

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association Annual Meeting (CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.) January 23, 2020 6:00 – 7:30 PM Wyndham Garden Chinatown 93 Bowery, 17/Floor New York NY 10002

The meeting was held at Wyndham Garden Chinatown 17th Floor Conference Room with the attendance of elected official representatives, representatives from NYC Small Business Services, community leaders and more than 70 stakeholders, registered property, business owners, tenants, and other guests were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Chinatown District Management Association Chair Frank Yee welcomed and wished everyone a Happy Lunar New Year, he introduced the guest speaker the NYPD 5th Precinct Commanding Officer Capt. Paul J. Zangrilli, all BID board members for their continued commitment and support, the hard work of all staff and Clean Street Ambassadors, he also thanked board member William Su for providing the space and discounted refreshment for tonight meeting.

Tony C. Wong proceeded with the blessing and invocation.

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

Executive Director Wellington Z. Chen began with a Power Point presentation wishing everyone a JOY and PEACE Season as shown on top of the kiosk as well with a message of "Hate Has No Business" here in Chinatown as anti-Asian/anti-Chinese and hate crimes are increasing citywide. For this coming year we are planning a Unity and Love theme by installing a Jukebox by the Wedding Garden and asking all members to suggest some love theme poems. We are also asking for everyone's support and petition to rename Division Street to "UNITY STREET" to show our solidarity.

Other upcoming plans included assistance and help for Chinatown businesses as the COVID-19 pandemic has affected our community, and the discussion and creation of the new Community Land Trust.

Captain Zangrilli followed with a remark, greetings and appreciation for all the hard work Chinatown BID has been performing such as special events, clean streets, graffiti removal etc....He also reminded people to be vigilant around the festivities of Lunar New Year and to be safe.

The Nominating Committee Chair Gabe Mui gave the nomination report, and as per the Nomination Committee's recommendation and board's approval at the December meeting, he continued by presenting the official nomination slate as follow:

CLASS A: PROPERTY OWNERS

- 1. Mr. Stephen Cheung D.H. Realty & Management
- 2. Mr. Anthony Colombini *Chu & Partners*
- 3. Mr. Frank F. Gee Gee Poy Kuo Association
- 4. Mr. Gabe B. Mui The Chinese American Veterans Memorial Building Committee
- 5. Mr. John J. Pasquale PEP Real Estate
- 6. Mr. Michael C. Salzhauer *Benjamin Partners*
- 7. Mr. William H. Su Grand Hotel

- 8. Mr. Dimas Vargas New York Jewelers Exchange (move from Class B)
- 9. Mr. Tony C. Wong Wong & Co. CPA's
- 10. Mr. John K. Yu Kin Yu Realty (move from Class B)

CLASS B: COMMERCIAL TENANT

1) Ms. Stella Shiu – Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (USA) N.A.*(new replacement member)

A question-and-answer session followed re public arts selections and installations, BID board members nomination process. Nomination Committee members explained that announcement has always been posted in our social media year-round and months in advance and everyone is welcome to apply, and that all BID board members are dedicated volunteers and encouraged everyone to participate.

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

The B.I.D.'s Treasurer Tony C. Wong continued by presenting the FYE 2019 Financial Report and the FY 2020 budget.

After the annual meeting, the board of directors met separately and passed unanimously the slate of board officer for 2020 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 meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

(Note: A major fire broke out at 70 Mulberry Street soon after the meeting ended)