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Bronx Community Board Three

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HON. VANESSA GIBSON
BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT

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CHAIRPERSON EMERITUS

REV. FREDERICK CRAWFORD
CHAIRPERSON

ETTA F. RITTER
DISTRICT MANAGER

BOARD MINUTES

Date: 2/13/2024
 Place: Virtual via Webex (due to inclement weather)
 Time: 6:00 P.M.

Members Present

Kolaco Acqui
 Gloria Alston
 Xiomara Arriola
 Joetta Brown
 Robert Brown
 Gilberto Constantinez
 Rev. Frederick Crawford
 Vladimir Cruz
 Joyce Diggs
 Beverly Emers
 Michele Gantt
 Maurice Gray
 Rita Jones
 Una Lawrence
 Tracie Lucas Lord
 Paul Navarro
 Andy Perdomo
 Laredo Regular
 Keziah Sullivan-Norman

Mayor Office – CAU

Leonardo Coello

Bronx Borough President’s Office

Kenny Agosto

AM Chantel Jackson

Delta Casaine

Staff Present

Etta F. Ritter
 Courtland W. Hankins

Members Excused

Dawn Carter
 Randy Dillard
 Francis Dsouza
 Aaron Dumfeh
 Wanda Ellis
 Linda Johnson
 Kathy Morris
 Abraham Jones
 Linda Kemp
 Victor Latimer
 Christian Matthew
 Aubrey Mike
 Amanda Reed
 Arona Testamark
 D’Andra Van Heusen-Thomas
 Bryan Wigfall
 Patrick Willis

Members Absent

No Members Absent

CM Althea Stevens’ Office

Lisne Bautista

CM Oswald Felix’s Office

Juan Lopez

SS Luis R. Sepulveda’s Office

Elizabeth Marte

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CALL TO ORDER

Rev. Frederick Crawford, Chairperson of Bronx Community Board Three, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Rev. Crawford passed the leadership of the meeting over to Ms. Joetta Brown, 1st Vice Chairperson of Community Board Three, due to Rev. Crawford still recovering from illness.

INVOCATION

Pastor Shante Edgehill led the meeting in prayer.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORT

Ms. Joetta Brown, 1st Vice Chairperson of Bronx Community Board Three, introduced representatives for their elected officials reports as follows:

CM Althea Stevens' Report – 16th District

Lisne Bautista, Scheduler for Councilmember Althea Stevens, provided a written report which was emailed to Bronx Community Board Three's listserv. The CM Althea Stevens' written report is as follows:

Upcoming Events

1. Black Girl Magic Day event at City Hall - February 15th, 2024
2. Community Presentation in partnership with FDNY on fire safety - February 22nd, 2024

Community Updates

1. 3K Day of Action - Have you been looking for childcare? There are low cost and free childcare programs available and we want to help you find child care that works for your family. Request a referral today by calling (888) 469-5999 or email info@nycrr.org

Legislative Updates

N/A

District 16 In-Office Services

<u>Service Agency</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Choice of NY	Every other Wednesday
CUNY Citizenship Now	Every Monday
NAICA	By referral
Department of Buildings	Every other Wednesday
CUNY Law	First Tuesday of every month
OATH NYC	Request referral from our office

Join our District 16 Advisory Councils

	<u>Multicultural</u>	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Tenant Block & Neighborhood</u>	<u>Seniors</u>	<u>Health & Wellness</u>
Date:	Feb. 16th	Feb. 20th	Feb. 20th	Jan. 29th	Mar. 5th
Time:	5:30pm	4:30pm	6:00pm	2:00pm	5:30pm

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Constituent Service Hours

Mondays & Wednesdays (9am -5pm)

Tuesdays & Thursdays (9am -5pm)

Fridays (9am - 5pm)

*APPOINTMENTS ONLY

Walk-Ins & Follow Up Appointments

No Walk-In No Appointments

How to make an appointment:

