

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



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## LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES HARLEM RIVER WATERFRONT SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

CB 7 Office – 229A East 204<sup>th</sup> Street, Bronx, NY 10458 Meeting called to order at 6:40 P.M. – Attendance sheet on file – Quorum established

## I. Reports:

- A. Ethel Sheffer from Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture and Planning introduced the seven students (1 absent) with whom she has been working for the past two months to develop a plan to assist in the implementation of CB7's vision for the waterfront.
- B. The presentation was presented in a power point format accompanied with narrative as each student took turn in presenting. An on-line "Reclaiming the Waterfront" survey generated in English and Spanish indicated that the number one reason respondents would visit the waterfront is to look at the water.
- C. First Phase:
  - 1. There should be a cleanup action plan. Target has funding to support clean up.
  - 2. There should be tree planting between Grown NYC and the community to further green the space. Apply for trees through the One Million Trees initiative.
  - 3. The DCAS site already identified by the NYC Parks Dept. has been allocated \$ 1.7 million from the Water Filtration Plant project.
  - 4. DOT should find an alternative site for storage.
  - 5. There should be remediation to address the heavy contaminants of soil and shore line. DEP has already identified this area as a Brown Field.
- D. Second phase:
  - 1. Rezone targeted area to mixed use of residential and commercial.
  - 2. Storage facility and milk distribution parking does not fit into the future of the waterfront development and should be relocated, possibly through land swap arrangement.
  - 3. Mixed Use should include public esplanade, events space, playground, biking, green market, etc.
  - 4. Improved access is needed; pedestrian bridge across the Major Deegan, pedestrian grade crossing at Target across the rail road tracks.
- E. A question and answer session followed the Columbia presentation.
- II. Richard Geuther from City Planning gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed Car Sharing Zoning Text Amendment initiative.
- III. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm