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**COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING
AND BOARD MEETING
211 AINSLIE STREET
MARCH 12, 2019**

PUBLIC HEARING

Note to all speakers: All those who wish to speak during Public Session must sign and submit their speaker's form at 5:45 PM, and no later than 6:15PM.

This meeting will be live streamed courtesy of Council Member Stephen T. Levin.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Torres made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Iglesias seconded the motion. Ms. Cabrera voted against. The motion was carried.

**UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ, DAVIS AND DEVORE GROUP LLC, DBA
TEDDY'S BAR & GRILL, 96 BERRY STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11249-2841**

(#2021840-DCA) 13 Tables; 28 Chairs. (Renewal) No presentation was made at this time. No questions were raised. The item is referred to the committee.

**UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ, ARGENTINO INC., DBA CAFÉ ARGENTINO, 499
GRAND STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11211-4999 (#1347394-DCA) 7 Tables, 18 Chairs.**

(Renewal) The owner presented on the application. There were no questions raised at this time. The item is referred to the committee

UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ, BIBLIO, 149 N 6TH ST, BROOKLYN, NY 11249-3201 (#2037214-DCA) 2 Tables, 8 Chairs. (Renewal) No presentation was made at this time. No questions were raised. The item is referred to the committee.

UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ, 3 RICHARDSON MEXICO LLC DBA CASA PUBLICA, 594 UNION AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11211-1212 (#1409-2019-ASWC) 20 Tables, 45 Chairs. (New) A presentation was made by Ms. Blair Papagni, from Michael Kelly's Office/representative. A completed questionnaire was submitted and distributed. A question was raised about the number of tables. Ms. Papagni replied that there were 3 tables on Richardson Street and 14 tables on Union Avenue. The item is referred to the committee.

UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ, 63 GUERNSEY LLC, DBA SPRITZENHAUS, 63 GUERNSEY STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11222 (#13747800) 34 Tables, 64 Chairs. (Renewal) No presentation was made at this time. The item is referred to the committee.

ENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ – RENEWAL – ULURP # N180476 ECK/DCA # 0761576-DCA - FORTUNATO BROS. CAFÉ & BAKERY CORP. DBA FORTUNATO BROS., 289 MANHATTAN AVENUE, 14 Tables and 46 Seats. No presentation was made at this time. No questions were raised. The item is referred to the committee.

PRESENTATION – MTA/NYC TRANSIT AND NYC DOT: DISCUSSION/AN UPDATE ON THE L PROJECT – by Mr. Andrew Inglesby, Government and Community Relations/MTA/NYC Transit.

Mr. Inglesby began the presentation. He was joined by other members from the agency to provide information on the project. It was noted that there was a new service plan. They would be receiving feedback on the new plan.

The new plan allows for 100% of daytime weekday service continues between 5AM and 8PM, including peak rush hours. (A copy of the presentation is attached)

- Developing a new service plan in line with revised approach for L tunnel rehabilitation
- Coordinating with FTA, NYC DOT, NYPD and other government partners
- Continuing to attend meetings and collecting input from elected officials, advocates and customers via our new webpage, newsletter and meetings
- MTA Capital Construction leading the tunnel rehabilitation work. Independent consultant to report directly to board throughout the project

It was noted that they would be containing the area [being worked on]. They would clean the area and monitor continuously. There would be normal service operating during rush hour. There would be a single track operation after 8PM.

Mr. Glenn Luden spoke about the operations plan. It was noted that by 8PM, they would be ramping down the service and that trains would run every 20 minutes.

Mr. Ingelsby stated that they would be having open houses on the updated service. He distributed comment

There were two speakers on this item.

Mr. William Vega, spoke about concerns with the project. He noted that people had made decisions to move out because of the plans that called for a total closure of the "L" train. The recent diversion plans that were operating at Union Square were too confusing. Persons with limited mobility, such as seniors, were having trouble with the directions being stated by persons with loud speakers. Also, it was difficult to climb the steps in the staircases people were being directed to.

Ms. Barb Hartel, spoke about concerns about the Bedford Avenue station and the lack of communications to the ridership. She said that she echoed what Mr. Vega had related. She said there were concerns about the ferry service and the bus connections.

Mr. Glenn Luden, from Operations, spoke regarding the complaints about the dust from the construction activities. He related that they are monitoring it and that the levels were in a safe range/below hazardous. Masks were a precaution. They have mitigation plans under review. Ms. Odomirok related concerns with the dust levels.

There was a discussion on the bus service and how they would run from Metropolitan Avenue and Lorimer Street. The buses would be free. Ms. Rachlin raised a question about communication with younger people (students) who use the system. It was noted that the MTA would be providing guidance with some flyer. Ms. Rachlin suggested that interns could be used to help. Mr. Ingelsby noted that the two open houses in Brooklyn have been in schools. Ms. Peterson asked about elevators. Mr. Ingelsby said that they are doing an elevator at Greenpoint Avenue and excavation is expected soon. Bedford Avenue is a very active worksite. There is a plan to install more elevators so that an ADA accessible station is no more than 2 stations away. They are looking at the next 100 stations to plan work for.

It was noted that the Ferry operations are from ED. They do not have capacity to add more services. It was noted that there is a long walk from the Ferry to the Bedford Avenue. Ms. McKeever asked if they would be adding additional trains/cars on the G line. Ms. Teague raised

concern about the dust. During 911, there were problems with dust and harmful substances in the air. There was a suggestion that masks be provided to riders.

Councilmember Antonio Reynoso spoke to provide updates to the members. He noted that two bills were passed dealing with the private carting industry. There are concerns with safety issues and valid unions. There is an investigation underway. There is still a lot of work in the carting industry. He also spoke about the loft law and the industrial areas. He noted making Bedford Avenue exclusively for pedestrians. Legislation is delayed. Ms. Iglesias raised concern about bike riders and conflicts with pedestrians.

PRESENTATION - BSA VARIANCE APPLICATION, CALENDAR APPLICATION, NO. 2019-25-BZ, BLOCK 2482, LOT 1, 4, 6, 40-48 COMMERCIAL STREET – to permit the development of a nine-story plus cellar Use Group 2, residential and Use Group 6 commercial building with 27 residential units, at the Premises, within a M1-2/R6 Zoning District. (Rep/Richard Lobel/Sheldon Lobel PC)

Mr. Richard Lobel, representative, presented on the item. A copy of the presentation was distributed. A completed Land Use questionnaire was submitted (attached). The BSA variance is for the floor area/FAR, density, setback and parking. The owners are Rimani Realty LLC. The condition of the property now is vacant and zoned M1-2/R6 – Special mixed use district MX-8. New construction is proposed on the site. They have prepared an E.A.S. for the site. Construction is to take 24 months. They are proposing mixed use: commercial & residential. They are proposing 27 residential units: 19 one-bedroom, 8 two-bedroom; square foot range is 575 – 866 sf.; there will be 7 inclusionary housing units. These are rental units (including the affordable units). The total height is complying with the zoning. The building will be handicap accessible with an elevator. The development will include a tenant rooftop recreation space. They are going to do street tree planting. On the ground floor are three parking spaces. A waiver is requested. There was one violation with the Dept. of Buildings, from 1975. There was a gasoline service station formerly at the site. They propose to do soil and groundwater remediation. The site had an “E” designation. The project size is: Commercial - 2,681 sf.; Residential - 10,213 sf. (Total 22,894 sf.) There is no manufacturing. The height (in feet) is 107 ft. 1 inch, and the height is 9 stories .

PRESENTATION – NYC DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION - DESIGN REVIEW FOR M^CCARREN PARK’S BALLFIELDS – by Mary Salig, North Brooklyn Park Director/Parks Department. – TABLED - The presentation was pulled from the agenda by the Parks Department. This item was tabled to the April 9, 2019 combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting.

PRESENTATION – 2020 CENSUS AND JOB OFFERINGS – by Mr. James Tillman, Partnership Specialist/US Census.

Mr. Tillman presented on the upcoming census count. He noted that they were hiring for various positions at the Census Bureau. They have two offices. One is at Myrtle Avenue. The flyers have the 800 number to call. He noted that there were a variety of jobs. These also include management positions on the Government Website. Other positions include managers, supervisors, and enumerators. Advertising will soon begin. He noted that NY has an expanded region that includes other regions (i.e. Puerto Rico, Vermont, New Jersey, New Hampshire). He related that the forms will be on tablets that the census workers use. It is critical that the census counts all as it means funding for communities. They are reaching out for partners in the communities to help. Brooklyn has one of the largest foreign born populations. It was noted that the question about citizenship does not appear on the census form.

PRESENTATION – THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES – by Mr. Anthony D. Incarnato, Manager, Volunteer Recruitment, American Red Cross.

Mr. Incarnato provided a presentation on the volunteer opportunities available at the Red Cross. He also spoke about work that the Red Cross does. They take referrals and try address the biggest needs. They work with the FDNY in distributing free smoke alarms. The members discussed disaster responses that the Red Cross carries out.

PRESENTATION – NYC DOT - 2019 PROJECTS FROM THE NORTH WILLIAMSBURG TRANSPORTATION STUDY – by Mr. Harvey LaReau, NYC DOT Project Manager.

Mr. LaReau, Project Manager, NYC DOT, presented on the item. The projected visual presentation was not shown as there was a technical problem with it. Mr. LaReau verbally discussed the projects. There were three items in the presentation. Since there were no visuals, the presentation was tabled to go to the Transportation Committee and then back to the full board for the next board meeting, April 9, 2019. District Manager Mr. Esposito asked that DOT frame each “ask” that they are requesting with these items.

LIQUOR LICENSES – The following applications for liquor licenses were announced.
NEW

- 1) 80 Wythe LLC, dba Wythe and Reynard, 80 Wythe Avenue, (Corporation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, hotel)
- 2) 120 Seconds LLC. dba TBD, 155 Greenpoint Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 3) 227 Grand Corp. dba Beats Karaoke & Belly Korean Bacon Shop, 227 Grand Street, (Method of operation change, wine/beer, cider, karaoke café/restaurant)
- 4) 260 Meserole Rest Corp. dba 3 Dollar Bill, 260 Meserole Street, (Method of operation

change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)

- 5) Biba of Williamsburg LLC, dba Biba, 110 Kent Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, tavern)
- 6) Bushwick Ice House LLC., 35 Ingraham Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 7) Chez Sam LLC, dba Benelux, 25 Bogart, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 8) Concord Hill Inc., dba Concord Hill, 374 Graham Avenue, (Corporate Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 9) Entity to be formed 29 Norman Avenue, dba TBD, 29 Norman Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest with customer bar)
- 10) Fernie Creations, dba Sweet Chili, 1045 Flushing Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 11) Hungry Ghost Metropolitan Corp., dba Hungry Ghost Coffee, 721 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 12) Juicerie IV LLC., dba The Butcher's Daughter, 271 Metropolitan Avenue, (Alteration, liquor, wine /beer, cider rest)
- 13) Naravut LLC, dba Chongkho Restaurant, 562 Grand Street, Suite 1, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 14) OMH Brooklyn LLC, 303 Bedford Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 15) RB & An Corporation, dba Fula Lounge, 291 Hooper Street, 291 Hooper Street, (Corporation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, tavern)
- 16) Tipsy Scoop Brooklyn LLC, 270 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, bar, tavern)

RENEWAL

- 1) 3 Richardson Mexico LLC, dba Casa Publica , 592 -594 Union avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 2) 12 Chairs BYN LLC, dba 12 Chairs Café, 342 Wythe Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 3) 17 Ingraham Restaurant Co, LLC, dba El Cortez, 17 Ingraham Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 4) Abba Bar and Grill Corp., 492 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 5) Berry Street Associate LLC, dba Diviera Drive, 131 Berry Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 6) Biba of New York Inc., dba Biba Concession, 110 Kent Avenue, Backyard Concession w/East River State Park, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 7) Biblio, dba Biblio, 149 North 6th Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider)
- 8) Brooklyn Barge Restaurant Group LLC, dba Brooklyn Barge Bar, 7591 [75-91] West Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 9) Brooklyn Flea LLC, 90 Kent Avenue- #1210 East River State Park, (Renewal, liquor wine/beer, cider)
- 10) Cyclops Forever LLC, dba Achilles Heel, 180 West Street, 180 West Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar)
- 11) Ferris Mittles Inc. dba Troost, 1011 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 12) Frasca Vino Inc., dba Adelinas, 159 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 13) Floc LTd , dba Bahia Restaurant & Cafe, 690 Grand Street, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider)

- 14) Grand Street Food and Wine LLC., dba The Four Horsemen, 295 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest, cafe/cocktail bar)
- 15) JR & Son at Lorimer Street Inc., dba Jr & Son, 575 Lorimer Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, grill)
- 16) Karunvir Inc., 750 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 17) MyMoon Corp., dba MyMoon Corp., 184 96 N. 10th Street, (Renewal, liquor/wine beer/cider, rest)
- 18) OHNO Inc., dba Samurai Mama, 205 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

There was one speaker on the liquor licenses.

Mr. Dhruv Chopra, owner of an establishment, Elsewhere, located at 599 Johnson, spoke about their operations and their recent request for extending their evening hours.

An additional comment was received by email. There was opposition regarding a license for 155 Greenpoint Avenue related from a resident of the block.

BOARD MEETING

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chairperson Ms. Fuller called for a moment of silence dedicated to Aurilia Lawrence, who was killed on February 28th while riding her bicycle at Broadway and Marcy Avenue.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested District Manager Mr. Esposito to call the roll. He informed the chairperson that there were 33 members present, a sufficient number for a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Teague made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Caponegro seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. McKeever made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019 Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sofer. The motion was carried with two abstentions (Ms. Viera and Mr. Needelman)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Waterfront Committee – a written report was distributed. Mr. Caponegro presented the report. The report was tabled until the presentation on the McCarren Park Ballfields is made at the April 9th Public Hearing/Board Meeting.

Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee – Two written reports were distributed. Ms. Teague presented the Land Use Committee's Report which did not require a vote. Ms. Barros presented the Landmark Subcommittee's Report, which required a vote. Landmarks Item: 132 Calyer Street – (New Docket #1935316) LPC has requested another review to resolve an issue with the textured siding that was used. Mr. Peter Shervanick, owner of a three family house located at 132 Calyer Street, presented to the committee a request to resolve an issue with the textured siding that was used. The Landmarks Subcommittee on September 18, 2017 and the Landmarks Preservation Commission on November 21, 2017, had approved an application for the proposed renovation of the building at 132 Calyer Street, a three family 1870's wood frame house in the Greenpoint Historic District. The proposed renovation included that the siding would be for a smooth finish rather than the rougher sample presented, (simulating wood grain.) The Landmarks Subcommittee had voted unanimously to support the application for the renovations with the condition that a smooth finish is chosen for the siding. The owner explained to the committee that he used the textured siding, (simulating wood grain,) instead of the smooth siding, because under the time constraints to complete the renovations, he was not able to purchase the smooth finish siding in the dimensions required. The owner had presented photos of the complete renovation comparing it to the tax photo of the original building to show that the front façade matched the exact Tax photo of the original building. In addition to the renovation using the wood grain texture siding, he reviewed the combinations of all of the renovations that included the completed windows, installations of a cornice, doorway entrance, that were compatible and matched the historic elements in terms of basic design and details. Ms. Barros noted that the committee members discussed and reviewed the previous committee recommendation that related that a smooth siding was preferable. The committee, however, in review of the owner's completed renovation, using the wood grain textured siding, felt that in combination the renovations presented, it was compatible with the historic character of the building and closely recall the characteristics of the historic woodwork. Ms. Viera made a motion to approve the committee's report supporting the rough finish siding. The motion was seconded by Ms. Teague. The motion was unanimously carried.

SLA Review & DCA Committee – Mr. Burrows presented the committee's written report. He discussed the items and requested votes.

Sidewalk Cafes – Mr. Burrows asked the members to support the recommendation to approve the unenclosed sidewalk cafes. Ms. Kaminski made a motion to support the committee's recommendation to approve the applications. The motion was seconded by Ms. Iglesias. The motion was unanimously carried.

Liquor Licenses – Mr. Burrows presented the recommendations for the various liquor licenses. There were 9 approvals and one application was withdrawn. The application for Elsewhere was separated out. There were 11 requests approved and 16 denied. Mr. Bachorowski made a motion to support the recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cohen. The motion was unanimously carried. Mr. Burrows asked for a motion on the application for Elsewhere. He noted that they have been there for some time and have been a good neighbor. The committee is recommending approval. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Burrows discussed a letter that was supporting the pop-up space on by KansasExp-NYC on Driggs Avenue. The letter noted that subject to the limitations provided below, the Community Board does not object to the issuance of Temporary Beer & Wine Permits at 470 Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211.

- The permits may only be granted for Thursday-Sunday beginning on January 31, 2019 through March 17, 2019.
- The permit holders shall be limited to KansasExp-NYC, LLC and Dublab (not-for-profit).
- In no event shall the KansasExp-NYC be granted more than a total of 6-permits during the period.
- In no event shall the not-for-profit, Dublab, be granted more than a total of 18 permits during the period (until March 17th)

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In addition, the intended permittees have stated that alcohol will not be sold after 10:30 PM.

Ms. Iglesias made a motion to support the letter. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres. The motion was unanimously carried.

Renewals – Mr. Burrows made a motion to support the recommendation to approve the renewals. There were two that were not approved: McCarren Hotel and 500 Metropolitan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bachorowski. The motion was unanimously carried.

Transportation Committee – Mr. Bruzaitis submitted a written report that he presented to the members. Ms. Nieves spoke about the Navy Yard item, relating concerns about access and safety. There were concerns about Macri Park and unrestricted canine access as there were a lot of children running around. District Manager Mr. Esposito spoke about a meeting of the Kosciuszko Bridge Stakeholders Advisory regarding the second phase of the bridge's reconstruction. He related that there were no plans to deal with the outfall from the bridge onto the streets. The board may want to go on record about this safety issue. Chairperson Fuller noted that a letter should be sent to DOT Commissioner Trottenberg, asking that they come to the April meeting on this matter. Ms. Kaminski made a motion to send the letter. The motion was seconded by Rabbi Niederman. The motion was unanimously carried.

Women's Issues Committee – Ms. Peterson noted that the committee did not meet but will meet and come up with a resolution on matters.

Housing and Public Housing – Ms. Peterson spoke about the committee's meeting that was recently held. There was a very good meeting where they talked about cooperative developments. A key issue was the participatory structure. She noted this was also true with public housing, where tenants can't use community rooms. There needs to be discussion about what is going on. It is important to learn if people are getting housing.

Budget Committee – Ms. Teague presented the committee report about comments of the preliminary budget. Ms. Kaminski made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sofer. The motion was unanimously carried

PARKS DEPARTMENT MINUTE – a written report was submitted.

PUBLIC SESSION (Reserved for the Public's expression. Board Members will not be allowed to speak.) Each scheduled participant for this session will have an allowance of two (2) minutes. (No questions will be entertained. Speakers are requested to submit their testimony in writing). Speakers addressed the board.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

A written report was submitted and distributed for review.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

A written report was submitted and distributed for review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ELECTED OFFICIALS

Various elected official representatives were recognized or gave updates.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was raised.

NEW BUSINESS

Under new business, Ms. Nieves spoke about pending legislation that is at the State regarding loft regulations. This has an effect on the East Williamsburg industrial area. After a discussion on the matter, a joint meeting of the Land Use Committee and the Housing Committee was decided to further explore this issue. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 1st, at 6:30PM. A larger venue for the meeting is being explored.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Ms. Fuller noted that there was no other order of business raised and asked for a motion to adjourn.

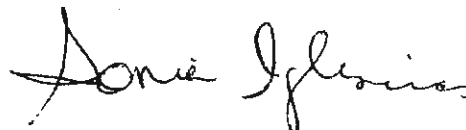
Ms. Teague made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Viera. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Marie Bueno Wallin
Assistant District Manager

Reviewed by:



Sonia Iglesias
Recording Secretary



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(26 Members Constitute a Quorum for the Board Meeting & Public Hearing) DATE: Tuesday March 12, 2019

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1. Attendance @ 6:10 PM.

2. Roll call @ 8:20 PM

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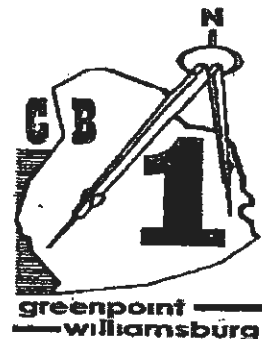
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March 12, 2019

ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Rabbi David Niederman
Committee Chair

RE: Committee Meeting held February 28, 2019

The Attendance Committee met on February 28, 2019 at 7PM, in the CB#1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue. Present – Rabbi Niederman; Janice Peterson. Absent – Bruzaitis. A quorum was achieved.

1) The Committee reviewed the attendance of board members at the Combined Public Hearings and Board Meeting for 2019 (from January to February).

- No action was recommended at this time. According to CB #1's by-laws, no member has reached the number of absences requiring any action.

2) The Attendance Committee reviewed the attendance of members for 2018 – from January to December.

- Three persons who were recommended for removal, were still on the board's roster:

Samuel Franczoz (10 absences in 2018; 2 absences in 2019)

Simon Neustein (8 absences in 2018; 2 absences in 2019)

Tesa Wilson (8 absences in 2018; 2 absences in 2019) [Her resignation letter was to be sent to the Brooklyn Borough President. However, it was never received.] --- She is recommended for removal.

- It was noted that Joshua Cohen had reached 7 absences in 2018. However in a conference held with him last year, his explanation of his absences was taken under consideration by the Attendance Committee and he was not recommended for removal. He has attended both the January and the February 2019 meetings.

3) The Attendance Committee is requesting a follow up with the Borough President on the status of the board members removal requests from last year.

- It is suggested that the Borough President's representative to CB#1 report at the next board meeting about the board member removals.

4) It was raised at the committee meeting that those persons who were not attending the board meetings, were also not attending committee meetings either. This raised a question about their committee assignments. If they were not attending committee meetings either, this impacted a committee's quorum.

- It was suggested that since the members of a committee are assigned by the CB#1 Board's Chairperson, that any concerned committee chairs should contact the board's chairperson about removing the delinquent committee members. This would allow a quorum to be better achieved.

2018 CB #1 BOARD MEMBER REGULAR MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORT

Member's Name	1/9	2/13	3/13	4/10	5/8	6/12	7/10	8/14	9/17	10/9	11/13	12/11	Ab's
Gina Argento (BP)	P	P	P	P	A	P	N	P	P	P	A	P	2
Bogdan Bachorowski (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	A	A	A	P	P	3
Lisa Bamonte (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P	P	P	P	1
Louis Barricelli (BP)	P	A	P	P	P	P	M	P	P	P	P	P	1
Gina Barros (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	A	P	P	A	P	2
Eric Bruzaitis (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	0
Thomas J. Burrows (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	0
Iris Cabrera (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	T	P	P	P	P	P	0
Philip Caponegro (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	I	P	P	A	P	P	1
Stephen Chesler (33)	P	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P	P	P	P	0
Frank P. Carbone (33)	P	P	A	P	P	P	G	P	P	P	P	P	1
Michael Chirichella (BP)	P	A	P	P	A	P		A	P	P	P	A	4
Theresa Cianciotta (33)	P	P	P	P	A	P		P	P	P	P	P	1
Joshua Cohen (BP)	A	P	A	A	P	A	N	A	P	A	P	A	7
Arthur Dybanowski (33)	P	P	P	P	P	A	O	P	A	P	P	P	2
T. Willis Elkins (33)	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	0
Julia Amanda Foster (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	M	P	P	P	P	P	0
Samuel Franczoz (33)	A	A	A	A	A	P	E	A	A	A	A	A	10
Dealice Fuller (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	0
Emily Gallagher (BP)	A	P	A	P	P	A	T	P	P	P	P	A	4
Vincent Gangone (BP)	A	P	P	P	P	P	I	A	P	P	P	A	3
Solomon Green	APPOINTED					P	N	P	A	P	A	P	2
Joel Gross (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	G	P	A	P	A	P	2
Sonia Iglesias (34)	P	A	P	A	P	A		P	P	P	A	P	4
Moishe Indig (BP)	P	A	P	A	P	P	N	A	P	P	A	P	4
Bozena Kaminski (BP)	P	A	P	P	P	A	O	P	A	A	P	P	4
Avrom Katz (33)						APPOINTED			P	P	P	P	0
Ryan Kuonen (33)	P	A	P	A	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	2
Yoel Landau (BP)	P	A	P	A	P	P	M	A	A	P	P	P	4
Marie Leanza (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	0
Yoel Low (BP)	P	P	P	A	P	P	E	A	A	P	P	A	4
Trina McKeever (33)	P	P	P	A	P	P	T	P	P	P	P	P	1
Toby Moskovits (BP)	P	A	P	A	P	P	I	A	A	P	P	P	4
Martin Needelman (34)	P	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P	P	P	A	1
Simon Neustein (33)	A	P	A	A	A	P	G	A	A	A		A	8
Rabbi David Niederman (BP)	A	P	P	P	P	A		P	P	P	A	P	3

Karen Nieves (34)	P	P	A	P	P	P	N	P	A	P	P	A	3
Mary Odomirok (33)	P	P	P	P	A	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	1
Janice Peterson (34)	P	A	P	P	P	P		A	P	P	P	P	2
Dana Rachlin	APPOINTED					P		P	P	P	P	A	1
Michael Gary Schlesinger	APPOINTED					P	M	P	A	A	P	P	2
Isaac Sofer (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	A	P	P	P	1
Robert Solano (34)	A	P	P	P	A	P	E	P	A	P	A	P	4
James Stuart (BP)	P	A	P	P	A	P	T	P	P	P	A	P	3
Del Teague (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	I	P	P	P	P	P	0
Tommy Torres (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	P	N	P	P	P	P	P	0
Maria Viera (33)	P	P	P	A	P	P	G	A	P	A	P	P	3
Stephen Weidberg (BP)	P	P	P	P	P	A		P	P	P	P	P	1
Simon Weiser (33)	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	0
Tesa Wilson (34)	A	A	P	A	P	A		A	P	A	A	A	8

Tally:

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Present	38	35	42	34	38	41	0	34	36	41	38	39
Absent	11	14	7	15	11	8	0	15	14	9	11	11
Excused Absence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	49	49	49	49	49	49	0	49	50	50	49	50



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March 12, 2019

BUDGET COMMITTEE
REPORT

To: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and Board Members

From : Stephen J Weidberg, Committee Chair
Del Teague Committee Co-Chair

RE: Committee meeting held on March 4, 2019

The Capitol Budget Committee met at 7:30 pm on March 4th 2019 in the CB1 District Office
Present: Weidberg; Teague; Chesler. Absent: Gross (A quorum was present)

1- The Committee advised the members that the preliminary budget was released and a letter of response has to be written and sent out. A response is being composed and will be presented to the full board for approval.

2- Comments received from the public and other board members were reviewed.

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March 11, 2019

Honorable Melanie Hartzog
Budget Director
NYC Office of Management and Budget
255 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Dear Ms. Hartzog:

Community Board No. 1 submits the following comments regarding the Mayor's Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2020.

The Community Board No. 1's district comprises Brooklyn's two most northern communities: Greenpoint and Williamsburg. The 2010 census reported a diverse population of over 179,000 persons. This figure is an undercount, as our Board continues to see more and more people moving into the district.

COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET

Community boards provide a vital function for the districts they are designated to serve and consequently stand as valuable assets to the City as well. There is need for increased allocation as funds were lost in previous budget crunches (also lost were the Board's assigned youth coordinators and promised planners to aide with development never materialized).

Our internal budget is not sufficient enough to meet the ever escalating costs of necessary office operations and staffing. The rapid changes in communications, media and computers, plus the costly upgrading of various programs and equipment hinder our Board's meager budget, which covers a small staffing (two full-time persons & one part-time person) and miniscule operating (OTPS) budget.

Over the years our members have repeatedly expressed vehement opposition to any plans to cut our Board's budget. In the past the Office of Management and Budget advised us of cuts to take place in FY 2013 & FY 2014. We pointed out that although cuts like this may have little effect on larger agencies, these cuts have a tremendous negative impact for community boards across the City. Any cuts to our budget would further erode our personnel service dollars resulting in staff reductions. As previously noted, our board has a small staff of two full-time persons & one part-time person. In several past years the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) related that it would implement cuts to our budget. After the community board budgets were restored in 2012, the Office of Management and Budget announced that Community Board No. 1 would be cut in FY 2013 by 5.4% (\$11,172) and 8% (\$15,658) for FY 2014. These kinds of cuts would have forced our office to reduce its already diminished staff. Fortunately, with action by the City Council, our budgets were held safe for FY 2013 and FY 2014.

Our board respectfully asks your assistance again in ensuring that Community Board No. 1 is fully funded and that moneys allotted to our agency are duly appropriated and distributed timely. As you are aware, the community boards exist with a "fossilized" bare-bones budget that has not been increased in over 20 years. Postage, supplies, equipment and other expenses are ever increasing and we have never received the corresponding cost of living adjustments (OTPS Inflator) to compensate since 1991.

