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Damian Vargas Chairperson

Christian Cassagnol District Manager

October 10, 2017

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

Board Members Attending:

Damian Vargas Alirio Orduna Chaio-Chung Chen Alexa Ponce Lynda Coral Ashley Reed Judith D'Andrea Oscar Rios Maria Damico Cristian Romero

Marialena Giampino Gigi Salvador **Ingrid Gomez** A. Redd Sevilla Pat Martin Lucy Schilero

Rovenia McGowan Marcello Testa Edgar Moya Vivian Tseng **Gurdip Singh Narula** Louis Walker

Ruby Muhammad

Georgina Oliver

Shwe Zin (Winny) Oo

Board Members Absent:

Priscilla Carrow Sandra Munoz Giancarlo Castano Albert Perna Lucy Cerezo-Scully Neil Roman Safat Chowdhury Clara Salas Debra Clayton Malikah Shabazz Erica Cruz Alton Derrick Smith

Jennifer Gutierrez **Gregory Spock** James Lisa Rosa Wong

Salvatore Lombardo Lester Youngblood Peter Manganaro

ATTENDANCE:

Christian Cassagnol, CB4 District Manager

Margaret Silletti, CB4 Community Coordinator

Christina Long, CB4 Community Assistant

Assembly Member Francisco Moya

Ari Espinal, Assembly Member Francisco Moya's Office

Joseph Nocerino, Queens Borough President's Office

Barbara Jackson, U. S. Rep. Joseph Crowley's Office

Louise Emanuel, Assembly Member Jeffrion Aubry's Office

Jacqueline Hsieh, Congresswoman Grace Meng's Office

NYS Senator Jose Peralta

David Burgoa, Senator Jose Peralta's Office

Bhavneet Anand, Assembly Member Brian Barnwell's Office

Grace Rosado, Assembly Member Brian Barnwell's Office

QiBin Ye, Council Member Daniel Dromm's Office

Stacy Eliuk, NYC Public Advocate's Office

William Giron, NYC Comptroller's Office

Kathu Ko, NYC Dept. of City Planning

Ted Enoch, Partnerships for Parks

Dyaami D'Orazio, Partnerships for Parks

Odelia Lee, NYC Parks

Kenneth Beattie, NYC Parks

Adrianne Weremchuk, NYC Parks Olmsted

Captain Nicola Ventre, 110 Police Precinct

Sgt. Magdalena Raznikiewiz, NYPD 110 Precinct

NCO Officers, 110 Precinct

Ernestine McKayle, 97-28 57 Avenue, Corona, NY

Mike Liquori, Commander VFW Post #150

Mario Matos, Maspeth High School

Karin Abreau, Corona Gardens Assoc., 102-36 46 Avenue, Corona, NY

N. Paterson

Sabrina Brckwalter

Flor Lampert

Herman Goicechea, NYC City News Service

Julia Bassin, NYU

Rory Lin, York College

John Damico

Siyu Xius, Student

Kuigi Wang, Student

Grace Lin, Student

Jimmy Apostolates, PO Box 737939, Elmhurst, NY

PUBLIC SPEAKER'S LIST

Karin Abreu, 102-36 46 Avenue, Corona, NY

George Kourtalis, 52-17 103 Street, Corona, NY

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING DATE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017

TIME: 7:30 PM PLACE; VFW POST #150 51-11 108 STREET CORONA. NY

This meeting was streamed live.

- I. Chairperson Damian Vargas opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

A moment of silence was observed for the victims of Las Vegas, Puerto Rico, Houston, Mexico, Florida, the Caribbean Islands, and others who have suffered a tragedy.

Before the Roll Call was taken, Chairperson Damian Vargas announced if anyone wishes to speak during the Public Forum segment please sign up. Speaking time is 2 minutes.

III. Executive Secretary Marialena Giampino took the roll call. A quorum was present.

IV. VOTE: Minutes September 19, 2017

Board Member Lucy Schilero made a motion, seconded by Board Member Alirio Orduna, to accept the minutes.

By a voice vote, the Board voted 25 in favor, 0 opposed, with 0 abstentions. Motion passed.

V. REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson Vargas reported on CB4's Youth Fair 101 Part 2, which was a huge success. Many people and youth attended the fun filled event. He took this opportunity to thank all for the help.

