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COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 HELD VIA WEBEX

PUBLIC HEARING

ROLL CALL

Second Vice Chairperson Ms. Del Teague requested District Manager Mr. Gerald A. Esposito to conduct the roll. The call was made electronically on the WEBEX platform. There were 34 members answering the call, confirming a quorum. Chairperson Ms. Teague opened the hearing and requested the scheduled presentations to begin. First on the agenda was a City Planning application. It is noted this application would be voted on this evening during the board meeting portion. Chairperson Ms. Dealice Fuller encountered a technical difficulty during in the meeting and Ms. Del Teague, Second Vice Chairperson continued to chair the meeting.

PRESENTATION: DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING (N 210057 ZAK and N 210058

ZAK)



DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING (N 210057 ZAK and N 210058 ZAK) – application by 420 Kent Avenue LLC, is as follows:

(1.) <u>N 210057 ZAK</u>

This is an application for the grant of an authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(a)(2) of the Zoning Resolution to modify the location, area and minimum dimension (Shore Public Walkway) and, in conjunction therewith, Section 62-332 (Rear yards and waterfront yards); and

(2.) <u>N 210058 ZAK</u>

This is an application for the grant of an authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(b) of the Zoning Resolution to modify the planting and screening requirements of Section 62-60 (DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR WATERFRONT PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS); in connection with a proposed mixed-use development on property at the above referenced location.

It was noted that applications (N 210057 ZAK and N 210058 ZAK) are not subject to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP) and do not require a public hearing by the Community Board. However, if the board has any comments on these applications (N 210057 ZAK and N 210058 ZAK), then by October 4, 2020.

The Land Use, ULURP and Landmarks [subcommittee] Committee has met on September 3, 2020, held a public hearing on the matter and reviewed the application(s).

At the CB#1's public hearing held on September 8, 2020, a presentation on the applications was made by the applicant's representative, Mr. Richard S. Lobel. He and his team presented on the item. Mr. Lobel was also joined at the virtual hearing by Mr. Eliot Spitzor. a principal regarding the project and application. Mr. Lobel was joined at the hearing with Mr. David Rosenberg, who discussed the slides that were shown and gave an overview of the site plan and maps. He showed the map of the new site plan. There were changed in the private access that was made public. Board members were able to move the slide presentation to view it. There are some difference in the way the original plans were drawn. He spoke about the required planting. It was buffered by new public space. He noted that there were changes in the upland area and a slight reduction in the lawn/planted area. He discussed that there was use of permeable gravel. There were problems with the lawn area. The grass area had concerns because it had to be drivable (i.e. for Fire Dept., etc.).

Development Summary

- North Tower (Lot 5): 252 units (66 affordable)
- South Tower (Lot 56): 605 units (121 affordable)
 - 33 of the 121 affordable units are dedicated for homeless families and individuals.
 - All 187 affordable units have been leased through St. Nicks Alliance and Reside New York.
- Ground floor commercial use: 15,867 SF - Sea Wolf restaurant opened in early Summer 2020
- Waterfront Public Access Area: 31,583 SF - 6,621 SF more than required.

Project Summary

- Authorization pursuant to ZR Section 62-822(a)(2) to authorize the reduction in minimum dimensions or area within the waterfront public access area and a reduction in minimum required waterfront yard;
- Authorization pursuant to ZR Section 62-822(b) to modify the planting and screening requirements within waterfront public access areas;



 Certification by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission to the Department of Buildings pursuant to ZR Section 62-811(b) of the proposed site plan's compliance with visual corridor and waterfront public access requirements (as modified by the authorizations);

• Minor modification of the 2018 restrictive declaration to account for the new site plan. [Applications: N210057ZAK, N210058ZAK, N210059ZCK and N210060LDK]

Ms. Rachlin asked about the affordable housing. Mr. Spitzor related that the development had inclusionary units, but he did not have the breakdown. He noted that there were 30 homeless families who were residing there. The inclusionary housing units were affordable in perpetuity. Mr. Rosenberg discussed the grass areas and related that the various agencies (i.e. Parks, DCP) had provided the input on the plantings. There was ornamental grass in areas, but these areas were not navigable by people and they wanted to use gravel. There were issues with the dog walking on the grass. Ms. Teague noted that she would present the committee reported at the Board meeting portion. Ms. Teague thanked the presenters and moved onto the next item on the agenda.

PRESENTATION – UPDATE ON THE CENSUS FOR 2020 - by Barbara J. Williams, Field Associate, NYC Census 2020. - Ms. Williams spoke about the Census and the various efforts being taken to the conduct the count. She was seeking the community board's help in getting the word out. She noted that the census was extended by executive order, it would be ended on September 30th. She noted that it is important that the count is made, and takes in the number of people living here. This is because it helps to determine the various needs of the population, such as transportation. It also determines redistricting and congressional seats. We could lose two congressional seats. As it is now, half of Brooklyn is invisible. She compared the census from 2010. The 2020 count is below. She related that there was a problem with people receiving the census forms in the mail. She was concerned about the lack of time. She said that they are doing outreach and have several efforts. People can contact her to join and help. They are also doing phone banking for the census. On September 10th, they will be doing an effort for the outreach.

Ms. Rachlin spoke about doing outreach overnight. Ms. Williams had attended an event and spoke to people, who would not normally fill out the forms. There are other things that they do besides phone banks. Ms. Williams related that there are five person doing Brooklyn. She is organizing volunteers. She said that they are focusing in Williamsburg because the numbers are low. They have someone who does public housing, they cover the subways, city workers. Everything is determined by the census. They are going to be short. They have done virtual events. She said there was an opportunity for community based organizations to receive funding to do the outreach. She was focusing on the people who were hard to reach. Ms. Peterson asked if she could provide the list of those groups. Ms. Williams related that the list was published in the newspaper. Ms. Viera spoke about the impact the COVID19 had on community and doing the census. Ms. Foster offered some locations to reach out to. There is a food truck that comes to Cooper Parks Houses weekly and people could be contacted there. Ms. Teague noted that it was a very important issue and thanked Ms. Williams for her presentation.

LIQUOR LICENSES

A list of the various applications was submitted for the board members to review. No comments were made at this time.

