



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 7, 2019
3:00 – 4:30 PM
62 Mott Street
New York NY 10013**

CDMA Board Members Present:

Ian Chan, representing Council Member Margaret S. Chin
Kenny Chan, Fujian American Association
Andrew Chang, representing Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer
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
Jacqueline Hsia, representing Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez
Fiona Jung, representing State Senator Brian Kavanaugh
Michael Lambert, representing NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer
Bernice Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty
Kenneth Ma, Mott Street Optical Group
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
Patricia Tsai, Lin Sing Association
William Su, Grand Hotel
Vera Sung, representing Community Board #1
Antony Wong, representing Community Board #2
Patrick Yau, First American International Bank
Frank Yee, Yee Fong Toy Association
John Yu, Kin Yu Real Estate

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Shu Mei Guan Chow, Lamgen Leon, Alice Liu

NCheng Accounting Team :

Vera Wong

Guests:

Spencer Chan, Samantha Meng, Herin Yin

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. the new elected Chair, Frank Yee, welcome the new board members and other board members were introduced.

Motion to approve the minutes of meeting from December 6, 2018 passed unanimously.

Wellington began with a PowerPoint presentation introducing the new elected board members David Fu and Judy Ng. He continued with the recent updates on the proposed detention center at 125 White Street, now that ULURP has begun there will be more presentation and meetings and the ULURP review process is projected to be finished before end of year. The Chinatown community and organizations need to stay informed and remain united, have a voice at the table and draft contingency plans for different potential scenarios. He followed with the recent accidents by Manhattan Bridge, all board members were concerned and would like to request a meeting with DOT to discuss possible safety measures.

He also invited the board to the upcoming 3/20/2019 ADA Workshop and Roundtable discussion organized by Congresswoman Nydia Velasquez to discuss the recent ADA related lawsuits and some potential tax credits available for small businesses; the 3/14/2019 OATH workshop, where people can learn how to fight and reduce summonses issued by city agencies and the 3/30/2019, e-Waste recycling event at Kimlau Square. He also reported DOT wants to finalize their Gateway to Chinatown project, and the staff continuing to help local small businesses to apply for the free \$3K grant of helping small businesses to apply for Risk Assessments Sandy Grants and compliance tours with NYC SBS.

The Program Services Committee reported that we were waiting for the new assessment increase funding to come in order to increase the supplemental cleaning hours for the Summer and wanted to have more Weekend Walks.

The Board of Director Contact Form was distributed for the members to update their information and they were also encouraged to join different committees.

The NCheng's accountant presented the financial report and the BID is doing fine as of end of January and that we received the BID assessment funding recently.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.