



## **Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine's December 14, 2022 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6**

### **1) Open Meetings Law:**

Mayor Adams has issued Emergency Executive Order 267 (<https://www.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/news/267-003/emergency-executive-order-267>), which extends the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration for 30 days through December 20, 2022. This Emergency Executive Order enables community boards to have entirely virtual meetings.

### **2) 2023 Manhattan Community Board Application Open through March 17, 2023:**

The 2023 Manhattan Community Board application is now available online (<https://form.jotform.com/223404628070146>).

### **3) Winter Coat Drive for Asylum Seekers:**

The Manhattan Borough President's Office is continuing to partner with the New York Immigration Coalition to provide needed items to asylum seeker families, via our donation drive at both our downtown and uptown offices.

The drive has been very successful, yet the need remains high for new toiletries and hygiene products and new packaged items, including underwear, t-shirts, socks, and diapers. We have also received requests for winter coats and jackets.

#### **4) Get Your Updated Covid Booster and Flu Shot!**

Bellevue Hospital welcomes walk-ins Mondays through Saturdays from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. There is no cost for updated covid boosters and flu shots at Bellevue Hospital, regardless of insurance or immigration status. Updated covid boosters and flu shots are also available at pharmacies, public hospitals, and via home visit for those who are 65 or older or are homebound.

To search for covid boosters at pharmacies, visit <https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov>.

To search for covid boosters at public hospital sites, visit New York City Health and Hospitals' Corporation's Website.

To sign up for a home visit (for those 65 or older or homebound), call (877) VAX-4NYC or visit <http://nyc.gov/homebound>.

The bivalent booster shot is available and that vaccines are available to the public at NYC Health + Hospital sites such as Bellevue in Manhattan, as well as most local pharmacies.

#### **5) Borough President Levine Joined the #MuniExpo2022 Conference in Tel Aviv:**

Last week, Borough President Levine joined hundreds of mayors and local government leaders from around the world at the #MuniExpo2022 Conference in Tel Aviv to learn and share the ways in which local governments are working to address common challenges, including climate change and transportation.

#### **6) Borough President Levine Joined Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village Tenants Association at its December 2022 meeting:**

On Saturday, Borough President Levine joined several elected officials, Manhattan Community Board 6 Chair Kyle Athayde, and the Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village Tenants Association for its December 2022 meeting. The event was moderated by Manhattan Community Board 6 Member and Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village Tenants Association President Susan Steinberg. Thank you to all those who made the meeting possible and to those who joined or participated by

sending in questions. The conversation was livestreamed on YouTube and may be watched (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NulC9mjsfbs>).

**7) Borough President Levine's Advocacy for a New City Agency in Charge of the Waterfront Covered in the Gothamist:**

Also on Saturday, Borough President Levine's advocacy for a new city agency in charge of the waterfront was covered in the Gothamist after a sinkhole in the East River Esplanade at East 76<sup>th</sup> Street emerged yet again (<https://gothamist.com/news/upper-east-side-sinkhole-highlights-need-for-waterfront-agency-bp-levine>).

**8) Borough President Levine and 9 Members of the Manhattan Delegation of the New York City Council Call for Boroughwide Curbside Composting in Manhattan:**

In November, the Gothamist covered Borough President Levine's joint letter with 9 members of the Manhattan Delegation of the New York City Council calling upon the Department of Sanitation to implement a boroughwide curbside composting program that would mirror what is currently being implemented in Queens (<https://gothamist.com/news/one-boroughs-trash-is-anothers-goal-manhattan-leaders-want-composting-program-like-one-in-queens>).