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BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD #10 MEETING

Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 7:30PM

Riverbay Corporation
177 Dreiser Loop
Auditorium A, 2nd floor
Bronx, NY 10475

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order Martin Prince, Chairman
- 2. Public Participation 15 Minutes

Public speakers are allowed to sign up for the public session until the meeting is called to order. Public speakers are allowed to speak for 3 minutes unless otherwise instructed by the Chairperson.

- 3. Acceptance of Community Board #10 Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2015
- 4. Borough President's Report Tom Lucania

During the segments below, ONLY board members can ask questions or address the board or its speakers.

- 5. District Manager's Report Kenneth Kearns
- 6. Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Board Martin Prince
 - b. Housing and Zoning Peter Sullivan
 - c. Economic Development Jim McQuade
 - d. Youth & Education Services Robert Bieder
 - e. Municipal Services Joseph Russo
 - f. Parks and Recreation Virginia M. Gallagher
 - g. Planning and Budget Julian Misiurski
 - h. Health and Human Services Deborah Hunt
- 7. Old Business
- 8. New Business



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RESOLUTIONS

1. “**Resolved**...to accept the minutes of the Bronx Community Board #10 meeting of September 17, 2015.”
2. “**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments, who are applying for *renewals* of licenses, have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained in the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority and a copy placed in the Board’s file:

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*Mamajuana, 3233 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Puritan & Waterbury Aves, License #1258381, which expires on 11/30/15.

*Patricia’s, 3883 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Dewey & Schley Aves, License #1214591, which expires on 10/31/15.”

The Resolution was passed unanimously in Committee.

3. “**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments, who are applying for a change in hours of operation, have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority and a copy placed in the Board’s file:

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(This is only a change in hours of operation against their current license from 2:00 to 4:00 AM)

The Resolution was passed unanimously in Committee.

4. **“Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments, who are applying for *new* licenses, have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained in the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority and a copy placed in the Board’s file:

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The Resolution was passed unanimously in Committee.

5. At the September full Board meeting, a resolution for Central was tabled pending proof of a lease. At the Economic Development Committee on October 7, 2015, a notarized proof of lease was provided.

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(Under previous owner-unauthorized promotional boxing match-large, disorderly crowds, over public assembly limit; overly promoted BBQ event-fighting, injuries; numerous noise/unruly crowd complaints).

The Resolution was not passed in Committee, with (3) three opposed, (2) two in favor, and (3) three abstentions.

6. At the September full Board meeting, a resolution for Coconut Palm was tabled pending the receipt of additional information concerning a meeting with Lieutenant Trapani of the 45 Precinct. The owner personally met with the Lieutenant and did attend ATAP training.

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*Coconut Palm Bar & Grill, 2407 Westchester Ave, 10461, between Zerega Ave & Rowland St, License #1166169, which expires on 08/31/15.

(Disorderly Groups, Outdoor Consumption, Chronic Conditions)

The Resolution was not passed in Committee, with (4) four opposed, (2) two in favor, and (2) two abstentions.

7. “**Resolved**...at the request of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that letters be sent to the Mayor and the NYC Council in support of Industrial Business Zones (IBZs), and not develop the areas for supportive housing.”

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD
OCTOBER 5, 2015**

Present: M. Prince; J. Marano; B. Bieder, J. Misiurski; V.M. Gallagher; D. Hunt;
A. Salimbene; A. Barbarelli
Staff: K. Kearns, District Manager
Guests: E. Sementilli; L. Rocco

Mr. Prince called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a discussion of the Mayor’s Housing Plan and alluded to two schools of thought on how the Board might proceed with respect to the Public Hearing, the first being an informational meeting to explain the program to the public, followed by a Public Hearing on a subsequent date. The other choice was to combine the informational meeting with the public hearing. After conversation, it was determined that there will be one meeting, which will feature both an informational session and Public Hearing. Mr. Prince reminded all present that it was very important that the Board members understood the provisions of the Zoning for Quality and Affordability and Mandatory Inclusionary Housing programs and commented that all of the Board members and the community groups received information about each program. There was a short discussion on the plans’ provisions.

It was brought up that the Department of City Planning had requested that Community Boards have their opinions on the plans rendered by November 30th, but the Borough President’s Office had requested the Boards’ render their opinions by November 19th. However, it was determined that our Board will have one meeting which will be an information session and public hearing and our decision will be rendered by November 19th.