<u>NEW</u>

- 1) 1&3 on 5th Corp, dba Fabiane's Café & Pastry, 142 North 5th Street (Alteration, wine/beer/cider, rest)
- 2) 23 Meadow LLC, dba pending, 23 Meadow Street (New, liquor, wine/beer/cider, event space)
- 82 S 4th Restaurant & Café LLC, dba Casa Imelda, 82 S 4th Street (Corporate Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 4) 229 KAB LLC, dba to be determined, 229 Kent Avenue (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 5) Alicia Rebensdoff, dba Whey Bar, 192 Nassau Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, cheese, wine bar/cafe)
- 6) Andea's Chicken #2 Corp, 318 Grand Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 7) Angelvan Corp, dba L Ange Noir Café, 247 Varet Street, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 8) Asbury Greenpoint LLC, dba The Springs, 224 Franklin Street, (Corporate Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 9) Clydes Caribbean, 178 North 8th Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 10) Berry Street Associates LLC, dba Gran Torino 131 Berry Street, (Method of Operation Change, Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 11) Brooklyn Bowl LLC, 61 77 Wythe Avenue, (Class Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, cabaret) (musical or Entertainment and 600 or more patron's capacity)
- 12) Domino Park F & B Management LLC, dba Tacocina, Domino Park, 292 Kent Avenue, (Method of Operation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 13) Eris Evolution LLC, 167 Graham Avenue, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, event venue)
- 14) Eyval NYC LLC, dba Eyval, 25 Bogart Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

- 15) Fin Du Monde Foods LLC, dba Fin Du Monde, 38 Driggs Avenue (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 16) Grand Street Pizza LLC, dba Roberta's, 6 Grand Street AKA 260 Kent Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider rest)
- 17) Grimm Ales LLC, dba Grimm Artidanai Ales, 990 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, brewery/tap room/bar/tavern)
- 18) Guernsey Hospitality LLC, dba Louisa, 46 Norman Avenue, (New, Liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 19) Hocus Pocus Works, LLC, dba Lion's Milk, 104 Roebling Street (New, wine, beer, cider, café/wine bar)
- 20) Hot Metal Soup LLC, 318 Graham Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 21) J. Herron On Behalf of Entity TBD, 253 Grand Street (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 22) Kashida Group INC., dba Dashi, 119 Ingraham Street, (New Liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 23) McCarren Park House LLC, dba McCarren Parkhouse, 855 Lorimer Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 24) MSMN Corp., dba Kestane Kebab, 208 Franklin Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 25) New Bob LLC, dba Magazine, 113 Franklin Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 26) NFR Food & Beverage Inc., dba Burger NYC, 135 A North 5th Street, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 27) Nonnas of Greenpoint Corp, dba Nonnas, 253 Nassau Avenue, (New, wine/beer & cider, rest)
- 28) Oddfellows Domino LLC, dba Oddfellows Ice Cream Co., 260 Kent Avenue, (New, wine, beer, cider, ice cream shop)
- 29) Original Prime Inc., dba Slush, 188 Berry Street, (Bew, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 30) Prohibition Creamery NY LLC, dba Prohibition Creamer, 44 Berry Street, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 31) Ramen Spot Inc., 760 Manhattan Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 32) Saint Ellie LLC, dba Saint Ellie, 167 Nassau Avenue, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 33) So3Alpha Corp, dba Carneval, 507 Grand Street, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 34) Ten Eleven Holdings, LLC, dba Pencil Factory, 142 Franklin Street, (Alteration, liquor, wine, beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 35) The Break NYC LLC, dba The Break, 41 Norman Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 36) The Wandering Barman LLC, 315 Meserole Street, Suite A-2, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, bar/music)
- 37) TLP Brooklyn LLC, dba IOLO, 485 Lorimer Street, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 38) Tomo Japanese Restaurant Inc., 1077 Flushing Avenue, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 39) Tomo Japanese Restaurant Inc., 1077 Flushing Avenue, (Class Change, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 40) TStreet LLC, dba DBA, 279 Grand Street, (New/transfer, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar)
- 41) UME Sushi LLC, dba UME, 237 Kent Avenue, (Alteration, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 42) Valentina Restaurant Corp., dba Dough Vale NYC, 330 S 3rd Street, (New, wine, beer, cider, rest/pizzeria)

- 43) Vital East LLC. d/b/a Vital Climbing Gym, 1 Nassau Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 44) Williamsburg Adventure Bar LLC, dba Adventure Café or other name to be determined, 56 N 9th Street, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 45) Win Star Foods LLC, dba Win Son Bakery, 164 Graham Avenue, (Alteration, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)

RENEWAL

- 1) 4th Ave Operating Company Inc, dba East River, 97 South 6 Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, tavern)
- 51 Kent Café Inc., dba Kent Ale Café Inc., 51 Kent Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 3) 80 Wythe LLC & JNF LLC, dba Wythe Hotel, 80 Wythe Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, hotel/rest)
- 4) 89 Conselyea Realty LLC, dba Destefano's Dee Brooklyn Steakhouse, 89 Conselyea Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 5) 123ULLC, dba Sugarburg, 519 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/restaurant)
- 6) 3 JS Manhattan Corp, dba Pelicana Chicken, 941 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, wine/ beer, cider, rest)
- 7) 27 Pilgrims LLC, dba Donna, 27 Broadway, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 8) 260 Meserole Rest Corp, dba 3 Dollar Bill, 260 Meserole Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 9) 664 Driggs Avenue LLC, dba Woodhull Winebar, 644 Driggs Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 10) 664 Manhattan LLC, dba Cherry Point, 664 Manhattan Avenue (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, & cider, rest)
- 11) 659 Grand Street Inc., dba Second Chance Saloon, 659 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 12) 704 Los Primos Rest Corp, 704 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 13) Angelvan Corp, dba L Ange Noir Cafe, 247 Varet Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 14) Baoberg Inc., dba Baoburg, 614 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 15) Biba of New York Inc, dba Biba, 110 Kent Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 16) Brooke Costello-Redtable Catering Inc., dba Thompson Brooke, 631 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, rest)
- 17) Brooklyn Barge Restaurant Group, LLC, dba Brooklyn Barge Bar, 75–91 West Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 18) Caribbean Sports Car & Grill Inc, dba S/A, 244 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, tavern)
- 19) Chavin Group INC, dba Chimu Bistro, 482 Union Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

- 20) Commonwealth Hospitality LLC, dba Butler, 95 South 5th Street, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 21) CPM Manhattan LLC, dba Ceremony, 224 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, bar)
- 22) Cup of Nachos LLC, dba OXONOCO, 128 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 23) Days of Joy Inc., dba Night of Joy, 667 675 677 Lorimer Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 24) DDT Williamsburg Corp, dba Bia Bar & Grill, 67 South 6th Street, (Renewal, liquor wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 25) DJJM Group LLC, dba Two Boots Williamsburg, 558 Driggs Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, pizzeria)
- 26) D & J Grocery Corp, 927 Grand Street, (Renewal, beer/cider, rest)
- 27) DM Hope Alliance Inc., dba De Mole, 2 Hope Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 28) Dow Young Group Inc., dba The Commodore, 366 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 29) Don Pancho Villa Restaurant LTD, 189 Boriquen Place, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 30) Ella Hospitality LLC, dba Meadowsweet, 149 Broadway (liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 31) Eris Evolution LLC, 167 Graham Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 32) Fly Trap Productions Inc., dba Zablozki's, 107 North 6th Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 33) Graham Central Café LTD, 442 Graham Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 34) Greenpoint Truck Stop Inc., 278 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, beer, cider, gas station)
- 35) Habanero Cafe Mexican Grill INC, 715 Flushing Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 36) Haku Ten Inc., dba Amami Sushi, 57 Nassau Avenue, Store 2, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 37) Jemanya Corp., dba Favela, 57 South 5th Street aka 404 Wythe Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 38) Kanahashi Inc, dba Kanashashi, 981 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 39) KNR Partners LLC, dba Bushniwa, 250 Varet Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 40) La Locanda Inc., 432 Graham Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 41) La Nortena Rest No. 2 Corp, 255 A Graham Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 42) Media 5 Co. LLC, dba Northern Bell, 612 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 43) Mendenhall LLC, dba Lady Jay's, 633 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 44) Minami Lounge Inc., dba Minami Sushi & Bar, 299 South 4th Street, Store 1 & 2, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 45) Minicar LLC, dba Nuovo Fiore Restaurant, 284 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 46) Minny LLC, dba Mahji, 617 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

