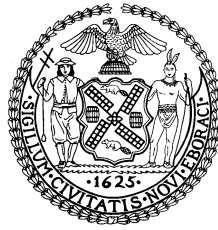


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FULL BOARD MEETING

Manhattan Park Theatre Club
8 River Road
Community Room
Wednesday, May 17, 2017
6:30PM

Community Board Members Present: Elizabeth Ashby, Gayle Baron, Matthew Bondy, Barbara Chocky, Sarah Chu, James Clynes, Susan Evans, A. Scott Falk, Edward Hartzog, David Helpern, Sophia James, Lorraine Johnson, Craig Lader, David Liston, Michael Mellamphy, David Menegon, Jane Parshall, Peter Patch, Sharon Pope, Rita Lee Popper, Margaret Price, David Rosenstein, Barbara Rudder, Abraham Salcedo, M. Barry Schneider, Tricia Shimamura, Sara Solomon, Cos Spagnoletti, Lynne Strong-Shinozaki, Marco Tamayo, Debra Teitelbaum, Carolina Tejo, Charles Warren

Community Board Members (Excused): Michele Birnbaum, Lori Ann Bores, Alida Camp, Daniel Dornbaum, Jacqueline Ludorf, Ellen Polivy, Nicholas Viest, Elaine Walsh

Community Board Members (Unexcused): Loraine Brown, Jeffrey Escobar, Katherine LaGuardia, Zoe Markowitz, Glen Pandolfino, Hattie Quarnstrom-Figueroa, William Sanchez

Total Attendance: 33

Chairman James G. Clynes called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

1. Public Session – Those who wish to speak during the Public Session must register to do so by 6:45 pm

- Member of the public, Greg Huchto, representing the New York Public Library, spoke on the library budget.
- Member of the public, Verasak Sangsiri, representing Thep Restaurant, spoke in favor of the sidewalk café.
- Member of the public, Leslie Lavechia, spoke on the Americans with Disabilities Act ramp at the East 82nd Street location.
- Member of the public, Shireen Braun, representing All Souls School, spoke on the block party at East 80th Street and Lexington Avenue. All Souls School is not for profit and the block party is open to the public.
- Member of the public, Judy Altman, representing 1 Gracie Terrace, spoke in opposition to the design and placement of the Americans with Disabilities ramp at East 82nd Street and East End Avenue.
- Member of the public, Liz Patrick, representing the East 72nd Street Neighborhood Association, spoke in opposition to the proposed newsstand at the East 82nd Street and Second Avenue south west corner which blocks the sight line of pedestrians in the crosswalk.
- Member of the public, representing 1 Gracie Terrace, spoke in opposition to the Americans with Disabilities ramp at the Esplanade on 82nd Street.
- Member of the public, Jordan Wouk, spoke in opposition to the snow melt system.
- Member of the public, Judith Berdy, representing the Roosevelt Island Historical Society spoke.
- Member of the public, Judith Buck, representing the Roosevelt Island Committee CB8 and the Roosevelt Island Community Coalition, spoke in favor of the ferry fares and one fare only.

2. **Adoption of the Agenda** – Agenda adopted.

3. **Adoption of the Minutes** – February 8, 2017 Land Use and February 15, 2017 Full Board meeting minutes adopted.

4. **Manhattan Borough President's Report**

Yissely Ortiz, a representative from Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer's office reported on her latest initiatives.

5. **Elected Officials' Reports**

Council Member Ben Kallos reported on his latest initiatives.

Shelby Garner, a representative from Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney's office, reported on her latest initiatives.

Mike Van Itallie, a representative from Senator Liz Krueger's office, reported on her latest initiatives.

Victoria Hinojosa, a representative from Assembly Member Dan Quart's office, reported on his latest initiatives.

Katarina Matic, a representative from Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright's office, reported on her latest initiatives.

Will Brightbill, a representative from Council Member Dan Garodnick's office reported on his latest initiatives.

Eric Holguin and Nina Saxon, representatives from Comptroller Scott Stringer's office, reported on his latest initiatives.

Jennifer Greer, a representative from Public Advocate Letitia James' office, reported on her latest initiatives.

