

COMMUNITY BOARD #3

**655 Rossville Avenue
Staten Island, N. Y. 10309**

Public Service Committee ~and~ Traffic & Transportation Committee

March 9, 2009

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank Morano, Chairman of the Board
George Fehling, Chairman Traffic & Transportation
Patricia Conway, Chairwoman Public Service
John Felicetti
William Killips
Michael Ryan

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Vincent Calamia
Robert Coughlan
Michael DiPilato
James Gallagher
Sharon Goodman
Mario Rapaglia

GUESTS:

Deria Webb, pre-paid Paralegal
Reggie Brown
Jahirovic Agron, NYC Fleet Owners Association
Afrim Tahiri, United Car Service

CONTACT SESSION:

Mr. Jahirovic Agron from NYC Fleet Owners Association spoke on behalf of United Car Service's proposal to establish a car service in the building adjacent to the Eltingville SIRT Station. Afrim Tahiri for United Car Service has signed a lease with the building owner that specifies he has access to 5 parking spaces (out of 30 available to tenants) in the rear of the building. Mr. Tahiri stated his intention is to operate 5 vehicles (Ford Crown Victorias) that will be dispatched via Nextel Communications radio system from an office in the rear of the building. Mr. Tahiri operates a similar Car Service in the Sunnyside area of Staten Island, AA Car Service.

DISCUSSION:

- The location has retail stores and is notorious for traffic gridlock.
- Opposing argument is that a Car Service will intensify the existing traffic congestion due to the bus stop at the Eltingville SIRT Station.
- Defending statements asserted that vehicles would be parked behind the building when not in use, and vehicles in service would not necessarily be in the Eltingville area unless dispatched to drop off or pick up at the train station.

- Speed Car Service (a mile away) in Great Kills currently parks their vehicles behind their office on Browner Court.
- Proponents believe the residents of Eltingville would benefit from a car service located near the train station.

MOTION: by John Felecitti “to approve application for Double A Car Service at 3845 Richmond Avenue”

SECOND: William Killips

VOTE: 4-2-0

PRESENTATION: Deria Webb a pre-paid paralegal spoke on identity theft.

Twenty three percent (23%) of identity theft involves financial theft. It is a faceless crime committed by the fraudulent use of driver’s license information, social security cards, and medical identities. The unsuspecting victims could encounter false civil and criminal judgments. To our dismay, the presentation was actually a sales pitch for a group named “Pre-Paid Legal Services.”

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Conway, Chairwoman
Public Service Committee

George Fehling, Chairman
Traffic & Transportation Committee