- 47) MLBK LLC, dba Modern Love, 317 Union Avenue, (Renewal, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 48) Nassau Kyoto Japanese Sushi Inc., dba Kyoto Sushi, 161 Nassau Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 49) Neer Corp., dba Demi Monde, 257 Varet Street, (Renewal, wine/beer/cider, rest)
- 50) New Mon Sang Rest Corp, dba New Apolo Restaurant, 508 Grand Street, (Renewal, Liquor, wine/beer & cider, rest)
- 51) Newtown BK LLC, dba Newtown, 55 Waterbury Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 52) Niran Restaurant Corp., dba Thai Cafe, 925 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 53) NYSF Ventures LLC, dba Horses and Divorces, 285 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 54) Onysgrand Corp, dba MCondo502, 502 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider)
- 55) OX Collar LLC, dba Goldies, 195 Nassau Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, tavern)
- 56) Point Green Cafe INC, dba Le Gamin, 108 Franklin Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 57) Que Bonita Inc., dba The Narrows, 1037 Flushing Avenue (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 58) Raheny Tavern Corp., dba Connie O's Pub, 158 Norman Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/pub)
- 59) Samurai Papa Inc., 32 Varet Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 60) Stella Mae Brooklyn LLC, dba Rocka Rolla, 486 Metropolitan Avenue (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 61) Superb Brooklyn, dba Extra Fancy, 302 Metropolitan Avenue. (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 62) Tabemen Inc., dba Wanpaku, 621 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 63) The Paper Box Music & Art Inc., dba Paper Box, 17 Meadow Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, Music Venue and Arts Shows)
- 64) Traif LLC, dba Traif 229 South 4th Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest)
- 65) Xixa LLC, dba Xixa, 241 South 4th Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 66) XXXVII Inc, dba Hudson Restaurant, 340 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, wine, beer, rest)
- 67) Uncle Thein Hospitality LLC, dba DI An DI, 68 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, liquor wine/beer, cider, rest)

It was noted that comments can be forwarded to the CB#1's board office.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

OPENING THE BOARD MEETING

Second Vice Chairperson Ms. Teague asked for a motion to open the board meeting. Ms. Viera made a motion to open the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bachorowski.

ROLL CALL

Second Vice Chairperson Ms. Teague requested District Manager Mr. Esposito to call the roll. District Manager Mr. Esposito announced that there were 29 members answering the call, a sufficient number for a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Kaminski made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres. The motion was carried. There were 31 members voting approval. Chairperson Fuller thanked all for their patience.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested a vote on the minutes of the Board Meeting. Ms. Viera made a motion to approve the minutes of June 24, 2020 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caponegro and carried. The roll call vote was: 29 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 1 "ABSTENTION" (Needelman); 0 "RECUSALS".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>By-Laws Committee Report</u> – Ms. Foster, committee chair, presented a written report. The committee met via WEBEX on August and she read the report. The previous report was withdrawn by the committee. Ms. Peterson and Ms. McKeever had withdrawn their proposals. The committee discussed how the members could vote in a virtual setting. New electronic technology is being used, and voting needed changes to not use paper ballots. This would be voting by voice. Other changes were discussed, but these would have to be sent to Chairperson Fuller to review and referred to the By Laws Committee. This is the process and procedure. Ms. Foster completed the report. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked if there were any questions. None were raised at this time and a vote was called. A motion was made by Mr. Needelman to accept the committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bachorowski. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was carried. The roll call vote was: 26 "YES"; 2 "NO" (D'Amato; Kuonen); 2 "ABSTENTIONS" (Elkins; Miceli); 0 "RECUSALS".

Land Use Committee Report – Ms. Teague presented a written report. The report contained two items requiring a vote. The recommendations were being made by the committee members who were present at the meeting. Since there wasn't a quorum attained at the committee's meeting, Ms. Teague, as the committee's chair, brought the recommendations to the body. She made a motion to support the written report and the two recommendations. It was taken as a package. (1.) calling for approval of the application; and (2.) the issuance of a letter to the various agencies about improving the process of informing the community board early on about these types of applications (i.e. subject to a 45-day review/comment period). The motion was under discussion. Mr. Chesler made a friendly amendment regarding the application for 420 Kent Avenue, that the developer is to consider additional foliage in the planting area. Ms. Teague accepted the friendly amendment and requested a vote. The report was presented as a package for a vote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caponegro. The motion was carried.

The roll call vote was: 23 "YES"; 6 "NO" (Burrows; D'Amato; Drinkwater; Elkins; Kuonen; Miceli); 1"ABSTENTIONS" (Foster); 0 "RECUSALS".

Environmental Protection Committee Report – Mr. Chesler, Environmental Protection Committee co-chair, presented on a written report that was submitted by Ms. McKeever, the committee's chair. No vote was required. The report discussed the presentations that the committee had received. One presentation was about a NYS DEC cleanup project at 33 Berry Street. The other was from the grass roots group, Sane Energy, and its effort regarding environmental issues and natural gas transmission. There is concern about the issuing of permits for transmission of the natural gas and opposition is being raised. Mr. Chesler noted that the committee will prepare a letter that would go out to the City and State. Ms. Peterson complimented Mr. Chesler on the report. Mr. Chesler said that they were drafting a letter regarding the DEC cleanup project. It was related that the tenants were not notified.

<u>SLA Review & DCA Committee Report</u> – Mr. Burrows, Committee Chair, asked all to print out the agenda and read the list of liquor licenses. There were 45 new and 67 renewals licenses. He said some were closed because of COVID-19. He asked all to go through the list. He is working with the committee to figure out how to conduct the review. He asked all to look at the list and provide comments.

Transportation Committee Report – Mr. Bruzaitis discussed the Transportation Committee's report. He had emailed about one item that needed a vote. Chairperson Fuller related that she did not get the email that he wanted to speak. Mr. Bruzaitis said that he would be brief. The committee did not meet this summer but had taken up an item regarding 200 Kent Avenue back in February 2020. This item was regarding Trader Joe's, a tenant moving into the new building. The committee had made an approval based on three conditions. A letter was received from Sam Schwarz, the consultant for the building owner responding to the stipulated conditions. The request was to change the direction of River Street to allow trucks to access the building. These conditions involved safety measures (stop control, dedicated traffic light, size/length of the truck trailers). DOT would have to determine the warrants for the signals and signage. DOT would have to study the location. He related that he would like to make a recommendation to approve the change of direction of River Street as proposed. DOT would have to start the process do a study of the location. If the study does not meet the requirements, there is commitment that they repeat it in the future. Ms. Teague made a motion to support the committee's report and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caponegro. The roll call vote was as follows: 30 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 1 "ABSTENTION" (Miceli); 0 "RECUSALS". The motion was carried.