- Council Member Daniel Dromm, who funded the event.
- Queens Borough President Melinda Katz for her sponsorship.
- Queens Center Mall instrumental in obtaining passports.

Special thank you was extended to the following who contributed with funds, volunteering, or prizes

- Plaza Del Sol
- Friends of Corona Park
- The Al Perna Foundation For Kids
- Hall of Science Queens Zoo
- Von Reece
- Creative Ink

Joe Nocerino, Queens Borough President representative, was given a special thank you for his help at the Youth Fair from beginning to end. His assistance was invaluable with the vending machines.

CB4's Youth Committee who spent many hours not only with ideas but also reaching out to people-Youth Committee members Chair Ingrid Gomez, Ashley Reed, Debra Clayton, Vivian Tseng, Pat Martin and Alexa Ponce were acknowledged.

Board Members who attended the event and helped out:

- Alexa Ponce
- Gregory Spock
- Lucy Cerezo-Scully
- Lynda Coral
- Lou Walker
- Malikah Shabazz
- A. Redd Sevilla
- Alirio Orduna

Community Board 4's Staff: Christina and Margaret and, especially, District Manager Christian Cassagnol who not only designed the flyers, did outreach, and supported the event all the way through.

VI. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Christian Cassagnol also thanked Chair Damian Vargas for his help and support with Community Board 4's Youth Fair.

He announced FY '19 Capital/Expense budget time is here. The Board has two major functions; one zoning and planning issues and second to create a wish list for the community. There are 40 Capital and 25 Expense items. Budget consultations have just ended. Agencies have given their priorities and deletions. The District Manager will be reaching out to all Committee Chairs, providing notes for all the budget consultations, and share it with the committee if you wish.

Although the each committee has its own meeting schedule, he would like to attend as many of the meetings as possible. He suggested multiple committees meet in one night.

A meeting should take no longer than an hour/hour and half. Two committees can meet in one night or eight committees meet in four days. Although the deadline for submission is October 31 but because it must be voted on, our Board was given an extension to the second week in November. The Board office will call to schedule your consultation.

Board Member Judy D'Andrea asked how long does an item remain on the wish list before it is funded.

District Manager Cassagnol responded it depends on the item. The library has been 31 years; the Precinct about 29 years.

Discussion ensued on the process.

Lastly, District Manager Cassagnol said for the November CB meeting it is important to have as a guest speaker on the topic of Active Shooter training. More so because of the violence occurring lately and the holiday season approaching. Before the holiday season, we will also be learning about identity theft as well.

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

Good and Welfare of the District

Karin Abreu, a concerned resident from 46 Avenue, inquired how CB4 is working with the local precinct to address the growing problem of car dealers using neighborhood streets to conduct their business. The problem is growing with each passing week.

District Manager Cassagnol reported if you see a For Sale car report it to the Board office. The Board has a Master list which is forwarded to Assembly Member Moya as well as the local precinct. Since the Precinct officers were in attendance, he preferred the Precinct elaborate.

Ms. Abreu said much time passes. By the time the problem is addressed, the car is moved.

District Manager Cassagnol explained the difference between if the car has plates or no plates. It is difficult, but the Board is addressing the problem.

Next, George Kourtalis addressed the Board who brought up the issue of parking. Born and raised in Queens, he said more needs to be done about neighborhood parking. Also, Flushing Meadow-Corona Park the aquarium and the zoo was mentioned. Parks still look the same from thirty years ago. School security also needs to be addressed. Our children are our future.

Chair Damian Vargas asked where the parking issues are. Please contact the Board office with locations. With regard to parks, it is an ongoing process. Chair Vargas invited Mr. Kourtalis to attend Community Board meetings and also to attend Parks Committee meetings, made up of Community Board members, to participate. Sign up so that you can receive meeting notices. Parks officials do attend those meetings to listen to community concerns.

At this point, Board Member Judy D'Andrea said the issues brought up could be resolved by forming more block associations. Very popular in the '70's, '80's, they just seemed to fade away in the neighborhoods. She continued if block associations were formed, people would know their neighbors and would not take up two parking spaces. Block associations do get much done on the block. Also, city agencies do assist.

Next, Chairperson Vargas welcomed and introduced the new commanding officer of the 110 Precinct Captain Nicola Ventre. Captain Ventre gave the Board background information on his career and past duties.

