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### REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

March 3, 2022

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

B. Braton, M. Adams, M. Q. Amin, L. Amorim, A. Antonino, P. Baumann, N. Bissoon, J. Calcagnile, J. Caruso, M. Cherenfant, A. Cosentino, J. Coulverson, F. Dardani, A. Deebrab, A. Dhanpat, I. Dimoh, E. Fraylon, A. Gellineau, R. Gendron, P. Granickas, P. Kishun, A. Maharaj, R. Martinez, D. Mitchell, F. Mohamed, S. Mohammed, A. Nocerino, S. Pace, B. Ramsundar, G. Russo, N. Santiago, J. Stahl, I. VanPutten, M. Vecchio, L. Walker

#### **BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

E. Cheng, R. Ciulla-Frisone, J. Fazio, A. Garcia, R. Hitlall, E. Holland, M. Logan, P. Lynch, C. Mocombe, J. Quijano, R. Rathour, A. Siewnarine, V. Singh

#### **COMMUNITY BOARD 10 STAFF PRESENT:** K. Petersen, D.M.; M. May; J. Donohue

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Hon. J. Ariola; N. Hezekiah, Rep., Hon G. Meeks; C. Moore, Rep., Hon. J. Addabbo; A.M. Costella, Rep., Hon. J. Sanders; W. Bao, Rep., Hon. K. Anderson; J. Greenberg, Rep., Hon. S. Pheffer-Amato; L. Fogal, Rep., Hon. J. Ariola; T. Hankerson, Rep., Hon. A. Adams; K. Morris, Mayor's CAU; V. Garvey, Acting Director, Planning & Development, QBPO; D. Brown, QDA's Office; J. Ottomanelli, DSNY; Capt. J. Bacchi, CO 106 Precinct; Det. B. Reddick, Community Affairs 106 Precinct; R. Antoine, External Affairs & Community Outreach, JFK Redevelopment; T. Morrison, External Affairs & Community Outreach, JFK Redevelopment; N. Turner, Outreach Operations Assistant, JFK Redevelopment; A. Miner, CAO NY/NJ; C. Zeng, GrowNYC

The Chairperson began the meeting conducted remotely via Zoom at 7:00pm which was also live streamed on YouTube. The Chair greeted everyone noting there are a number of people in attendance who are not members of the board or speakers at the meeting and asked these attendees to make sure they are muted. The Chair asked board members to please mute themselves and to use the "raise your hand function" when a member would like to speak.

The Chair acknowledged CM Ariola and invited her to speak. CM Ariola greeted everyone and reported last night her office hosted a meeting with Deputy Mayor for Public Safety, Phillip Banks III. The meeting was attended by the NYPD, NYPD Patrol Borough Queens South, and top community stake holders, including CB10 Chairperson Braton and District Manager Petersen. The CM congratulated the Board Chair for putting together the most comprehensive report as recognized by the Deputy Mayor and indicated he is going to take it apart piece by piece to really try and bring what we need to bring public safety back to where it should be in the communities throughout the district. The CM extended thanks to the Chairperson for that.

The Chair stated it was my pleasure to be able to do that and to help you ensure that the meeting would be very productive, and I think it was very productive.



The CM commented the Deputy Mayor definitely was listening, and it was refreshing to know that somebody from the Mayor's office was interested and was going to bring back all the information that we gave him so that our precincts can receive the resources and the staff that they need to make sure that we stay safe. I'm committed to that, the community board is committed to that, my fellow elected officials in this district are committed to that, and I know that each and every one of you deserve that. I just wanted to bring you up to snuff on that particular meeting.

The Chair thanked the CM and stated it was definitely a productive meeting, I believe, and I thank you for doing that as one of your first meetings in the community, and I think that it will benefit not only the residents in your district, but in the board as a whole.

The CM agreed and said it takes in board 9, 10, 14, so it takes in our neighboring council members as well as our district right here and we made that clear. Crime spills over into each other's district and it was important that the Deputy Mayor was aware of that. Have a great night everyone and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

The Chair thanked the CM.

The Chair then took board member attendance by roll call to establish a quorum was present. It was indicated attendance would be reviewed again later during the meeting to add any members missed in the roll call.

The Chair asked if the speaker was in attendance, and the speaker confirmed she was.

The Chair then opened the informational public hearing introducing Rachelle Antoine, Community Outreach Manager, JFK Redevelopment to give a presentation and update on the status of the program. The Chair noted she's glad it's kicked off again. The Chair informed the speaker she could share her screen if she needs to.

Ms. Antoine thanked the Chair, and asked that access be provided to Natasha Turner, the staff member who will help with the slides.

