

FULL BOARD MEETING

AGENDA

April 27, 2023

6:00 PM

Ms. Arline Parks – Chairperson

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan – District Manager

VIRTUAL MEETING

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- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Call to Order**
- 3. Roll Call**
- 4. Approval of Agenda**
- 5. Approval of March 2023 Full Board Minutes**
- 6. Public Session**
 - Ms. Julie Camagong
Political & Community Organizer
New York State Nurses Association
- 7. Chairperson's Report**
- 8. District Manager's Report**

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9. Committee Reports

- Economic Development-Land Use & Housing (Voting Item)
- Education & Youth
- Health-Human Services & Seniors
- Municipal Services (Voting Item)

10. Elected Officials

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| ▪ Mayor of the City of New York | : Honorable Eric Adams |
| ▪ President of the Borough of the Bronx | : Honorable Vanessa L. Gibson |
| ▪ United States Congress | : Honorable Richie Torres |
| ▪ New York State Senate | : Honorable Jose M. Serrano |
| | : Honorable Luis Sepulveda |
| ▪ New York Assembly | : Honorable Chantel Jackson |
| | : Honorable Amanda Sepulveda |
| ▪ New York City Comptroller | : Honorable Brad Lander |
| ▪ New York City Public Advocate | : Honorable Jumaane D. Williams |
| ▪ New York City Council | : Honorable Rafael Salamanca |
| | : Honorable deputy Speaker Diana Ayala |
| ▪ The Bronx District Attorney | : Honorable Darcel D. Clark |

11. Old Business

12. New Business

13. Adjournment

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Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said welcome everyone tonight's meeting after a long overdue process is live streamed on a YouTube page and we are officially in compliance with the Open Meeting requirement. That being said the meeting is now called to order Ms. Rojas will you do the roll call vote please.

The roll was called and no quorum.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said so as soon as we get our quorum we can officially start tonight's meeting. So, we now have officially made quorum and we can now proceed with tonight's meeting.

Can I have a motion from the Boardmembers present to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting.

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Motion made to approve the agenda as presented. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson asked can I have a motion to approve the March 30th Full Board Minutes.

Motion made to approve the March 30th Full Board Minutes as presented. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

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Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said we're now going to item number 6 on the agenda which is the Public Session. Please keep in mind that after each presentation the Boardmembers will be afforded the opportunity to ask questions followed by the members of the public who are present on the Webex call. The first presentation for tonight's meeting is Mr. Paul Philps, he is the Bronx Borough Director for New York City Department of City Planning. Mr. Philps you have the forum.

Mr. Paul Philps, Bronx Borough Director for New York City Department of City Planning said thank you Ms. Parks and I want to thank for DM Jordan for giving me some time.

So, as Ms. Parks mentioned I am the new Borough Director for the Department of City Planning Bronx Office. Some of you may remember me I see some familiar faces back when I was a little bit younger, and my beard was not peppered with gray. I was the liaison for Community Board 1 for the Bronx Office of City Planning from 2010 to 2016. Most recently I was the District Manager for Community Board 4 from 2016 to January of this year.

I've been on the job a little over 3 months and I've been making rounds to all the Bronx CB's. First let me begin by saying that I know firsthand how hard all of you work as volunteers to contribute to the long-term growth and stability of your neighborhoods. I also have tremendous respect and admiration for the work that you do. Having been a DM for nearly 7 years I've known of all the responsibilities that you've all been tasked with on a daily basis, land use being one of the most critical as it has long lasting impacts on your neighborhoods. When I was liaison I made a point to attend your meetings and learn about the district and set challenges, goals and aspirations. There is no better repository or encyclopedia of a neighborhood then the people that live there. My goal or hope is that our agency can be a resource for all 12 Boards for the Bronx and the neighborhoods that they serve. I want to assure you that the Bronx Office is committed to providing you with the tools and knowledge that you require to make informed decisions about land use. We want to be a resource in helping you all understand land use and the city's land use review process. I believe in transparency and communication, and I promise you that we will not always agree or have consensus, but I can promise you that we will have purpose and listen actively. I look forward to working with you all in this new role to serve in the City of New York and the borough of the Bronx.

