

**Manhattan Community Board 6
Health and Education Committee**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on
Tuesday, February 28, 2017**

The meeting, held at 550 1st Ave, New York, NY 10016, in room Coles 109, was called to order at about 6:40 p.m. The meeting focused on the topics outlined below.

A. Update Regarding Mount Sinai Beth Israel’s (“MSBI”) Planned Health Center to be Situated in Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village

Bradley Korn, Director of Community Affairs at MSBI, and Dr. Kelly Cassano, Chief of Ambulatory Care at MSBI, presented an update regarding the health center that MSBI plans to open in Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village by fall 2017. The update included the following points:

- The health center is expected to open sometime in September 2017.
- The health center facility is expected to be approximately 5,000 square feet, with at least 10 exam rooms.
- The health center is expected to offer primary care and pediatric services, provided by a team of family medicine internists and pediatricians affiliated with the Mount Sinai Health System and/or Icahn School of Medicine. Blood drawing and radiology services would be available on site.
- The health center is expected to offer a set of limited specialty care services in the areas of gynecology, cardiology, and gastroenterology on a rotating basis – that is, a certain number of sessions/hours and/or on certain days per week.
- The health center is expected to operate 7 days a week, with extended weekday and weekend hours, and would accept both walk-in and scheduled appointments.

Mr. Korn and Dr. Cassano explained that there is a more comprehensive obstetrics and gynecology practice at MSBI’s practice location on 14th Street and, within Manhattan, obstetric deliveries can be done at Mount Sinai Hospital and Mount Sinai West. Mr. Korn noted that MSBI has a social worker staffed at Stuyvesant Town.

B. Senior Survey Design and Distribution Matters

Committee members discussed comments and suggestions regarding a survey designed to collect feedback, primarily from seniors within the local community, regarding such matters as the activities available to seniors in the local community, preferences regarding same (e.g., as far as the timing and types of activities), accessibility of activities, levels of participation, how survey respondents hear about activities, familiarity with and use of technology as a means of finding out about activities, and certain related matters.

The survey would be distributed and collected in hardcopy form at certain locations in the community and would also be made accessible on the Internet so that it can be accessed, completed and submitted electronically.

The survey is a collaborative effort with the Manhattan Borough President's office.

C. Fiscal Year 2018 Preliminary Budget Register of Capital Budget Priorities and Requests for Manhattan Community District 6 (“Preliminary Register”)

Committee members briefly discussed the Preliminary Register, focusing on items within the areas of health and education. Committee members were encouraged to continue to consider and evaluate the budget priorities and requests as they pertain to the areas of health and education.

D. Other Matters

Committee members also briefly discussed each of the following:

- a suggestion of greater engagement with administrators, parent associations, parent-teacher associations, and student leaders at public schools within the community so that Committee members could become better informed of the particular needs and issues of those public schools that the Committee may help to address;
- physical education programs offered by public schools in the community;
- availability of a nurse on site at public schools in the community;
- certain recent events and news, and certain upcoming events, focusing on healthcare matters; and
- monitoring legislative developments and proposals related to healthcare, including keeping abreast of new legislative proposals that may merit consideration by, and support from, the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at about 7:45 p.m.

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