

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
December 6, 2016
La Parilla Latina Restaurant
5523 Broadway, Bronx, NY

PRESENT/AFFILIATION

Sergio Villaverde, Committee Chair, CB8
David Kornbluh, CB8
Steven Sarao, CB8
Francine Scherer, Community member
Shalva Gozland, CB8
Myra Joyce, Community member
Amy Joy Robateau, CB8
Leo Ramirez, La Parilla Restaurant

Meeting was called to order at 7:55 pm by Committee chair Sergio Villaverde. Board Member's and community members present introduced selves to each other.

1. Welcome address and business plan presented by La Parilla Latina. Manager, Leo Ramirez, presented decades of experience and vision for being a good neighbor.
 - Presenter stated that the business is committed to working with any specific issues regarding community concerns.
 - Business employs 49 people
 - A detailed presentation was given to committee regarding the incident outside of the premises resulting in the death of an individual. The presenter stated that the premises have fully cooperated with the investigation and will continue to do so.
 - The premises have set up several noise barriers at the entrance. The premises has committed to setting up another sound barrier in an abundance of caution. The presenter pointed out that the elevated train line runs in front of the premises and the noise is never above the level. The presenter has requested that we advise the business of any specific complaints regarding noise and they will be immediately addressed.
 - Presenter provided direct contact information and asked to be contacted regarding any community issues related to the business.
2. Discussion held regarding the Kingsbridge Broadway Walk (West 231 Street to West 238 Street). The walk demonstrated the need for aesthetic and structural issues in the Broadway corridor. The committee agreed that a letter in support of our elected officials efforts with respect to the Broadway corridor.
3. New Business:
 - Committee members agreed to thank the proponents of the holiday lights in the merchant areas.
 - A question was raised as to the lack of holiday lights along west 238th Street.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Submitted by Sergio Villaverde Chair, Economic Development Committee