



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.)**

September 5, 2019

3:00 – 4:30 PM

62 Mott Street

New York NY 10013

CDMA Board Members Present:

Spencer Chan, Chinatown Partnership

Andrew Chang, representing Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer

Nolan Cheng, Esq., Cheng, Yeung & Lee, PLLC

Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management

Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners

Philip Lam, Green City Realty, Inc.

Johnson Lee, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association

Kenneth Ma, Mott Street Optical

Andrew Marcus, NYC Dept. of Small Business Services, representing Mayor Bill de Blasio

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

Judy Ng, Flushing Bank

John Pasquale, PEP Real Estate

Sio Wai Sang, Golden Jade Jewelry

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

Frank Yee, Yee Fong Toy Association

Lingxia Ye-Kneller, representing Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez

Claudia Zhu, representing Assemblywoman Yuh-Line Niou

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Tiffany Chau, Shu Mei Guan Chow, Lamgen Leon,

NCheng Accounting Team :

Vera Wong, Teresa Yu

Guests:

Samantha Meng

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. Frank Yee welcomed everyone, and Tony Wong followed with the invocation.

Motion to approve the minutes of meeting from June 6, 2019 passed unanimously.

Wellington began with a PowerPoint presentation with the misleading impressions from reports about vacancy on Canal Street, he continued by reporting information from the actual National trend of business closing, foot traffic and the Big Belly stats and efficiency. Some members asked if the city agencies and/or elected officials know about our real statistics.

He continued by asking board members to be more active and to join and be part of different committees, also to recruit and outreach to other community members. He followed by reporting the ADA lawsuits and Public Policy report updates, he has been in touch with Elisabeth Axel and the BID Association has been discussing about this issue at their monthly meeting. Stephen asked to be informed and invited to attend future ADA meetings.

The Finance Committee reported that there is a surplus at fiscal year-end due to the increase of government grants, less personnel and holiday lighting expenses. For the month of July there is also a surplus by not hiring the clean street monitor.

The Governance Committee presented a draft of the Whistle Blower policy provided by the Lawyers Alliance for the Art and was discussed briefly.

Motion to approve the Whistle Blower policy with the addition of the Chinatown District Management Association's information, passed unanimously.

The Chinatown information kiosk was discussed and we still have not heard from DOT about the future of the kiosk. The board asked to request a meeting with CM Chin to discuss the kiosk situation.

Tiffany Chau reported briefly about the Summer Youth business survey and findings.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.