Public Safety Committee

Minutes – February meeting April 1, 2015 Shahabuddeen A. Ally, Chair

Committee members present: Shahabuddeen Ally (Chair), Lilliana Saneaux, Isidro Medina, Rud Morales and James Berlin.

Committee members excused: Pamela Palenque-North.

Committee members absent: Kelly Boyd, Dr. Michael Mowatt-Wynn (public member).

General attendance: Cheryl Miller, Mary Anderson, K. Gonzalez, Nancy Preston, P.O. Perez (34th Pct.), P.O. Guzman (33rd Pct.), Captain Sullivan (33rd Pct.), Sarah Flatto, NYC Family Justice Center, Manhattan, Sarah Banda, Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation and Yokarina Duarte (Intergovernmental Outreach Coordinator, NYC Emergency Management).

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.

I. 34th Pct. Report

- The 34th precinct reports that there is a spike in assaults while burglary and robberies are down.
- Discussion regarding the pattern of burglaries of residential building with laundry room facilities. It is reported that a group of individuals are removing the vending machine units for laundry cards. Such units contain money that is used to purchase the cards.
- A reminder to residents to restrict access to residential building to only individuals who reside in the building or invited guest.

II. 33rd Pct. Report

- The precinct reported that of the significant increase in crime, burglaries are up 12%.
- The 33rd pct. community council will hold meetings at select locations throughout the community.

V. Presentation by the NYC Family Justice Center

- Sarah Flatto from the NYC Family Justice Center (Manhattan) presented on the services offered by her agency in terms of dealing with domestic violence.
- Sarah Banda from the Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation (NMIC) addressed the Committee regarding services offered in the community for victims of domestic violence.

V. <u>New business</u>

• It was suggested that a follow-up presentation by the NYC Family Justice Center and NMIC be held for future meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.