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HOUSING, LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chair:	Erick Ascencio - Meeting chaired by Sandra Erickson,
	Vice Chair
Meeting Date:	October 10, 2023
Meeting Time:	6:30 pm
Meeting Location:	The Bedford's Community Room, 211 East 203rd Street,
	Bronx, NY 10458
Members	_ Erick Ascensio ✓ Meriyen Parra Felix ✓ Sandra
In Attendance:	Erickson
	✓ Kimali Corley ✓ Barbara Stronczer ✓ Momodou
	Sawaneh <u>✓</u> Mahbubur Jewel
Minutes done by:	Sandra Erickson

Minutes:

- I. Guidelines & Code of Conduct -
 - **A.** Read by Sandra Erickson -Meeting opened at 6:33 pm.
- II. Introduction & Attendance -
 - **A.** One of the CB 7 committee members and our DM. A special welcome to our guest, Councilmember Pierina Sanchez, who shared the community's effort and vision for this iconic development. Also, adding that it is an incredible economic development opportunity for the Kingsbridge neighborhood. NYC & NYS granted \$200Mil to assist in the development funding. The Councilmember thanked both the old and new CB 7 members for their service.
 - **B.** Attendance was taken by the Vice Chair- A quorum was met.
- III. Review of Previous Minutes (If applicable) -



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- **A.** The committee reviewed the previous minutes from September 12, 2023. VC highlighted the presenters and agenda items.
- IV. Follow-up from Previous Month (If applicable) -
 - **A.** No follow-up from the previous month was necessary.
 - V. New Business -
 - A. HPD Updates (No updates)
 - **B.** DOB Updates (No Updates)
 - C. NYC Comptroller's Office (No Updates)
 - D. CCHR (No Updates)
 - **E.** NYC EDC (No updates)
 - F. Northwest Bronx Community & Clergy Coalition (NWBCCC) -
 - 1. Kingsbridge Armory Report- Juan Nunez presented, in detail, the NWBCCC's "Our Armory" Kingsbridge Armory Report -June 2023. (https://bit.ly/3Q4WdBH) Mr. Nunez provided a rich and detailed history of the Armory. NWBCCC was a part of 70+ community vision events. Mr. Nunez said they had hoped that EDC would have incorporated more of their Report language into the RFP (Request For Proposal), however, a copy of the Report was included for each RFP respondent. The RFP calls for 25K sf of community space. This is a competitive process; EDC is running this effort, the Councilmember has veto power and CB 7 will have input during ULURP (Uniform Land Use Review Process) All RFP's are due 1/18/24.
 - **2.** Mr Nunez added that the NWBCCC will be a part of a team responding to the RFP

G.DCP Updates-

1. Ceasar Delgado discussed the Zoning Amendment - "City For Economic Opportunity" Sandra Erickson requested that when there is



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an update, that CB 7 welcomes a presentation from the developer or DCP on the Fordham Landing- north site, as-of-right development.

- **H.** Various topics were raised by CB 7 and community members such as:
 - 1. Unregistered E and gas powered bikes riding on the sidewalk and operating dangerously on the streets
 - 2. illegal sidewalk-parking of cars in front of the Days inn on Gun Hill Rd
 - 3. the need for broader income bands in affordable housing projects
 - **4.** The importance of Renter's Insurance, low cost and important benefits
- VI. Next meeting Date -
 - **A.** November 14, 2023- The Bedford's Comm Rm 211 E 203rdSt, Bronx, NY 10458
- VII. FY 2025 Capital & Expense Budget Requests DM Karla Cabrera-Carrera
- VIII. Discussion on Next Agenda
 - IX. Adjournment at 8:04pm