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**The City of New York**

**Manhattan Community Board 8**

**FULL BOARD MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012**  
**Ramaz School**  
**125 East 85<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Auditorium**  
**6:30PM**

**Community Board Members Present:** Elizabeth Ashby, Kenneth Austin, Albert Barrueco, John Bartos, Michele Birnbaum, Molly Blayney, Lori Ann Bores, Roy Carlin, Barbara Chocky, Sarah Chu, James Clynes, Christina Davis, Jeffrey Escobar, Cory Evans, Susan Evans, A. Scott Falk, George Fuchs, Lorance Hockert, Jonathan Horn, Lorraine Johnson, Dave Kleckner, David Liston, Jacqueline Ludorf, Domenico Minerva, Laurence Parnes, Mary Boresz Pike, Margaret Price, Hattie Quarnstrom, David Rosenstein, Barbara Rudder, William Sanchez, Judith Schneider, M. Barry Schneider, Helene Simon, Teri Slater, Cos Spagnoletti, H. Patrick Stewart, Marco Tamayo, Debra Teitelbaum, Nicholas Viest, Charles Warren, Hedi White

**Community Board Members Absent (Excused):** Matthew Bondy, Edward Hartzog, David Helpern, Rita Lee Popper

**Community Board Members Absent (Unexcused):** Deirdre Breslin, Jane Parshall, Ellen Polivy, Elaine Walsh

**Total Attendance: 42**

**Chair Nicholas D. Viest called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.**

**1. Public Session:**

- Member of the public, Gladys Sanders-Valdez, representing the Yorkville Branch of the New York Public Library, spoke on the Mayor's devastating budget cuts and possible reductions in services if these budget cuts go through.
- Member of the public, Jeff Weiss, representing the New York City Police Department Auxiliary Program City Wide Traffic Task Force, gave information regarding the services they perform to the community.
- Member of the public, Sherry Cruise, representing the Stanley Isaacs Neighborhood Center, spoke on the Beacon Program and the negative implications to the community if the Beacon Program is closed.
- Member of the public, Hill Krishnan, representing New York University and Yeshiva University, spoke in opposition of the Second Avenue Subway construction noise.
- Member of the public, Thomas Honan, representing LawHelp.Org, spoke on the Law Help organization and the free legal services it provides to low income New Yorkers.
- Member of the public, Mark Chadwick, spoke in opposition to Landmarks Committee zoning for the 127 East 69<sup>th</sup> Street location.

**2. Adoption of the Agenda** – Agenda adopted.

**3. Adoption of the Minutes** – April Full Board meeting minutes adopted.

**4. Manhattan Borough President’s Report:**

Kristen Ellis, a representative for Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer’s office (MBPO) reported on his latest initiatives. Manhattan Borough President Stringer unveiled his plan to the Association for a Better New York urging creation of an infrastructure bank for mass transit called the “New York City Transit Trust”. This trust would leverage private dollars for capital projects by funding New York’s infrastructure bank with a steady stream – in this case, our Mortgage Recording Tax, which now pays MTA’s operating costs. This Transit Trust could be a more stable stream of revenue for the MTA that could support crucial transit services in Manhattan. Yesterday, the Borough President sent out a letter to New York State Education Department (NYSED) Chancellor Merryl Tisch in regards to the recent Math/ELA grade 3-8 test scores. There were errors on these tests and questions that were invalidated. Since the results of these tests have important consequences on both teachers and students the MBP is raising these issues and suggesting that the NYSED do an independent review of the testing system. Kristen also announced the MBPO is co-sponsoring along with the Asian American Arts Alliance and East West Bank the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Celebration Community Justice Awards Ceremony. The Public Service Awareness Forum and Reception is being held on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6PM-8PM, at the Red Egg Restaurant and Lounge, 202 Centre Street, NY, NY 10013 and the CB8M community is invited to the event. To RSVP call 212-669-4374 or e-mail [receptions@manhattanbp.org](mailto:receptions@manhattanbp.org)

