

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. Meeting (CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.) December 18, 2013 4:00 – 5:30 PM 62 Mott Street New York NY 10013

CDMA Board Members Present:

Erik Antokal, Small Business Services, Mayor Michael Bloomberg's office

Kenny Chan, Fukien American Association

Jimmy Cheng, United Fujianese American Association

Nolan Cheng, Law Office of Nolan Cheng

Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management

Hon. Councilmember Margaret S. Chin

Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners

Frank Gee, Gee Poy Kuo Association

Philip Lam, Green City Realty, Inc.

Peter Lau, Mannings Pharmacy

David J. Louie, Prosperity Enterprises

Dr. C.K. Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty

Gabe B. Mui, the American Legion Lt. B.R. Kimlau Memorial Post 1291

Paul K. Ng, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association

John Pasquale, PEP Real Estate

Iris Quinones, representing Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez

Sio Wai Sang, Golden Jade Jewelry

Matt Viggiano, Councilmember Margaret S. Chin's office

Antony Wong, Community Board #2

Tony C. Wong, Wong & Co., CPA's

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen Patrick Kwan Lamgen Leon

Guests:

Eddy Eng

Michael Melamed, NYC Department of Small Business Services

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

David J. Louie opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and Tony C. Wong followed with the blessing.

Motion to approve the minutes of meeting from September 9, 2013 passed unanimously with the following amendment "to set November 30, 2013 as the record date for the January 23, 2014 BID Annual Meeting".

Wellington introduced Erik Antokal from SBS, and Mr. Antokal also confirmed that he will be representing the Mayor in the BID. Wellington showed an article from Crain's Business indicating Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. as one of the largest BID in New York City in term of city blocks, and Chinatown BID is operating with only one tenth of the budget comparable to the other city's biggest BID.

He also reported the installation of the holiday lightings and decorations that include 8 of the new doubled-sided gateways with the wording "Welcome to Chinatown"; the discussion with DOT regarding the wayfindings outside the BID's service area that will cost \$250 each to maintain, and the "Under the Elevated" project with Design Trust is also underway.

The "Big Belly" trash compactor issue is still in discussion with various city agencies, and we will wait for the 125th Street Harlem BID's revenue generating pilot program before the committee will decide on how to proceed and follow up. He also reported the very successful training and licensing workshop for home improvement construction contractors jointly conducted with Councilmember Margaret S. Chin office and Queens Economic Development Corporation

Councilmember Chin also took time out to be present at the meeting and was very pleased to see the holiday lighting results and hoped the City will allow the BID to keep them up for a longer period of time.

The Nomination Committee reported that the board application announcement was posted on the BID's website and during the entire posting time no application was ever received; all current term expiring board members are willing to continue serving on the board except for Mr. David Louie who will take a break, and Prosperity Enterprises agreed to have Mr. Eddy Eng as their designated representative on the BID's board.

Motion to accept the nomination slate as presented by the Nomination Committee passed unanimously.

The Fundraising and Marketing Committee reported that we need to raise \$300,000 to cover programs not in the budget, and we must depend on ourselves on fundraising, and need to identify the donors and hope that all can submit some names. They also would like to see more cultural and children programs to attract more visitors.

The Program Services Committee once again requested and would like to see more street festivals, activities (as many as the City would allow) etc...

The Finance Committee reported that the BID's finance is in good shape, and they just received the audited statement from the auditor, and need to convene a meeting with the Audit Committee for review and approval.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 P.M.