- Email: District16@council.nyc.gov or Call: (718) 588-7500
- Make sure to include:
 - Full name
 - Address
 - Contact information
 - Description of case

*See attached flyers

SS Luis Sepulveda's Report – 32nd Senate District

Elizabeth Marte, Director of Community Affairs, provided a written report which was emailed to Bronx Community Board Three's listserv. The SS Luis Sepulveda's written report is as follows:

- Our office continues to partner with NAICA and NYLAG for an array of different legal services, including immigration, eviction, and HP actions.
- Bridgebuilders will come to our office bi-weekly on Wednesdays to complete Snap applications, recertifications, and One-Shot Deals.
- February 20th, staff from Congress member Richie Torres will be in our office for an intake date. Anyone who is having issues with immigration, social security, or other federal matters can call our office (718-991-3161) for an appointment to speak with their team.
- Also, we expect to move into our new office by March 1st. We will keep you all updated when we are officially located at 975 Kelly Ave.
- I will send you flyers for our upcoming NAICA, NYLAG, and Bridgebuilders appointment dates. Currently for the month of February all appointment slots have been filled.

CM Rafael Salamanca's Report – 17th District

Ms. Shanna Knotts, Director of Constituent Services, provided a written report which was emailed to Bronx Community Board Three's listserv. The CM Rafael Salamanca's written report is as follows:

Legislation

- We have no new legislative updates at this time. However, please refer to the attached handouts regarding clarified details pertaining to Intro 586 (How Many Stops Act). NYC Council voted to override the Mayor's veto in regards to this proposed bill on Monday, January 29th, 2024.

Office Operations

- Our office remains open and in full operation to offer a variety of constituent services. Those looking for assistance can give us a call, submit an email, or visit us in person at the district office.
- We also have an immigration attorney available to provide constituents with free consultation and application assistance. However, this service is offered by appointment only. For more information or to set up an appointment please contact our office directly.

Upcoming Events

- On Wednesday, February 28th from 11am – 3:00pm, in partnership with OATH (Office of Administrative Trials & Hearings).
 - CM Salamanca will host an in-house session to provide assistance, educate constituents about what to do if they have received a summons, and to verify whether or not they have one that is outstanding. This will be a walk-in service, so appointments are not required.

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CM Oswald Feliz's Report – 15th District

Juan Lopez, Community Affairs Liaison at CM Oswald Feliz's office, did not provide a written report. Mr. Lopez invited constituents to utilize the CM's office for issues surrounding housing, education, public benefits, & immigration. The Bronx district office is located at 573 E. Fordham Rd., Bronx, NY 10458. You can contact the office directly at 718.842.8100. (flyer attached).

Mayor Adams' Report

Leonardo Coello, Bronx Borough Director, NYC Office of the Mayor's Community Affairs Unit, did not provide a written report. Mr. Coello reported on the following:

- In response to the Mt. Eden #4 train station shooting on February 12, 2024, Mr. Coello expressed that the Mayor's top priority is safety, and that the NYPD is giving this case it's full attention.
- Ms. Kathleen Corradi, the NYC Rat Czar, will be visiting with Wavecrest Management regarding the issues at Boricua Village within CB#3.

Hon. Vanessa L. Gibson - Bronx Borough President's Report

Mr. Kenneth Agosto, representing the Bronx Borough President's Office, provided a written report. The BP's written report is as follows:

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON HOSTS INFORMATIONAL SESSION

We held an information session last week in partnership with the NYC Department for the Aging and other organizations to share resources on wills, deeds, pre-end-of-life planning, health proxies, and more, to better equip our residents with the tools to make decisions for themselves and their families. We believe it is never too early to start planning for the future and to ensure your loved ones are taken care of. Our office is working on setting up another information session. More information to come!

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON AND BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF NYC

In partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of NYC, we are calling on our Bronx residents to enlist as mentors! Over 900 youth citywide apply to have a mentor every year and more than 38% of them hail from the Bronx. As a mentor, you are helping to transform a young person's life and mentoring a future leader of our borough. You can click here for more information!

