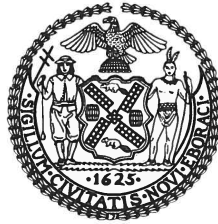


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**The City of New York**  
**Community Board 8 Manhattan**  
**Full Board**  
**Wednesday, April 17, 2019 - 6:30PM**  
**Manhattan Park Theatre Club, Auditorium**  
**8 River Road, Roosevelt Island**

**MINUTES**

**Community Board Members Present:** Elizabeth Ashby, P Gayle Baron, Lori Ann Bores, Loraine Brown, Alida Camp, Barbara Chocky, Sarah Chu, Anthony Cohn, Christopher Deluzio, Matthew Feather, Billy Freeland, Alexandra Harrington, Edward Hartzog, Sophia James, Lorraine Johnson, Cecelia King, Greg Kirschenbaum, Craig Lader, Rebecca Lamorte, David Liston, Valerie Mason, David Menegon, Dorothea Newman, Jane Parshall, Sharon Pope-Marshall, Rita Popper, Margaret Price, David Rosenstein, Barbara Rudder, William Sanchez, M. Barry Schneider, Tricia Shimamura, Lynne Strong-Shinozaki, Cos Spagnoletti, Russell Squire, Marco Tamayo, Debra Teitelbaum, Carolina Tejo, Nicholas Viest, Adam Wald, Elaine Walsh, Charles Warren.

**Community Board Members Absent (Excused):** Michele Birnbaum, David Helpern, Michael Mellamphy, Peter Patch, Abraham Salcedo, Meena Thever, and Sharon Weiner.

**Community Board Members Absent (Unexcused):** None

**Total Attendance:** 41

**Chairwoman Alida Camp called the meeting to order at 6:34PM.**

**1. Public Session** – Those who wish to speak during the Public Session must register to do so by 6:45 pm

- Valorie Mason spoke about reduced bus service in the UES
- Wendy Machaver spoke about climate change and overdevelopment
- Nica (Last name) spoke about an application for a sidewalk cafe renewal for Nica Restaraunt
- CB Rosenthal spoke about overdevelopment
- Elizabeth Rose Daly spoke about programs at the Frick
- Ellen Polovy spoke about the Health Committee event in May
- Roger Marquis spoke about removing the stipulation regarding food trucks from the PS 290 street fair application
- Michelle Brilliant spoke about the Goat Hill Block Party application
- Judith Berdy spoke about events on Roosevelt Island

**A.** Presentation on the Open Meetings Law: Adele Bartlett, General Counsel to Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer.

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

**3. Adoption of the Minutes** – Minutes adopted

**4. Manhattan Borough President's Report**

Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer's office reported on her latest initiatives.

**5. Elected Officials' Reports**

Elected officials or their representatives reported on their latest initiatives.

1. Congressmember Carolyn Maloney
2. State Senator Jose Serrano
3. Council Member Ben Kallos
4. State Senator Liz Krueger
5. Assembly Member Dan Quart
6. Council Member Keith Powers
7. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright

#### **6. Chair's Report – Alida Camp**

Chair Camp gave her report.

#### **7. District Manager's Report -- Will Brightbill**

District Manager Will Brightbill gave his report.

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

##### **A. Landmarks Committee - David Helpern and Jane Parshall, Co-Chairs**

##### **LM-1: Items 1 & 2**

**Item 1: First Hungarian Reformed Church (346-348 East 69th Street)** – Secessionist style building with Craftsman/Arts and Crafts features designed by Emery Roth and built in 1915-1916. Discussion of designation as an individual landmark.

**WHEREAS** the First Hungarian Reformed Church of New York was designed by one of the most eminent architects of the entire 20th century;

**WHEREAS** the firm of Emery Roth designed over 44 apartment buildings, hotels and other structures including such jewels as The Eldorado, The Beresford and the San Remo;

**WHEREAS** Emery Roth's successor firm, Emery Roth & Sons, also worked on iconic projects, including the World Trade Center, The Citicorp Center and the Pan Am Building (now Met Life Building);

**WHEREAS** the First Hungarian Reformed was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2000; the parsonage was listed in 1983 as a contributing property to the historic houses next to it already on the National Register;

**WHEREAS** the congregation at the church chose Mr. Roth as the architect because, as a first generation Hungarian-American, he would have been familiar with Hungarian vernacular architecture; his design for the church reflects many Hungarian church building traditions;

**WHEREAS** the church has played a continuing role in the social history of New York, serving as a focal point for the city's Hungarian-American community since the church was built in 1916;

**WHEREAS** the First Hungarian Reformed Church is part of the charming streetscape along East 69th Street; the little yellow stucco countryside church that one encounters says more about Emery Roth's persona than the grander, more opulent buildings that are an easily recognizable part of our great city's skyline;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Landmarks Committee of Community Board 8M supports an INDIVIDUAL LANDMARK designation for the First Hungarian Reformed Church of New York, 346-348 East 69th Street.

