



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD No. 10

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Joseph Russo
Chairperson

Matthew Cruz
District Manager

Hon. Vanessa L. Gibson
Borough President

Public Hearing and BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD #10 Meeting January 18, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Jeanne Jugan Residence
2999 Schurz Avenue
Bronx, NY 10465

PRESENT: T. Accomando, S. Ahmed, M. Ali, R. Baez, R. Barbarelli, I. Barobhuiya, C. Brockington, M. Bufano, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, L. Collins, J. Connolly, M. Fludd, T. Franklin, D. Gonzalez, J. Grell, S. Hazell, M. Hooks, D. Krynicki, V. Lowe, J. Marano, S. McMillan, MJ. Musano, N. Nunez, L. Popovic, D. Prioleau, C. Pinnock, N. Rosario, H. Ruiz, J. Russo, M. Sajous, T. Smith, A. Torres (total # present = 33)

ABSENT: A. Cascante, P. Del-Debbio, J. Gomez Jr., S. Haywood, D. Hunt, M. Morris, J. Mondello, S. Palladino, J. Robert, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, Thomas, S. Woods (total # absent = 13)

Board #10 Staff: Matt Cruz, District Manager
Susan Duffy, Community Assistant

Chairman Joseph Russo began the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A public hearing on New York City Department of Planning's City of Yes for Economic Development text amendment was postponed due to unavailability of the presenter. It will be rescheduled before the end of the month.

District 13 City Council Member Kristy Mamorata addressed the community, informing the them that the office is at 3040 East Tremont Avenue, 10461, 718-931-1721. Renata Scalvo will serve as our constituent liaison.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:

1. NYPL - Leslie Brown, Baychester and Leida Velasquez, Throgs Neck: thanked the community for support; city has paused the upcoming cut; asked for continuing support letters; all programs are still operating.
2. Angela Torres, community resident: Ms. Torres is encouraging the community to contact their local NYC Council representative to encourage that the Mayor **not** sign Int 0586-2022. See below for an explanation.

(Board Note: Int 0586-2022: This bill, awaiting signature by the Mayor, would require the NYPD to provide quarterly reports detailing information on level one, two, and three investigative encounters between the police and civilians, including the race/ethnicity, age and gender of the civilian approached by the police, the factors that led to the interaction, and whether the interaction led to a summons or use of force incident. The first such report would be due within 30 days of the quarter ending September 30, 2024.

3. Joseph Petranga, community resident: City of Yes for Economic Development is against the housing component of the text amendment
4. Deborah Roff, community resident: City of Yes for Economic Development is against the text amendment
5. Kevin Daloia, Hutchinson River Greenway: noted that final touches as it relates to greenway and bike access need to be monitored on the Unionport Bridge and the Westchester Avenue Bridge.

(Board Note: Westchester Avenue bridge has been completed; surrounding areas are not yet completed but expect to be by the end of Spring 2024; Unionport Bridge completion is estimated to be December 2024.)

A motion to close the Public Participation Session was unanimous.

RESOLUTIONS

1. “**Resolved...**to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing Meeting of January 4, 2024.”

“**Resolved...**to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing and Full Board Meeting of November 16, 2023.”

A motion to accept the November 15, 2023 and January 4, 2024 Minutes was made by Mr. Connolly, seconded by Mr. Accomando, and unanimously approved by all in attendance. **The Resolution passed.**

2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RENEWAL Liquor 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:”

- Tony’s Pier, 1 City Island Ave, 10464, between Belden St & The Sound, License #1004057, which expires on 02/28/2024.
- Seafood City, 459 City Island Ave, 10464, between Bowne & Ditmars Sts, License #1004051, which expires on 01/31/2024.

- Seafood City, 459 City Island Ave, 10464, between Bowne & Ditmars Sts, License #1154815, which expires on 01/31/2024.
- JP’s Inn, 703 Minneford Ave, 10464, between King Ave & Bridge St, License #1004046, which expires on 01/31/2024.
- Ampere Fishing & Yacht Club, 1610 Bayshore Ave, 10465, between Ampere & Outlook Aves, License #1003336, which expires on 02/29/2024.
- Travesias Restaurant, 3830,32,34 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Schley & Lamport Aves, License #1335839, which expires on 01/31/2024.
- Buhre Mini Mart & Deli, 3056 Buhre Ave, 10461, between Hobart & Jarvis Aves, License #1212225, which expires on 01/31/2024.
- Louie & Ernie’s Pizza, 1300 Crosby Ave, 10461, between Waterbury & Baisley Aves, License #1307548, which expires on 1/31/2024.

