# Community Board 9 890 Nostrand Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11225

# Committee Minutes June 15, 2021

# **Attendance**

Fred Baptiste, CB9 Chairman Warren Berke, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Alejandra Caraballo, Executive Secretary Primo Lasana, Youth Services Committee Chair Pat Moses, ULURP/Land Use Committee Chair

Riel Peerbooms, Education & Library Committee Chair Nicolas Almonor, Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee Chair Eve-lyn Williams, Member-at-Large

Meeting commenced at 7:13pm

#### **Introductions:**

• Waive reading of the rules of conduct.

#### **Public Commentary**

• No public commentary

#### **Committee Reports**

<u>Alejandra Caraballo, Housing</u> – Discussed potential effects of 960 Franklin Avenue on housing in the rest of the district.

<u>Primo Lasana, Youth Services</u> Discussed planning an event for August, attempting to locate space in the district.

<u>Primo Lasana, Nomination Committee</u> - Finalizing details of election night process.

<u>Nicolas Almonor, Parks, Recreation and Culture</u> – Presentation from NYC Dept. of Culture and BPL regarding the placement of the art installation in front of the Eastern Parkway branch. RSVP: Retired Seniors Volunteer Program by Noelle Meyers-Powell. Dante

<u>Warren Berke, Environmental Protection</u> - Discussion on community issues. Awaiting final updates on 960 Franklin Avenue, so that the committee my submit final comments to the ULURP/Land Use committee.

<u>Pat Moses, ULURP/Land Use</u> - TRO was lifted. CB9 was joined as a party to the lawsuit. Presentation on the roof and landscape design for Bedford Union Armory. Fred will be chairing public hearing.

## **Dante B. Arnwine, District Manager Report:**

- District Service Cabinet is set to meet on July 6th.
- DSNY Sponsor-A-Basket program is coming to fruition. Want to thank Beverly and Suki for their additions to the list. Also want to thank DSNY for their work in the process.
- In the process of adding committee meetings to YouTube, so the public will be able to view meetings freely. Transferring significant amounts of data takes times, so once we completely finish the upload, I will provide an update.

# **Budget Update**

- On Friday, I received a call from OMB and was informed we have \$18,500 left to spend by the end of the fiscal year.
- My \$80,000 budget projection was based on original conversations with OMB. And on Friday I was informed that \$80,000 projection was inaccurate.
- The \$18,500 has already been allocated. So, we will be able to close out our books at the end of the year at nearly \$0.
- We are still in the process of purchasing, so I will give a budget report once the books are closed by BH. I want to ensure that before I provide such report, I have the most accurate numbers and information.

### Fred P. Baptiste, Chairman's Report:

Discussed issues with DCP and supermarket zoning as well as gyms. Discussion of the pending case on 960 Franklin. Will have hearing next Monday at 6pm, 5:30pm.

#### Proposed protocols for ULURP meeting.

- 1. All participants must remain muted until recognized by the Chair or their designee.
- 2. Speakers will be called in alternating groups of 5. The groupings will be based on the position identified as part of the registration for the hearing.
- 3. Testimony will be limited to a maximum time of 2 minutes.
- 4. The transfer of time from one speaker to another is prohibited.
- 5. Speakers will only be allowed to speak once for the hearing. Multiple registrations will be cancelled.
- 6. If your name is called to speak and you do not respond, you will be moved to the end of the

- 7. list of registered speakers. If you do not respond to the second call to speak, you will be deemed as having withdrawn your request to provide testimony to the Board at the hearing.
- 8. The hearing may be recessed at the discretion of the Chair.
- 9. Written submissions will be accepted until 4pm June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Motion by Warren Berke, second by Alejandra Caraballo to approve the protocols. Unanimous vote in favor, protocol is adopted by the executive committee.

Elections for the board scheduled by June 23, 2021.

Motion to leave executive session by Warren Berke, Second by Debbie Timothy 9:52pm

### Agenda for the Board meeting

- I. Public Session
  - a. Call to order
  - b. Rules of conduct
  - c. Public commentary (30 Minutes)
  - d. Acknowledgements
- II. Business Session
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Approval of minutes
  - c. Committee Reports
  - d. District Manager's Report
  - e. Chairman's Report
- III. Voting Items
  - a. SLA Applications
  - b. Elections
  - c. ULURP Vote
  - d. Unfinished Business
  - e. New Business
- IV. Adjournment

Motion to adopt the agenda. Alejandra Caraballo. Second by Warren Berke.

All in favor, motion adopted unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Pat, second by Eve-lyn Williams. Motion adopted unanimously.

Adjourned at 8:44pm