



**COMMUNITY BOARD 11**  
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*Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson*  
*Chair Cynthia Rodriguez*  
*District Manager Jeremy H. Warneke*

## COMMITTEES

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Development &  
Budget Priorities*

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Development*

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Youth Services*

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Services*

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*Public Safety*

*Sanitation &  
Environmental  
Protection*

*Transportation*

Full Board Meeting  
Thursday, June 27, 2024  
7:00 p.m.

Einstein College of Medicine's Lubin Dining Hall  
Abraham Mazer Building  
1200 Van Nest Avenue  
Zoom Webinar

## MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Moment of silence for our fallen first responders and medical and military service personnel, and for those suffering throughout the world
3. Gallery Session: *Speakers receive an initial, two (2) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time; only those [registered](#) will be called upon*
  - a. Elizabeth Diaz from Davita: consolidation of dialysis facilities – spoke about the consolidation of dialysis centers by the end of September,
  - b. Mr. Ed Murphy, NY: Greenway road widening -spoke against expanding the asphalt part of the greenway
  - c. Charlene Mendez-Jackson, Friends of Pelham Parkway – spoke against the expansion of the pathway
  - d. Ms Charlene Slader, Community member/neighbor 30yrs: Park's widening of path to allow for motorized vehicles – spoke against widening of the pathway
  - e. Mr. Nicholas Carovillano: Street parking and road conditions – asked for painted restriction line to say where the parking should be, among other items
  - f. Director of Landscape Architecture Renata Sokolowski, Bronx Parks Department: Pelham Parkway Malls Partial Reconstruction – spoke about finalizing the scope of work for this project and the need the widen the path a foot or two
  - g. Ms. Eileen Marcus, Resident: Pelham Parkway renovations particularly about widening the pathway -spoke against widening of the pathway

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- h. Ronald Coangelo, 1900 Seminole Avenue – spoke about meeting he attended regarding 1900 Seminole Avenue
  - i. Robert Press, City of Yes – spoke about the proposal on the agenda tonight and the board’s elections
  - j. Roxanne Delgado, Friends of Pelham Parkway – spoke about letter she has on not widening the pathway
  - k. Janet Gerena – spoke about pedestrians being hurt by motorized vehicles
  - l. Kevin Dalioa, Hutchinson River Greenway- spoke about daylighting at crosswalks, among other items
  - m. Roy Smith, City Island resident – spoke in favor of widening and resurfacing the pathway
  - n. Dina Finch, Pelham Parkway greenway
    - D. Finch spoke about board working to deal with the issues of vehicle vs pedestrians
4. Chair’s Report
- a. Quorum at committee meetings
    - V. Castro stressed the need for physical presence at committee meeting as remote presence users cannot be counted toward the quorum.
5. Treasurer’s Report
- V. Castro reported the Treasurer’s reports were submitted and will be uploaded to the website. Anyone with questions should contact her.
6. Secretary’s Report
- a. Review of the DRAFT [February](#), [March](#), [April](#), [May](#) 2024 Full Board Meeting Minutes
    - H. Miura reported that the minutes will be available in September.
7. District Manager’s Report
- a. Yankee Awards and game tickets
  - b. Three inactive non-standing committees: Bylaws; Diversity, Equity & Inclusion; and Social Media
  - c. Text messages notifications
    - Motion by N. Pemberton, seconded by R. Reynoso, that Community Board 11 USE text message and robo calls to notify members about meetings.
    - UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
8. Committee Reports
- a. Nominating & Elections
    - i. Sergeant at Arms Nominations
      - (1) Currently nominated and accepted: Harry Santaella
        - Motion by S. Pirtam, seconded R. Reynoso, for D. Kawalick for Sergeant at Arms. She accepted the nomination.

J. Rubino explained why some candidates' names were not on the ballot, but that their name can be written on the ballot tonight.