Every dollar is truly needed and vital to our operations. We seek your continued help in securing our budget for Fiscal Year 2020.

As previously noted -- we have consistently advocated for increased budgets for community boards, Community Board No. 1 -- however our board continues to lack adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs. The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive and way beyond our fiscal capability. Web casting is a high tech area of deployment requiring cameras, software, various hardware, a streaming server, a database server, a web/content management server, a directory management server and a series of "apps"; least of all, staff to operate the camera. There are also serious costs included in setting up an infrastructure to carry out webcasting. All of this is something that we cannot both fiscally and physically accomplish "in house". Most of us make do with the limited resources of DoITT (there is one tech person assigned for all of the 59 community boards). Additionally, since community boards lack their own meeting venues (relying on rented or donated space) any recording set ups must be portable.

Community Boards are always facing yet another round of budget cuts in the budget process. We are pleased that the City Council supported the Boards and voted to restore our respective budgets this fiscal year, but the boards' operating budgets were not made whole. We remain guarded about projected cuts for upcoming fiscal years. Community Boards have not seen an increase in our budget in over 20 years!

Instead of (for the sole purpose of being "transparent") proposing another layer of responsibility that would prove too costly for community boards, we propose an alternative: The NYC Charter's language regarding community boards must be strongly re-written to ensure that community boards are first and foremost fiscally protected and legislatively sound. It is our belief that if the City endeavors to resume its pursuit for increasing "transparency" by resurrecting this proposal (previously known as Int. No. 28) it must first consider developing and fully funding an independent dedicated IT team to conduct this digital video recording. This team would then make itself available to document each of the 59 community boards' monthly meetings, provide/maintain a web outlet to display the documentation as well as create an appropriate archive for their recordings.

We need your help to keep our budgets safe!

We ask for your aid in ensuring that there are no cuts for the 59 community board budgets and to immediately hold our board's budget harmless from any future proposals to reduce funding.

DISTRICT FUNDING NEEDS

Housing is a critical issue for our district and we support efforts to fund affordable development and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

The Department of City Planning completed a major rezoning for our area's waterfront and upland areas (adopted in 2005). This major rezoning allows for future development of large tracks of land, all which have both capital and expense budget impacts. We have experienced that other portions of the district are greatly impacted by land development that were not in this original rezoning scope. Consequently, we requested that the Department of City Planning address these issues by examining these areas for implementing contextual zoning efforts in order to preserve existing characteristics, such as regulating height & bulk development and imposing specific limits. In 2008 Department of City Planning moved on its effort and brought forward proposals.

As we noted in our Statement of District Needs - The wave of 2009 (a Tsunami) continues to impact our community.

Not just a wave of destruction, but multiple waves of construction. The flood waters have not receded.

Some construction work sites are still stalled or abandoned.

The undertow of these thunderous waves continues to negatively impact the lives of the residents of Greenpoint-Williamsburg and will effect generations to come.

This tide of grief has already created a climate of highly inflated rents, denied lease renewals to both residential and commercial tenants, and a forced exodus of longtime commercial tenants into less desirable areas and even out of state. Now, complicating the equation even more, we are faced with distressed and abandoned work sites and condo

prices which are out of touch with today's market.

And the erosion of the existing community has not stopped there!

Like the construction of the Brooklyn Queens Expressway in the 1940's which split communities and demolished the Mt. Carmel Cathedral (for the so called betterment of the transportation network) this continuing pounding of the wave destroys dreams for the homesteaders, the poor and middle/working class of this community- the people who chose to stay, when it was not trendy or chic.

Without a guarantee of affordability they have been forgotten!

And as the flood waters persist to move inland, the distillates of the 2005 Rezoning (notably opposed by CB #1) continue to swoop down upon our small stable communities and create havoc by demolishing our quaint existing structures, building upward (with units not affordable for our community) and straining our limited services and already overburdened antiquated infrastructure. The 2005 rezoning continues to be a "gift that keeps on giving" --- we are now facing pending construction of tower type "as of right" developments in Greenpoint (City Landing/Commercial Street) and in Williamsburg (the former Domino site). We ask that a councilmatic blue ribbon commission be formed to examine and evaluate the results of the 2005 rezoning. The following projects are looming this year:

- Greenpoint Landing Project - Park Tower is proposing 4.2 million square feet of mixed-use development on a 22 acre waterfront site in Greenpoint. The City has been working with the developer on the plan, which includes the disposition of city-owned property.
- 77 Commercial/65 Commercial Street Development Rights - Clipper Equities is proposing a residential project on the 77 Commercial Street site and will be seeking a special permit to accommodate the additional square footage it is purchasing from the 65 Commercial Street site.
- The former Domino site - Is to be developed by the new owners, Two Trees Management LLC. The developer has indicated that the current plan envisions a total of about 3.1 million square feet of development that will include approximately 2.3 million square feet of residential; 550,000 square feet of commercial space for small businesses; 228,000 square feet of public open space; 130,000 square feet of community facility space; 72,000 square feet of retail and 220,000 square feet of parking. The residential component will include an estimated 2,284 housing units, 660 of which are planned to be made affordable.

Regarding the Newtown Barge and Box Street Parks, CB #1 approved the project for the Newtown Barge Park and urges the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation to fast track this long awaited project. We are awaiting the final plan for the Box Street Park.

As you know, planning for our community and waterfront has been in our sights for the last 20 years, culminating with the NYC Council approval of our two 197A plans. This was a Herculean undertaking by our Board and was the direct result of much sacrifice and voluminous hours of dedication to our community.

The continuous infusion of people (previously approximated as 40,000 persons; and at the least 8,780 dwelling units) in our community will place even greater burdens on the already overtaxed city services addressing the needs of our community. Our community has become a tourist attraction! Plans developed by HPD to protect our constituency have been implemented covertly and piecemeal while residents are being displaced on a daily basis. HPD should work in partnership with Community Board No. 1 to develop a comprehensive plan with community input. HPD must document this displaced population and allow all these stakeholders a preferential status when low income units are available. Approximately three years after the approval of the Waterfront Plan, 459 units (at Palmer's Dock, Williamsburg Edge) of affordable housing have been built in the plan area and the devastation caused by upland development has had an irreversible effect on the entire district. By the time the trickle down effect of affordable units come on line, the community will have been resettled by new faces from other areas and the displaced residents a mere memory. Some even relocated out of the district by HPD itself!

We further note the following needs:

- That the City creates truly affordable housing units that are both rental and owner occupied. HPD must look outside the box and explore new concepts/options for funding including the use of Section 8 funds for home ownership. We remain highly concerned about the drought of Section 8 funds for home ownership. We remain highly concerned about the drought of Section 8 funding for both NYCHA and HPD agencies, and the loss of the Advantage Program assisting homeless families.
- Anti-Harassment and Displacement assistance services need to be restored and continue to be funded in the CB#1 District.
- HPD must re-enact services to residents of the district with a Neighborhood Services field office located within the CB#1's confines. The agency never relocated in the District. Forcing constituents to make the trek out of district to Joralemon Street - then closing the downtown office altogether.
- Affordable housing is out of reach for local residents because of income guidelines that do not reflect our constituency. The income requirements and rent guidelines need to be reformulated to reflect our area's AMI for affordability.
- McCarren Park Pool - Construction of this facility is now complete

after having the facility laid dormant and derelict since 1981. The pool is open and funds must continue to be allocated to operate and maintain the facility year round.

- Greenpoint & Williamsburg need more green space and park staffing, including maintenance of the little precious park land that we have. We need to have no more closures of firehouses!
- A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of a closure of Engine 212 in 2003. There must be no additional closures or reduction in manning.
- Need for a hospital or emergency facility within the confines of Community District #1 area none exists now!
- Need for increased space at the 94th precinct.
- Need for modernized services at the Greenpoint Station and Williamsburg Station (US Postal Service) - services are obsolete at these stations.
- Need to alleviate overcrowding of the train service- especially the Bedford Avenue "L" Station, and stop the continued cuts in service at the "G" train.
- The newly created bus service along our waterfront (Kent Avenue and Franklin Street) must be evaluated for any needed enhancements. This service is to be fully funded for expansion and ease of transportation to Manhattan. Other modes of transportation, including larger capacity ferry water service, should be continuously explored.
- McGolrick Park is in need of major improvements. We are pleased to learn that funding was secured for the necessary capital projects for the park's infrastructure and building.

Existing commercial activities have also been put at risk, while landowners are certainly attracted to higher rents and dividing rental units into more profitable ventures, businesses are crying out for safe havens to conduct their business with a degree of stability and the opportunity to expand. Existing jobs must be retained in the community and the Administration must accommodate these industries that chose to stay when many others left! These employment opportunities must be protected. Local employment strategies are the foundation of our success.

The Inclusionary Housing program to date appears to have an anemic performance in providing an increase in new units for our area. Applications that CB #1 has seen fall mainly in the category of the preservation of existing low income/affordable units which are already occupied. HPD must improve its efforts to attract more applicants for this program.

We urge that sufficient funding be provided for our local NYCHA developments to ensure that necessary upgrading and improvement projects are expedited for both public spaces and residential apartments. Opportunities for affordable housing must be expanded. We remain guarded about the City's plans to sell off open space in our NYCHA developments' parking lots, green space and playgrounds.

We have submitted a list of budget priorities to the Office of Management and Budget. For the sake of being brief, we will highlight some priorities that are of major concern as well as provide comments on the recently released budget information:

PARKS AND RECREATION

Parks and open space are critical needs for our district and we support expense and capital funding that will increase our green spaces and maintain them. We urge that sufficient funding be provided for the Department of Parks & Recreation to meet these needs.

Increase Staffing-The over 91 acres of parkland situated in Community Board No. 1 represent an extremely valuable resource, the potential of which, however, remains to be realized due to the continued erosion of Park Department staff. Clearly, 21 "real" (1 manager, 4 supervisors, 16 full time workers) maintenance workers cannot begin to supply even minimal coverage of our heavily utilized parks, and underscore the need to provide for the proper maintenance of these facilities. We currently have only 1 slot for workers (playground associates) who provide recreational services for youths and administer programs in the district. This playground associate is located in only one of our many playgrounds -totally insufficient to fully serve Community Board No. 1's district. According to the heavily used regional park (McCarren Park). We have found that the number of children in the district is steadily increasing as can be seen with the corresponding increases of public and private school enrolled pupils (kindergarten - 8th grade). A minimum of 5 more supervisory staff positions and 30 employee staff positions are badly needed. Specifically, additional maintenance staff must be assigned to the following facilities: McCarren Park, Cooper Park, Sternberg Park (Lindsay Park), Sgt. Dougherty, P.S. 84 Playground, Martinez Playground, La Guardia Playground, Bushwick Houses Pool. Beyond this, it is essential that adequate recreation staffing is assigned to Metropolitan Pool and such major facilities as McCarren, McGolrick and Sternberg Parks. Finally, firm commitments to secure adequate, year round, recreation, security and medical first aid staffing at McCarren Pool is essential and must be made a very high department priority.

McCarren Park And Pool- Since its opening in 1938, McCarren Pool has been a valuable Summertime resource to the youth of our community, and North Brooklyn, and was imperative that its reconstruction proceeded as promptly as possible. Community Board No. 1 was pleased that a community consensus was reached in February 2001 regarding the derelict facility. We supported the feasibility plan presented by the consultant firm, Vollmer Associates, to redevelop the site to include an Olympic size pool, a multi-purpose year round facility and an ice skating/inline skating rink. This concept gained support from the Community and the Board's McCarren Park Pool Task Force. In June 2007, the Mayor allocated \$50 million for construction of a new pool and recreation area with retention of the

bathhouses and archway. The Board supported a feasibility design strategy that was presented by the Parks Department to recommend alternate venues to accommodate the many community events enjoyed at the pool site. The pool and recreation center are now open for all to use. We were pleased when the Parks Department issued an RFP for a seasonal ice skating rink concession and a rink was operated past winter at the pool site and it proved to be a successful endeavor that was enjoyed by many. However, the rink did not return for this past winter. We urge that a concession be run for the 2016-2017 Winter. It is important that sufficient funding continues to flow steadily to sustain our McCarren Park pool and recreational facility for generations to come.

- Educational needs for District 14 Master Planning Effort (evaluation of services).
- MTA Needs Assessment of the Greepoint-WilliamsburgArea (evaluation of services).

Most of the acreage (especially the adjacent Abate Playground) has received benefits of renovation or upgrading. These efforts have restored the majority of this park's recreational uses. In fact, these areas are now more heavily used than ever.

McCarren Park is basically divided into three large parcels with different park uses. Each parcel is separated by roadways from each other. We seek the Parks Department to address the need for additional comfort station facilities as the only one available is in the existing Park Field House located in the portion with the baseball field and is always in total disrepair. The walk is too far for the children at the playground and isolated from the handball courts, running track and soccer field. The newly illuminated soccer field, and all other permitted fields, must allow preferences for its use by bona fide Greenpoint/Williamsburg youth groups. Any upgrading of the field's turf should be considered for funding as with use, wear and tear, the life span of the material shortens.

The de-mapping of a portion Union Avenue that lies adjacent to McCarren Park will provide additional open space for the park. Community Board No. 1 provided support for the action with conditions. We are still not apprised of the efforts that the City had made to address concerns about the loss of 34 parking spaces (DPR committed to providing the completed survey and to accommodate all of the parking that will be displaced by this action). The existing successful uses (including the dog run, Green Market and Green Dome Garden) are to be preserved. CB #1 is to be keep apprised on the project and any interim use of this extended acreage for McCarren Park.

Metropolitan Pool - "Met" Pool now serves Community Board No. 1 in a more effective manner than ever before. The City should further support the valuable voluntary efforts of the Friends of Met Pool by assigning additional recreation staff to this facility and extending hours of operation to further meet the needs of the community. Lifeguards at the facility are needed that are reflective of the community's needs.

Sand Park - The Williamsburg Bridge reconstruction project has long been completed and we are outraged that the rehabilitation of Sand Park (the mapped park playground beneath it)

has not happened. Community Board No. 1 demands the restoration of this mapped parkland to its "pre destruction" use by the NYC Department of Transportation in reconstruction of the Williamsburg Bridge. Once this park is completed, it will serve the community with additional recreational space and begin a connection between the waterfront and the upland blocks. The Williamsburg Waterfront 197-a plan seeks the development of a waterfront promenade circumnavigating the DOT property under the Williamsburg Bridge and providing an additional "greenway" for the community. We call upon the Mayor to intervene on our behalf and return this park in as much as the DOT and Parks have continued to fail to continue a meaningful dialogue to restore this park.

Other Park Projects And General Open Space Comments - The Board continues to seek the City's funding of renovations for the various playgrounds. In our view, the upgrading of these deteriorated recreation areas constitutes a major need.

