



THE OFFICE OF  
MANHATTAN BOROUGH PRESIDENT

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## **Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine's February 8, 2023 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6**

### **1.) Black History Month Event Details Coming Soon!**

Borough President Levine wishes everyone a happy Black History Month. Please keep an eye out for a save the date and invitation later this month.

### **2.) State of the Borough Address Re-Cap:**

Borough President Levine thanks everyone who attended his State of the Borough address on January 30<sup>th</sup> at Shepherd Hall at City College. For those who were not able to attend, the Borough President spoke about health, composting, public safety, and the state of housing in the Borough. Borough President Levine laid out a strategy to address the supply and affordability issues in his report "Housing Manhattanites." The plan proposes over 170 sites and nine updated neighborhood rezonings across the borough that could be developed into more than 73,000 apartments, with over 40% of those units being affordable. The Borough President encourages everyone to review the plan [here](#) and to watch the presentation [here](#).

### **3.) Highlights from "Housing Manhattanites" include...**

- The CB6 population has grown by over 12,000 residents since the 2010 census.
- Meanwhile, housing production has not met demand. There are a total of 99,371 units in the district - 1,953 of which were built since 2017.
- CD 6 is home to 267 public housing units.

- Since 2014, the district has produced just 531 units of affordable housing, none of which were produced under the City's Mandatory Inclusionary Housing Program.
- The median monthly rent in the district ranges from \$4,100 in Midtown East to \$5,040 in Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village. Though the average median household income is high, at \$135,242, 36% of all households are rent burdened and an astronomical 87% of households earning \$50,000 or less are rent burdened.
- Our review of CD6 identified 4 potential housing sites, possibly yielding as many as 1,200 affordable residential units in the district.

#### **4.) Open Meetings Law Update:**

The Mayor recently issued Emergency Executive Order 315, which extends the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration for 30 days through February 19, 2023.

#### **5.) Community Board Applications are Open!**

The Manhattan Community Boards application is now open. The deadline is March 17, 2022. If your term is expiring this year, please be sure to re-apply using the application available at [\\_](#). If you have any additional questions, please reach out to your Community Liaison, Brian Lafferty at 929-510-6740 or [blafferty@manhattanbp.nyc.gov](mailto:blafferty@manhattanbp.nyc.gov).

#### **6.) Capital Funding Application Open!**

The capital funding application is now open. The deadline to apply for capital funding is February 23, 2023. Those who are interested in applying for capital funding on behalf of an organization or school may schedule time to speak with the Budget Unit to learn more about the application process. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact your Community Liaison, Brian Lafferty at 929-510-6740 or [blafferty@manhattanbp.nyc.gov](mailto:blafferty@manhattanbp.nyc.gov).

## **7.) Free Meal Distribution Thursday, February 9, 2023 at Phipps Houses**

On Thursday, February 9, 2023 beginning at 12:30 pm, my office will be holding a free pre-packaged cooked meal distribution at 520 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, New York, NY 10016 in partnership with Grubhub, local restaurant Tyga Bites, Council Member Carlina Rivera, Phipps Houses, Phipps Neighborhoods, and the Department for the Aging.