Subsequently, he gave crime stats. For the 28 days, the 110 Precinct is down 13%.

Robberies 21 vs. 21
Felony Assaults 25 vs. 18
Burglaries 8 vs. 25
Grand Larceny 46 vs. 48
Grand Larceny GLA of a Vehicle 5 vs. 12
108 crimes vs. 125 crimes from last year
YTD down more than 100 crimes for the year

Next, he reported on a stabbing that happened last night. Investigators are still working on the case. However, he did give a broad overview of the case. It is still unclear if the crime was gang related.

Next, he spoke about abandoned vehicles. When he was assigned to the Precinct, there was one police officer handling abandoned vehicles, which was overwhelming and did not accomplish the goal. Captain Ventre put a Sergeant in charge and assigned him six police officers. Although those officers have other functions in the

Precinct, they will also be vouchering and towing vehicles. He also explained the difference between abandoned vehicles and out of state plates. Conversely, he explained the process for the For Sale cars on our streets. The tires are marked for seven days and watched to see if the car moves. After seven days, police can summons and tow it.

Regarding noise complaints from the community was in the World's Fair Marina with the car shows in the parking lots and the junk yards in the Triangle. This weekend, extra units were called in and five cars in different parking lots in the Park. Park Enforcement assisted. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday vehicles were deterred from entering the Park. During the daytime, vehicles are allowed in the Park but drugs, alcohol and loud music are monitored. Four police officers who had weekends off were assigned to come in on the weekends, Friday and Saturday nights, who will be focusing on the Park. Sunday afternoon the Precinct will work with the Parks Department to enforce the No Parking rule after sundown.

At this point, the Board Members asked questions.

Before Captain Ventre turned the floor over to the NCO Sergeant who would introduce the NCO Program (Neighborhood Community Policing), he explained there were eight sectors in the Precinct which was decreased to four sectors. Enforcing sector integrity, Captain Ventre explained police officers will be working the same sector every day. In the past, officers rotated with different sectors, different assignments. Now, each officer will have a steady sector and will not work anywhere else. Thus, each sector will have four steady officers in addition to an NCO Officer. Community involvement and participation is essential to overcome challenges.

Sergeant Magdalena Raznikiewicz said there are ten officers assigned to the unit. One is the administrative officer and the rest are out in the field. NCO officers are looking forward to working with the community and to hear and address complaints. Phone lines in the office are still being worked on, however, you can reach officers on their private cell phone numbers in addition to e-mail. Find the NCO officers online and you can get their information. NCO does follow-ups on chronic 311 jobs as well as follows up on graffiti jobs such as handing out waivers for free cleanups with the city. Much of the work is done with the detective squad such as handing out flyers, looking at videos, finding possible witnesses for any serious crime where assistance is needed. Quality of life enforcement is also addressed.

NCO's are a liaison between the public and the steady sectors (officers out on patrol). Many times patrol officers are out on runs, but reaching out to the NCO officer will provide assistance.

Every two months each NCO sector will have a summit meeting, located in their sector, to hand out flyers and invitations to meet with the community and hear concerns directly. The NCO officers come from different backgrounds and are very competent to work with the community.

At this point, each NCO officer introduced him/herself to the Board and gave a brief background of each.

Before concluding, Sergeant Raznikiewicz announced an upcoming Roll Out meeting scheduled for October 23, 7 – 8 pm, at the Hall of Science, doors open at 6:30 p.m. Also the 110 Precinct Community Council meeting is planned for October 12, 7:00 p.m. at Flanders Field Post #150.

At this point, NYS Senator Jose Peralta addressed the Board. Senator Peralta reported the NCO is an amazing program. NCO Officers give out their phone numbers and return call, which is very good. In this way, the community knows who the officers are and vice versa. Great program, which will be a success, he stated.

On the back table was an Important Numbers guide, Courtesy of Senator Jose Peralta. Also, he mentioned the <u>You Don't Have To Live In Fear Stop The Deadly Cycle of Domestic Abuse</u> brochure on hand. Although this is a sensitive issue people do not like to talk about, it is a reality that some people live, he stated.

Also, in the back, there was a Newsletter which outlined funding allocated this year in the state budget and how it was broken down, for example, by schools, not-for-profits etc. Moreover, he explained this was the first round. Although P.S.14 is not listed, it is receiving funding.