We reinforce our past support for those additional park reconstruction projects: Greenpoint Playground, La Guardia Playground, Classon Playground, and any additional projects in the inception stage. The Tennis Courts at McCarren Park are heavily utilized during the warmer season. As dusk approaches, play is made easier by the cool of the evening. Players have requested that lighting be placed in the park to allow practice and matches to continue into later hours. The courts were in need of immediate resurfacing and users of the park formed a volunteer group to pursue the effort. The courts were resurfaced using funds raised. The Parks Department should continue to explore and solicit the community's preference for the doming of the tennis courts to allow for winter time play. The Parks Department had issued an RFP for "doming" in the tennis courts and selected an operator. We had urged that the concession contain a contract requirement to provide year round lighting of the tennis courts.

The Parks Department should also explore having a food vending concession in McCarren Park's field house with the caveat that the restroom/comfort facilities remain open and maintained by the concessionaire.

Community Board No. 1 continues to support the valuable work that volunteers do to help our neighborhood parks and we hope that the Parks Department will increase their efforts in this area.

Efforts to instill pride about our parks are applauded. We look forward to the Parks Department efforts to display historical markers and educational plaques in the District's inventory.

In order to better address public safety, lighting in each of the Board's parks needs to be evaluated and enhanced. Increased lighting will allow better visibility at their perimeters and interiors.

Convenient location of comfort stations is a constant request made by park users. We urge upgrading of facilities that now exist and the introduction of new ones in those parks that greatly need them. We were pleased that the Department of Environmental Protection funded a station in Greenpoint Playground. It was constructed and is now open for use. We urge the

Parks Department to monitor the district's comfort facilities and keep them well maintained.

The expansion of the waterfront park to the Bushwick Inlet and its initial phase moved forward. This expansion provides much needed recreational space for our residents and insures some greening of the waterfront (the former Sanitation Garage at 50 Kent Avenue was demolished and annexed as parkland/open space). The proposal also suggests the inclusion of a Waterfront Access Plan (WAP). While we support this concept, we most certainly want to be directly involved in the design process. The Administration should commence the condemnation procedures to demonstrate a good faith gesture for our community while carefully retaining jobs and relocating existing businesses.

Bushwick Inlet Park- We seek the completion of Bushwick Inlet Park, including the condemnations, remediation and build out of the promised 28 acre park. The NYC Department of Parks and Recreation touts on its website that "Bushwick Inlet Park is the centerpiece of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront." The agency reported that the City has already invested \$225 million to develop, but these funds that have gone to complete only a small section of the park. This section is located at the southern tip where the soccer field and community building (with a green roof) are located and included the purchase of three parcels of land. There is another budgeted \$72million for the purchase of a fourth section where demolition at that site "was to happen soon". The remainder portion of the full Bushwick Inlet Park is yet to be realized. After over a decade of waiting the community expressed its displeasure. With a series of outcries and public protests it called for the City to make good on its promise to acquire this portion of the planned park.

At the close of 2015 Mayor de Blasio's office provided a statement that "the administration would never accept a rezoning here that did not have the support of the councilman and community". However encouraging this statement may first appear, it comes without a concrete handshake or have a solid financial commitment needed for the full development of the park and expand the Bushwick Inlet Park as pledged.

In regards to the 65 Commercial Street site, this is another parcel promised as park space in the 2005 Waterfront Rezoning Points of Agreement. The MTA had agreed to relocate from this site. Funds and planning must continue and be applied to turn this site into park space.

McGolrick Park - This notable park hosts a landmark structure, its central Pavilion Shelter (comfort station) and two important historic sculptures. The World War I memorial (1923) to the south of the shelter pavilion was designed by Carl Augustus Heber. It honors 150 Greenpoint soldiers who fought in World War I. The Monitor and the Merrimac (1939) by sculptor Antonio de Filippo, celebrates the battle of the ironclad USS Monitor and Confederate Merrimac on March 9, 1862 off the coast of Hampton Roads, Virginia. Designed by Swedish engineer John Ericsson, the Monitor was built at the Continental Iron Works in Greenpoint and outfitted at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. These iconic features of the park require varying degrees of maintenance and should be made a number one priority by the Parks Department for funding. In addition, this park is enjoyed by many local families whose children recreate in its playground or use its passive greened spaces. People take pleasure walking the quiet pathways and can often be seen seated on benches surrounded by the park's

many century old trees.

Attention and funding is needed to preserve its fine and unique character as well as upgrade its aged infrastructure. A schematic plan for reconstruction of the playground area was completed and we urge the Department of Parks & Recreation to progress the project.

East River Park- A State park was designated for a portion of the former BEDT site (Kent Avenue/North 7th Street) and funded by New York State. After much delay, the park is has opened and is to be further developed. The park should remain open with regular hours for the area's residents throughout the year. We look forward to the park being further developed. Solar lighting for the park must have the necessary funds to maintain them. We are concerned about the park having any exclusive use by private entities for profit.

Williamsburg Park - We ask that with the holding of any special events and use of this new park (at the former Department of Sanitation Garage/50 Kent Avenue) as a performance venue that the sound levels be restricted so not to negatively affect the surrounding community. Police must be involved in crowd control.

Greenpoint Monitor Museum- Community Board No.1 is pleased to learn that the NYS chartered Greenpoint Monitor Museum received donated land at the Bushwick Inlet (where the historical iron clad ship was birthed) for the construction of a museum in honor of the USS Monitor. The ship's construction here was a major event in the community's history-we support the museum's efforts to keep alive the memory of the USS Monitor. The museum seeks to retain its donated property as it will act as a catalyst for additional donations as it moves forward with founding a home at the site. The City is moving forward to develop this area around the Bushwick Inlet, from North 9th Street to Quay Street as parkland and must respect the issues raised by the Greenpoint Monitor Museum and partner to make their dream a reality.

Retention And Expansion Of Parkland - As the pertinent City Planning Department studies indicate, Community District No. 1 is one of the most under-served area with regard to park and recreation services. Thus, we would strongly oppose the elimination of any currently mapped parkland in our district or usage/renting of same for other than parkland/recreation unless as per current City policy, equivalent space is developed as parkland in the immediate vicinity. We also strongly support the establishment of additional parks and playgrounds within our borders.

Community Board No. 1 continues its support for the development of appropriate small parks on triangles. The Southside and South Williamsburg have few local parks, and the triangles, such as where Heyward. Wallabout and Wythe Avenue come together, should be implemented.

The concrete triangle at Meeker Avenue, Morgan Avenue and Driggs Avenue was finally greened. Unfortunately this triangle is now in ruins due to the Kosciuszko Bridge's reconstruction (a detour sign in sitting the middle of it). We urge that it be restored to green

splendor with the reconstruction's completion.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Resurfacing and Reconstruction - We urge that the budget for resurfacing of streets be fully funded and expanded if possible. Our streets are overburdened with traffic and we seek relief from the constant resultant wear and tear on our roadways. It is vital that our reconstruction projects are kept "on target" and support funding for our district's bridges.

We continue to urge the establishment of a Brooklyn CB #1 and Queens #5 Task Force with the NYC DOT and local elected officials to address and expedite the reconstruction of the Grand Street Bridge. Any projects for reconstruction must include sufficient funds to have effective detours and traffic control agents. All safety measures must be taken to protect the community from any hazardous materials, such as lead particles/asbestos that could be released from work on steel structures. Borings for soil sampling and air monitoring must be taken in areas that will be disturbed for any road construction and excavation and proper protective measures taken to protect the public from any dangerous release or contamination.

We strongly urge that any street closures or bridge traffic closure be carefully communicated with various emergency services (i.e. Fire Dept., Police, EMS, Coast Guard) to ensure that there are open and accessible routes to enable the best quick response time. We urge that a community consultant and engineer be fully funded with the Kosciuszko Bridge reconstruction to support the community's interest. We remain concerned about the damage that Hurricane Sandy caused the Metropolitan Bridge's mechanisms that open and close the structure for water navigation. A temporary fix with motors secured from the Army Corps of Engineers were being used. However, these motors must be manually operated and have caused great traffic delays that back up along the bridge's approaching corridors. DOT has started the repairs and have made significant progress. We urge that all of the permanent repairs are accomplished quickly.

We encourage the Department of Transportation to continue implementing measures for improvement of traffic in our district. We have urged a study of this matter so that our residents and the motoring public have safer streets to travel. We are dismayed to have just learned "second hand" that DOT is planning on a study for our "northern portion" of the district. DOT have not shared their plans with us and we have yet to have a presentation.

Corrective Street Measures/Trench Restoration - Many of our streets experience chronic sinkholes and depressions and, in many cases, are in need of trench restoration. These adverse conditions must be immediately addressed and contracts expedited to do repairs. Both DOT and DEP must take joint interim corrective measures to abate hazardous and noise producing conditions. This winter season has resulted in a high number of potholes that must be expeditiously repaired to ensure safety of persons traveling in vehicles and pedestrians navigating the riddled streets.

SANITATION AND OTHER SERVICES

Sanitation Garages - The Board was pleased to see the construction completed on this joint garage at Varick Avenue and that it is fully operational. We had anxiously waited for this state of the art facility to open and begin servicing the district and closure of the antiquated leased site on Kent Avenue. Greenpoint and Williamsburg are overburdened with garbage transfer stations and DOS facilities that do not service this district. We urge that the BK.3 Sanitation Garage, be immediately relocated into its respective community district. CB #1 continues its opposition to the siting of this facility to the former BK4 garage site on Johnson Avenue- this does not resolve the issue- this facility must be located within the confines of its own district! We continue to remain concerned about the marine transfer station site and any expansion to include waste from other communities.

The NYC DEP is continuing to pursue a "pilot" program with the DSNY to collect organics from the residential waste stream (including other volunteering facilities i.e. schools, hospitals) and process the matter into a slurry at a Waste Management facility located in CB #1. This facility is a privately owned transfer station that takes in trade waste (including refuse from restaurants and other food processors) charging fees for private carter trucks to dump. With the organic collection pilot program, Waste Management has private carters and the City's own collection trucks bringing the organic waste materials to their facility in Williamsburg to process. They then, by use of tanker trucks, send the slurry mix out to the sewage treatment plant, to be added into the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant's newly constructed digester eggs. This in an effort to produce an increased gas output from the eggs that, when captured, would be fed into the natural gas (NationalGrid) company's delivery system.

DEP is already retrofitting one of the four decommissioned digester tanks to hold the putrescible* slurry (150,000 tons per tank) to feed into the new digester tanks. * *[Putrescible waste is "solid waste that contains organic matter capable of being decomposed by microorganisms and of such a character and proportion as to cause obnoxious odors and to be capable of attracting or providing food for birds or animals (definition. from the Argonne National Laboratory'J)].*

According to the DSNY's website (under "Zero Waste") the Organics Collection pilot program currently serves approximately 200,000 households in all five boroughs and will continue to expand to include additional neighborhoods over the next several years. The Independent Budget Office reports that the de Blasio Administration's preliminary budget adds more than \$14 million over the next five years to expand the city's organics curbside collection and continue the school organics program at its current level in future years. The additional funds follow another recent expansion of the curbside program announced last fall. The new funds bring the total amount budgeted for the pilot program to nearly \$17 million in 2016, rising to \$23 million in 2020. (All years refer to fiscal years.)

Our board is not sold on this process. We have high concerns about increased truck traffic in our district, what the selected travel routes to & from the sewage treatment plant are, and the 250 trucks (1 truck per ton/250 tons per day) projected that will be making the trips when the program ramps up!

Our district is already overburdened with more than its fair share of waste transfer stations. We are also a host to other community district's garbage facilities (CB#3 & CB#4), has the City's paper, metal, glass and plastic recycling venues, and receives sewage waste that flows from all over the City to the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control plant. This so called "pilot" program has aims to go citywide. The excess truck traffic will certainly further negatively impact our community's environment. Despite commitments from the City to improve our environment, this program will not alleviate any of our woes - it will only intensify them!

Pest Control - We have seen a steady rise in the rodent population in parts of the district. Pest control services and the dissemination of educational anti-rat information by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene are greatly needed to ensure the health and safety of our residents. We support efforts by the City to ensure that all construction sites are complying with rodent control protocols as well as taking anti-mosquito steps in regards to standing water and halt any spread of West Nile fever. We continue to urge coordination of baiting and exterminating efforts between the DOH&MH's Pest Control Unit and the MTA. The "L" and "G" lines crisscross the district and have become an underground home and travel route for rodents. Baiting is needed on both above ground structures and underground areas to stem the growth of the pest.

Public Library- CB #1 supports requests by the BPL to keep intact funding for improvements to its branches located in Greenpoint and Williamsburg. We urge that the libraries have increased funding so that they remain open for the public's use and have adequate budgets for books, technology and other circulating materials. We were encouraged that library hours were extended this year, including Saturday openings and we urge that these hours are not reduced in the budget. We had advocated for a new building at the footprint of the Greenpoint Branch, to allow for increased service at the now cramped one-story facility.

Health Services-Our district has serious health issues that must be addressed. CB #1 remains concerned about the delivery of health care services in the district and supports efforts for improvement. The top causes of death for residents of Greenpoint and Williamsburg, as for most New Yorkers, are heart disease and cancer. Death rates due to heart disease, flu and pneumonia, diabetes, stroke and liver disease are higher in Greenpoint and Williamsburg when compared to the City rates.

Quality Health Care - A lack of quality health care can lead to negative health outcomes and more intensive treatment, such as avoidable hospitalizations. Access to health care is therefore a needed focus. About one in six adults in Greenpoint and Williamsburg has no health insurance, and one in eight goes without needed medical care. We urge continued funding for asthma patient care, research and education. We were pleased when a dental clinic (Williamsburg) was reopened to provide much needed services for youngsters in the district whose families do not have adequate financial means or insurance coverage, and were left dismayed that the clinic was again closed as a budget savings measure by HHC in 2010. We support any necessary funding to reopen and maintain the clinic within our district. The only dental clinic that offers free and affordable dental care is located in Woodhull Hospital, a facility not located in our district's

confines. In addition, we urge that emerging health care need trends (such as access to health care, treatment and prevention of heart disease, psychological & mental illness treatment) be addressed. The Brooklyn Hospital/Mt. Sinai in its 2015 report relates that the burden of both asthma and hypertension have increased to 18% and 33% respectively in our district.

Air Pollution and Respiratory Illnesses - Although NYC air quality is improving, air pollution, such as fine particles (PM2.5), can cause health problems, particularly among the very young, seniors and those with pre-existing health conditions. In Greenpoint and Williamsburg, levels of PM2.5, the most harmful air pollutant, are 10.1 micrograms per cubic meter. Our district ranks as 8th in the highest in the City.

