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Joseph Russo
Chairperson

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Bronx Community Board #10

September 17, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

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PRESENT: H. Acampora, T. Accomando, R. Barbarelli, R. Bieder, P. Cantillo, M. Caruso, T. Chambers, Col. W. Chin, A. Chirico, M. Davila, P. Del-Debbio, T. Franklin, C. Isales, D. Krynicki, J. Landi, M. Morris, M.J. Musano, D. Noble, L. Popovic, J. Robert, J. Russo, T. Smith, A. Torres, M. Velazquez, (total # present = 24)

ABSENT: M. Ali, R. Baez, L. Council, I. Guanill, D. Hunt, M. Johnson, J. Marano, J. McQuade, S. McMillan, J. Onwu, C. Papastefanou, N. Rosario, N. Sala, A. Salimbene, J. Thomas, S. Woods (total # absent = 16)

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

Chairman Joseph Russo began the meeting at 7:06 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION:

1. Linda Baldwin, City Island: Re U.S. Crane project at the end of Pilot Street – Ms. Baldwin wants to make sure that quality of life for residents on CI are protected; wants Board to hold off on its vote; wants more information from the company.
2. John Doyle, City Island: Re U.S. Crane project at the end of Pilot Street – Mr. Doyle wants motion tabled for one month; concerned that a Letter Of No Objection may be misinterpreted by DOB.
3. Andrew Chung: 2505 Bruckner Boulevard, developing a multi-story industrial building; seeking an approval for after hours work permit; pile drivings are 90% done; 24/7 work permit most of which will be done from 5 am-6 pm, weekend 6-6 pm; traffic –working with Unionport Bridge staff to reduce traffic congestion

Board member Bieder brought up the possibility of alternative entrances and exits. Mr. Chung noted that this would involve multi-agency and consultant involvement.

4. Isaiah Brown, Capital Prep Charter School in Co-op City: introduced himself to community; this is the school's 1st year with 6th & 7th grades; every year an additional year will be added. Mr. Brown will attend the Youth & Education Committee meeting on September 28th.
5. Lauren Nye, City Island: Re U.S. Crane project at the end of Pilot Street – company is extending an olive branch to community.
4. Michael Woloz, CM Strategies: Mr. Woloz read a statement from Mr. Richard Petrosa of US Crane Topics covered were that the company answered all questions that were posed, prepared rendering for viewing, outlined steps taken. He added that the marina will remain on site. Business model has been readjusted to respect the residential neighbors; 155 Pilot is zoned for industrial use. US Crane will rental and repair cranes and will improve the flow by moving fencing further onto the property. The company would like to have a Letter of Support from CB #10.
5. Rabia Grainey, City Island: Re U.S. Crane project at the end of Pilot Street – Ms. Grainey spoke via a recording. Ms. Grainey doesn't believe the company will work the residents and is concerned about the volume of traffic. She does not want the Board to grant the letter.
6. Barbara Dolensek, Re U.S. Crane project at the end of Pilot Street – Ms. Dolensek wants the vote for a letter tabled for a month and would like to receive more information. She added the company has been cooperative and that a boat yard will be operated on the site.

A motion to close the Public Participation Session was made by Mr. Accomando, seconded by Mr. Cantillo, and unanimously approved by all.

A motion to accept the minutes from the **July 16, 2020** Public Hearing and Bronx Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Russo, seconded by Mr. Cantillo and unanimously approved by all.

Borough President Report: Mr. Gonzalez

- The Borough President sent the monthly report to each Community Board.
- New membership appointments are to be completed by the end of the month.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Cruz

- Schools are not reopening until the end of September
- DSNY cuts have been partially restored by Mayor
- Annual district needs statement due by next Board meeting, contact board for items to include
- Indoor dining 25% to begin on 9/30, outdoor dining has been extended to 10/30
- DOT enhancements for Harding and East Tremont still under discussion
- Orchard Beach parking is closed to traffic at 3 pm weekdays
- Co-op City emergency gas work on Carver Loop to start at the end of the month through early 2021.

