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COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 8, 2020

(Held Via WEBEX)

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PUBLIC HEARING

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Ms. Dealice Fuller requested District Manager Mr. Esposito to call the roll. He informed the chair that there were 25 members present, a sufficient number of members to call the public hearing to order.

BRIEFING ON 470 KENT AVENUE (AKA Certified Lumber). This is an "as of right of way" residential project that includes a public waterfront esplanade. The design of the waterfront component is currently under a review at DCP. The applicant's representative will present and is seeking any feedback from CB#1 – by Phillip Rutherford/Naftali Group, Project Leader, 470 Kent Avenue Project Team. Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested that the presentation regarding 470 Kent Avenue commence. Members of the Project Team briefed the board members on the project.

Mr. Matt Viggiano, spoke on the matter and provided a slide presentation. He was joined by other members of the team to discuss. He noted that there have been a number of changes in the landscape because of development. Once complete, this area at 470 Kent Avenue would have a residential and waterfront access. It will have an entire waterfront access. They have had a number of designers to help with the site. They have shown the various current conditions. They have been working on how to make it improved. A landscape architect discussed the site. It would meet up to the Wallabout Channel. She walked thru the Ferry point. She noted a driftwood garden, where people and handicap can wait for the Ferry. They would be out of the main path of travel. They then have a gently increase, a sloped area that reaches to Kent Avenue. There is a corridor that they could use to access, to go towards the water. Also, there is a waterplay area.

These are the major elements. There is a bicycle lane. This is the public area. The developer wanted to do something special. There is almost an amphitheater design. It has a very generous and open feeling. There was a question raised a member of the public, about why there is no direct access to the East River? It was a waterfront park. Mr. Viggiano said that this was something that they looked at, but the site is tight and there is and there is a drop of elevation. Because of the constraints of the waterfront design, they could not make it fit. The landscape architect spoke about plantings and trees that they were looking for the design. This was basically the walk through of the design. The site is very tight. They have looked at this very much. Mr. Chesler asked if they were seeking any waivers? Who would be responsible for maintenance?

Mr. Viggiano related that it was an as of right project. Mr. Elkins spoke about the area not having access for years. The plans have a wall that restricts access. Are they going to use the waterway for transportation during demolition? They are planning to develop the entire waterfront. He said that there would be continuity. The access for the demolition is not feasible at this time. Mr. Elkins said that it would add to the extra truck traffic. Mr. Weiser asked about the low income development of the plaza. Mr. Viggiano related that this was just (an application) on the waterfront access plans. Mr. Miceli raised question about the park area and the waterfront access. Why would it be impossible? He also raised questions about transportation? A barge system could be used for delivery of construction materials. A question was raised in the chat, does the protection for flood mitigation measures/resiliency; any restriction to 24 hour access? It was replied that they are building it for resiliency. They do intend to 24 have hour access. The landscape architect spoke about requirements. The current requirements to not meet what expectations are. The plan would be a legal one. Mr. Miceli related that public is concerned about the waterfront access. Ms. Naplatarski, resident, said that she had put a comment in the chat about the waterfront access. She spoke about the City guidelines. They need to be followed. These issues have been raised by the elected officials. They have sent letters about this. She spoke about a need to get together with the designers. The guidelines need to be followed. There needs to be soft step-downs. This was not acceptable. There was a question raised about flood mitigation. Would it be protection the park area and the rest of the neighborhood, not just the building? The architect spoke about the depth of the water area and that there was a design for the flood elevation. A question was raised by an attendee about where will residents' trash go? Will there be They are looking at putting the trash on Division Avenue. It was early in the design for the access on Kent Avenue.

LIQUOR LICENSES

Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted the listing and asked all to review the names.

New

My Kismet LLC, dba TBD, 130 Franklin Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern) Lavish Lifestyle Bar N Grill LLC, dba Lavish Lifestyle Bar N Grill, 369 Leonard Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

Lemons & Olives Inc., dba pending, 98 A South 4th Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, catering establishment)

Terasa North Ninth LLC, dba TBD, 145 Bedford Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

No comments were made at this time.

Renewal

274 Broadway Corp, dba Emperador Elias Rest Corp, 274 Broadway, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider)

Crabby Patty Brooklyn LLC, dba Skinny Dennis, 152 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)

Dim Sum Bar Inc. 167 Grand Street, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)

Giando on The Water Inc., 412-420 Kent Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider)

Khon Kaen Corp, dba Cheers Thai Restaurant, 568 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

Midway Bar LLC, 272 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar)

Mr. Chesler asked about the Giando on the Water Inc., he wanted to know about the addresses because they are for other buildings? They were south of Giando. Mr. Burrows said that this was what they provided on their application. It will be checked. Mr. Miceli raised concerned about a license at 99 Franklin Street. He was concerned about restaurants closing and being opened as bars. Mr. Burrows said that they are still struggling with handling the licenses. The committee will meet in December 22, 2020 and can provide comments on these items. There is an SLA Committee report for this evening. Mr. Burrows encouraged all to view the website for the notices with the licenses listed, to provide their comments and advise on other businesses going in. Chairperson Fuller noted that the public's help is important as things are happening so fast. There were no other comments raised at this time, and Chairperson Ms. Fuller moved to open the board meeting.

BOARD MEETING

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chairperson Ms. Fuller called for a moment of silence. She dedicated the moment to former Mayor's David N. Dinkins' family, to the essential workers, to families who have lost members during this pandemic. She related that we hope that everyone will be safe and follow the rules.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested a roll call to open the Board Meeting. District Manager Mr. Esposito called the roll and informed the Chair that there were 34 members present for a quorum, a sufficient number to open the board meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Caponegro made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Ms. Teague seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. The motion was carried. The vote was: 34 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Torres made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2020 combined public hearing and board meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaminski. A vote was

taken. The unanimously motion was carried. The vote was: The vote was: 34 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were members of the public who wanted to speak on the item before the Land Use committee's report. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked that they be called to speak.

Mr. Kevin LaCherra, resident, spoke on the ACME proposal. He noted concerns about the proposal. It was out of scale for the nearby residential blocks. He would like to see a reduction in height of the development, and that it not block-out the sun. He would like to see more open space. Developers should be looking at open space. Bushwick Inlet park needs to be more developed as only a portion of it is. The community has waited 16 years for it. The community needs to get the investment. Environmental investments are needed (i.e. storm water capture).

Ms. Kate Naplatarski, resident, she recommended that the board discuss the project and vote it down. She spoke about having leverage like when the development at Transmitter Park was voted down. Size and height of this development is not needed. It doesn't work. The Rubenstein Partners need to take this into discussion. The scale is not the only viable option. She was in support of Acme Fish but related the development on the side needs to come down lower. The o is on the developer to show that they can't make a profit.

Ms. Victoria Cambranes, resident, she said that she heard from a lot of neighbors and fellow community members about a president that this project would set. that there are concerns about the height. These plans are different than the ones that the community saw last year. The use has to be taken into consideration (i.e. music venues, rooftop). She feels that it was not the best use. She was concerned about prohibiting theses use in the future.

Mr. Jeff Fronek, spoke about the letter that they provided. It is way as a reminder that the project is an innovative way to keep Acme Fish in the community and allow it to expand in that industrial and operate for the next several generations. The project will contain workers for about 2,000 jobs. They stress the cost burdens necessitates the size calls. They are work with the City to find a solution to keep Acme Fish industrial, be in incompliance to environmental issues (i.e. resiliency, bird friendly glazing, carbon emission, LEED goals). They have outlined these points in their letter. He said that this is a significant investment for the community. They are finalizing employment plans with St. Nicks. They want to have the community benefit from the investment. They have been looking at this as a connector between McCarren Park and Bushwick Inlet Park. They hold the realization of Bushwick Inlet Park near and dear to their hearts. They are going appoint appropriate mechanism to have a workforce partnership with the community. They will continue to work with alliance for the parks. They want to have a strong partnership.

Ms. Lucy Walton, resident, spoke on the ACME project. She wanted to speak on behalf the Williamsburg community on the She noted that 80% of her neighbors are opposed to this project. There are a lot of developments (high rise) going up. She was concerned about them getting tax developments. This is not the time. The community needs to have a fair opportunity to state their concerns.

Mr. Adam Caslow, current CEO of ACME Fish, he thanked the board and the members of the community for their discussion. He related that they had worked on having the needs of the neighborhood met. The Land Use committee asked some tough questions. They want to recognize that the feedback.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that there were no other speakers on the item. She noted that committee would give its report. The members would be free then to have a discussion. She also announced that she had appointed Mr. Miceli to chair the Outreach Committee. She asked board members to join the committee.

<u>Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee</u> – Ms. Teague presented a written report. There was also a Landmarks subcommittee report that would be presented by Ms. McKeever. She noted that there was a lengthy discussion. Ms. Teague presented the Land Use committee's report and discussed it. She asked for support of the items. She said that the zoning application for Bedford Avenue would make the surrounding buildings conforming. There were complaints about backyard uses.

Mr. Burrows asked about the site. Are they going to build new buildings? He was concerned about them being pushed out or become homeless. Ms. Teague said that this was not raised at the meeting.