Ms. Antoine greeted everyone and introduced herself indicating she is one of the Outreach Managers for External Affairs for the JFK Redevelopment Program and is happy to join CB10 to provide a brief update as well as a quick refresher of the program. We want to thank members of CB10 as well as the Chairperson, who is also a member of the JFK Advisory Panel. Ms. Antoine acknowledged additional members of the JFK Community Outreach Team: Tunisia Morrison, Natasha Turner, Bridgitte Allen, Carl Lewis.

Ms. Antoine narrated and commented on the slide presentation.

Many of you are aware of the major vision plan to transform JFK into a modern 21<sup>st</sup> century airport; to completely redevelop and modify JFK Airport with the major focus on extending the existing facility to insure it meets the increase of passenger growth that is expected for the upcoming years.

The current layout of JFK today consists of vacant sites, vacant lands, and terminal sites that are over 56 years old and undersized. Moving forward, Terminals 1, 2, 3 will combine to form the New Terminal 1. Terminal 4 - where Delta/JFKIAT is currently - is a relatively new terminal that is being expanded and that project is happening now. Terminal 5 will remain as is. However, to the north (where currently T6 and T7 British Airways are) T5, T6, & T7 will be combined to form the new Terminal 6. And towards the bottom, T8 American Airlines, is one of the projects that kicked off the ground in 2019 and is almost at its finality.

The main reason why we're here is to kick-off and relaunch the program and to inform the community at large that the JFKR Program is back on track and all four of the terminal projects are now advancing. This is a major step to opportunities that are within Queens, and we wanted to ensure that we're touching base with every organization and community at large to inform of this major advancement.

JFKR Program Update: Terminal 1, 2, 3 will be combined to form - New Terminal One Consortium - \$9.5billion brand new terminal, open 2026. Terminal 6 - JFK Millennium Partners - \$3.9billion brand new terminal, open 2025. Terminal 4 - Delta Air Lines and JFKIAT - \$1.5billion expansion / renovation, open 2023. Terminal 8- American Airlines - \$400million expansion / renovation, open 2022. In total \$15billion of private investment across 4 terminals. The



redevelopment program is comprised of \$15billion in private investment, and \$2.9billion in PANYNJ investment and leveraging public dollars at a 5:1 ratio (total investment of \$18billion).

A bit more of in-depth information with what's going on at Delta Terminal 4: The current Terminal 4 Phase 2.5 expansion is comprised of the following main elements: security checkpoint expansion, new arrivals curb frontage, domestic bag claim expansion, new Delta lounge, Concourse A expansion, Concourse B hold room expansion. Delta is conducting robust outreach at the community center, meeting with firms and local businesses to connect them with opportunities at the airport within Delta. The groundbreaking of Delta construction was back in December

The New Terminal 1 Project is one of the projects that I'm very excited to speak about because it is at its inception. We believe this is where we're going to need all our community partners to help us to push outreach. It is a 2.4 million square feet of terminal space to be built on the site of existing Terminal 1 and 2 and Terminal 3.

The New Terminal 1 is one of the biggest projects within this project. It is considered to be one of the major ones and is set to create about 10,000 total jobs: 6,000 in local construction. They have a lot of initiatives on education, workforce, environmental and business development in collaboration with JFK Advisory Team. In each of these projects there is a 30% MWBE goal and a 3% SDVOB goal as well.

JFK Millennium Partners Terminal 6 developers are: Vantage Airport Group, American Tripple I, JetBlue and we do have our other components such as strategy & outreach, design, to provide outreach effort around this project.

The New JFK Terminal 6 key highlights will include: 9 aircraft gate terminal and apron, ground transportation center, supporting roadways and utilities. This is a \$2.6 billion project that is conducting outreach to ensure proper information is being shared in the community. The timeline from construction to operations for T6 is from 2021 to 2027, but there was a major pause in 2021 which pushed most of these projects a bit back.

American Airlines Terminal 8 will have more than 54,000 square feet of added space, refurbishing, renovation, and expansion of terminal. It is now close to its finality and more information is available on the website.

We are here tonight to relaunch and provide another kickoff of the program. A key component to ensure its success is community outreach and community involvement and we have been working very closely with elected officials, community boards, business leaders as well as community organizations. The JFKR Community Advisory Council is broken down into four committees: business development, career/workforce development, education, environmental stewardship. I always refer to this advisory group as the accountability group that is actually on the ground to make sure that this project is moving forward, and that the community is involved in gaining the opportunities around this project.

The JFK Redevelopment Community Information Center is open three days a week (Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays). If you need any assistance or have a question or wish to speak with a terminal developer or representative on site, they are here to assist you – just set up an appointment at: [www.anewjfk.com](http://www.anewjfk.com).

Event space is available at the Outreach Center for any member or organization that would like to book the center. We just ask that you fill out the form on our website, we'll review it and get back to you as soon as possible

We're here to provide assistance, should you have any questions related to the program. Also, we do have a Port Authority specialist on site every Thursday providing MWBE certification assistance at the Outreach Office. Her name is Gloria Wigfall and if you reach out to us, we'll be able to connect you to Gloria Wigfall. Our address is: 144-43 Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11435, and you have our phone number and e-mail for any information related to the project.