A motion to accept the Resolution for renewal licenses was made by Mr, Smith, seconded by Mr. Cantillo and approved unanimously by all in attendance. **The Resolution passed.**

5. **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:”

- Fiorentina Steakhouse, 3617 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Sullivan & Scott Pls, License #1355251, which expires on 05/31/2025. **(Adding Sidewalk Café)**

Outdoor	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hours:	2PM-9PM	12PM-10PM	12PM-10PM	12PM-10PM	12PM-10PM	12PM-10PM	12PM-10PM

A motion to accept the Resolution for a change in method of operation was made by Ms. McMillian, seconded by Ms. Caruso and approved unanimously by all in attendance. **The Resolution passed.**

6. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES – Street Activity Permits**

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that the following applications for Street Activity events be forwarded to the full Board for approval.”

Event: 749200 – Spring Arts Craft Fair
Date: June 1, 2024 – June 2, 2024
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Setup: 8:00 a.m. June 1
Breakdown: 8:00 p.m. June 2
Location: City Island Avenue b/t Bay and Schofield Streets
Contact: Paul Klein

Event: 732683 – Section 2 – Fun Day
Date: June 22, 2024
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Setup: 10:00 a.m.
Breakdown: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Carver Loop b/t Co-op City Boulevard and Cooper Place
Contact: Leslie Peterson

Event: 749203 – Fall Arts Crafts Festival
Date: September 14 - September 15, 2024
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Setup: 8:00 a.m. September 14
Breakdown: 8:00 p.m. September 15
Location: City Island Avenue b/t Bay and Schofield Streets
Contact: Paul Klein

Event: 755413 – Bangla Mela – Single Block Festival
Date: July 21, 2024
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Setup: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Breakdown: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Waterbury Avenue b/t Zerega and Seabury Avenues
Contact: Abdul Hashim

A motion to accept the above street activity permits was made by Mr. Accomando, seconded by Ms. Sajous and unanimously approved by all in attendance.

7. **Nominations and Elections Committee** - to approve the candidates for the positions of Chairperson and First Vice Chairperson who are running unopposed and for the position of Secretary, which will require a vote. All candidates will begin their terms on February 1, 2024.

Joseph Russo, Chairperson (unopposed)

Peter Cantillo, First Vice Chairperson (unopposed)

Nancy Rosario and Crystal Brockington for the position of Secretary – vote is required

“**Resolved**...at the recommendations of the Nominations and Elections Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that the unopposed candidates be approved, in addition to an election for Secretary be approved and forwarded to the full Board for approval.”

A motion to accept the recommendations of the Nominations and Elections Committee was made by Ms. McMillan, seconded by Ms. Collins and approved by all in attendance. Ms. Rosario was overwhelmingly re-elected. See page for vote breakdown.

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT: Mr. Cruz

- On Wednesday, January 24, 2024 the Board will hold a hearing on the NYC Department of City Planning’s Gaming Proposal and the City of Yes for Economic Development at the Board Office. It should be noted that it is not mandatory to have a hearing but the Board wants DCP to know the community may be in opposition. To learn more about these proposals go to the following website: <https://www.nyc.gov/site/planning/plans/city-wide.page>.
- Casino Proposal – there may be a presentation in February and the Board hopes to secure a venue that can accommodate the public.
- The application for an adult-use cannabis dispensary at 3461 East Tremont Avenue, 10465 has been postponed at the applicant’s request. It should be noted that this location which formerly housed Paint Puff and Peace was cited for illegal sales. It is no longer in operation.
- ALL NEON lights and signage are illegal; call 311 to file complaints.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Mr. Russo

The Executive Board did not meet in January. December 2024 meeting minutes are self-explanatory.

HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE: Mr. Popovic

The Committee did not meet in January. December minutes are self-explanatory. Mr. Popovic noted that it is not a requirement to vote on the Mayor’s text amendments but the Board is doing so in the interest of transparency.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on January 2, 2024. Minutes are self-explanatory. All liquor licenses were voted on and are noted above.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Baez

The Committee met on January 10, 2024. Minutes are self-explanatory.

PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Franklin

The Committee did not meet in January.

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES: Ms. Hunt

The Committee did not meet in January.

YOUTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Ms. Torres

The Committee did not meet in November, 2023. Minutes are self-explanatory.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Kenny Agosta., Office of Bronx BP Gibson: A coat give-a-way was held for those in need; firesafey outreach will be scheduled alongside FDNY. Board members up for reappointment will reapply on-line. Contact information for Mr. Agosto is 347-213-0375.

Fatmata Kamara, Office of Bronx DA Clark: Tours of the office are available, interested parties should email to schedule a tour; felony trial training program will be on 1/29/2024; re-entry resource fair for those re-entering the workforce are held throughout the Bronx; Youth Advisory Council is meeting on 1/2/24. Contact (718) 590-2272 for additional information.

