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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

Street Fair Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 20, 2012 New York Blood Center 310 East 67th Street, Auditorium 7:00 PM

Minutes

Present: Barbara Chocky, Hedi White, Co- Chairs

Michele Birnbaum, Lorraine Johnson, Jane Parshall

Unanimous approvals:

Multi Block Applications: 1 & 2

Single Block Applications: 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20

Unanimous disapprovals:

Single Block Applications: 22, 23

Non unanimous approvals:

Single Block Applications: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 14, 15, 16, 21

Non unanimous disapprovals: Single Block Applications: 15, 16

1. Public Hearing re: Applications for Multi-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2012

1. Review of the Greenmarket located on the East side of First Avenue between 92nd/93rd Streets from Sunday, June 17, 2012 to Sunday, December 23, 2012 from 8:00AM to 5:00PM for a Farmers Market

Whereas there is general support by the public and elected officials for the greenmarket, and

Whereas the market accepts food stamps,

Whereas it is confirmed that the Stellar Market cooking demonstrations held at the Greenmarket do not require permits for the use of Butane camping stove used during the demonstrations,

Whereas the Greenmarket has all necessary permits required by SAPO, therefore Be It Resolved that this application is approved 5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

2. Summer Streets to close Park Avenue from East 72nd Street to East 17th Street on Saturday, August 4th, 11th and 18th from 7:00AM to 1:00PM the Department of Transportation will open the public streets for people to walk, bike, play and breathe

Whereas there is a reduction in the number of blocks closed for the event, and

Whereas the event is enjoyed by many residents as well as visitors to the city, and Whereas, the event brings people to businesses in the area, therefore, Be It Resolved that the Summer Streets event is approved.

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

2. Public Hearing re: Applications for Single-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2012

1. Cathedral of Our Lady of the Sign to close East 93rd Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Saturday, April 14, 2012 from 10:00PM to 2:00AM for a Religious Ceremony Be It Resolved this application is approved 5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

2. Holy Trinity Cathedral to close East 74th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, April 14, 2012 from 10:00PM to 1:00AM for a Religious Ceremony Be It Resolved this application is approved 5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

3. Marymount Manhattan College to close East 71st Street between Second and Third Avenues on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 from 12PM to 4:00PM for a Block Party

Be It Resolved this application is approved

3 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, White)

1 Opposed (Parshall)

1 Abstention (Johnson)

4. Church of the Holy Trinity to close East 88th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, May 5, 2012 from 12PM to 5:00PM for a Block Party

Be It Resolved this application is approved

4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, White)

0 Opposed

1 Abstention (Parshall)

5. Episcopal School to close East 69th Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Thursday, May 17, 2012 from 3:30PM to 5:30PM for a Block Party

Be It Resolved this application is approved

4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, White)

0 Opposed

1 Abstention (Parshall)

6. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to close East 87th Street between Second and Third Avenues on Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas the original event date of May 19, 2012 has been changed by the applicant to May 12, 2012 in consultation with SAPO, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, White)

0 Opposed

1 Abstention (Parshall)

7. Lycee Francais de New York to close East 76th Street between York and Dead End Street on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 10:00AM to 3:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is open to the public, and

Be It Resolved this application is approved

4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, White)

0 Opposed

1 Abstention (Parshall)

8. Ronald McDonald House to close East 73rd Street between First and York Avenues on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 11:30AM to 3:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is open to the community and the public, and

Whereas this event is sponsored by the Greek division of Ronald McDonald House, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

9. PS 6 to close East 82nd Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Saturday, May 19,

2012 from 10:00Am to 5:00PM for a Block Party

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

10. Hunter College Elementary to close East 95th Street between Madison and Park on Sunday, May 20, 2012 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is open to the public

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

11. Hunter College High School to close East 94th Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Friday, June 1, 2012 from 12PM to 4:00PM for a Block Party

This event will be held during school hours and is not open to the public due to security and insurance concerns; they are requesting to close the street due to limited space in the school courtyard, therefore,

Whereas this event was held in previous years, and

Whereas the pedestrian walkway will be maintained, and

Whereas access to the garage will be maintained, and

Whereas there will be a limited number of inflatable's on the sidewalk,

Be It Resolved this application is approved

4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Parshall, White)