Ms. Antoine extended thanks and indicated this was the end of the presentation.

The Board Chair asked if there is anyone on the telephone line from the public with any questions or comments. If you have a question, please state your name, and ask your question; hearing none.

The Chair asked if there is anyone on the Zoom video from the public who has a question or comment, to use the "raise hand" function, seeing none.



The Chair acknowledged Aaron Miner, who had raised his hand. He commented I'm here with Council for Airport Opportunity; we work a lot with the JFK Redevelopment Team and one of the things that wasn't mentioned in the presentation was all the jobs that can come to JFK through the redevelopment. I just wanted to put my information in the Chat. If you don't know us, we're a nonprofit to help people find employment at the airport. If that's something you're interested in, you can reach out to us.

The Chair thanked Mr. Miner and said we appreciate the notices that CAO has been sending us and we do post them and share them. If you have anything to disseminate, we will. Mr. Miner said we appreciate it.

The Chair asked if there was anyone else from the public, and there was no one.

A board member, then commented, one of the slides with an overall view of the whole airport showed the development of the terminals near TWA that's going to become one terminal and asked how that is going to be impacting the TWA terminal there now.

Ms. Antoine replied there is not a major impact there because the TWA Hotel is its own separate site which was an old terminal that was turned into a hotel, so it has no connection to that at all.

Ms. Antoine asked her colleague to pull the slide back up.

Discussion ensued.

The Chair addressed the presenter and said, it would be helpful if you could send the office a copy of the presentation so we can share it and they'll be able to magnify it.

Mr. Calcagnile thanked Ms. Antoine.

The Chair asked if there were any other board members with questions, there were none.

The Chair thanked Ms. Antoine and Ms. Turner for the presentation.

The Chairperson then continued with the regular order of business and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the February 2022 minutes. Hearing none, the Chair indicated the minutes will stand as presented.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The Chairperson reviewed incoming correspondence for the month of February 2022 which included:

- NYC DOT speed reducer: Pitkin Avenue between Whitelaw Street & Lafayette Street
- NYC DOT speed reducer: 88 Street between 101 Avenue & Pitkin Avenue
- NYC DOT speed reducer: 107 Avenue from 88 Street to Cross Bay Blvd.
- NYC DOT speed reducer: 107 Avenue between 84 Street & Cross Bay Blvd.
- NYC DOT speed reducer: 88 Street between Sutter Avenue & 133 Avenue
- NYC DOT traffic control device study: at 128 Street with 149 & North Conduit Avenues at PS 202 (it was noted there appears to be an error as P.S. 202 is not near the location indicated in letter – CB is asking DOT for clarification)
- VWE Contract 1 Weekly Traffic Report
- NYC HPD Full Vacate Order: 130-25 125 Street, SOP
- NYC HPD Partial Vacate Order: 107-11 113 Street, RH
- NYC HPD Partial Vacate Order: 117-22 134 Street, Sop
- NYC HPD Partial Vacate Order: 104-23 116 Street, RH
- Notice of Excavation / Construction: 117-64 122 Street, SOP
- Notice of legalization of garage demolition: 104-43 127 Street, SOP
- Mayor Adams released his budget in February - all required OMB budget documents received & are available
- NYS Dept. of Public Service Notice: survey being conducted in regard to broadband access (available to anyone who would like it)
- NYC DEP Negative Declaration for the Unified Stormwater Rule environmental review



- NYC Dept. of Parks – info on opportunities to apply for a green cart / seasonal permit
- NYS Parks & Recreation – college fair to be held in mid-March (info available to anyone who would like it)
- NYMTC Notice of public meeting
- Letter sent to SLA in regard a location that the Police Dept. informed us was operating as an illegal bottle club.

The Chair asked board members to let her know if there is anything on the directed mail a member is interested in or would like a copy of.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – the Treasurer read the report of expenditures for the month of February 2022.

**BOROUGH PRESIDENT'S LIAISON REPORT** – M. Cano – was not in attendance. The Board Chair noted Ms. Cano is not with us tonight, she is busy interviewing candidates for new positions on the community boards. She did indicate that next month everybody will be live; I'll go into that a little bit more later on.

**DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING REPORT** – J. Resor – was not in attendance. The Board Chair noted Ms. Resor is also not with us this evening due to a prior commitment.

**DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT** – The District Manager reported – notification has been received that DDC in partnership with DEP has begun the preliminary design work for Project SEBLQX01 – the rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and replacement of distribution water mains in various locations in the borough of Queens. When DDC undertakes a sewer or water main project it will be necessary to temporarily shut off water services in order to complete the work. The location they are planning to work at will be in the South Ozone Park vicinity. More information about this project will be provided as it moves forward.

