

**THE CITY OF NEW YORK**  
**BOROUGH OF THE BRONX**  
**COMMUNITY BOARD 7**



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**ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION COMMITTEE**

<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Betty Arce</b>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>March 4, 2025</b>
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Williamsbridge Oval Recreation Center</a></u> 3225 Reservoir Oval E, Bronx, NY 10467</b>
<b>Members In Attendance:</b>	<b>✓ Betty Arce ✓ Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky ✓ Jean Hill ✓ Rosalie Leslie ✓ Lowell Green ✓ Gwen Thomas-Steed</b>
<b>Minutes done by:</b>	<b>Betty Arce</b>

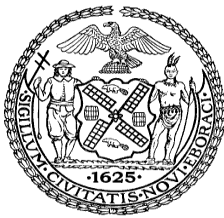
**Minutes:**

- I. Guidelines & Code of Conduct for the meeting were read**
- II. Introductions/Attendance - Quorum was met**
- III. Review of Previous Minutes - Minutes were approved**
- IV. Follow-up from Previous Month**
  - A. Composting Enforcement begins April 1, 2025
    1. A DSNY representative will attend the March 25th General Board Meeting to discuss more enforcement.
    2. Dept. of Sanitation (DSNY) Containerization Guidelines:  
<https://www.nyc.gov/site/dsny/collection/containerization.page>
- V. New Business**
  - A. Bronx CB7 E-Waste Collection Event:
    1. The event is on Saturday, March 22nd, from 11 am-2 pm at PS 246, 2641 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10468
    2. We are seeking board members to volunteer.
    3. E-Waste Collection - For a complete list of accepted items, go to [nyc.gov/RecyclingEvents](https://www.nyc.gov/RecyclingEvents)

THIS MEETING'S MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION, CONTACT US AT:

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- (1) There will also be a free thrift store for clothing apparel for children and adults. Donations of clothing must be in clean, good condition.

#### **B. Fiscal Year 2027 Capital & Expense Budget Requests Review of FY26**

**Agency Responses:** <https://bit.ly/42GezQl>

1. The committee determined that all expense items about DSNY and DEP will be resubmitted with additional information.
2. Motion: After a thorough discussion on the health dangers of dog waste and hearing from community residents about the amount of dog waste around school property, a motion was made to write a letter of support to the three city council members representing CB7 to petition a bill to increase the fines for dog owners who fail to clean up after their pets in and around school property.
3. A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **C. Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee Conversation**

1. The committee unanimously agreed that one committee should address environmental, sanitation, public safety, animal welfare, and any other germane issues under the tentatively labeled “Quality of Life” committee.
2. This overarching committee would have co-chairs for the various topics/issues this committee covers.

#### **D. Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP) Updates**

1. DEP is actively addressing the water main break at 245 West Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10468

**VI. Next Meeting Date: May 6, 2025**

**VII. Discussion on Next Agenda - TBD**

**VIII. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.**