

Date 3-9-15

Meeting called to order at 6:37 PM

Minutes and Agenda Adopted at 6:39 PM

Attendees

Board members: Padmore John, Monica Dula, Feruze Zeko, Catharine Abate, LaQuita Henry

Community Board Members: Walter South, Brad Taylor, Signe Mortenson

Public Members: Over 30.

Our Health and Environment Committee meeting was a joint meeting with the Mayor's office for a PlaNYC Roundtable Discussion for Community Board 9 Civic Leaders & Residents. PlaNYC is the groundbreaking effort to address New York City's long-term challenges including the forecast of 9.1 million residents by 2030. As it is being implemented, community input is being sought to ensure that all communities have a say in the development of policies that affect NYC and specific communities.

The overall process of the meeting was detailed by Juan Ignacio Rosa indicating that the meeting was to serve as a forum to develop ideas on needs and resource requirements by the community. These ideas will then be included with others garnered in a similar fashion from other community boards. They will then be assessed for practicality and cost and determination will be made by officials in the mayor's office on their implementation.

Some of the ideas include:

- ❖ Supporting City owned hospitals as they are acting more and more as primary care providers for the poor; and provide support to Community Health Centers.
- ❖ Address apparent discriminatory practices of giving fines and summonses at a much higher rate in low-income neighborhoods in NYC
- ❖ Provide better assistance to teens hat are aging out of the welfare and group-home systems
- ❖ Provide support to small business as they navigate M/WBE and ensure that city contracts are also targeted to this population
- ❖ Provide support to home-owners as they implement alternative energy source for their homes
- ❖ Increase funding for rodent and pest removal

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32