We have also been notified that NYC DOT is seeking participants in the NYC's Open Streets program which transforms streets into public space open to all. Open Streets allow for a range of activities to promote economic development, support schools, and provide new ways for New Yorkers to enjoy cultural programming and strengthen community connections. More information about the program, including how to apply can be found at: [www.nyc.gov/openstreets](http://www.nyc.gov/openstreets).

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT** – The Chair reported / commented on the following:

The Mayor has issued his Executive Budget, the budget documents have been received, now the work continues and ultimately by June the Council will approve a budget.

On Monday the Borough President will host the Queens Borough Board Budget Hearing. The Borough Board is composed of the Borough President, the 14 Community Board Chairs, and the City Council Members from the borough of Queens. This is the opportunity for community groups and organizations who are looking for funding to present their budget requests. Anyone from the public on Zoom or watching on the live stream, or anyone who is a board member connected to other organizations who may be interested in seeking funding, Monday is the time to do it. Information on how to sign up for the hearing is on the BP's Facebook page, and on the BP's website, and on our Facebook page.

Information regarding the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act which is the Federal money for infrastructure that's coming down. This was a meeting that was held a couple of weeks ago with the US Army Corps of Engineers - the Spring Creek Project is back to life; it's inching again and hopefully that will be moving forward. We will be planning to schedule USACE for an update at the April, May or June meeting. There are some things that are coming relatively soon in the pipeline as far as signoffs on the different things (in board member folder material).

Updated fact sheet on Spring Creek South. The current status is that \$500,000 was originally included in the President's FY22 budget to initiate a multipurpose feasibility study for ecosystem restoration and CSRM. However, a total of \$1,200,000 was recently included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Upon implementation guidance from USACE Headquarters, the Feasibility Study will be initiated following execution of a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement with the NYSDEC as the local non-federal sponsor. So hopefully that's going to happen sometime in the next few weeks, and we'll be able to get a better update and see another inch forward in that process (included in member folders).



Updated fact sheet on Spring Creek Park. The Spring Creek North project area is the portion of Spring Creek Park that is City owned north of the Belt Parkway in Lindenwood. One City Parks Dept. project has completed there but there is more in the works coming there. Page 2 of that fact sheet indicates that field sampling including wet land delineation, topographic/bathymetric surveys, tree surveys, hydrodynamic data collection/modeling and utility surveys were completed in 2019 and 2020. 30% designs were completed in 2021 (included in member folders)

Fact sheet on the NY/NJ Harbor & Tributaries Focus Area Feasibility Study (included in member folders). Nothing is going to get built in a hurry but it's inching forward, we're making some progress.

CM Ariola already mentioned the meeting last night with the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and the three precincts that are in the council district. The agenda that was covered was discussion of current crime increases, precinct personnel levels, redirecting of patrols, strengthening the quality-of-life infraction enforcement, replenishment of NCO Program, and critical infrastructure protection. We're hoping to make some progress on that front.

The presentation that was made to the Transportation Committee & Highways, Roads Committee last month; and the bus stop relocation notice that will be starting on March 27<sup>th</sup> (included in member folders).

Notice in reference to the DDC Green Infrastructure which was the project we had a briefing on a couple of years ago; work was being done in in Board 9 on Phase 1 and now they are working on Phase 2 in the Board 10 portion (included in member folders).

The meeting continued with **COMMITTEE REPORTS** as follows:

**AQUEDUCT** – the Board Chair reported, it's game time for the sports world and just in time for March madness, Resorts World launched its sports betting app, Resorts WorldBets. The app is now live and has accepted its first wager in New York today. You can go to their website and find out how to sign up. The app will also have a QR code that connects users to the Problem Gaming Resource Center. It's off to a good start and I'm sure Senator Addabbo will brief us on that the next time he joins us.

**CONSUMER AFFAIRS** – the Committee Chair indicated report was in board folders.

**EDUCATION** – the Committee Chair reported mask guidelines are changing very rapidly in our school system so just check with your children's school. Chancellor Banks is looking to change the reading curriculum.

The Board Chair thanked the Committee Chair and added notice of the Commissioner for a Day Essay Contest was received from NYC Emergency Management. The essay contest is open to all NYC high school students.

**JFK International** – the Board Chair referenced the Airport News article in board member folder material and commented, it's a fairly comprehensive and accurate piece on the current debate over 5G cell service near airports.

**LAND USE** – the Committee Chairperson reported, the current action which is the mosque is moving along. We also have a possible new action coming up on a development on 79 Street just south of Linden Blvd. We're going to have a pre-application meeting at the end of this month with their zoning attorney and the developers for each project. It looks like we're then going to be moving forward with our committee meeting on the mosque sometime in April and we'll get them before the full Board possibly in May. We'll keep everyone abreast.