In addition, I wanted to take the opportunity this evening to introduce you to one of my new staff members that I'm very excited about and she will be the liaison for the Board and her name is Brenna Hemmings. Brenna is a Bronx native who received her Master's in Urban Planning from Hunter in 2020 and her BA in Sociology from CUNY. Before joining CPC she

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worked as a paralegal in a New York City Law Firm, she was at MIT Innovators as a Research Associate, and she also interned at New York City's DDC. Brenna is a tremendous addition to the Bronx team and will be an asset to Community Board 1. With that I thank you all and I'm happy to answer any questions that people have.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson asked so, does any Board member present have any questions of Mr. Philps at this time?

Questions and Answers

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you for coming tonight. The next presenter is Ms. Julie Camagong she is the Political & Community Organizer from the New York State Nurses Association. Thank you for coming tonight, you have the forum.

Ms. Julie Camagong, New York State Nurses Association said hi, good evening Chair Parks and thank you so much for the opportunity for our nurses at New York State Nurses Association in particular our nurses at Lincoln Hospital to speak with you tonight. I will be giving the floor to one of our nurses and member of the Executive Committee of the New York State Nurses Association at Lincoln Hospital and her name is Ms. Mosue King, she will be speaking about the several issues of their fight for a fair contract that is ongoing right now.

Ms. Mosue King, New York State Nurses Association at Lincoln Hospital said good evening everyone I work at Lincoln Hospital in the Emergency Department. Right now, since March 2nd almost 90 thousand New York City Health & Hospital nurses have no contract, the contract expired. This is the first time that we're in a bargaining for a new contract, nurses and professionals working in public health systems need a fair contract to deliver the care that New York City residents need. What we found out is that we train nurses Health & Hospitals is being used as a training ground and we can't afford to do that we train people and then they leave because of the low pay rate. If you consider young nurses coming on they have loans to pay and things to take care of and they're not going to stay with Health & Hospitals and they're not going to stay with a public hospital because they're colleagues are making more money than them and the cost of living in New York City we all now is very high. What happens is when all these nurses are trained, and they leave it brings a burden on the nurses that are left. So, were exposed to all kinds of danger from families because they're frustrated. It's costing

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the city more money to pay agency nurses instead of staff nurses in the system. Right now, in Jacobi alone 35 percent of the nurses there are agency nurses, we are grateful for them coming to give us help when we needed help but at the same time if you pay nurses right they will stay at the bedside. Most of these nurses coming back are nurses that we've trained but they leave because they don't feel that they are getting paid for what they are worth. The staffing at our public hospitals is driving an enormous disparity between private and public nurses which is growing even worse now. The City and State must prioritize funding and invest in us to achieve equity and quality care for all New Yorkers. When we have all the migrants coming in where they go, to the public hospitals in Lincoln every day we see thousands and thousands of people, and we don't have the nursing staff to care for these people and they need nurses at the bedside. Nurses are leaving because they're burnt out, you can't have a new nurse that's just finished orientation training a new nurse, it's not safe and that's been happening because nurses are leaving the bedside. So, in order to serve all New Yorkers in the way they deserve, pay parity has to be on the front page. You guys can help us in this fight because it's not fair to us after all we did during the Pandemic risked our lives, risked our families and now we still don't have a contract and this contract is dragging too long. The further it drags away the more we lose nurses at the bedside so, we are kindly asking the Board to help us in this fight so we can get safe staffing and parity with private sectors. Thank you and there's a website welovenurses.org.

Mr. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you for your presentation. At this time, we're opening up the forum for questions from the Boardmembers. Please can any Boardmember raise their hand if they have a question, does any community member have a question?

