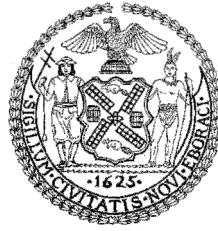


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**The City of New York
Manhattan Community Board 8**

**Street Fair Committee Meeting
Lenox Hill Hospital
131 East 76th Street, Einhorn Auditorum
Tuesday, September 11, 2012
7:00 PM**

MINUTES

Members Present: Barbara Chocky, Hedi White, co-Chairs, Michele Birnbaum, Jane Parshall

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

- 1. Yorkville Community School to close East 88th Street between York and First Avenue on Saturday, October 20, 2013 from 10AM to 3PM for a Block Party**
This is the NYC elementary school (also known as PS 151) formally located on East 91st Street. The event, open to the public is encourage community involvement with the school. Several hundred people are expected to attend. There will be no animals.
Motion to approve: 4-0-0
- 2. Hunter College to close East 69th Street between Lexington and Park Avenue on Wednesday, October 24, 2012 from 1PM to 5PM for a Block Party**
This event will be open to the public; all other Hunter College street activity applications have been withdrawn. Food will be catered. Aim is to promote interaction among students, faculty and surrounding community including local businesses.
Motion to approve 4-0-0.
- 3. Residents of East 91st Street to close East 91st Street between Park and Lexington Avenue on Wednesday, October 31, 2012 from 4PM to 8PM for a Block Party**
This will be the 3rd year for this event which is intended to provide a safe place for children of the block and neighborhood to trick or treat for Halloween. There will be no vendors and no music. Committee discussion included some concern that this event will set a precedent for other similar street closings.
Motion to approve: 3-1-0. (Chocky, White, Birnbaum in favor; Parshall against)
- 4. Rudolf Steiner School to close East 79th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenue on Saturday, November 17, 2012 from 10AM to 4PM for a Block Party**
The applicant did not appear.
There was consensus in the committee that block parties should not be located on major two-way thoroughfare.
Motion to disapprove: 4-0-0.

5. All Souls School to close East 80th Street between Lexington and Third Avenue on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 from 4PM to 7PM for a Block Party

First-time application. This event has previously been held annually inside the school at year-end and is being moved to the street due to overcrowding. It will be open to the public. There will be crafts and entertainment; some amplified music appropriate for preschool children.

Committee discussion included some concern that city streets should not be closed to accommodate private entity events even if they are open to the public. Others felt that entities such as private schools are an important part of the community and should be supported when possible.

Motion to approve 3-0-1 Chocky, White, Birnbaum, in favor; Parshall abstain.

1. **Old Business** It was agreed that discussion will be scheduled at a future meeting to review CB8's guidelines for street fairs.

2. **New Business**

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