Next, State Senator Peralta talked about legislative items he introduced. A Bill named after slain NYPD Officer Miosotis Familia, killed because she was wearing her uniform. In terms of support for an officer killed in the line of duty, there were no provisions for how to subsidize for rent or mortgage payments for an officer that has maybe three or four years on the job. Many times organizations pick up the slack for the lack of funding. Is there something in the law that helps out with rent or mortgage payments, he questioned. There was not. \$10 million will be allocated for family members for first responders killed in the line of duty who will receive up to \$1,000, depending on the officer's salary, to provide financial assistance for eligible families.

Next, he spoke about college affordability legislation. In the latest report, over 50% of CUNY students were eligible for college affordability meaning free tuition. He spoke about the income guidelines to receive this free tuition assistance.

Next, he spoke about the MTA and how funding is needed to improve on delays. Legislation that had passed both Houses will require the MTA to look into the lead paint chips that have been falling from the #7 Line. The Bill is waiting for the Governor to sign it into law. Subsequently, the MTA will be responsible to conduct studies to see how much lead is in the paint chips. He pointed out not only does children pick them up but also those paint chips full into the food street vendors sell.

Spring 2018, the MTA will paint stations from 103 Street to 69 Street. This was to be done this spring, but it was not because of bidding.

Next, State Senator Peralta reported attorneys will be based in his office two days per week. Those attorneys will handle issues such as immigration, housing, quality of life (through the CUNY Partnership) to name a few issues. Year round attorneys will be in the district office dealing with all types of issues.

Subsequently, State Senator Peralta reported he will be advocating for funding in this year's budget for a new police precinct. Looking to partner with the City, so that the City can fund half of the approximately \$70 million cost.

Speaking about the Board's Capital/Expense wish list perhaps the state can assist with the remaining priorities.

Holiday Season is approaching and the Senator's office will be doing their annual turkey giveaway. Thousands of turkeys are given out to needy families. He asked the Board to identify families that need help. In December, in partnership with the Queens Center Mall thousands of toys are given out. He asked for the Board's assistance in the giveaway so that families can have a great Christmas.

At this point, Board Member Georgina Oliver asked about the Mayor's and Governor's stalemate on funding city hospitals. \$380 million Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments withheld from city hospitals. Can he assist in seeing city hospitals get the funding needed?

State Senator Peralta responded there is a strong possibility of a special session coming up. It will be brought up at that time and is now being discussed. At the end of the year, we will see what happens with the special session.

Next, Assembly Member Francisco Moya addressed the Board. Assembly Member Moya thanked the Board for its great work.

Speaking about the neighborhood block associations, Karin Abreu, Lynda Coral, and Edgar Moya were acknowledged for starting the Corona Gardens Neighborhood Association that started a cleanup with ten people and grew to over forty people. This is what we need in this community. Community participation, cleaning up the neighborhood, getting the neighbors together and getting to know each other to take care of our community is needed.

At this point, he thanked the NCO officers for their service and keeping the community safe. This program is very positive for our community. Engagement with our police officers and the community is a win. The Police officers at the 110 Precinct do a fantastic job, said Assembly Member Moya. He spoke about the tow operations, which is not an easy task.

Additionally, Assembly Member Moya has called for downzoning of the community. An overdevelopment problem exists. One and two family homes are demolished and big buildings are constructed, which are not affordable housing. Those buildings take away from the character of the community and house 35-40 families. No funding is allocated for more sewers, sanitation services, police officers etc. This overdevelopment is taxing the infrastructure.

Soon, as City Council Member he will have oversight over many of the city issues. If a one-two family home is demolished, the new construction would be a one-two family home.

Also, Assembly Member Moya is introducing legislation for residential parking. Parking is a real issue in our community. If you are a resident of the community, residential parking would be available to you, which is done in Forest Hills. A pilot program in Community Boards 3 and 4 is to be initiated. He was optimistic for its implementation.

He also spoke about a walking tour with the DOT Commissioner on Friday on 104 Street and 46 Avenue and Nichols Avenue. If you have any concerns, please contact his office or send an e-mail.

Before concluding, Assembly Member Moya mentioned Halloween Mobile Office October 31, 2017, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Jackson Heights Post Office, 78-02 37 Avenue, Jackson Heights, NY. Come join the Assembly Member and his staff!