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON HOLDS PUBLIC HEARING AND SUBMITS RECOMMENDATION FOR City of Yes – Economic Development

The City of New York's 1961 comprehensive revision to the original 1916 Zoning Resolution remains the cornerstone of our current zoning regulations. Over the past 63 years, our city's approach to addressing quality of life challenges has evolved, reshaping how we navigate life in one of the world's most densely populated and industrious cities. This shift is particularly evident in how we define commercial and manufacturing services and functions. While zoning's fundamental purpose is to separate uses for health and safety, not all uses are equally problematic, and some flexibility may be appropriate. While I support maintaining the separation of uses where there are potential health concerns, overregulation has limited businesses' ability to expand or locate sensibly, often in ways unintended by the authors of the Zoning Resolution. Recognizing these disparities, the 'City of Yes for Economic Opportunity' now proposes one of the most comprehensive updates to our Zoning Resolution since the 1961 revision. My overarching observation is that these proposed changes will cut unnecessary red tape, allowing commercial, retail, and manufacturing businesses to grow and adapt based on their needs. This will help reduce the cost of doing business in New York City and expand location options, consequently filling commercial vacancies. As a result, both the local community and larger business community stand to benefit, ultimately fostering the city's growth based on needs rather than stringent zoning regulations. Click here to see the Borough President's full submission. City Planning to Host Public Info Sessions on City of Yes for Housing Opportunity Proposals Monthly Info Sessions to Describe Details of Historic Proposal for "A Little More Housing in Every Neighborhood" Department of City Planning (DCP) Director Dan Garodnick today announced that DCP will hold monthly public information sessions on components of the City of Yes for Housing Opportunity proposal, highlighting how they will benefit New Yorkers and address the city's housing crisis. Held once a month from January to April via Zoom, the info sessions will offer the public opportunities to learn and ask questions about the Universal Affordability Preference (UAP), diverse housing types (ADUs, conversions, and shared and small homes), "Missing Middle" housing types, and the proposal as a whole, respectively.

- Tuesday, February 27: Diverse Housing Types (ADUs, Conversions, & Shared/Small Homes) – register here
- Wednesday, March 27: "Missing Middle" Housing Types (transit-oriented development and "town center" zoning) – register here

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- Wednesday, April 17: Overview of the City of Yes for Housing Opportunity Proposal – register here

Each of the info sessions will take place from 6:30-8:30 PM.

COMMUNITY BOARD APPLICATIONS

Our Community Board application is live, and we are urging Bronxites to apply now to join their local community board! We fulfilled a promise last year to create a digital application in English and Spanish to make the process easier and more accessible so our community boards can truly reflect the diversity of our borough. You will get to advocate for the needs of your community and hear directly from city agencies. Click here to apply! Deadline for applications is March 1st **BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON HOSTS FIRE SAFETY WORKSHOPS IN COLLABORATION WITH FDNY** We have also relaunched our fire safety education workshop series in partnership with the FDNY, focusing on public housing residents, seniors, and other vulnerable populations. In the Bronx, we have seen more than our fair share of fires that have led to families being displaced and communities forever changed. We are working strategically to get this potentially life-saving information out to those who need it the most and equip our residents with the tools to keep themselves and their families safe. Our next public workshop will be held in partnership with the Community Board 7 on February 8th. Please reach out to our office if you're interested in hosting a fire safety event.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON'S STATEMENT ON THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE BUDGET

"The Governor's Executive budget presents an important opportunity to provide a blueprint that prioritizes the needs of all New Yorkers. The budget proposal will expand health coverage, state aid to our schools, and tackle some of the most pressing challenges we face, including the mental health crisis, the housing affordability crisis, and public safety concerns. I particularly applaud the governor's commitment to ensuring that the neediest among us are able to get the services that they need, particularly when it comes to Medicaid. The Governor and Legislature's work to secure additional federal funding has been essential to this. Additionally, funding flood mitigation efforts, investing in our transit system, and cracking down on unlicensed cannabis retailers are commonsense ideas that will benefit all New Yorkers. I look forward to the Legislature and the Governor passing a final budget over the next several weeks, and I will work with our partners in Albany to ensure that it achieves the best outcomes for Bronxites."