N. Pemberton withdrew as candidate for Chair.

ii. Election for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Sergeant at Arms

(1) Chair: V. Castro versus C. Rodriguez

(2) Vice Chair: E. Perez versus R. Reynoso

(3) Secretary: H. Miura

(4) Sergeant at Arms: D. Kawalick versus H. Santaella

At this point in the meeting, ballots were electronically sent to the members.

b. Leadership

i. Motion that Community Board 11 RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL of the Allerton Food Festival Street Activity Permit for July 27, 2024

H. Miura explained why this event was recommended for disapproval.

**PASSED with 5 AGAINST (A. Diaz, N. Pemberton, E. Perez, S. Perez and L. Soto) and 1 ABSTENTION (K. Allen).**

c. Ethics & Disciplinary

i. Motion that Community Board 11 PARTNER with Grassroots Grocery for an event on June 29 and/or August 3, 2024

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

Discussion on why some candidates' names were not on the ballot took place.

V. Castro explained the bylaws required that candidates submit a statement as to why they want to run for office 72 hours before the election.

d. Parks & Recreation

i. Motion that Community Board 11 REQUESTS that the City Parks Department resurface but not widen the greenway of Pelham Parkway, as proposed by the Parks Department on June 13, 2024

**PASSED with 25 FOR, 8 AGAINST (E. Aguirre, R. Barthel, S. Deleon, A. Diaz, S. Perez, C. Rodriguez, L. Soto and J. Wilson) and 1 ABSTENTION (J. Luciano) and 1 RECUSAL (O. Selkridge).**

e. Transportation

i. Motion that Community Board 11 SEND the City and Bronx Department of Transportation Commissioners the Committee's daylighting resolution

**PASSED with 1 AGAINST (J. Rubino) and 1 RECUSAL (O. Selkridge).**

f. Economic Development

i. On-Premises Alcoholic Beverage Licenses

(1) Jo & Ed Caterers Corp, DbA Fratelli, 2507 Eastchester Road: [Renewal](#)

(2) Golden Corral, 2375 E. Tremont Ave: [Renewal](#)  
Motion by J. Rubino, seconded by J. Luciano, that Community Board 11 send an email of NO OBJECTION to the SLA (State Liquor Authority) regarding the two aforementioned licenses.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

(3) Burger Time, 1080 Morris Park Ave: [Corporate Change](#)

Motion by J. Rubino, seconded by J. Luciano, that Community Board 11 send an email of NO OBJECTION to the SLA regarding the change.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

g. City of Yes

i. Housing Opportunity [recommendation](#)

Motion by W. Hewlett-Betts, seconded by E. Perez, to APPROVE a no vote for the City of Yes Housing Opportunity.

**PASSED with 1 AGAINST (R. Barthel) and 1 RECUSAL (O. Selkridge).**

Ciara Gannon reported that there will be a Borough Board vote on this at the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting,

h. Education, Culture & Youth Services

i. New Chair for the Committee

M. Elhakam, new chair of Education and she is working on a comprehensive list of schools in CB11.

i. Community Development & Budget Priorities

i. Committees' budget priorities requests

Motion by R. Barthel, seconded by S. Deleon, that the deadline for submission of budget requests be extended to August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

ii. Mayor's Neighborhood Support Team

R. Barthel explained the idea of the team.

iii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Juneteenth Event

S. Deleon announced it was highly successful.

j. Health & Social Services

i. Letter of support for the New York State Nurses Association

ii. Health Fair

S. Unger reported it was a successful event, but next year the event should be held in April.

k. Housing

i. DSS Blondell Shelter

R. Reynoso announced there will be a community advisory board for this shelter.

l. Land Use

m. Public Safety

i. New Chair for the Committee needed

9. Elected Officials: *Elected officials receive an initial, five (5) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time, and they may respond to at most only four (4) questions or comments by board members, and only board members, without any time restrictions; surrogates are afforded the same courtesy as their principal but are limited to two (2) minutes of initial speaking time*

a. Council Member Marmorato's Office

Renata Sclavo spoke about illegal smoke shops, among other items.

b. Council Member Riley's Office

Kevin Bolt announced upcoming events

c. Mayor's Office

Alina Dowe spoke about the Charter Revision Committee, among other items.