**Item 2: 39 East 67<sup>th</sup> Street (between Park and Madison Avenues)** – A Beaux-Arts style building designed by D. & J. Jardine and constructed in 1876-1877 (present façade designed by Ernest Flagg and constructed in 1903-04). Application is to repair the front façade, replace and configure windows, and to replace dormers.

**WHEREAS** 39 East 67th Street, known as the Scribner house, was originally designed by D. & J. Jardine and constructed in 1876-1877. The style of the original design is not known;

**WHEREAS** the existing elevation was designed by Ernest Flagg in the Beaux-Arts style and constructed in 1903-1904;

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes at the front elevation to replace all of the existing wood windows with in-kind wood windows;

**WHEREAS** at the front elevation the applicant proposes to change the existing dormers at the mansard roof;

**WHEREAS** there are now two existing dormers; the applicant proposes to replace the two existing dormers with three new dormers that will align with the window openings below;

**WHEREAS** at the front elevation at the 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors at the window openings, the applicant proposes to restore the original decorative black wrought-iron guard rails/railings; the applicant also proposes to retrofit the rails — at the bottom of the rail on each floor — to meet the 42" guardrail height per the Building Code; the railings will present as 2" higher than the original guard rails;

**WHEREAS** the increase in height for the guard rails, while minimal, is more apparent at the 2nd and 3rd floors;

**WHEREAS** at the front the applicant proposes to restore limestone where it has been damaged; this will involve some minor patching;

**WHEREAS** at the roof, the applicant proposes a new stair bulkhead and a pergola;

**WHEREAS** the new stair bulkhead will be approximately 9' tall x 12' wide off the roof and will be set back from the parapet by approximately 29'; the pergola will be 8' high x 9' wide;

**WHEREAS** both the new bulkhead and the pergola will not be visible from the public way;

**WHEREAS** the applicant is adding new chimney flues at the east parapet party wall;

**WHEREAS** the rear elevation faces north;

**WHEREAS** at the rear there is an existing extension into the rear yard;

**WHEREAS** at the rear there is curved windowless volume that projects from the east side of the extension;

**WHEREAS** at the rear elevation at the cellar level, the applicant proposes a new limestone rear facade at the ground level; the existing opening will be enlarged for new doors with 4 lites;

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to lower the existing garden level by 3'; the existing opening to the garden will also be lowered by 3';

**WHEREAS** at the first floor the existing window opening will be enlarged; a set of French doors with a Juliette balcony will also be added at the first floor;

**WHEREAS** at the second floor, the existing opening will be enlarged for new doors with 4 lites;

**WHEREAS** there is an unusual curved windowless volume at the rear elevation [see above];

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to introduce a secondary stair within this volume;

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes adding windows to this volume at the flat side of the rounded part of the volume/projection;

**WHEREAS** at the 1st and 2nd floors, the window will present as a fixed curtain with 14 lites with a fixed glass transom at the point where the first and second floors meet;

**WHEREAS** at the third floor at the rear elevation, the applicant proposes a metal paneled bay with a zinc coated copper roof;

**WHEREAS** at the third floor the applicant proposes a new window for the projecting volume on the flat side of the volume. [This new window will be centered above the new fixed curtain window below at the 1st and 2nd floors.];

**WHEREAS** the 4th floor, the applicant proposes to retain the existing greenhouse glass and aluminum enclosure that sits on top of the existing 4-story extension;

**WHEREAS** at the top floor (5th floor) at the rear elevation there are now three window openings with an unusual set of windows that present as a wall of small aluminum framed windows above the three existing window openings. This wall of windows curves back slightly/slopes back so that the interior space of the double height room within has two levels of windows: the three existing openings and then above them and separated by an interior wall [or horizontal mullion], the sloped-back set of windows along the width of the house. [From the exterior of the house, this space presents as 2 floors — on the interior, the space presents as a huge studio with two separate sets of windows with the top set of windows or clerestory windows, are slanted back so that there is an angle to the roofline at the top floor.];