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 6, 2024 @3pm – Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day – Press Conference Morris Heights Health Center at Walton – 25 East 183rd Street, Bronx, NY

February 7, 2024 @5:30PM – Black History Month Celebration Eastwood Manor Banquet Hall – 3371 Eastchester Rd, Bronx, NY - RSVP by EMAIL to EVENTS@bronxbp.nyc.gov

February 8, 2024 @6:30pm – Fire Safety Education Workshop – Tracy Towers – 40 West Mosholu Pkwy South, Bronx, NY

CB12 Fire Safety Training - February 26, 2024 @7:00pm - CB12 Office 4101 White Plains Road Bronx, NY

See attached flyers

Public Advocate Jumaane Williams' Report

Gina Williams, representing the Public Advocate Jumaane Williams office, provided a written report as follows:

Acknowledging Black History Month (starting 2/1), Lunar New Year (2/10), Presidents' Day (2/19)

NEW YORKERS SHOULD KNOW

Winter Weather: It's imperative that New Yorkers prepare themselves and their families for any emergencies that may come our way throughout the winter season. To help, our team has created a series of blog posts to help prepare for a range of disasters, including on winter safety essentials and winterization tips, or preventative measures designed to protect against damage caused by freezing temperatures. [Advocate.nyc.gov/Blog](https://www.nycvotes.org/Blog)

Early Voting: Early voting takes place between Saturday, February 3 to Sunday, February 11 for the coming special elections. Here is a link for more information about early voting <https://www.nycvotes.org/how-to-vote/early-voting/>. Voters may request an absentee ballot here: <https://www.nycvotes.org/how-to-vote/ways-to-vote/>.

Spread the Word: Young people in New York City can apply Now for the NYC Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Applications close on March 1. SYEP connects NYC youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with career exploration opportunities and paid work experience.

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Heat Season: From October 1 to May 31, indoor temperatures must be at least: 68° during the day (when outdoor temperatures are below 55°), and 62° at night.

COVID19 Updates: Continue to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. New Yorkers can sign up for an updated COVID-19 vaccine, as well as a flu shot, at vaccinefinder.nyc.gov.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

The How Many Stops Act and Solitary confinement Ban which passed in December – two of the eleven bills our office passed in 2023– have become law. These bills will help protect and promote public safety and transparency, and we thank New Yorkers for engaging on these issues. For more on the policing transparency bill, visit advocate.nyc.gov/FactsHMSA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Find out about upcoming events by following our Eventbrite page at NYCPublicAdvocate.eventbrite.com. Events include:

Join our upcoming virtual panel, Now You Know: New York State Redistricting and Legislation Updates, on Tuesday, February 6 at 6 PM. Visit Redistricting2024.eventbrite.com

Join the Office of the Public Advocate for a special celebration of Black advocacy in New York City, on Monday, February 26. Visit BHMNYC.eventbrite.com to RSVP and learn more.

Watch Ask the Advocate on News12

Tune into News12 Bronx, Brooklyn or online to watch our monthly segment Ask the Advocate, live every third Monday of the month from 7-7:30pm. The next episode will be February 19 Listen to Caribbean Power Jam Radio Also each month, Public Advocate Williams participates in a longform interview covering issues across the city on Caribbean Power Jam Radio. The next episode will be February 16 at 10am