Questions and Answers

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you so much for having the courage and informing us tonight and I encourage everyone on Community Board 1 and the residents in the community to go to that website that has been posted and support the nurses in their fight. That concludes the Public Session for tonight's meeting. We will move the agenda to item number 7 which is the Chairperson's Report, and I will be very brief because we have a full report from the District Manager for tonight's meeting. So, there are two important announcements I will make tonight one is regarding cannabis as many of you know cannabis is a new industry that is being promoted throughout the state by the State and the City of New York. It is now legal, and they are starting to issue licenses, we have now gotten an official request for a new cannabis location to open up in Port Morris at the site of the Bruckner Bar & Grill. We have reached out to the licensee to come before the Board next month basically present their project to a joint

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session of the Economic Development-Land Use & Housing and also at the Health-Human Services & Seniors Committee. In that same regard the District Manager and I are working on a survey that will be out to each of you in the next couple of days regarding cannabis and the impact that it has been announced that the industry is legal of cannabis on the district. In going forward, we will be outreaching the Board on issues that impact us so that so that we understand what the needs are of the district. So, we are in the process of doing that and we sent out information around the cannabis legislation, please take the time to read it and understand it and I'm encouraging everyone to respond to that survey in the next couple of days when it comes out. Then number two is for those individuals who live in the Port Morris corridor and that are on the Board make sure that you come out to the meeting so that you are heard in reference to that particular matter.

The next announcement that I have to make is regarding an issue that is affecting Community Board 1 and has been affecting us for decades, it has to do with the siting of shelters, supportive housing in the district. Both Community Boards 5 and 6 are taking the initiative to host a joint meeting on Monday to discuss city shelter siting policy. They sent out a flyer for everyone to come and join them and I plan of attending as well. They have been doing their research to figure out throughout the Bronx which districts have no shelters or supportive housing, they've been able to determine that 8 districts have no shelters. The meeting will take place May 1st at 6:00 PM it will be at 137 School Campus 2190 Follen Street; we will send the information out to you. Again, we should be part of this discussion because nowhere in the Bronx the siting of these facilities impacted any segment of the Bronx as it has ours and for decades we should participate and be present for this discussion as well.

Then the last item that I want to discuss is simply a recap of where we are in terms of plans or restructuring the Board. So, I'm proud that we are live streaming one of our main goals and a goal that various members of the Board have basically asked that we get done for some time so, we are now tonight officially compliant.

We produced an operating budget to you and by the next maybe a week or so we will be sending out a list of items on the surplus that we will have and on what we would like to spend that surplus on so that we don't lose the money June 1st, and then we will need a vote from the Board to spend the surplus. We've actually started the process from the date Mr. Jordan became the District Manager and doing a good great job of going into the office and cleaning it up and getting it all professionalized and making determinations of what the Board needs in terms of digitizing the records of the office and you know just making sure that we're operating efficiently as we need to be.

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Then the next item we have been working on is basically dealing with the Board to make sure we have Boardmember attendance so that we can take care of the business and our fiduciary obligations on behalf of the district to conduct business of the community. So, that pretty much concludes my report and I want to thank each and every one of you for hanging in there as we move forward on the next phase of you know organizing and getting CB1 to be one of the best Board's in the borough of the Bronx, thank you for participating. That being said I will turn the agenda over to the District Manager Mr. Jordan, you have the forum sir.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said thank you Ms. Chair, Mr. Vice Chair, ladies and gentlemen for the opportunity, the best part of my job is to advise you as to what we've been working on here as a team in the office and what has been happening in the district that relates to the Community Board office.

First of all, one of the things I want to say is I want to thank the members on the Board and to ensure that we are in compliance and up with the technology by live streaming Community Board meetings on YouTube. This is just one step in moving forward towards making sure that we have a transparent respectable Board. Live streaming on this level on YouTube we are assuring that the public and the community-at-large are aware of the ins and outs of all of us fulfilling our fiduciary responsibilities. But it doesn't stop here the Chairperson and I have been having very serious conversations to say what's next making sure that all of us are transparent and ensuring that the work of the Board is known. So, please look forward to the next steps as the Chair and I work here at the Board to ensure that we are using other platforms or that we can live stream our conversations about the work of the Community Board. You all know the borough is growing by leaps and bounds and it is important that the work is respected and that we all fulfill ourselves as missionaries for these communities that we serve.

You all have received some emails from me that I talk about various things so, one of the things as Community Boardmembers is the training that is being offered by our partners in government and we appreciate the office of the Bronx Borough President for bringing out those trainings. I invite to please take advantage of those trainings that helps you become a stronger individual as you serve on these committees it's better for all of us to have a comprehensive understanding when we enter into conversations with people who present to us about everything being developed from affordable housing, the siting of shelters or understanding how we should operate the Board or its committees. I know that we all have busy lives, but the work of the Board is going to definitely pickup, and trainings are essentially important to you so, take advantage of them.

