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Transportation Committee
Monday, January 7, 7:00 PM
Japan Society, Murase Room, 333 E 47th Street

Meeting Minutes

Present: Sandra McKee (Chair), Gene Santoro (Vice Chair), Claire Brennan, Beatrice Disman, Andrew Gross, Matthew Roberts, Lawrence Scheyer, Ann Seligman, Brian Van Nieuwenhoven, Bob Cohen, Raymond Knowles, Philip Napolitano

Absent: Molly Hollister, Kathleen Kelly, Joe Parrish, Ronnie White, James Wilson

Guests: Matthew Ross, member of the public; Lydia Jessup, member of the public; Colleen Chattergoon, New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT); Sara Newman, Council Member Keith Powers' office; Robert Breuer, member of the public; Asher Baumrin, State Senator Brad Hoylman's office; Brian Lafferty, Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer's office; Joshua Shapiro, member of the public; Anne Hersh, member of the public

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda/Previous Meeting's Minutes

Chair Sandra McKee called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

A motion was made to adopt the minutes from the December 3, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

Committee Business

Agenda Item #1: Application from Spanish Transportation Service Corporation for an Inter-City Bus Stop at 137 East 42nd Street between 3rd and Lexington Avenues

This agenda item was removed because the bus stop applicant elected to apply for a bus stop outside Community District 6.

Agenda Item #2: Review of resolutions passed by the CB6 Transportation Committee in the last three years

The Transportation Committee reviewed committee resolutions that were passed between January 2016 and December 2018. There were several findings from these discussions on CB6 resolutions:

- The committee was informed that requests for the installation of speed bumps will no longer come to the committee.
- Also, the Committee was reminded that DOT does not provide feedback on revocable consent applications.
- There was a discussion that the Committee might want to consider revisiting a number of resolutions which have not been implemented.
- The Committee passed twenty-two resolutions in 2018.

Additionally, during discussions on resolutions passed within the last three years, a discussion of parking placards and their misuse took place. It was agreed that the issue is a police enforcement issue. The Transportation Committee agreed that it would invite representatives from the New York Police Department (NYPD) 13th and 17th Precincts to next month's Transportation Committee meeting.

Agenda Item #3: Review of legislation regarding electronic bicycles in the New York City Council

The Committee discussed legislation regarding "electronic bicycles" in the NYC Council and State laws, as well as the Federal definition of an electronic bicycle. After discussion, the Committee decided this is a very complex issue and involves more than "electronic bicycles." As a result, the Committee discussed the possibility of a public forum on this issue.

Old/New Business

Under old business, the Governor's new "L" train proposal was discussed. This discussion was led by Vice Chair Gene Santoro. After discussions on the new plan, the Committee concluded that it did not have enough information to comment. The Committee did conclude that, in the interim, a letter should be sent to the MTA requesting that the current mediations be kept in place.

Additionally, it was mentioned that the MTA will come to various community boards in the coming months to discuss the new "L" train plans.

Under new business, Committee Member Andrew Gross discussed flooding issues in a section of the East River Greenway. Additionally, Committee Member Ann Seligman

discussed the dangerousness of the intersection of 42nd Street and 2nd Avenue. Finally, Committee Chair McKee mentioned that it would be a good idea to come up with things that the Committee wants to address in the year ahead.

Chair's Report

The Chair's Report was waived.

Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting ended at 8:36 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Bea Disman