

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



PAUL FOSTER, CHAIRMAN

FERNANDO P. TIRADO, DISTRICT MANAGER

LAND USE COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, October 7th, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. Attendance sheet on file Quorum established.
- II. Committee chair welcomed City Planning staff and commended them for the hard work done in partnership between the Community Board and City Planning over the past 4 years in shaping the EIS for the Webster Avenue/Norwood/Bedford Park rezoning.
 - A. In particular, the efforts of Richard Geuther (former City Planning staff employee) and Greg Faulkner (former Chair of CB7), was also acknowledged and applauded.
 - B. The Chair also expressed his disappointment in the report documents, that although the rezoning initiative originated at the Community Board level there was no mention, credit, or acknowledgement given to the CB7 members who invested valuable time, ideas, dialogue with the larger community, outreach to major institutions and elected officials; all this in the spirit of fulfilling their pledge to perform their civic responsibilities as volunteer workers for benefit of the community residents they serve.
 - C. Paul Foster, CB7 Chair also expressed gratitude to City Planning for their hard work and partnership with the CB.
 - D. The meeting was turned over to the members of the City Planning team who gave a comprehensive power point presentation on the content and context of the rezoning proposal. A question and answer session followed in which CB7 members articulated their concerns about various aspects of the proposal, both pro and con.
- III. The Committee Chair invited the City Planning team and CB7 members to do a walking tour of Webster Avenue, beginning from East Gunhill Road to Fordham Road on Saturday, October 23rd at 10:30am. A tentative date of Tuesday, October 26 was also set to conduct a public hearing regarding the rezoning at a venue to be determined.
- IV. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm