



**Bronx Community Board 12
February 22, 2018**

The regularly scheduled meeting of Community Board 12, the Bronx, for February 22, 2018 was called to order by Chairman Mr. William Hall at 7:50 pm.

IX New Business

The Land Use Committee held a public hearing to gather comments of the community residents regarding an application (YMCA) submitted by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS), pursuant to Section 197-c of the New York City Charter, for the disposition of one city-owned property (Block 4905, Lot 2002), pursuant to zoning. The Committee recommended that the Board support the proposed YMCA facility.

Motion made by Dr. Michael Burke and seconded by Mr. Robert Hall to accept the Land Use Committee Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion made and seconded support the entering into a long term lease pursuant to Section 3384-B4 of the New York City charter, for the proposed development of the YMCA. The motion carried unanimously.

I Approval of the Minutes of November 18, 2018

Motion made by Mr. Victor Brown and seconded by Mr. Ivan Borrás to approve the minutes of November 16, 2018, as printed with the noted corrections, and to waive the reading of them. The motion carried 19 Ayes and 7 Abstentions.

Chairman Mr. Hall announced that Second Vice Chairman Mr. Karl Stricker will return from a medical leave by the end of March. He also reported that former chairman Father Richard Gorman's funeral took place earlier this month.

IV District Manager's Report

See Attached



V Report of the Borough President' Office

- Borough President Diaz Outlines Mayor de Blasio's Plan to Replace NYCHA Boilers
- Over 50 Elected Joined BP Diaz and Call on NYCHA to Issue Emergency Declaration On Heat Crisis
- Testimony of Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. was Read Before the NYC Council Committees on Public Housing and Oversight and Investigation RE: NYCHA Heat and Hot Water Failures
- Borough President Diaz Outlined Housing Units for Preservation in Report on Jerome Avenue Corridor Rezoning
- Borough President Diaz Issued a Statement Regarding Fix NYC Congestion Pricing Plan

Announcements

- Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. State of the Borough, Thursday, February 22, 2018, 11:30 A.M., Bronx High School of Science, 75 West 205th Street.

The Bronx Borough President's Report is available in its entirety in the Community Board office.

Office of Council Member Andy King

Mr. Brian Melford provided an update on events in the Councilman's office.

III Good and Welfare/Community Speaks

Sydney Finley/Educator

Mr. Finley informed everyone that he is developing a program to teach children language/vocabulary skills. He provided his contact information.

Frank Sotomayor/Community Resident

Mr. Sotomayor announced that there will be an NCO meeting tomorrow at 7:30 pm, in the St. Barnabas cafeteria.

Pamela Johnson/Community Resident

Ms. Johnson stated that she is the Executive Director of the Eastchester Heights Community Center and the center is offering a number of upcoming events including workshops for seniors and for entrepreneurs.

Ms. Cordelia Owusu/Community Resident

Ms. Owusu stated that in her opinion the alternate side parking in the Olinville Community is creating a hardship for residents, because the residents are double parking in order to let the broom come down the street. They are receiving a high number of tickets.

Neil Weissman/Complete George

Mr. Weissman stated that attended the Board meeting on behalf of Complete George which is a coalition of organizations requesting that the George Washington Bridge cycling paths be widened. The organization is requesting a letter of support for this proposal.

VII Committee Reports

Library and Cultural Affairs Committee

Ms. Sadie Campbell reported that the committee is sponsoring a Black History/Women's History month event on Saturday, March 24th, 11 am – 4 pm at Town Hall. Ms. Campbell encouraged all present to join the celebration.

Chairman Mr. Hall further encouraged all present to support the event.

Parks and Recreation and Environmental Concerns Committees

Motion made to accept the committee's report requesting additional service from the Department of Sanitation. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Ms. Carla Borsotti, Chairwoman of the Environmental Concerns Committee, reported that the Parks and Recreation Environmental Concerns committees held a joint meeting on February 6, 2018.

The Department of Design and Construction provided an update on the proposed design of a Van Cortlandt Park pedestrian bridge. They would like to hold another community meeting in the March/April timeframe to solicit community feedback from Community Boards 7, 8 and 12. They requested that the committees provide assistance in locating a meeting venue convenient to all 3 boards. Chairman William Hall suggested that the Croton Filtration Plant would be a good venue for sharing the meeting information with the other Board's chairs, since they all attend.

