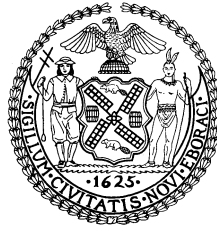


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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8
Street Fair Committee Meeting
Hunter College
695 Park Avenue
SW corner of 68th Street and Lexington Avenue
West Bldg., 3rd Flr. Glass Cafe
February 17, 2015
6:30 PM**

Minutes

Members Present: Barbara Chocky, Hedi White (Co-Chairs) Michele Birnbaum., Barry Schneider, Judy Schneider

1. Public Hearing re: Applications for Single-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2015

- A. East Sixties Neighborhood Association-East 60th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Sunday, August 9, 2015 from 12:00PM to 6:00PM for a Street Festival
Same format as in previous years. Community event, public welcome, same producer.
Motion to Approve: 2 -1-0 (2 Chocky, White, 1 Birnbaum) B Schneider and J Schneider 2 not voting for cause.
- B. China Institute to close East 65th Street between Park and Lexington Avenues on Sunday, February 22, 2015 from 11:00AM to 12Noon for a Block Party
This is part of a Chinese New Year celebration: Street is used for a special “line dance”. Balance of event is indoors. Public welcome. (This item has already been approved by SAPO).
Motion to Approve: 3-0-0
- C. (see also L below)
Central Park Precinct to close East 60th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 12Noon to 5:00PM for a Street Festival
This is first of two events (see F below) to raise funds for supporting CP Precinct and special projects and events held in the park. Same format as in previous years.
Whereas this is one of two festival applications to be held at the same location within Community Board 8 and,
Whereas this organization and these two events are in focused on Central Park, which is surrounded by several Community Board districts and
Whereas in prior years, CB8 has urged the applicant to locate this festival in one of the other CB districts bordering Central Park,
Therefore be it resolved that CB8 recommends approval of both applications for 2015 with the provision that future applications will not be considered for approval unless one of the two annual events is held in a neighboring district.
Motion approved: 5-0-0.
- D. Ronald McDonald House to close East 73rd Street between First and York Avenues on Saturday, May 16, 2015 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM for a Block Party
This event in its 20th year is a Walkathon fund raiser. Same format as in prior years
Motion approved: 5-0-0

- E. Accueil New York to close East 74th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues on Sunday, June 21, 2015 from 12Noon to 5:00PM for a Street Festival
Same format as in prior years. Event is a “friendship event” intended to promote areas of France and French culture.

Motion approved: 5-0-0

See E above

- F. Central Park Precinct to close East 60th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Sunday, November 15, 2015 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM for a Street Festival
Whereas this is the 2nd of two festivals to be held at same location within Community Board 8 and,
Whereas this organization and these two events are in focused on Central Park, which is surrounded by several Community Board districts and
Whereas in prior years, CB8 has urged the applicant to locate this festival in one of the other CB districts bordering Central Park,
Therefore be it resolved that CB8 recommends approval of both applications for 2015 with the provision that future applications will not be considered for approval unless one of the two annual events is held in a neighboring district.

Motion approved: 5-0-0.

- G. Church of the Holy Trinity to close East 88th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, May 2, 2015 from 10:00AM to 6:00PM for a Block Party
This event has been held more than 25 year. It is a fund raiser to support programs of the Church including its men’s shelter. Food and beverages provided by local pub, includes vendors and live music. Open to the public.

Motion approved: 5-0-0

- H. Friendship Circle Upper East Side to close East 77th Street between First and York Avenues on Sunday, May 17, 2015 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM for a Block Party
Applicant did not appear. Item laid over until March meeting.

- I. Brick Church to close East 92nd Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Sunday, May 17, 2015 from 12Noon to 3:00PM for a Block Party
Applicant did not appear. Item laid over until March meeting.

- J. Birch Wathen Lenox School to close East 77th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Friday, June 5, 2015 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM for a Block Festival
No change from prior year’s format. This event is an annual Spring Fair for the upper school. No food will be cooked. Same format as prior years.

Motion approved: 5-0-0

- K. Birch Wathen Lenox School to close East 77th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Monday, June 8, 2015 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM for a Block Festival
This event is a Spring Fair for the lower school. The activities are appropriate for younger children which is why this second, separate event is held. Open to public.
Applicant stated they would contact businesses on block regarding this second event which is three days after the upper school event.

Motion approved: 5-0-0

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- L. American Foundation for Hungarian Literature and Education to close East 82nd Street between Second and Third Avenues on Saturday, June 20, 2015 from 10:00AM to 8:00PM for a Block Festival. **This is a new application**
The purpose of this event is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this Hungarian community center, the only one in NYC. It will promote Hungarian crafts, food and culture. Applicant seeks to have Hungarian food provided by local restaurants and/or bakeries rather than a mobile truck offering the same wares. Open to the public, this will be a one-time event.
Motion approved: 5-0-0
- M. Ronald McDonald House to close East 73rd Street between York and First Avenues on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM for a Block Party
No changes in format from prior years. This event is a fund raiser, open to public. Refreshments are served but no cooking.
Motion approved: 5-0-0
- N. PS 6 to close East 82nd Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 11:00AM to 4:00PM for a Street Festival
The applicant did not appear. Item laid over to March meeting.
2. **Old Business**
3. **New Business**
- A. Ramaz School to close East 78th Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 10:00AM to 12Noon for a Block Party. **Application submitted February 12, 2015**
Applicant did not appear. Item laid over until March meeting.
- B. Cathedral of Our Lady of the Sign to close East 93rd Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 10:00 PM to 2:00 AM for a Block Party. **Application submitted February 12, 2015**
This event is a religious ceremony held in celebration of Easter. It is in its 65th year.
Motion approved: 5-0-0

Barbara Chocky and Hedi White Co-Chairs