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If you're looking to be reappointed to the Community Board remember you must go online first and fill out your electronic application and you must setup an interview with the Bronx Borough President's Office and that interview takes 15 minutes of your time. That allows for the Borough President's Office to make the process going forward to ensure that people who are interested new or reappointed members have an opportunity to have those conversations and so make sure that you make those appointments.

Another great thing that I want to report the Community Board is hiring after 25 years of service we're sadly losing Ana Rojas our Coordinator who has decided to retire. With Ana's departure from the Community Board the Executive Committee worked on developing the Job Description which you all should have received for a Community Associate. The Community Associate has salary range between from \$45 to \$50 thousand a year including city benefits. The resumes have to go through the city's E-Hire which is the nyc.gov/jobs you all should have received the New York City E-Hire number that is directly connected to this position. If you know of a candidate or yourself looking for a career change it has to go through the E-Hire process on-line, please do not submit resumes directly to the Community Board as the Community Board cannot receive resumes must follow the E-Hire system. You should have also received the link if you have not reach out to me tomorrow and I'll make sure to get a copy of the directions to you. We're looking to complete this process as quickly as possible so that we can have a seamless transition from Ana moving out and a new person being able to hit the ground running, I'm excited about that process going forward.

As the Chairperson mentioned in her report it is my job to ensure that we can take this institution and to be able to move it as quickly as possible into the 20th century with operating automated technology. The Chairperson has charged me to ensure that to try to use technology so we're working to automate our constituent complaints and have been talking to many of you on the phone about many different issues such as double parking in your community and all the issues that you've observed. I along with the Chairperson have been around the district doing some analysis of issues that have been happening in the district. I myself look for you to invite me if you have seen something or have pictures, many of you have issues that you want me to look at from current construction to potholes in the street to sanitation not being picked up, street not being swept, traffic conditions and so on. I've been working very closely with our Police Enforcement officials to make sure that public safety is focused on, and I was able to get our Commanding Officer from the 40th Precinct and the Commanding Executive Officer from PSA7 to come to our Community Board meetings once a month to give an update about what's happening and hear your concerns about what's going on. This doesn't stop here because the District Manager's job is also to make sure that you along with the Chair know what is going on in your district. So, we're going to make that we're planning in the very near future on getting a district tour, the Chairperson is working with me to think about all creative ways to make sure that people can be excited about this tour for a bus

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to take us around the district and us sitting down and having conversations having a facilitator be able to talk about those communities historically. All challenges as members of the Board is my work and the Chairs to make sure the work is being done and that we're having full conversations, I'm excited about this work going forward.

Also understand about the environmental injustices that has been happening in this community for far too long. The South Bronx has been a dumping ground for such injustices as the Peaker Plant that has been placed in this district and operating and providing hardship to this community for so many years. At the request of the Chair, we are going to continue to respond to environmental injustices that are happening in this district to issues like the traffic congestion rising asthma and other respiratory illnesses. The time is now so we are developing a 30-page response so we will be voting in early May on the Community Board's response for the closing down of that Peaker Plant. Madam Chair this is the District Manager's report.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson asked does a Boardmember have any questions at this time. We need all the Community Boardmembers who are the Ambassadors for the community to have all hands-on deck because there's a lot going on in the community and if we don't speak up and get engaged then we might not like the results for what other people are planning for the community where we live at so, please stay engaged. That being said Mr. District Manager is the 40th Precinct here, yes then you have the forum.

Deputy Inspector Joseph Tompkins, Commanding Officer 40th Police Precinct, New York City Police Department said thanks for having me, I'm the Commanding Officer for the 40th Precinct and I've been here a year already and my first-time meeting with the Board, I appreciate the invite.

So, if anyone is interested in specific numbers on compstat the information is available at nypd.org, and you can get the concept sheet from the precinct. We've had a pretty good year compared to a lot of other commands, but crimes are down for the 28-day period and slightly up in robberies that's always a big concern. Our two main concerns so far for the year and for our 28-day period which is a month is assaults and GOA's.