Mr. Prince reiterated the importance of all Board members understanding the provisions of the Plans and stated that information on them would be sent out again to the membership.

Dr. Hunt, suggested the Board employ a “survey monkey”, a computer based surveying method to gain an opinion, as to what the membership thought about the Housing Plan.

Mr. Prince commented on the importance of the Chairs of the Board’s Committees reviewing the notes from the District Service Cabinet meetings. These meetings are scheduled on a monthly basis with the District Manager and representatives of all of the City’s agencies and public utilities, operating in the Board’s service areas. He suggested that the Chairs read these notes and if there is any issue that they would want to see examined, that they should make that known to the District Manager for inclusion in the questions for the next District Service Cabinet meeting. Mr. Marano announced that Ms. Gheri Kaufman has been appointed the new representative from the Community Education Council #8 (CEC) for Community School Board #8.

It was announced that both the Chairman and the District Manager met Sleep Johnson, of C-Ball, at a community event and that he was invited to address the full Board at its next public meeting. He is interested in recruiting players from the community for a C-Ball League.

Mr. Kearns attended the meeting of the New York City Airport Roundtable at the Queens Borough President's Office on September 29, 2015. Bronx Community Boards are listed as delegates, though there are no names of the individual community board or person serving as a delegate on the official documents for the Roundtable.

There was a discussion among the members of the Executive Board with Messrs. Marano and Misiurski, providing a history of the Board's involvement in the effort of having the Roundtable established. The New York City Airport Roundtable is an organization of residents surrounding La Guardia and Kennedy Airports, that was initially set up to monitor the noise of planes as they landed and took off. It essentially, was a community advisory committee of residents, who had input with the airports' managers on noise issues and flight patterns. Our Board became involved in the effort to have the Roundtable formulated, because there were so many planes flying at low altitudes over the Board's service areas. It has evolved into an officially recognized Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) body, with a committee that was put into place to make the Roundtable operative. There are over sixty members of the Roundtable representing residents of Queens, the Bronx and Long Island, elected officials, the airlines and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The Roundtable Committee will be sending out its By-Laws for the delegates to vote on them and the next meeting is November 16th.

There was discussion concerning how to proceed with the Roundtable, and it was suggested that the larger Board membership be apprised of the Board's involvement with the Roundtable, to see if other members might want to participate. It was also suggested that the Board find out what the elected officials are working on, with respect to the Roundtable and issues like Next Gen.

Dr. Hunt commented on the work of the Health and Human Services Committee and its Healthy Lifestyle Walks and plans to have another meeting with Montefiore Hospital management, regarding questions about its Weiler Division.

Mr. Salimbene spoke about the creation of a Veteran's Affairs Sub-Committee, on which he and Mr. Devine will be working together. This will be a Sub-Committee to the Health and Human Services Committee. He indicated that a written plan for the Sub-Committee would be forthcoming.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.



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Bronx Community Board #10 Economic Development Committee Minutes October 7, 2015

Present: H. Acampora; A. Chirico; T. Accomando; A. Boller; L. Popovic; J. Onwu; B. Bieder; R. Rodriguez

Guests: J. Rodriguez (SOBRO), Liquor Licensees

Observers: L. Rocco (WSQCASSN); E Sementilli

Staff: P. Caruso

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 7:30 PM, by Hannah Acampora, who chaired the meeting.

The new and renewal liquor license applicants introduced themselves and their establishments.

The Resolution was read for renewals:

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The Resolution was passed unanimously.

The Resolution was read for a change in method of operation:

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The Resolution was read for new licenses:

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The Resolution was passed unanimously.

At this point, there was community concern that an establishment’s hours of operation be curtailed. Committee responded that the SLA has mandate on dictating that policy, which is 4:00 AM. Many establishments do not avail themselves to that limit, and close earlier. The Board Office has worked with many establishments with a 4:00 AM closing to institute a policy of having last call at 3:00 AM.

There was also community concern that the Committee just rubber-stamps approvals. The Committee responded that they do reject applicants, as is evident below.

The Resolution was read for license review:

2 licensees were tabled at the September General Board meeting, and sent back to the Committee as additional information was requested:

Central—Proof of lease was questioned.

At the Economic Development Committee, a notarized proof of lease was provided.

