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The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

STREET FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING

Brick Presbyterian Church
62 East 92nd Street (Park-Madison)

Living Room

Thursday, November 10, 2016

6:30PM

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Lorraine Johnson and Barbara Chocky

1. **Public Hearings re: Applications for Multi-Block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2017**

- A. Review of the Green Market located on the South Side of 82nd Street between First and York Avenues from Saturday, January 7, 2017 to Saturday, December 30, 2017 from 8:00am to 5:00pm for a Farmers Market.

This market is sponsored by Grow New York and is in front of St. Stephen of Hungary Church. It is held in the Church yard and they also use the curb lane and 10 feet of the sidewalk for the market and parking. It is held all year and is usually very busy. They also collect compost and clothes. A letter was received from the new priest and from Council Member Garodnick, Council Member Kallos and Assembly member Seawright supporting the market. In addition we received 125 letters supporting this market and the 92nd street market.

Members of the Public spoke in support of the market. One member of the Committee spoke against the market because she believed it was unfair competition to the supermarkets and other stores.

Motion to Approve: Passed 2-1-0. Yes: Johnson, Chocky. No Birnbaum.

- B. Review of the Greenmarket located on the East Side of First Avenue between 92nd/93rd Streets from June 25, 2017 to November 19, 2017 from 8:00am to 5:00pm for a Farmers Market.

This Market is sponsored by Grow New York. There was an error in the application which stated it would be held all year. This will be changed. They use the curb lane and 10 feet of the sidewalk. They will mark the sidewalk at 10ft so that the stalls will not go beyond the 10ft. Council members Garodnick and Kallos and Assembly member

Seawright sent letters supporting the application. We also received 125 letters supporting the application and members of the public spoke in support of it.

Motion to Approve: Passed 2-1-0. Yes: Johnson, Chocky. No Birnbaum

- C. PS 183 to partially close the sidewalk on East 67th Street between York and First Avenues for Parking and Vendors and the sidewalk on the North side of East 66th Street on Saturdays from Saturday , January 7, 2017 to Saturday December 30,2017 from 6:00am to 5:00pm for a flea market.

This event is sponsored by the Parents Association and is a Green market and flea market. The school gym is used for the flea market. It was one of the first Green markets in the community. Funds raised are used for the school.

Motion to Approve: Passed 2-0-1 Yes: Johnson, Chocky, Abstain: Birnbaum.

2. Public Hearings re: Applications for Single-Block Street Fairs for Calendar Year 2017

- A. Hunter College Elementary School to close East 95th Street between Madison and Park Avenues on Saturday May 6, 2017 from 10:00am to 4:00pm for a Block Party.

This event is sponsored by the Parents Association for the students and families. The Public is invited. There will be a DJ, a bouncy and food. The Public is invited.

Motion to Approve: Passed 3-0-0 Yes: Johnson, Chocky, Birnbaum.

- B. Ronald McDonald House to close East 73rd Street between First and York Avenues on Saturday May 13, 2017 from 11:00am to 3:00pm for a Block Party,

This event is sponsored by their Greek Division. The Public is invited. There will be food and information about their programs. It is the end point of their Walk-a-thon.

Motion to Approve: Passed 3-0-0. Yes: Johnson, Birnbaum, Chocky.

- C. Ronald Mc Donald House to close East 73rd Street between First and York Avenues on Saturday September from 10:00am to 4:00pm for a Block Party.

The applicant did not attend meeting. Item was laid over.

- D. The Town School to close East 76th Street between York and Dead End Avenues on Sunday October 8, 2017 from 12noon to 4:00pm for a Block Party.

There will be food, music and inflatable rides. All permits will be acquired. The Public is invited.

Motion to Approve: Passed 3-0-0. Yes: Johnson, Birnbaum, Chocky.

No old or New Business.

Meeting Adjourned 7:50

Barbara Chocky and Lorraine Johnson, Co-Chairs