**WHEREAS** the applicant proposes to replace the two sets of windows and add more glass so that the two sets of windows are converted into much larger window 18' wide x 11' tall; the slant back at the top will be maintained; the new single window will present as a new sloped curtain wall;

**WHEREAS** all the windows at the rear will be framed in steel and present as casement windows or Hope's windows/doors;

**WHEREAS** proposed changes at the front elevation, at the rear elevation and at the roof are contextual and appropriate within the historic district;

**WHEREAS** the proposed additions at the roof are not visible from the public way;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this application is approved as presented.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved these resolutions by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

**B. Street Life Committee – Abraham Salcedo, Chair**

**SL-1: All Unanimous (1a-5a)**

**1) Renewal Applications to the Department of Consumer Affairs and/or Department of City Planning for a Sidewalk Cafe:**

**a) 200 East 81<sup>st</sup> Restaurant Corp, dba Beyoglu, 1431 Third Avenue (Between 80<sup>th</sup> and 81<sup>st</sup> Street) – Renewal for a Sidewalk Café - unenclosed – 16 tables, 32 chairs**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant agreed to store all tables and chairs inside the establishments and not outside on the sidewalk; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**b) Michael King, Inc., 1361 First Avenue (Between 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Street) – Renewal for a Sidewalk Café – unenclosed – 6 tables, 12 chairs**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**c) 1754 Rest Inc., dba TBD, 1754 Second Avenue (Between 91<sup>st</sup> and 92<sup>nd</sup> Street) - Renewal Application for a Sidewalk Café – unenclosed – 12 tables, 24 chair**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**d) LX Avenue Bagels, INC., 1228 Lexington Avenue (Between 83<sup>rd</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup> Street) - Renewal Application for a Sidewalk Café – unenclosed – 4 tables and 8 chairs**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**e) Eat Lexington 87 LLC, dba Eli's Essentials, 1291 Lexington Avenue (Between 86<sup>th</sup> and 87<sup>th</sup> Street) - Renewal Application for a Sidewalk Café – unenclosed – 4 tables and 8 chairs**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**2) Transfer/Alterations/Corporate Changes/Upgrade Applications to the New York State Liquor Authority for Liquor License:**

**a) Genior Inc, dba Sette Mezzo, 969 Lexington Avenue (Between 70<sup>th</sup> and 71<sup>st</sup> Street) – Class Change for Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider License**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**b) Stony MG Inc, dba Ryan's Daughter, 350 East 85th St (Between First and Second Avenue) – Corporate Change**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**3) New Applications to the New York State Liquor Authority for Liquor Licenses:**

**a) Yao Yao Sushi, dba Ajisai, 795 Lexington Avenue (Between 61<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street) – New Application for a Wine, Beer and Cider License**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**b) Secret Summer Hospitality Group, LLC, dba Festi'val Farm to Bar Cafe, 1155 Second Avenue (Between 61st and 62nd Street) - New Application for a Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider License**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**c) Suki Ichiro Sushi Inc, 1694 Second Avenue (Between 87th and 88th Street) – New Application for a Wine, Beer and Cider License**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

#### **4) Requests for 30 Day Notice Waiver:**

**a) Esquina NYC 1492 Second LLC, dba La Esquina, 1402 Second Avenue - Renewal Application for a Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider i) Expiration Date: April 30, 2019**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

#### **5) Liquor License Renewal:**

**a) Lizard O's Inc, dba Two Lizards, 1365 First Avenue (Between 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Street) – Renewal for a Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider i) Expiration Date: March 31, 2019**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved these resolutions by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

#### **SL-2: Nica's Unanimous (1a)**

##### **1) Renewal Applications to the Department of Consumer Affairs and/or Department of City Planning for a Sidewalk Cafe:**

**a) Nica Restaurant Corp, dba Nica Trattoria, 354 East 84<sup>th</sup> Street – Renewal for a Sidewalk Café – unenclosed – 6 tables, 11 chairs**

**WHEREAS** this is a renewal application for a sidewalk cafe; and

**WHEREAS** no one from the public objected; and

**WHEREAS** the applicant has agreed to Community Board 8's stipulations concerning delivery bikes and bar crawls; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the application is APPROVED, subject to the stipulations above.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved these resolutions by a vote of 41 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

#### **C. Street Fairs Committee – Barbara Chocky and Lorraine Johnson, Co-Chairs**

##### **SF-1: Unanimous**

**Friendship Circle Upper East Side Friendship Walk Carnival -- Full Street Closure at East 77th Street between First Avenue and York Avenue. Sunday, May 19th 2019 from 9am-4pm.**

This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year this event is being held. The goal of this event is to bring the community together and to raise awareness of children and teens with special needs. There will be games, inflatables and pony rides. Kosher food will be served.

