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Joseph Russo
Chairperson

Matthew Cruz
District Manager

Hon. Vanessa L. Gibson
Borough President

Public Hearing & Full Board Minutes of Bronx Community Board #10

October 19, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Riverbay Corporation

2049 Bartow Avenue, Rm. 32, 10275

PRESENT:

R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, I. Barobhuiya, C. Brockington, M. Bufano, A. Cascante, L. Collins, J. Connolly, P. Del-Debbio, M. Fludd, T. Franklin, J. Gomez Jr., D. Gonzalez, J. Grell, S. Haywood, S. Hazell, M. Hooks, D. Krynicki, V. Lowe, S. McMillan, J. Mondello, N. Nunez, C. Pinnock, J. Robert, N. Rosario, H. Ruiz, J. Russo, M. Sajous, T. Smith, J. Thomas, S. Woods (total # present = 31)

ABSENT:

T. Accomando, M. Ali, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, D. Hunt, J. Marano, M. Morris, MJ. Musano, S. Palladino, L. Popovic, D. Prioleau, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, A. Torres (total # absent = 14)

Board #10 Staff:

Matt Cruz, District Manager

Chairman Russo began the meeting at 7:10 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Public Hearing for District Needs Requests began.

There were no requests presented.

RESOLUTION:

“Resolved. . .at the recommendation of the Executive Board of Bronx Community Board #10 that the District Manager submit the annual District Needs Statement for Fiscal Year 2025 by October 31st to the Mayor of the City of New York and Department of City Planning as part of our annual Charter requirement and that this be forwarded to the Full Board for its approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution for the District Needs Statement for FY 2025 submission to the Mayor was unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

A motion to close the Public Hearing was unanimous.

The Full Board commenced after the Public Hearing and the Public Participation began.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:

1. State Senator Bailey informed the community regarding 500 Baychester Avenue which bans advertisements signs 1,500 feet of communities with more than one million residents and/or have Mitchell Lama. In Mount Vernon, there will be a community baby shower at 260 South Avenue. The Breast Cancer Walks begins at 8 a.m. at Bayt Plaza. October 28 there will be two Halloween events at the Mall at Bay Plaza and the YMCA.
2. Aurea Mangual spoke regarding retirees' health insurance. Retirees will now have to pay out-of-pocket and higher premiums through Medicare Advantage. Ms. Mangual asks that the Community Board supports Council Member Barron's legislation (Intro 1099) to roll back some of these changes.
3. Mary Pearson spoke regarding the Metro North Station. The proposed train station will be near DeReimer Avenue. Metro North is only planning for one side of the track. Ms. Pearson refutes there are marshland because vehicles park on this parcel of land. It is accessible from Interstate 95 from Exit 8C.
4. Kevin Lambright discussed Bartow Avenue cleanliness.
5. Leslie Brown and Rickey Collado spoke of NYPL community programs such as yoga and community centers for teens. City Island Branch is currently closed for emergency repairs. There are covid kits at libraries for free.
6. Council Member Amanda Farias discussed work to reduce illegal dumping and Seabury Avenue and Waterbury Avenue. There are non-profits that will be working to help clean. There will be graffiti removal. CM Farias has legislation to have city agencies develop a plan on manufacturing districts in the City of New York.

A motion to close the Public Participation Session was made by Ms. Sajous, seconded by Ms. McMillan and unanimously approved by all.

RESOLUTIONS

2. **"Resolved...to accept the minutes of the Bronx Community Board #10 meeting of September 21, 2023."**

A motion to accept the September 21, 2023 Minutes was made by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Franklin and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

3. **Proposed By- Law Amendments for review only. Vote to take place at subsequent public hearing and/or full board.**
 - **creation:** Community members are non-voting members and must seek approval from the Board Chairperson to continue serving each meeting season in **Article III** Members, Section I
 - **abolishment** of term limits for officers in **Article VI** – Officers, Section I

- **abolishment** of positions of 2nd Vice Chairperson and Treasurer in **Article VI** – Officers, Section I

4. **EXECUTIVE BOARD - Floor Resolution: Creation of Ad Hoc Nominations and Elections Committee**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Executive Board of Bronx Community Board #10 that an ad hoc committee be chosen for Executive Board Nominations and Elections, consisting of three members, with elections to take place at the January 18, 2024 full Board meeting.

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Franklin, seconded by Ms. Sajous and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed. Committee Members will be added after the meeting by email.**

5. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RENEWAL LICENSES**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:”

*Mamajuana Café, 3233 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Puritan & Waterbury Aves, License #1258381, which expires on 11/30/23.

*Patricia’s, 3883 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Dewey & Schley Aves, License #1214591, which expires on 10/31/2023.

*Chipotle’s #2540, 815 Hutchinson River Pkwy, 10465, between Lafayette Ave & Wenner Pl, License #1289465.

*Turtle Cove Golf Center, 1 City Island Road, 10464, between Park Drive & City Island Ave, License #1306222, which expires on 11/30/2023.

*Pine Bar & Grill, 1634 Eastchester Rd, 10461, between Blondell Ave & Williamsbridge Rd, License #1003976, which expires on 10/31/23.