The Board Chair referenced info from City Planning included in member folders regarding training workshops for community board members and commented, I would urge anybody who's not as well versed as they might be on land use items to attend those trainings.

At this time, the Chair reviewed the attendance once again to add any members missed in the earlier roll call.

**LIBRARIES** – the Board Chair commented our libraries are functioning except for Ozone Park which is still doing vaccinations.



At this point, the Board Chair acknowledged a board member, who had his hand raised. He noted that his hand was up since the Board Chair was talking about the betting. He said his question is about the mobile betting and asked if they are also doing it out of the building. The Board Chair apologized for not noticing his hand raised promptly and then referenced an excerpt which read: as part of the app's launch, Resorts World New York City has invested nearly \$1 million to install digital displays across its property to show the biggest sporting events throughout the year and indicated it did not really answer the question asked. She indicated she would get the answer and provide it to him.

The member thanked the Board Chair.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** – the Committee Chairperson indicated crime stats report was in board folders.

The Board Chair commented that the Public Safety Chair also did an excellent job last night focusing on the issues people have been bringing to the board's attention on a regular basis.

At this point the Board Chair indicated I believe we have been joined by Captain Bacchi and gave him the floor to speak.

Captain Bacchi greeted everyone and commented he can't believe it's already March and next week we set our clocks forward and springtime is upon us.

The Board Chair commented, springtime and noise season is upon us.

The Captain reported we're up in crime significantly, and what's been driving our crime in the last six months has to do with grand larcenies. Over 30% is fraud: compromised bank accounts, compromised credit cards, stolen checks or reproduced checks. As I reported in December, there were two skimming devices recovered at the Capital One Bank on Cross Bay Blvd. That's a citywide issue. It's teams of skimmers, who insert these devices into the bank ATMs and then retrieve the devices and download the card information. They have pinhole cameras that focus down on to the keypad, so that when you enter your pin, they'll match your card with the pin and then they have unlimited access to your funds. So, safety is paramount, and that means covering the keypad with your hand or some other object to obstruct the view of the camera. If they have your card number but they don't have the pin, they can't access your funds. Contact your financial institution and put fraud alerts on your account, to get real time indicators that somebody is doing an unauthorized access to your account.

With respect to grand larceny, we're seeing an increase in vehicle break-ins. We made three arrests in February alone on two separate dates of individuals "handle surfing" - they'll walk down the street and pull on handles and when they find a door that's open, they'll go in and rummage through the car. In many instances people are leaving valuable property. In one instance there was a lap top computer, and in another there were credit cards and a wallet. Your wallet, your phone, belong on your person, not left unattended in your vehicle. You may think it's safe inside your vehicle, but criminals are opportunistic – if they see a wallet sitting in the center console even if your door is locked, they'll break the window and access your vehicle and take your property. Take as many precautions as you can to safeguard your property.

Another crime that we're up significantly in is grand larceny auto. Vehicle thefts have been plaguing not just us but the entire city. A majority, over 62% of the vehicles stolen year to date in the precinct have been running and unattended. That's a huge increase and mostly it's along the corridors, the commercial strips: Rockaway Blvd., Cross Bay Blvd., and Liberty Avenue. Our most problematic area is Rockaway Blvd. between 114 Street & the Van Wyck Expwy. On Rockaway Blvd. alone there have been 13 vehicles stolen. Off the side streets just south of Rockaway Blvd. there have been another nine vehicles stolen (between 114 Street & 135 Street // 133 Avenue & 135 Avenue) all running unattended. We know who some of the players are, in fact we made an arrest and charged the individual with six incidences, and we also charged him with robbery and a purse snatching that he did on Liberty Avenue. This man has been pretty much a one-man wrecking crew responsible for a majority of the crime. He actually got bail that he couldn't post, and we've noticed a significant decrease now in the number of crimes that have been occurring, because you take one bad actor off the street, and you see the results.

Another thing we're seeing in regard to grand larceny is catalytic converter thefts. Different precincts are making arrests. It's multiple people and different crews working across the city. They're fast - in minutes they're under your



car, they have cordless reciprocating saws, they cut out the catalytic converter and they're gone. So, if you see a couple of people hanging out on the block and they double park, if they're jacking a car up, they're probably not there to perform repairs especially at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, call 911 right away, because the quicker we can get there the more chances we have of making an apprehension.

Another area of concern is felony assault. We're just slightly up in felony assault, but 57% of felony assaults for the year are domestic violence. We keep talking about domestic violence. Violence in the household or in a relationship is not acceptable. If you or anybody you know is experiencing difficulties or domestic violence in the household or in a relationship, please give our Domestic Violence Officers a call at: 718-845-2227. They have many referrals that they can give people that may eliminate some of the conflicts in relationships or the household that may lead to violence.