Mr. Bruzaitis related that the Transportation Committee was having a meeting on September 17, 2020. He noted that on the agenda was an Open Street application for Broadway Stages. There are some other items that may be added to the agenda.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller reminded committee chairs to advise that they want to give a report.

Ms. Peterson spoke about honoring people and organizations that have gone above and beyond in efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic. |She asked for names to be submitted to the Women's Issues Committee so that they can be named at the next meeting. She highlighted the work of senior centers, food distribution groups, businesses and people who have contributed various services and support. They have been working to mitigate the COVID 19 virus and make a difference. She read some of the names and will be adding to the list. She said that it was important provide recognition. She said that she wants to provide a comprehensive list at the future meeting. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked to add CB#1 to the list.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller

PARKS DEPARTMENT MINUTE

Ms. Mary Salig, North Brooklyn Parks Manager, submitted a written report that was distributed for review.

PUBLIC SESSION

(Reserved for the Public's expression. Board Members will not be allowed to speak.) All persons who wish to speak during this portion of the meeting must register by sending an email to Community Board No. 1 at: BK01@cb.nyc.gov. Each scheduled participant for this session will have an allowance of two (2) minutes [time permitting.] (No questions will be entertained. Speakers are requested to submit their testimony in writing)

Mr. Cohen submitted written testimony regarding the Open Streets Program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ELECTED OFFICIALS – Called in the order of signup.

Council Member Stephen Levin spoke and provided an update on the budget. He said that he did not see the Public Service Commission voting on the National Grid item yet. The preliminary budget from January does not reflect the impacts from COVID-19. He noted that the City did not receive borrowing power and there is little help from the Federal Government. They did not want to cut workers or do lay-offs. However, lay-offs are still being considered. No money is seen from the government. They did have to make cuts to DSNY services, NYPD, and have a hiring freeze. They are working on trying to keep overtime costs. Police hiring is cut back with fewer classes to come in the upcoming year. Hard decisions have to be made. It is a no-win situation. The discretionary funding for community boards was cut.

Mr. Ed Cerna, from the Mayor's Office, provided his compliments to the Board's Office. He provided some updates regarding the COVID-19 virus. He noted that persons need to be careful when coming to NYC from areas where there are COVID-19 outbreaks. They will need to isolate for 14 days. He provided some updates about schools openings and testing availability.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked for the elected officials to let her know that they want to speak at the meeting by sending an email. She also noted that people who want to speak during public session must also provide prior notice via email.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was raised

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Chesler asked about the by-laws proposals. Ms. Foster said that by-law changes made tonight did not specify a date for the nominations and elections. The by-laws currently state May nominations and June elections. These dates have passed. The members discussed the matter. Ms. Foster said that she would like the committee to sit down and discuss this. It was noted that the by-laws would have to reflect the changes. It was noted that a "Special Election" is only for when there is a declared vacancy. The Executive Committee is still seated.

Second Vice Chairperson Ms. Teague chaired the meeting at this point. The matter of the bylaws and nominations/elections was further discussed by the members. A date is needed for the committee to meet. Nominations can't be held in October as the by-laws call for them in May. The original by-laws will have to be changed. A date for the committee to meet has to be determined where there is no conflict. September 24, 2020 at 5PM may be a possibility. The next board meeting is October 13, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Second Vice Chairperson Ms. Teague asked for a motion to close the meeting. Ms. Iglesias made motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vega. The motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kanie Bueno Hallin

Marie Bueno Wallin Assistant District Manager

Reviewed by:

Sonia Iglesias Recording Secretary

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1. ROLL CALL TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING

2. BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - BOARD MEETING 6-24-2020

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BY LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT 9-8-2020

PROPOSAL-TO AMEND THE BY LAWS TO ALLOW USE OF NEW ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY. IN THE ANNUAL ELECTIONS, THE USE OF PAPER BALLOTS SHOULD BE DELETED AND REPLACED TO ALLOW ELECTIONS TO BE CONDUCTED DURING THE VIDEO/TELE-CONFERENCING OF MEETINGS. TO DELETE THE USE OF PAPER BALLOTS AND IMPLEMENT VOICE VOTES (VIVA VOCE) IN VOTING ELECTRONICALLY.

BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: 8/8/20 Yes NO ABS YES, NO ABS WILLIAM KLAGSBALD GINA ARGENTO RYAN KUONEN **BOGDAN BACHOROWSKI** YOEL LANDAU LISA BAMONTE **GINA BARROS** MARIE LEANZA **TEON BROOKS** ABRAHAM LEBOVITS YOEL LOW ERIC BRUZAITIS THOMAS J. BURROWS TRINA McKEEVER **IRIS CABRERA** SANTE MICELI PHILIP CAPONEGRO TOBY MOSKOVITS FRANK CARBONE MARTIN NEEDELMAN ØDD **RABBI DAVID NIEDERMAN** STEPHEN CHESLER KAREN NIEVES MICHAEL CHIRICHELLA MARY ODOMIROK THERESA CIANCIOTTA **GIOVANNI D'AMATO** JANICE PETERSON d D D ERIN DRINKWATER DANA RACHLIN ARTHUR DYBANOWSKI ISAAC SOFER **ROBERT SOLANO** T. WILLIS ELKINS JAMES STUART JULIA AMANDA FOSTER DEALICE FULLER DEL TEAGUE JOEL GOLDSTEIN TOMMY TORRES ГП П WILLIAM VEGA JOEL GROSS MARIA VIERA SONIA IGLESIAS STEPHEN WEIDBERG MOISHE INDIG SIMON WEISER BOZENA KAMINSKI AVROM KATZ

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LAND USE, ULURP & LANDMARKS (subcommittee) COMMITTEE REPORT - TWO ITEMS VOTED ON:

(1.) NYC DEPT OF CITY PLANNING - Application Nos. N 210057 ZAK and N 210058 ZAK, 416-420 Kent Avenue, Block 2128, Lot 5 and Block 2134, Lot 56, R7-3, R7-3/C2-4 and C4-3 Districts, Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1 - Recommend approval of both applications and applicant is to address additional planting. (2.) LETTER - Recommend that the Board send a letter to our city and state agencies, especially CPC and DEC, asking that in the future they apprise us of any suggested or required changes an applicant is being told to make on a development which the Board previously approved. DATE: <u>9/8/2</u>0

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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT 9-8-2020 APPROVAL - 200 Kent Avenue/River Street Direction Change (Trader Joe's) with conditions.

