

Minutes for November 21,2016  
Community Board Six  
Public Safety and Environment Committee

A. Presentation by New York City Department of Sanitation:

- 1) It is illegal to put in garbage for DSNY collection the following electronic items:
  - a) TV
  - b) Monitors
  - c) Computers
  - d) Laptops
  - e) Small servers
  - f) Printers
  - g) Tables
  - h) MP3 players
  - i) VCRs/DVRs
  - j) Fax machine
  - k) Video game
  - l) Satellite boxes
  - m) Mice
  - n) keyboards
  
- 2) To recycle electronic items:
  - a) For apartment building with 10 units of more can sign up for free recycling pick up. Go to [nyc.gov/ecycle](http://nyc.gov/ecycle) for more details.
  - b) DCNY drop-off site for Safe Disposal Events. Go to [nyc.gov/safedisposal](http://nyc.gov/safedisposal) for more information
  - c) Drop off site – details from <http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/zerowaste/residents/special-waste-drop-off-sites.shtml>
    - i) **Manhattan:** 74 Pike Slip between Cherry Street and South Street under the Manhattan Bridge
    - ii) The sites are open from 10 am to 5 pm every Saturday and the last Friday of the month. Sites are closed on legal holidays, and may be closed during **severe weather**.
  - d) Donate the items to Goodwill, the Salvation Army or go to [nyc.gov/donate](http://nyc.gov/donate) for more options.
  - e) Take back to stores that accept old electronic item or go to [nyc.gov/electronics](http://nyc.gov/electronics) for more information.
  
- 3) The following harmful products cannot go in the garbage:
  - a) Appliances with CFC/Freon
  - b) Asbestos
  - c) Auto products
  - d) Batteries
  - e) Cleaning products
  - f) Gas cylinders

- g) Lawn and gardening products
  - h) Medical waste
  - i) Mercury-containing products
  - j) Paint
  - k) Pest control products
- 4) To properly dispose these harmful products go to [nyc.gov/safedisposal](http://nyc.gov/safedisposal) for more information.
- 5) For a rating on electronics environmental impact there is EPEAT rating – [www.epeat.net](http://www.epeat.net) similar to how there is an energy star rating for electricity usage

The second topic discussed was Link NYC:

- a. The city of New York through its Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications entered in to a franchise agreement with CityBridge, LLC, to install, operate and maintain public communications structures in 2014, for a period of 12 years.
- b. The Link NYC will provide free 311 and 911 calls, and free wireless high speed internet
- c. Where are Link NYC placed:
  - i. 15' of an outdoor or elevated subway entrance
  - ii. 15' of street furniture with advertisement panel
  - iii. 15' radius of a fire hydrant
  - d) 15' of an enclosed sidewalk café
  - iv. 5' of standpipe or sprinkler connection, siamese connection, etc.
  - v. 10' of a driveway
  - vi. Clear Path. All Franchise Structures (Link NYC) to be installed so as to allow a minimum of 8 feet or one half of the sidewalk, whichever is greater, of straight unobstructed path (“clear path”) for pedestrian circulation on the sidewalk. No grates or cellar doors shall be included as a part of the clear path directly in front of or behind a Franchise Structure.
- d. The survey results, direct feedback from community members through photographs as well as written accounts, and direct observation from board members highlight the following problems, still in effect:
  - i. Browsing of adult content over the free wireless internet on mobile devices
  - ii. Extended loitering and monopolizing of the units
  - ii. Lewd behavior by individuals using the unit
  - iii. iv. Excessive light pollution from the screens used to display advertising
- e. The committee approved a resolution that addressed some the issues discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

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