

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association Annual Meeting (CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.) January 27, 2022 5:30 – 7:30 PM Via Zoom

Due to the ongoing COVID-19, for safety reasons and out-of-precaution, the Chinatown BID annual meeting was held via Zoom once again. We received more than 40 RSVPs and more than 50 people attended the Zoom meeting including newly elected officials, representatives from NYC Small Business Services and other City agencies, community leaders, stakeholders, registered property, business owners, tenants, and other guests.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Chinatown District Management Association Chair Frank Yee welcomed everyone and CDMA Treasurer Tony C. Wong followed with a blessing and invocation.

Executive Director Wellington Z. Chen started the meeting with the reflections of last year and future plans, he also thanked all the volunteers, educators and elected officials for all their hard work. He continued with the introduction of the new SBS Commissioner Hon. Kevin D. Kim and his welcome remarks.

The newly elected Manhattan Borough President Hon. Mark Levine opened as the keynote speaker and briefly talked about the importance of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI). NYS Senator Brian Kavanaugh, elected officials and other city agencies representatives were also introduced and Wellington continued with a PowerPoint presentation that included the continuum of anti-Asian hate incidents around the country; the proposal to rename Forsyth Street (Village Square) area next to East 88 Mall as Unity Plaza; the introduction of the Community Land Trust (CLT) and other events/programs done throughout the past year.

He reported on the ADA lawsuits that we already started to discuss with some consultants on how to support businesses that have already been sued and the possible countermeasures, the Chinatown BID is the first to set aside some funding to support this ADA issue.

NYC Small Business Services' representative Andrew Marcus followed with the announcement of the Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) survey grants and will be sharing the results once they are completed.

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2021 annual BID meeting passed unanimously.

The 2022 Nomination Slate was presented as follow by the Nominating Committee Chair Gabe Mui, and as per the Nomination Committee's recommendation and board's approval at the December 2021 meeting:

CLASS A: PROPERTY OWNERS

- Mr. Stephen Cheung D.H. Realty & Management
- 2. Mr. Anthony Colombini Chu & Partners
- 3. Mr. Edward J. Cuccia* Edward J. Cuccia, P.C.
- 4. Mr. Gabe B. Mui The Chinese American Veterans Memorial Building Committee
- 5. Mr. Max Ng* HGCPA, Corp.
- 6. Mr. John J. Pasquale PEP Real Estate

- 7. Mr. Michael C. Salzhauer Benjamin Partners
- 8. Mr. William H. Su Grand Hotel
- 9. Mr. Dimas Vargas New York Jewelers Exchange
- 10. Mr. Tony C. Wong Wong & Co. CPA's
- 11. Mr. John K. Yu Kin Yu Realty
- 12. Hei Chan (previously alternate) Kam Man Supermarket [one-year term to replace Wellman Wu]

*New Member

Motion to approve the 2022 nomination slate of the BID's Board of Director passed unanimously.

BID Treasurer Tony C. Wong continued by presenting the FYE 2021 Financial Report and the FY 2022 budget.

After the annual meeting, the board of directors met briefly via Zoom and passed unanimously the slate of board officer for 2022 as presented below:

- 1. Mr. Frank Yee, Chairman of the Board *Yee Fong Toy Association*
- 2. Mr. Kenny Chan, First Vice-Chairman For Fukien American Association
- 3. Mr. Michael C. Salzhauer, Second Vice-Chairman *Benjamin Partners*
- 4. Mr. Stephen Cheung, Third Vice-Chairman D.H. Realty & Management
- 5. Mr. Nolan Cheng, Secretary *Cheng, Yeung & Lee PLLC*
- 6. Mr. Tony C. Wong, Treasurer Wong & Co. CPA's

The Zoom meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.