# OF NEW YORK MINUTES OF THE MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020 COMMUNITY BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING

In Attendance:

**Members Present:** Babatunde Awoke, Felicia Alexander, Tywan Anthony, Monique Antoine, Lillian

Bowman, Anthony Buissereth, Ivy Gamble-Cobb, Evelyn Collier, Taina Evans, Marc Abou-Faissal, Carroll "Rusty" Fields, Richard Flateau, Sharon Forbes, Keith Forest, Gregory Glasgow, Shia Greenfeld, Mary Jemison-Head, Abitzel Robinson-Hobson, Oma Holloway, Everett Hughes, Victor Iroh, Dr. Kerliene Johnson, Dr. Debra Lamb, Lisa Lewis, Hardy "Joe" Long, Dovie Matthews, Ellen Miller, Kenneth Mbonu, Melissa Plowden-Norman, Christine Parker, Santina Payton, C. Doris Pinn, Simone Pratt, Karen Rhau, Carolyn Richburg, Miari Roberts, Wendy Robinson, Suzette Sheppard Jamella Swift, Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman, Douglas

Williams, TJ Wilson

Members Absent/Excused: Dr. Kim Best, Michael Catlyn, Keisha Jerryman, Edna Johnson, Marion Little,

Annalee Reid, Stacey Ruffin, Alice Walton

**Elected Official/Reps:** Darryl White – Attorney General Leticia James, Shelton Jones – District Attorney

Eric Gonzalez, Stefani Zinerman – Newly-elected Assembly Member, Candace Julien – Borough President Eric Adams, Nadeen Gayle – Hon. Latrice Walker

### REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON – Richard Flateau

Chair Flateau read the agenda into the record.

Chair Flateau stated that he participated in a "Deed Theft" webinar with moderator, Bessie Edwards and Councilmember Cornegy. There were representations by Brooklyn Legal Services and the Attorney General's office. He advised everyone to sign up for ACRIS, a free notification system that alerts homeowners when documents are filed against their property.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS & COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Captain Melody Robinson – 81<sup>st</sup> Precinct, Sharonnie Perry – Interfaith Medical Center, Lynette Battle – Bedford-Stuyvesant Gateway BID, Nicole Bryan – Brooklyn Public Library/Macon Branch, Nicole Breeze – Bed-Stuy Alliance.

### DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – Henry L. Butler

Mr. Butler informed that in addition to the gas pipe and sprinkler inspections, the Tax and Water Lien Bill is scheduled to expire.

HPD will be making a presentation at the Housing & Land Use Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and at next month's general board meeting. The Request for Proposal (RFP) was released last week for two of the properties within our district. One property is in the 41<sup>st</sup> Council District and the second property is a home ownership on Fulton Street and Howard Avenue directly across the street from Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

The other two properties that have not been RFP yet is Fulton Street and then the property by Boys & Girls High School. The last one is on Myrtle Avenue between Marcy and Nostrand Avenues, directly across from Marcy Playground. Please attend this Wednesday's Housing & Land Use Committee meeting if you would like more information.

In regard to Local Law 152, the amendment has not passed, so it has not been extended as of yet to June 30<sup>th</sup>. As of today, you still have to get it done by December 31, 2020. It will be voted on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, by the committee and the full City Council at their weekly stated meeting.

### I. PUBLIC HEARING

### A. Housing & Land Use Committee:

Chair Richard Flateau gave an update on NYC Local Law 152. He stated that Community Board 3 has raised awareness about this law and was the first Board and perhaps the only Board Citywide that raised this issue. The Board did a resolution to amend Intro. 2151-A calling for an extension. In addition, outreach and education was also done. The resolution was sent to Governor Cuomo, the Mayor de Blasio, the Public Advocate Williams, Council Speaker Johnson, Council Member Cornegy who is Chair of the Housing and Buildings Committee and Council Member Dromm, Chair of the Finance Committee. The Board also held two Town Halls on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. He added that he personally raised the issue with the Borough President's Land Use Director, made presentation at the Brooklyn Borough Board monthly meeting. Mr. Butler, District Manager also had an article in the newspaper.

# Local Law 152 Presentation final.pptx

He explained the process of the inspection and the requirements. Questions were asked and answered.

### II. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Giovanni Green informed about Intro. 2103 which addresses food insecurity throughout the City.

Chi Oshi expressed his concerned about Local Law 152

**Lisa Lewis** will be moderating an estate planning, wills, trusts and proxies at 6:30 p.m. the guest presenter is ultra barrows Esquire

### III. ROLL CALL

There were 42 members present and eight members absent.

## IV. COMMITTEE UPDATES & RESOLUTIONS

**Ivy Gamble-Cobb** informed that the Health & Social Services will be meeting on Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. There will be a presentation by Board member Karen Rhau on child support and also a presentation by Gotham Health.

**Gregory Glasgow** announced that the Transportation, Sanitation & Environment Committee meeting on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. There will be a speaker from DDC to talk about the Bioswale work they are doing in the community.

Mr. Butler informed that Amour Cabaret will be presenting at the Economic Development Committee next month. They are trying to renew their liquor license for 566 Nostrand Avenue. Mr. Flateau added that there was a shooting in front of this location. The Board held a Press Conference in front of the location.

**Douglas Williams** announced that the Veterans' Committee will not be meeting this month due to the holiday.

Mr. Flateau added that the committee would like to change the By-laws to become a standing committee.

# **Landmarks Committee Resolution for 39 Chauncey Street**

**Anthony Buissereth** read the resolution for Application LPC-20-05535. The request to construct a new residential building at 39 Chauncey Street at the corner of Lewis Avenue. Many people oppose this project. There was a discussion before the vote. Landmarks Preservation Commission will be hosting a Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, on this matter.

CB3 Resolution - 39 Chauncey-signed.pdf

**Anthony Buissereth** stated that the committee voted nine in favor to disapprove the project as presented. A motion to accept the Landmarks Committee recommendation to disapprove the project was made by Gregory Glasgow and seconded by Simone Pratt.

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### **Landmarks Committee Resolution for 531 Classon Avenue**

Anthony Buissereth gave a brief history of the building and stated that the committee voted nine in favor of not demolishing the building but rather preserve the façade.

CB3Resolution.pdf

A motion to accept the Landmarks Committee recommendation was made by Gregory Glasgow and seconded by C. Doris Pinn.

../Documents/Vote for Local Law 152.pdf

**TJ Wilson** informed that the Parks, Arts & Culture Committee next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. The Brooklyn Public Library will be presenting. She also gave credit to Committee and Board Member Wendy Robinson who came up with the suggestion for the library to develop a library card specific to the Bedford-Stuyvesant Macon Branch to bring attention specifically to the African American Heritage Center.

### **CB3 Resolution for Local Law 152**

After the presentation and a lengthy discussion on the law. The Board voted on the amendment to extend the deadline to June 31, 2021.

Resolution Local law 152 Signed 134.pdf

### V. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – RICHARD FLATEAU

Governor Cuomo has extended the Public Meetings Law until January 1, 2021 and in all likelihood is going to be extended for several more months. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 4, 2021 via the Webex platform.

# VI. ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOVEMBER 2, 2020 MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes by Gregory Glasgow and seconded by Douglas Williams. The vote unanimous.

# VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Douglas Williams and seconded by Gregory Glasgow. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Beryl Nyack December 18, 2020

Reviewed and edited by, CB3 Secretary, Stacey Ruffin December 21, 2020