6. **Chair's Report – Jim Clynes**

Jim Clynes gave his report. He announced that the new members will be appointed shortly. He asked that the board members especially the co-chairs of the committees that will need to be present at the New Board Member Orientation to give overviews of their committees keep June 14th open.

7. **Committee Reports and Action Items:**

a. **Street Life Committee – Abraham Salcedo, Chair**

1a. **1317 Restaurant Co LLC, dba Fratelli, 1317 1st Avenue (70th/71st) – Renewal Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 6 Tables and 13 Chairs. DCA # 2024381-DCA. Due 6/02/2017**

WHEREAS this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS there are no changes to the application; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls AND in particular to ensure its delivery personnel wear vests which indicate the restaurant name and delivery person ID number; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

1b. **PQ East 77th Inc, dba Le Pain Quotidien, 252 East 77th Street (2nd/3rd) – Renewal Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 11 Tables & 25 Chairs. DCA # 2021587-DCA. Due 6/02/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

2a. **Sushi Gama Corp, dba Sushi Gama, 1403 2nd Avenue (73rd/74th) – New Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 Tables & 18 Chairs. DCA # 5116-2017-ASWC. Due 5/29/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

2b. **East Side Burgers 1, LLC, dba Wahlburger's, 1633 2nd Avenue (84th/85th) – New Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 11 Tables & 22 Chairs. Application #4920-2017-ASWC. Due 5/27/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

2c. **Tumma Khakuen Inc., dba Thep Thai Restaurant, 1439 2nd Avenue (74th/75th) – New Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 19 Tables & 38 Chairs. Application #4699-2017-AWSC. Due 5/26/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

2d. **MNY Holdings Associates, LLC, dba Baker Street, 1152 1st Avenue (63rd/64th) – New Application for unclosed sidewalk café with 11 Tables & 28 Chairs. Application #7713-2016-ASWC. Due 6/08/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

2e. **Schaller Manufacturing Corp, dba Schaller & Weber, 1654 2nd Avenue (85th/86th) – New Application for unenclosed sidewalk café with 12 Tables and 24 Chairs. Application #5432-2017-ASWC. Due 6/08/2017**

WHEREAS this is a new application for a sidewalk cafe; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

4a. **B & E Pastries Inc., dba Budapest Café & Restaurant, 1631 2nd Avenue (84th/85th) – Corporate Change Application for Wine, Beer & Cider.**

WHEREAS this is an application for a corporate change; and

WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4b. **81 Street Chicken Corp., dba Chirping Chicken, 1560 2nd Avenue (80th/81st) - Alteration Application for Wine, Beer & Cider.**

WHEREAS this is an application for an alteration; and

WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and

WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and

WHEREAS the applicant agreed to the stipulation to remove the storm enclosure on 81st Street; and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4c. Maca Rest Corp, dba Firenze Restaurant, 1555 2nd Avenue (80th/81st) – Transfer Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider.

WHEREAS this is an application for a transfer; and
WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and
WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4d. BACON AND BAGELS LLC, dba n/a, 1496 2nd Avenue (77th/78th) – Transfer Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider

WHEREAS this is an application for a transfer; and
WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and
WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

4e. 60th Street LLC, dba The Jeffrey, 311 East 60th Street (1st/2nd) – Alteration Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider

WHEREAS this is an application for an alteration to add a service bar; and
WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and
WHEREAS there was concerns from the public about noise from the use of the rear yard; and
WHEREAS the applicant agree to the stipulation that there shall be no use of the rear yard until such time as the applicant can provide unequivocal confirmation from the Department of Buildings that use of the rear yard is legal (either by obtaining a new C of O which includes the rear yard, or a letter of no objection from the DOB or some equivalent); and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

5a. B & F Partners Inc., dba Yorkville Bagel & Café, 1821 2nd Avenue (94th/95th) – New Application for Wine, Beer & Cider.

WHEREAS this is an new application for wine, beer and cider; and
WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and
WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

5b. TJ Alvarez Corp, dba n/a, 1710 2nd Avenue (88th/89th) – New Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider.