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September 8, 2020

LAND USE, ULURP & LANDMARKS [SUBCOMMITTEE] COMMITTEE REPORT

TO:	Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB#1 Board Members
FROM:	Del Teague, Committee Chair
RE:	Committee Report Meeting held on September 3, 2020

The Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks [subcommittee] Committee met via WEBEX on Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 6:30 PM. It was a committee held public hearing with the committee meeting afterwards to deliberate.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Teague; Weiser; Chesler; Drinkwater; Lebovits; McKeever; Miceli; Sofer; Solano; Vega.

Absent: Viera; Barros; Indig; Kaminski; Katz; Rabbi Niederman; Nieves; Weidberg; Berger*; Li* (* non board member)

A quorum was not present (there are 20 members on the committee).

PRESENTATION: NYC DEPT OF CITY PLANNING - Application Nos. N 210057 ZAK and N 210058 ZAK, 416-420 Kent Avenue, Block 2128, Lot 5 and Block 2134, Lot 56, R7-3,

R7-3/C2-4 and C4-3 Districts, Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1 (Presentation by Applicant's Representative/Richard Lobel).

1.<u>N 210057 ZAK</u> - an application for the grant of an authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(a)(2) of the Zoning Resolution to modify the location, area and minimum dimension (Shore Public Walkway) and, in conjunction therewith, Section 62-332 (Rear yards and waterfront yards)

2. <u>N 210058 ZAK</u> - an application for the grant of an authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(b) of the Zoning Resolution to modify the planting and screening requirements of Section 62-60 (DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR WATERFRONT PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS); in connection with a proposed mixed-use development on property at the above referenced location.

-1- A public hearing followed by a committee meeting was held on September 3, 2020. There were 7 members of the land use committee present. A quorum was not present.

The applicant was seeking comments from the public, the committee, and the full board regarding the above two applications which are not subject to a ULURP review, but which will be considered by the Department of City Planning (CPC). The first part of the application seeks to modify the plans already approved by the Board in 2018 with respect to the location, area, and dimensions of the Shore Public Walkway, and rear and waterfront yards in this mixed use development that has already been in use by residents and an on-site restaurant. The committee members expressed concern that the applicant was first coming to the community for comments now after completion of the modifications. The applicant explained that the modifications were all made in response to requirements by DEC with respect to the bulkhead, and the Fire Department with respect to an increase in required access for emergency vehicles. The applicant acknowledged the validity of the committee's desire to be notified by CPC, DEC, and any other city or state agencies when an applicant was being asked or told to modify plans that the Board had previously approved. The applicant also acknowledged that having to come to us for approval after-the-fact put it in a difficult position.

In sum, the applicant reminded us that the development was providing more than 6,621 square feet of public access area than was required. There are 857 residential units, 187 affordable. The applicant had originally planned to demolish the failing bulkhead, but DEC preferred that it be kept and capped in order to avoid erosion and river contamination. This change in the plan required an encroachment into the water-front cove resulting in a decrease of 14 inches in public access and in planting area. An additional planting area was decreased from 768 sq. feet to 671 sq. feet to comply with the Fire Department's access requirement. Plantings in an upland area were decreased marginally to comply with the suggestion by DCP for an increase in area to accommodate public access and active use.

Aside from the concern that the board had not been kept apprised of the need for the modifications, there were only positive comments on the ultimate outcome of the site.

-2- The applicant also seeks authorization to modify the grass area that was originally thought to be appropriate for use as a passive lawn. The Parks Department and CPC recommend that the grass be replaced with stabilized gravel and additional seating, because it has proven to be situated so that the public uses it as an active space, a pass thru, and an area for dog walking. The applicant installed an irrigation system and signage in an effort to maintain the grass as a passive lawn. However, the applicant stated that the active use and dog excretions have made maintaining an attractive lawn untenable. The applicant also seeks a waiver of a required screening buffer to allow for outdoor dining and a better pedestrian experience.

<u>Recommendation</u>: -a- Mr. Solano made a motion to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chesler. The members present voted to approve both parts of the application. The vote was 6 Yes (Teague, Solano, Chesler, Drinkwater, Sofer, Weiser); 1 No (Miceli); 0 Abstentions; 0 Recusals.

-b- The committee members also voted unanimously to recommend that the Board send a letter to our city and state agencies, especially CPC and DEC, asking that in the future they apprise us of any suggested or required changes an applicant is being told to make on a development which the Board previously approved. The Board should not be seen as a bit of annoying "housekeeping" to be tidied up in order to bring an application to a close. Nor should a developer be put in the position of having to come back after-the-fact to the board hat in hand, so to speak, to ask for our comments.



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September 8, 2020

BY LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB#1 Board Members
FROM: Julia A. Foster, Committee Chair Sonia Iglesias, Committee Co-Chair
RE: Committee Report from the committee meeting held on August 12, 2020.

The By-Laws Committee met via WEBEX on the evening of Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 6:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT- Foster (Committee Chair); Iglesias Co-Chair); Chesler; Needelman; Peterson; Vega. ABSENT – Rabbi Niederman; Goldstein. (A quorum was achieved) Also attending the meeting were board members: Ms. McKeever, Ms. Viera and Ms. Cabrera.

As Chair of the By Laws Committee, Ms. Foster officially rescinds the report. Both proposals that were made to the committee were withdrawn.

The By-Laws committee members had an open discussion prior to the meeting being called to order. Ms. Iglesias held the discussion. After resolving a computer issue. Ms. Foster soon joined the meeting.

(1.) <u>Roll Call</u> – A roll call was conducted in order to open the meeting. There were 5 members present and met a quorum.

- (2.) <u>Report Referred Back to the By Laws Committee</u> At the CB#1 Board held on June 24, 2020, the committee's report was tabled and Chairperson Ms. Fuller sent it back to the committee. Ms. Foster, as chair of the committee, officially rescinded the report. Both proposals that were made to the committee were withdrawn. Mr. Chesler made a motion to withdraw the report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Peterson. The members voted to withdraw the report. The committee's vote was as follows:
 5 "YES" (Iglesias, Chesler, Needleman, Peterson, Vega.) 0 "NO"; 1 "ABSTENTIONS"
 - (Foster)"; 0 "RECUSALS".
- (3.) <u>Discussion on "Voice Votes</u>" Although the proposals submitted by Ms. Peterson and Ms. McKeever were each individually withdrawn, there was still one item that came to the committee regarding voting by "voice" instead of by paper ballot.

Retention of this one item addresses how members would be able vote in a virtual setting.

In this time of the COVID-19 Pandemic, where in person meetings cannot be held, such a proposal is seen as an essential change. It is necessary for the community board to move forward, and also for it be in compliance with legal guidance. This point, to modify the Brooklyn CB#1's By Laws to use of "voice" in place of paper ballots, is highly recommended.

(4.) <u>Proposal To Go Forward</u> - The committee members agreed that such a proposal should be re-introduced for the board members' consideration. It is important that a vote on the proposal is carried out at Board Meeting scheduled for the September 8, 2020.

PROPOSAL:

The By-Laws should further be amended to allow use of "new" electronic technology. In the Annual Elections, the use of paper ballots is indicated. This should be deleted and replaced to allow elections to be conducted during video/tele-conferencing of meetings.

