



Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine's January 11, 2023 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

1.) Community Board Applications are Open!

Community Board applications are now open. If you are up for re-appointment, you will receive a notice from Brian Lafferty. To apply, please click [here](#). The deadline is March 17th.

2.) State of the Borough on January 31st:

Borough President Levine is pleased to invite everyone to his first State of the Borough address on Tuesday, January 31st at 6pm at City College's Shepherd Hall, 160 Convent Avenue New York, NY 10031. To register to attend, please click [here](#).

3.) Victory for Stuyvesant Town Peter Cooper Village Tenants:

On January 4th, New York State Supreme Court Justice Robert Reed ruled in favor of the Stuyvesant Town Peter Cooper Village Tenants' Association, finding that 6,200 apartments in Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village are protected by rent regulation under the Housing Stability and Tenant Protection Act (HSTPA) of 2019. Borough President Levine issued the following statement:

“This is a major victory for the approximately 6,200 households who will remain protected from deregulation and the prospect of massive rent hikes. In the midst of our housing crisis, we must do everything possible to protect tenants and preserve affordability,” said Manhattan

Borough President Mark Levine. I am grateful for the Stuyvesant Town-Peter Cooper Village Tenants Association's, Council Member Powers' and my elected colleague's tireless work to protect our neighbors, and am glad the court rightfully found that the residents of Stuyvesant Town – Peter Cooper Village deserve the protections of the HSTPA.”

4.) Get Your Bivalent COVID Booster and Flu Shot:

We are in the middle of a terrible “tridemic” of COVID, Flu and RSV, with a majority of recent COVID cases coming from a new variant - XBB. Borough President Levine strongly encourages everyone to get both a bivalent COVID booster and a flu shot.

5.) Borough President Levine Stands in Solidarity with Nurses at Mount Sinai Hospital:

On Monday, January 9th, Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine and Bronx Borough President Vanessa Gibson issued the following statement on the first day of nurses striking at Mount Sinai and Montefiore hospitals:

“Mount Sinai and Montefiore's nurses were at the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic, putting themselves in harm's way to help their neighbors and fellow New Yorkers through one of the worst public health crises in a generation. These heroes deserve a contract that fairly compensates them for their commitment and expertise and ensures safe working conditions. Our commitment is to the community and the safety of patients receiving care in these hospitals. Improving nurse-to-patient staffing ratios provides the best patient outcomes. When both sides align with this highest priority, the negotiated contract will be a win-win for all stakeholders, ensuring the best quality metrics for hospitals, and the wellbeing of patients and essential nursing staff.”

6.) Borough President Levine and Council Member Powers Call on the MTA to Open Up Site at First Avenue Between East 36th and East 37th Streets for Public Recreational Use:

On Monday January 9th, Borough President Levine and Council Member Powers wrote to MTA Chair and CEO Janno Lieber to request that the MTA open its property on First Avenue between East 36th and East 37th Streets for public recreational use. The St. Vartan Park Conservancy has published the letter on its website. To view the letter, please click [here](#).