**Marymount Manhattan College 49th Annual Strawberry Festival -- Full Street Closure at East 71st Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues. Thursday, May 2nd 2019 from 9am-5pm.**

This event will feature the student organizations. It has been held for 48 years. It is an end of the year party but not a graduation. There will be a DJ and amplified music. There will be security and no vendors.

**Museum of the City of New York Museum Mile Festival -- Full Street Closure at 5th Avenue between East 79th Street and East 106th Street. Tuesday, June 11th 2019 from 5pm-9pm.**

This is a unique event. It is the 41<sup>st</sup> year the annual Museum Mile Festival has been held. The avenue is closed to traffic and all of the museums are open to the public at no charge. Attendees can walk the mile on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 82<sup>nd</sup> and 106<sup>th</sup> Streets visiting the seven museums. The event includes live entertainment and celebrity appearances. There will be amplified sound and no vendors.

**East Sixties Neighborhood Association Street Fair -- Full Street Closure at East 60th Street from Madison Avenue to 5th Avenue. Saturday, July 6th 2019 from 8am-8pm.**

There will be vendors, and food and beverages will be sold. No food trucks will be used. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> year the event is being held.

**19th Precinct Community Council Lexington Avenue Festival -- Full Street Closure at Lexington Avenue between East 60th Street and East 66th Street. Saturday, June 15th 2019 from 8am-8pm.**

There will be arts and crafts, general vendors, and food and beverage vendors. No food trucks will be used.

**Lenox Hill Neighborhood House's First Avenue Festival -- Full Street Closure at First Avenue between East 68th Street and East 79th Street. Saturday, June 8th 2019, from 8am-8pm.**

The event will have general vendors, food and beverage vendors, general rides, and a bounce house. The various programs operated by Lenox Hill will be featured. There will be amplified music. No food trucks will be used.

**Central Park Precinct Community Council's Community Block Party -- Full Street Closure at East 60th Street between 5th Avenue and Madison Avenue. Saturday, November 9th 2019 from 8am-8pm.**

This is a block party featuring community displays and services, arts and crafts, and general vendors. There will be food and beverages but no food trucks.

**The Ramaz School's Block Party -- Full Street Closure at East 78th Street between Park Avenue and Madison Avenue. Thursday, May 9th 2019 from 8am-8pm.**

All the divisions of the school will participate in this event. There will be games, blow-ups and rides. Kosher food vendors will be present. There will be amplified music.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved these resolutions by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 4 not voting for cause.**

**SF-2: Item 10 Approval w/o Foodtruck Stipulation**

**PS 290's Annual Spring Festival -- Full Street Closure at East 82nd Street between First Avenue and Second Avenue. Saturday, May 18th, 2019 from 8am-4pm.**

This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year that this event has been held. There will be general vendors, and food and beverages. The event is sponsored by the parents association. There will also be inflatable rides at the event. One of the committee members expressed concern that there will be food trucks at the event.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 31 in favor, 8 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

**SF-3: Item 18**

**Goat Hill Neighborhood Association Block Party -- Full Street Closure at East 95th Street between Lexington Avenue and Park Avenue. Wednesday, June 12th 2019 from 5pm-9pm.**

This is a free event to build community. It is an informal gathering of neighbors and the event is open to the public. Neighbors bring food out in front of their buildings which are mostly townhouses and brownstones and share it with one another.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

**9. Old Business – No old business was discussed.**

**10. New Business –**

**NB-1: A5026 and S3820**

**WHEREAS**, in recent years, several buildings have been completed using tall, inflated mechanical or structural floors to elevate upper story units above the surrounding context and improve their views; and

**WHEREAS**, the NYC Zoning Resolution presently allows floor space containing mechanical equipment to be excluded from the floor area calculation and does not specifically identify a limit to the height of such spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, at the February 22, 2019 CB8 Land Use and Full Board meeting, the Board approved a resolution in support of an Application by the Department of City Planning to modify residential tower floor area provisions in ZR 23-16 relating to Mechanical Voids in Residential Towers (N 190230 ZRY); and