VII. REPORT OF THE LEGISLATORS

Bhavneet Anand, representing Assembly Member Brian Barnwell's office, reported the Assembly Member represents a very small portion of Elmhurst. Please call the Assembly Member's office if you have any concerns. Call 718-651-3185.

The following events were also mentioned:

Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. –National Coming Out Day Hosted By Topaz Arts Gallery, 55-03 39 Avenue, Woodside, NY

Park Cleanup – October 14, Frank Principe Park (Maurice Park), Maurice Ave., 63 Street 10 a.m. – 12 Noon

Shredding Truck - October 21, Boulevard Gardens, 30 Avenue/57 Street Safely dispose of your unwanted documents for free

Next, Jackie Hsieh, representing Congresswoman Grace Meng, brought 2018 calendars.

She announced the following:

In an effort to get young students to get more involved in the stem field, Congresswoman Meng has joined her colleagues in Congress in holding the 2017 Congressional App Challenge. The eligibility requirements were explained. Flyers were on the back table.

Next, The Veterans Affairs Office Hours was announced: Wednesday, November 8, 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Appointment Required, at 40-13 159 Street, Flushing, NY.

At this point, to combat identity theft, Medicare will be issuing new identification cards starting April, 2018 without social security numbers. Encourage family not to carry the Medicare card unless it is needed because a person is easily victimized.

Next, QiBin Ye, representing Council Member Daniel Dromm's office, congratulated the Board on its successful Youth Fair. With the Council Member's help and support in securing funding, the Youth Fair was highly successful and an enjoyable community event.

Free Community Legal Services are held twice per month until June 2018 at the Council Member's Office. To make an appointment, call 718-803-6373.

Next, the Council Member is sponsoring a Halloween Costume Drive, collecting new and unused costumes for homeless children. Please drop off your donations at Council Member Dromm's office, 37-32 75 Street, First Floor, Jackson Heights, N.Y.

Next, Stacy Eliuk, representing Public Advocate Letitia James' office, congratulated the Board, the Youth Committee and District Manager Christian Cassagnol on the highly successful Youth Fair. This is what a Community Board should be doing.

She also reported in New York 200,000 children have IEP's, which is 19% of the total school population. When a child has an IEP, the Department of Education has a requirement to fulfill the IEP by providing whatever services are needed.

Many schools do not have the resources to fulfill those requirements. A voucher is issued and the burden is placed on parents to fulfill the need. However, in many situations service providers refuse to go to those districts. As a result in the district looked at, 91% of the vouchers issued went unused, which means those children did not get the services called for. Improvement is needed and that's what the Public Advocate's Office supports.

Universal school lunch was mentioned which the Public Advocate's office had supported and was implemented in every public school this September. The Public Advocate was very proud of this accomplishment. No child will go hungry.

Next, Joseph Nocerino, representing Queens Borough President's office Melinda Katz, congratulated the Board on its outstanding Youth Fair.

He reported the Borough President will hold a Parent Advisory Board Thursday, October 12, at Borough Hall 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Twenty-five high school representatives will be in attendance. A workshop on how to fill out the application properly is included.

Subsequently, he read a statement on the Borough President's behalf of the future of Willets Point. Borough President Melinda Katz has called for building a soccer stadium and 100% affordable housing at this undeveloped parcel of Queens land.

Next, William Giron, representing NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer's Office, reported on the following upcoming events:

- o Celebrate Diwali, Wednesday, October 25, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at NYC Health & Hospitals/Elmhurst, 79-01 Broadway, Auditorium, A1-22, Elmhurst, NY.
- o Italian Community Breakfast, Tuesday, October 17, Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Comptroller's Boardroom, 1 Centre Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY.

Recently, the NYC Comptroller released a report analyzing the cost of subway delays. Subway delays can cost as high as \$389 million annually. Much of the statistics are taken from the MTA and can be viewed on the Comptroller's website.

IX. SPEAKER:

Ted Enoch, Director of Catalyst Program
Dyaami D'Orazio, Catalyst Program
Partnerships for Parks
Discussion about Partnership for Parks, the Catalyst Program, and community organizing around Louis
Simeone Park.

