

*The City of New York  
Bronx Community Board Four  
General Board Meeting Minutes  
For Tuesday, November 23, 2010  
Bronx Lebanon Hospital Ctr.  
Murray Cohen Auditorium*

**Opening and welcoming remarks by Board Chair:** Board Chair greeted everyone and thank the community for coming out.

**Invocation and Pledge by Bishop Earl McKay**

**Board Member Action:** The Board Chair outlined the reasons and methods by which removal was presented. He followed by presenting the names to the full board for action and called for a motion. The motion was made by Ms. Martha Reyes and seconded by Ms. Mildred James. The motion unanimously passed. The following members were removed:

Ms. Wanda Carter

Mr. Felipe Febles

Blanchi Roblero

Jose Ventura

Oscar Real

The Board Chair also mentioned that Ms. Patricia Titley, Board Secretary resigned from the board.

**Presentation:** Department of City Planning, Mr. Paul Philips; Citywide Key Terms Clarification Text Amendment-The purpose of this text amendment is to clarify and preserve the intent of the zoning regulations in relation to the terms *development* and *building*, as they are defined in the Zoning Resolution. The City Planning Department has examined each section of the Zoning Resolution which uses the terms "development" or "building" and has concluded that in order to clarify the meaning of the regulations consistent with their intent, it is necessary to amend these definitions. In addition to rules relating to the terms "development" and "building," the Department proposes other text modifications that are necessary to clarify the intent of the Zoning Resolution, resolve conflicting regulations, or bring a regulation into accordance with current Department of Buildings practice.

**Nominations Committee:** The Board Chair recognized Ms. Sanders, Chair of the Nominations Committee. Ms. Sanders, as per the Committee nominated Ms. Bond for the vacant position of Board Secretary. No other nominations were called Mr. Rendino seconded the motion for Ms. Bond. The Motion unanimously passed.

**Presentation:** Department of Homeless Services and Basic, Promesa Housing Inc.

Basic Housing, Inc is working to expand its partnership with the NYC DHSA to operate a stand-alone shelter, for up to 200 single male adults in the. (as per Basics Housing, Inc. (BHI) ). Notification of from the service provider was given on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October.

DHS notified that CB on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October, that BHI submitted a proposal to operate a 200 bed facility.

Board Members and Residents had many questions and concerns. Many were livid that the 200 bed facility was established without community notification and review.

**Issues of concern:** History of the clientele, sex offenders, mentally ill, newly released inmates, community advisory council, security provided by the service provider and what services will be provided to the clients.

**Report by Elected Officials:** Aurea Mangual, Office of the Borough President; urging Bronx residents to join their local Community Boards; Peace in our streets in the Melrose section of the Bronx; Local redevelopment authority for the Muller Army Reserve Center; Tour de Bronx 2010; Named Monica Major as Bronx Rep to the Panel for Education Policy. Angel Santan, Sen. Serrano's Office; East Side Commuters; Events; immigration forum, intellectual property workshop, District Office hours.

**44<sup>th</sup> Precinct Report:** Officer Roger Bennett gave an overview of what he is working on with the Youth in the Precinct and how to issue complaints regarding police activity and conduct.

Submitted by Jose Rodriguez, District Manager.