

Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. Board Meeting (CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.) September 2, 2021 4:00 – 5:30 PM Via ZOOM

CDMA Board Members Present Via Zoom:

Ian Chan, representing District 1 Council Member Hon. Margaret S. Chin Andrew Chang, representing Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer Nolan Cheng, Esq., Cheng, Yeung & Lee, PLLC Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management Dr. Warren Chin, representing Chinatown Partnership LDC Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners David Fu, San Kiang Charitable Association Dr. CK Luk and Bernice Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty Andrew Marcus, NYC Dept. of Small Business Services, representing Mayor Bill de Blasio Judy Ng, Flushing Bank Stella Shiu, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (USA) N.A. Vera Sung, representing Community Board #1 Tony C. Wong, Wong & Co., CPA's Frank Yee, Yee Fong Toy Association

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Lamgen Leon,

NCheng Accounting Team:

Vera Wong, Teresa Yu

The meeting was called to order and welcomed at 4:16 P.M. by Frank Yee, Tony C. Wong followed with the blessing and Wellington asked for a moment of silence for the passing of longtime friend and supporter Father Nobiletti.

Motion to approve the June 10, 2021 minutes of meeting passed unanimously.

Wellington announced the 9/11 Memorial Walk with the American Legion, Little Italy Merchants Association and other organizations from Kimlau Square to the 9/11 Memorial to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 attack.

Other upcoming events are: 9/4 World Health Qigong event, 9/11 Memorial Walk, 9/18 Clean Chinatown event, 9/19 Mid-Autumn Festival with the Fujianese organizations, and 9/26 planting of daffodils. He also reported the distributions of hundreds of flyers and maps at the Essential Workers ticker-tape parade along Broadway, adjacent streets and the parade routes to Chinatown. We also conducted some successful programs and events such as "Make Music New York" and "Have a Seat" musical performance.

He also updated the board about the \$20 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant spearheaded and will be submitted by Borough President Gale Brewer with the collaboration of other non-profit organizations. He also

mentioned other available grants to previously excluded workers, SBS's zero percent interest loan to include other zip codes, updated on Anti-Asian Hates and the By-stander Intervention Training.

Wellington also mentioned the new "Key to New York City", updated Open Restaurants rules and regulations; the deteriorating condition of 49 Madison Street operation center and we are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance, we will probably need to move out when the lease expire in June. As instructed we purchased the personal alarms from a local vendor and are ready for distribution. The ADA lawsuit and meeting with elected official's representatives were also discussed.

NCheng continued with the FY21 ending financial report with a surplus, they also reported the month of July's financial statement.

The Governance Committee reported that the non-profit lawyer is finalizing the By-Laws and other policies and will be circulated for review, consideration and approval at the December meeting.

The MOCA and the protest outside their facility that has divided the community was discussed and all agreed that the community needs to be united.

Motion to appeal for healing and unity and to add Chinatown District Management Association's name into the MOCA's support letter passed with one abstention.

A potential fundraising event sponsored by Moutai was also mentioned and discussed briefly.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.