Mr. Enoch reported Partnerships for Parks works throughout the city to help citizens and local community members make parks their places. If there is a park or green space in the city, Partnerships for Parks helps. Partnerships for Parks are known for supporting friends of park groups. Partnership for Parks gets designated to certain parks in community areas. He spoke about Louise Simeone Park located on 101 Street. It has been under construction for the last year. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held when construction is completed. They are here to make that park a better park for community members: grants, walking programs, fitness and youth programs.

Partnerships for Parks are known for a Build, Connect, & Sustain model. Helping to build community involvement in parks, Connect to resources to other people who can support those works, and Partnership for Parks also gives out grants three times per year to local citizens to work in those parks; the next grant deadline is February 1, 2018.

Most importantly, is that the park can be a sustaining, healthy place in the community. About one million hours went into Louis Simeone Park to make it a beautiful place.

Going forward, Partnerships for Parks tries to ensure local citizens have the ear of the Parks Commissioner and legislators so that the park stays as an important asset in the community.

If the Board knows of anyone who would like to get involved with the Louis Simeone Park, a mailing list is on hand. Dyaami D'Orazio will be dedicated to this community for the next year.

Partnership for Parks is half parks and half city parks foundation that provides sports education, arts programming, plus community engagement.

Board Member Judy D'Andrea suggested contacting the senior residences in the vicinity for volunteers.

X. PARKS WITHOUT BORDERS INITIATIVE IN FLUSHING MEADOWS-CORONA PARK Parks Committee – Report & Vote

Adrianne Weremchuk, NYC Parks Dept. Capital Projects, landscape architect designing the project who will be presenting the Henry Hudson Entrance to Flushing Meadows Corona Park. With the aid of drawings, she presented the existing conditions of the site. The main objective of the project is to create a welcoming and accessible entrance into the Park through the parking lot on 111 Street. In the site analysis is the three access points for pedestrian's circulation around and in the Park. Also, vehicular circulation through the parking lot and the conflict was looked at. The most important entrance is the main artery which wraps around the Unisphere and comes back to the Hall of Science. The entrance is not very open and not very visible, she explained. The main intent is to make the entrance welcoming. The plans were explained.

One way circulation for the vehicles is also planned to make it more organized and safer access between the cars and the pedestrians through the parking lot. The entrance and parking spaces intended were mentioned. The same number of parking spaces will be kept.

Renderings of the site, which depicted the following, were also presented to the Board.

- Entrance
- Access Into the Park

At this point, Board Member Judy D'Andrea thanked the Parks representatives for their help in entering the suggestions of the community into the design.

Board Member A. Redd Sevilla asked how this Park was chosen for improvement.

NYC Parks representative Kenneth Battie responded there was an online survey and this Park was chosen by the community.

Board Member A. Redd Sevilla asked about the timeline.

Adrianne Weremchuk responded as far as installation presently the process is in review, then the construction aspect, and if on schedule April 2018, therefore, construction may not start until late 2018 early 2019 depending on how fast procurement goes.

Existing monuments in the Park will be left in place, she said.

Board Member Alexa Ponce inquired if parking would be affected.

Adrianne Weremchuk replied no. The same number of parking spaces will be kept. Parking will be better and more organized. Spaces will be marked and wheel stops will be implemented to keep cars from rolling over the pavement where pedestrians are walking. Driveways will be kept too. But the circulation pattern will be changed entrance only and exit only to help calm the traffic patterns around the parking lot.

At this point, District Manager Cassagnol reported when presented at the Parks Committee meeting, the plan was approved.

Subsequently, Board Member Judy D'Andrea made a motion, seconded by Board Member Ingrid Gomez, to **approve** the design.

By a voice vote, the Board voted 25 in favor, 0 opposed, with 0 abstentions. Motion passed.

XI. REPORT AND VOTE: Public Safety Committee

SLA Applications

Public Safety Committee Chair reported the Hurricane Guides have been updated. She urged all to take a new, updated, version which was passed out at the Board meeting.

Next, she spoke about the collection drives for those victims of the hurricanes. The Police Department is only calling for donations of rubber gloves, heavy duty construction gloves, anti-bacterial wipes, and battery operated flashlights and lanterns, and facemasks.

The Fire Department on 43 Avenue/99 Street is also collecting donations. Diapers, baby food batteries, and feminine hygiene products only are needed. The collection will run until October 30.

Also, the CERT Team has been working with the Mayor's Office at a supply and wholesale area packing for the hurricane relief fund.