A.I.D.S. - In a report released by SUNY Downstate Medical Center, it was noted that Brooklynites are 3.5 times more likely to have AIDS as their fellow Americans. People living in north and central Brooklyn are far more likely to be living with the disease than those living elsewhere in the borough. We urge that funding continue for AIDS Outreach and education to stem the spread of this disease.

Zika Virus - We are concerned about the findings of Zika virus in the United States and urge that measures to stem the spread of this disease are fully funded. To date, there are 258 cases in the United States (18 found in pregnant women, 6 cases sexually transmitted); 42 cases (or 16%) were found in New York from travel related sources. Just the day before this figure was 25 cases; the jump to 42 cases represents nearly a 60% increase). None have yet been reported as being locally acquired. Zika is transmitted to people mainly through the bite of infected *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, or through sexual transmission, or maternal-fetal transmission. Mosquitoes that spread Zika virus also spread dengue and chikungunya viruses. Infection in pregnant women is associated with birth defects and adverse pregnancy outcomes, and the evidence for a causal link is growing. Pregnant women represent a highly vulnerable population with special needs. A vaccine or treatment for Zika virus infection is not currently available. With the recent outbreaks, the number of Zika cases among travelers visiting or returning to the United States will likely increase, and 80% of cases will not be diagnosed. These imported cases could result in local spread of the virus in some areas of the United States.

As more is learned about the Zika virus, the CDC reports that its guidance and recommendations will change. Currently, it has set goals for public health, surveillance and epidemiological investigation. Funding is needed to ensure adequate diagnosis and reporting of Zika virus cases, to monitor epidemiologic trends in distribution, transmission, and severity; to direct prevention and control efforts; and to identify cases that require follow up or intervention. Education and prevention are key elements in tackling this disease early on.

Transportation Issues - We are opposed to any service cuts to the District's bus or train services, including the closure of manned service booths. We continue to advocate for the retention of the "G" line's full route into Queens, and were encouraged that the temporary extension of the G line in Brooklyn was made permanent. We seek that the Greenpoint Avenue station be upgraded and include an announcement system like those at the "L" line. Improved and safe services for our commuters remain a major priority for the district, and our subway stations must be manned during all hours of operation. Areas of Community Board

No. 1 (such as the waterfront and industrial blocks) are underserved by public transportation. We continue to encourage the MTA and other public transportation providers to expand access. We support the continued ferry service access in our community and its expansion. The utilization of our local transportation is growing and complaints have escalated about overcrowding at the stations, especially at Bedford Avenue on the "L" train.

Access to Train Stations – We encourage the MTA/NYC Transit to include the train stations in CB#1 in its plans to provide elevator access. It is difficult for many riders, especially the handicapped and elderly, to access subway stations that do not have elevators. Community Board No. 1 respectfully requests that the below ground subway station located at Broadway and Union Avenue (G Line) be upgraded to include an elevator service. Having a customer elevator at this station would make it accessible for those with limited mobility.

We were pleased to learn that the NYC Transit was focusing on accessibility issues with its new plan “Fast Forward: The Plan to Modernize NYC Transit”. Part of this plan’s initiative is to add in the span of five years, enough new elevators to ensure that all subway riders will not be more than two stops away from an accessible station. This plan proposes the addition of 180 elevators over the course of 10 years. We wholeheartedly applaud this solid effort to help persons with disabilities overcome transit barriers. Given the lack of accessibility found at this G Station, we seek that it receives the MTA’s immediate attention to construct an elevator here, and ask that this construction project be fully funded and quickly commenced.

We were both totally surprised and utterly outraged to learn through the media that MTA's plans to close the "L" train Canarsie tubes for a period up to four years while it conduct repairs to damage that occurred from the 2012 Hurricane incident. The closure of the tubes would have not just a huge impact on our residents and the general traveling public, but on the local economy as well. Plans to conduct the repairs had called for a complete closure of the tubes during a 15-month period. We await an updated plan that was called for by Governor Cuomo that would allow for the tubes to be partially closed allowing the train to continue to operate between Brooklyn and Manhattan.

Reduced Street Cleaning Frequencies - Although not formally a DOT item, but rather one that is regulated by the Department of Sanitation, CB #1 has received voluminous complaints about the shrinking of on street parking. We urge the two agencies to consider reduction of alternate side of the street parking regulations in many areas of the district as they prove to be excessive.

Public Safety - Community Board No. 1 seeks to make secure the services that will ensure a safe environment for our residents. We continue to maintain our outrage at the closure of Engine 212 located in the middle of the burgeoning Northside. We advocate for a state of the art facility in the area that will continue to serve the community and be fully adequate to respond to the emergency needs of our district. The long planned EMS station opened at 333 Metropolitan Avenue and is functioning well. We support funding to maintain and operate the facility. We request DOT to assist the station with resolving its traffic flow problems as the area is often congested with traffic. The Fire Department's equipment in the district should be updated to include fireboats and additional ladder companies to address new

construction of the high-rise buildings and waterfront development.

We remain concerned about the radical increase of restaurants and bars in the community and their impact. The Fire Department must ensure that these establishments are regularly inspected for code compliance and adherence to fire safety measures. This is especially important for those establishments and commercial operations located on lower floors with residential units above.

We support the installation of surveillance cameras on our area's bridges (including their respective walkways) and subway stations to aid police in ensuring the public's safety.

Social Services- We urge that funding be increased and not cut for a variety of vital social services upon which various facets of our community depend. For example:

- **Senior Citizens** - Centers provide vital meals and social interplay. Funding should be provided to continue homecare services and homebound meals. The City should Increase funding to support lower subsidies for senior citizens for rent to reduce homelessness. Continued funding is sought to establish a senior center to serve south west area of Williamsburg, central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street. We oppose any closing of the Swinging Sixties Senior Citizen Center at 211 Ainslie. We advocate for its retention as this facility is a central location for the community.
- **Youth and Families - Day Care Centers** and their capacities should be increased, as well as slots for pre-school education/head-start and slots for voucher programs. Funding should be increased for both summer and after school programs. We continue to oppose the Small World Day Care Center's closure advocate for its retention at 211 Ainslie Street. We are concerned about the "domino" effect created by the city in its closing of additional centers in our district.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, we note that our budget priorities are attached for your perusal. Thank you again for providing the community boards with the valuable opportunity to relate their individual budget concerns for the next year. Attached is a report that was created regarding our district that supplements our comments.



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March 12, 2019

COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB #1 Board members

FROM: Tom J. Burrows, Committee Chair
Bogdan Bachorowski, Committee Co-Chair

RE: SLA Review & DCA Committee Meeting
February 26, 2019

The SLA Review and DCA Committee met at 6:30 PM, on February 26, 2019 at the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211.

ATTENDANCE: Present: Burrows; Bachorowski; Barros; Bruzaitis; Cohen; Dybanowski; Foster; Sofer; Solano; Stuart; Torres. Absent: Barricelli. A quorum was present.

It is noted that all applicants are requested to sign stipulations.

I. UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFE

- 1) DCA - Unenclosed Sidewalk Café, Sampa Restaurant LLC, dba BECO, 45 Richardson Street, aka 715 Lorimer Street, #18413-2018 ASW, 9 tables, 20 chairs. NEW
The Committee recommends approval.
- 2) DCA - Unenclosed Sidewalk Café, 258 Franklin LLC, dba 258 Franklin Street, Application #688-2019-ASWC, 10 tables, 20 chairs. NEW
The Committee recommends approval.

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- 3) DCA - Unenclosed Sidewalk Café, King Luke, dba Marlow and Sons. 81 Broadway, Application #1163028 DCA. RENEWAL
The Committee recommends approval.
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- 4) DCA - Unenclosed Sidewalk Café, Clouet LLC, 113 Franklin Street, Application # 2038100-DCA, 8 Tables; 16 Chairs. RENEWAL
The Committee recommends approval.
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- 5) DCA - Unenclosed Sidewalk Café, Juicerie IV LLC, 271 Metropolitan Avenue, Application #717-2019, ASWC, 15 tables; 54 Chairs. NEW
The Committee recommends approval.
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II. LIQUOR LICENSES

New

- 1) #1 PHO Inc., dba Zenyai, 208 Grand Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
The Committee recommends approval. The Committee requested additional signed petitions.
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- 2) 123 GPoint LLC, dba 123 GPoint, 123 Greenpoint Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
The Committee recommends approval.
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- 3) Brooklyn Bowl LLC, 61-77 Wythe Avenue, (Class Change, Liquor, wine/beer, cider, cabaret)
The Committee recommends approval.
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- 4) Carrie's Hospitality LLC, dba Elder Greene, 160 Franklin Street, (Alteration, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest, bar)
Applicant did not appear.
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- 5) Ebie Corp, dba Mad For Chicken, 617 Grand Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
Applicant did not appear.
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- 6) Elsewhere LLC, dba Elsewhere, 599 Johnson Avenue, (Method of Operation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider)
The Committee recommends approval because of its uniqueness. A statement was read from the applicant about the closing hours.
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- 7) Extra Fancy Brands LLC, dba Extra Fancy, 302 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
The Committee recommends approval.
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- 8) Fiesta House LLC, dba Taqueria Diana, 367 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
The Committee recommends approval.
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9) Grand Street Food and Wine LLC, dba Four Horsemen, 295 Grand Street, (Alteration, Method of Operation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest, cafe, cocktail bar)
The Committee recommends approval.

10) Grim Ales LLC, 900 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, taproom)
Applicant did not appear.

11) Kansas Exp- NYC LLC, dba Passport to Iron City, 470 Driggs Avenue, (New, beer/cider, bar/tavern) - **WITHDRAWN**

12) L-M Natural Inc. TBD, 45 Morgan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest [billiard parlor])
Application was withdrawn. It was a duplicate.

13) L-M Natural Inc. TBD, 45 Morgan Avenue, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest [billiard parlor])
The Committee recommends approval.

14) Orephans Inc. dba Ore Bar, 277 Graham Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
The Committee recommends approval.

15) Space Bar LLC, dba Magazine, 130 Franklin Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
The Committee recommends approval.

16) The XX House LLC, 61 North 11th Street 3rd Floor, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, Membership Club and Workplace with bar)
Applicant did not appear.

RENEWAL

- 1) 63 Guernsey LLC, dba Spritzenhaus, 33 Nassau Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 2) 160 Havemeyer Street Corp., dba Blue Collar, 160 Havemeyer Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 3) 189 Bedford Tacos LLC, dba Dos Toros, 189 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, beer/cider, rest)
- 4) 702 Grand Street Restaurant Corp., dba AmmazzaCafe, 702 Grand Street (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 5) Antek Restaurant Inc., dba Le Fond, 105 Norman Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 6) Beer Karma LLC, dba Beer Karma, 470 Union Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 7) Berry 212 Corp, dba The Levee, 212 Berry Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer/cider, bar/tavern)
- 8) Bignos LLC, dba The Saint Austere, 613 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 9) BKLN Garden LLC, dba Freehold, 41 43 45 South 3rd Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 10) Casper JR Corp, dba Forino-The Art & Science of Pizza, 849 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider)
- 11) Desy's Clam Bar Restaurant Corp., 562 Grand Street, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 12) Dom Inc. Polish National Home, dba Warsaw, 261-7 Driggs Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar, rest, ballroom)
- 13) Facility Concession Services Inc., dba Spectrum Catering & Concessions, 319 Frost Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, music venue)

- 14) Fette Sau LLC, 345 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 15) Frost Restaurant Inc. 193 Frost Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 16) Graham Avenue Restaurant Ci Inc. dba Tom & Joan's Whiskey Bar, 437 Graham Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, pub/tavern)
- 17) Grand Endeavors Inc., dba Clem's, 264 Grand Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, tavern)
- 18) Great Lakes Public LLC, dba Lake St, 706 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 19) Greenpoint Hospitality Management Group Inc., dba The Henry Norman Hotel, 233 Norman Street aka 251 North Henry Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, Hotel with Restaurant)
- 20) Idle Hour Tavern Inc., 623 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 21) Kamin Inc., dba Khao Sarn, 338 Bedford Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer only, rest)
- 22) Little Pippin LLC, dba Restaurant Norman, 29 Norman Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 23) Migdalia Gomez, dba La Guira Restaurant, 580 Broadway, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 24) Momo Sushi Inc., 43 Bogart Street, Unit B, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 25) Mozzarella Holdings LLC, dba Barano, 26 Broadway (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 26) Nebuchadnezzar Brooklyn, dba Glasserie, 93 99 Commercial Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 27) Oaxaca Williamsburg LLC, 130 Grand Street, (Renewal, wine/beer/cider)
- 28) Polonia Democratic Club, 140 Grand Street, (Renewal, Club License) Requested a 30-day waiver. Waiver was granted.
- 29) Queen Bear LLC, dba Avant Garden, 188 Havemeyer Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 30) Rex Juno Inc. dba Acqua Santa, 556 Driggs Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 31) Saint Anselm Inc., 355 Metropolitan Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 32) Sapporo Ichiban No. 1 Inc., dba Sapporo Ichiban, 622 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 33) Sevinc Wine & Cheese LLC, 67 West Ground Floor Unit 3, (Renewal, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 34) SMS 21 LLC, dba 21 Greenpoint, 21 Greenpoint Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 35) St Vidas Inc., dba St Vidas, 1120 Manhattan Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)
- 36) There to Here LLC, dba Sweet Science, 135 Graham Avenue, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
- 37) Queen Bear LLC, dba Avant Garden, 188 Havemeyer Street, (Renewal, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)

The Committee recommends approval of the renewals.

III. PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED APPLICATIONS

- 1) 147 149 McCarren LLC,, dba McCarren Hotel, 160 North 12th Street, (Method of Operation Change, liquor, wine/beer, cider, hotel) – PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED
Applicant failed to appear.
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2) An Entity to be Formed by Peter Staakins, 98 Berry Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider) –
PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED
The Committee recommends approval.

3) Aura Cocina & Bar Inc., 315 Meserole Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, rest)
PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED
Applicant failed to appear.

4) Indigo Williamsburg HMLLC, dba TBD, 500 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine, beer, cider, hotel) -
APPLICANT SEEKS RECONSIDERATION
Applicant did not appear. Applicant had related that they were not ready. Committee is recommending that they refile when they are ready to appear.

5) OZI Food Inc. dba OZI Dumplings, 19 Bogart Street Unit 1, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest) –
PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED.
The Committee recommends approval.