X. VOTING

C. ALL ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD SHALL BE MADE BY OPEN VOTE. A RECORD OF THE POSITION TAKEN BY EACH MEMBER SHALL BE MADE BY OPEN VOTE. A RECORD OF THE POSITION TAKEN BY EACH MEMBER SHALL BE RECORDED AND MAINTAINED IN THE BOARD'S OFFICIAL FILES, AND SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION. THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE SHALL RECOMMEND THE APPROPRIATE MECHANISM THROUGH WHICH THIS PROVISION SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED ON VOICE VOTES (VIVA VOCE), OR A VOTE BY A "SHOW OF HAND," THE SECRETARY SHALL NOTE ALL "NEGATIVE" VOTES AND ABSTENTION VOTES IN THE MEETING MINUTES. UNDER THE ELECTIONS SECTION -

PROPOSAL: DELETE THE USE OF PAPER BALLOTS AND IMPLEMENT THE USE OF VOICE VOTES (VIVA VOCE) ELECTRONICALLY. DELETE THE SECTION CROSSED OUT AND ADD THE TEXT THAT IS UNDERLINED.

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

C. ELECTIONS

5. ELECTIONS SHALL BE CONDUCTED BY [PAPER BALLOT(S) THAT ARE SIGNED BY EACH VOTING MEMBER. THOSE BALLOTS THAT ARE NOT SIGNED SHALL NOT BE TABULATED.] [ELECTRONIC VOTING AND HELD DURING A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD DESIGNATED FOR ELECTIONS. EACH PRESENT MEMBER SHALL CAST A VOTE FOR A DECLARED CANDIDATE BY THE USE OF A VOICE VOTE (VIVA VOCE)].

Mr. Chesler made a motion to submit the above proposal for the By-Law change for the board members to consider. The motion was seconded by Ms. Iglesias. The motion was unanimously carried.

The vote of the Committee was as follows: 6 "YES" (Foster, Iglesias, Chesler, Needelman, Peterson, Vega.) 0 "NO" 0 "ABSTENTIONS" 0 "RECUSALS"

(5.) <u>Open Discussion</u> - There was further discussion amongst the committee members on possible proposals for future By-Laws changes.

Mr. Chesler spoke about a possible change for the By Laws regarding elections. It was noted that any proposal(s) would need to be formally introduced to the board's Chairperson. The Chairperson would then properly refer it to the By Laws committee for its review and recommendation. Mr. Chesler made a motion that this proposal for the By-Law change is to be submitted to Chairperson Ms. Fuller. The motion was seconded by Ms. Iglesias. The motion was unanimously carried.

The vote of the Committee was as follows: 6 "YES" (Foster, Iglesias, Chesler, Needelman, Peterson, Vega.) 0 "NO" 0 "ABSTENTIONS" 0 "RECUSALS"

Mr. Chesler related that he would make the proposal and send it to the Chairperson Fuller.

(6.) <u>Adjournment</u> – Ms. Chesler made a motion to close the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vega. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Post note:

Subsequent to the By-Laws committee meeting, Mr. Chesler sent an email, shown below: August 13, 2020

Dear Chairperson Fuller,

In light of the disruption caused by the coronavirus pandemic to the board's election schedule stipulated in the board's bylaws, I am submitting a proposal to amend the board bylaws related to the terms of officers and attendance committee members. Please see the proposed text below for your review. This amendment will allow for the extension of those terms in the event that elections are unable to be held in adherence to the timeline stipulated in the board bylaws, until elections are held.

It should be noted that both Jan Petersen and Trina McKeever withdrew their original amendment proposals that included modifications to text related to officers terms, at last night's meeting (8/12/20) of the By-Laws Committee. Additionally, the committee voted to withdraw its committee report from the June 4th, 2020 meeting except for one provision related to elections.

The proposal amendment is as follows:

V. ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

C. ELECTIONS

9. THE TERMS OF ALL OFFICERS ELECTED AT THE BOARD'S ELECTION MEETING SHALL COMMENCE ON JULY 1ST OF THAT YEAR, AND EXPIRE ON JUNE 30TH OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR; <u>HOWEVER, IN THE EVENT THAT ELECTIONS</u> <u>CANNOT BE HELD ACCORDING TO THE</u> <u>SCHEDULE OUTLINED IN THE BY-LAWS AND IN ORDER TO PROVIDE CONTINUITY, BOARD OFFICER AND ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE TERMS SHALL BE EXTENDED UNTIL ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD.</u>

Please forward this proposal to the By-Laws Committee for consideration subsequent to your review.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Steve Chesler CB #1 Board Member

JAF/SI/mbw Attachments



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September 8, 2020

COMMITTEE REPORT CB1 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

- TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB#1 Board MembersFROM: Trina McKeever, Committee Chair
- RE: Environmental Protection Committee Meeting Held on August 11, 2020

The Environmental Protection Committee met on August 11, 2020 at 6:30 PM via WEBEX.

ATTENDANCE:

Present - S. Chesler, T. W. Elkins, L. Hofmann* Absent - T. McKeever, E. Bruzaitis, W. Klagsbald, Y. Low, J. Peterson, K. Costa* (*non-board member) Additional board members present: T. Brooks, M. Needleman A quorum was not achieved. There were no voting items.

Item #1 -Presentation - 34 Berry Street Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP C224268) By Jane H. O'Connell, P.G., Regional Remediation Engineer, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

The board receives contamination cleanup program notices from DEC on a regular basis. What is unique about this property is a residential building was erected and has been occupied by tenants for 10 years during remediation. This prompted our committee to request DEC come to present about and discuss this site. The presentation file is attached to this report.

Presentation summary:

The parties involved with the program are NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, NYS Department of Health, Property Owners (34 Berry Street, LLC) and engineering consultant AKRF, Inc. Links to pertinent documents and data, and location of document repositories, are provided in the presentation.

Between December 2017 and August 2019 cleanup program process steps that have been completed: application submission and public commenting, cleanup agreement execution, Remedial Investigation Work Plan, Remedial Investigation Field Work, and Interim Remedial Measures. Additional soil sampling commenced the week of August 10, 2020. Proposal for a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) is ongoing. The public comment period for the RAWP proposal ended August 22, 2020. RAWP approval, Decision Document issuance, remedy implementation and remedy monitoring are future steps.

The .83 acres site contains a 7-story L-shaped building fronting Berry Street and N 12th Street. It contains a basement level parking garage. For 74 years the property was used for quinine and chemical manufacturing. Subsequently the site was used for freight loading, warehouse, truck repair, forklift sales and service, and a parking lot.

In 2008 while developing the current building, petroleum tanks were discovered. Remediation measures were taken from 2009-2017. In 2017 chlorinated solvent 1,2-DCA (1,2-Dichloroethane) contamination was discovered in soil and groundwater, and further extent of the petroleum LNAPL (light non-aqueous phase liquid) plume. Subsequently, the property owner submitted a Brownfield Cleanup Program application. The Interim Remediation Measure involved upgrading and replacing the existing LNAPL recovery system. The Proposed Remedy involves maintaining the existing site cover, enhanced recovery with groundwater circulation, enhanced bioremediation and natural attenuation to remediate 1,2-DCA; post-remediation groundwater monitoring; Institutional and engineering: and convert existing passive SSDS to active if bioremediation results in increased soil vapor generation.