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The Resolution was not passed--3 opposed, 2 in favor, and 3 abstentions.

Coconut Palm-Meeting with Lt. Trapani questioned.

At the Economic Development Committee, B O verified that owner personally met with Lt. Trapani.

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(Disorderly Groups, Outdoor Consumption, Chronic Conditions)

The Resolution did not pass--4 opposed, 2 in favor, and 2 abstentions.

Our guest speaker was from the South Bronx Overall Development Corporation (SOBRO), which oversees the Zerega Industrial Business Zone (IBZ) which includes Brush Avenue and Commerce Avenue.

The agency works under the umbrella of NYC's Small Business Services (SBS) and its goal is the revitalization of IBZ Districts. There are a number of ways this is accomplished:

- Secure financing assistance through low-interest loans in order to grow one's business.
- Access incentives as part of the IBZ, to help cut costs.
- Brownfield lands--this is land contaminated with hazardous waste and pollution, that is cleaned up so that it can be transformed into a business development.
- Remediation—reversing or stopping environmental damage in an area.

The Committee asked if SOBRO can help a local business, Trine Rolled Molding Corp, which is looking to close, and needs help in finding a tenant for the 50,000 sq. foot building.

SOBRO also advised the Committee that the Mayor feels that IBZs are not successful ventures and is looking to utilize some of the IBZ zones for his Supportive Housing initiative. The Committee passed a Resolution to be put before the full board, to have a letters written to the Mayor and the NYC Council in support of IBZ's, and not have them developed for supportive housing.

“Resolved...at the request of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that letters be sent to the Mayor and the NYC Council in support of Industrial Business Zones (IBZs), and not develop the areas for supportive housing.”

The Resolution was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.



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Minutes of the Youth & Education Committee 9-21-15

Present: B. Bieder, Chair; M. Davila; A. Henry; B. Pitt; J.M. Provetto
Guest: D. Martin, Innovation Prep Charter School; D. Poggi, Ferry Point Park;
M. Abuhaikal, A. Lynch, Jr.

The committee had as its guest David Martin of Innovation Prep Charter School.

The charter high school is awaiting approval from the State Department of Education and hopes to open in our district in September, 2016 and will offer 100 seats. The school will focus on entrepreneurial spirit and preparing students for college and beyond. Their programs will include problem based learning focused on building research, analytical, critical thinking and presentation skills. They will have mentorship programs, internships, and personalized counseling. Their approach is on which will look at each student individually and determine their needs including home visits and bringing the family into the education process.

The committee passed a resolution to write a letter of support to the State Department of Education in support of approving their application for this charter school. David Martin was kind enough to prepare a draft of the letter (see below).

The committee reviewed the CB 10 youth directory and wishes to thank the staff for all the hard work that went into updating the directory. As new programs come to light we will continue to update the directory. We also reviewed the Borough Presidents very impressive youth directory which includes many internship resources.

A community member attended and requested information on how he can get his first grade son in a gifted and talented program. The student was found eligible and told no seats were available. The committee agreed to look into the issue and see if anything can be done. The information was forwarded to the district manager and the chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bieder
Youth Chair



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September 22, 2015

Chancellor Merryl H. Tisch
New York State Board of Regents
Charter School Office
89 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12234

Dear Chancellor Tisch:

As you may already know, Community Boards represent the residents, families and students in specific geographic areas. Community Board #10 is located at 3165 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461 and serves the communities of City Island, Co-op City, Country Club, Eastchester Bay, Edgewater Park, Ferry Point, Locust Point, Pelham Bay, Schuylerville, Silver Beach, Spencer Estates, Throggs Neck, Westchester Square and Zerega. Community Board #10 has seven standing committees focusing on economic development, health and human services, housing and zoning, municipal services, parks and recreation, planning and budget, and youth services. My name is Robert Bieder. I am the Chair of the Youth Services Committee.

On Monday, September 21, 2015, we invited David Martin to attend our Community Board meeting at 7:30pm. During the meeting, Mr. Martin presented the founding group's plan to found a new charter school in the Northeast area of the Bronx. Our committee members (and other attendees at this meeting) were excited to learn about all the wonderful plans the founding group has developed and intends to implement. Particularly impressive was: an emphasis on problem-based learning, wrap around services for students and their families, remediation support for struggling students, co-teaching classrooms and the many potential partners the school has already engaged in conversations. Mr. Martin was able to answer all attendees' questions and genuinely sought to gather and incorporate our suggestions to improve on the founding group's plans.