**WHEREAS**, the resolution passed by CB8 called for the closure of additional loopholes that were not addressed in the Text Amendment, including unenclosed mechanical voids or stilts, gerrymandered zoning lot mergers, outdoor and unenclosed spaces, amenities, and other building areas not used for accessory building mechanicals that have inappropriate floor-to-floor heights; and

**WHEREAS**, the NYC Department of City Planning has agreed to study these loopholes over the next year, but over that time more buildings will be built that take advantage of these loopholes; and



**WHEREAS**, Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal and NY Senator Robert Jackson have introduced legislation to amend the Multiple Dwelling Law to refine the definition of floor area and what is excluded in the measurement of floor area; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislation aims to ensure developers are building within the intention of the multiple dwelling law by closing existing loopholes; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislation imposes restrictions on the size of allowable mechanical voids, and among other restrictions, sets a ceiling height cap of 12 feet before inclusion in floor area calculations, and ensures that balconies, terraces, and other unenclosed spaces will be counted towards a building's total floor area;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8 Manhattan supports A5026 and S3820 regarding the definition of floor area, and calls on the New York State Legislature to schedule a hearing for these bills.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention, and 1 not voting for cause.**

**NB-2: Park Funding Change “no longer functions to has not functioned”**

**WHEREAS** Community District 8 Manhattan (“CD #8”) has among the least amount of public open space – park land – in the Borough, and

**WHEREAS** many of our parks, though well used by the public throughout the year, do not receive the public funding necessary to meet the needs of these heavily trafficked oases, and

**WHEREAS** the Queensboro Oval, a 1.24 acre park in the southeast quadrant of CD #8, has not functioned as a free and open public park but is the proposed home, of a concession, namely York Avenue Tennis, LLC, a private enterprise, for the next ten years. York Avenue Tennis, LLC generates some \$2.6 million a year in revenue, and

**WHEREAS** all revenue from all Parks' concessions citywide currently goes into the city's general fund and is not directed to the Department of Parks and Recreation, and

**WHEREAS** it has long been the position of Community Board 8 that Queensboro Oval not be used for this concession and instead be returned to the public, as a public space for the entire community to enjoy, and

**WHEREAS** if Queensboro Oval is not be returned to the community as a true public space, Community Board 8 urges the City to dedicate all revenue generated by Queensboro Oval to the parks of CD #8,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8 Manhattan urges the City of New York to dedicate the funding stream generated by the Queensboro Oval to the parks in CD #8 for the maintenance and beautification as long as Queensboro Oval generates revenue from a concessionaire.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

**NB-3: City Council Intros. 1234-2018 and 1261-2018**

**WHEREAS**, hate crimes across New York City in 2019 have more than doubled since the same period in 2018, affecting numerous communities, but with the majority of these crimes being anti-Semitic in nature, as confirmed by the NYPD and the Anti-Defamation League;

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, anti-Semitic incidents rose by 22 percent compared to 2017, and made up 183 out of 352 total hate crimes reported by the NYPD at the end of December of 2018, reflecting an alarming national trend;

**WHEREAS**, while the majority of NYC hate crimes have involved defacement using hate speech, recent incidents have been violent in nature, including physical attacks, with the uptick creating an urgent need for an increased response;

**WHEREAS**, Community District 8 has experienced hate crimes, including the vandalism of Asphalt Green with Nazi symbols, vandalism of a Sukkah in Carl Schurz Park, and racist bullying at Robert F. Wagner Middle School;

**WHEREAS**, a central office under the direction of the Mayor is needed for the prevention of hate crimes in order to coordinate the response by bringing together various city agencies and law enforcement, gathering data from the city's district attorneys, dispatching city resources, assisting victims, identifying and quantifying hate groups in NYC, and making recommendations to avert and understand hate crimes;

**WHEREAS**, additional educational outreach is needed, including further K-12 programs, to supplement the efforts of a new Mayoral office in order to foster tolerance and understanding by teaching students about diversity and coexistence and providing anti-bias and bias-diffusion trainings by coordinating with various city agencies, interfaith organizations, community groups, and human and civil rights groups;

**WHEREAS**, Intros. 1234-2018 and 1261-2018 fulfill these objectives and were unanimously passed in the City Council and were enacted on February 24, 2019;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Community Board 8 Manhattan stands firmly against all manifestations of hate crimes in NYC, supports Intros. 1234-2018 and 1261-2018 as enacted, and calls for all relevant agencies to implement these laws immediately.

**Community Board 8 Manhattan approved this resolution by a vote of 39 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:34PM.**

**Alida Camp, Chair**

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