WHEREAS this is an new application for liquor, wine, beer and cider; and
WHEREAS there are no other changes to the application; and
WHEREAS no one from the public objected; and
WHEREAS the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **APPROVED**, subject to the stipulations above.
Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

7a. SWC 2nd Avenue & East 72nd Street (260 East 72nd Street) - Application for a newsstand. Application #5108-2017-ANWS

WHEREAS this is a new application for a newsstand; and

WHEREAS members of the public expressed concern about the location and its proximity to the new 72nd Street 2nd Avenue subway station; and

WHEREAS some committee members expressed concern about the location of this proposed newsstand due to the recent addition of the new 2nd Avenue Subway station at 72nd Street; and

WHEREAS several committee members believed that notwithstanding the proximity to the subway station that there was sufficient clearance to allow for a newsstand; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the application is **DISAPPROVED**.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the recommendation by a vote of 28 in favor, 4 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.

b. Landmarks Committee – David Helpern and Jane Parshall, Co-Chairs

Re: 21 East 73rd Street (between 5th and Madison Avenues), Upper East Side Historic District - Caitlin Stewart, architect. Application is to re clad front elevation, to replace windows and window surrounds on front elevation, to replace front fence and to replace areaway and steps into areaway.

WHEREAS 21 East 73rd Street is a 5 story residence designed in the neo-Grec style by J. W. Marshall and constructed in 1871.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to replace the deteriorated stucco at the front elevation, including the now-stucco-clad columns and portico at the ground level entry, with limestone and to replace the existing one over one windows with in-kind wooden windows.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to replace the existing fence with a new more decorative wrought iron fence and gate that would mimic the design of the existing decorative wrought iron railing at the second floor; the height of the fence would not change.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to change the existing brick areaway and the brick steps down into the areaway from the sidewalk to bluestone.

WHEREAS the window surrounds at the 5th floor would be simplified; the window surrounds at the 4th floor would be modified, retaining some of the original detailing;

WHEREAS the decorative work at the top of the existing window surrounds at the 3 floor would be replaced with new limestone decorative pediments that would refer back to the original neo-Grec pediment design. The existing ornamental railing at the 3rd floor would be removed.

WHEREAS the changes at the front elevation are contextual and appropriate within the historic district.

WHEREAS the replacement of the window surrounds, the introduction of the neo-Grec style pediments at the third floor and the removal of the wrought iron railing at the 3rd floor present a more unified composition to the front elevation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is approved as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 32 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

Re: 753 Madison Avenue (65th/66th), Upper East Side Historic District - David Silverman, architect [Loffredo Brooks Architects], Application is for the renovation of the storefront façade.

WHEREAS 753 Madison Avenue is a red brick, modernist, post-World War II building, constructed in 1963;

WHEREAS the building's base has three retail spaces;

WHEREAS the south east corner store has a façade of black granite and glass;

WHEREAS this storefront is being demolished and replaced with a new storefront;

WHEREAS a new storefront was built on the northern store about a year and a half ago;

WHEREAS the new storefront for the south east corner store will have rusticated limestone piers with a rusticated limestone sign band and large display windows;

WHEREAS the underside of the new sign band will be raised to match the underside of the sign band on the northern store;

WHEREAS the overall height of the proposed sign band will match the height of the sign band on the northern store;

WHEREAS the piers are set back from the corner on Madison Avenue and on East 65th Street thereby framing the corner entrance;

WHEREAS the south eastern store has a glass corner entrance with a glass transom and two entrance doors, with each door abutting a pier;

WHEREAS the store in the middle is made of white panels and large glass areas but whose height and whose sign band are similar in proportion to the storefront being demolished;

WHEREAS the design intent is for the new storefront to relate to the northern storefront in anticipation of achieving a more ordered façade when the storefront for the middle store changes;

WHEREAS the limestone for the new storefront will be different from the limestone of the northern storefront;

WHEREAS the rusticated design of the new storefront will be different from the planar design of the northern storefront;

WHEREAS the vertical proportions of the new storefront will be the same as those of the northern storefront but the limestone will be similar but different;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this application is **DISAPPROVED** as presented

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 20 in favor 12 opposed 0 abstentions.

Re: 49 East 68th Street (between Park and Madison Avenues), Upper East Side Historic District - Jean-Gabriel Neokomm, architect. Application is for a rooftop mechanical addition and for window replacement at the rear yard.

WHEREAS 49 East 68th Street -- referred to as "Automation House" in the designation report -- was designed by Trowbridge and Livingston in the neo-Federal style and constructed in 1913-1914.

