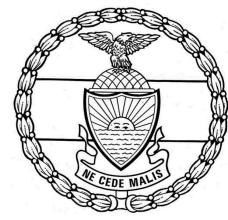


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HON. VANESSA L. GIBSON., BOROUGH PRESIDENT YAJAIRA ARIAS, CHAIRPERSON KARLA CABRERA CARRERA, DISTRICT MANAGER

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair:	Barbara Stronczer
Meeting Date:	April 17, 2025
Meeting Time:	6:30 pm
Meeting Location:	The Bedford's Community Room 211 East 203rd Street, Bronx, NY 10458
Members In Attendance:	✓ Barbara Stronczer ✓ Yajaira Arias ✓ Jean Hill ✓ Betty Arce ✓ Edgar Ramos ✓ Andrew Laiosa ✓ Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky ✓ Bernard Wright — Leurys Acosta ✓ Jesús López-Jensen
Minutes done by:	Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky

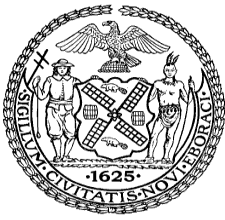
Minutes:

- I. Chair Yajaira Arias read the Meeting Guidelines and Code of Conduct
- II. Chair Yajaira Arias took attendance, and a quorum was met
 - I. Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with one clarification to the March minutes: the “month of February” minutes had been approved.
- II. District Manager Karla Cabrera Carrera Updates: Check emails for further details on the items below.
 - A. The DM informed us we will receive a \$4,000 grant from the Civic Engagement Commission. This is to engage 500 people to vote in the Participatory budgeting process. The first tabling event will occur on Friday, 4/18, at the Williamsbridge Oval Park between 11 AM and 2 PM.
 - B. Please check your email to see if you received a link to log into NYC Learn. Attempt to log in and let Karla know if you can not get into the site. This will allow us to take all the virtual mandated training.
 - C. May 7th is the Community Board Member Dinner at Split Rock.

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- D. The Veterans' Flagging Event will occur on Saturday, May 17, at the Bronx Victory Memorial.
- E. The Bronx Week Parade and Festival is set for Sunday, May 18th. Bronx Week will be extended from May 5 to May 18th.

III. Chair Yajaira Arias Remarks:

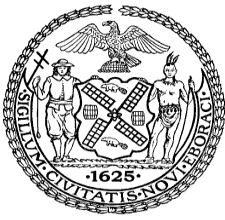
- A. There is no update on the Kingsbridge Armory at this time.
- B. The media misquoted two CB7 Members as having CB7 Board opinions. Board Members are reminded that when they express opinions on community issues with the media, they should be clear that it is not the board's opinion but their own.
- C. Michelle Avila, Chair of Health & Human Services, has left the board. Ms. Arias will fill in until a replacement is named. In Ms. Avila's absence, Ms. Arias chaired the public hearing, but no Committee meeting was held.

IV. Motion(s)

- A. **Education, Youth, & Libraries (bit.ly/4cqRF26):** Write to Council Member Feliz, Borough President Vannessa L. Gibson, and the New York Public Library requesting capital funding to repair the air conditioning system at The Bronx Library Center.
 - 1. This was tabled, a vote will be held at the General Board.
- B. **Nominating (bit.ly/4jt3xTt):** Accept the Nominating Committee Members: Alfred Grant, Betty Arce, Lowell Greene, Jesús López-Jensen, and Tasha Andrews.
 - 1. Betty Arce motioned to accept it, and Helene Hartman-Kutnowsky seconded it. A typo was corrected for the committee's name, from Ad Hoc Nominating Committee to the Nominating Committee.

V. New Business

- A. **Executive (bit.ly/4jFotXH):** Send a letter opposing overnight work on DDC Project ID#HWXP136D to the NYC Department of



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Transportation's Office of Construction Mitigation and Coordination (OCMC).

- B. **Executive (bit.ly/3Edcfqk)**: Send a letter supporting Darling's Garden LLC's Conditional Adult-Use Retail Cannabis Dispensary License Application at 92 West 225th Street, Bronx, NY 10463 to the Office of Cannabis Management, as it follows state and city laws.
- C. **Executive (bit.ly/4inkJJ8)**: Send a letter to the Department of Social Services respectfully declining to provide potential shelter siting location to the agency. Our district is overburdened.

VI. The Committee Reports were tabled at the General Board Meeting.

- A. **Environment and Sanitation – Betty Arce**
- B. **Education, Youth & Libraries – Leurys Acosta**
- C. **Traffic & Transportation – Edgar Ramos**
- D. **Housing, Land Use & Economic Development – Yajaira Arias**
- E. **Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs – Barbara Stronczer**
- F. **Public Safety & Quality of Life – Vacant**
- G. **Health & Human Services – Michelle Avila**
- H. **Veterans Affairs – Bernard Wright**
- I. **Budget, Personnel & Ethics – Jean Hill**

VII. Next meeting date: May 15, 2025

VIII. Discussion on the next agenda

IX. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

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