The petroleum plume remediation area exists in two distinct corner areas of the site. The solvent plume is one contiguous extent estimated to cover around half the property and extend under Berry Street. There are over two-dozen monitoring well onsite and offsite. The basement slab of the parking garage contains four injections wells and three extraction wells.

Next steps: Decision Document issued and RAWP approval expected in September 2020. IRM is ongoing; will be documented in the Final Engineering Report. Remedial Construction timeline to be determined.

Questions & Answers:

Steve Chesler: How was the solvent contamination not discovered prior to construction? Jane O'Connell: DEC only requires testing for petroleum.

Steve Chesler: How will residents be affected by the remediation? Is there a threat of vapor intrusion?

Jane O'Connell: The basement slab provides a protective cover. Vapor intrusion is not a threat.

Steve Chesler: Is there air monitoring? Jane O'Connell: In the parking garage only. Not in the residential areas.

Willis Elkins: Behooved that there will be no monitoring in the residential areas. Are the tenants aware of what's going on?

Jane O'Connell: Property owner is required to inform the tenants. DEC sent the BCP notice to residents.

Willis Elkins: Seems absurd that tenants are paying exorbitant rents and the owner is receiving tax credits for the cleanup program.

Steve Chesler: The BCP notice was posted to local Facebook group. A woman posted that she lived in the building for six years. Afterwards her son developed cancer. Laura Hofmann: A health study should be performed.

Brooklyn Paper reporter Kevin Duggan attended the meeting. On August 13th, coverage of the issue appeared in the paper: <u>https://www.brooklynpaper.com/34-berry-toxic-soil-williamsburg/</u>

Item #2 – Update on National Grid North Brooklyn Pipeline Expansion and Rate Case By Kim Fraczek and Lee Ziesche, Sane Energy

The full presentation file is attached.

Summary: National Grid (NG) is in the process of completing construction on phase 4 out of 5 in Bushwick this Fall (2020) of their Metropolitan Resiliency Infrastructure project (MRI) involving installation of a 30' gas distribution line. The full path of the line will span from Brownsville to Greenpoint. Phase 5 will traverse from Bushwick to eastern Greenpoint. Sane Energy points out that this line will connect to a liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal on Newtown Creek in Greenpoint which National Grid is planning to upgrade and add compress natural gas (CNG) capabilities. The plans also include trucked distribution of LNG. Tanked LNG is extremely volatile and dangerous and requires special permitting from New York City which NG has not obtained.

Currently, National Grid has applied for rate case that will increase customer rates to generate \$185 million in income to fund phases 4 and 5 of the MRI. Thousands of comments and hundreds of virtual testimony from opponents of the rate the case and the MRI in general were submitted to the NYS Public Service Commission who will decide on the rate case.

The core reasons expressed against the project and rate case are: No Public Outreach. National Grid did not get consent or alert the public before construction; Environmental Racism. The pipeline is being built through predominantly Black and brown and low income communities who historically have had to bear the burden of pollutive projects; Unjust Rate Hikes. Proposed \$185 million rate increase total that we would have to pay to build this pipeline in the middle of a pandemic and a recession PLUS an additional \$77 million for LNG expansion. The gas may be used to bring in LNG Trucking, currently illegal on NYC streets: National Grid has applied to NYC to make a variance in our law to make LNG trucking legal for their project. A dangerous request just so they can use Greenpoint to truck to Long Island and MA. We have to deal with

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In June National Grid 'offered' a "re-settlement" claiming COVID-19 concerns, but they are just looking for more time to re-shuffle.

The resistance to the rate case has grown from Sane Energy into a coalition including: Newtown Creek Alliance, Sixth St Community Center, NO NBK Pipeline Coalition Alliance for a Green, AARP & PULP.

The presentation file includes ways to take action and get involved such as calling and writing stakeholders and how to contact Sane Energy and to get/stay informed.

Sane Energy asked if the Community Board could draft another letter advocating against the rate case and MRI. The board submitted a letter to stakeholders last February. The committee will draft a letter to send to Mayor de Blasio. It will be decided upon by the committee as its next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.



Department of Environmental Conservation

34 Berry Street BCP C224268

Presentation to Brooklyn Community Board #1 Environmental Protection Committee

August 11, 2020

Meeting Summary

- Involved Parties
- Citizen Participation Program
- Brownfield Cleanup Program Overview
- Brief Site History
- Environmental Findings
- Additional Environmental Sampling
- Summary of Proposed Remedial Action
- Questions / Comments



Brownfield Cleanup Program Involved Parties

- Environmental Regulation
 - New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
- Public Health Regulation
 - New York State Department of Health (DOH)
- Remedial Parties / Property Owners
 - 34 Berry Street, LLC
- Engineering Consultant AKRF, Inc.



Citizen Participation Program

- To receive future Fact Sheets
 - Sign up for email notice through DEC Delivers:
 www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html
 - Or search on DEC's website for "DEC Delivers"
 - Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <u>www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224268/</u>



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Document Repositories

- Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 435 Graham Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211
- Brooklyn Public Library Leonard Branch 81 Devoe Street Brooklyn, NY 11211



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Brownfield Cleanup Program Process

- Application
 - Public comment period 12/13/17 to 1/12/18
 - COMPLETED
- **Execute Brownfield Cleanup Agreement COMPLETED 3/20/18**
- **Remedial Investigation Work Plan** ightarrow
 - Submitted with BCP Application
 - Public comment period 12/13/17 to 1/12/18
 - COMPLETED/APPROVED 10/4/18
- **Remedial Investigation Field Work**

 - Collect necessary data; define problem Additional soil sampling to proceed this week; initial fieldwork completed 8/19
- **Interim Remedial Measures**
 - Upgrade existing oil recovery system COMPLETED 6/2019
- Propose Remedy (Remedial Action Work Plan, or RAWP) ONGOING Public comment period 7/9/20 to 8/22/20 RAWP approval and Decision Document issuance
- Implement Remedy
- Monitor Remedy



Site Description

- 36,472 square ft (0.83 acres) footprint located in urban neighborhood
- Tax Block 2289, Lot 14
- Seven story L-shaped building that fronts 2 streets
- Open courtyard area with adjacent small parking
- Basement level parking garage



Site Location



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Site Plan



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Site History

- 1877-1951: Quinine manufacturing facility
 included morphine, caffeine and ether storage
- 1965-2006: freight loading, warehouse, truck repair, forklift sales and service, parking lot
- 2006: All on-site buildings demolished
- 2008-2009 Construction of current site building
- February 2008: Owner reports a spill to NYSDEC based on findings of contamination related to petroleum storage tanks uncovered during development activities
- Under the NYSDEC Spill program, excavation and remediation of tank contamination began.



Site History (cont'd.)