The Captain said if anybody has any questions, I'd be more than happy to answer them.

The Board Chair asked if there were any board members with questions.

A member asked the Captain about recent business burglaries, assaults, robberies that have been happening in broad daylight on Cross Bay Blvd. and also in the Lindenwood Shopping Center.

The Captain responded, on February 24<sup>th</sup> there were two commercial burglaries – the proceeds of that burglary were ATM machines. So that's a crew that's working, probably multiple crews, but one crew that they're zeroing in on. What they do is, they smash the front door they go in and they pry out the ATM machine from its foundation, load it into a vehicle and they take off. So, there was one at the nail salon and at Frutta.

The member added, Howard Beach Apothecary & La Villa Pizza got hit.

The Captain replied, at Apothecary what you had was shop lifting – two individuals went in grabbed \$300 worth of scratch off lottery tickets and ran out.

But as far as the commercial burglaries, in both those instances none of the businesses had alarm systems. If you own a business, or even for your residence, if you're looking for a security prevention survey, please contact P.O. Gary Maher. He'll come out and give you recommendations on how to secure your business or your residence. This way you can put safeguards in place like alarm systems, better lighting, camera security systems. NYC does offer grants to some businesses for security upgrades and that's something you may want to look into. We have some good prohibitive video from the burglary, so our detectives are working hard to identify those suspects and ultimately an apprehension and arrest.

If you see something suspicious, don't dismiss it by thinking maybe those people are delivering something or maybe those people are fixing a car. If you think it's suspicious enough, please give us a call and we'll investigate. And if it's nothing, then it's nothing; but if it's a crime in progress then maybe we can make an apprehension. But if nobody tells us what's going on, then we wouldn't know about it.

The member thanked the Captain.

Another board member commented about the NCO meeting which was held today just before the board meeting and asked the Captain if it's possible to not only have it on Zoom but also by phone dial in.

The Captain indicated he's going to talk with Sgt. Bhatt about the schedule for the NCO Build a Block meetings so that they don't conflict with other civic or community board meetings. We're going to look at any meetings coming up for the remainder of March into April and May and if any of the meetings – our meetings or NCO Build a Block meetings – conflict with those, I'm going to have the NCOs change it.

The member added, and also have them do a phone conversation too. The Captain noted there should be a phone option with the Zoom meetings that you'd be able to dial in with your phone.

The Board Chair asked if there was anyone else with questions.



A member referred to the bank skimming devices that can get your credit card number and also spy upon you with a camera and asked the Captain, how do we recognize that.

The Captain replied unfortunately the devices are a deep insert so unfortunately what they do is insert into the card reader. The banks all know about this, and they're supposed to be doing daily ATM inspections. They're supposed to inspect the internals of the ATM device to make sure that no foreign mechanical devices have been placed inside. That's how they would find it. As far as the camera, it's pin hole and you can barely see it with the naked eye. These guys are really crafty. But some of the things you can notice: compare the ATMs - normally if there are two or three ATMs, they won't put two or three devices - so look at one ATM and then look at the other. If you see some of the plastic looks different, especially above the ATM, that's where the camera is projecting downward to the keypad. If the plastic on one ATM is round and on the other ATM it's squared, maybe that could be an indication that a device is inserted. Talk to bank management and inform them that something at that ATM doesn't seem right, and use the other ATM.

The member thanked the Captain for the advice.

Another member asked about catalytic converters being stolen. Can you share with us what type of vehicles are most prone to these types of yanking? Are some vehicles more secure and others not? Can you share with us a little bit more about the catalytic converter larceny?

The Captain explained the catalytic converter is a device underneath the car in the exhaust system and what it does is it converts the exhaust, so it cuts down on the CO emissions. Inside the catalytic converter are precious metals such as platinum; and what they're going after is the platinum. We've seen them historically targeting Honda vehicles and some Toyotas like the Sienna minivan. But recently we've seen them targeting other vehicles, for instance in old Howard Beach they targeted two Hyundai Tucsons. But they've gone after the Ford Econoline vans, they cut them out in mass, they hit 12 vehicles in the 102 Precinct. So, they target any vehicle with a catalytic converter just for the precious metals.

The member asked is there any vehicle because it is so hidden or so secured that they won't be able to get at it and what might that vehicle be?

The Captain indicated no. The problem with the catalytic converter is it has to be accessible to air movement because it gets so hot because of the exhaust if it were in a confined space then potentially it could set your vehicle on fire. So that's why it's exposed. These individuals are basically like a NASCAR crew, they pull up, one person jacks up the car, another person slides underneath with a handheld battery-operated reciprocating saw, they cut out the catalytic converter, then they let the jack down, they throw everything inside the vehicle that they have and then they take off.

The Board Chair asked if there was anyone else who has a question hearing / seeing none.