The next meeting of the SLA Review and DCA Committee is:

WHEN: TUESDAY MARCH 26, 2019
TIME: 6:30 PM
WHERE: CB #1's DISTRICT OFFICE
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March 12, 2019

LAND USE, ULURP & LANDMARKS (subcommittee) COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Del Teague, Committee Chair
Maria Viera, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Committee Report for Meeting held on March 4, 2019

Attendance: Present – Teague; Viera; Barros; Chesler; Rabbi Niederman; Nieves; Weidberg.
Absent – McKeever; Kaminski; Sofer; Weiser. A quorum was present.

AGENDA

There were no land use applications requiring a vote. A Landmarks item that was voted on is in the attached report.

-1- Land use training at Borough Hall on February 20, 2019 –

Ms. Viera, Ms. Barros, Ms. Kaminski, and I attended. The presenters provided a comprehensive three-hour overview of the land use process with opportunity for all of us to ask questions. As the four of us have been dealing with land use issues for a considerable time, the presentation was basically a review session and a chance to meet and exchange ideas with members of other community boards. However, for members who have not had the same level of involvement, I think attending the repeat presentation would be a valuable learning experience.

-2- New Business Presentation by Karen Nieves updating the Committee on a pending loft law bill –

As a matter of new business, Ms. Nieves informed the committee that there is a new loft law bill in committee in Albany. Ms. Nieves explained that Evergreen and other non-profits have met with loft law tenants to try to come up with a compromise recommendation to Albany that would address concerns for tenant protection, as well as, concerns for the protection of the district's manufacturing spaces.

Ms. Nieves may be available to provide the full board with more details regarding the status of the discussions under new business.



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LAND MARKS (subcommittee)

REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and Members of Community Board #1

FROM: Gina Barros, Landmarks Subcommittee Co-Chair

RE: Committee Report from March 4, 2019

Landmarks Item: 132 Calyer Street – (New Docket #1935316)

LPC has requested another review to resolve an issue with the textured siding that was used.

Mr. Peter Shervanick, owner of a three family house located at 132 Calyer Street, presented to the committee a request to resolve an issue with the textured siding that was used.

The Landmarks Subcommittee on September 18, 2017 and the Landmarks Preservation Commission on November 21, 2017, had approved an application for the proposed renovation of the building at 132 Calyer Street, a three family 1870's wood frame house in the Greenpoint Historic District. The proposed renovation included that the siding would be for a smooth finish rather than the rougher sample presented, (simulating wood grain.) The Landmarks Subcommittee had

voted unanimously to support the application for the renovations with the condition that a smooth finish is chosen for the siding.

The owner explained to the committee that he used the textured siding, (simulating wood grain,) instead of the smooth siding, because under the time constraints to complete the renovations, he was not able to purchase the smooth finish siding in the dimensions required.

The owner presented photos of the complete renovation comparing it to the tax photo of the original building to show that the front façade matched the exact Tax photo of the original building. In addition to the renovation using the wood grain texture siding, he reviewed the combinations of all of the renovations that included the completed windows, installations of a cornice, doorway entrance, that were compatible and matched the historic elements in terms of basic design and details.

The committee discussed and reviewed their previous committee recommendation on 9/18/2017, that a smooth siding was preferable. The committee, however, in review of the owner's completed renovation, using the wood grain textured siding, felt that in combination the renovations presented, it was compatible with the historic character of the building and closely recall the characteristics of the historic woodwork.

Ms. Maria Viera made a motion to approve the rougher textured siding used, (simulating wood grain.) The motion was seconded by Rabbi Niederman and carried unanimously.



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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB #1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Eric Bruzaitis, Committee Chair

RE: Committee Report from Monday,
February 19th, 2019 Meeting

The Transportation Committee met Tuesday, February 19th, 2019 (Called To Order: 6:42 PM; Adjourned: 8:50 PM) in the CB #1 District Office 435 Graham Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211 (Corner Of Frost Street). A quorum was not met.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Bruzaitis; Nieves; Elkins; Odomirok; Schlesinger.

Absent: Weiser; Argento; Gallagher (excused); Gangone; Green; Kuonen; Stuart; Solano.

AGENDA:

1. **WILLIAMSBURG NORTHSIDE SCHOOL**
Reapplication for 'Playstreets' for North 7th St

Ms. Elie Deu and Mr. Christopher Mathisen of the Williamsburg Northside School appeared to ask for the board's approval for their renewed Play Streets application for North 7th Street between Meeker Avenue and Havemeyer Street.

The request is for this section to be closed to traffic from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

They made the case that since the building does not have adequate exercise space beyond a small basketball court or outdoor space. McCarren Park is too far to walk to with young children. Macri Triangle is not maintained in a way that is appropriate for children to play.

The current enrollment is 167 students. The school anticipates an enrollment of 219 students for the 2020 academic year.

Tuition is currently \$33,000 for regular students and \$26,000 for pre-school students. 40% of the student population receive financial aid to attend. And the majority of the students walk or are part of the local community.

They must have approval by May 1st.

Mrs. Karen Nieves had several questions:

1. Since there is a large amount of construction on the block what consideration has been made to the frequency of large construction vehicles?

They plan to coordinate with the contractors to cancel outdoor activities when large deliveries or other activities make it untenable. They also hoped to use the opposite side of the street to avoid construction if appropriate

2. Have they spoken to residential neighbors about their request to close the street?

The school has not reached out to residents. Mrs. Nieves suggested the draft a petition.

3. Why was there no gym facility built initially or planned as part of their expansion?

They did have the basketball court but had not anticipated the additional need for play space. And they have sacrificed play space for additional classrooms as part of their current addition to the building.

4. What data have you received from NYC Department of Transportation to justify Play Streets for this block? They have spoken to DOT in December. Mrs. Nieves expressed concern that without car count data and other metrics reviews from DOT, it would not be possible to make an accurate assessment of the practicality of using this block for Play Streets. They should also look to the October DOT assessment of crosswalks in that area for traffic statistics.

Public:

Mr. Philip Leff of Transportation Alternatives North Brooklyn expressed his support for the schools proposal based on his experience with low traffic volume, and making open space available for children.

Ms. Aura Bobadilla was concerned about children playing near traffic and use of the street during cold weather months. But agreed there should be a balance between the need of children to play during school hours and public use of the street.

There was also discussion that an older proposal to convert the space under the BQE into some kind of park may be appropriate for the school and parents to investigate.

The committee could not recommend approval of this application at this time for several reasons:

1. Because of the construction currently expected to continue for the indefinite future makes this location a bad candidate.
2. There is an anticipation that because of this location to the Bedford Avenue L Trains station, and the associated work there, additional construction vehicles will create a hazard for young children.
3. The school, or NYC DOT must provide the board with vehicle and pedestrian counts for this location.
4. Public outreach has not been done to make residents aware that this could happen on their block.
5. The committee recommends that parents and the school work with the Parks Department to assess what can be done with Macri Triangle to possibly make the park suitable for children's activities.

Mr. Bruzaitis recommended that the school address the committee's concerns and ask to be scheduled for a future meeting to review the application again.

2. **GRAND STREET REDESIGN:**

Ongoing discussion on changes to Grand Street.

Mr. Bruzaitis reiterated his concerns that the current condition of Grand St is dangerous to all user, negatively impacting businesses and that the lack of a cohesive plan in light of the governor's revised plan to keep the L Train running thru the renovation is unacceptable. He noted that both MTA and NYC DOT were blindsided by the announcement, but that there should be some action by these agencies to provide a new plan. There is an anticipation that there will be a presentation at the next full board meeting, and hope to have the agency representatives at future meetings to address all the issue this important street to the North Brooklyn Community are facing.

The committee will continue to hear this issue until a mutually agreeable plan is published, and fully installed.

Mrs. Nieves stated that it is not acceptable that neither MTA, nor NYC DOT has updated either the Grand Street Bid or Community Board 1 of any plans to revise the unfinished installations at Grand Street. While sympathetic to the conditions under which the plan was changed, the agencies must communicate with stakeholders immediately so that the issues can be resolved as quickly as possible.

She noted specifically that the protected bike lane is not working and the bollards are also not appropriate to the task to protect cyclists and pedestrians.

Mrs. Nieves also noted that DOT was asked by Council member Antonio Reynoso's office to give an expedited plan for Grand St in light of the impending closure of the L Train. However, now that the original full closure is not happening, the new plan for Grand St. must go back to the full public process.

Mr. Gary Schlesinger also expressed concern that DOT has not been before the committee or the board.

Public:

Ms. Erin Piscopink, Grand Street BID: Renewed her concerns on behalf of her members that deliveries are problematic and traffic for all is unsafe because delivery vehicles must park in the travel lanes, forcing cyclists and motorists to cross into oncoming traffic. It also creates blind spots for pedestrians. Since the changes, businesses have reported visible losses in customer traffic and revenue. She also forwarded video of unsafe conditions on Grand Street (attached to e-record). She renewed her demand that DOT release a new plan and hold the normal fully transparent public process with community meetings.

Mr. Philip Leff & Mr. Jeff Csicsek, Transportation Alternatives: Sited TA's data that since October of last year, accidents involving pedestrians and cyclists are down. (email with link to data attached). TA is looking for increase in protected bike lanes, especially if the SBS service will not be happening. There was also agreement that the original mitigation plan, with some adjustments, had the best chance to protect cyclists and pedestrians. Disputed business owners complaints about motorist business, citing that 75% of Grand St. traffic is transiting to the Williamsburg Bridge and called for HOV lanes to be made permanent on the bridge to ease congestion and make Grand Safer.

TA was outraged that DOT was not appearing before the committee to explain what was happening with Grand Street, why there was no plan to address the governor's decision to leave the L Train running with limited service.

Mr. Bruzaitis responded that DOT had not been invited to attend since to board was expecting a presentation from MTA & DOT at the next full board meeting. They would be invited to subsequent meetings.

Ms. Rebecca Davis noted that the death of cyclist Matthew Von Ohlen was a wake-up call to the community that bike lanes were needed. She said that bike lanes are good for businesses with delivery services to protect their workers. Grand St could and should be a model for the rest of the city to incorporate bike lanes on a busy commercial street. Without the SBS bus service more people will chose to bike.

Mr. Brian Howald mentioned that those business owners who say their driving customers are complain that there is nowhere to park, are more likely to complain since they are used to easy parking. Cyclist, who arrive without issue have no reason to complain...nor to say how wonderful their trip to the store was on their bike...so there is no way to tell by anecdote if other patrons are biking. He also noted that the introduction of two way bike lanes have been deemed unsafe by US DOT, and including them in the Grand St plan is a mistake.

Ms. Barbara Hertel suggested that the original mitigation plan be completed and then refined.

Several members businesses of the Grand Street BID restated a number of concerns from the February Transportation Committee meeting, and some other members came to add testimony. They were:

Ms. Cynthia Rogers, Williamsburg Animal Clinic; Ms. Aura Bobadilla & Mr. Peter Gigante, Empire Lock; Mr. Erik Pye, Sunflower Glass; Mr. Edwin Lora, E Graphics Corp; Mr. Francisco Terrero & Mr. Santos Abrell, Los Primos; Mr. Jay Hirsh, 672 Grand & on behalf of his tenant Desy's Clam Bar (letter attached) and Mr. Abe Franczoz.

The BID members aggregated complaints:

- 10% drop in holiday business
- 10% decline in pick up orders at restaurants due to parking.
- Drop in wholesale business due to commercial pick-up and delivery issues.
- Lack of transparency or notice in changes to Grand Street...and done too close to the holiday.
- Demands to restore parking.
- Businesses are not seeing an increase in bicycle customers despite bike lanes.
- Dangerous conditions for workers, motorists and cyclists due to deliveries parking in travel lane.
- Some agreement that HOV lanes could ease the burden on Grand Street.

Mr. Bruzaitis noted that the DOT and MTA will be invited to future meeting to address these concerns unless there is some public hearing held in another forum. Despite some animosity between cyclist and motorists, the committee chair insisted that at future meetings everyone put their bias aside and work together towards the best solution for Grand Street...and to help DOT make the right choices that best fit the North Brooklyn community.

3. **DISCUSSION: (Continued from last meeting) Opening of Clymer Street Entrance to Brooklyn Navy Yard**

At the February Transportation Committee meeting, Mr. Gary Schlesinger introduced the idea of opening the Brooklyn Navy Yard's (BNY) Clymer entrance to assist easier transit for North Brooklyn residents traveling within Brooklyn. At the close of this item at the February meeting, Mr. Bruzaitis asked that Mr. Schlesinger organize some kind of coalition to assess the broader demand for this route, and also to begin a conversation with the Navy Yard, Councilman Levin & Community Board 2 (wherein the Brooklyn Navy Yard is sited).

Mr. Brian Howald, a member of the Brooklyn Community Board 2, who came to support cyclists concerns on Grand Street, stayed for the discussion. He mentioned that despite the invitation to District 2 Leader Perris, the transportation committee was not aware that CB1 had the item under discussion. He noted that while he is not the chairperson, he was happy to bring the issue up, and work with CB1 where appropriate.

Mrs. Nieves was concerned that opening up the BNY to traffic could be dangerous and negatively impact the industrial quality of the BNY.

Mr. T Willis Elkins noted that since the changes in the BNY are having an impact on residents of both CB1 & CB2 it is appropriate for them to make some accommodations to improve traffic and access thru the area.

Mr. Bruzaitis reminded the committee that without notice or public comment period, NYC DOT chose to accommodate Steiner Studios with an enhanced street treatment to access the BNY last year. If there is automatic deference to businesses within the BNY, there must be accommodation to residents.

There was some discussion that cyclists and pedestrians should have unfettered access, but that safety measures would need to be introduced.

Mr. Bruzaitis asked Mr. Schlesinger to follow up with Mr. Glomani Bravo-Lopez in Councilman Steven Levin's office to organize a meeting with the councilman and BNY management at some future date.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Sunny Ng appeared to complain about cars running stop controls at Borinquen & Havemeyer Intersection. This intersection is a choke point for traffic exiting the bridge and has been a dangerous free-for-all for many years. There have been some changes made by DOT lately, however there are still safety concerns.

Mr. Bruzaitis thanked her for bringing the issue and noted the committee will consider the item at a future meeting if appropriate. In the meantime, he suggested that Ms. Ng attend the 90th Precinct Community Council meeting the 2nd Wednesday of the month to ask that the precinct increase enforcement.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

The next meeting of the Community Board 1 Transportation Committee will be Monday, March 18th at 6:30 PM at the Board Office, 435 Graham Avenue (corner Frost St).

