

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



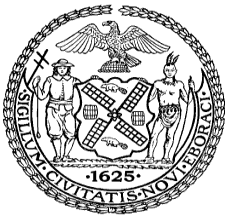
HON. VANESSA L. GIBSON., BOROUGH PRESIDENT LEURYS ACOSTA, CHAIRPERSON KARLA CABRERA CARRERA, DISTRICT MANAGER

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair:	Barbara Stronczer
Meeting Date:	February 19, 2026
Meeting Time:	6:30 PM
Meeting Location:	Via Zoom Videoconference Meeting ID: 837 5717 3360 By Phone: (646) 558-8656
Meeting Recording:	https://youtu.be/LUuKzOZ-qik
Members In Attendance:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leurys Acosta <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barbara Stronczer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Rollan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean Hill <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Momodou Sawaneh <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Betty Arce <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Edgar Ramos <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chad Y. Royer <input type="checkbox"/> Muhamed Bayo
Minutes done by:	Betty Arce

Minutes:

- I. Guidelines and Code of Conduct were read**
- II. Introductions/Attendance: Quorum was met**
- III. Review of previous minutes**
 - A. Motion to approve minutes presented by Jean Hill, seconded by Chad Royer. Minutes were approved. Yes: 7 ; No: 0 ; Abstain: 0 ; Absent: 1
- IV. Follow-up from previous month (If applicable)**
- V. District Manager Karla Cabrera Carrera Updates**
 - A. DOT to restart the Fordham Road Bus Lane project
 - B. The NYPD is splitting the Bronx into two distinct patrol commands— Patrol Borough Bronx North and Patrol Borough Bronx South—to address high crime rates and reduce the borough's workload.
 - C. CEC Engagement Committee – February 22, 2026
 - D. Access additional updates here: bit.ly/4l1Kr9i
- VI. Chair Leurys Acosta Remarks**
 - A. The Chair stressed the importance of board members being engaged, educated, and effective.



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- B. Met with the Borough President regarding term limits.
- C. Provided an update on the Veterans Committee. The new appointee at the NYC Department of Veterans’ Services has announced that all Community Boards now have a Veterans Committee. Our committee is set to receive a stipend of approximately \$800, and we will look to the committee to share ideas on how to best utilize these funds.

VII. Motion (s)

- A. **Budget, Personnel, & Ethics (bit.ly/3ZF6A3g):** Increase Bronx Community Board 7 Community Associate Cristiana Robles’ Salary by 5% (\$2,659) to go from earning \$53,174/year to \$55,833/year. Motion presented by Jean Hill, seconded by Chad Royer. Motion passed. Yes 8 ; No: 0 ; Abstain: 0 ; Absent: 1.
- B. **Veterans Affairs & Human Services (bit.ly/4rOIIGk):** Send a letter of support to the City Council to consider funding the Veterans Initiative budget of \$6.2 million from \$2.8 million. Motion presented by Chad Royer, seconded by Momodou Sawaneh. Motion passed. Yes: 8 ; No: 0 ; Abstain: 0 ; Absent: 1.

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Budget, Personnel & Ethics – Jean Hill
- B. Education, Youth & Libraries – Leurys Acosta
- C. Housing, Land Use & Economic Development – Dr. Momodou Sawaneh
- D. Municipal Services – Edgar Ramos
- E. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs – Barbara Stronczer
- F. Veterans Affairs & Human Services – Chad Royer

IX. Next meeting date: March 19, 2026

X. Discussion on next agenda

XI. Adjournment