**5. Elected Official’s Reports:**

- Christina Parisi, a representative from Congress Member Carolyn Maloney’s office, reported on her latest initiatives. She announced that Congresswoman Maloney along with 41 cosponsors introduced the “Overdraft Protection Act” which would require a consumer’s affirmative opt-in to overdraft plans with clear disclosure of coverage and fees, requires overdraft fees to be “reasonable and proportional” to the cost of the transaction, limits the quantity of fees that can be charged to one per month and six per year, improve notice to consumers when an overdraft is incurred, and bans the manipulation of transaction posting order in a way that maximizes fees paid to banks. On Mother’s Day weekend, the Congresswoman joined a Congressional delegation to Afghanistan. The lawmakers met with troops in the field and participated in important discussions with American and Afghan government and military officials as well as with Afghan women leaders and organizations. On Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:30PM at the NW corner of 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and York Avenue, Congress Member Maloney along with other elected officials will participate in a press conference regarding the 91<sup>st</sup> Street Marine Transfer Station.
- Alice Fisher, a representative from State Senator Liz Krueger’s office, reported on her latest initiatives. The Senator’s Office announced a huge victory because today Governor Cuomo’s program on disability passed. The Center for Protection of People with Special Needs will be responsible for oversight, investigation, enforcement, and mandated reporting. The Center will also have its own prosecutor and inspector general and will be responsible for insuring that residential facilities and day programs that are operated, certified or funded by the state keep track of people who commit atrocities against our seniors and the disabled and prevent them from getting jobs again in this same industry. Senator Krueger has reached out to Captain Chesley “Sully” Sullenberger, the hero pilot who landed the plane in the Hudson River after the bird strike. Captain Sullenberger has spoken publicly about the danger that the East 91<sup>st</sup> Street Marine Transfer Station would present to air traffic. She has also signed on to legislation that would ban the placement of facilities that attract large number of birds near airports. The Senator has also written to the New York State Department of Environmental Protection (DEC) to request that monthly air quality monitoring be conducted at the various sites of the Second Avenue Subway construction.
- Damaris Olivo, a representative from Senator Jose Serrano’s office, reported on his latest initiatives. Senator Serrano was featured in **Front & Center for Justice** “Donor Diversity Through Public Matching Funds”. New York State wants to set up a system of campaign financing such as the New York City Small Donor Matching Funds Program. The campaign financing system pumps up the value of small campaign contributions and gives elected officials an incentive to reach out to their own constituents

rather than focusing their attention on wealthy out of district donors. It also attracts more diverse donors to the political process. Senator Serrano sent out a letter to Senator Schumer and Senator Gillibrand speaking out against the “Sportsman Heritage Act” which just passed in Congress. The Act allows hunting and recreational shooting in the National Park System and Senator Serrano is hoping that this Act does not pass the US Senate. Damaris announced that the Senator is co-sponsoring along with Council Member Garodnick and Assembly Member Quart Free Mammogram Screening events. One will be held on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, at Stanley Isaacs Senior Center, 415 East 93<sup>rd</sup> Street, 10AM-4PM. The other is being held on June 9<sup>th</sup>, at Roosevelt Island, 1PM-5PM. An appointment is necessary. Please call 1-800-564-6868. This Sunday Senator Serrano will be participating in the AIDS Walk which kicks off at the Loeb Boat House at 72<sup>nd</sup> Street in Central Park. She announced that the Senate unanimously passed a Resolution proclaiming May 2011 as Lupus Awareness Month in the State of New York. Senator Serrano co-sponsored a Senate bill that provides for taxpayer gifts for lupus education, prevention and an outreach program. Lupus is a chronic illness that affects the immune system, causing it to be hyperactive and attack normal tissue. The illness affects 90% women and is most prevalent among African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans and Asians.