- Thursday September 24, 2020 9 a.m.-5 p.m. U.S. Census event at the Board Office all day
- Community Meal distribution will continue at certain public schools in the afternoon

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Mr. Russo

The Committee met on September 14, 2020. Minutes are self-explanatory. Executive Board elections will be held in January. A committee will consist of three volunteers and nominations will be taken at the October 15 Board meeting.

During the summer a complaint was received about a racially offensive post made by a Board member and was reviewed by the Executive Board. The Executive Board determined that it did violate EEO guidelines and voted for formal warning; the matter is considered closed.

Chairman Russo is requesting committees to be more aggressive in matters affecting the community.

HOUSING/ZONING COMMITTEE: Mr. Popovic

The Committee met on September 8, 2020. Minutes are self-explanatory. The following items were discussed and voted on in Committee:

“**Resolved**...at the recommendation of the Housing and Zoning Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that a letter of no objection be sent to the Department of Buildings for an after-hours variance permit for work at 2505 Bruckner Boulevard, 10465 and that this be forwarded to the Full Board for approval.”

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Accomando, seconded by Mr. Bieder, with the following vote is as follows: all in favor. **The Resolution passed.**

Floor Resolution to be Presented at Full Board Meeting on September 17, 2020

“**Resolved**... at the recommendation of Bronx Community Board that a letter of support be granted to the Buildings Department on behalf of US Crane’s proposed actions – specifically, adding curb cuts and relocation of its fence from the City Island Avenue property line and to make improvements to the perimeter of the site to facilitate the safely entrance of trucks onto the property from City Island Avenue.

A motion was made by Mr. Cantillo to amend the wording of the resolution by including the addition of curb cuts. This motion was seconded by Mr. Bieder with the following vote: (16) in favor, (8) against. **The Resolution passed.**

A motion to table a vote on the amended resolution was made by Ms. Caruso, who read a statement in support of tabling which was seconded by Mr. Smith. There was a discussion in that some Board members and City Island Community want more information from US Crane. It was noted that if tabled the Buildings Department can go ahead with the application without Board support. The following

vote was taken: (14) in favor and (10) against. **The Motion to table passed and will go back to Committee.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Accomando

The Committee met on September 1, 2020. The minutes are self-explanatory. Resolutions for renewal and new licenses are below.

Renewals

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishments who are applying for a renewal license have agreed to comply with the best management practice standards contained within the original 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:”

*Sriprai Honey’s Thai Kitchen, 3036-40 Westchester Ave, 10461, between Hobart & Mahan Avenues, License #1287273, which expired on 7/31/2020.

*Red Lobster, 2090 Bartow Ave, 10475, between Baychester Avenue & Coop City Boulevard, License #1279572, which expires on 09/30/2020.

*City Island Diner, 302-304 City Island Ave, 10464, between Bay & Hawkins Streets, License #1154795, which expires on 09/30/2020.

*McDermott’s Pub, 2634 E Tremont Ave, 10461, between St Raymond & Maclay Avenues, License #1245484, which expires on 10/31/2020.

*Man Overboard, 247 City Island Ave, between Carroll & Schofield Streets, License #1300496, which expires on 09/30/2020.

*Yamada, 3811 E Tremont Ave, 10465, between Randall & Schley Avenues, License # 1280430, which expires on 09/30/2020.

*Jimmy Ryan’s, 3003-3007 Middletown Road, between Crosby Avenue & Hobart Aves, License #1003968, which expires on 11/30/2020.

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Accomando, seconded by Mr. Popovic with the following vote: unanimous. **The Resolution passed.**

“Resolved...at the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee of Bronx Community Board #10, that the following establishment, applying for a new license, has 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:”

Orrico's Restaurant, 3019 Westchester Avenue, 10461, between Edison & Hobart Avenues, License #NEW. **(Formerly Luca Restaurant)**

Indoor **Sun** **Mon** **Tues** **Wed** **Thur** **Fri** **Sat**
Hours: 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM 11AM-10PM
Music: Recorded

Outdoor **Sun** **Mon** **Tues** **Wed** **Thur** **Fri** **Sat**
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Music: Recorded

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Cantillo, with the following vote is as follows: unanimous. **The Resolution passed.**

YOUTH SERVICES/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Bieder

The Committee will meet on September 28, 2020.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Velazquez

The Committee met on September 9, 2020. Minutes are self-explanatory. There was one street activity permit application which was voted on unanimously in Committee.