- 2009-2017: Owner continues to implement remedial actions related to the petroleum contamination under NYSDEC Spills program, including:
 - Excavation and disposal of contaminated soil, installation of a petroleum recovery system, vapor barrier, ventilation system for the basement level garage, and a passive subslab depressurization system
- 2017: Based on findings of chlorinated solvent contamination in groundwater unrelated to the petroleum, owner applies to NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP)



BCP Investigation History

- October 2018 through August 2019 Remedial Investigation
 - Delineated areal and vertical extent of petroleum contamination in soil and groundwater caused by petroleum LNAPL in 2 distinct zones
 - Identified possible soil source of chlorinated solvent 1,2-DCA in soil (7.9 ppm)
 - Delineated 1,2-DCA contaminant plume in groundwater
 - Results are presented in the Remedial Investigation Report





Soil analytical results





Groundwater analytical results





1,2-DCA in Groundwater



Interim Remedial Measures (IRM)

- Upgrade and refurbishment of existing LNAPL recovery system:
 - Installation of one replacement recovery well
 - Installation of 5 new pumps in existing recovery wells
 - Replacement of the entire length of piping from the wells to the treatment system
 - Upgrade of oil water separator
 - Replacement of transfer pump and piping
 - Installation of new particulate filter



Proposed Remedy

- Maintain the existing site cover, consisting of the building concrete slab and other paved or landscaped surfaces;
- Surfactant-Enhanced LNAPL recovery with groundwater recirculation;
- In-Situ Enhanced Bioremediation and Natural Attenuation to remediate 1,2-DCA;
- Post-remediation groundwater monitoring;
- Institutional and engineering controls (Easement and Site Management Plan); and
- Convert existing passive SSDS to active if bioremediation results in increased soil vapor generation.



Remediation Plan



Treatment Area Cross Section



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Project Schedule

- Decision Document issued and RAWP approval expected in September 2020
- IRM is ongoing; will be documented in the Final Engineering Report
- Remedial Construction TBD



Thank You

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Update For Community Board One Environmental Committee: August 11, 2020

RISK THEIR PRO

NORTH BROOKLYN FRACKED GAS PIPELINE

DANGER KEEP CLEAR SWING AREA

Agenda for this presentation:

- 1. When we last saw each other
- 2. Refresher/Update on the project
- 3. Timelines of Construction + Timeline of Rate Case
- 4. Action Steps





Brooklyn Community Board #1 - January 14, 2020

Remembering Fun times.



Refresher/Update on the project

Map of Nat. Grid's Pipeline

The Metropolitan Reliability Infrastructure (MRI) has been dubbed the North Brooklyn Pipeline by local residents.

It starts in Brownsville and snakes north through Bed Stuy, Bushwick, Williamsburg, and would end in Greenpoint if completed.



The Main Points: Why We Need to Shut It Down!

-No Public Outreach: National Grid did not get consent or alert the public before construction

-Environmental Racism: The pipeline is being built through predominantly Black and brown and low income communities who historically have had to bare the burden of pollutive projects

-Unjust Rate Hikes: Proposed \$185 million rate increase total that we would have to pay to build this pipeline in the middle of a pandemic and a recession PLUS an additional \$77 million for LNG expansion

-The gas may be used to bring in LNG Trucking, currently illegal on NYC streets: National Grid has applied to NYC to make a variance in our law to make LNG trucking legal for their project. A dangerous request just so they can use Greenpoint to truck to Long Island and MA. We have to deal with the impacts and pay the price without benefitting

-Dangerous: High Pressure Fracked Gas Pipelines explode and leak and National Grid has poor track records for safety inspections.

-Climate Change: It locks us further into fossil fuels when we have renewable energy solutions at hand and have no time to waste in moving to a just transition. Methane, traps up to 100 times more heat in the atmosphere than carbon dioxide within a 5 year period, and 72 times more within a 20 year period.

Current & Planned Construction

Phases 4 & 5 Proposed: \$185 million rate increase to complete the pipeline PLUS \$77million to to connect to a liquefied fracked gas (LNG) facility in Greenpoint.

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and 1-800-490-0045 for the Rockaway Paninsula

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Johnson Ave Boerum St

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and call National Grid's gas

Planned Construction

Their goal is to connect this pipeline to a massive LNG facility in Greenpoint.

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) & Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Storage & Transport Plans for North Brooklyn to points east.





\$23million to replace two old vaporizer at the Greenpoint LNG facility.

\$54million to add two NEW vaporizers to the Greenpoint LNG facility.



\$31.5million over the next 4 years to add "portable LNG capabilities at the Greenpoint site that will allow LNG delivered via truck to on-system injection points."

Planned Construction

Even if our organizing gets Phase 5 shut down, we still need to shut down the LNG proposal.



Current Construction

They also returned to Phase 1 in Brownsville Brooklyn to try and get around an old sewer line.



Basic Facts: Timelines





Regulatory: Approvals or Denials of Phase 5 in Albany





Since National Grid filed this "re-settlement" claiming COVID-19 concerns, but they are just looking for more time to re-shuffle.

Rate Case Parties HAVE GROWN! More People Power inside the settlement!

Before:

Sane Energy Project

NOW!

Sane Energy Project Newtown Creek Alliance Sixth St Community Center NO NBK Pipeline Coalition Alliance for a Green Economy + Several more Individuals

AARP PULP

Our Target(s): Who has the power to stop it



Oversees PSC

Public Service Commission

Head of the PSC + CEO of DPS

Department of Public Service

Oversees City of NY, Current party to the Rate Case

What Can I Do?



noNBKpipeline.org/petition

The last thing we need is this pipeline.

No North Brooklyn Pipeline + No Liquefied Fracked Gas + No Fracked Gas Trucks No queremos gasoducto en North Brooklyn + No queremos gas licuado fracturado + No queremos camiones de gas fracturado



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We demand NYS deny National Grid's abusive rate hike proposal. NO PUEDES PONER EL CAMBIO CLIMATICO EN CUARENTENA Exigimos que NYS rechace el abusivo aumento de tarifas de National Grid.

What Can I Do?

- 1. Another Letter from CB1?
- 2. Help us reach elected officials and other Community Boards?
- 3. Cooper Park on Sunday!
 - a. Socially distanced
 - b. Kid friendly
 - c. Teach-in
 - d. Creative element
 - e. Mudball making

Sun, Aug 16 2pm-4pm Meet @ Cooper Park fountain North BK pipeline teach-in plus a cool bioremediation project

*Optional post-event short bike ride to see where they want to build the pipeline 4pm





MUDBALL MAKING + TEACH-IN TO STOP THE NORTH BROOKLYN PIPELINE

noNBKpipeline.org

Wear a mask & respect physical-distancing for social solidarity! Kid friendly!

866-739-8818 bi-lingual CALL CUOMO

Press 2 to speak to the very nice operator and say:

"Hi! I'm calling to tell Governor Cuomo to instruct his state agencies to say NO to National Grid's rate hike for the North Brooklyn Pipeline! We say no to fossil fuels, and we want 100% renewables NOW!"



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