Education and Youth Services Committee

Board member Ms. Johnnie Goff noted that NYC has never had a school violence issue like the ones experienced by other communities. She proposed a town hall meeting to share information with parents regarding the number of fire drills held a year, number of school exits, and other information.

Housing Committee

Chairman Robert Hall reported that NYCHA is proposing a non-smoking rule in all NYCHA properties. The next Committee meeting will be on March 13, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Economic and Business Services Committee

Chairman Mr. Felix Roldan reported that 4 businesses applied for new and /or renewal liquor licenses, and 3 met with the committee:

Klassique Bar & Lounge, Inc – 3813 Boston Road
Austin Howell – 1329 East 222nd St
Wembley Athletic Club – 550 E. 239th St.
Beatty Equities LLC d/b/a Peppers – 4564 White Plains Road

Chairman Mr. Roldan reported that Beatty Equities did not appear for the scheduled meeting with the committee.

The committee recommended that the three businesses which did meet with the committee be approved. **Motion made by Mr. Alfonso Figueroa, seconded by Mr. Robert Hall, to accept the committee's report. The motion carried 21 Ayes, 2 Nays, and 4 Abstentions.**

X Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Carla Borsotti
Assistant Secretary
March 19, 2018

District Manager's Report
February 22, 2018

Good evening Board Members, I am always excited when we convene as a Board because we are doing good things. This evening is no different but it is bittersweet. Tonight we voted to approve the YMCA for the East 229th Street site. This project has long been on Community Board 12's District Needs statement as its number one priority. Tomorrow morning we will send off the letters and official documents that will signify the end of this long journey. When I got here in 2015 it was still number one on our list but we knew that this project was going to happen. Thank you to our elected officials like Council member Andy King and our Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. who have supported this vision through continued advocacy and city tax levy monies. However, a special thanks to our Assembly member, the Speaker of the State Assembly Carl Heastie who made a commitment to this community when he became the Speaker that this project would happen. There are many folks who played a significant role in bringing this vision to fruition and they are too numerous to name but I would like to recognize Alonzo De Castro. I would also like to thank Walter Burgin who was a long time Board Member who first raised this issue with the Board. We should also recognize those of us that are no longer here to witness this achievement. People like our former District Manager Carmen Rosa and our former Chairman Fr. Gorman who kept the vision alive for so many years.

My final thought on this will be that this was a project on our District Needs statement that is no longer on our list. That is a miracle. That does not happen as often as it should. This Board should be especially proud and view this new YMCA as a source of pride. It's happening because of the tremendous effort of everyone in this room.

There are miracles and then there are miracles. We have another reason to celebrate. The long promised HVAC system is in the house. That 600-lb monstrosity in the corner is our new HVAC system which will provide warmth in the winter and coolness in the summer will be installed in the coming weeks. This was also something on our District Needs statement and we want to thank DCAS for recognizing this as a priority and funding it.

Finally, last month the Borough President's Office notified me an email from a website called Yimby that an application was filed with the Department of Buildings for a 2-story hotel at 701 East 240th Street. The property is currently zoned as an M1-1 district. A hotel would be permissible at this location. The concern with any hotel development is the fear that the City would use this site as transitional housing. The wrinkle with this project is that there is a rezoning that will come before this Board for the old gulf gas station on East 241st Street and White Plains Road. The whole block will be rezoned as a residential district R7D/C2-4 with a commercial overlay. The hotel would not be permissible. This is a timing issue but it seems this developer of the hotel site is moving with expediency. The site would be a lot more valuable if they waited for the rezoning to take place. We are working with Council member Cohen's office as well as the BxBP's Office on this issue and will keep everyone abreast of what's going on.

Conclusion

Today marks my 935th day as your District Manager or 2-year, 6 months and 20th day of my tenure here. I look forward to each and every day at the Board.