The Board Chair thanked the Captain for the information and said we appreciate the work that you're doing.

The Captain said thank you for the invitation.

The Chair said you're welcome.

At this point, the meeting continued with Committee Reports.

**SANITATION** – the Board Chair noted DSNY, Joe Ottomanelli, was in attendance and invited him to speak. He announced the Safe Disposal Event in Queens is Saturday 06/11 in the Astoria Park Parking lot from 10am - 4pm. Anybody interested in attending that event needs to register online at: [on.nyc.gov/safe-qns](https://on.nyc.gov/safe-qns)

Mr. Ottomanelli thanked the Chair and the Chair thanked him.

**SUMMER YOUTH & OTHER EMPLOYMENT** – the Board Chair indicated the employment committee report was in board folders.



The Board Chair addressed members, stating you also have in your folders the transportation report which is the presentation that was made to the committee on the JFK Airport MTA Bus Relocation which has minimal impact on us. What they're relocating, as you can see in the paperwork, is the bus stop that is currently outside of the JetBlue station terminal (pretty much where the testing facility was that now has to be moved so the construction can proceed). The Q10 will now only go as far as the AirTrain at Lefferts, and anyone who is on there that is trying to get to that bus stop will be able to do that via AirTrain. The other bus line does not impact our community. Passengers getting off planes that want to use the buses will be able to access the buses via AirTrain to the Lefferts Blvd. AirTrain station where they'll be able to pick up a bus. The Q10 and the other bus line that goes out into more eastern Queens, which is not in our board area, they will also be able to access that through the AirTrain system before the Lefferts Station.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

The Board Chair then acknowledged representatives from elected officials and invited them to speak.

Nathaniel Hezekiah, from the Office of Congressman Gregory Meeks, greeted everyone, and said I am the Deputy Chief of Staff for Congressman Gregory Meeks, and I am here on behalf of Fatima who is out of the office for a few days. Households are now eligible for a second round of free Covid tests which the US Postal service will begin shipping next week. To obtain tests go to: [www.covidtest.gov](http://www.covidtest.gov). Congressman Meeks, Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, submitted H. Res 956, Supporting the People of Ukraine Bill, which 400 members of the House voted in favor of. Contact our office at: 718-725-6000 if we can be of assistance (phone number and direct email included in Chat).

The Chair thanked him and asked that he please extend to Congressman Meeks our thanks for his efforts on the Infrastructure Package and the work that is coming down, and for his work on the Foreign Relations Committee in this current crisis that the world is facing.

Mr. Hezekiah said he would share that, and he also said there are some other things potentially in the pipeline in regard to the other projects that are available to be applied for in the Infrastructure Legislation, so there's more to come.

Carl Moore, from Senator Addabbo's office, greeted everyone and said he had emailed a flyer earlier regarding the free events sponsored by Senator Addabbo. The Chair noted it was received, distributed, and posted on the CB10 Facebook page. Mr. Moore stated there's an e-waste recycling event March 26<sup>th</sup> and then there's one in May; but if anyone has any small electronics like computers, small TVs, etc. that can be carried into our office, we will take them anytime. The Senator is upstate working on the budget but asked me to mention he is working with NYS DOT regarding the pigeons by the 84 Street underpass between Howard Beach and Lindenwood. NYS DOT had put up boards but there were issues of boards falling down, and the Senator is working with DOT to get a better solution, so the boards stay up and the pigeons don't nest up there. The filing deadline for NYC Dept. of Finance property tax exemptions is March 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please call me at the office, I'd be happy to help you. Thank you very much.

The Chair thanked him.

AnnMarie Costella, from Senator Sanders' office, greeted everyone and announced Senator Sanders is commemorating Women's History Month by recognizing outstanding women in healthcare. You can nominate an outstanding woman in the healthcare field by going to the link in the Chat or the Senator's State Senate page. They can be a doctor, nurse, EMT, home health care aide, etc. as long as it's a field of healthcare they are working in, and they live in the Senator's district. In partnership with the American Red Cross, we are continuing to provide and install free smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, just fill out the application (link in the Chat). The Senator is seeking nominees for the Veterans Hall of Fame - a NYS Senate wide program. Every Senator nominates an outstanding veteran in his or her community annually. If you are a veteran, or know a veteran, that's done outstanding work in the military and in civilian life and would like to be commemorated in the NYS Veterans Hall of Fame, please contact our office (info in Chat). It's a simple process, we just need your name, biography, a head shot and rank & file at the time you left the service.

The Chair thanked her.



Jason Greenberg, from Assemblymember Pheffer-Amato's office, announced the AM has been busy up in Albany in budget season. We've been dealing with a lot of E-ZPass cases so check your account and make sure everything is up to date and that you don't have any fines. We've had a couple of cases where people have owed several thousand dollars, so always check up on that. Our office is hosting our annual Women of Distinction Awards. If you know any woman who works in the community that you think is noteworthy and deserves recognition, please reach out (email in Chat). Nomination forms are due back by 03/11/22.

