

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



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HOUSING/LAND USE & ZONING COMMITTEE

Chair	John Snider
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Meeting Time:	6:30pm
Meeting Location:	Bronx Community Board 7 Office
Members (Check	✓ John Snider ✓ Erick Ascensio ✓ Sandra Erickson
Those In Attendance)	✓ Edgar Ramos ✓ Helene Redd Snider ✓ Barbara Stronczer
Minutes Done By:	John Snider

Minutes:

- I. Introductions
 - a) The meeting was called to order by Committee chairperson, John Snider.
- II. Review of last month's minutes
- III. Follow-up from previous month
- IV. New Business
 - a) A discussion was held about topics for future meetings in calendar 2019, such as, the following:
 - 1. Help create a Home Owners Associations for the Bedford Area/Home owners support
 - 2. Survey of all incoming and new development in Community Board Seven
 - b) A discussion was held regarding the impact of two new City and State initiatives to reduce the homeless population in the City where the City will fund 15000 new units of housing over the next 15 years and the State will fund an additional 35000 units of supportive housing of which 27000 units will be newly constructed units. These two housing initiatives can easily explain some of the reasons there are so many new projects coming into our community board.
 - c) The Tenant Association of Bedford Manor located at 2987 Webster Avenue brought to the attention of the community board some serious and documented complaints against the owners of the building STAGGS Developers from roach infestation, mice/rats, broken security cameras, locks on the doors and poor maintenance of the building (no super). Finally, members of the tenant association brought to the committee attention that



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there are an inappropriate number of severely and persistently mental ill tenants with no known attachment to any support services; along with everything else this radically reduces the quality of life for all tenants living in the building.

- 1. Suggestive remedies for the situation:
 - The STAGG Group will be invited to the February's Housing/Land Use & Zoning Committee meeting
 - Ted Weinstein from HPD will be invited to the meeting Tenant Association was encouraged to file a complaint with the Department of Building enforcement
 - Tenant Association was encouraged to reach out to West Bronx Clergy Association for support
 - Members of the association were encouraged to attend and speak out at January's General Board Meeting.
- V. Discussion on next month's agenda
- VI. Next month's meeting date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019
- VII. Adjournment—The meeting was closed at 8:00pm

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