- Matthew Walsh, a representative from Assembly Member Dan Quart’s office, reported on his latest initiatives. On a legislative note, Assembly Member Quart was very proud to pass the minimum wage legislation yesterday in the Assembly that will raise the minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$8.50 beginning in January 2013. On a community note, there have been lengthy discussions on charter schools code locating in district 2 public schools. The Assembly Member is strongly opposed to charter schools code locating in district 2 public schools and feels that the public school students should be able to utilize any available space and not students outside of the district.
- Genevieve Michel, a representative from Council Member Daniel Garodnick’s office reported on his latest initiatives. The Mayor finally put out the Green Book on-line. It’s available at [www.nyc.gov/greenbook](http://www.nyc.gov/greenbook) It’s free and it has every city agency listed and is continuing to be updated. Hard copies of the Green Book will be available for purchase in June. Council Member Garodnick spearheaded the NYC Street Closures Map project. This map shows all street closures, searchable by a specific street, such as fairs, film shoots and construction operations and can also be used to search street-by-street for parking regulations. You can access the map at <http://gis.nyc.gov/streetclosure/>
- Cullen Barrie, a representative from Council Member Jessica Lappin’s office, reported on her latest initiatives. He thanked everyone who participated at the MTS rally in which over 150 attended and announced that the Department of Sanitation will hold a budget hearing on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at the City Council Chambers and one will be held in June and will be open to the public. Today a fire broke out on East 66<sup>th</sup> Street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenues around 5PM which caused a great deal of activity for the Police and Fire Departments but the Council Member is happy to report that there were no injuries.
- Esther Yang, a representative from Comptroller John Liu’s office, reported on his latest initiatives. She announced that Comptroller Liu is inviting everyone to celebrate Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30PM-7:30PM at the Surrogate’s Courthouse, 31 Chambers Street, also on Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM-7:30PM, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Celebration at The LGBT Community Center, 208 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street, and finally the Caribbean American Heritage Month on Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM-7:30PM at the Surrogate’s Courthouse. To reply to any of these events call 212-669-4466 or e-mail [eventsrsvp@comptroller.nyc.gov](mailto:eventsrsvp@comptroller.nyc.gov) The Comptroller’s Office was happy to report that all the Community Board audits were completed. All the Community Boards did beautifully and she thanked CB8M District Manager Latha Thompson for doing a great and amazing job.

## **6. Chair’s Report – Nicholas D. Viest:**

Chair Nicholas Viest gave his report. Nick announced that they had a very good orientation for new members last night and thanked the co-chairs for their participation. He also stressed that in the future he would like to see more co-chairs participate. Nick made special mention of an important story that ran in the NY Post and was aired on Channel 7 involving CB8M board member David Rosenstein and Vicky’s Cottage. A Vicky’s Cottage bicycle delivery person ran into David Rosenstein. As a result, David Rosenstein and Domenico Minerva testified before the State Liquor Authority (SLA) and the SLA turned down Vicky’s Cottage application. Nick received a number of e-mails from the public thanking CB8M for taking this position and actually doing something about this issue. Nick thanked David Rosenstein and Domenico Minerva for their efforts on this. He reminded board members to

make sure that if they are communicating with a city agency that they are authorized by the co-chairs and both he and Latha should be aware of this. When speaking to the press as a board member he must authorize it. Nick also announced that there will be a new member party coming up which will be a good way for new members to socialize with current members. Latha will send out an e-mail announcement with more details of the event.

**7. District Manager’s Report – Latha Thompson**

District Manager Latha Thompson gave her report. The agendas for June are due on Friday. We are preparing for our budget consultation hearing and due to budget constraints there will only be group consultations this year and not individual consultations. I sent out an e-mail yesterday with detailed information on these consultations. Due on August 3<sup>rd</sup> is the District Needs Statements. I will send out an e-mail next week for that. If you are trying to schedule a June meeting I only have a few dates left. The last week in June I am trying to hold for the party. In June we have 3 applications for Land Use which is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Christ Church. In regards to the budget, if you have tape recorders or electronics that belong to the board office we need to have it in the board office for the upcoming audit.

**8. Committee Reports and Action Items:**

- **Transportation Committee – A. Scott Falk and Charles S. Warren, Co-Chairs**

**Re: A request for a turn signal stop light at the intersection of 96<sup>th</sup> Street and Park Avenue**

**WHEREAS** the intersection of 96th Street and Park Avenue is close to two major hospitals and several schools;  
**WHEREAS** the intersection of 96th Street and Park Avenue has heavy traffic endangering children, the elderly, and disabled persons, and is the site of many pedestrian accidents;

**WHEREAS** the slope of Park Avenue at 96th Street increases the risk of accidents at that location;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M calls on the Department of Transportation to look at the intersection of 96th Street and Park Avenue for ways to improve pedestrian safety at this location.

**Community Board 8M APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.**

**Re: A request for a new Revocable Consent at 69 East 82<sup>nd</sup> Street for a fenced-in area**

**WHEREAS** the townhouse located at 69 East 82nd Street is the only one of a row of eleven adjacent townhouses that does not have a fence and garden in front of its entrance;

**WHEREAS** the townhouse owner is requesting to install a fence three feet in height, extending five feet from the lot line, creating a consistent fence line with the ten adjacent townhouses;

**WHEREAS** there will be six feet four inches of clearance between the fence and the tree pit located in front of the property; and

**WHEREAS** 69 East 82nd Street is not an individual landmark and is not located within the boundaries of a designated historic district;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M approves the request for this new Revocable Consent.