I also want to mention the positive thing which is always our main priority in the 40 Precinct and in the Bronx in general our shootings are down for the year 5 versus 11 so we actually have half the number of shootings there's 6 less shootings compared to last year at this time. We're addressing quality of life targeting the gang members responsible for violence and we've seen some positive changes it's a slow process but we're starting to get more cooperation from the Bronx DA when we do make arrests. The part that we are not seeing that with is felony assaults

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and it's up by 16 percent and GOA's we're not seeing the crazy increases everyone else is. The Bronx overall is up 50 percent in grand larceny autos about 2 percent but recently we had a decrease. So, felony assaults first all are strictly domestic violence. The reason I want to bring it up in an open forum like this is because domestic violence is a very difficult crime but there are ways of intervention obviously when someone is victimized we are able to offer them services, we able to get them different types of resources that can help them get out of a bad situation and if it's something serious enough the offender will go to jail. That's always going to be reactionary because now the person has been assaulted at the point where the Police are involved. What I like to say at these meetings is if you know someone because domestic violence victims are going to be very hesitant to ask for help especially from the Police. But there are signs if you hear the yelling next door, if you see maybe a female or a male looking a little disheveled, a little down or a little upset if could be a victim of domestic violence. You know saying something to them and refer them in a confidential way could be helpful or you can call our community affairs or domestic violence and we can discretely try to reach out to them and offer services, that's mainly the best way to help our neighbor's. If you see someone and you don't want to wait until they're assaulted so, if you see someone that's having a hard time maybe you try talking to them or reach out and try to offer services and resources that will help them out of they're situation, but we are seeing in the last month 53 percent in domestic violence.

The last thing I have is grand larceny like I said in the last month we've seen a dramatic increase; 11 more cars have been stolen last month compared to last year. I'm not sure everyone is aware of the Tic Tock challenge, basically these kids go on these videos and on these video's they show you how to steal a vehicle and they eventually go and steal the car for a joy ride, we've seen 11 additional people in our community just in the past month have they're Kia Fortes mostly stolen because of that Tic Tock challenge. Basically, the kids are just taking it for a joy ride they think it's a joke and when we do catch them and there doesn't seem many consequences either. We're doing our best to try and put out awareness about this and there's a recall on these calls and they can reach out to their dealers there are ways of protecting their car. The people that are my age will probably remember this we're recommending the old-fashioned clubs that people use to put on the steering wheel for the cars are making a comeback, these young kids that are 14, 15 and 16 they don't know what it is they've never seen it before, and they seem to be ignoring that car. That's all I have for a report about what's going on, I'll put my number in the chat and you can always reach out if you have any concerns and obviously community affairs is always available too.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said Deputy Inspector thank you for coming and I'm going to open the forum for questions from Boardmembers.
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Questions and Answers

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said I want to thank you for coming and giving us a comprehensive report tonight and as always you're always welcome. The next item on the agenda is the Housing Bureau Police.

Captain Herren, Executive Office PSA7 Housing Bureau Police, New York City Police Department said good evening how is everybody I've been assigned here for about a year, and I started my career in the 40th Precinct so it's kind of nice to be back where I started.

Basically, everything we're seeing in PSA7 along with what Deputy Inspector Tompkins just said you know one shooting is obviously too many, but we are down 3 less shootings this year over last year. The latest one over at 152 was a gang thing we hope to make an arrest on that in the future. For these 28 days we have 7 vehicles 2 were scooters and the other 5 were Kia's, like the Inspector said if you have a Kia there's updates for that to fix the keys so that not easily stolen.

Then the only other thing I have is along with him we received 10 new officers straight out of the academy, so you'll see them out at the developments starting on Sunday.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said at this time any Boardmember that has a question raise their hand.

Questions and Answers

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said now we're going to move the agenda into the Committee Reports. The first Committee Report is Economic Development-Land Use & Housing which has a voting item, Mr. Perez you now have the forum.

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr., Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing said the committee meeting was at Lincoln Hospital on Wednesday, April 12th and we made quorum. I want to make sure that I acknowledge her, thanks to Ms. Goodwin who recognized that I have been having a problem establishing quorum and she asked her committee members to remain

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at the hospital so, we had quorum again thank you Brenda Goodwin for the Health Committee and the members.