NYC DCP - C 210043 ZMK 135-137 Bedford Avenue Rezoning - In the matter of an application submitted by Dawn Kiernan and NRL URF, LLC, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 13a: 1. establishing within an existing R6A District a C1-4 District bounded by Bedford Avenue, North 10th Street, a line 100 feet southeasterly of Bedford Avenue, and a line midway between North 10th Street and North 9th Street; and 2. establishing within an existing R6B District a C1-4 District bounded by Bedford Avenue, a line midway between North 10th Street and North 9th Street, a line 100 feet southeasterly of Bedford Avenue, and North 9th Street; Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1, as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated November 2, 2020, and subject to the conditions of 3 CEOR Declaration E-587. (Applicant: Richard Lobel). This is an application seeking a commercial overlay of ten lots in this R6A district. Five of the ten lots have non-conforming commercial uses. This rezoning would make the current uses conforming. The committee noted that the application does not increase allowable FAR and the majority felt that adding commercial uses would be in character with the immediate area. However, the committee also noted that the community has voiced strong opposition to the use by restaurants of open back yard spaces, because of the noise generated by such usage. Recommendation: The committee had voted to approve the application with a suggestion that the applicants stipulate by letter to the Borough President to commercial use Group 6, i.e. that backyard spaces of any eating establishments on these premises will be used only as enclosed spaces. The members discussed the project. It was noted that the building at 135 Bedford Avenue was owner occupied. Mr. Miceli stated opposition to the application. He said that he was on the committee and voted against it. He was concerned about an enclosure in the backyard would not work or be sufficient. A question was raised. An exception was made by the Chair Ms. Fuller to have Mr. Richard Lobel speak, Mr. Lobel said that 135 Bedford Avenue is owner occupied and was available to speak at the hearing. The application started two years ago,

but they intend to keep the application and allow the commercial overlay. He said that they would submit a letter. This is not kicking out a tenant. It is a long term project. It was noted that the property owners have no immediate plans for development. A motion was made by Ms. McKeever to support the committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Barros. Mr. Needleman asked for the motion to be restated. Mr. McKeever made a motion to accept the commercial overlay with the provisions/stipulations. They are to stipulate this by letter. Ms. Barros seconded the motion. Ms. Peterson raised concern about the possibility of the owner doing demolition the buildings. Mr. Lobel said that there are no plans to alter the buildings at this time. A roll call vote was conducted. Ms. Bamonte asked about eating establishments. Ms. Teague said that they would have to be enclosed. The board doesn't allow bars to use the backyards. The board members voted on the report and supported the recommendation to approve with stipulations. The vote was as follows: 23 "YES"; 10 "NO" (Burrows, D'Amato; Miceli; Peterson.) 2 "ABSTENTIONS" (Foster; Gross). The motion was carried.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller, noted that when someone is not speaking, that they mute their microphones.

NYC DCP - C 210139 ZSK - Acme Smoked Fish – Ms. Teague discussed the report and provided an overview of the meeting that was held. This is in the matter of an application submitted by RP Inlet, LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Sections 74-743 of the Zoning Resolution to modify the height and setback requirements of Section 43-43 (Special provisions for bulk modifications), in connection with a proposed mixed-use development, within a large scale general development, on property bounded by Meserole Avenue, Banker Street, Wythe Avenue, North 15th Street and Gem Street (Block 2615, Lot 1, 6, 19, 21, 25, 50 & 125), in an M1-5* District, Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1. * Note: This site is proposed to be rezoned by changing an existing M3-1 District to an M1-5 District under a concurrent related application for a Zoning Map change (C 210138 ZMK). This is a ULURP application by Rubenstein Partners and Acme Smoked Fish to construct a new manufacturing facility and commercial/office space at 18 Wythe Avenue with a zoning change from M 3-1 to M 1-5. The zoning change would allow five times the floor area ratio than is allowed now as-of-right. The briefing was presented by Ray Levin, Jeff Fronek, and Adam Caslow. The proposed project will occur in two phases: Phase one: involves building a new stand-alone 4-story, 95,000 sq. foot facility for Acme Fish. Phase two: entails demolition of the current building being used by the business and construction of a 9- story 580,000 sq. foot ancillary building which would house retail on the first floor and office space on the upper eight floors. The project also includes open space with plantings and seating for the public. The applicants expect that the project could generate approximately 2,000 jobs. Numerous residents spoke in favor of the application citing the importance of retaining manufacturing and other business in the area in order to provide much needed jobs, to attract other job generating employers, and to stimulate our economy. They also spoke of Acme as an excellent employer that pays prevailing wages and is working with St. Nicks Alliance to provide jobs to local construction workers. Several residents voiced opposition because of the size of the ancillary building, urging us to deny the application unless it is downsized. (In view of the loss of a quorum at the committee's meeting, with 10 members present, a majority of the members present approved committee's chair to present the following recommendation to the full board.): Recommendation: The Board strongly suggests that the

developer consider downsizing the ancillary building. In addition, the Board does not want this tool to extend to the rest of the surrounding area. The Board asks that until DCP comes back to re-discuss a cohesive plan for zoning in manufacturing areas (including the re-zoning tools that are scheduled to be certified for the Gowanus area), M1-5 rezoning should not be entertained unless paired with other discretionary actions, such as a large-scale plan. The Board approves the application contingent on:

- 1) A restriction will be placed on the deed that use of the 4-story Acme Fish building remains zoned for manufacturing use, or the applicant applies for IDA, to keep the space zoned for manufacturing for 25 years;
- 2) The Acme Fish portion of the development will have a state-of-the-art emission control system;
- 3) There will be language in the special permit precluding subsequent filing for hotel use;
- 4) There will be no bars or amplified music on the roofs.
- 5) The applicant will commit to partnering with the Parks Department to contribute to maintenance of the Bushwick Inlet Park after the certificate of occupation to the ancillary building issues;
- 6) The applicant will communicate with the community during construction through a community liaison regarding construction conditions, such as truck staging, pile driving and air monitoring;
- 7) The applicant will comply with local law 97, the Climate Mobilization Act;
- 8) The applicant's storm water and waste management will net zero into the city's system; and
- 9) The applicant will comply with the local law 15 requirements for bird-friendly construction.

Ms. Teague noted that the applicant has stated that they would apply to IDA.

Mr. Miceli spoke on the recommendation. He expressed concern about the development. He felt that fellow board members may not be aware of other elements that he wanted to inform them about. He noted that Mr. Chesler and Ms. McKeever had recused themselves from the vote because they had a conflict of interest because if their relationship with Bushwick Inlet Park. Mr. Vega had also recused himself because of EDC. He said that this was not an issue, but he wanted to relate the information. He said that this is a long complex issue. Mr. Miceli said that this is about manufacturing and industrial space. Seventy percent of building is for retail and industrial space. He was concerned about it being nine stories. He said that they did not mention the historic district. Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted his passion but asked to move onto what other people wanted to say. She asked all to be patient. Ms. Teague noted that Mr. Vega did not recused himself. Mr. Vega confirmed that he did not recused himself in this vote. Mr. Elkins related that the issue is very complicated. The proposal should to taken in consideration on what the board had voted on in the past. How can you preserve industrial spaces? This process, as an experiment, is a failure. There is not a good situation on it. Ms. Peterson said that Mr. Elkins's comments were very thoughtful responses. She was concerned about the way that the project is

laid out. She was concerned about the voting. Ms. Teague noted that it was on a ULURP clock. It ends prior to the next board meet. Mr. Miceli asked about the council members on the matter, where are they. Mr. Weiser said that he was concerned about job and their retention in the community. Ms. Kuonen asked if Council Member Levin has stated what his position is. Ms. Teague said that her experience is that the Council Members do not come this early in the process. She also noted that there were numerous people in favor of the project. She wanted this to be known. Mr. Ben Solotaire, from Council Member Levin's Office, related that this was the first phase of ULURP. They want to hear what the board has to say and what the borough president has to say. Ms. Nieves stated that the project would expand on local business and preserve manufacturing. This project is the opposite of 25 Kent Avenue. Acme Fish is not going anywhere. Any property can be converted to commercial. But they are expressing industrial use. This is an opportunity to keep a business here with good jobs. It is just two stories more. She feels that the industrial uses are to be preserved. She spoke about DCP taking action and zoning out the manufacturers who wanted to grow. This is why you have an IBZ, to allow industrial development?

(Committee reports were halted to allow for nominations to take place.)

NOMINATIONS

Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that it was 8:00 PM and requested that nominations for the annual elections for the positions on the Executive Committee and Attendance Committee be taken from the floor. Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that nominations need not be seconded.

ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Weiser nominated Mr. Bruzaitis.

Ms. Iglesias nominated Ms. Peterson, who declined.

Mr. Weiser nominated Rabbi Niederman.

Ms. Teague nominated Ms. Julia Foster, who declined.

Mr. Bruzaitis nominated Mr. Sante Miceli.

Nominations were closed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Member at Large

Ms. Iglesias nominated Mr. Philip Caponego.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Recording Secretary

Mr. Caponegro nominated Ms. Sonia Iglesias.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Financial Secretary

Mr. Weiser nominated Ms. Maria Viera.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Third Vice-Chairperson

Mr. Weiser nominated Ms. Gina Barros.

Ms. Julia Foster nominated herself.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Second Vice-Chairperson

Mr. Weiser nominated Ms. Del Teague.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

First Vice Chairperson

Mr. Chesler nominated Ms. Dana Rachlin.

Mr. Gross nominated Mr. Weiser.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Chairperson

Mr. Torres nominated Ms. Dealice Fuller.

Mr. Elkins nominated Mr. Stephen Chelser.

There were no other nominations and nominations were closed.

Chairperson Fuller noted that elections would take place at the next board meeting (January 2021). A ballot will be drawn up and names would appear in alphabetical order under each position.

