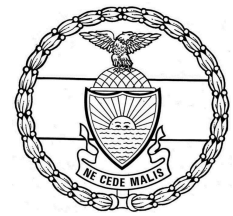


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## PUBLIC SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE

<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Samantha Souvatzis</b>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>February 8, 2024</b>
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Tracey Towers</a></u> 40 West Mosholu Parkway South, Bronx, NY 10468 (Building 40 - Community Room B)</b>
<b>Members In Attendance:</b>	<b>✓ Samantha Souvatzis    ✓ Lowell Green    ✓ Robin Rollan _ Monjour Choudhury    _ Damariy V. Barbosa</b>
<b>Minutes done by:</b>	<b>Samantha Souvatzis</b>

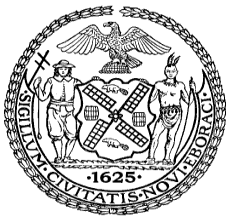
**Minutes:**

- I. Meeting Guidelines read by Samantha Souvatzis**
- II. Introductions/Attendance**
  - A. Quorum was met
- III. Review of November 2023 Minutes -**
  - A. Minutes approved
- IV. Follow up from Previous Month (If applicable) -**
  - A. N/A
- V. New Business**
  - A. Police Department, NYPD Update**
    - 1. Crime Prevention Statistics and Tips by P.O. Acosta**
      - a) **Grand Larceny is up by 18%** - Mopeds are causing the majority of this type of crime; NYPD is removing unregistered mopeds from the street.
      - b. **Scams – e-mails from Paypal, etc.** Do not respond to emails that request to wire money. Be aware that emails do not end in vz.zom. and do not open and respond. Also, make sure to monitor your bank accounts. Seniors

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need to be aware that banks DO NOT make phone calls.

- c. **Identify Theft** – Banks and the IRS will not call you to ask for your social security number. Do not use a public computer to file your taxes or do any other personal work.
- d. **Robberies** – Keep vigilant when you're on your phone, do not sit by the door. Be observant when you see people on mopeds who are congregating together because groups on mopeds are working together to commit a robbery.

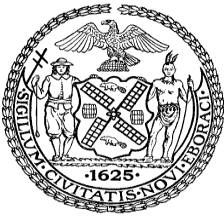
**B. Bronx District Attorney's Office, Bronx DA - (Not Present)**

**C. Emergency Management, NYCEM Update (Not Present)**

**D. Fire Department, FDNY Safety Presentation**

#### 1. Fire Safety

- a) **Fires occur in the most common place, which is the kitchen** – do not put water on a grease fire, use baking soda to put it out and turn off the burner. Use a fire extinguisher because fire blankets do not work on a grease fire. If you can't find a fire extinguisher, get out of the house.
- b. **Extension cords** – Make sure that the extension cord has a UL and ETL sticker on the extension cord. DO NOT use an extension cord from the 99 cents store. DO NOT plug air conditioners, microwaves, laptops or heaters into power strips or extension cords.
- c. **Electrical fires** – AVOID charging lithium batteries OVERNIGHT. DO NOT charge cell phones on a bed or a couch. Fires occur at night with no working smoke alarms. Scooters that are not UL branded and are



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charged overnight cause the most fires. Make sure you are using UL branded cords for charging devices.

- d. **Building Classifications** – buildings must have metal self closing doors.
- e. **FDNY will provide and install FREE smoke alarms.**  
Use the link below or call **1-877-733-2767**

<https://portal.311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-03606&fbclid=IwAR1SY4huo9E9klQzO9YEJT0QyaW14zSZltMS6-6sX4W1jk4KonCURoyBJws>

**VI. Next Meeting Date:**

A. TBA

**VII. Discussion on Next Agenda:**

A. TBA

**VIII. Adjournment**

A. Meeting is adjourned