

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. Meeting (CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.) December 7, 2017 4:00 – 5:00 PM 62 Mott Street New York NY 10013

CDMA Board Members Present:

Andrew Chang, representing NYC Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer Adam Chen, representing NYC Public Advocate Leticia James Nolan Cheng, Esq., Cheng, Yeung & Lee, PLLC Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management Dr. Warren Chin, Chinatown Partnership Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners Frank Gee, Gee Poy Kuo Association Jacqueline Hsia, representing NY Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez C.K Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty 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 John Pasquale, PEP Real Estate Sio Wai Sang, Golden Jade Jewelry William Su, Grand Hotel Vera Sung, Community Board #1 Wan Yu Tam, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association Dimas Vargas, New York Jewelers Exchange Tony C. Wong, Wong & Co., CPA's Frank Yee, Yee Fong Toy Association

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Lamgen Leon, Shu Mei Guan Chow

Financial Consultants, NCheng LLP:

Carlos Norena, Debbie Zhang

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. and Gabe Mui continued the meeting by welcoming everyone, and Tony Wong followed with the invocation.

Motion to approve the minutes of meeting from September 7, 2017 with the correction of the typo on "PowerPoint" passed unanimously.

Wellington followed with a PowerPoint presentation showing previous months' programs and events, such as Governor Cuomo Thanksgiving Day turkey donation to Chinatown community, Shop Small Saturday promotion to our local merchants around our district, the installation, deployment and collection/efficiency of the Big Bellies during the first month. He also informed the board of the misinformation reported by some media about the Big Belly and that the public and the media in general need more education about the illegal dumping as well.

He also updated the board on the DOT "Gateways to Chinatown" review and selection process and that there will be a presentation to Community Board #3 soon.

The Program Services Committee continued on reporting to the board about the Big Bellies, that they are not for construction and house hold garbage use, and discussed the possibility on posting some warning signs, that people will be fined if caught illegal dumping. Also discussed was to have a meeting with AMC to analyze costs and savings by better deployment of the ambassadors, and strategies on how to respond to the media about the misinformation about the Big Bellies.

The Nomination Committee presented the nomination slate for the upcoming Annual Meeting as follow:

CLASS A: PROPERTY OWNERS: Mr. Stephen Cheung – *D.H. Realty & Management*, Mr. Frank F. Gee – Gee Poy Kuo Association, Mr. Gabe B. Mui – *The Chinese American Veterans Memorial Building Committee*, Mr. John J. Pasquale – *PEP Real Estate*, Mr. Michael C. Salzhauer – *Benjamin Partners*, Mr. William H. Su – *Grand Hotel*, Mr. Tony C. Wong – *Wong & Co. CPA's*, and Patrick Y. Yau – *First American International Bank*

Motion to pass above nomination slate passed unanimously, and will be presented at the BID annual meeting in January.

Motion to pass the Annual Meeting Record Date as December 31, 2017 also passed unanimously.

The Finance Committee continued with the finance report and we have a surplus for the first three months of the fiscal year.

The Marketing/Development Committee reported the events that we are planning for next year continued to be Weekend Walks, Earth Day and Mid-Autumn Festival. They also instructed the staff to apply for more Weekend Walks this coming year. Earth Day event will also coincide with the citywide American Legion centennial celebration and we should do something together, and to involve other city agencies like NYPD, FDNY, DSNY, etc....

We should also contact the newly created NYC Night Life Commission and to propose Chinatown Night Market to promote Chinatown with the unique food and culture,

The committee co-chair encouraged board members to participate and volunteer in the planning process.

Wellington also reported a meeting with the Little Italy to discuss more lightings around the area; separately to request more funding from DOT to install more lightings under Manhattan Bridge, Mott and Doyers Streets.

The "Conflict of Interest" form was distributed and asked to be completed.

The Chair reminded everyone that the BID Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2018 at Hwa Yuan on 42 East Broadway.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.