That night we had two presentations one was by Mr. Edward Poteat, Carthage Real Estate Advisors, LLC and Unique People Services for the construction of a 10-story 106-unit building on 431 Concord Avenue. In their presentation they stated that the building would be 100 percent housing with units at 60 percent AMI or lower with financing coming from a number of institutions HPD for income credits and some grants. The population of the tenants as described were single individuals with mental health issues. The many concerns by the Committee members range from parking, safety for other tenants and the mixed use they will be renting to other tenants that don't have any type of ailments. Security and shadows created by the height of the building not in aligned with the rest of the neighborhood. Construction would be \$70 million dollars to begin the third quarter of 2024 and completed by the end of 2026. A roll call vote was taken and as a result there were 14-no's and 3-abstentions, and the letter of support was denied by the committee. That concludes my first report.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said that at this time it's the recommendation of the Economic Development-Land Use & Housing Committee that we do not support that project. Is that correct?

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr., Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing Committee said that's correct the letter of support was denied by a roll call vote by the committee.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said so, at this time is there any questions regarding this matter before we call the motion on the vote.

Motion made not to grant Carthage Real Estate Advisors, LLC and Unique People Services a letter of support for the development of their project at 431 Concord Avenue. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed with 3-abstentions.

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr., Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing Committee said for the second presenter was Ms. Tori Lyon of the Jericho Project for informational purposes. This project is 84-units at 450 East 158th and 45-units at 407-409 East 158th Street all 100 percent affordable. There will be 78-units for supportive housing and 50-units for low income. The supportive housing will be for adults 18-25 they will have 24-hour security, outdoor rec space and job readiness programs. The presenters were very vague during their presentation and many questions were never answered, and we requested that those answers

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be forwarded to the District Manager. If the District Manager can elaborate as to whether or not he received any of the requested information and that will conclude my report Madam Chair.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said so Mr. District Manager you have the forum can you give us an update as to where we are with this matter.

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr., Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing said I think that it's important for me to mention for the residents that the site is asbestos free.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said that the Chair of the committee asked that the District Manager along with Chair Parks be provided with additional information on this project related to the financial information that was requested and I will share the information momentarily.

The follow up to the request for the information that wasn't provided on Monday, April 24th at 5PM the Community Board received the information requested regarding the funding the entity that was setup is called the East 158th Street Affordable LLC a joint venture between the Jericho project and the Azimuth Development Group. As mentioned the developer is Azimuth Development Group and Jericho owns both development sites as mentioned in the proposal. The construction financing secured for the project is New York State Housing Finance also known as HFA, New York State Department of Homes and Renewal also known as ACR, the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development also known as HPD and using low-income housing tax credits, HTC Equity, the permanent financing is HFA. In addition, there is financing being supported through the office of City Councilman Rafael Salamanca. In addition to subsidy loans from 15/15 rental assistance through the New York City Department of Human Resources also known as HRA and the New York City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene. The project cost is estimated to be and currently at 38.4 but 68.5 there are no zoning regulations in place, no additional parking. In addition to that the Board is in possession of the architectural plans that are going to be proposed for the space and the space is being proposed as affordable low-income housing. That concludes my information

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said just for clarification the property is as-of-right and the developer owns the property. However, as the District Manager just stated there is a significant amount of tax paying public dollars that are being used to build this housing. There

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is the issue of the neighborhood being developed as homeowners all up and down Elton Avenue are extremely upset that this development being put in their neighborhood they feel will be a disruptive construction to their quality of life. They feel that the building is out of scale with the rest of what was there and has been there for quite some time and they feel like they've been left out of the decision-making process. The other thing is that there was a church there from 1878 purchased that was also torn down that the community was working on very passionately to try to get landmarked. So, now what discussions are taking place with respect to the homeowners impacted by this development and the City Council person who represents them. Mr. District Manager I believe that you gave us a report that they're meeting with him.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said that It's my understanding that there was a meeting with the City Councilmember and members of the community, the Community Board was not part of that conversation.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said we need to find out because the recommendation for the Community Board to write a letter because it's tax levy monies and basically recommend that the Councilman work together with the neighborhood residents so that something that is built there they feel comfortable with as compared to the project that is going there. So, is that an option at this point I'm asking Mr. District Manager.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said Madam Chair however the decision of the Board is on this issue whether there's a letter that the Board wishes to draft to the Councilmember of the Council specifically I'll follow the directive of the Board.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said so, Mr. Perez what is your recommendation to the Board.