(Committee reports continued, Land Use Committee:)

The members continued to discuss the Land Use Committee's report. Mr. Weidberg made a motion to support the committee's consensus recommendation to approve with conditions. Ms. Nieves seconded the motion. A vote was called. A roll call vote was conducted. The vote was as follows: 23 "YES"; 10 "NO"; 1 "ABSTENTION"; 2 "RECUSALS" (Chesler; McKeever). The motion was carried.

Ms. Teague continued her report and noted that the committee had discussed the presentation that City Planning made regarding coastal flood resiliency.

Zoning For Coastal Flood Resiliency - Comments on the presentation made by DCP at the November 10, 2020 Board meeting. A majority of the committee members present at the committee meeting approved of the chair to present the following recommendation to the full board:

"The Board joins with the other Community Boards, which have a significant number of small homes affected by the regulations, in asking the city to partner with small homeowners to help them manage the costs of renovating."

A motion was made by Mr. Weidberg to approve the committee's report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nieves. The motion was carried. A roll call vote was conducted. The vote was as follows: 35 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS"; 1"RECUSAL" (Vega).

Ms. Teague noted that the Land Use Committee members are encouraged to attend the meetings. They will be working on a lot of issues. The committee needs members who are active.

<u>Landmarks Subcommittee Report</u> – Ms. McKeever presented a written report on an application that was submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for work at a building withing the Greenpoint District: <u>98 Milton Street</u>. The committee had received a presentation by Keven Greenberg, architect). Much of the proposed façade restoration to this two story frame house built in 1873-74 has been pre-approved by LPC at the staff level. The scope of the project before the board concerns the front portico and the one story year yard addition.

Ms. McKeever noted that the committee found no issue with the portico, the cornice brackets of which match the design for the windows, doors and trim. The proposed rear extension replaces an existing garden shed (approximately 10'wide) with a decked extension clad in stucco to run the width of the house at the basement level, a spiral stair case to bring access from the first floor deck to the garden level. The depth of the deck will remain the depth of the original shed, that is 10'4". Two skylights, nonaligned double glass (French) doors with contiguous windows at the basement/garden and 1st floor/deck as well as a circular "folly" window at the basement level are also proposed for the rear. Ms. McKeever stated that a quorum was present and was seeking the board to approve the recommendation. Recommendation: Acknowledging the overall thoughtfulness of the façade restoration, the committee voted unanimously to propose making the rear design more harmonious by:

- 1. Changing the staircase from the proposed spiral to tradition stair
- 2. Changing the circular window at the basement level to on that matches those above
- 3. Aligning the doors/windows at the deck and garden levels

Additionally, the committee recommends two-over-two windows throughout to match the historical photograph, rather than the proposed four over four.

A vote was called on the recommendation. Ms. Teague made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chesler. A roll call vote was conducted. The board members voted unanimously to support the recommendation. The vote was as follows: 33 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

Public Safety Committee Report – Mr. Burrows submitted a written report that was distributed for review. A letter was sent to Homeless Services outlined a number of concerns about the winter and services to homeless persons. There were several agency representatives present to discuss the issues. It was noted that the NYPD was removed from the process. There were concerns about problems with cleaning up the under the BQE. There were concerns about tents, debris, and hypodermic issues found scattered around. Mr. Burrows said it was reported that the testing site in Greenpoint was overwhelmed in recent weeks. He noted that committee is requesting a letter to be sent to the Mayor de Blasio about the need for more COVID -19 testing sites and that the Board request the addition of a permanent COVID-19 testing site in Greenpoint. A motion was made by Mr. Bachorowski to submit the letter. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bamonte. The motion was unanimously carried by a roll call. The vote was as follows: 33 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS"; 1"RECUSAL". He said to follow the Assemblyman Lentol's lead (as noted in his letter) and send it to the Mayor,

Mr. Burrows noted that a person had contacted the committee about working with the homeless (i.e. around issues of food, etc.). He asked that those people who do this type of work in the community, to contact her so that the wheel is not re-invented. There were a lot of issues covered. He noted that Mr. Weiser raised concern about bicycle safety. He encouraged that he attends the Police Community Meetings so that they can work together. He completed his report.

Environmental Protection Committee – Ms. McKeever submitted a written report. She noted that the committee was asked to come up with points that could be used as conditions in land use items. She noted that they have put together a list, that was used in the Acme project. It is a list that can be added to. Mr. Elkins spoke about NationalGrid and the facility in the area. They are asking for a permit. The comments were due. He noted that the comment period for DEC regarding the LNG transmission line was closing and he said that the community is asking for the deadline to be extended. He read a statement asking for the extension. Mr. Bruzaitis made a motion to send a letter to NYS DEC to request an extension. The motion was seconded by Ms. McKeever. A roll call vote was carried out and the motion was unanimously carried. The vote was 33 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

Ms. Peterson raised concern about the local law that is requiring a plumbing inspection of gas lines. This inspection is for three family properties and up. She just got this information. The inspection is to be done by December 31, 2020 or else there is a fine. The cost for the inspection is about \$1,500. There are not enough plumbers to do the work. Ms. Kuonen said that there was a whole presentation last month. Ms. Leanza said that there needs to be clarification. There is not enough clarification. She was told to reach out to her Council Member on it, but she has not received any answers. The property owners need to have an extension. The fine is

Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked if Mr. Solotaire had any update? He noted that they were working on a letter. Mr. Miceli said that he had an inspection done and that his clock found a plumber that was reasonable. Mr. Burrows that the matter was not well publicized. It is complicated and there is a lot of paperwork. The City Council should work on an extension. People really need to have an extension. Ms. Nieves said that this was an issue for senior citizens, who have limited income. She was concerned about people having their gas turned off. Ms. Kuonen said that there is an issue for many people. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked that the Environmental Protection Committee take this matter up. The Council members are working on a letter for this. Mr. Burrows suggested sending a letter about how this is difficult this has been.

Transportation Committee – Mr. Bruzaitis submitted a written report. He discussed the Open Streets program. He outlined issues with the open streets program and noted that there are community areas that are seeking to have their streets included. There are a lot of concerns about West Street from the residents. He mentioned Berry Street, where there were a number of blocks in the Open Streets program there. There was a lot of testimony and comments made. He urged all to review them in is report. There is a lot to be worked out. It was thrown together by the Mayor's Office during the COVID-19 lockdown. The matter will be on the committee's agenda for a number of the upcoming meetings. He will be bringing in a number of agencies and public voices for north Brooklyn. They need to be evaluated. The metrics are needed to go forward. Mr. Bruzaitis continued his report. He noted that they were looking the community plan at Make Meeker Move. He noted that the parking proposal from DOT for parking under the BQE is still

being discussed. It has not moved yet. DOT wants to come back with a plan. Anyone who wants to see the information can get a copy of his report. He noted the accident that happened on Lorimer Street area triangle area section. He said that there are requests for DOT to look at the area. The committee will meet on this in the future. He moved on to discuss Kent Avenue and Wythe Avenue and concerns about safety. A letter was sent to both NYPD and DOT to do enforcement and improved safety. Under new business, Mr. Weiser had asked about changing the times on the meters on Lee Avenue. DOT said that they would look into the change. Mr. Weiser raised issues with safety concerns for bicyclists. There needs to more education and outreach about safety. This keeps coming up every two or three years. Mr. Bruzaitis said that all users of the streets that need to follow rules. DOT needs to do improvements to the infrastructure. Ms. Kuonen said that there is unfairness with perception of bicyclists. She said the streets need to be safe. There have been people killed on bikes by cars. Ms. Foster said that there is concern about safety and bicycling. There is a need to obey the rules of the road. Mr. Brooks said that there is enforcement that is done, but the streets need to be made safe for bicyclists. The members discussed the matter. Mr. Miceli raised concern about electric bikes because they could go up to speeds of 25 miles per hour. Mr. Bruzaitis emphasized transportation safety and the need for infrastructure. Chairperson Fuller asked that the Transportation Committee to meet on this. Mr. Chesler spoke about the accident at Lorimer Street/triangle area. It was reported that the driver was not impaired. This was the second accident there. Mr. Solotaire noted that he rides a bike and hasn't had a car for years. He said that safety is important. He said that the roads need to be safe for all. He has been almost hit by both cars and bicycles.

Executive Committee – Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that a proposed calendar for the board's Combined Public Hearings & Board Meetings for 2021 & 2022 was prepared and distributed for all to review. Ms. Iglesias made a motion to approve the calendar as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caponegro. All members present approved the document. The motion was unanimously carried.

Education Committee – A written report was distributed for review.

SLA & DCA Committee Report – Mr. Burrows submitted a written report. He said that committee is still dealing with COVID-19 and with delays by the NYSLA. He said that they did not have a quorum at the last committee meeting. He asked all to view the report. He said that the committee members that were present had asked him to present on behalf of the committee. He related that the NYSLA has not provided guidance except the applicants are to send 30 day notices to the boards. This is all that they ask. He noted that they looked at the licenses that were posted in November. They discussed the processes, The NYSLA is 22-26 weeks behind in their process and considerations. He said that they have to figure out a better way. He discussed the recommendations. The new licenses: there were 14. Four of those were just changes in ownership/transfers. Mr. Burrows said that if they do not approve the licenses then they cannot make them abide by stipulations. Mr. Miceli said that now they now are more complications, with COVID-19. He was concerned about the backyard uses. Ms. Nieves said that the Franklin Street new application is on the list. If new applications are deferred back to the SLA, then we need to deny them all. She made a motion to deny the new applications that were being deferred back to the SLA. The licenses that the members talked about the first portion of the report should

show be approval because they are just transfers or changes. Ms. Bamonte raised questions about eating and drinking establishments.