A motion to accept the Resolution for Renewal Licenses was made by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Ms. Woods and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

6. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NEW LICENSES**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:”

***Sweets By Candy, 3231 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between Puritan & Waterbury Aves, License #NEW.**

Indoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	10AM-12AM	10AM-10PM	10AM-10PM	10AM-10PM	10AM-2AM	11AM-2AM	11AM-2AM
MOP:	Recorded Music, D J, Karaoke, Live Music						

***Applebee’s, 815 Hutchinson River Pkwy, 10465, between Lafayette Ave & Wenner Pl, License #NEW. (New Franchise)**

Indoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-1AM	9AM-1AM
MOP:	Recorded Music						

Outdoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM	9AM-12AM
MOP:							

***Bally’s, 500 Hutchinson River Pkwy, 10465, between Senger Place and the Sound, License #NEW. (Formerly Trump Golf Links)**

Indoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM	6:30AM-12AM
MOP:	Recorded Music, Live Music						

Outdoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	6:30AM-12AM						
MOP:							

***Kafja Madhe, Inc, 3221 Westchester Ave, 10461, between Continental & St Paul Aves, License #NEW.(Change From Wine & Beer to Full Liquor)(Originally at the Sept Eco Dev meeting)**

Indoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	7AM-12AM	7AM-12AM	7AM-12AM	7AM-12AM	7AM-12AM	7AM-1AM	7AM-1AM
MOP:	Recorded Music, Juke Box						

A motion to accept the Resolution for New Licenses was made by Mr. Franklin, seconded by Ms. Sajous and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

7. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CHANGE IN METHOD OF OPERATION**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the Stipulations, by signing them, and to further agree to attend ATAP training, and that their compliance be sent to the State Liquor Authority, along with the Resolution and the vote, and copies placed in the Board’s file:”

Bobo’s Crab Shack, 690 Co-op City Blvd-Unit G, 10475, between Dreiser & Carver Loops, License # 1354341, which is still Pending with the SLA. **(Wine & Beer to Full Liquor)**

A motion to accept the resolution for a Change in Method of Operation was made by Ms. Lowe, seconded by Ms. Grell and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

8. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES – TLC Base Renewal Licenses**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee that letters of support be drafted and sent to the City of New York Taxi and Limousine Commission on behalf of the taxi base renewal applications from Prestige Car Service and Best Deal Car Service.”

A motion to accept the Resolution for Letters of Support for the Base Renewal Licenses was made by Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Barbarelli and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

9. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE - Alternate Side Parking Request**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee, and on behalf of the Department of Sanitation, to request that the Department of Transportation install Alternate Side Parking regulations on the highway fence side of Balcom Avenue between Edwards Avenue and Latting Street on Saturdays from 9:30 A.M. to 11 A.M.”

A motion to accept the Resolution for Alternate Side Parking was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Grell, and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

10. **PARKS & RECREATION – Additional Funding Request**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Parks Committee that a letter be drafted to Mayor Eric Adams on behalf of New Yorkers for Parks’ campaign for the allocation of 1% of the city budget to go toward the Department of Parks in Fiscal Year 2025 and that this be forwarded to the Full Board for its approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Nunez, seconded by Ms. Bufano and unanimously approved by all. **The Resolution passed.**

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Cruz

District Manager Cruz introduced all Co-op City members. He reported on the upcoming hearing at the Board of Standards and Appeals regarding 2001 Bartow Avenue which is slated for November 13. The terrible repaving job on the I95 by State Department of Transportation contractors was brought to its attention. He thanked Council Member Riley's office for helping with cleaning center medians. He reminded Board Members to be ready at a moment's notice for meetings regarding cannabis applicants as the Board is receiving many at once. 233 Fordham Street is slated to become a "cannabis microbusiness" which does not require Community Board advisement. The Economic Development Committee meeting will be on Monday, November as the First Tuesday is a city holiday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS <https://www.nyc.gov/site/bronxcb10/minutes/minutes.page>

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Mr. Russo

The Executive Board met on October 16, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

HOUSING and ZONING COMMITTEE: Mr. Popovic

The Committee met on October 10, 2023 at the Locust Point Civic Association. Minutes are self-explanatory.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on October 3, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory. All liquor licenses were voted on and are noted above.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Baez

The Committee met on October 11, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

PARKS and RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Franklin

The Committee met on October 12, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES

The Committee did meet on October 4, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

YOUTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Committee met on September 27, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

K. Agosto - BP Gibson's office is working on the birthing center, the opioid crisis within the borough and gender-based violence. On Sunday, October 23 is the Breast Cancer Walk. The Tour de Bronx is on Sunday, October 23.

T. Cardona – CM Velazquez's office is having a mammogram bus on Sunday, October 23. It is free. October 29 will be a movie night at Loreto Park. There are also supplemental cleaning services along Westchester Avenue and Crosby Avenue area. There is a smoke shop town hall on October 25 at 990 Pelham Parkway at 7 P.M.

J. Yapp – CM Riley's office introduced a resolution which calls upon the MTA to change the transfer options to two hours instead of one. October 24 is a hearing to transfer illegal car washes to Department of Sanitation. Intro 384-2022 was enacted on September 3. It creates the Office of Homeowner Advocate within the Housing Preservation and Development.

T. Winstead – State Senator Fernandez's office informed the EBT card "skimming." There is a cash assistance event on Friday, October 20 at the Sotomayor Center in Rosedale Avenue. The small business townhall regarding smoke shops, dispensaries and other agencies on Monday, October 25. There are two Halloween events on October 28 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Big Deal supermarket.

F. Mata – Bronx District Attorney's office will support the Breast Cancer Awareness event. There is a camera program for a business or home. The Crime Victim Assistants Bureau is open and offers services such as therapy, monetary claims and, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to close the October 19, 2023 meeting was made by N. Rosario, seconded by Mr. Franklin, and unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Matthew Cruz, District Manager.

This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of October 19, 2023.



Secretary

Dated: October 26, 2023