Additionally, October is Fire Protection Month. The Fire Department is asking not to place CO detectors on the corner of the wall. Four inches away from the corner is advised.

She also mentioned people are using the wrong electric cords for small appliances. It is important to get the right cord for microwave ovens, hair dryers, etc. Some old houses are not equipped with the wiring to use those appliances.

As a member of the Queens General Assembly with the Borough President, she is part of a hate crime task force. More people are needed to come out about hate crimes in the community. She presented the stats from the 110 Precinct on hate crimes.

A resolution was passed on people selling hookahs, she reported and the guidelines were presented.

Next, safety tips for children on Halloween were given. Parents are on cellphones and not watching their children. Please keep the phones off is advised to both parents and children. Also, on the label of the costume put the name of the child, age, and telephone number for safety.

At this point, the liquor licenses report was given, however before presenting the report she stated many times owners of the establishments leave and new people take over. New owners inherit violations of the previous owners. The Committee tries not to judge the application on the previous owner's history. Subsequently, the report was presented.

NYS LIQUOR AUTHORITY LICENSES <u>NEW APPLICANTS</u>

Establishment's Name Establishment's Address Recommendation

El Patron Enterprises Inc. 53-09 106 Street Denied

Wine, Beer & Cider Corona, NY

Applicant failed to respond to our request to meet to discuss the application.

RENEWAL APPLICANTS

Establishment's Name Establishment's Address Recommendation

Lucky Star Billiards Inc. 40-09 77 Street Approved

Wine, Beer & Cider Jackson Heights, NY

Mitad Del Mundo Bar Rest. Corp. 104-10 Roosevelt Avenue Denied

Liquor, Wine Beer & Cider Corona, NY

Concern about the history of noise complaints, criminal complaints and SLA violations.

Americas Restaurant of Corona Inc. 103-10 Roosevelt Avenue Approved

Wine, Beer, & Cider Corona, NY

Gato Verde Sports Bar Corp. 82-14 Roosevelt Avenue Denied

Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider Corona, NY

Applicant stated they would not be able to attend this month's meeting and asked if they can be placed on the

November agenda.

Sabor Norteno Corp. 102-06 43 Avenue Approved

Wine, Beer & Cider Corona, NY

Eustaquio Cortez Cabanas 102-53 43 Avenue Denied

Paraiso Azteca Restaurant & Bar Corona, NY

Wine, Beer & Cider

Applicant failed to respond to our request to meet to discuss their application.

Kai Fish Market 102-23 Horace Harding Exp. Approved

Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider Corona, NY

Unidentified Flying Chicken 71-22 Roosevelt Avenue Approved

Wine, Beer & Cider Jackson Heights, NY

Arepa Lady, Inc. 77-02 Roosevelt Avenue Approved

Wine, Beer & Cider Jackson Heights, NY

Shake Shack of

Queens Center Mall 90-15 Queens Blvd., #1069 Approved

Wine, Beer & Cider Elmhurst, NY

Italian Charities of America 83-20 Queens Blvd. Approved

Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider Elmhurst, NY

At this point, Board Member Georgina Oliver made a motion, seconded by Board Member Gurdip Singh Narula, to **accept** the report as presented.

By a voice vote, the Board voted 25 in favor, 0 opposed, with 0 abstentions. Motion passed.

XII. Committee Reports

Consumer Affairs

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

XII. Committee Reports (cont'd)

Environmental

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

Health

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance

Parks

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

Transportation

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

ULURP/Zoning

No Report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

Youth

Committee Chair Ingrid Gomez reported 180 children were served at CB 4's Youth Fair and approximately 400 people. Thanks and a round of applause was extended to each member of the Youth Committee, Chair Damian Vargas, District Manager Cassagnol, Board members and all others who supported the highly successful event. Joe Nocerino from the Borough President's Office as well as Council Member Daniel Dromm, was also thanked and all those who sponsored the Youth Fair. She was optimistic next year's Youth Fair would be bigger and better.

Before adjourning, Board Member Gigi Salvador announced a Rosary Rally and invited all to pray the rosary. The rally will be held in Veteran's Grove Park, between Whitney Avenue and 43 Avenue, Saturday, October 14, at 12 Noon. Pray for peace, love and harmony among men and nations.

There being no further business, Board Member Edgar Moya made a motion, seconded by Board Member Alirio Orduna, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.