Thank you and Good Night





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COMMUNITY BOARD #12 (THE BRONX)

Committee Meeting Report Form

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Housing

DATE OF MEETING: 4-10-18

LOCATION: 4101 White Plains Road

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: WALTER McNeil, Victor Brown
Decon Edward Brown Dr. Burke

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH EXCUSE: NONE

MEMBERS ABSENT UNEXCUSED: NONE



GUEST: _____

AGENDA: _____

MOTION/ RESOLUTIONS PASSED: Yes No

NOTES: Discussion on resignation of the Housing
Chairwoman for NYCHA. Union renegotiation would
severely assist in NYCHA defeat picture. Discussion
on upcoming Webster Avenue Project. Possibility
of a Red Roof Inn being built on East 24th
Street.

OTHER: _____

Respectfully Submitted: _____

Date: _____



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Committee Meeting Report Form

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Transportation & Capital projects
DATE OF MEETING: 3/19/2018
LOCATION: CB 12
MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Clinton Myke, Norbert Bryan

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH EXCUSE: _____

MEMBERS ABSENT UNEXCUSED: _____



GUEST: Neile Weissman completegeorge.org
Cordelia Owusu (lives in the community)

AGENDA: Extending the width of George Washington Bridge ~~with~~ bike and pedestrian lanes.

MOTION/ RESOLUTIONS PASSED: Yes No

NOTES: Would like a letter of support from CB12 for the PA of NY/NJ to widen the bike/pedestrian lanes at a cost of \$90 million.

OTHER:

Respectfully Submitted: Clinton Myke
Date: 3/19/18



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COMMUNITY BOARD #12 (THE BRONX)

Committee Meeting Report Form

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Transportation & Capital Projects / Public Safety

DATE OF MEETING: April 18, 2018

LOCATION: CB 12

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Clinton Myke, Alfredo Figueras

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH EXCUSE: _____

MEMBERS ABSENT UNEXCUSED: _____



Guest: Juel Wiggan, homeowner who would like ASP for Strang Ave. and Baychester Ave.

Agenda: ASP on Strang Ave. bet. Baychester Ave. and Edson Ave.

Notes: Presented that he would like ASP on Strang Ave. bet. Baychester and Edson Ave. due to trash, parked cars, dumping etc. Abandoned Diner behind his property and Citibank does not clean area.



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COMMUNITY BOARD #12 (THE BRONX)

Committee Meeting Report Form

NAME OF COMMITTEE: PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE OF MEETING: 04/18/18

LOCATION: 4101 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 2

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH EXCUSE: MICHAEL PINEPA

MEMBERS ABSENT UNEXCUSED:



GUEST: JOEL HIGGINS

AGENDA: ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING REQUEST

MOTION/ RESOLUTIONS PASSED: Yes No

NOTES: ALFREDO FIGUEROA, HEREBY OK'
FOR ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING SIGN ON
STRANG AVENUE BET. EPSOM & BAYCHESTER RD.
NORTH SIDE OF STRANG AVE.

OTHER: N/A

Respectfully Submitted: ALFREDO FIGUEROA

Date: 04/18/18

HONORABLE RUBEN DIAZ JR, BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT
COMMUNITY BOARD #12, THE BRONX

ATTENDANCE SHEET

Board Meeting

WILLIAM HALL
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 2/20/18

ALLAKO, FRANKLIN

BENITEZ, JUDITH

BENNETT, EGERIA

BERRY, HAZEL

BLOOMFIELD, HILARY

BORRAS, IVAN ANTHONY

BORSOTTI, CARLA

BROWN-ALLEN, MARLENE

BRYAN, NORBERT

BROWN, VICTOR

BROWNE, DEACON EDWARD

BURKE, DR. MICHAEL

CAMPBELL, SADIE

CHRISTIAN, EVELYN

CLARKE, GAIL

CLODD, JOAN

CUMBERBATCH, ROBERT

DICKERSON, TOLLYNE

EASTMOND, LAURA

EVANS, RAYMOND

FIGUEROA, ALFREDO

GIBSON, LAGRANT BARBARA

GOFF, JOHNNIE

GREEN, CHANTAL

J Benitez

Egeria Bennett

Hilary Bloomfield

Ivan Borras

Carla Borsotti

Marlene Brown-Allen

Norbert Bryan

Victor Brown

Deacon Edward Browne

Dr. Michael Burke, Ph.D.