**Community Board 8M APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.**

**Re: Discussion of having a station or stations on Roosevelt Island as part of the DOT pilot Bike Share Program**

**WHEREAS** there is a commitment to launch a bike share program in New York City;

**WHEREAS** the residents of Roosevelt Island have expressed strong interest in having bike share on Roosevelt Island;

**WHEREAS NYC DOT** has excluded Roosevelt Island from its initial plans for bike share;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8M asks the NYC Department of Transportation and Alta Bike Share to include Roosevelt Island in the initial rollout of the Citi Bike program.

**Community Board 8M APPROVED the resolution by a vote of 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstentions and 0 not voting for cause.**

- **Landmarks Committee** – David Liston and Jane Parshall, Co-Chairs

**Re: 11 East 77<sup>th</sup> Street (between Fifth and Madison Avenues) – Upper East Side Historic District – Ms. Ann Krsul, Architect** – A rowhouse with neo-Grec style elements, designed by Robert Hanby and built in 1879, and altered in 1936 by Morris B. Sanders. Application is to demolish a rear yard extension and construct a rear yard addition.

**Whereas** the this building will be restored to a single family residence;

**Whereas** the existing extension in the rear yard will be removed;

**Whereas** an existing projection up to the third floor protrudes only 1.03 feet into the rear yard;

**Whereas** a new, 2-story vertical enlargement will be placed on top of the existing projection at the rear of the building up to the roof to enable an elevator to be added to the building;

**Whereas** the vertical enlargement will not project into the year yard;

**Whereas** the architectural character of the building will be extended onto the enlargement;

**Therefore be it resolved** that is application is **approved** as presented.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**Re: 120 East 64th Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) - Upper East Side Historic District - Cas Stachelberg, Architect** - A rowhouse originally designed by D. & J. Jardine, built in 1870-77, and altered by Simeon B. Eisendrath in 1931. Application is to construct a rear yard addition.

**Whereas** the application proposes to erect a one story rearyard extension which will go no further than the adjacent extensions on either side of the building;

**Whereas** the proposed rearyard extension will come forward 32' from the current rear of the building, leaving an open space in the rearyard which will be 17'2" deep and 19' wide;

**Whereas** the majority of the nearby buildings already project substantially into the rearyard;

**Whereas** the material proposed for the exterior of the rearyard extension is in keeping with the existing character of the building;

**Whereas** the proposed fenestration for the rearyard extension is not inconsistent with the existing fenestration.

**Therefore be it resolved** that is application is **approved** as presented.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**Re: 825 Fifth Avenue (between 63rd and 64th Streets) - Upper East Side Historic District - Ms. Erica Steinmann, Architect** - A neo-Classical style apartment building designed by J.E.R. Carpenter and built in 1926. Application is to reconstruct parapets.

**Whereas** the applicant proposes to rebuild several parapets on the east and west elevations that have fallen into disrepair;

**Whereas** the applicant proposes to rebuild the rooftop parapet on the east and west elevations to the same height as the existing parapet and the remaining parapets on various floors on the east and west elevations to a new height of 42" as per Building Code;

**Whereas** the applicant proposes to rebuild the rooftop parapets using precast concrete to be matched as closely as possible to the existing parapets which are made of terra cotta;

**Whereas** the proposed dimensions and style of the replacement parapets would be within the scale and character of the building, but the proposed use of precast concrete rather than terra cotta is not within the design vocabulary of the building, particularly a building as architecturally significant as this one.

**Therefore be it resolved** that this application is **disapproved** as presented.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 38 in favor, 4 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**Re: 127 East 69<sup>th</sup> Street (between Park and Lexington Avenues) – Upper East Side Historic District –** *March Chadwick, Architect* – A townhouse originally built in 1872-1873 and altered in the Adamesque style by S. Edson Gage in 1919. Application is to construct a rear addition.