New Licenses - Ms. Nieves stated that the board should deny all of the new applications. Mr. Burrows asked to approve #1, #8, #12, and #13, and to deny the other ones. Authentic Pierogi was approved last month under a special vote. Ms. Nieves made a motion to approve #1, #8, #12, and #13, and to deny the other new ones. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weiser. Mr. Bachorowski concurred. Mr. Burrows agreed. The vote was as follow: 27 "YES"; 2 "NO" (D'Amato, Kuonen); 1 "ABSTENTION" (D'Amato). The motion was carried.

<u>Renewals</u> - Regarding the renewals, Ms. Nieves made a motion to approve the renewals but one (deny #1). Ms. Kaminski seconded the motion and it was carried. The vote was: 25 "YES"; 1"NO" (Kuonen); 1"ABSTENTION" (D'Amato).

Mr. Burrows noted that the committee also made a recommendation regarding future applications. The committee recommended that the Committee's Chair be empowered to present to the Full Board a temporary method of review during the period of virtual meetings. The recommendation is: SLA/DCA Committee Meetings are regularly scheduled yearly for the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. Upon receipt of the 30-day Notice of New/Renewal Application included with the CB#1 acknowledgment of receipt the applicant will be invited as an Attendee to the next SLA/DCA Committee meeting conducted via WEBEX/Virtual meeting. The applicant will be provided the CB#1 application/questionnaire with stipulations. This must be completed, signed and returned two weeks prior to the Committee meeting. The applicant shall also get signatures from the residents within the building in which they wish to operate and make as much outreach to neighboring buildings as is possible within health guidelines. The applicant must also post notice of their application and the date and time of meetings and contact information for the Community Board. The applicant must also advise the Community Board of any use of any outdoor space under the COVID guidelines for use of outdoor space without DCA Sidewalk Café permit. The next meeting of the SLA/DCA Review Committee, via WEBEX, is scheduled for Tuesday, December 22, 2020, at 6:30 PM. Mr. Burrows asked for a vote on the new temporary process. Mr. Bachorowski made a motion to approve the new temporary process. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kaminski. The motion was carried.

Board Budget Committee – Ms. Viera said that she wanted to share a report on the research that Ms. Drinkwater did on the expenses for a potential Zoom account. The cost was \$1,500 a month, \$19,000 a year. This is if we are going to use Zoom. The City has provided the boards with WEBEX. Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that they will need to get come other bids. Ms. Drinkwater had done this research, in discussion on fundraising. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked for some other bids to be taken. Mr. Miceli offered to work on this. Chairperson Ms. Fuller asked that he put the Outreach Committee first and then work on the matter. In terms of fundraising, these are issues that have to be discussed with the Law Department. Mr. Chesler said that there are community boards that are using Zoom. Chairperson Ms. Fuller said that this is something that needs to be research. Ms. Peterson said that what is the most participation in both and the costs.

Ms. Peterson spoke about Assemblyman Lentol leaving his office. She was to take this up under new business.

PARKS DEPARTMENT MINUTE

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

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). The following persons were recognized to speak:

Ms. Lauren Comito, Branch Manager of the Brooklyn Leonard Library Branch. She noted that they (the library staff) are not in the building at this time. The staff is anxious about returning back to continue library service at the branch. They are working with the COVID Test and Trace Corps and handing out masks or compiling information such as food relief. There is "lobby service" at several branches. At the Bushwick branch or Greenpoint branch, materials can be requested, picked up, or returned. Masks are required to be worn by both the staff and the library's patrons. Books are being returned slowly since the COVID crisis. The library materials have been extended to January 2021. Ms. Comito related that people need to bring back their books. At Leonard branch, they have been working from home but have conducted events (i.e. a Halloween Event and other services). They are working to put up some wireless service got download stations. This is where books and materials could be borrowed. There are some appointments for their business and career centers for financial counseling. They are doing a poetry reading where people can walk around outside the library at 6-foot distances. On Fridays, they have online workshops for knitting.

Mr. Noel Hidalgo, Greenpoint resident, stated that he lives by McGolrick Park. He related that the Zoom costs are were too high. He said that they have worked with the other boards on-line voting. They are paid for by a nonprofit. He is working on Open Streets and have put together a petition for 2.2% of streets on North Brooklyn for Open Streets. They want to respect car owners but are looking for this small percentage so that people can use the not through streets.

Ms. Josephine Ledda, spoke to advocate legislation for Urban Agriculture. More funds would be helpful. She urged that the board to advocate to the City Council, to support of the bill. This NYC Council bill would require the Department of City Planning to develop a comprehensive urban agriculture plan that addresses land use policy and other issues to promote the expansion of urban agriculture in the City. She asked CB#1 to advocate for legislation INT-(1058:2018). This legislature will help create an official Department of Urban Agriculture for City Hall. This year in a pandemic has taught many things, one of which is the value of green spaces. Green spaces are priceless-both for our physical and mental health. She urges CB#1 to work with City Hall and advocate for a Department of Urban Agriculture. Citizens want to make more safe spaces and have the resources to do so. There are almost 3,000 football fields of public land that could be utilized for urban agriculture. Greenthumb NYC and the Department of Sustainability is not enough.

Mr. Kevin LaCherra, spoke on a different topic. Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested that he be brief. He spoke on "Open Streets" and the need for improving the environment. He spoke about the problems with years of industrial contamination in the community. Children need playstreets and ways of enjoying the outside. The CB#1 community has less open space than other areas. Open space is essential in this COVID crisis. He spoke in support of the "Open Streets" program and said it was a necessary infrastructure. He thanked the board for its hard work.

Ms. T.J. Williams noted that she was a student in the CUNY School of Public Health. She was asking for support of the Agriculture Bill in the Senate. Through this bill, students will have access to healthy foods. Money for the program would go to funding supplies. The program will also help children eat better. Research has shown that children who work on gardening have better exposure to healthy foods. She urged that NYS elected officials are encouraged to support the bill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mr. Ed Cerna, from the Mayor's Office wanted to speak briefly on two issues. He noted that there is a need for blood donations, and they are campaigning to get 25,000 New Yorkers to come forward. They can win prizes, but more importantly, they can save someone's life. He related that the Mayor has written in opposition to NationalGrid's pipeline.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Chesler applauded the work of the Mayor to have the National Grid permit pulled.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Peterson had new business to discuss. She wanted to bring up the leaving of Assemblyman Lentol from office. She wanted to send a letter for his over 40 years of service. She said that people are contributing good stories that are planned to be bound in a book. She recommended a story and a letter signed by all the board members. Ms. Kate York was pulling together a binder with stories about what he has done. Ms. McKeever asked if the board could create a declaration. Ms. Kaminski said that the board could give him a lifetime recognition for all the hard work that he has done for the Greenpoint and Williamsburg community. It could be something that is presented to him. Mr. Weiser said that Assemblyman Lentol could be invited to the January Meeting, and that at the office he can be handed the declaration. District Manager Mr. Esposito said that this is something that could be done. If a declaration is being given, a letter is not needed. Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that the Executive Committee will meet and discuss this.

Ms. Iglesias noted that she had some issues accessing the chat and Q & A features of WEBEX at the meeting.

Ms. Peterson said that the awards honoring persons for their special work during COVID-19 are at the board's office. These names were submitted by the Women's Issues Committee for people in the community/organizations that helped during the pandemic. The awards were provided by Assemblyman Lentol and Community Board #1.

Ms. Kaminski wished all to be happy, to have a Happy New Year, and good holidays. She asked the members to remember their families and loved ones. She noted that 2020 will be just history and we will all get through it. We will be successful in the next year.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller wished all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, and a very Happy New Year. She asked that everybody be blessed, be safe and be healthy. She looked forward to working with everybody in the New Year. She thanked all the members.

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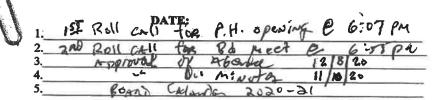
Ms. Viera made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caponegro. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Bueno Wallin ADM CB#1 Brooklyn Reviewed by:

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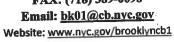
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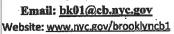


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Public Safety & Human Services Committee Report

To: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and

CB#1 Board Members

From: Thomas J Burrows

Chairperson, Public Safety & Human Services Committee

Re: Report from the Committee's meeting held on

Thursday, December 3, 2020

A meeting of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee was held on Thursday, December 3, 2020, at 6:30pm, via a WebEx virtual meeting.

Attendance:

Present - Burrows, Committee Chair; Bamonte, Co-chair; Barros, D'Amato, Leanza, Kaminski, Drinkwater.

<u>Absent</u>: Argento; Bachorowski; Cianciotta; Dybanowski; Indig; Katz; Landau; Low; Rachlin (Dana Rachlin telephoned Committee chair to report a meeting conflict and she would not be able to attend.) A quorum was not present.

Also present, guests: Matt Borden, Asst. Deputy Commissioner, DSS; Tonya Tillery, Asst. Commissioner, DHS; Yuri Sanchez, Brooklyn Borough Director, DHS; Derrick Aiken, DHS; Chris Tabellario, Breaking Ground; Casey Burke, Breaking Ground; Ben Solotaire, Councilmember Levin's office; Alexis Rodriguez, Councilmember Reynoso's office; Eliana Cohen, State Senator Kavanagh's office; and Edward Cerna, Mayor's office.

