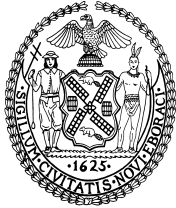


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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

Street Fair Committee Meeting
Lenox Hill Hospital
130 East 77th Street
Thursday February 11, 2016

Members Present: Barbara Chocky, Lorraine Johnson, Michele Birnbaum

Meeting called to order 6:35pm by Lorraine Johnson and Barbara Chocky-CoChairs.

1. Public Hearing re: Applications for Single-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2016

- a. German American Committee of Greater New York to close East 60th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 12PM to 5:00PM for a block festival.**

This event will be held in conjunction with the Steuben Day Parade. The presenters discussed the long history of the Organization in our community. Money raised will go to scholarships for students in our community, for permits to operate the Parade, for educational programs and to the Central Park Conservancy.

There will be 50 vendors. Booths will highlight German Culture and food. Local German restaurants will be encouraged to participate. There will be no amplified music. This is a new event.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes-Michele Birnbaum, Lorrain Johnson, Barbara Chocky.

- b and j. Central Park Precinct Community Council to close East 60th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues on Saturday April 30, 2016 and Sunday November 13, 2016 from 9:00am to 6:00pm for block festivals.**

These events raise money for crime prevention programs, and the National Night Out event. Following our suggestion last year they attempted to find a West Side site for one of the events but they were unable to find an appropriate site. At the festivals officers will be available to answer questions from the community. Crime prevention merchandise will be distributed. There will be food distributed and sold and Arts and Crafts booths. No amplified music.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky

- c. **Marymount Manhattan College to close East 71st Street between Second and Third Avenues on Wednesday May 4, 2016 from 9:00am to 3:00pm for a block party.**

This event celebrates the end of the academic year. It is not a graduation and the community is invited. There will be amplified music, inflatable rides and food. No cooking on the street. This is their 46th annual festival. All required permits will be obtained.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky

- d. **American Foundation of Hungarian Literature and Education Ltd. To close East 82nd Street between Second and Third Avenues on Saturday May 7, 2016 from 10:00am to 5:00pm for a block festival.**

No representative attended the meeting. **Item laid over.**

- e. **Church of the Holy Trinity to close East 88th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 10:00 to 5:00 for a Block Festival.**

This is the 26th or 27th year they are holding this event. Funds raised will be used for their shelter and Community Food Program. There will be amplified music and vendors, including one food vendor. The food vendor will be from a local restaurant.

Motion to approve passed: 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky

- f. **Ramaz School to close East 78th Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Thursday, May 12, 2016 from 8:00am to 5:00pm for a Block Party**

This is an event for their High School to celebrate Israel's Independence Day. There will be entertainment, including amplified music. Food will be sold or distributed free. Students will provide the music.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky

- g. **Hunter College Elementary School to close East 95th Street between Madison and Park Avenues, on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9:00am to 4:00pm for a Block Party.**

This is their Spring Carnival. There will be amplified music, inflatable rides and food. The Community is invited. No cooking on site.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum Johnson, Chocky

- h. **Saint Ignatius Loyola School to close East 84th Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Friday, June 5, 2016 from 1:00pm to 8:00pm for a Block Party.**

This is a family event for their kindergarden. There will be games and rides, including inflatable rides. No music.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky.

- i. **Sephardic Academy of Manhattan to close East 66th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Sunday, June 5, 2016 from 8:00am to 4:00pm for a Block Party.**

This is the second year they are holding the event for their pre-school. There will be rides and food. Students from their other schools in the community will be invited. Since the food has to be kosher they were planning to have food trucks. A member of the committee requested that the applicant try to get local kosher restaurants to provide the food instead of using food trucks. The applicant agreed to this.

Motion to approve passed 3-0-0. Yes: Birnbaum, Johnson, Chocky

No Old or New Business