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# The City of New York Community Board 8 Manhattan Street Fairs Committee Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – 6:30 PM This meeting was conducted via Zoom

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**

Applications will only be approved based on the applicants agreement to the following stipulations:

- 1. The applicant will abide by all applicable COVID-19 regulations at the time.
- 2. The applicant will enforce mask wearing and provide masks if necessary.
- 3. The applicant will monitor crowd size and implement methods to ease overcrowding in specific areas.
- 4. The applicant will ensure the event is open to the public.

Board Members Present: Michele Birnbaum, Barbara Chocky, Rebecca Dangoor, Wilma Johnson, Barry Schneider

## **Resolutions for Approval:**

Items 1A-F, 2A-G: Unanimous Approval

Item 2H: Approval

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

#### Item 1 - Multi-Block Festivals

**A.** Lexington Avenue Festival (19th Precinct Community Council) – Full Street Closure at Lexington Avenue between East 60th and East 66th Street. Saturday June 12, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held since 1973. The event will not include inflatable rides. There will be both food and general vendors. Proceeds go to the supply needs of the precinct including but not limited to supporting the families of fallen officers and kids' programs. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

**Motion to Approve** 

PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**B.** Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Second Avenue Community Benefit Festival – Full Street Closure at Second Avenue between East 66th Street and East 86th Street. Saturday, May 8, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held since 1993. There will be amplified sound, live entertainment, inflatable rides, and alcoholic beverages. The event will have both food and general vendors. Proceeds will go to local non-profits. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

C. Lenox Hill Neighborhood House First Avenue Festival – Full Street Closure at First Avenue between East 68th Street and East 79th Street. Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held previously. The event will not have live performances or amplified sound. It will have inflatable rides as well as both general and food vendors. There will be signs encouraging mask usage as well as available masks for the public. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**D.** French Institute Alliance Française Bastille Day Festival – Full Street Closure at East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Lexington Avenue and Fifth Avenue. Sunday, July 11th, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held previously for many years in celebration of Bastille Day. The fair will have amplified sound, live music as well as cultural performances, alcoholic beverages, food vendors, and general vendors. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

#### **Motion to Approve**

#### PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**E.** Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Third Avenue Community Benefit Festival – Full Street Closure at Third Avenue between East 66th and East 86th Street. Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held since 1993. There will be amplified sound, live entertainment, inflatable rides, and alcoholic beverages. The event will have both food and general vendors. Proceeds will go to local non-profits. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

#### PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

F. 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y Lexington Avenue Festival – Full Street Closure at Lexington Avenue between East 79<sup>th</sup> Street and East 96<sup>th</sup> Street. Sunday, September 26, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held previously. They have not received any complaints in years past. There will be amplified sound, live entertainment, and inflatable rides. The event will have both general and good vendors. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

## **Item 2 - Single-Block Festivals and Street Events**

**A.** Central Park Precinct Community Block Party Picnic – Full Street Closure at East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Fifth Avenue and Madison Avenue. Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

This event has been held previously and has received no complaints. This block party will feature community displays and services, arts and crafts, general merchandise and food. The official time of the event is from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**B.** Strawberry Festival (Marymount Manhattan College) – Full Street Closure at East 71<sup>st</sup> Street between Second Avenue and Third Avenue. Thursday, May 6, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

This event has been held previously and is open to the public. It highlights registered student organizations on campus. There will be amplified sound, carnival games, and food trucks. Previously, Marymount Manhattan College had its own personal caterer who prepared the event's food inside. However, their cafeteria is closed due to COVID-19. The official time of the festival is from 12:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

C. Family Day (The Episcopal School in the City of New York 35 East 69th Street) – Full Street Closure at East 69th Street between Madison Avenue and Park Avenue. Thursday, May 20, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

This event has been held previously. Episcopal will have private security. There will be craft tables and games. The event will be limited to 50 people at a time. The official event time is from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Committee's approval is contingent on the event being open to the public.

#### **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**D.** Brick Church Strawberry Festival – Full Street Closure at East 92<sup>nd</sup> Street between Park Avenue and Madison Avenue. Sunday, May 23, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

This event has been held previously. There will be tables for pre-packaged food distribution, a seating area, an area for children's games, and private security. There will be a \$5 admission fee. The official event time is from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

## **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**E.** Friendship Walk – Full Street Closure at East 77<sup>th</sup> Street between York Avenue and First Avenue. Sunday, May 23, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

This event is a festive community fun-day celebrating individuals with special needs who live in the neighborhood and has been held previously. There will be food vendors and on-site security. The official event time is from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

#### **Motion to Approve**

#### PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**F.** St. James Church Homecoming Picnic – Full Street Closure at East 71<sup>st</sup> Street between Park Avenue and Madison Avenue. Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

This event has been held previously for over 25 years. There will be a simple catered lunch, two balloon artists as well as games and crafts for children. This is a free event and open to the public. The official time of the picnic is from 11:30 PM to 2:00 PM.

#### **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**G. 60th Street Fair (German American Committee of Greater New York)** – Full Street Closure at East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Madison Avenue and Fifth Avenue. Saturday, May 22, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held previously. There will be both general and food vendors. The official event time is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

#### **Motion to Approve**

## PASSED by a vote of 5-0-0

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson, Schneider

**H. 60th Street Fair (ESNA)** – Full Street Closure at East 60<sup>th</sup> Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues. Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event has been held previously for approximately 25 years. There will be both general and food vendors. The official event time is from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

**Motion to Approve** 

PASSED by a vote of 4-0-0-1

In Favor: Birnbaum, Chocky, Dangoor, Johnson

Not Voting for Cause: Schneider

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:31 PM.

Barbara Chocky and Wilma Johnson, Co-Chairs