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Bronx Community Board Three**

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**GENERAL BOARD MEETING
(Please remember to bring all enclosures with you)**

DATE: May 5, 2022
TO: Members of Bronx Community Board Three
FROM: Rev. Frederick Crawford
Acting Chair
SUBJECT: General Board Meeting

Bronx Community Board Three will be hosting its **General Board Meeting** via WebEx on **Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** Please see meeting link attached.

AGENDA

1. Call To Order
2. Invocation
3. **PUBLIC HEARING SESSION –**
OPEN MEETINGS LAW (OML) RESOLUTION –

Bronx Community Board Three is requesting a motion to approve a resolution to meet in-person post June 9, 2022, until the board approves and adopts procedures, compliant with the OML permitting hybrid meetings. Once procedures are approved and adopted, Bronx Community Board Three will endeavor to host all hybrid General Board and Committee meetings until July 1, 2024.

PUBLIC HEARING OPEN

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

!! VOTE REQUIRED !!

4. **Report of Elected Officials – WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED WILL BE FORWARDED TO THOSE ON THE CB#3 LIST SERVE – 3 MINUTES**
5. **Community Concerns/*Announcements/*Introduction of Program Services**
***Please forward all fliers regarding Announcements/Program Services to eritter@cb.nyc.gov**
6. Roll Call

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Treasurer

Rita Jones
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7. Approval of Members Requesting to be Excused
8. Approval of Minutes of the Prior Meeting
9. Amendments to the Agenda
10. **Borough President's Report – BP'S WRITTEN REPORT WILL BE FORWARDED TO THOSE ON THE CB#3 LIST SERVE**
11. **Chairperson's Report**
12. **Acting Assistant District Manager's Report**
13. **Committee Reports**

Parks & Recreation/Youth Services & Historical Outreach Committee

The Parks and Recreation/Youth Services & Historical Outreach Committee has referred this matter to co-name the n/w corner of Washington Avenue and East 168th to "Diana Ivette Diaz Way" to the full board. Please see attachments & Bronx Community Board Three Co-Naming Requests General Guidelines

!!VOTE REQUIRED!!

Nominations Committee

Ms. Wanda Ellis, chair of the Nominations Committee, will provide an update on the Election process scheduled for June 2022

15. New Business
16. Sickness & Distress
17. Benediction
18. Adjournment

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**PARK & RECREATION / YOUTH SERVICES &
HISTORICAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE -SYNOPSIS**

Date: 4/20/22
Place: Remote Teleconference
Time: 6:00 P.M.

Presentation

Chazzerie Nieves, representative for Diana Ivette Diaz's Family

Topic: Discuss and Propose to co-name the n/w corner of Washington Avenue and East 168th Street to "Diana Ivette Diaz Way" - REQUESTING A LETTER OF SUPPORT

Ms. Etta Ritter introduced Ms. Chazzerie Nieves, representing the family of the late Diana Ivette Diaz, to those in attendance. Ms. Chazzerie Nieves, niece to the late Diana Ivette Diaz, came before the joint committee requesting that the n/w corner of Washington Avenue on East 168th Street be co-named to "Diana Ivette Diaz Way". Ms. Ritter informed the Board Members in attendance that a packet containing her bio, petition from community residents/businesses and a letter from Dr. Anissa Reilly, Principal of PS 132, had been forwarded to them for review prior to said meeting.

Ms. Chazzerie Nieves informed the committee members in attendance of the late Diana Ivette Diaz being employed as a School Crossing Guard at PS 132 for the past 15 years. The late Diana Ivette Diaz always arrived to work early because she knew that parents depended on her to ensure that their children who were often sent to school alone would be in good hands. The Late Diana Ivette Diaz became ill with cancer and despite her illness she still went to work. The late Diana Diaz was loving, funny, caring, and enjoyed talking to everyone. She always put a smile on everyone's face. The late Diana Diaz was a beautiful soul, with a loving heart, and she never failed to brighten someone's day.

At this time, comments and acknowledgments were made:

- Officer Wellington Camejo, School Crossing Guard Coordinator at the 42nd Police Precinct, stated that she was dedicated to her job and parents depended on her.
- Rhenita Baptista stated that she was like family to the community, and the principal knew her by name.
- Edwin Diaz, husband, stated that she was always thinking about the community. She put everything in her heart into that community. She was dedicated to everything especially the kids.

Ms. Rita Jones, chair of the joint committee asked the family to share other advocacy work that the late Diane Ivette Diaz was affiliated to. Ms. Jones wanted more information on her community activities, outside of her being a School Crossing Guard. Ms. Jones asked the committee members in attendance to share their thoughts.

Ms. D'Andra Van Heusen-Thomas, co-chair of the joint committee, stated that she heard how the late Diane Diaz was passionate about her job and seemed to sacrifice her health because she was dedicated to the kids, parents, and community. The late Diane Diaz was dependable and made sure that every child

that she crossed arrived to school safely. Ms. Van-Heusen wanted to hear about other community activities to tip the scale to consider co-naming the n/w corner of Washington Avenue and East 168th Street, in her honor. Ms. Van-Heusen Thomas felt the passion that was relayed for the co-naming request; however, there is additional community involvement information missing. This statement was is not intended to take away from all that she has done and contributed to others in her life.

Ms. Jones requested that the family step back and look at the totality of her life outside of being a School Crossing Guard. What type of community service or activism she took part in.

The main criteria to consider for a street co-naming request is as follows:

- Prospective honorees should have a minimum of 10 years of community involvement

- Prospective honoree should be deceased for at least two years prior to consideration. There are exceptions.
- Petition of at least 150 signatures from community residents and business within a 2-block radius of the proposed co-naming.
- A brief biographical description such as date and location of birth, the connection between the proposed street and why they should be memorialized with a street co-naming.
- Verifiable historical documentation of the prospective honoree's contribution(s) and/or connection(s) to the community.

It was suggested that the family step back and review the late Diana Ivette Diaz life and Bio to provide additional information relating to community involvement and advocacy she contributed to the community. At this time, the committee members in attendance came to a consensus that they were not convinced that the criteria was met and that they are recommending full board review to co-name the n/w corner of Washington Avenue and East 168th Street to "**Diana Ivette Diaz Way**".

Ms. Chazzerie Nieves was requested to come before the full board on Tuesday, May 10th at 6:00pm, via WebEx.

POINT OF INFORMATION – The board may deny approval of an application in its sole discretion. If an application is denied by the Committee or the Board, the original application on behalf of the prospective honoree will not be considered for 5 years from the date of the denial.

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Hosted by Etta Ritter

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Tuesday, May 10, 2022 6:00 pm | 2 hours | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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