Rene Castellano, Office of Representative Ocasio-Cortez: the House is in session for funding deadline; \$150 million awarded to the Cross Bronx Expressway project; student services fair at the Renaissance School – call office for additional information 718-662-5970.

Johanna Guerrero, Office of State Senator Fernandez: Sign up to receive notifications <https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/nathalia-fernandez/contact>. Upcoming events: 3-Kings Celebration, Flood Preparedness 2/15/24 and 2/22/24; contact the office at 718-822-2049 about illegal smoke shops; and file complaints with DCWP. Ms Guerrero can be reach at 347-286-5647.

Harmony Guo, Office of Senator Bailey: The Senator worked with Assemblyman Benedetto on legislation to prohibit the placement of billboards near all Mitchell-Lama housing complexes; food

pantry on the fourth Wednesday monthly, coat distribution in Mt. Vernon. Sign up on the Senator's website to receive notifications. Office number: 718-547-8854.

Jamaal Yapp, Office of Council Member Riley: Council was on the committee for the recently enacted INTRO 1131. See description below. Contact Mr. Yapp for submissions on capital projects and discretionary funding applications jyapp@council.nyc.gov

(NOTE: This bill would allow the NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) to impose civil penalties of \$100 per day for the unlicensed operation of a mobile car wash. It would also allow DSNY to tow and remove any vehicle or equipment used to operate licensed or unlicensed mobile car washes upon issuance of a notice of violation for Admin Code § 16-118(4) or (6) or § 15-205 (littering from a vehicle into the street).

Rebecca Nieves, Office of Council Member Farias: the office is working remote due to a gas leak, call and leave phone message 7187921140 or email rnieves@council.nyc.gov; discretionary funding and capital projects applications are available; Feb. 4, 2024 at the Castle Hill YMCA there will be a pet adoption and vaccination event.

Alina Dowe, Office of the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs: Encouraged the community to contact the Mayor's Office and Council Member's Office to urge a no vote on Bill 586 which would increase NYPD Budget, call response times as well as threatening community policing. Ms. Dowe encouraged the community to continue reporting illegal smoke shops as well as signing up for the Mayor's Newsletter. Pillar Awards an initiative to acknowledge those that are assets to a community; see the website for submissions: www.nyc.gov/site/cau/Initiatives/mayor-adams-neighborhood-awards.page. adowe@cityhall.nyc.gov 914-446-8393

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Ms. Krynicki raised the issue of library funding for the new Westchester Square Library,

Motion to close the January 18, 2024 Public Hearing and Full Board meeting was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the Public Hearing and full Board meeting of January 18, 2024.



Bishop Nancy Rosario, Secretary

Dated: January 23, 2024

JAN. 18, 2024 BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 10 46 Members/24=Quorum		A T T E N D	1. PH City of Yes Econ Dev <u>POST- PONED</u>	2. Minutes – 11/21/2023 2/4/2024 1 st Joe C. 2 nd Tom A.	3. Econ Dev Renewals 1 st Tom A. 2 nd Peter C.	4. Econ Dev CMOP 1 st Susan M. 2 nd Maria C.	5. Muni Svc SAPO 1 st Tom A. 2 nd Michelle S	6. Election – Secretary 1 st Susan M 2 nd Linda C.
Board Member Name			A = abstain	X = against	√ = in favor	R = recuse		Secretary
Accomando, Thomas	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Ahmed, Shameem	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Ali, Mohammed	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Baez, Raquel	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Barbarelli, Robert	P							CB
Barobhuiya, Ibrahim	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Brockington, Crystal	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Bufano, Milagros	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Cantillo, Peter	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Caruso, Maria	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Cascante, Amanda	A							
Collins, Linda	P		√	√	√	√	ABSTAIN	
Connolly, Joseph	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Del-Debbio, Peter	A							
Fludd, Maritza	P		√	√	√	√	ABSTAIN	
Franklin, Terence	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Gomez Jr., Julio	A							
Gonzalez, Daisy	A							
Grell, Joanne	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Haywood, Steven	A							
Hazell, Stefani	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Hooks, Michael	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Hunt, Deborah	A							
Krynicky, Dorothy	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Lowe, Victoria	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Marano, John	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
McMillan, Susan	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Mondello, Joseph	A							
Morris, Martin	A							
Musano, Mary Jane	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Nunez, Nelson	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Palladino, Steven	A							
Pinnock, Charmaine	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Popovic, Louis	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Pringleau, Devon	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Robert, John	A							
Rosario, Nancy	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Ruiz, Hector	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Russo, Joseph	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Sala, Nick	A							
Salimbene, Anthony	A							
Sajous, Michelle	P		√	√	√	√		CB
Smith, Tom	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Thomas, Janine	A							
Torres, Angela	P		√	√	√	√	NR	
Woods, Stephanie	A							
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