



CHINATOWN B.I.D.
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
華埠商業改進區

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. Board Meeting
(CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.)
March 2, 2023
3:00 – 4:00 PM
Via Zoom

CDMA Board Members Present Via Zoom:

Stella Chan, representing NYC Comptroller Brad Lander
Andrew Chang, representing Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine
Nolan Cheng, Esq., Cheng, Yeung & Lee, PLLC
Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management
Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners
Edward J. Cuccia, Esq., Edward J. Cuccia, P.C.
Fannie Ip, representing NYS Assembly Member Grace Lee
CK Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty
Emily Leng, representing NYS Senator Brian Kavanagh
Andrew Marcus, NYC Dept. of Small Business Services, representing Mayor Eric Adams
Gabe Mui, American Legion Lt. B.R. Kim Lau Memorial Post 1291
Judy Ng, Flushing Bank
John Pasquale, PEP Real Estate
William Su, Grand Hotel
Ian Wang, representing District 1 Council Member Christopher Marte
Antony Wong, representing Community Board #2
Tony C. Wong, Wong & Co., CPA's
Frank Yee, Yee Fong Toy Association

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Lamgen Leon

NCheng Accounting:

Vera Wong

The meeting was called to order and welcomed at 3:08 P.M. by Frank Yee and followed with the invocation by Tony C. Wong.

Motion to approve the December 15, 2022 minutes of meeting passed unanimously.

Wellington continued with the Power Point presentation of previous events and programs such as 7 lanterns workshops with seniors from CPC Open Door and Trinity Church, they assembled and decorated the hanging lanterns that were hung along Elizabeth Street (between Hester and Bayard Streets), on Mott Street (between Hester and Canal Streets) and other new places.

New lamppost banners were also hung at different locations thanks to our sponsors, a brand new “HOPE” banner was also unveiled on the backside of the kiosk facing Canal Street. We also promoted different Lunar New Year’s events around the city by placing ads in newspapers. We were also present at the City Hall Steps in support of the Community Land Trust, and also conducted a lithium battery safety workshop the first of many to come.

He continued by asking board members to join and participate in different Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) projects by joining different committees. All are invited to a security cameras give-away presentation tomorrow at 49 Madison, and to suggest any empty potential walls for possible murals painting. We are also updating our website for a repositioning campaign. Upcoming events are the Annual Earth Day/Car Free Day Open Streets, and the second annual AAPI Parade uptown in May.

Edward Cuccia invited all to participate a Sunday March 5, 2023 meeting with Little Italy’s representatives to discuss potential marketing/promotion collaboration with Chinatown as Little Italy is also suffering. He also updated both 91 East Broadway and the jail situations.

The financial report was presented and was showing a surplus due to the unspent Big Belly maintenance, there was a discussion on what to do with the Big Bellies as we are still waiting to meet with Department of Health for decision if they are transferring them to us. We also need to reserve some funding for the potential DRI projects.

The CDNA report is finally hot off the press and will be distributed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.