



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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

HOUSING, LAND USE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chair:	Erick Ascencio - Meeting chaired by Sandra Erickson, Vice Chair
Meeting Date:	November 14, 2023
Meeting Time:	6:30 pm
Meeting Location:	The Bedford's Learning Center, 211 East 203rd Street, Bronx, NY 10458
Meeting Recording:	https://youtu.be/eqL0hVcKGPU
Members In Attendance:	_ Erick Ascencio _ Meriyen Parra Felix ✓ Sandra Erickson ✓ Kimali Corley ✓ Barbara Stronczer ✓ Momodou Sawaneh _ Mahbubur Jewel
Minutes done by:	Sandra Erickson

Minutes:

I. Guidelines & Code of Conduct -

A. Meeting guidelines and code of conduct were read by Sandra Erickson.
 Meeting starts at 6:44pm

II. Introduction & Attendance -

A. Board members, board chair, district manager (DM) and presenters and visitors all introduced themselves
 B. attendance was taken by Vice Chair, a quorum was met

III. Review of October 2023 Minutes -

A. The committee reviewed the previous minutes from October 10, 2023. The Vice Chair highlighted the presenters and provided an overview of what was discussed.

IV. Follow-up from Previous Month (If applicable) -

A. No follow up from previous month was necessary

V. New Business -

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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. DCP Presentation-

1. Ceasar Delgado, Department of City Planning

a) They provided a slideshow and handout presenting the Zoning Amendment “City of Yes for Economic Opportunity” The presentation detailed 18 Points that were discussed in detail with committee and community members. These proposals focused on economic recovery, creating and expanding more vibrant commercial spaces and eliminating red tape for small businesses- to name a few. Please see the link to the “City of Yes”

<https://bit.ly/3FXH1AI>

b) A motion to provide a letter in favor of the proposed zoning amendment, with comments, was presented to the committee.

The motion passed unanimously. The motion read as follows:

(1) The Housing, Land Use & Economic Development Committee of Bronx CB 7 is in favor of providing a letter of support to the Dept of City Planning for the proposed zoning amendment: “City of Yes for Economic Opportunity” with the following comments:

(2) *Item #5- Upper floor commercial* - Must be business specific & in coordination with related agencies.

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(3) *Item #9 -Nightlife* - This needs to be in a commercial corridor, include soundproofing, regulate the size & in coordination with related agencies.

(4) *Item #11- Home Occupations* - The business needs to be duly licensed & in coordination with related agencies.

G. Sandra Erickson raised the fact that there have been more than 100 fires in NYC caused by e-bikes. The group shared specific cases both in and out of CB7. Chair Arias shared that Councilmember Eric Dinowitz plans to hold a Town Hall in January 2024, in conjunction with FDNY, that will highlight and educate the public on potential fire hazards from all sources

VI. Next meeting Date -

A. December 12, 2023: The Bedford's Comm Rm – 211 E 203rdSt, Bronx, NY 10458

VII. Adjournment -

A. Meeting ended at 8:20pm