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr., Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing said my recommendation is that we write a letter to the local elected official who is Rafael Salamanca expressing the concerns of the Board and the community about this project, we're not happy and there not happy. Maybe the Councilmember with the developer can restructure and design what type of project this should be. Now you say that they're already digging up that hole time is of the essence here so, lets shoot out that letter as soon as possible.

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Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said so, let's make a motion regarding this matter, can we get a motion from the floor regarding sending a letter and it is customary that even though a project is as-of-right that it's tax paying money that is being used to build the project the Community Board should always opine and act in our capacity as an advisory to this impacted community. What would be the motion, is there a motion

Mr. Freddy Perez, Jr, Chairperson Economic Development-Land Use & Housing said Madam Chair the motion is that Community Board 1 send a letter to our local elected official saying that the project at 158th Street should be considered for some sort of modification in terms of maybe height, population and engage the residents and homeowners of that neighborhood to address their concerns. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said let the record reflect that the motion was carried, and Community Board 1 will write that letter requesting that we work with community and the Councilperson for the district to see what can be done to have a project there that the homeowners and the people that invested dollars in the neighborhood for the last two decades get something there that they all can be proud of. Let's move the agenda, the next committee report is Education & Youth.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said that Mr. Haymadi, Chairperson Education & Youth was excused.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said in that case I will ask everyone to review the report and if you have any questions regarding his report please feel free to call the District Manager or Mr. Yahmadi and certainly if anyone has questions regarding any matter you may call me at any time. Ms. Goodwin, Chair of the Health-Human Services & Seniors can you give your report.

Ms. Brenda Goodwin, Chairperson Health-Human Services & Seniors said I asked that all members receive my report, Cardinal McCloskey was the presenter and they left outreach numbers to be reached for any questions. We can be reached if anybody has any questions about that meeting. I'd like to thank my committee at this time, they stayed for two meetings, united we stand and that is my report.

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Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said does anybody have any questions for Ms. Goodwin regarding her report. Thank you Ms. Goodwin. The last committee report and that has a voting item is Municipal Services.

Ms. Carolyn Chamorro, Chairperson Municipal Services said good evening everyone, we had a Ms. Leonardo from Breaking Ground property management made a presentation at the committee meeting of March 10th requesting a letter of support for 2-3 drop off spaces in front of their 445 East 142nd Street property to only be used for deliveries, emergency response vehicles and ambulette/pickup services from 7 AM to 7 PM Monday through Friday.

The committee members present were against giving a letter of support due to the current traffic congestion in that area.

Mr. Anthony R. Jordan, District Manager said as the Committee Chair said the organization asked for our support for their petition to the Department of Transportation to reserve 3 parking spaces in a "No Standing" zone for loading and unloading emergency vehicles, ambulances or access-a-ride. So, the ask was for a letter of support to the Department of Transportation to put "No Parking" so that they will be able to use those 3 spaces for emergency responders in addition to access-a-ride that would likely help to alleviate the traffic congestion, the double parking and for people going in and out of the facility. The committee voted not to provide a letter of support towards that ask.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson asked so, Ms. Chamorro you're making the recommendation from your committee to the Board not to support the Breaking Ground request.

Ms. Carolyn Chamorro, Chairperson Municipal Services said no I want them to support the request, but I need to know if the traffic congestion is going to be remedied to try and give them the 2-3 spaces and see how that goes.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said we must abide by the wishes of the committee. So, the wishes of the committee was not to grant the request, so can we have a motion at this time regarding this matter.

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Motion made to grant the 3 parking spaces requested by Breaking Ground. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed with 2-abstentions.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said that now completes all the reports by the committee's the District Manager and the Chair and can I have a motion from the Board to accept all the reports that have been presented.

