alert Project (“DAP”) map, which has been updated monthly since January 2017. The map uses real time data and community districts as units and uses five risk factors to show where residential tenants may be facing significant displacement pressures and where affordable apartments are most threatened. The map identifies specific buildings and their risk level.

4. Old Business

   a. Continuing discussion East Harlem Rezoning Points of Agreement (10 mins): The committee discussed the importance of working with Land Use Committee to issue development proposals for the public sites identified in the Points of Agreement. HPD will soon begin community engagement with respect to development on the public sites.

   b. Continuing discussion on Capital and Expense Budget Requests (10 mins)
5. New Business

   a. Henry Flores has been appointed Housing Committee Vice Chair.

   b. Committee discussion on the need for strategic planning for the next 12 months to expand the reach and impact of the Housing Committee.

   c. Committee discussion on the importance of again reviewing the East Harlem Rezoning Points of Agreement with an eye toward linking with other organizations that are working on various items identified in the Points of Agreement.

6. Announcements

   a. Landlord Ambassadors Program - Councilmember Diana Ayala and MHANY Management Inc. will host a Property Owner Clinic on May 8, 2018, from 5:30-7:30pm at the Councilmember’s office located at 105 East 116 Street.

7. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Xavier Santiago, second John Green, passed unanimously at 7:15pm.