The agenda for the meeting was a discussion with Board members, service providers, city agencies and elected officials regarding Homeless Concerns within Community Board #1 and how Board

members and Community members can work together with the City, Agencies and elected officials to appropriately address issues and concerns.

A letter had been sent from the Community Board inviting Commissioner Steven Banks, NYC Department of Human Resources, and Joslyn Carter, Administrator, NYC Department of Homeless Services. (See letter attached). Committee member D'Amato had outlined some of the issues previously and DM Esposito provided photographs of some of the conditions under the BQE. (See photos attached)

Prior to the meeting the CB#1 office and the Committee chair had received a communication from the DHS Brooklyn Borough Director, acknowledging their receipt of several 311 requests regarding the sites along the BQE. She indicated that "our teams canvassed this area on a daily basis. Clients have refused shelter placements so far. Cleanings have not been successful due to client's refusal to cooperate with cleanings. Sites will be added to cleaning schedule for Tuesday next week. We might need assistance from NCOs."

Committee chair reached out and related this information to Capt. Fahey, the Commander of NYPD 94 Precinct within which this area is located. However, it has been understood since earlier this Summer that the NYPD Homeless Outreach Program was disbanded and the NYPD no longer is available to the Community to coordinate responses as we did in the past. Capt. Fahey did indicated that the Brooklyn Borough Director could contact her and they might be able to provide a sector car if needed but that the NCO's and Community Affairs are not available to coordinate responses to homeless issues and concerns.

I. Homeless Concerns.

This portion of the meeting focused on the items contained in the letter to Commissioner Banks:

- 1) Follow-up response to needs of people without homes and encampments.
 - Yuri Sanchez, Brooklyn Borough Director, reported that the have teams canvassing the area regularly from Breaking Ground. Casey Burke, Breaking Ground, reported that they are their multiple times per day. They are familiar with most of the individuals. The Breaking Ground office is located at Driggs & N. 6th Street. Calls can be made to 311 and will be followed up by DHS and Breaking Ground. Casey also made herself available for the Committee to contact. Contact information will be provided. The statement "Encampments are not allowed" was made but then the discussion broke down into what constitutes an encampment, how that rule could be enforced. It was also stated that "Tents are not allowed" even though there are tents.
- 2) Ongoing and regular cleanup to address discarded hypodermic needles, accumulated and dumped trash and furniture.
 - It was offered that DSNY's EPU (Environmental Protection Unit) is responsible for cleanup. DOHMH Syringe Service Unit could clean up needles. Ms. Bamonte explained the "abundance of needles" and the danger to children walking to school and adults going to local businesses. Mr. Solotaire related that 311 is the mechanism for raising these concerns and that callers need to get the 311 complaint # and provide to the Councilmembers' offices for follow-up.

This led to a discussion of the frustration of this response. In the past the community could call together a group response that included all the involved City agencies and not providing a

myriad of acronyms and letters of who might be responsible. Mr. D'Amato reiterated the query: "Who do owe call about hypodermic needles?" Again, it was stated DOHMH, Syringe Services Unit. Ms. Barros related that she had met with Mr. Rodriguez from Councilmember Reynoso's office that they had a similar discussion regarding syringes in tree pits. Mr. Rodriguez indicated that they need to work on establishing a DOHMH contact (Syringe Service Unit) and DSNY (EPU); and that since Councilmember Reynoso is chair of the (NYC Council's) Sanitation Committee, they might be able to effectuate obtaining that information.

3 & 4. Clear plan or mechanism to assure contract agencies are responding and mechanism for clear system of coordination among city, state and contract agencies.

Mr. Borden, reminded the Committee that one problem is the jurisdictional dispute between NYS DOT and NYC DOT over responsibility for various concerns under the BQE. He indicated that there are discussions regarding this issue between the City and State. In the past, Assembly member Lentol's office was most helpful in overcoming some of these disputes and assisted in getting joint clean up response.

Mr. Solotaire, offered that Councilmember Levin is the chair of the General Welfare Committee and his office could assist in identify and coordinating agency responses.

Ms. Cohen, offered that State Senator Kavanagh's office could assist in contacted the state players.

Board member Eric Bruzaitis, Chair of the Transportation Committee, was an attendee and raised concerns about the DOT "Plan" to implement metered parking under the BQE in 3 phases. DOT had said they were relocating homeless encampments. There is concern about how DOT is effectuating this plan, how they were "Relocating" people without homes. Ms. Burke reported that in the past there had been incidents were DOT had been more aggressive. NYPD is no longer involved in Homeless Outreach and can no longer assist in such efforts. She had no information at this time about the "relocation" of people under the BQE.

General Concerns:

Ms. Kaminski raised the concern about vulnerable seniors in the area of Greenpoint Avenue and Manhattan Avenue and the number of panhandlers at that location who approach seniors and the Seniors may feel threatened or unsafe. Ms. Burke stated they are aware of this, this is a high traffic intersection, there is a subway station here at well. She shared that they do a Stabilization Bed Program in Williamsburg/Greenpoint and they work daily with these individuals. But every day they go out to prime locations to panhandle.

Mr. Weiser stated that there are widespread homeless concerns within CB#1 and related the situation at Flushing Bank, Havemeyer Street & S. 5th St. with individuals sleeping in the bank doorway.

Ms. Barros stated that there are homeless services throughout the area. Ms. Burke reported that Breaking Ground is operating a 70 bed facility I believe on Broadway between Keap and Rodney and we are invited to visit.

Regarding winter conditions, cold blue is in effect when temperatures are less than freezing and teams interact with homeless to encourage them to move inside for safety.

II. Additional Covid-19 Testing site

Mr. D'amato offered a draft of a letter to be sent to whomever sets them up, DOHMH, HHC, Mayor's Office, regarding the need for an additional COVID testing site in

Greenpoint. A draft of the letter was provided and we request the full Board's support in making this request.

Ms. Kaminski related that closed Senior Sites are being inspected (DOHMH, HHC?) regarding using them for testing sites. Anyone with information about this please advise the Community Board.

III. Student Request

CB#1 received a letter from a student at New Explorations into Science, Technology and Math who is a resident of CB#1 who would like to provide homeless aid via care packages, direct food and clothing donations. She is seeing aid in how to fun and organize a program. It was suggested that perhaps one of the existing community board programs, e.g. North Brooklyn Angels, could reach out to her and she could join forces with them rather than start a new program.

IV. Bicycle Enforcement.

Mr. Weiser raised the concern about bicycles and other two-wheel vehicles not following traffic laws, going the wrong way in bike lanes, placing unwary pedestrians in danger of being hit and the two-wheel vehicle operators in danger from larger vehicles who are not aware of them coming from the wrong direction. Mr. Burrows advised that there are bicycle/traffic enforcement officers in both precincts that should be addressing these concerns and that the 90 Precinct Community Council is scheduled to meet virtually on Wednesday, December 9, 2020, and that the Precinct Council meeting is the best place to raise this concern.

The next meeting of the Public Safety & Human Service Committee has not been set at this time. The committee will need to discuss a tentative schedule of meetings for 2021.



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November 17, 2020

Commissioner Steven Banks New York City Department of Human Resources 150 Greenwich Street New York, NY 10007

Ms. Joslyn Carter
DHS Administrator
New York City Department of Homeless Services
33 Beaver Street – 17th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Dear Commissioner Banks & Administrator Carter:

Kindly be advised that at the regular board meeting of Brooklyn Community Board No.1 held virtually (via WEBEX) on November 10, 2020, the members received a written report from the Public Safety and Human Services Committee, in which this letter was noted. The report is attached.

Residents and businesses within Community Board #1 have brought concerns and questions to the members and staff of Brooklyn Community Board #1 regarding the increasing number of people without homes within the CB#1 area and what services are being provided and the appropriate responses and contacts for the community and the board to assist people without homes and to address any related quality of life concerns.

As a part of CB#1's efforts in this regard we request your attendance at the next meeting of the CB#1 Public Safety & Human Services Committee which will be held on WebEx video conference on December 3, 2020, at 6:30pm. The committee would like to discuss several areas of concerns that have been brought to the community board, including, but not limited to:

1) the perceived lack of follow-up response to the needs of people without homes in encampments primarily under the elevated BQE, e.g. Kingsland & Meeker, Humboldt & Meeker, McGuinness & Meeker and N.6th St. & Meeker;

- 2) the lack of ongoing and regular follow up and cleanup to address discarded hypodermic needles, and the collection of accumulated and dumped trash, furniture and other items in the parking areas under the elevated BQE and surrounding areas;
- 3) a response to community concern regarding a clear plan or mechanism to assure that contract agencies responsible for providing outreach and services to people without homes, e.g. Breaking Ground, are providing appropriate and timely services to people in need; and
- 4) a mechanism for a clear plan or system that provides coordination among city, state and public agencies that protect those living in need in the CB#1 community and the desire of the resident and business community to have a healthy and safe quality of life.

We look forward to your response to our invitation and the opportunity to meet with you and those you believe would be appropriate to assist in addressing the issues and concerns.

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

Dealice Fuller Chairperson Thomas J. Burrows

Chair Public Safety Committee & Human Services Committee

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PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and

CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Thomas J. Burrows

Chairperson, Public Safety and Human Services Committee

RE: Report from the Committee's Meeting held on

October 19, 2020.

A meeting of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee was held on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 6:30 PM via a WebEx virtual meeting.

