

**EASTERN MARKET COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

MINUTES

Attendance: Chuck Burger, Vice-Chair; Monte Edwards, Secretary; William Glasgow; Steve Hagedorn; Susan Oursler; Jonathan Page; Erika Rubel; and Donna Scheeder, Chair, were present. Richard Layman arrived at 7:07 P.M., and Angela Brunson arrived at 7:17 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee (EMCAC) was held on Wednesday, September 30, 2015, at 7:00 P.M., in the North Hall of Eastern Market. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Mr. Edwards moved that the agenda be approved. The motion was adopted.

Mr. Edwards moved the approval of the July 29, 2015, minutes. The motion was adopted.

Report of the Chair

The Chair announced that going forward, due to lack of funding, it will be necessary for those on the meeting distribution list, except for the members of EMCAC, to print the meeting materials sent as attachments. The Chair also highlighted the EMCAC regular meeting dates for the balance of 2015. Due to an event scheduled in the North Hall on EMCAC's regular meeting date, the October meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, October 21, 2015. The November meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 18, 2015. The Chair also announced that a community pot-luck supper is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

Report of the Vice-Chair

The Vice-Chair announced that EMCAC's officer elections will be held at the October 21, 2015, meeting. The Vice-Chair presented the report of the ad hoc group on Eastern Market marketing and promotion and stated that the group is working on plans for holiday decorations and partnering with the Hine Project developers. At the request of the Vice-Chair, Ms. Rubel commented on the development of the plans for the production and distribution of the Eastern Market brochure. The Vice-Chair announced that the next meeting of the group is Tuesday, October 13, 2015, and is open to all who would like to attend.

Rapid Marketing Assessment Project

Garima Jain, Eastern Market Intern, made a presentation, which is attached. The Chair thanked Richard Layman for suggesting the project and stated that it is the consensus of EMCAC that the panel supports the project, encourages that the project be moved forward quickly, and is willing to communicate these positions with the Department of General Services (DGS). Barry Margeson, Market Manger, agreed to conduct a portion of the survey during the week as well as the weekend.

Update on Hine Construction Plans

Mr. Page announced that the Hine Project meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 2, 2015. Mr. Page reported that excavation is underway and will continue for two to three months, there have been issues

with dump trucks parking in front of Eastern Market and not following designated routes, lighting is in place, and school artwork will be displayed. Commissioner Hagedorn added that it is dangerous to walk the alley and requested that this warning be shared. Mr. Page also announced that Clark Construction is holding a job fair at the Wharf project for all its work sites. The Chair suggested that members inform interested organizations, including social services and employment groups, of the job fair.

Report of the Market Manager

Barry Margeson, Market Manager, presented the report of the Market Manager, which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Margeson stated that providing keys for merchants is dependent on installing magnetic locks on doors, and there is a competing priority with the brownstone repair. Mr. Glasgow raised several issues on behalf of the South Hall merchants, and the Chair suggested, and the Market Manager agreed, to work with the merchants regarding North Hall use, parking, and other issues. The Market Manager agreed to include in his report which of the events scheduled in the North Hall are taking place during market operating hours and discuss with staff the timing of closing the North Hall for cleaning in advance of a scheduled event. The Market Manager reported that the estimate for the brownstone repair assessment is \$30,000.00, and the estimate to conduct the repair is \$300,000.00. The Market Manager agreed to discuss including this project in the DGS budget request with his supervisor.

Report of the Capital Improvements Committee

Mr. Edwards stated that the Capital Improvements Committee has received reports about the desirability of a public address system for emergency notification and other purposes and a power generator to prevent loss on the part of merchants in the event of a power failure. The Market Manager agreed to discuss including these projects in the DGS budget request with his supervisor. Mr. Edwards suggested that the mayor's representative and the councilmember's representative also work with their offices to encourage the inclusion of these projects in the upcoming budget cycle. Finally, Mr. Edwards suggested the inclusion of a \$5,000 line item for EMCAC expenses, such as duplication and production of minutes. The Chair suggested that the committee put all of its budget requests in writing so that it could be appropriately communicated.

Application Advisory Review Committee

Ms. Rubel presented a report of the Application Advisory Review Committee, which is attached to these minutes. Ms. Rubel stated that the committee continues to work on improving the process, including shortening the turnaround time on the applications.

Tenant's Council Report

Chuck Brome, Co-Chair of the Tenant's Council presented a report, which is attached to these minutes. Regarding the Market Violation Appeals Process Resolution, the Chair agreed to take appeals resolution under advisement and report back. Regarding the Cars Entering Pedestrian Street Resolution, the Market Manager agreed to contact the District Department of Transportation to get information on and analysis of the viability of automatic and manual bollards on 7th Street SE.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Monte Edwards, Secretary