



**Minutes of the Chinatown District Management Association, Inc. Meeting
(CDMA – aka Chinatown B.I.D.)**

**June 4, 2015
4:00 – 5:30 PM
62 Mott Street
New York NY 10013**

CDMA Board Members Present:

Erik Antokal, Small Business Services, representing Mayor Bill de Blasio
Kenny Chan, Fukien American Association
Jimmy Cheng, United Fujianese American Association
Nolan Cheng, Law Offices of Nolan Cheng
Stephen Cheung, D.H. Realty & Management
Anthony P. Colombini, Esq., Chu and Partners
Cora Fung, representing Assembly Member Sheldon Silver
Frank Gee, Gee Poy Kuo Association
Philip Lam, Green City Realty, Inc.
CK Luk, Broadway Chinatown Realty
Kenneth Ma, Mott Street Optical Group
Jessica Mates, representing Borough President Gale Brewer
Gabe B. Mui, the American Legion Lt. B.R. Kimlau Memorial Post 1291
John J. Pasquale, PEP Real Estate
Mauricio Pazmino, representing Senator Daniel Squadron
Sio Wai Sang, Golden Jade Jewelry
Wilson Soo, Community Board #3
William Su, Grand Hotel
Vera Sung, Community Board #1
Wan Yu Tam, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association
Tony C. Wong, Wong & Co., CPA's
Jimmy Yan, representing Comptroller Scott M. Stringer
Xiao Min Zhao, representing Council Member Margaret S. Chin

Chinatown Partnership:

Wellington Chen, Mei Guan, Lena Huang, Lamgen Leon and William Tam

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

Gabe Mui opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and Tony C. Wong followed with the invocation.

Motion to approve the minutes of meeting from March 12, 2015 passed unanimously.

New elected official's representatives and new community board member were introduced. Mr. Erik Antokal also announced that today will be his last meeting as SBS's representative as he is moving forward to work for private sector, and it was a pleasure working for SBS and with the Chinatown Partnership and the BID, and wished all the best of luck.

Wellington continued with a PowerPoint presentation showing recent activities and events. The Chinatown Partnership's annual fundraising dinner invitation were distributed and he pledged the members for support. He also invited all to participate in the upcoming July Weekend Walk to celebrate the Silver Anniversary of the Americans with Disability Act, and the September's one to celebrate Mid-Autumn Moon Festival and the first Night Market in Chinatown.

He also informed the board about the information kiosk in danger of being shut and demolish at a cost of \$50,000. The board unanimously agreed to keep the kiosk. Strategies and follow-up plan were discussed at length, including asking elected officials for support, and to send an objection letter. The board asked Wellington for more information before taking any action.

Motion for the two BID lawyers to draft an objection letter to DOT and NYC & Company, and to call the main stream media to express our objection on the demolition of the kiosk passed unanimously.

The Night Market Committee reported that we have done so many successful event, however, we need to do a signature event, and the upcoming Mid-Autumn Moon Festival Night Market could be the one. It is scheduled for Labor Day weekend, and will coincide with the North American Chinese Invitational Volleyball Tournament, thousands of players will be around and hope that they can join our event. We will set-up tents and special lighting, invite cultural groups, food vendors in order to attract visitors to Chinatown during evening hours.

The Finance Committee reported that there is a surplus of cash for the first 11 months of the fiscal year, however, there are still some unspent money for pending projects, and don't foresee any deficit by end of fiscal year.

Motion to approve the financial report passed unanimously.

Wellington continued by reporting the recruitment of 6 SYEP interns to conduct business and other survey during the summer. The office's lease is due to renewal by the end of July and we already found some spaces at a much lower rate than any other prior options. The space search committee commented and the space issue was discussed at length.

Finally, the board thanked and presented a plaque to Erik Antokal for all his dedication and support. An Executive Committee meeting was to follow after the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 P.M.