**Whereas** the building currently has a seven foot rear yard; whereas the proposed enlargement will be built to the rear lot line on the basement level and will be set back from the rear lot line 3’-6” on the first floor;

**Whereas** the added bulk creates a visual intrusion in the rear yard; whereas there are no windows facing to the rear;

**Whereas** the white washed brick is not consistent with the red brick of the building; and

**Whereas** the proposed rear façade requires more articulation respectful of the architectural language of the building;

**Therefore be it resolved** that this application is **disapproved** as presented.

**The motion to disapprove this application failed with a vote of 21 in favor, 18 opposed, and 3 abstentions.**

**A substitute motion to approve this application also failed with a vote of 18 in favor, 21 opposed, and 3 abstentions. Thus, Community Board 8 takes no position on this application.**

**Re: 19 East 71<sup>st</sup> Street (@ Madison Avenue) – Upper East Side Historic District –** *Bradley L. Zizmor, Architect* – A Queen Anne style residence built in 1889-90 by Thom & Wilson and altered in 1937 by Joseph Furman. Application is to install lighting, a signage plaque, and an awning.

**Whereas** the applicant proposes to replace a light fixture and a signage plaque, said replacements to be in substantially the same design and size as the existing light fixture and signage plaque;

**Whereas** the applicant further proposes to install a single awning across the top of the ground floor entrance to the building, said awning to extend across the top of a nearby ground floor window; **Whereas** the applicant further proposes to install single awnings over each of three windows on the next level above the ground floor;

**Whereas** the proposed awnings on both floors will be identical in design and materials with the awning on the ground floor to be wider than the other awnings above so as to go across both the ground floor door and the ground floor window;

**Whereas** the proposed design, materials, and configuration of the awnings are in keeping with the character of the building and nearby buildings.

**Therefore be it resolved** that is application is **approved** as presented.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 35 in favor, 7 opposed, and 0 abstentions.**

**Re: 171 East 73<sup>rd</sup> Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues) – 171 East 73rd Street Building - Individual Landmark -** *Michael Ingui, Architect* - An Italianate style rowhouse built in 1860 and altered in 1924 by Electus D. Litchfield. Application is to demolish a rear extension, construct additions, and alter the ground floor and areaway.

**Whereas** the out-of-scale front entrance that had been added to the building will be demolished; whereas a new stoop to replicate the original stoop will be built;

**Whereas** the new entrance door will be appropriate to the original architecture of the building; whereas the decorative iron railing at the areaway will be replicated and carried up the stoop and across the first floor terrace;

**Whereas** the new windows will be painted wood with divided lights;

**Whereas** the basement level front façade and stoop will be finished in cement plaster to simulate brownstone;

**Whereas** the gated entrance under the stoop will be similar to that of a building down the street; whereas the one story addition within the rear yard will be demolished;

**Whereas** the building is set back relative to its neighbors; whereas the rear of the building will be extended to 30’ from the rear lot line;

**Whereas** the rear of the building will still be set back from the neighbors on either side; whereas the rear façade has a well proportioned contemporary façade;

**Whereas** the rear façade will be of brick with aluminum wrapped windows; whereas the roof top addition will match the bulk of the building next door;

**Whereas** the roof top addition will be set back 12’-0” from the front property line and 10’-9” from the rear façade;

Whereas the roof top addition will not be visible from across the street but will be minimally visible at an oblique angle;

Therefore be it resolved that is application is **approved** as presented.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted this recommendation by a vote of 39 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstention.**

- **Health, Seniors & Social Services Committee** – Mary Pike and Ellen Polivy, Co-Chairs

**Re: Resolution Requesting the New York City Council to Restore Full Discretionary Funding for the Case Management Program**

Whereas, in June 2011, Community Board 8 Manhattan passed a resolution urging the New York City Council to provide full discretionary funding for the Department for the Aging (DFTA) and urging the Mayor to baseline the DFTA budget for this fiscal year.

Whereas, It is with great disappointment that we learned that the Case Management program is yet again facing a cut to its budget on top of the cut it experienced this current year.

Whereas, Case Management works with the most vulnerable of our senior population, frail and homebound older adults who often have no other supports and by nature of their disabilities are often socially isolated.

Whereas, these clients range in age from 60 to 103, are often suffering from multiple medical and cognitive impairments, and have an average income of \$900 a month.

Whereas, without the services provided by the Case Management program, they would have no way to access needed care.