Motion made to accept all the reports presented tonight. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said we're now at number 10 on the agenda the Elected Officials Reports. Is there anyone here from the Honorable Mayor's office Eric Adams.

The representative from the office of the Honorable Eric Adams, Mayor for the City of New York said good evening, how's everyone doing tonight.

I just have one quick item that the mayor wanted me to bring up. I sent an email out to all the Community Boards regarding the Neighborhood Support Teams (NST) Program and basically what it is a link that anybody in the community can fill out and it asks for folks to submit any quality-of-life issues that's impacting their community. Basically, if we get enough entries on a particular issue then we will be putting together kind of an interagency force to address that issue. So, the important thing is there's a deadline for May 31, so I really ask everyone to really kind of select something that is of the highest importance and get as many folks as possible to fill out this link so that it can be one of the items to be focused on in this NST project. That pretty much sums up the report from the Mayor's Office.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you Mr. Coello and this is an opportunity that should not be missed to address some of the quality-of-life issues faced in our neighborhoods. So, the next report is the Honorable Vanessa L. Gibson, is there someone here.

The representative from the office of the Honorable Vanessa L. Gibson said on behalf of the Honorable Vanessa L. Gibson it's my honor to report that we've gone over half of the Community Board interviews, I personally interviewed many people from this Board. I will be

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acting right now as liaison for Board 1 and you have a lot of young people, a lot of interested people wanting to be part of the process they're looking to tackle I guess the technological hurdles and things like that. I want to also on behalf I didn't get to do this last time, on behalf of the Borough President welcome our District Manager to being part of the family and to Ms. Annie whose been a stalwart person to the Community Board and again salute the leadership of Ms. Arline Parks.

We're in the process of working with the Mayor's Office to continue to work on fire safety as you know we lost major supermarkets and created food deserts in areas because of these E-Bikes that are mismatching these chargers that cause fires we're doubling down with community meetings, senior meetings, meetings in NYCHA. We also had a luncheon yesterday for NYCHA leadership working with them in terms of what's going on with RAD, what's going on with the different processes. We've been dealing also with maternal health; infant mortality rates is very high regarding the Black and Latino population of color especially in the Bronx where there are food deserts. We want to increase food bucks for people and increase our Farmers Markets, TSA's so these are ongoing.

In regard to new development the MIH, Mandatory Inclusionary Housing that's going up, I know that there's a lot of over saturation in the South Bronx as she said in the State of the Borough on May 1st she's looking to spread it to the other areas to stop oversaturation. That's my report Madam Chair.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you for that report. Do we have any Boardmembers with questions. Is there anyone here at this time from the Honorable Congressman Richie Torres's Office. Is there anyone here from the Honorable State Senator's Office the Honorable Jose M. Serrano.

The representative from the office of the Honorable Jose M. Serrano, State Senator said good evening everyone. I would like to share some things about the legislation in Albany.

In March the Serrano bill was passed, this bill requires competence training for medical professionals. There's another thing also that touches our communities it's the bill 1608 which is the bill that authorizes Farmer Markets in local parks so we're talking a lot about food deserts. This bill we hope that in different parks in the Bronx that communities and people will have access to fresh food through marketplaces.

We're always happy to help our constituents with housing issues, unemployment you can always reach out to us in our office at 212-828-5829. I've already given my email and phone

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number of the office if anything reach out to us and if you have any questions I'm ready to answer.

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson said thank you. Does anyone have any questions. Is there anyone here from Senator Luis Sepulveda's office. Is there anyone here from Assemblywoman Chantel Jackson's Office. Is there anyone here from Assemblywoman Amanda Septimo's Office. Do we have anyone here from the Comptroller's Office. Do we have anyone here from the New York City Public Advocate's Office. Do we have anyone here from the New York City Council, the Honorable Councilman Rafael Salamanca. Do we have anyone here from the Deputy Speaker Councilwoman Diana Ayala's Office. Do we have anyone here from the Bronx DA's Office. We have concluded the Elected Officials portion of the agenda; can we have a motion from the Boardmembers present to accept the Elected Officials Reports as presented tonight.

Motion made to accept the Elected Official's Reports as presented. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Ms. Arline Parks, Chairperson asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion made to adjourn. Motion duly seconded. Motion called and passed.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

