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April 4, 2016 Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Vincent Prezioso, Chair; Joseph Thurston, Co-Chair; Rabbi Moshe Fuchs, Daisy Rodriguez, Frano Zagreda, Cecilia Haas.

ABSENT: Joseph Bacote,

STAFF: Chris Kirka, CB11 Community Associate.

GUESTS: Jacqueline Carter, MTA; Debra Kawalick, PPNA; Kenneth Gelnick, CB11; Joseph Thompson, WPR-BID; Michael Kaess; Shanique Mahoney, Claudette Brissett and Lisa Reed of Sunrise Ministries; Peter Enea for 8/20 Narragansett Block Party, Joseph Lacerra for 8/6 Narragansett Block Party

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

1. Street Activity Permits – Mr. Prezioso reviewed NYC guidelines with all present. Representatives were present for three of the five street closings on the agenda, plus one from March meeting. Motion by Vinny Prezioso, seconded by Rabbi Fuchs – that CB 11 recommend approval of the White Plains Rd Neighborhood Event, the Giving Back to the Community Event, and two different Narragansett Ave Block Parties (8/6 and 8/20); and that approval be withheld for the NIDC Spring Event and the 5th Annual Thwaites Place Block Party due to their applicants’ non-appearance at the Committee meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

2. Jackie Carter, MTA re: Proposed train station renovations -- Ms. Carter shared a Jan. 8, 2016 announcement from Gov. Cuomo about 30 stations to be enhanced (including the Pelham Pkwy. station of the #5 train). As the project scope has not yet been defined, she cannot predict if temporary closure will be needed. The work is scheduled for 2018 – 2020.

MTA Budget -- Ms. Carter invited CB 11 members to attend the next MTA board meeting to express opinions on budget priorities.

Service Change notices – Ms. Carter stated that she sends routine notices to CB 11 each week, they are on the MTA website and can be accessed via a downloadable phone app.

Misdirected lighting -- In response to Debra Kawalick's claim that lights from Morris Park station shine into 5th fl windows at 900 Lydig Ave, Ms. Carter said she'll arrange for correction and Ms. Kawalick should advise Chris Kirka if problems continue.

Allerton Ave bus stop -- Ms. Carter said that request to relocate bus stop at 950 Allerton was submitted to NYC DOT on 4/1/16.

Dyre #5 train -- In response to a question about infrequent service on Dyre 5, in addition to use of web and phone app for updates, she stated that until completion of improvements, it would be unrealistic to expect enhanced service.

Request for Express bus stop at Stillwell Ave – Ms. Carter said this had been denied and she would investigate its history. There was discussion that imminent opening of 911 Call Center will cause increased need for this location.

Request for bus shelters – Ms. Carter acknowledged the Committee's discussion shelters needed at Stillwell Ave (eastbound Pelham Pkwy N) and at 950 Allerton Ave.

Select Bus terminal 86 CPW – Michael Kaess reported that machine is out of service.

3. Old Business –

- a. Bike Lanes – Michael Kaess requested additional bike lanes. It was suggested he write to Mayor, and CB 11 would react if DOT were to expand program.
- b. White Plains Rd Congestion & Con Ed – Van Nest Assoc rejected Con Ed's plan to add lights. Con Edison has withdrawn their commitment to work with CB 11 to define their final proposal to DOT.

4. New Business –

- a. Speed Bump request -- At full Board meeting Tony Vitaliano asked Transportation Comm. to resubmit June 2015 request for speed bump on Hering Ave. DOT will not process new requests before 18 months have passed. Must wait until December 2016 to resubmit request.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes taken by Cecilia Haas.