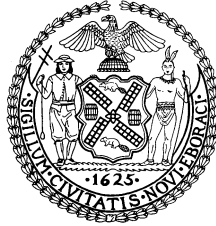


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**The City of New York
Community Board 8 Manhattan
Public Hearing
Environment & Sanitation Committee
Monday, March 11, 6:30 PM
Marymount Manhattan College, Regina Peruggi Room
221 East 71st Street**

Please note: The resolutions contained in the committee minutes are recommendations submitted by the committee chair to the Community Board. At the monthly full board meeting, the resolutions are discussed and voted upon by all members of Community Board 8 Manhattan.

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Cos Spagnoletti, Edward Hartzog, Margaret Price
Board Members Absent (Excused): Abraham Salcedo, Craig Lader

Resolutions for Approval:

Item 2a (Unanimous): The Need for the City Charter to increase fines on business who fail to keep adjacent areas clean of litter.

Item 2c (Unanimous): The need for the Dept. of Sanitation to monitor specific sections of CB8M for cleanliness.

1. Presentation by DSNY on the New York City Commercial Waste Zone Program proposal
 - a. Streamline commercial waste
 - b. Limiting the number of contracted carters
 - c. Having only 3-5 carters in designated zones
 - d. Drivers would drive less to complete routes
 - e. Total miles per year would decrease their route
 - f. Air quality would improve
 - g. More compliance for private trucks under DSNY regulations
 - h. Other pros/cons were discussed
 - i. Complete presentation can be viewed on CB8M website under Environment and Sanitation
2. Discussion of local litter and sanitation concerns with the DSNY District 8 Supervisor
 - a. Litter is everywhere, which seems to be the problem in our area

Resolution: The Need for the City Charter to increase fines on business who fail to keep adjacent areas clean of litter.

WHEREAS the mounting litter on sidewalks, in tree beds, on seating and along roadway curbs has become an acute problem on Manhattan's Upper East Side; and

WHEREAS this rising amount of litter is creating unhealthy as well as unsightly conditions throughout the community; and

WHEREAS businesses are legally required to remove litter from public spaces adjacent to their establishment or face a \$100 fine; and

WHEREAS that fine has been proving to be far too low to encourage businesses to maintain cleanliness around their establishment; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8-Manhattan urges the New York City Council to raise the fine to between \$250 and \$1,000 per violation on businesses that fail to keep areas adjacent to their establishment clean and litter-free.

VOTE: 3-0-0

In favor: Edward Hartzog, Peggy Price, and Cos Spagnoletti

- b. Discussion of what DSNY can do, and what they actually do
- c. To target specific areas, DSNY can be contacted and they will monitor the area

Resolution: The need for the Dept. of Sanitation to monitor specific sections of CB8M for cleanliness.

WHEREAS the rising amounts of litter on sidewalks, in tree beds, on seating and along roadway curbs on Manhattan's Upper East Side are creating environmental, health and safety hazards; and **WHEREAS** these district-wide problems are most pronounced in certain areas, such as East 86th St. and along East 74th, 75th and 76th streets, among other areas; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8-Manhattan urges the New York City Dept. of Sanitation to launch an assessment program lasting at least a month, in which inspectors would regularly monitor designated target areas to determine both their cleanliness and if any further steps are needed to improve conditions.

VOTE: 3-0-0

In favor: Edward Hartzog, Peggy Price, and Cos Spagnoletti

- d. Funding and laws seem to be the biggest obstacles

Council Member Keith Power's representative, Jenna Klaus, was present. They will discuss what laws need to be changed and what can be done in general.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Abraham Salcedo and Cos Spagnoletti, Co-Chairs