Resolved...at the recommendation of the Municipal Services Committee of Bronx Community Board #10 that the following event(s) be forwarded to the full Board for approval:

Event ID: 541343: Fair @ Square, Single Block Festival (condensed version), Saturday, October 10, 2020, 10 AM to 6 PM; including set up and breakdown: 8 AM to 8 PM; East Tremont Avenue between Frisby Avenue and St. Raymond Avenue, Contact: Yasmin Cruz/Todd Berman.

A motion to accept the Resolution was made by Mr. Bieder, seconded by Mr. Cantillo, with the following vote: unanimous. **The Resolution passed.**

PARKS/RECREATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Franklin

The Committee met on September 10, 2020. Minutes are self-explanatory.

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES: Bishop Rosario

The Committee will meet on September 24, 2020. The Committee is interested in having a table at the Fair in the Square.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

State Senator L. Sepulveda – the office is open and constituents should contact the office for assistance at 718-991-3161; reinforced the importance of completing the Census.

Emily Vasquez, Office of State Senator Biaggi: Ms. Vasquez outlined the Senator's initiatives, including the distribution of school supplies, food etc. at Throggs Neck Houses. Call 718-822-2049 if assistance is needed.

Farrah Rubin, Office of Council Member Mark Gjonaj: Ms. Rubin outlined the Council Member's weekly initiatives, notably the Tele Town Hall for Veterans and the community cleanups. 718-931-1721

Marcus Bedinger, Office of U.S. Congress Person A. Ocasio-Cortez: Mr. Bedinger provided updates on the Congress Person's outreach efforts and legislative priorities. 718-662-5970

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

J. Landi: No Parking Signage on City Island Avenue is causing businesses on City Island to be ticketed; Mr. Landi is requesting that the Board finds out why the signs are in place.

P. Del-Debbio – wants an outline from the Board with meeting dates and login information. Mr. Del-Debbio was advised that the information is on the calendar and agendas.

Motion to close the September 17, 2020 Community Board #10 meeting was made by Mr. Franklin unanimously approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Duffy.

This is to certify that the foregoing minutes reflect the information that was discussed at the full Board meeting of September 17, 2020.



T. Chambers, *Secretary*
Dated: October 7, 2020

DATE: 9/17/2020 BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 10	A T T E N D	1. H&Z 2505 Bruckner After Hours 1.Tom A. 2.Bob B.	#2a. H&Z Wording Amendment 1. Peter C. 2.Joe R.	2b. H&Z Pilot Street Crane Operation 1 Maria C. 2.Tom S.	3. ED Renewal Liquor Licenses 1. Tom A. 2. Lou P.	4. ED New Liquor License 1. Bob B. 2. Peter C.	5. MS SAPO Event 541343 1.Bob B. 2.Peter C.	NOTES: A abstain X against V in favor R recuse
		PASED	AMENDMENT ON #2 PASSED	MOTION TO TABLE PASSED	PASSED	PASSED	PASSED	
Board Member Name								
Acampora, Hannah	P	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Accomando, Thomas	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Ali, Mohammed	X							
Baez, Raquel	X							
Barbarelli, Robert	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bieder, Robert	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Cantillo, Peter	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Caruso, Maria	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Chambers, Taisha	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Chin, Col. William	P	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Chirico, Andrew	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Council, Lauren	X							
Davila, Michele	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Del-Debbio, Peter	P	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Franklin, Terence	P	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Guanill, Irene	X							
Hunt, Deborah	X							
Isales, Cynthia	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Johnson, Monique	X							
Krynicky, Dorothy	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Landi, Jerry	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Marano, John	X							
McMillan, Susan	X							
McQuade, James	X							
Morris, Martin	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Musano, Mary Jane	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Noble, Denise	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Onwu, Joseph	X							
Papastefanou, Christos	X							
Popovic, Louis	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Robert, John	X							
Rosario, Bishop Nancy	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Russo, Joseph	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Sala, Nick	X							
Salimbene, Anthony	X							
Smith, Tom	P	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Thomas, Janine	X							
Torres, Angela	P	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Velazquez, Marjorie	P	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Woods, Stephanie	X							
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