STAY IN TOUCH WITH OUR OFFICE

Any New Yorker can always reach out to our office by contacting gethelp@advocate.nyc.gov or calling 212.669.7250 and leaving a message. Our office is receiving constituents with an appointment. Also to stay in touch with our office: 1). Sign up for our bi-monthly newsletter at bit.ly/AdvocateNewsletter [NOTE: Bit.ly links are case sensitive]; 2). Subscribe to The Advocate text bot by texting “Hello” to 833-933-1NYC (833-933-1692); 3). check out our blog at advocate.nyc.gov/blog; and 4). Follow us on Eventbrite, Threads, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAM SERVICES:

Juan Saldana, Community Coordinator, NYC Department of Sanitation

Topic: Dept. of Sanitation Commercial Waste Containerization Announcement

Mr. Saldana stated that the Adams Administration is committed to getting trash bags off the street, bringing New York City in line with other global leaders that have moved their waste into containers.

Mr. Saldana noted that between the commercial containerization effort and sweeping new residential rules, 70% of the city’s trash is headed into containers. By moving the black bags off the streets and into sealed, rodent-proof receptacles, we are reclaiming public spaces, cutting off the 24-hour rat buffet, and improving quality of life for all New Yorkers.

Starting March 1, 2024, ALL businesses in NYC must use bins with secure lids when setting out trash for collection.

Who Is Affected

ALL food-related businesses are affected and ALL businesses with five or more NYC locations, regardless of what is sold.

This includes catering, food manufacturing, food service, and food preparation businesses, food wholesalers, and retail food stores. It also includes businesses under the same name, under common ownership, or businesses pursuant to a franchise agreement with the same franchisor. NOTE: Restaurants, grocery stores, delis, bodegas, caterers, and other businesses that sell or handle food MUST comply.

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Starting March 1, 2024, ALL businesses of any size MUST set out waste in a bin with a secure lid. This applies to ALL businesses that set out waste on the curb. This does not apply to businesses that have waste collected from a loading dock.

What Types of Waste

All trash, food, and food-soiled paper must be in a bin with a secure lid when set out at the curb for collection. The requirement does not apply to recyclables (metal, glass, plastic, or clean paper and cardboard).

This rule does not require the separation of trash from food or food-soiled paper — it only requires that these materials are placed in bins with secure lids for collection.

NOTE: Businesses required to source-separate organics under Local Law 146 of 2013 must continue to do so by placing their food waste in a separate bin with a secure lid. Trash must be set out in a separate bin from food and food-soiled paper. Find out if commercial organics requirements apply to you.

When To Set Out

ALL business:

If using bins with secure lids, place at the curb up to 1 hour before closing.

If using bags, place at the curb after 8:00 PM.

Food-related and chain businesses:

Trash, food, and food-soiled paper in bins with secure lids can be set out up to 1 hour before closing. You may also use bins for recycling, but it is not required.

Recycling in bags can be set out after 8:00 PM.

How To Store Bins

Containers should be stored inside or in a rear yard if possible, when not set out for collection. If space is not available, bins can be stored within three (3) feet of the building line. Bins must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner and always allow for a clear path of pedestrian travel on the sidewalk.

Questions and concerns were entertained and answered satisfactorily.

Gabriela Betancourt, Senior Program Evaluator, STI Programs, NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene

Topic: STI Prevention: Overview of agency's project to engage community members in developing a plan to reduce syphilis.

Ms. Betancourt stated that the primary & secondary syphilis rate in NYC is increasing, with a marked increase among people reported as female, Black & Latina cisgender women between the ages of 18-45 years.

Ms. Betancourt noted that the Bronx is the most heavily impacted of the 5 NYC boroughs. Below are the most impacted NYC neighborhoods:

Bronx – Hunts Point/Mott Haven, Crotona/Tremont, Highbridge/Morrisania

Brooklyn – East New York

Manhattan – East Harlem

Queens – Jamaica

The Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene has received funding from the National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) to implement a project to increase community engagement in prevention of syphilis among Black and Latina cisgender women in NYC's most impacted neighborhoods.

Main Goals:

- Build and strengthen community connections focusing on this issue.
- Develop a community-informed plan to reduce syphilis focused on the prioritized population.