We write this letter to demonstrate our support of the Innovation Prep Charter School application. Our committee voted unanimously to do so. Approving Innovation Prep Charter School would provide a greatly needed educational option for our community. We hope that you value our input as active members of the Northeast Bronx community.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Bieder
Chair, Youth Services Committee
Bronx Community Board #10



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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE September 29, 2015

PRESENT: Dr. D. Hunt (Chair), H. Acampora, J. Boiko, M. Davila, L. Goldstein, R Lifrieri, A. Ponder, M. Pricoli, N. Rosario, T. Salimbene

Absent: B. Bieder, L. Burrowes

Observer: W. Alexis-Montefiore Hospital, L. Tulton- Assembly-member Benedetto, J. Robinson-guest

Deborah Hunt PhD, RN, Chair, convened the meeting at 7:35 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Healthy Lifestyle Challenge

The Committee discussed the Healthy Lifestyle Challenge with extensive discussion on the “walk”. It was suggested that each zip code 10461, 10464, 10465, 10475 do individual walks within the next few months and post on the Face Book Healthy Lifestyle Page. At the next meeting, we will schedule an annual spring walk. It was suggested that participants wear a specific color t-shirt to represent CB10. We also discussed the possibility of having someone sponsor t-shirts. We discussed the Mall Walk at Bay Plaza and follow-up with Assemblyman Michael Benedetto’s office – (Prestige Properties). Also discussed was the possibility of local merchants offering incentives to participants on the walks. Affinity Health Plan offered a sponsorship of the event, with incentives which we would like to discuss with our Chair and District Manager to avoid any conflicts of interests. Suggestion to partner with CSA for healthy eating for the holidays—N. Semaj will follow-up on this and report back to the committee. A suggestion for sponsoring a Flu Shot event was also discussed. Affinity Health Plan volunteered to sponsor this type of event and J. Boiko suggested it be done in collaboration with his event on October 24, 2015 co-sponsored by Riverbay Corp. in Co-op City. This will be discussed with the District Manager and Chairman to avoid any conflicts of interest. The Facebook group has approximately 280 participants and we will continue our outreach. Each board member is asked to share information about the Healthy Lifestyle Challenge with their respective civic associations.

Montefiore Medical Center - W. Alexis

W. Alexis shared information and updates on Legionnaires Disease. The committee discussed some of the issues and challenges associated with its tracking and eradication. J. Boiko shared his experience during the outbreak in Co-op City. Information was also shared from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website.

There was a lengthy discussion on the excessive waiting period for a bed at Montefiore's Weiler Division. J. Boiko shared that wait times of 36 hours are a common occurrence. Dr. Hunt shared that at our last meeting with Montefiore, the Hospital's administrators claimed that the situation had improved and statistics on wait time and admissions were vastly improved. The Committee respectfully requests another meeting to discuss the current issues. W. Alexis will share this with his colleagues at Montefiore Hospital, L. Tulton (Assemblyman Benedetto's office) will share this information with the Assemblyman, who attended the previous meeting and has been a strong advocate of this issue.

New Business

A. Ponder offered a Resolution in support of Governor Cuomo's initiative to end AIDs and spoke of the importance in funding HIV/AIDS Services (HASA) Benefits Expansion idea. The general purpose of the Resolution is for the NYC Council and Mayor to sign Intro No. 684 Local Law sponsored by Council Member Corey Jonson and the issue was discussed. However, due to the fact that the members did not have an opportunity to read Intro No. 684, a motion was made to table the Resolution by N. Rosario, and seconded by N. Semaj. There were two dissenting votes (A. Ponder, M. Pricoli). A request was made to submit Intro No. 684 to Committee members, prior to the next Health and Human Services Committee meeting, which may be held in October, depending on the hearing date of the legislation.

Veteran's Affairs Sub-committee

T. Salimbene gave a synopsis of events surrounding the establishment of a Veterans Subcommittee. There is a possibility that the Committee will meet in October to discuss the development of this Subcommittee.

Meeting concluded at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Deborah Hunt PhD, RN (chair)
Bishop N. Rosario (co-chair)