Election Results:

**C. Rodriguez is the new Chair.**

Vice Chair: Run off vote will be done.

**H. Miura won re-election for Secretary.**

Sergeant At Arms: Run-off vote will be done.

(See page 8 for vote breakdown.)

d. Bronx District Attorney's Office

Brian Gonzalez explained a program.

e. U.S. Representative Ocasio-Cortez's Office

Rene Castellano spoke about Section 8 and upcoming events.

f. State Senator Rivera's Office

Evan Weinberg spoke about illegal smoke shops and outside vendors, among other items.

10. Old Business

E. Perez asked about the conditions at Eastchester Gardens Community Center. A great deal of discussion took place.

11. New Business

Election Results

**R. Reynoso is the new Vice Chair.**

**H. Santaella is the new Sergeant at Arms.**

(See page 9 for vote breakdown.)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Minutes by staff (H. Lasky and J. Warneke); approved by Secretary Miura.

## Conduct Statement

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- Abstain from all forms of harassment by actively discouraging it.
- Disseminating false information is prohibited.

	Name	28-Sep	26-Oct	30-Nov	9-Jan	23-Jan	22-Feb	28-Mar	25-Apr	23-May	27-Jun
1	Veronica Castro	I	I	R	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
2	Hazel Miura	I	I	R	E	E	E	I	I	E	I
3	Edgar Aguirre	I	I	I	I	I	E	I	I	E	R
4	Kadian Allen	I	E	I	R	I	R	I	I	R	I
5	Ryan Barthel	I	I	I	I	E	I	I	I	I	R
6	Junior Campbell	E	I	I	E	E	I	I	I	I	I
7	Staceyann Deleon	I	I	I	R	I	I	E	I	I	I
8	Angel Diaz	I	I	I	I	I	A	A	R	E	I
9	Mary Elhakam	I	E	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	I
10	Avril Francis	I	I	R	R	R	R	A	I	I	E
11	Rabbi Moshe Fuchs	R	I	E	R	I	I	A	E	E	I
12	Kenneth Gelnick	R	R	I	I	R	E	R	E	R	R
13	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	I	R	I	R	I	E	I	I	R*	I
14	Dewon Jones	I	I	I	I	I	R	A	I	E	I
15	Debra Kawalick	I	I	R	R	I	I	I	I	I	I
16	David Leavitt	E	A	I	R	E	I	I	I	I	I
17	Juan Luciano	I	I	I	I	I	A	A	I	I	I
18	Naomi Pemberton	I	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	R	I
19	Edward Perez	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	R	I
20	Susan Perez	A	I	I	E	I	R*	I	I	I	R
21	Shradhanand Pirtam	I	I	R	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
22	Juanita I. Randall	R	E	R	R	A	R	R	I	R	I
23	Richard Reynoso	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
24	Cynthia Rodriguez	I	I	I	I	I	R	I	I	I	I
25	Eliezer Rodriguez	E	I	R	I	A	I	I	I	E	R
26	Joanne Rubino	I	I	R	R	I	E	I	I	E	I
27	Harry Santaella	I	I	I	A	I	A	E	R	I	I
28	Oral A. Selkridge	R	I	E	I	R	E	R	I	I	I
29	Lisa Soto	A	E	I	R	R	E	R	I	R	I
30	Joseph A. Thompson	I	I	R	I	A	I	I	I	A	I
31	Sandra Unger	E	I	R	R	I	I	I	I	I	I
32	Janice Walcott	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
33	Dwayne Williams	I	I	R	I	I	E	I	I	I	I
34	Jeannette Wilson	E	I	I	I	E	I	R	I	I	I
Total Is:		23	27	21	19	21	16	22	30	19	28
Total present:		27	29	32	30	26	23	27	32	26	33