Attendance:

Present: Burrows, Committee Chair; Argento; Bachorowski; Bamonte; Barros; D'Amato;

Drinkwater; Dybanowski; Kaminski; Low; Rachlin; Viera.

Absent: Cianciotta; Indig; Katz; Landau; Leanza.

(A quorum was present)

Also present - Guests: Jessica Arocho, Woodhull Hospital; Captain Kathleen Fahey, 94th Precinct;

Yuri Sanchez, HRA/DHS; Det. Jeremy Eusebi, PSA 3.

With in-person meetings curtailed as a result of Covid-19 safety guidelines the Committee did not have a meeting for some time. However, health concerns related to Covid-19 and public safety concerns related to increased homelessness necessitated a meeting.

To assist in the Committee becoming informed on some of the issues and concerns and develop recommendations and response, individuals invited to the meeting included:

Yuri Sanchez, Brooklyn Borough Director-Intergovernmental & Legislative Affairs, DSS

Capt. Kathleen Fahey, CO, NYPD 94th Precinct

Tito Rivera, Community Affairs Officer, 94th Precinct

Capt. Mark Vasquez, CO, NYPD 90th Precinct

Kenneth Melendez, Community Affairs Officer, 90th Precinct

Det. Jeremy Eusebi, Community Affairs, NYPD PSA 3

Jessica Arocho, Directory of Community Affairs, Woodhull Hospital

Supt. James Zorich, Department of Sanitation, BK1 Garage

Tejumand Ajaiyeoba, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Woodhull Hospital:

Jessica Arocho started in February as the Director of Community Affairs at Woodhull Hospital and has not had the opportunity, given the Covid19 restrictions, to meet with the committee and the Board members. She reported that the hospital operation is returning to normal following the great strains and conditions that all hospitals experienced in the early days of the pandemic.

The hospital is observing COVID-19 safety guidelines. Visitors are given COVID-19 questions and temperatures are taken at the entry. Visitation is limited to 4 hours/day with 1 visitor/patient at a time. Clinics are all back in operation and surgeries are back to normal. Covid testing is provided at the hospital and there has been no significant recent increase in Covid diagnoses.

The hospital has held a number of events including a poetry and art exhibit, a music event and the unveiling of the Woodhull Mural. The hospital has a Community Advisory Board and, Maria Viera, a member of CB#1 was a long-time member. The CAB meets the last Monday of each month at 6:00pm, both virtually and at the board room. The hospital is soliciting for a new member from Community Board 1 and an application packet was provided to the board office for anyone interested in applying. Ms. Arocho also offered that the hospital has four conference rooms that are available for the community board to use for meetings.

Ms. Rachlin inquired of Ms. Arocho regarding Woodhull Hospital Mental Health services intervention with individuals in crisis mental health situations needing medical/mental health services to prevent the need for NYPD intervention. Concerns were also raised by Committee members regarding outreach to homeless individuals that might require mental health or drug abuse services. Ms. Arocho explained about the psychology/mental health unit staff doing outreach tabling at the hospital and the Rosa Gill Supportive Housing that is on the hospital site. Dr. Lilu and Dr. Fishkin have been collaborating with homeless advocates to provide non-traditional response to these concerns and perhaps they could be invited to the next Committee meeting.

Ms. Arocho has contacted the Board chair requesting an opportunity for the Chief Medical Director and the Director of Psychiatry to speak at the next Community Board meeting.

NYPD:

94 Precinct:

Capt. Fahey reported that there has been an increase in major crimes, year-to-date, across all categories the increase has been 21%. Major crimes include rape, robbery, felony assault, Grand Larceny. The increases in the 94 are similar to both boroughwide and citywide increases.

Commercial burglaries are a big problem. A member of the Committee herself reported her restaurant being broken into, front door damaged and cash and alcohol being taken.

Captain Fahey referred to the possible effects of no cash bail/low bail environment. The police arrest alleged perpetrators and the charged individuals are right back on the street again.

Other areas of concern included the parties under the K Bridge. Capt. Fahey that since that area is now gated and locked and an assigned RMP to patrol that problem has subsided. There is also a concern about car meetups, also illegal parties and clubs. There was a recent event where it was reported that shots had been fired at an illegal event space. The claim of shots was never substantiated but two individuals had been cut.

Ms. Bamonte inquired about the commercial break-ins and how difficult it is with people wearing masks, gloves, baseball caps to identify from videos. Capt. Fahey acknowledged that the precinct has a list of known recidivists that they watch out for.

Members of the public inquired about the Open Street concerns on Berry Street and Driggs Street. That there are people for the closings and people against it. There are cars driving on the street and there are times when cars kept off the street. Barricades are getting removed, cars are driving above the allowed 5 mph. It was suggested that this be brought up with the Transportation Committee to discuss with DOT.

Regarding the overall concern about homeless encampments and numbers of individuals living on the street and panhandling, the numbers are up citywide and within the precinct. The question was asked whether there has been a concerted effort among various agencies to address the community concern about quality of life. Capt. Fahey indicated that Breaking Ground has been working within the Precinct. She shared, however, that in response to the public concerns about the NYPD the City Council had removed the NYPD from Homeless Outreach. There has been no replacement in NYPD's place as coordinating agency response since March. The Precinct gets multiple complaints about the situation under the BQE. Capt. Fahey has met with the DSNY supervisor and there needs to be a mechanism to coordinate all the involved agencies as happened in the past.

Community members had questions about Berry Street closing and burglary arrests related to no bail release. Capt Fahey indicated this is a citywide pattern. She was aware of one individual who had \$15000 bail, made the bail and was out. She has had conversations with the DA's office. Perhaps the Committee or the Board can invite Jonathan Pomboza who attends the Precinct Council meetings to address the concerns. The Precinct has a good relationship with Danielle Edie, the Bureau Chief of the Gray Zone, of the DA's office.

90 Precinct

The night of the Committee meeting was the same evening that there had been a planned 10,000 person wedding to be held in the area of the 90. The commanding officer and community affairs officers were involved with that event and had notified the Committee that they would be unable to attend the meeting.

PSA 3

Det. Eusebi reported that at 60 Moore St there had been a male shot, and at 108 Stagg there had been shots fired. Williamsburg Houses has a fixed PSA post and they are working closely with the Williamsburg Residents Association. He reported that the Bushwick Residents Association would be having a Coat Drive, there would be a Turkey Drive organized with Assembly Member Davila and the PSA would be doing a Toys for Tots drive again this year. Det. Eusebi was to provide flyers for these events to the Board office for distribution.

With regards to Early Voting particularly at the Graham Avenue Community Center Det. Eusebi advised that they are prepared for whatever may come. Det. Eusebi warned about Covid related scams, people posing as contact tracers, others offering fake cures and vaccines, or offering to put people on the priority list for the vaccine.

Ms. Rachlin discussed with Det. Eusebi PSA 3 working and engaging Grand Street Settlement to work more closely with the Los Sures/Grand Street community in reaching out to young people in preventing violence and providing alternatives.

Det Eusebi reminded everyone that PSA 3 has virtual precinct community council meetings on the first Wednesday of the month.

Homeless Concerns:

Mr. D'Amato has brought to the attention of the Committee, to the councilmembers and other elected officials the concerns of the community regarding homeless sites primarily under the BQE (Kingsland & Meeker, Humboldt & Meeker, McGuinness & Meeker, N 6th St & Meeker). One big concern is the discarded hypodermic needles and the danger to pedestrians, particularly children going to school. Also, accumulation of trash, furniture and other items in the parking areas. Others report that Breaking Ground vehicles are observed at these locations, driving up but not appearing to really provide any assistance. And it seems that DSNY has not been doing regular pickups of trash or sweeping perhaps because of COVID issues.

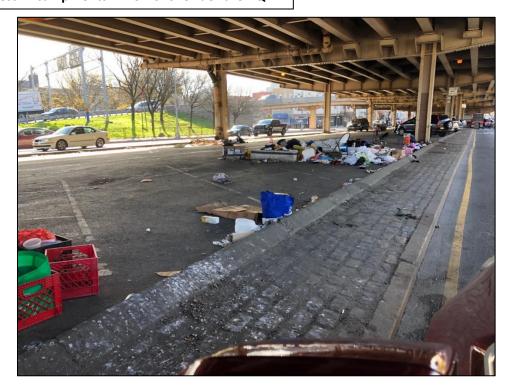
Ms. Yuri Sanchez, of DSS/HRA, reported that there had been a clean up the week before our meeting. The Homeless Services Division is responsible for coordinating outreach. The Committee inquired if there is measurable data about what is being done in the neighborhood, the number of contacts made with individuals, the number of clean ups in the area. And since Breaking Ground is a contract agency what are their measurables. There is a sense that Breaking Ground is not accountable to Community Board #1, and the perception is that there is no improvement in services. Ms. Sanchez referred to a new stabilization bed program. Code Blue, the procedure to get homeless off the street when extremely cold, was also discussed.

The Committee was frustrated with what seems to be a lack of coordination of agencies that could address the street homeless community and related concerns. In the past, the community affairs officers of the NYPD could pull together DSNY, DOHMH, HRA, DOT with NYPD protection to do regular clean ups. There is no one, it seems, able to coordinate a response. Perhaps we need a meeting with DHS Community relations, or a DHS Program Administrator to discuss the Community Board concerns.