1 Opposed (Johnson)

0 Abstentions

12. The Brick Church to close East 92nd Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Sunday, June 3, 2012 from 12:00PM to 3:00PM to a Block Party

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

13. Goat Hill Neighborhood Association to close East 95th Street between Park and Lexington

Avenues on Tuesday, June 5, 2012 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event has been held for the last two years, and

Whereas this event is open to the public, and

Whereas all funds collected are used for block security, and

Whereas there is no music, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

14. St. Ignatius Loyola Grammar School to close East 84th Street between Madison and Park

Avenues on Friday, June 8, 2012 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is open to the public, and

Whereas this event has been held for the last 25 years, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

3 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, White)

- 1 Opposed (Parshall)
- 1 Abstention (Johnson)
- 15. Trevor Day School to close East 90th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenue on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 from 12PM to1:30PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event is a Grade 12 Commencement Reception, and not open to the public Whereas East 90th Street is the exit from Central Park, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is disapproved

- 4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Parshall, White)
- 1 Opposed (Johnson)
- **0** Abstentions
- 16. Convent of the Sacred Heart to close East 91st Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 from 4:00PM to 8:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this is a Graduation Reception and not open to the public, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is <u>disapproved</u>

- 4 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Parshall, White)
- 1 Opposed (Johnson)
- **0** Abstentions
- 17. Central Park Precinct Community Council to close East 60th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Sunday, July 1, 2012 from 10:00AM to 6:00PM for a Block Party Be It Resolved this application is approved
 - 5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)
- 18. Central Park Precinct Community Council to close East 60th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Sunday, September 23, 2012 from 10:00AM to 6:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this is a new event, and

Whereas this event is open to the public, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

19. Czech Center New York to close East 73rd Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, October 6, 2012 from 12:00PM to 5:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this event was held for the last 12 years, and

Whereas there have been concerns regarding this event, and

Whereas last year was the first year this event was held on East 73rd Street, and

Whereas the applicant will work with the precinct, SAPO and the neighbors to correct all concerns, and

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

20. Jones Wood Foundry to close East 76th Street between First and York Avenues on Sunday, June 3, 2012 from 12PM to 5:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this is a new one time only event, and

Whereas this event will celebrate Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee, and

Whereas the applicant will amend the application to reflect the American Scottish

Foundation who is the nonprofit sponsor, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is approved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

21. Accueil New York to close East 74th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Sunday, June 24, 2012 from 1:00 to 6:00PM for a Block Party

The 74th St. Street Block Association expressed concerns regarding this event; the committee urged the two groups to meet and work together and

Whereas this is a new one time only event, and

Whereas this event is open to the public, and

Whereas this organization is the social service part of the French consulate, and

Whereas this is in celebration of the 60th anniversary for the consulate, and

Whereas there are no vendors, food or music, and

Whereas a 15 foot emergency lane will be maintained, therefore

- A) Motion to disapprove-failed
- 2 Yes (Chocky, Parshall)
- 3 Opposed (Birnbaum, Johnson, White)
- **0** Abstentions
- B) Motion to approve-passed
- 3 Yes (Birnbaum, Johnson, White)
- 2 Opposed (Chocky, Parshall)
- **0** Abstentions
- 22. Lenox Hill Hospital to close East 76th Street between Lexington and Park Avenues on Thursday, September 6, 2012 from 11:00AM to 7:00PM for a Block Party This event held previously in 1997 and 2007, and is a recognition party for hospital employees. Therefore,

Whereas this event is not open to the public, and

Whereas this is a private event for the hospital employees, therefore

Be It Resolved this application is disapproved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

23. Hospital for Special Surgery-Shiraz Events to close East 70th Street between York Avenue and FDR Drive on Saturday, September 8, 2012 from 10:00AM to 5:00PM for a Block Party

Whereas this is a new event, and

Whereas this is NY Hospital ambulance route, and

Whereas the applicant is considering moving this event to St. Catherine's Park, therefore Be It Resolved this application is disapproved

5 Yes (Birnbaum, Chocky, Johnson, Parshall, White)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM

Barbara Chocky - Co-Chair and Hedi White Co-Chairs