Grand St - crashmapper

Yahoo/Inbox

- **Philip Leff** <philip@philipleff.com>

To:eric bruzaitis

Feb 21 at 9:32 AM

Hi Eric,

As promised, here's a link to the Crashmapper stats for Grand St. I'm counting from Borinquen Place to the Metropolitan Av Bridge, because that's what DOT counts as the length of the Grand St "protected bike lane."

https://vis.crashmapper.org/?cfat=true&cinj=true&geo=city_council&lngLats=%255B%255B-73.95584106445312%252C40.71096311139832%255D%252C%255B-73.95562648773193%252C40.71014985041449%255D%252C%255B-73.94043445587158%252C40.71164624294874%255D%252C%255B-73.93026351928711%252C40.714150998671556%255D%252C%255B-73.93167972564696%252C40.71447628470931%255D%252C%255B-73.94103527069092%252C40.71226430831242%255D%252C%255B-73.95584106445312%252C40.71096311139832%255D%255D&mfat=true&minj=true&p1end=2019-03&p1start=2018-10&p2end=2018-05&p2start=2018-01&pfat=true&pinj=true&primary&reference=citywide&trendAggMonths=1&view=compare

I'm doing a comparison on October-March from when the restriping work began to the latest available data. Obviously, this is an incomplete picture, but I hope it provides a tool to keep monitoring, and as more months pass by, we'll get a clearer picture.

It is definitely possible to get different results from different inputs, and it is also possible that there are other reasons for the drop in injuries, just as there could be other non-bike-related reasons for why some businesses are underperforming.

Thank you again for making all voices heard, and I hope DOT will emerge out of wherever they are hiding to face the community and develop a sustainable plan for the future.

Thanks,
philip



Philip Leff (he/him/his)
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Per the property owner's request, I am forwarding this email to you.

Thank you,
Erin

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Jay Hirsch <j.hirsch@mac.com>
Date: Tue, Feb 26, 2019 at 11:54 AM
Subject: Fwd: GRAND STREET...
To: Erin Piscopink <episcopink@grandstreetbk.org>

Erin

Do not know if it went thru. Could you please send it them also.
All one has to do is stand on the sidewalk on Grand Street any time of day and count the bikes that use the bike lane in ten or fifteen minutes.

If it were not for car's and car owners and the tax's they pay on gas, car registrations and drivers license there would be no money to maintain the roads. Bicycles pay nothing and have no insurance.

In many European cities bicycles are registered and have to have insurance

Thank you

Jay

Sent this to BO No 1

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My name is Jay Hirsch I own the building at 672 Grand Street, corner of Manhattan Avenue and was at the board meeting Feb 16. I have enclosed pictures that I took in Dec. 2018 and June 2018 of Grand Street at Manhattan Avenue

The building has security cameras one of which faces Grand Street which I can view from my computer when at home. I rarely see a bicycle in the bike lanes

If one was to stand on the sidewalk on any part of Grand Street between Bushwick and Union and count the number of bicycles that use the bike lanes in ten minutes time you may count five bikes

You could do this on any day at any time between Union and Bushwick on Grand Street....no bikes in the bike lanes. The NO PARKING ANYTIME signs are hurting business owners since parking has been decreased by 60%. People who live on Grand Street cannot park as they would after 7 PM or on Sunday's. Does DOT or anyone in city government have any concern for the residents of the area and the merchants?

Building owners have problems getting maintenance people to service their buildings..plumbers, electricians, etc. due to the difficulty in parking. A plumber cannot park one or two blocks away and carry heavy tools or parts to service a boiler.

A truck making a delivery to a retail store now parks in the traffic lane...creating traffic tie-ups and a dangerous situation.

There was no logical reason to change the traffic lanes on Grand Street in November before the Holiday Season also, when the tentative shut down of the L-train was April 27. In early December it was announced that there would be no shut down of the L-Train. Grand Street should be and must be brought back to its original configuration. In addition esthetically Grand Street is unsightly now with the rubber stanchions, and cars parked half into the street and all the painted street markings. Grand Street looks like a pinball machine. There are less people walking on the street sub-consciously due to this. The DOT is sending a subliminal message to people...we do not want you on Grand Street between Union and Bushwick Avenue's.

Thank you

Jay Hirsch



- Dec 2018 where are all the bicyclists?

Dec 2018 show me the bikers!



where are all the bikers?



Grand Street is unsightly, the traffic lanes are narrower and a driver exiting their car makes cars stop for them do so and also risks getting hit by a car,



Dec 2018 this is dangerous and ugly



June 2018



June 2018 there is plenty of space between the cars parked at the curb and the traffic lane with the bike lane adjacent to the parked and very few bikes ever using the bike lane



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Erin Piscopink
Executive Director
Grand Street BID
718-218-8836

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Settings

Desy's Clam Bar Italian Restaurant



672 Grand St. Brooklyn NY 11211 Tel: 347-599-0267

February 19, 2019

Respected ladies and gentlemen,

My name is Zulma Valle and I'm in the company of Mr. Desiderio González, we are the management of Desy's Clam Bar restaurant Corp. Located at 672 Grand Street in Brooklyn 11211. The reason for this notice is to express the serious problem we are currently facing, not only us business owners in the area but also the thousands of inhabitants of the area. Since our parking regulations have severely changed in a negative way.

After the announcement made by the MTA of the closure of the L train, modifications have been made in Grand Street in order to alleviate vehicular traffic and supply the users of the train L with alternative ways of transportation. However, the L train will not close anymore, but these modifications have already been made and are causing serious problems. The small businesses and the neighbors of the area are in principle the most affected.

Our customers do not find parking and therefore our sales have decreased significantly. Consequently, I have taken the liberty of conversing with other business owners and the situation gets worst and worst. Since some of these business owners can no longer resist the situation and are going bankrupt in just a few months.

We ask that you please be aware of the damage that the lack of parking for our neighbors and customers is causing to us all. Property taxes are not decreasing as our rent goes up, insurance, and in general, everything keeps increasing in cost. We are trying to survive in an area that was prosperous but is currently dying.

Please understand that we are not trying to make another complaint of the thousands that you hear every day, at this time we ask for help in order to keep our businesses open and not going bankrupt, like many others who have closed their doors already.

Without nothing else to say, we thank you for your time and we expect a prompt and just solution to this serious matter.

Thank you again!

Desy's Clam Bar Restaurant Corp.

Management



District Manager's Report Community Board No. 1 Brooklyn

TO: All Board Members

**FROM: Gerald A. Esposito
District Manager**

RE: MARCH 12, 2019

1. Complaint Tally Sheet for February 2019.
2. Testimony RE: Community Board Operation and Needs.
3. NYC Department of City Planning RE: Increasing Transparency and Public Engagement: Department of City Planning Launches Zola 2.0.
4. NYC Department of Transportation RE: Williamsburg Bridge Lane Closures.
5. NYC Office of Environmental Remediation RE: NYC VCP Cleanup Plan Completion of Remedial Activities for Site: 299 & 301 Wallabout Street, Brooklyn, New York, 16CVCP008K.
6. MTA NYC Transit RE: Flushing Avenue G Station: Northbound, April 8-May, 2019.
7. NYC Department of Transportation RE: The NYCDOT Division of Bridges will conduct maintenance on the Brooklyn- and Manhattan-bound roadways of the Williamsburg Bridge.



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March 12, 2019

TO: ALL BOARD MEMBERS
 FROM: GERALD A. ESPOSITO, DISTRICT MANAGER
 RE: COMPLAINT TALLY SHEET – February 2019

	TALLY	
DEP	1	
AIR		
NOISE	2	Construction site
WATER	1	
SEWER BREAK		
SEWER BACKUP		
CATCH BASIN	1	
HYDRANT	1	
DOS		
DERELICT AUTO/BIKES	5	
BULK PICKUP		
REGULAR PICKUP	1	
LOT CLEANING		
UNSWEPT STREET LITTE	2	
SNOW REMOVAL		
ENFORCEMENT	6	
BASKET REQUESTS	2	
SIGNS	1	
RECYCLING		
HEALTH DEPT		
PEST CONTROL	2	
LOT CLEANING	1	
ASSISTANCE	1	
DOCUMENTS		
HOUSING AUTHORITY		
APPLICATION		
SERVICE	1	
ELEVATOR		
OTHER	1	
SENIOR HOUSING	1	Request for information
FIRE DEPT		
SERVICE	3	
EQUIPMENT		
ANIMAL CONTROL		
HPD		
SEAL-UP		
DEMO		
HEAT/HOT WATER		
CODE ENFORCE.	1	
RELOCATION		
RENT CONTROL	1	information
OTHER	3	information
BUILDINGS DEPT	10	info and complaints
REFERRALS		
LEGAL	4	
STATE	2	
FEDERAL	1	Post Office

NATIONALGRID		
EDUCATION		
SCHOOL REGION	1	
SCHOOL PS		
JHS		
HS		
COLLEGE		
OTHER	1	GED
HRA		
SOCIAL SERVICES		
MEDICAID	1	info
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
FOOD STAMPS		
OTHER	1	
DCAS	1	info
REAL ESTATE	1	city owned property
PARKS DEPT		
TREE REQUESTS		
TREE REMOVAL	1	
PRUNING		
SPRAYING		
POOLS		
GREENSTREET		
PARKS	2	
POLICE DEPT.		
PROTECTION	2	
DRUGS		
PARKING	24	illegal parking
CRIME	3	
MTA		
DOT		
HIGHWAYS	2	
POT HOLES	2	
PLATES	1	
SIDEWALK	2	obstructions
CAVE-IN		
METERS		
SIGNS	2	
TRAFFIC LIGHTS	1	Timing
TRENCH WORK (& DEP)		
STREET LIGHT		
CON EDISON	2	service connection
INFO REQUESTS	301	
VERIZON/CABLE	1	
DCA		
LICENSE	1	
ARCADE/RIDES		
OTHER	1	
TOTAL	408	

Respectfully submitted,
 Marie Bueno Wallin
 Assistant District Manager



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FEBRUARY 25, 2019
COMMUNITY BOARD OPERATIONS AND NEEDS
(T2019-3800)

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL
250 BROADWAY
(Committee Room, 14th Floor)

Good afternoon Chairman Fernando Cabrera and greetings to the other esteemed members of the Committee on Governmental Operations. Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 submits the following comments regarding the community board's budget.

Brooklyn Community Board No. 1's district comprises Brooklyn's two most northern communities: Greenpoint and Williamsburg. The 2010 census reported a diverse population of over 179,000 persons. This figure is an undercount as our Board continues to see more and more people moving into the district.

Community Board No. 1 still lacks adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased

operating costs. The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive.

Community Board No. 1 is always facing yet another round of budget cuts in the budget process. While one time restorations were made this fiscal year, we remain guarded about projected cuts for upcoming fiscal years. Community Boards have not seen a tangible increase in our budget in over 20 years. If it wasn't for this fiscal year's generous allocation made possible by Council Member Cabrera, the community boards would not have been able to realize any increase in their expense budgets at all! We applaud the NYC Council for championing our cause.

Our usual internal budget is not sufficient enough to meet the ever escalating costs of necessary office operations and staffing. The rapid changes in communications, media and computers, plus the costly upgrading of various programs and equipment would inhibit a Board's daily operations whose insufficient budget covers a small staffing of only three persons (3 full-time) and a miniscule operating (OTPS). We are forever juggling the figures and cutting corners to provide for our basic needs. We need personnel service (PS) dollars on a continuing basis to hire additional staff.

Our office carries out a myriad of services. CB #1 is the mini City Hall for our constituents. We handle complaints, provide comments on projects, land use and develop capital/expense budget lines for the district as well as conduct public hearings.

We have 13 established committees that comprehensively tackle matters of concern and service delivery. Our staff also supports the board members in preparing reports, minutes, and scheduling of meetings. Matters from the public are handled as well, these often range from simple point of information inquiries, "freedom of information (FOIL)", to major investigations requiring constant follow up! In addition, we have other operating tasks that are for specifically needed to administer the CB #1's internal operations. These include

recordkeeping, timekeeping, budget preparation, monitoring & payment of expenditures, voucher preparation, inventory and auditing.

TECHNOLOGY

Although we have consistently advocated for increased budgets for community boards, Community Boards still lack adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs.

The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive and way beyond our normal fiscal capability. CB #1 has to make do with the limited resources of DoITT (there is one tech person assigned for all of the 59 community boards).

We recently wrote to Speaker Corey Johnson seeking his assistance in securing clarification regarding our community board and access to various vital communication services that DoITT has under its auspices for delivery to city agencies. There is a complete lack of clarity regarding DoITT's current choice to migrate from the current platform for these services. We are highly concerned because we have to make clear choices in these areas...choices that have great financial impacts for our meager budgets and general office operations such as:

- Email and electronic communications
- Website
- Internet Connection (i.e. - Making and handling complaints; information Access; timekeeping; FISA/financial management
- Intranet
- Cable TV Service (for viewing hearings and other news/information programs)
- Telephone services - office telephone system

A vendor "Windstream" was contacting our board directly soliciting our engagement with their services. We have been informed by DoITT's staff that "If you don't upgrade, the new email system will not run smoothly and everything will be delayed and frustrating." We note that there is a serious downside to using a sole system for both the telephone and internet access. There are problems. If the access goes down, we lose all connections. Currently, we have separate systems for the internet and telephones. When one goes down, we still have access and connection. As previously stated, our board does not want to operate in the dark when it comes to planning for services – and – we do not want to be misinformed about costs and vendors. If the City is choosing to change any of its platforms, it should do so and provide the best goods and services incurred. In the case of larger agencies, perhaps their needs are met and are financial feasible with their plump budgets. For community boards, we are always left hanging with a make shift system [a prime example is our watered down email system]. Unfortunately, we are made to endure complications that other city agencies do not. The current internet service is provided to our board free via DoITT.

Communications from DoITT on policy are nonexistent!

Community Boards should not be treated like stepchildren. If the City Administration is making changes, we need first --- to be better informed, and secondly --- the City itself should endure the costs directly.

It is quite unfortunate that we have had to purchase interim programs and equipment that the City should have provided. As I noted before, every penny is pinched. DoITT should provide a true cost analysis and meaningful comparisons before mandating our board to make any telecommunication changes. It is imperative that we ascertain how these changes will impact our budget before making choices.

SUSTAINABILITY OF COMMUNITY BOARDS

Community Board budgets should not be at the sole whim of the Administration. The NYC Charter's language regarding community boards must be strongly re-written to ensure that community boards are fiscally protected and

legislatively promulgated – the budgets must be held harmless from political climates.

BIGGER AND BETTER LAND USE ROLES

Community Board No. 1 is no stranger to the land use process. Many impacts for Greenpoint and Williamsburg have been from various ULURP, BSA applications and development scenarios – all which our board has taken an active role in. Our diligent work never ceases and our voices must be heard.

