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

### **Housing Committee**

Wednesday, July 25, 2018 - 6:30PM  
Knickerbocker Plaza Community Room  
1751 Second Avenue (b/w 91<sup>st</sup> and 92<sup>nd</sup> Street)

### **MINUTES**

**CB8 members present:** Barbara Chocky\*, Anthony Cohn, Ed Hartzog\*, Lorraine Johnson\*, Rita Popper\*, David Rosenstein

**Members of the Public:** Lee Chong

**Excused Absence:** Loraine Brown\*, Rebecca Lamorte\*

**Unexcused Absence:** Alexandra Harrington\*, *Bessie Schachter*<sup>^</sup>

\*Housing Committee member

<sup>^</sup>*Public Member*

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### **1. Update on September 26<sup>th</sup> Housing Forum.**

Co-chair Ed Hartzog began the meeting with an update from the June meeting. Beginning with letters of invitation to various panelists, it was noted that letters had not been sent, but individual panelists had been contacted and had agreed to appear. Specifically, Victor Bach, Senior Housing Analyst with The Community Service Society of New York and Walter Roberts, Executive Director of Hope Community, Inc. had agreed to participate, as well as, Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer.

The committee was still waiting to hear from Vicki Been, Faculty Director at the Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy at NYU and Tom Waters, at The Community Service Society of New York. With respect to the moderator, State Senator Liz Krueger, the co-chairs agreed to contact her office in the morning.

The remaining portion of the meeting was devoted to discussing potential topics and issues for the forum – especially those raised by respondents to the survey conducted by Kim Selway. Given that the committee would not meet again until the forum on September 26, it was suggested and agreed that an additional meeting and/or conference call would be scheduled during the month of August to follow-up on outstanding issues and tasks related to the forum.

The first conference call was scheduled for August 14 with additional calls tentatively scheduled for every week thereafter. The committee then moved on to Old Business.

**Old Business.**

There was no old business.

**New Business.**

There was no new business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Hartzog and Barbara Chocky, Co-Chairs, Housing Committee

**ADDENDUM**

Since the July meeting the committee has secured the following panelists – Vic Bach, Senior Housing Analyst with The Community Service Society of New York; Water Roberts, Executive Director of Hope Community, Inc.; Jessica Yager, Executive Director of the Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy at New York University; Hon. Gale Brewer, President, Borough of Manhattan; and, moderator, Hon. Liz Krueger, New York State Senator.

The location of the forum will be at the Nightingale School, 20 East 92<sup>nd</sup> Street (b/w Fifth & Madison Avenues), on Wednesday, September 26. The following individuals and organizations are co-sponsoring the event: Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer; Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney; Public Advocate Letitia James; Comptroller Scott Stringer; NY State Senators Liz Krueger and Jose Serrano; NY State Assembly Members Dan Quart and Rebecca Seawright; NY City Councilmen Keith Powers and Ben Kallos; Carnegie Hill Neighbors; the East 79<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Association; The Community Service Society of New York; Hope Community, Inc.; Met Council on Housing; Supportive Housing Network of New York; Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center; and, CIVITAS.