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Parks & Recreation Committee
May 12, 2022
Webex Meetings
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MINUTES

PRESENT: Lisa Soto (Chair), Debra Kawalick and Janice Walcott

ABSENT: Christian Amato

STAFF: Jeremy Warneke (District Manager)

GUESTS: Keith Ramsey (Board Member), New York City Parks Department Representatives (Matt Doiron, Kirsten Myhr, Tara Valentina and Mike Ortiz), and members of the public (Diana Finch and Roxanne Delgado)

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

1. Review of January 2021 Meeting [Minutes](#)
The draft minutes were approved.
2. New York City Parks Department
 - a. Eastchester Playground Design Presentation
 - i. Estimated timeline: complete design by December 2022, legal review for nine months, construction for one year (park will be closed to the public), anticipated opening Spring 2025
 - ii. Request by K. Ramsey to present to Eastchester Gardens Board – parks will set up a time to do so
 - iii. Motion to approve and forward to the full board for vote, seconded by D. Kawalick
 - b. Loreto Playground Update
 - i. Parks acknowledged many things went wrong
 - ii. They are pushing for completion by the end of June
 - c. Zimmerman Playground
 - i. This is a capital reconstruction project in need of funding support from electeds who have all been notified.

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- ii. Estimated cost \$3.718 million for two ADA compliant grade single stall restrooms.
- iii. Portapotties have been placed for the summer via a contractor.
- iv. Issues raised:
 - Playground mats are raising up and need to be fixed – parks will put in an order to have them repaired.
 - The playground is dirty and needs to be cleaned daily – park will do their best.

3. Gallery Session (Public Input)

D. Finch – When will Waring basketball court be finalized? Parks – In the next couple of weeks they will seal the playground however they are not ready to take down the fence surrounding the receded grass area, as it needs more time to grow. They will look into placing signs on the fence to explain this to the public.

R. Delgado – Raised concerns about Pelham Parkway overfilled trashcans and growing rat population.

4. New Business

There will not be a Committee meeting in June. Any concerns should be directed towards staff.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Minutes by L. Soto; edited and formatted by J. Warneke.