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Joseph Russo
Chairperson

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Executive Board

December 18, 2023 at 7 p.m.

- Present:** J. Russo D. Prioleau, P. Cantillo, L. Popovic, L. Collins, S. Hazell, T. Smith, R. Baez
- Absent:** T. Accomando, D. Hunt, M. Musano, N. Rosario, A. Torres
- Guests:** R. Watson, R. Thomas, E. Spencer, F. Luganoto, C. Turnquest-Jones, J. Jones, G. Gooden, B. Sterman, T. O'Garro, E. Cruz

The meeting commenced at 7 p.m. The public hearing will be held on January 4, 2024. Mr. Thomas introduced his business, Mello Tymes, and his colleagues. The business will be located at 675 Co-op City Blvd. Mello Tymes received a letter of support from NYC SBS. Mr. Spencer, a co-owner, also introduced himself. Mr. Thomas described his surveillance technology such as cameras, motion detectors, panic buttons and artificial intelligence features. The Co-op City Police Department will have live access to the technology in real time. All clients will have their identification scanned. The store may ban clients and will have their profiles stored if an issue arises. The business may include delivery services that will require payment by debit card only. There will be roughly 25 part-time employees. Mr. Thomas displayed many community events where the company gave out turkeys, supported coat drives, and helped to educate the public as part of a town hall with City Council Member Riley. In terms of business ownership, Mr. Jones owns 51%, Mr. Thomas owns 18%, and Mr. Spencer owns 19%. Chairperson Russo reminded the business group to complete its stipulations. Chairperson Russo recommended that the presentation include how many employees and a schematic and layout of the site. The storefront will open from 11 to 7 a.m., Saturday 11 to 9 p.m., Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mello Tymes has a letter of intent for a lease at 675 Co-op City Blvd.

The meeting closed at roughly 8:30 p.m. by an unanimous vote of adjournment.