Sadie Campbell

Gail Clarke

Tollyne Dickerson

Raymond Evans

Alfredo Figueroa

Barbara Lagrant Gibson

Johnnie Goff

HALL, ROBERT	<u>Robert Hall</u>
HALL, WILLIAM	<u>William Hall</u>
HORTON, APRIL	
HAYES, LISA	<u>Lisa Z. Hayes</u> out
ISAAC, JOHN	
JAMES, THEODORE	<u>Theodore James</u>
LANZANO, CARL	<u>Carl Lanzano</u>
MARTIN, LUCILLE	
MCCLLOUD, MARY	<u>Mary McCloud</u>
MCNEIL, WALTER	<u>Walter McNeill</u>
MOORE, ANGELA	
MYKE, CLINTON	<u>Clinton Myke</u>
ORTIZ, CARMEN	<u>Carmen A. Ortiz</u>
PORTER, FRANK	<u>Frank Porter</u>
POWELL, CLAUDIA	
REID, ANTHONY	<u>Anthony Reid</u>
ROBINS, DR. DENA	
ROLDAN, FELIX	<u>Felix M. Roldan</u>
SALKEY, ICY MAE THOMAS	<u>Icy Mae Thomas</u>
STRICKER, KARL	
WEIR, NICOLE	
WILES, NORMA	<u>Norma Wiles</u>

TOTAL BOARD MEMBERS	45
QUORUM NUMBER	23
TOTAL PRESENT	—

VOTING SHEET
COMMUNITY BOARD 12, THE BRONX

DATE 1-22-18

*YMCA DEAS
Land Use 2005
Blk 2002
Minutes
Not Parks
Rank letter
Ecomj Bus*

MOTION NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
ALLAKPO, FRANKLIN	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
BENITEZ, JUDITH	A	A	A	A	A	A
BENNETT, EGERIA	A	A	Abs	A	A	N
BERRY, HAZEL	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
BLOOMFIELD, HILARY	A	A	A	A	A	A
BORRAS, IVAN ANTHONY	A	A	A	A	A	A
BORSOTTI, CARLA	A	A	A	A	A	A
BROWN-ALLEN, MARLENE	A	A	Abs	A	A	A
BROWN, VICTOR	A	A	A	A	A	N
BROWNE, DEACON EDWARD	A	A	A	A	A	A
BRYAN, NORBERT	A	A	A	A	A	A
BURKE, DR. MICHAEL	A	A	N	A	A	ABS
CAMPBELL, SADIE	A	A	A	A	A	A
CHRISTIAN, EVELYN	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
CLARKE, GAIL	A	A	Abs	A	A	A
CLODD, JOAN	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
CUMBERBATCH, ROBERT	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
DICKERSON, TOLLYNE	A	A	A	A	A	A
EASTMOND, LAURA	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
EVANS, RAYMOND	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
FIGUEROA, ALFREDO	A	A	A	A	A	A
GIBSON, LAGRANT BARBARA	A	A	A	A	A	A
GOFF, JOHNNIE	A	A	A	A	A	N
GREEN, CHANTAL	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP

	UNCA	UNCA 2	minutes	Rolls	Party letter	economic
HALL, ROBERT	A	A	A	A	A	A
HALL, WILLIAM	A	A	A	A	A	A
HAYES, LISA	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
HORTON, APRIL	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
ISAAC, JOHN	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
JAMES, THEODORE	A	A	ABS	A	A	ABS
LANZANO, CARL	A	A	ABS	A	A	A
MARTIN, LUCILLE	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
MCCLOUD, MARY	A	A	A	A	A	A
MCNEIL, WALTER	A	A	NP	A	A	ABS
MOORE, ANGELA	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
MYKE, CLINTON	A	A	NP	NP	NP	NP
ORTIZ, CARMEN	A	A	A	A	A	ABS
PORTER, FRANK	A	A	A	A	A	A
POWELL, CLAUDIA	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
REID, ANTHONY	A	A	A	NP	NP	NP
ROBINS, DR. DENA	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
ROLDAN, FELIX	A	A	ABS	A	A	A
SALKEY, ICY MAE THOMAS	A	A	A	A	A	A
STRICKER, KARL	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
WEIR, NICOLE	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
WILES, NORMA	A	A	ABS	A	A	A

A = AYE
 N = NAY
 NP = NOT PRESENT
 ABS = ABSTAINED
 R = RECUSE

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4 ABS
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