WHEREAS 49 East 68th Street is part of an outstanding group of neo-Federal townhouses which extend along the west side of Park Avenue, between 68th and 69th Streets.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to remove the existing painted blue elevator tower (23'6" high off the roof) and service catwalk, the existing stair bulkhead, and the existing guardrail.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes a new bulkhead -- lower than the bulkhead at the adjacent building.

WHEREAS proposed new bulkhead will include an interior stair and an elevator extension.

WHEREAS the proposed new stair bulkhead is 10'9" high; the elevator extension on top of the new stair bulkhead will present as a cube 5' high x 7' so that the overall height of the bulkhead is 15'9" -- approximately 6' lower than the bulkhead that is being removed.

WHEREAS the proposed new bulkhead is set back 29' from the front elevation and is very minimally visible from the public way at Park Avenue and 68th Street.

WHEREAS the proposed new bulkhead will be clad in limestone.

WHEREAS at the rear, there is an extension, part of the original house, with 2 east-facing windows and 3 east facing windows that have been infilled with brick.

WHEREAS the applicant proposes to replace this "hodge podge" of openings on the east elevation on the extension with 3 more regularized wooden windows: at the third floor, new glass doors to match the historic window profile and a new Juliette balcony; at the second floor, new glass doors to match the historic profile and a new Juliette balcony; at the ground floor, new glass doors to match the historic profile.

WHEREAS the three new openings will be approximately 9' high by 9' wide with wooden mullions; the removed window openings will have brick infill.

WHEREAS both the very minimally visible proposed new bulkhead, at a lower height than the bulkhead to be removed and the proposed new windows/French doors at the east facing elevation on the extension are sensitive to the historic fabric of the house and contextual within the historic district.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that this application is approved as presented

Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 32 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

c. Transportation Committee – A. Scott Falk and Charles S. Warren, Co-Chairs

Re: Continued discussion of “No Standing 7AM to 4PM School Days Teacher Parking” in front of the Kennedy Public School on the south side of East 88th Street between Lexington Avenue and Park Avenue

WHEREAS P.S. M169, Robert F. Kennedy School at 110 East 88 Street is a District 75 school serving more than 200 special-needs students, the majority of whom commute via 21 buses; and

WHEREAS there are no-standing and faculty parking zones in front of the school along the southern curb of East 88th Street east of Park Avenue, and along the northern curb across from the school are a Citi Bike station and some alternate side parking spaces; and

WHEREAS relocating the Citi Bike station can free up space for buses to park for loading and unloading students; and

WHEREAS P.S. M169 has four faculty parking placards and currently has four or five faculty parking spaces on the south curb of 88th Street; and

WHEREAS relocating the faculty parking can also help alleviate bus parking issues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8M asks NYC DOT to remove and relocate the Citi Bike Station currently situated on the north side of East 88th Street near the northeast corner of Park Avenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8M asks NYC DOT to simultaneously make the following changes to parking regulations on East 88th Street between Park and Lexington Avenues:

1. Change the parking regulations the first 100 feet east of Park Avenue on the northern curb to “No Standing 7AM-4PM School Days” to accommodate school buses;
2. Change the parking regulations the second 100 feet east of Park Avenue on the northern curb to “No Standing 7AM-4PM School Days Except Faculty Vehicles” to accommodate relocated teacher parking; and
3. Remove the existing Faculty parking zone along the southern curb, changing the regulations in that area as follows:
 - a. The easternmost portion of this zone should become two standard alternate side parking spaces (“No Parking 11AM-12:30PM Tues. & Fri.”);
 - b. Convert the remainder of the former Faculty parking spaces to “No Standing 7AM-4PM School Days” (to extend the existing bus parking in front of the school further east).

Manhattan Community Board 8 unanimously approved the resolution by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

Re: A request for a new Revocable Consent for a fenced-in area, stairs, steps at 14-16 East 67th Street.

PART 3-A, Stairs, Steps and Fenced-In Area:

WHEREAS petitioner seeks a Revocable Consent to construct, maintain, and use stairs, steps, and a fenced-in area at 14-16 East 67th Street (between Fifth and Madison Avenues); and

WHEREAS the application does not list a new tree pit as part of the Consent, but does incorporate the tree pit into the petition drawings;

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8M approves the portion of the Revocable Consent at 14-16 East 67th Street for the proposed Stairs, Steps, and Fenced-In Area as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 unanimously approved the resolution by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

Re: A request for a new Revocable Consent for the snowmelt system 14-16 East 67th Street.