Community Board No. 1 needs the commission to strengthen our role by giving us more teeth with which to have a better bite. We will continue to partner with the Brooklyn Borough President on these important matters that affect the life, health and welfare of those who live in, or visit, our community

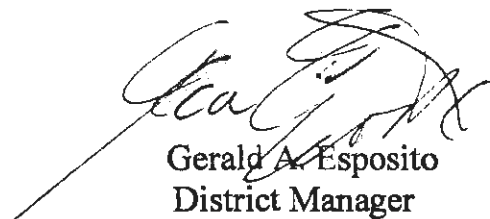
We thank you for providing additional funding this current fiscal year. These funds enabled our board to replace outdated apparatus and secure upgraded equipment as well as replenish supplies. However, this additional one-shot funding could not be used for any staffing needs. It is greatly appreciated if the Council could allocate our board with a larger yearly budget with supplementary funds that could be more comprehensively used for fiscal needs --- both OPTS and PS services. This broader based funding will allow Brooklyn Community Board #1 to continue our work developing strategies and making recommendations in regards to matters that have an effect on the health, welfare and life of all.

Thank you again for providing our community boards with this valuable opportunity to relate its individual budget concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



Dealice Fuller
Chairperson



Gerald A. Esposito
District Manager

Increasing Transparency and Public Engagement: Department of City Planning Launches ZoLa 2.0

DCP Press (DCP)

Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2019 10:03 AM

To: DCP Press (DCP)

For Immediate Release

March 5, 2019

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Increasing Transparency and Public Engagement: Department of City Planning Launches ZoLa 2.0

Upgrades improve the Zoning and Land Use Application's speed, functionality and features

NEW YORK – Department of City Planning (DCP) Director Marisa Lago today announced a round of improvements to the agency's popular Zoning and Land Use Application. ZoLa is a mapping tool that provides simple ways to research zoning regulations. The updates further increase the webtool's transparency, customization and usefulness for all New Yorkers.

"Increasing transparency and enhancing public engagement are in DCP's DNA. It's vital that we build new, easy-to-use and free digital tools, and improve existing ones. DCP's new ZoLa is faster, sleeker and niftier than the original. For example, ZoLa now lets you create and print custom street maps, and the new and improved ZoLa is chock-a-block full of hands-on ways to learn about zoning on your block, in your neighborhood, and anywhere throughout our city," said **DCP Director Marisa Lago**.

Through the mobile-friendly website, you can find the zoning for your property, discover new land use proposals in your neighborhoods, and see the location of everything from historic districts to waterfront access plans. ZoLa's usefulness is reflected in its popularity, receiving more than 300,000 hits per month.

ZoLa 2.0 adds in a bevy of helpful, requested features, such as custom printing options, allowing the creation and use of more professional, customized materials. You can now print nicely formatted profiles of zoning and tax lots, and include a legend with your map to make it more helpful for meetings and presentations.

Street widths, originally found in our NYC Street Map, have now been incorporated into the ZoLa map. This feature is useful for property owners to understand what can be built on their site, which varies based on the street width.

If you want to know what a special zoning district means, such as FRESH (encouraging development of supermarkets) or a Transit Zone (areas near public transit that have lower parking requirements for affordable housing), you can now find out with a single click.

The update adds a link to the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development's Building, Registration, and Violation system. When users click on a building to view further information, such as owner, year built, lot depth and more, they will be able to click through to see if there are landlord violations or other tenant related issues associated with a property.

Other improvements to ZoLa include:

- Faster performance and loading times;
- Improved compatibility with different web browsers;
- New indicator under the lot profiles if a site is subject to waterfront zoning.

This update is the latest in a series of online platforms DCP has produced over the past few years to increase transparency and public engagement. They include: [ZAP Search](#), [Zoning Resolution Online](#), [Population Fact Finder](#), [Community District Profiles](#), [Metro Region Explorer](#), [Waterfront Access Map](#) and [NYC Street Map](#).

For more information on ZoLa 2.0, visit this [blog post](#) by one of DCP's planners.

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Department of City Planning

The Department of City Planning (DCP) plans for the strategic growth and development of the City through ground-up planning with communities, the development of land use policies and zoning regulations applicable citywide, and its contribution to the preparation of the City's 10-year Capital Strategy. DCP promotes housing production and affordability, fosters economic development and coordinated investments in infrastructure and services, and supports resilient, sustainable communities across the five boroughs for a more equitable New York City.

In addition, DCP supports the City Planning Commission in its annual review of approximately 450 land use applications for a variety of discretionary approvals. The Department also assists both government agencies and the public by advising on strategic and capital planning and providing policy analysis, technical assistance and data relating to housing, transportation, community facilities, demography, zoning, urban design, waterfront areas and public open space.

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Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner

Williamsburg Bridge Rehabilitation
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Brooklyn CB's 1 & 2 - Manhattan CB 3

(EXTENSION) IMPORTANT NOTICE

WILLIAMSBURG BRIDGE LANE CLOSURES

The New York City Department of Transportation is continuing necessary rehabilitation work on the Williamsburg Bridge. An in-depth inspection of the bridge is required and to facilitate those inspections lane closures are necessary. Closures will begin on the Manhattan-bound outer roadway on Saturday March 9, and Sunday, March 10, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Closures will continue on Monday, March 11, through Friday, March 15, with closures of both the Brooklyn-bound and Manhattan-bound outer and inner roadways that will take place from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day. During this phase of the operation **only one lane at a time will be closed** and partial pedestrian path and bike path closures will also be necessary. **The pedestrian and bike paths will still be accessible**, and a flagger will be present during all walkway operations. **Please note that this work is weather dependent.**



Williamsburg Bridge - Single Lane Closures

**Manhattan-bound outer roadway
Saturday, March 9 - Sunday, March 10
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Manhattan-bound & Brooklyn-bound outer & inner roadways
Monday March 11 - Friday March 15
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Intermittent (Partial) Footwalk Closures

**Monday March 11 - Friday March 15
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

The walkway will still be accessible during this operation. To facilitate inspection of overhead trusses, a manlift will be in operation and a flagger will be present during all partial walkway closures.

Community Liaison Hugh Smith is available to provide information about this project at 917.434.1385 or williamsburgbridgerehab@gmail.com. For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311. Be prepared to give your name, the borough of the project, and a return phone number

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Internet access to view documents is available at the following public library:

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Bushwick Branch
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**NYC VCP Cleanup Plan
Completion of Remedial Activities**

The New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the property at 299 & 301 Wallabout Street (identified as Block 2250, Lots 43 and 44) in Brooklyn, New York under the New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) have been met. Cleanup activities were performed under an approved Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) by EBC with oversight provided by OER. OER has approved the Remedial Action Report (RAR) and has issued a Notice of Completion regarding the Site. The remedial work was completed in August 2017 and was documented in the RAR. The RAR is available for review at the document repositories identified in the box to the left.

Site Development

The Site consisted of a 6,000 square-foot lot previously developed with a one-story commercial building. The development converted the site into two, 7-story residential buildings, each with a full cellar.

Summary of Remedial Action

The specific remedial elements implemented at this Site included:

1. Performed Community Air Monitoring Program for particulates and volatile organic carbon compounds.
2. Established Track 4 Site-Specific Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs). Collected and analyzed post-excavation endpoint samples and achieved NYSDEC Part 375 Track 2 Restricted Residential Use SCOs.
3. For development purposes, excavated and removed soil/fill across the entire Site to a depth of 12 feet below grade to accommodate the new cellar with additional excavation for the elevator pit. A total of 4,818 tons of soil/fill was excavated and removed from the property.
4. As part of development, constructed an engineered composite cover system consisting of a 24-36 inch thick concrete slab underlain by a 2 inch thick concrete rat slab across the entire site.
5. As part of development, installed a vapor barrier system beneath the entire building slab and outside foundation sidewalls.
6. Performed all activities required for the remedial action, including permitting requirements and pretreatment requirements, in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.
7. Submitted a RAR that describes the remedial activities, certifies that the remedial requirements have been achieved, defines the property boundaries, and explains any changes from the RAWP.

Next Steps

OER has issued a Notice of Completion, a city liability release, and a New York City Green Property Certificate for this Site.

We encourage you to share this Fact Sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post it in a prominent area of your building. For information regarding New York City's Voluntary Cleanup Program, please visit our website at: www.nyc.gov/oer

Direct Link to Document Repository: <https://a002-epic.nyc.gov/app/workspace/2614/docrepository>

Or scan with smart phone:



Figure 1: Site Location



Figure 2: Site Map



Flushing Avenue G station: northbound bypass, April 8- May, 2019

Inglesby, Andrew [Andrew.Inglesby@nyct.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 1:19 PM

To: Inglesby, Andrew [Andrew.Inglesby@nyct.com]

As you are aware, currently southbound G trains are not stopping at the Flushing Avenue G station. This southbound bypass is necessitated by an MTA NYC Transit flood mitigation project at the station, as the staircase leading to/from the southbound platform of the station is closed for the flood mitigation upgrade. Normal southbound service is scheduled to return to the Flushing Avenue G station on April 1, 2019.

Please be aware that MTA NYC Transit will also be performing a similar flood mitigation upgrade on the staircase leading to/from the northbound platform of the Flushing Avenue G station. This project will require a northbound bypass of the station, which is currently scheduled from April 8-May 6, 2019. Customers will be able to access the Flushing Avenue station by taking a northbound G train to the Broadway station and then taking a southbound G train to the Flushing Avenue station. There will be no change to southbound G service during this time at this station.

Service notices will be posted at the station in advance of the bypass start, and information will also be available at our website at www.mta.info. As always, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this important work, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Andy Inglesby

Andrew Inglesby
Assistant Director
Government and Community Relations
MTA NYC Transit
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Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner

Williamsburg Bridge

Community Board No. 1K,
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Manhattan, Brooklyn

March 2019

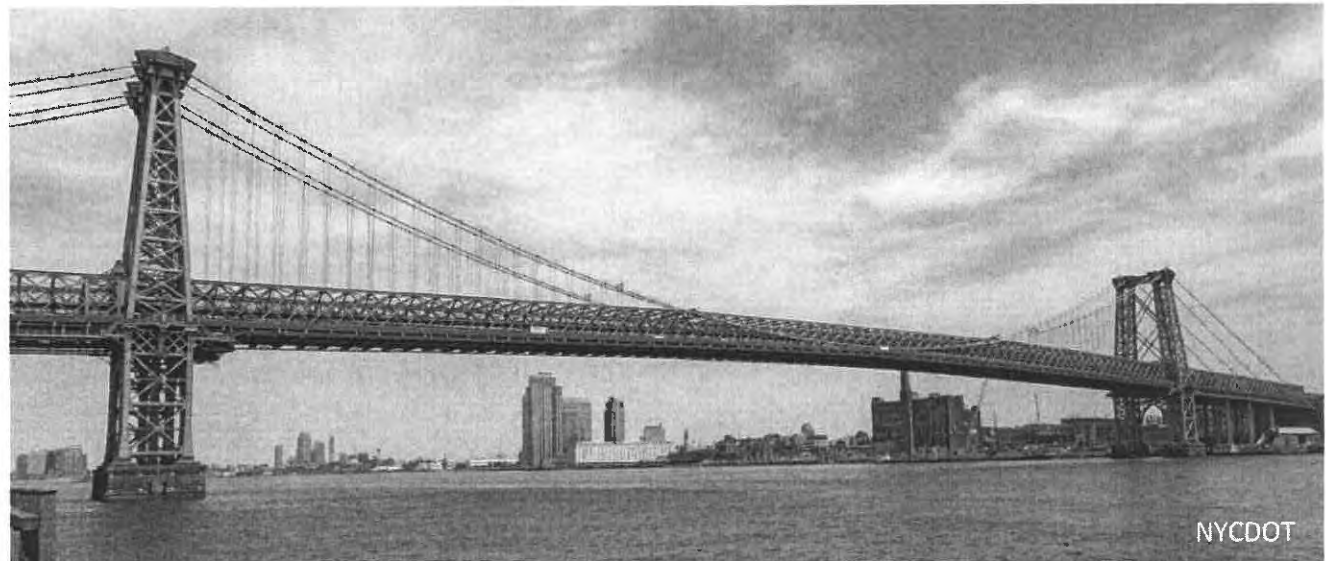


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Important Notice

The NYCDOT Division of Bridges will conduct maintenance on the Brooklyn- and Manhattan-bound roadways of the Williamsburg Bridge according to the schedule below. As a result, a single lane at a time in either direction will be closed on Friday, March 15 between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. (ending Saturday morning).

At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times.



Weeknight Single-lane Closures in Either Direction

Friday, March 15

10:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.

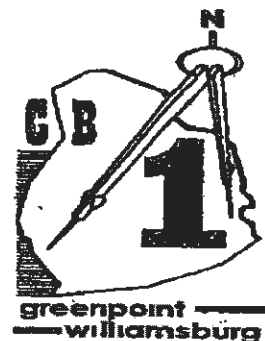
(ending Saturday morning)

At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times.

Jameson Mitchell from the office of Community Affairs is available to provide information about this project at (212) 839-6307 or jmitchell@dot.nyc.gov. For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.



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ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller
and CB #1 Board Members

FROM: Rabbi David Niederman, Attendance Committee Chair

RE: Committee Attendance Compilation
February 12, 2019 – March 12, 2019

The following committee has met to date. Attendance at the meeting is indicated.

Committee	Meeting Date	Member's Attendance	
Transportation	2/19/19	Present:	Bruzaitis, Elkins, Nieves, Schlesinger
		Absent:	Weiser, Argento, Gangone, Gallagher, Green, Kuonen, Odomirok, Stuart, Solano
SLA Review & DCA	2/26/19	Present:	Burrows, Bachorowski, Barros, Bruzaitis, Cohen, Dybanowski, Foster, Sofer, Solano, Stuart, Torres
		Absent:	Barricelli

Executive	2/27/19	Present:	Fuller, Weiser, Teague, Caponegro,
		Absent:	Weidberg, Viera, Iglesias
Attendance	2/28/19	Present:	Rabbi Niederman, Peterson
		Absent:	Bruzaitis
Land Use, ULURP, & Landmarks	3/4/19	Present:	Teague, Viera, Barros, Chesler, Rabbi Niederman, Nieves, Weidberg
		Absent:	McKeever, Kaminski, Sofer, Weiser
Capital Budget	3/4/19	Present:	Weidberg, Teague, Chesler
		Absent:	Gross
Parks & Waterfront	3/6/19	Parent:	Caponegro, Cianciotta, Chesler, Elkins, Peterson
		Absent:	McKeever, Cohen, Odomirok, Stuart, Torres
Housing & Public Housing	3/7/19	Present:	Rabbi Niederman, Foster, Peterson
		Absent:	Viera, Barricelli, Gallagher, Cabrera, Gross, Kaminski, Needelman, Wilson