**Key**

**A - Absent   E - Excused   I - In-person attendance   na - Not applicable   nm - No meeting   R - Remote attendance**

**\* - Counts toward quorum**

Board Member	Vote for Chair	Vice Chair	Secretary	Sergeant at Arms
Angel Diaz	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Cynthia Rodriguez	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Harry Santaella
David Leavitt	Veronica Castro	Abstain	Abstain	Debra Kawalick
Debra Kawalick	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Dewon Jones	Cynthia Rodriguez	Abstain	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Dwayne Williams	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Edgar Aguirre	Veronica Castro	Cynthia Rodriguez	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Debra Kawalick
Edward Perez	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Harry Santaella
Eliezer Rodriguez	Veronica Castro	Abstain	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Elisabet Soto	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Abstain	Harry Santaella
Harry Santaella	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Harry Santaella
Hazel Miura	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Janice Walcott	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Jeannette Wilson	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Joanne Rubino	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Joseph A. Thompson	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Juan Luciano	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Juanita Randall	Cynthia Rodriguez	Abstain	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Junior Campbell	Cynthia Rodriguez	Abstain	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Kadian Allen	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Abstain	Harry Santaella
Kenneth S. Gelnick	Veronica Castro	Edward Perez	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Mary Elhakam	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Juan Luciano	Harry Santaella
Moshe Fuchs	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Abstain
Naomi Pemberton	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Naomi Pemberton	Harry Santaella
Oral Selkridge	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Richard Reynoso	Abstain	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Harry Santaella
Ryan Barthel	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Sandra Unger	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Shradhanand Pirtam	Veronica Castro	Abstain	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Staceyann Deleon	Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Harry Santaella
Susan Perez	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Abstain	Debra Kawalick
Veronica Castro	Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Hazel Miura	Debra Kawalick
Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	Cynthia Rodriguez	Richard Reynoso	Abstain	Harry Santaella

Chair Candidate	Vote Results
Veronica Castro	14
Cynthia Rodriguez	18
Abstain	1
Total	33

Sgt. at Arms Candidate	Vote Results
Debra Kawalick	16
Harry Santaella	16
Abstain	1
Total	33

Vice Chair Candidate	Vote Results
Edward Perez	9
Richard Reynoso	17
Cynthia Rodriguez	1
Abstain	6
Total	33

Secretary Candidate	Vote Results
Wendy L. Hewlett-Betts	5
Juan Luciano	1
Hazel Miura	21
Naomi Pemberton	1
Abstain	5
Total	33



Board Member	Vote for Vice Chair	Sergeant at Arms
Angel Diaz	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Cynthia Rodriguez	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
David Leavitt	Abstain	Debra Kawalick
Debra Kawalick	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Dewon Jones	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Dwayne Williams	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Edgar Aguirre	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Edward Perez	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
Elisabet Soto	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Harry santaella	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
Hazel Miura	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Janice Walcott	Edward Perez	Debra Kawalick
Jeannette Wilson	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Joanne Rubino	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Joseph A. Thompson	Abstain	Debra Kawalick
Juan Luciano	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Juanita Randall	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Kadian Allen	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
Mary Elhakam	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
Moshe Fuchs	Richard Reynoso	Abstain
Naomi Pemberton	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Oral Selkridge	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Richard Reynoso	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Ryan Barthel	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Sandra Unger	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Shradhanand Pirtam	Edward Perez	Debra Kawalick
Susan Perez	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella
Staceyann Deleon	Edward Perez	Harry Santaella
Veronica Castro	Richard Reynoso	Debra Kawalick
Wendy L Hewlett-Betts	Richard Reynoso	Harry Santaella

Vice Chair Candidate	Vote Results
Edward Perez	8
Richard Reynoso	20
Abstain	2
Total	30

Sgt. at Arms Candidate	Vote Results
Debra Kawalick	13
Harry Santaella	16
Abstain	1
Total	30