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**The City of New York  
Community Board 8 Manhattan  
Roosevelt Island Committee  
Monday, February 3, 2025 - 6:30 PM  
Conducted remotely on Zoom.**

**MINUTES:**

**Present:** Judith Berdy (Public Member), Paul Krikler, Sharon Pope-Marshall, James Starace (Public Member)

**Absent:** Barbara Rudder

**Approximate Number of Public Attendees:** 30

Paul Krikler welcomed all attendees to the meeting (1:30) and introduced Harley Neiditz from Assemblymember Seawright's office.

**Item 1 – AM Rebecca Seawright - Priority Boarding of the RI Tram for Residents and Workers**

AM Rebecca Seawright was unable to attend as planned. Harley Neiditz provided updates on the tram (3:35); upcoming installation of additional swing dampers will allow the tram to increase its speed. POMA Group will complete installation of the new RF system in Q3, and possibly sooner (previously Q4). He reiterated AM Seawright's office's support for priority boarding of the tram for NYC residents and continued pressure for clarity from the governor's office. Joyce Short (24:10) had asked AM Seawright if it's possible to get a resolution in the state assembly for priority boarding of the tram, and AM Seawright said she would look into it.

**Addition to Agenda - 3K Update**

Steven Wonnacott and Emmanuela Grinberg (5:50) described the need for additional 3K seats on Roosevelt Island, and the campaign parents/community members are running to advocate for 3K seats with elected officials. Paul suggested the organizers touch base with the CB8M Youth & Education Committee and also draft a one-sheet campaign document.

**Item 2 – RIOC Update**

Bryant Daniels, RIOC Director of Communications and Community Affairs, was unable to attend. Thus, there were no RIOC updates.

**Item 3 – Library Update**

Brandon Korosh, Managing Librarian of the NYPL RI Branch, was unable to attend. Thus, there were no Library updates.

**Item 4 – Community Updates**

Judy Berdy spoke on the Historical Society program at the library on Tuesday, February 18th at 6:30 PM. The guest is Joyce Gold, historian and public guide.

**Item 5 – Old Business**

No items of Old Business were discussed.

**Item 6– New Business**

No items of New Business were discussed.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned (26:15) at 6:56 PM.

**Paul Krikler, Chair, Roosevelt Island Committee**