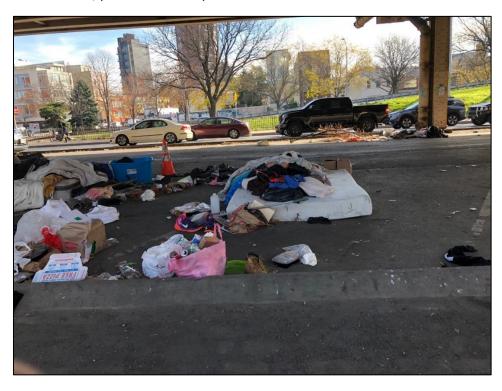
It was suggested and the Committee voted to recommend to the Full Board that a letter be written to Commissioner Steven Banks and DHS Administrator Joslyn Carter asking them to respond to our concerns and to attend a meeting of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee, along with representatives of Breaking Ground and whatever other service providers they deem appropriate within Community Board #1.

A meeting of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee has been scheduled for Thursday; December 3, 2020, at 6:30pm via WebEx Virtual Conference.

Homeless Encampments 12-3-2020 Under the BQE



Under the BQE, Meeker Avenue, between Graham Avenue and Humboldt Street.



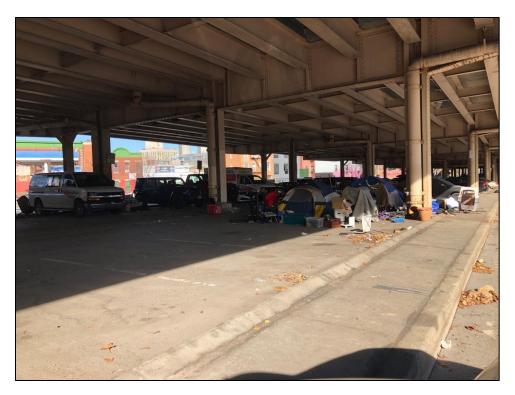
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Fw: Student Proposal for Providing Homeless Aid in Greenpoint and Williamsburg

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Subject: Student Proposal for Providing Homeless Aid in Greenpoint and Williamsburg

Dear Members of Community Board No. 1,

Hello, I'm Ana Kaufman, a senior at New Explorations into Science, Technology, and Math, which is located in the Lower East Side. I have been living in this community district my entire life, and have noticed in the recent years a steady increase in the homeless population in our area. My goal is to provide homeless aid via care packages and direct food and clothing donations, in a way that directly helps homeless populations, without putting them at risk of losing their spots or possessions by going into homeless shelters that can often be unsafe for homeless women and children. Through this project, homeless people in our community district would no longer have to rely on the good will of passerby in whether they have warm clothes for the winter, or where to find their next meal. In these care packages they would be provided sanitary products and other health goods to ensure an improved quality of life for the homeless in our area. These care packages would also contain bottles of water, transitional clothing and nutritional foods that aren't easily perishable. I'm reaching out asking for aid in how to fund and organize the program so that it has a larger outreach and effect in our neighborhood than just a personal project.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ana Kaufman



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COMMITTEE REPORT

Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller

and CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Del Teague, Committee Chair

RE: Committee Report

The Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee met on Monday, December 7, 2020 at 6:00PM via WEBEX.

Attendance: Present – Teague; McKeever; Barros; Chesler; Miceli; Rabbi Niederman; Nieves; Vega; Weidberg; Weiser; Berger; Li.

Absent – Viera; Drinkwater; Indig; Kaminski; Katz; Lebovits; Sofer; Solano. (A quorum was present)

Land Use Report for December 7, 2020 Public Hearing/Committee Meeting

1. NYC DCP - C 210043 ZMK 135-137 Bedford Avenue Rezoning - IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by Dawn Kiernan and NRL URF, LLC, pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map, Section No. 13a: 1. establishing within an existing R6A District a C1-4 District bounded by Bedford Avenue, North 10th Street, a line 100 feet southeasterly of Bedford Avenue, and a line midway between North 10th Street and North 9th Street; and 2. establishing within an existing R6B District a C1-4 District bounded by Bedford Avenue, a line midway between North 10th Street and North 9th Street, a line 100 feet southeasterly of Bedford Avenue, and North 9th Street; Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1, as shown on a diagram (for illustrative purposes only) dated November 2, 2020, and subject to the conditions of 3 CEQR Declaration E-587. (Applicant:

Richard Lobel). DCP Via drop box: https://nycdcp.box.com/s/nkykdul7s5nd5o7khnhcxlac3pu1by5j

This is an application seeking a commercial overlay of ten lots in this R6A district. Five of the ten lots have non-conforming commercial uses. This rezoning would make the current uses conforming. The committee noted that the application does not increase allowable FAR and the majority felt that adding commercial uses would be in character with the immediate area. However, the committee also noted that the community has voiced strong opposition to the use by restaurants of open back yard spaces, because of the noise generated by such usage.

<u>Recommendation</u>: A quorum was present. The committee voted to approve the application with a suggestion that the applicants stipulate by letter to the Borough President to commercial use Group 6, i.e. that backyard spaces of any eating establishments on these premises will be used only as enclosed spaces.

10 members voted in favor

1 member voted against. (Miceli)

2. **NYC DCP - C 210139 ZSK - Acme Smoked Fish** - IN THE MATTER OF an application submitted by RP Inlet, LLC pursuant to Sections 197-c and 201 of the New York City Charter for the grant of a special permit pursuant to Sections 74-743 of the Zoning Resolution to modify the height and setback requirements of Section 43-43 (Special provisions for bulk modifications), in connection with a proposed mixed-use development, within a large scale general development, on property bounded by Meserole Avenue, Banker Street, Wythe Avenue, North 15th Street and Gem Street (Block 2615, Lot 1, 6, 19, 21, 25, 50 & 125), in an M1-5* District, Borough of Brooklyn, Community District 1. * Note: This site is proposed to be rezoned by changing an existing M3-1 District to an M1-5 District under a concurrent related application for a Zoning Map change (C 210138 ZMK). Plans for this proposal are on file with the City Planning Commission and may be seen at 120 Broadway, 31st Floor, New York, N.Y. 10271-0001. DCP via Drop box: https://nycdcp.box.com/s/206ugohjsoex68ddopxqaxoce7k

This is a ULURP application by Rubenstein Partners and Acme Smoked Fish to construct a new manufacturing facility and commercial/office space at 18 Wythe Avenue with a zoning change from M 3-1 to M 1-5. The zoning change would allow five times the floor area ratio than is allowed now as-of-right.

The briefing was presented by Ray Levin, Jeff Fronek, and Adam Kaslow. The proposed project will occur in two phases.

<u>Phase one</u>: involves building a new stand-alone 4 story, 95,000 sq. foot facility for Acme Fish. <u>Phase two</u>: entails demolition of the current building being used by the business and construction of a 9- story 580,000 sq. foot ancillary building which would house retail on the first floor and office space on the upper eight floors. The project also includes open space with plantings and seating for the public.

The applicants expect that the project could generate approximately 2,000 jobs.

Numerous residents spoke in favor of the application citing the importance of retaining manufacturing and other business in the area in order to provide much needed jobs, to attract other job generating employers, and to stimulate our economy. They also spoke of Acme as an excellent employer that pays prevailing wages and is working with St. Nicks Alliance to provide jobs to local construction workers.

Several residents voiced opposition because of the size of the ancillary building, urging us to deny the application unless it is downsized.

<u>Recommendation</u>: In view of the loss of a quorum, with 10 members present, the majority of the members present approved my presenting the following recommendation to the full board.

The Board strongly suggests that the developer consider downsizing the ancillary building. In addition, the Board does not want this tool to extend to the rest of the surrounding area. The Board asks that until DCP comes back to re-discuss a cohesive plan for zoning in manufacturing areas (including the re-zoning tools that are scheduled to be certified for the Gowanus area), M1-5 rezoning should not be entertained unless paired with other discretionary actions, such as a large-scale plan.

The Board approves the application contingent on:

- -1- A restriction will be placed on the deed that use of the 4-story Acme Fish building remains zoned for manufacturing use, or the applicant applies for IDA, to keep the space zoned for manufacturing for 25 years;
- -2- The Acme Fish portion of the development will have a state-of-the-art emission control system;
- -3- There will be language in the special permit precluding subsequent filing for hotel use;
- -4- There will be no bars or amplified music on the roofs.
- -5- The applicant will commit to partnering with the Parks Department to contribute to maintenance of the Bushwick Inlet Park after the certificate of occupation to the ancillary building issues;
- -6- The applicant will communicate with the community during construction through a community liaison regarding construction conditions, such as truck staging, pile driving and air monitoring;
- -7- The applicant will comply with local law 97, the Climate Mobilization Act;
- -8- The applicant's storm water and waste management will net zero into the city's system; and
- -9-The applicant will comply with the local law 15 requirements for bird-friendly construction.

3. "Zoning For Coastal Flood Resiliency"

Comments on the presentation made by DCP at the November 10, 2020 Board meeting.

The majority of the committee members present approved my presenting the following recommendation to the full board.

The Board joins with the other Community Boards, which have a significant number of small homes affected by the regulations, in asking the city to partner with small homeowners to help them manage the costs of renovating.