PART 3-B, Snowmelt System:

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8M approves the portion of the Revocable Consent at 14-16 East 67th Street for the proposed Snowmelt System as presented.

Manhattan Community Board 8 TOOK NO POSITION on the resolution, the vote to approve failed 16 in favor, 14 opposed, 2 abstentions and 1 not voting for cause.

Re: A discussion of the Hampton Jitney pick-up-only stops at East 83rd Street & Lexington and East 85th & Lexington

WHEREAS Hampton Jitney is requesting a new pick-up-only stop for their South Fork line on Lexington Avenue between 85th & 86th Street; and

WHEREAS the South Fork route will originate north of Community Board 8, and not originate at this location; and

WHEREAS Hampton Jitney has agreed to amend their application to use a midblock boarding location, rather than sharing the NYCT stop at the northwest corner of 85th Street & Lexington Avenue;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8M approves the application for a new pick-up-only bus stop for the Hampton Jitney South Fork line to be located midblock on Lexington Avenue between East 85th & 86 Streets.

Manhattan Community Board 8 unanimously approved the resolution by a vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

d. Parks and Recreation Committee – Susan Evans and Margaret Price, Co-Chairs

RE: Reiterating the Request to Name the Swimming Pool at John Jay Park after Henry J. Stern John Jay Park

WHEREAS May 1st was the 82nd birthday of Henry J. Stern, former Manhattan Community Board 8 member and former Commissioner of NYC Department of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS Mr. Stern has been a lifelong advocate for public pools and swimming programs, such as the morning and evening community swims he labeled Early Bird and Night Owl; and

WHEREAS Mr. Stern annually celebrated the summer season in NYC parks with a 77-lap community swim on July 7 in Manhattan’s John Jay Park, located on East 77th Street within Community Board 8; and

WHEREAS CB8M believes that, although the Parks Dept. has declined CB8’s initial request to name John Jay Park’s pool after Mr. Stern, the Parks Dept. should reconsider its decision in light of Mr. Stern’s long and exceptional service to New Yorkers; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8-Manhattan reiterates its request that, as soon as possible, the swimming pool in John Jay Park be named the Henry Stern Agua Center. The designation would honor Mr. Stern’s many contributions to healthy outdoor recreation throughout New York City.

The full CB8M board voted to adopt the resolution by a vote of 27 in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstention.

e. Street Fair Committee – Barbara Chocky and Lorraine Johnson, Co-Chairs

1. Public Hearings re: Applications for Single –Block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2017

All Souls Church to close East 80th Street between Lexington and Third Avenues on June 1, 2017 from 12Noon to 7PM for a Block Party.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the application by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

1A. Local 46 Metallic Lathers Union to close East 76th Street between Lexington and Second Avenues on Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 9:00AM to 6PM for a Block Party.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the application by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

1B. Birch Wathen Lenox School to close East 77th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Friday September 15, 2017 from 9AM to 4:30PM for a Block Party.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the application by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

1C. Brearley School to close East 83rd Street between East End Avenue and FDR Drive, on Saturday, September 16, 2017, from 9AM to 4PM for a Block Party.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the application by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

1D. Birch Wathen Lenox School to close East 77th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Friday October 13 2017 from 9AM to 4:30PM for a Block Party.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved the application by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

2. A discussion on allowing the District Manager to approve religious ceremony applications without Board approval.

For many years the District Manager has approved applications for Street Closings for religious ceremonies. A member of the committee objected to this and asked that the item be placed on the agenda.

During the discussion one committee member stated that closings for religious ceremonies should be treated like any other application and there was no down side in doing this. Other members stated that these are usually only one lane closings and are always for a short time. Some Community Boards allow DM to approve all single block events. The Board has not received complaints relating to these events.

Resolved: Community Board 8 allows the District Manager to approve street closings for religious ceremonies that have previously been held, without any complaints.

Manhattan Community Board 8 approved this resolution by a unanimous vote of 33 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM.

James G. Clynes, Chairman