

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK

## BOROUGH OF THE BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 7



PAUL FOSTER, CHAIRMAN

FERNANDO P. TIRADO, DISTRICT MANAGER

# LAND USE COMMITTEE MINUTES Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

I. Meeting called to order at 6:55 pm. – Attendance sheet on file – **Quorum established**.

### II. WEBSTER AVE

- A. Ozzie made opening remarks and reported on the status of the Webster/Norwood/Bedford Park rezoning: that the ULURP period for CB7 on the draft EIS proposal ends on Monday December, 6<sup>th</sup> and that the documents were transmitted to the office of the Borough President by City Planning.
- B. Paul Foster reported that the Borough President's office held a public hearing on December 2<sup>nd</sup> on the Webster/Norwood/Bedford Park re-zoning proposal. A power point presentation was made by City Planning and several speakers complimented CB7 for a job well done on this important initiative. In attendance were representatives from Fordham University, Bronx Zoo, Botanical Gardens, and Greg Faulkner from City Councilman Cabrera's office among others.
- C. Ozzie made reference to a letter sent by Jay Shuffield to Amanda Burden of NYC Planning regarding the draft EIS document and commended Jay for the constructive observations submitted as a professional Urban Planner.
- D. Ozzie suggested that a joint meeting be held between Long Term Planning, Economic Development and Transportation committees to formulate a vision for re-development of the Webster Avenue corridor.
- E. Barbara Stronczer recommended inviting Fordham University, Bronx Zoo, Botanical Garden and Montefiore Hospital to participate in the development of a long term plan for the Webster Corridor.

#### III. FORDHAM LANDING

- A. Ozzie acknowledged the \$15,000 funding allocated by Councilman Cabrera for the Waterfront project and how to secure and spend it before July, 2011.
- B. Paul Foster reported on the meeting held at Councilman Cabrera's office which was attended by Mr. Cabrera, Greg, Zellnor, Connie Moran (DOT), Ray Acosta (Parks), Fernando, Paul and Ozzie and the ensuing discussion about how to approach the waterfront development. A consensus was reached that Parks need to do a scoping of the proposed Regatta Park in order to facilitate transfer of the property to Parks. Councilman Cabrera dispatched a letter to Commissioner Hector Aponte articulating this action. After discussion and clarification on this subject Barbara Stronczer withdrew a motion to solicit funding from public officials for the project until the status of the scoping is established.
- C. Paul Foster suggested the formation of a Task Force for the Waterfront to include, Dallas BBQ, Target, Sherman Creek (across the river) and other stake holders. Ozzie recommended a future meeting and site visit with the Friends of Fordham landing Committee and local businesses to begin the dialogue.
- IV. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011 at 6:30 pm at CB7 office. All Land Use/Zoning meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month until otherwise indicated.
- V. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.