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COMMITTEE REPORT

Landmarks Sub Committee

To: Chairperson Fuller and CB#1 Members

From: Trina McKeever, SubCommittee Chair

Re: Committee Report

The Landmarks subcommittee met on December 7, 2020 at 6 PM via Webex

Attendance: Present-: McKeever, Chesler, Teague, Barros, Miceli, Rabbi Niederman, Nieves, Vega, Weidberg, Weiser, Berger(*), Li (*)

Absent- Viera, Drinkwater, Indig, Kaminski, Katz, Lebovits, Sofer, Solano

*non board members

98 Milton Street, Greenpoint Historic District (presented by Keven Greenberg, architect)

Much of the proposed façade restoration to this two story frame house built in 1873-74 has been preapproved by LPC at the staff level. The scope of the project before the board concerns the front portico and the one story year yard addition.

The committee found no issue with the portico, the cornice brackets of which match the design for the windows, doors and trim. The proposed rear extension replaces an existing garden shed (approximately 10'wide) with an decked extension clad in stucco to run the width of the house at the basement level, a spiral stair case to bring access from the first floor deck to the garden level. The depth of the deck will remain the depth of the original shed, that is 10'4". Two skylights, nonaligned double glass (French) doors with contiguous windows at the basement/garden and 1st floor/deck as well as a circular "folly" window at the basement level are also proposed for the rear.

<u>Recommendation:</u> A quorum was present. Acknowledging the overall thoughtfulness of the façade restoration, the committee voted unanimously to propose making the rear design more harmonious by:

- 1. Changing the staircase from the proposed spiral to tradition stair
- 2. Changing the circular window at the basement level to on that matches those above
- 3. Aligning the doors/windows at the deck and garden levels

Additionally, the committee recommends two over two windows throughout to match the historical photograph, rather than the proposed four over four.

12 members voted in favor.



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COMMITTEE REPORT SLA REVIEW AND DCA COMMITTEE

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller

& CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Thomas J. Burrows, Committee Chair

RE: SLA Review and DCA Committee Meeting

of November 24, 2020

A meeting of the SLA/DCA Review Committee was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, at 6:30pm via WEBEX/Virtual Meeting.

Attendance:

<u>Present</u> - Burrows, Committee Chair; Bachorowski, Committee Co-chair; Solano; Stuart; Sofer; Bruzaitis; Dybanowski.

<u>Absent</u> – Barros; Foster; Torres; Cohen; Weiser * [* *member of 30 day waiver committee*]. (Mr. Burrows noted that Ms. Barros contacted him. She was out of town and traveling) A quorum was present.

The SLA/DCA Committee returned to the regular schedule of holding a review meeting on the Fourth Thursday of each month. In non-Covid restrictive times, this meeting was to hear from the applicants whose Liquor License New and Renewal Applications were listed on the Public Hearing Agenda of the preceding Community Board meeting. The Committee's meeting of November 24, 2020, was for the review of items listed on the November 10, 2020, public meeting.

The list had been provided to both the 90 & 94 Precinct for their consideration and both contacted the Chair and stated there were no issues with any of the renewal requests.

The Committee members discussed the change in process as a result of Covid19 restrictions and what we could do to assure proper review. The CB#1 application includes a list of CB#1 stipulations that we require applicants to sign and include with their submission to the SLA. Not having committee meetings with applicants presenting to the Committee we are unable to inquire about public outreach, petitioning neighbors and notice. During this period applicants have not been given notice to appear in our virtual hearings. The SLA is 22-26 weeks behind in their consideration process and if there are any glaring issues, we can still address them.

The Committee recommends a change in procedure during the pandemic. The SLA allows applicants to email their 30-day notice of license application/renewal to the Community Board. This 30-day notice is all that the SLA requires of applicants. The Community Board requires the applicant to complete our application/questionnaire and appear before the Committee before a recommendation can be made to the full board. The Community Board's approval/disapproval is just one factor in the SLA's consideration of the application.

When CB#1 sends the acknowledgment of the 30-day notice to the applicant a request will be included that the applicant complete the CB#1 specific application/questionnaire including the stipulations and email this back to the Community Board two (2) weeks before the committee meeting. The Committee can then review the application/questionnaire electronically prior to the committee meeting and raise any issues and concerns with the applicant.

The Committee reviewed the list of New and Renewal applications presented at the November 10, 2020, Public Hearing. The Committee did not have a quorum to vote but consensus recommended that the Chair be empowered to advise the full board that the 14 items listed under New (11 new, 3 changes) be approved. The Committee recommended that the Chair be empowered to recommend to the full board that Items # 2-15 on the Renewal list be approved.

After discussion the Committee members recommend that the Chair be empowered to advise the full board to disapprove the renewal for #1, 96 Wythe Acquisition LLC, dba The Williamsburg Hotel & Harvey. This location had numerous violations of Covid 19 health restrictions and public safety violations and when warned continued to violate the restrictions.

The Committee also recommended that the Chair be empowered to present to the Full Board a temporary method of review during the period of virtual meetings. The recommendation is:

SLA/DCA Committee Meetings are regularly scheduled yearly for the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.

Upon receipt of the 30-day Notice of New/Renewal Application included with the CB#1 acknowledgment of receipt the applicant will be invited as an Attendee to the next SLA/DCA Committee meeting conducted via WEBEX/Virtual meeting.

The applicant will be provided the CB#1 application/questionnaire with stipulations. This must be completed, signed and returned two weeks prior to the Committee meeting.

The applicant shall also get signatures from the residents within the building in which they wish to operate and make as much outreach to neighboring buildings as is possible within health guidelines. The applicant must also post notice of their application and the date and time of meetings and contact information for the Community Board.

The applicant must also advise the Community Board of any use of any outdoor space under the Covid guidelines for use of outdoor space without DCA Sidewalk Café permit.
The next meeting of the SLA/DCA Review Committee, via WEBEX, is scheduled for Tuesday,

December 22, 2020, at 6:30pm.



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COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Ms. Dealice Fuller, CB#1 Chairperson

RE: Executive Committee Report

for November 11, 2020 Meeting

The Executive Committee held a meeting on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 6:30 PM. The committee met virtually via WEBEX.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Fuller, Chairperson; Teague; Viera; Caponegro; Iglesias; Weidberg; Weiser

Absent: None. A quorum was present.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller opened the meeting as a quorum was deemed achieved. A listing of requests made to CB#1 to present at the Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting was previously distributed and reviewed.

Agenda for the December 8, 2020 Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting -The Executive Committee members discussed the items and noted that there were 60-day calendars on two of the land use items and a LPC deadline for a landmark item that was just after the December 8, 2020 meeting. It was decided that these items would be placed for a committee held public hearing by the Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee so that the deadline for submitting a resolution could be met. The clock (60 days/January 11, 2021) would be reached before the scheduled January (January 12, 2021) meeting.

Given the number of items scheduled for the committee held public hearing, it was requested that the Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee meeting be held at 6:00 PM instead of 6:30 PM. This will allow the committee to hold the public hearing on the items and to meet to

deliberate on resolutions to be presented to the full board at the December 8, 2020 board meeting. Ms. Teague noted the items that were to be scheduled for the December 7, 2020 committee meeting: Two Land Use Items:

- 135-137 Bedford Avenue Rezoning (C210043 ZMK)
- Acme Smoked Fish (C210139 ZSK)

One Landmarks Item:

• Proposed Renovations for 98 Milton Street.

Briefing on 470 Kent Avenue - The other item listed was a briefing on a project for 470 Kent Avenue (AKA Certified Lumber). It is right of way residential project that include a public waterfront esplanade. The design of the waterfront component was currently under a review at DCP. The Executive Committee members unanimously agreed to place this item on the December 8, 2020 Combined Public Hearing & Board Meeting agenda as Item #1.

<u>Calendar for the next year</u> (2021-2022). A Draft Calendar was submitted for review. According to the By-Laws, a calendar for the next year is submitted by the Executive Committee to the full board for approval at the December meeting. All were in favor of the draft calendar to submit.

<u>Comptroller's Audit</u>. Ms. Viera spoke about the audit that the Comptroller's Office would be conducting on the 18 Brooklyn Community Boards. They have requested documents (CB#1's By-Laws, Board Meeting Minutes and an Organizational Chart). An organizational chart was submitted to the Executive Committee for review. The members voted to approve the chart.

<u>Committees</u> – Chairperson Ms. Fuller spoke about committee meetings. She noted that they are to meet at least four times a year. She related that there were some committees that have fallen short of that number and the committee chairs will be contacted about scheduling a meeting.

<u>Elections/Nominations</u> – The committee discussed the time for nominations to be made. There were two times being considered – 8PM or 7:30 PM. It was agreed that the time would be 8PM, as it has been in the past. There was a discussion on how to conduct the nominations. It was noted that the By-Laws has the process outlined. There was a discussion on elections. Voting would be done by roll call. Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that it could be time consuming, but the members need to have patience. The term would be to June 30, 2021.

Chat – It was noted that Ms. Iglesias agreed to monitor the chat at the meeting.

<u>WEBEX Meeting Training</u> – It was related that some members were having trouble with WEBEX, i.e. connecting via telephone or using the features. Chairperson Ms. Fuller said that the office will reach out to DoITT & WEBEX to see if they would provide additional training for the board members.

Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that the agenda was completed, and the meeting was adjourned. She wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.



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Community Board No. 1 Releases Calendar for Meeting Dates in 2021-2022

Chairperson Dealice Fuller was pleased to announce that the members of Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 approved a calendar for the year 2021-2022. The following is a listing of dates that meetings are scheduled to occur:

<u>2021</u>

Tuesday

Tuesday	1/12
Tuesday	2/09
Thursday	3/09
Tuesday	4/13
Tuesday	5/11
Tuesday	6/08
*Tuesday	7/13 * (*Scheduled if
*Tuesday	8/10 * Necessary)
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