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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8 Street Fair Committee Meeting Thursday, July 9, 2015

Minutes

Committee members present: Barbara Chocky, Hedi White, Lorraine Johnson; Excused: Michele Birnbaum

1. <u>Public Hearing re: Application for Multi-block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2015</u>

A. The temporary relocation of the 92nd Street Greenmarket due to the construction at the Stanley Isaacs and Holmes Houses.

This event was heard and recommended by the Board for approval earlier in the year. It was calendered again to permit the public to comment on its temporary relocation two blocks to the north due to construction. One committee member pointed out that the relocation site itself may require changing in the near future as well. There was no objection from the public. **Motion to approve: 2-1-0 (Yes: Chocky, White; No: Johnson)**

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

A. Soeko Prasetyo to close East 68th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues on Saturday, August 22, 2015 from 10 AM to 5PM for a Block Party

This block party is to celebrate the Indonesian National Day and is held in front of the Consulate. Food will be sold; amplified music. Open to the public. **Motion to Approve 3-0-07**

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- B. Hunter College to close East 69th Street between Park and Lexington Avenues on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 from 12Noon to 4PM for a Block Party.

This event, now in its 4th year, is part of convocation and is held to introduce new students to the school and welcome back returning students. There are free refreshments. Open to public. **Motion to approve: 3-0-0**

C. Ramaz School to close East 78th Street between Park and Madison Avenues on Thursday, September 10-24, 2015 from 3PM to 7PM for a Block Party

This party celebrates the opening of the school year for all Ramaz students and to introduce new students to the school. There will be music and food. Open to public. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

D. St. James Church to close East 71st Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Sunday, September 13, 2015 from 11:30AM to 2PM for a Block Party

This event has been held for over 20 years, an annual homecoming. There are crafts, games, music, free food from Brother Jimmy's. Open to the public. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

E. Marymount Manhattan College to close East 71st Street between Second and Third Avenues on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 from 12Noon to 4PM for a Block Party

Marymount's annual "Apple Fest" is held to celebrate start of the school year and to introduce students to school clubs and activities. Food prepared inside the school is free. Amplified music with permits. Approx. 1000 people are expected. Garages on the block are not impeded. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

F. East 84th Street Neighborhood Association to close East 84th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 11AM to 6PM for a Block Party

Applicant did not appear

G. East 90th Street Block Association to close East 90th Street between First and Second Avenues on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 9AM to 6PM for a Block Party

Applicant did not appear

H. The Town School to close East 76th Street between York and Dead End Avenues on Sunday, September 27, 2015 from 12Noon to 5PM for a School Fair

This annual event is held for the Upper School and includes rides, games, amplified children's music. Garage on block is not impeded. Approximately 150 families participate. Open to public. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

I. The Brick Church School to close East 92nd Street between Madison and Park Avenue on Friday, October 2, 2015 from 12Noon to 5PM for a Block Party

This event has been held for more than 20 years by the Pre-School, this year celebrating the school's 75^{th} anniversary. There are activities geared for young children, inflatable rides, free food. Open to the public. School has its own security. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

J. Temple Israel of the City of New York to close East 75th Street between Lexington and Park Avenues on Monday, October 5, 2015 from 1PM to 8PM for a Block Party

This will be the 3rd year for this party celebrating the school year for the K-12 school and a religious holiday. There will be amplified sound, food served from food trucks. No garages on block are impacted. Open to public.

Motion to approve 3-0-0

K. Manhattan Sephardic Congregation to close East 75th Street between First and Second Avenues on Monday, October 5, 2015 from 6PM to 10PM for a Religious Ceremony

This event is a religious ceremony. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

L. Manhattan Country School to close East 96th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 11AM to 4PM for a Block Party

This is the final year for this event because school is relocating. It has been held for approx. 30 years. Children's activities include inflatables. No garages are impacted. Open to the public. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

M. Rudolf Steiner School to close the north side of East 79th Street between Fifth and Madison Avenue on Saturday, November 21, 2015 from 10AM to 4PM for a Block Party

Applicant did not appear. Lay over until next committee meeting. **Motion to approve 3-0-0**

- 3. Old Business: No old business
- 4. New Business: No new business

Barbara Chocky and Hedi White Co-Chairs