Whereas, Case Management enables these individuals to maintain life in their community, rather than being forced into higher and more costly levels of care.

Whereas, further cuts in the funding for the Case Management program will mean that many of the frail older adults it serves will be put at grave risk, fewer will be able to be served, the services available will likely be both fewer in number and less comprehensive, and waiting lists will grow.

Whereas, the number of aged in need of case management services is growing.

Therefore, be it resolved that the City Council take all possible steps to protect the vital Case Management program against any further cuts and to insure that it can provide all the services necessary to protect this very fragile and vulnerable population.

Therefore, be it further resolved that the City Council also take all possible steps to restore full funding to the Case Management program.

Therefore, be it also further resolved, that we renew our request that the senior services budget be base-lined into the Mayor's budget at a level equal to or greater than last year's allocation.

**Community Board 8M adopted the resolution by a vote of 42 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions.**

- **Youth & Education Committee** – James Clynes and Judith Schneider, Co-Chairs

**Re: Loss of our Beacon Program at PS 198 run by Stanley Isaacs and Child Care Programs in FY 2013 Budget**

WHEREAS Community Board 8 believes in the value of community based services for Child Care and Youth Programs, and

WHEREAS the Stanley Isaacs Center opened its Beacon program at PS 198, in 1998, and its program provides:

- After school for 160 elementary and 175 middle school age children, Monday to Friday from 3 to 6 pm;
- Tutoring, mentoring, sports and recreation Monday to Friday from 6 to 9 pm and keeps 264 teens engaged in constructive activities;
- College preparation workshops, Saturday preparation, college exposure, help with financial aid applications and college applications for 245 low income young people who aspire and apply for college;
- Adult and family recreation for 500 participants and creates a place for important family time activities, and

WHEREAS at the end of March, more than 1,400 people have turned to the Isaacs Beacon Program as an important community resource, and it is expected to serve almost double the 950 participants required under their contract, and

WHEREAS both the needs of the school population and the program utilization rates should drive funding decisions and **not the zip codes**, and

**WHEREAS** the Mayor's preliminary budget for FY 2013 is proposing to cut seven Beacon and Child Care Programs serving more than 47,000 children, and

**WHEREAS** these cuts will result in 90,000 fewer children having access to these programs than in 2009 (a 61% decrease),

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** Community Board 8M strongly urges the City Council to restore the funding for Beacon and Child Care Programs in this FY 2013 budget.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the resolution by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 1 not voting for cause.**

**Re: Creation of a School Capital fund tied to Residential Growth Resolution**

**WHEREAS** the city's population is growing; projections from the Department of City Planning anticipate a 1.1 million increase by 2030, bringing the city's population total to 9.1 million, and

**WHEREAS** as a result of the population growth, the demand for city services, including fire, police, libraries, and schools has increased, and

**WHEREAS** the demand for public schools has increased in all districts especially in District 2, and

**WHEREAS** in District 2 between 30% to 55% of families, depending on particular neighborhoods, are sending their children to public school, and

**WHEREAS** District 2 has had more capacity added but overcrowding and wait lists still exist, and

**WHEREAS** more than 60% of District 2 schools are over 100% of capacity and more than 50% of 4th and 5th grade classes have over 28 students per class, and

**WHEREAS** District 2 parents and the Community Education Council District 2 have requested that more schools be built, and the NYC Department of Education has stated that there are not sufficient funds to build new schools, and

**WHEREAS** having a good public education is a right and a mandate, and it is beneficial to all of NYC citizens to have properly educated children, and

**WHEREAS** the city has an obligation to the citizens of NYC to have sufficient school seats for its children, and to match school capacity to our growing population,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Community Board 8 calls upon the city to think creatively to fund development of more school capacity, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Community Board 8 urges the City and the School Construction Authority to re-calculate the demand for school seats based on each school zone and take into consideration residential development and birth rates by neighborhood rather than the Capital Plan sub-districts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the city continues to provide incentives and benefits to developers to build new residential housing, Community Board 8 urges the city to have new residential developments contribute to the construction of more school seats for our children within that neighborhood and sub-district.

**Manhattan Community Board 8 adopted the resolution by a vote of 40 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention.**

**9. Old Business:**

No old business discussed.

**10. New Business:**

A discussion of the Board of Standards and Appeals proposed, revised Rules of Practice and Procedure.

*With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.*