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- Identify & invite key stakeholders for participation and partnership.
- Establish baseline knowledge, awareness, and perceptions among community members via surveys.
- Identify community assets for reducing rates of syphilis and congenital syphilis.
- Participants from the community will be offered \$40 for participation in the formative assessment through a series of 12 meetings (9 virtual and 3 hybrid sessions).

Questions and concerns were entertained and answered satisfactorily.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Nicole Sumpter, Borough Manager, Strategic Partnerships, NYC Department of Youth and Community Development

The deadline for applications for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is March 1, 2024.

Pastor Shante' Edgehill, of St. Peters Deliverance Ministry, 937 Home Street, 10459

St. Peters Deliverance Ministry has collaborated with C&C Management to build affordable housing. St. Peters Deliverance Ministry wants to collaborate with community-based organizations (cbo's) to provide services for the community. St. Peters Deliverance Ministry is hosting a Women's Conference on Saturday, March 16, 2024.

Kenneth Johnson, Community Liaison, NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

DOHMH is organizing a Health Fair on Thursday, June 13th, 2024, at Drew Playground, next door to the Morrisania Health Clinic located at 1309 Fulton Avenue.

Gilberto Constantinez, Board Member, Bronx Community Board Three

Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electricians, is currently sending out applications.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keziah Sullivan-Norman, secretary of Bronx Community Board Three, called the roll, and a quorum was established.

MEMBERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

- Dawn Carter
- Randy Dillard
- Francis D'Souza
- Aaron Dumfeh
- Wanda Ellis
- Linda Johnson
- Kathy Morris
- Abraham Jones
- Linda Kemp
- Victor Latimer
- Christian Matthew
- Aubrey Mike
- Amanda Reed
- Arona Testamark
- D'Andra Van Heusen
- Bryan Wigfall
- Patrick Willis

MOTION

It was motioned by Joetta Brown and seconded by Anddy Perdomo to excuse the following member(s):

- Dawn Carter
- Randy Dillard
- Francis D'Souza

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ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

It was motioned by Rita Jones and seconded by Anddy Perdomo, to approve the January 23, 2024, General Board minutes, with any necessary corrections, if there be any.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

There was no amendment to the agenda.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no chairperson's report.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Etta Ritter, District Manager, reported on the following:

- The NYC Department of Design & Construction will be conducting "trench work" that will temporarily shut down between 9am – 5pm on Franklin Avenue between E. 169th Street and Jefferson Place. DDC will be sending advisory notices to CB#3 for distribution to its listserv.
- The NYC Dept. of Housing Preservation and Development conducted Community Visioning workshops and surveys for 1400 Stebbins Avenue. The Community Visioning workshops revealed that there is a need for adult and child day care centers, community arts and wellness programming, and community centers that can be potential tenants in the commercial space at 1400 Stebbins Avenue. HPD has issued an RFP to develop 100% affordable housing on Stebbins Avenue. Mr. Ted Weinstein, Bronx Borough Director at HPD, stated that Bronx Community Board Three will be advised as the project progresses.
- Con Edison is performing electrical repair work from February 19th through February 29th, from Mondays through Fridays, between the hours of 9am - 4pm, on Prospect Avenue, between 175th and 176th Streets.
- There will be a full roadway closure on Weiher Court between Third Avenue and Washington Avenue, Mondays through Fridays, from the hours of 8am – 4pm, during the period of February 9th to March 10th.
- Bronx Community Board Three will be hosting a Defensive Driving Training course in partnership with Mid Bronx Desperados Housing Corp. on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at Mid Bronx Plaza, located at 1441 Boston Road, Bronx, NY 10456.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

SICKNESS, DISTRESS, & BIRTHDAYS

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Ms. Beverly Emers, board member, notified the community at large, that two people in the district died due to fentanyl use and another person is hospitalized in critical condition.

BENEDICTION

Pastor Shante' Edgehill closed the meeting in prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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