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Housing and Zoning Committee

November 12, 2019

Present: L. Popovic, T. Accomando, R. Bieder, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, A. Chirico, M.J. Musano

Absent: C. Isales, D. Krynicki, J. Marano, P. Sullivan, C. Papastefanou

Guests: L. Auguste, G. Ortiz, L. Rocco, E. Sementilli

The meeting began at 7:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Auguste spoke about illegal short-term rentals. Our neighborhood has had many complaints about short term rentals in recent months. These are rentals usually advertised as weekend party houses or rentals like Air BNB where a property owner rents out a home or several rooms for less than 30 days. In New York these kinds of rentals are illegal. Complaints can be made to 311 and the complainant should indicate "illegal short-term rental" when reporting or they can call the office of special Enforcement at 212 416-7832 or by fax at 212-788 6834. *The definition of a short-term rental is*: When a property owner rents out a house or individual room in a house and where bedrooms have individual locked doors and the owner is not present or not living in the house at the time of the rental and the rental is for less than 30 days. The office of special enforcement will investigate the location along with the Department of Buildings, the NYC Fire Department, the NYPD and the Sheriff's Department. If entrance is obtained, the property owner will be fined by each agency for the violations found. If entrance cannot easily be granted a court order may be perused. Fines may start at \$ 1000 per day and increase if the condition continues.

There was neither no new business or old business. The meeting closed shortly thereafter by a vote of adjournment unanimously approved all.