The Chair thanked him.

William Bao, from Assemblymember Anderson's office, announced the AM is seeking nominations for the 2022 Women of Distinction Awards to recognize and honor local women in assembly district 31 who are making a difference in the community and the lives of others despite the unprecedented challenges facing the state and nation. Awards will be given for Leadership, Entrepreneurship, and Mentorship. Nominations are due 03/15/22 (link for online form in Chat). Winners will be honored at our virtual Cross Generational Conversation: Leadership, Service and Advocacy on the 26th of March 2022. In partnership with AARP the AM will be hosting a housing forum to address ongoing housing crisis, Friday 03/04/22. The state's COVID-related mortgage forbearance and eviction protections have expired, leaving many struggling to stay in their homes, and others are grappling with the lack of available affordable housing options (link to register in Chat).

The Chair thanked him.

Kevin Morris, from the Mayor's Office, greeted everyone. The state had its release on the mask mandate for students in schools and we are waiting on the final verdict for NYC. We should be hearing on that at some point tomorrow from the Mayor and we will hopefully know by Monday what the final decision is on masks in schools.

The Chair thanked him.

The Chair noted that AM Anderson's notice on the 2022 Women of Distinction Award has been sent out to all board members and posted on our Facebook page.

Linda Fogal, from Councilmember Ariola's office, announced we're going to be a drop off site and are accepting donations on behalf of the 106 Precinct for Ukraine. They're looking for aspirins, Tylenol, gauze, bandages, tourniquets, non-perishables - basically a lot of medical supplies. You can drop them off at our office and then we'll bring them to the 106 Precinct. Also, if anyone wants to be put on the email contact list to be updated on what the CM is doing within the district, please call the office at: 718-738-1083. For any questions, the office is open 9am-5pm Monday through Friday. Have a nice night and stay safe.

The Chair thanked her.

Ty Hankerson, from the office of City Council Speaker Adams, greeted everybody and wished a happy Women's History Month to every woman on the call. It's an historic and record-breaking year as City Council made history by electing 31 women to the City Council. Our beloved southeast Queens is now represented by four women: Joann Ariola, Nantasha Williams, Selvena Brooks-Powers and, of course, Speaker Adams. This past Saturday we hosted a productive conversation with faith leaders in regard to safety. We have a few events coming up. The Speaker is hosting a Fire Safety Facebook live virtual session on 03/18 at 7pm with FDNY (Facebook.com/NYCSpeakerAdams). On 03/25 we're hosting an OATH Help Day at our district office at: 165-90 Baisley Blvd. OATH will answer questions about summonses, the hearing process, and help navigate the process. On 03/28 the Speaker is partnering with the Women's Center at York College for a Master Class on Women's Advocacy, a talk on the importance of women in government. It's open to the public, flyer will be released in the coming week. On 04/09 at 10am we're having a recycle E-Waste event at Calvary Baptist Church, flyer to follow. We hosted a conversation on Monday in collaboration with CB10 and NYS DOT on the Van Wyck Expressway Project. The link for the video is in the Chat so you can go back and watch the replay.

The Chair thanked him.



Dan Brown, from the office of District Attorney Melinda Katz, asked the Chair if she had received his email today. The Chair replied she did, and it's posted on our Facebook page, and it went out to all the members. The DA is hosting a Consumer Protection & Scam Awareness webinar Tuesday 03/08 at 1pm. It's consumer protection awareness week and we wanted to have a webinar about protecting yourself from scams, how to be a more informed consumer and we're going to have some speakers, videos, and a question & answer session. If you want to be a part of this free event you can register online at: [www.queensda.org](http://www.queensda.org). I will be sending the Chairperson information on the Women's History Month event that the DA will be hosting; we're just tidying up the last details on that. Lastly, I know it's not in this community but sometimes people from this community come to it, the DA is going to be marching in the Queens County St. Patrick's Day Parade coming up this Saturday. The kickoff is at 1pm at 129 Street in Belle Harbor on Newport Avenue. If anyone is interested and would like to come and march with the DA, say hello, you're welcome to do so. I appreciate your time I've put contact information in the Chat, and I wish you all well.

The Chair thanked him.

The Chair acknowledged Det. Brenda Reddick and asked her if she had anything she wanted to update us on.

Det. Reddick greeted everyone and noted the Captain spoke about everything that needed to be covered. If you can't get in contact with P.O. Gary Maher in regard to having a survey done, you can always reach out to our office, and we'll help schedule something. I also want to mention, we've been getting some phone calls at our office in regard to packages being taken off of steps. We're constantly telling the community, if you're having packages delivered, try to have them delivered to one of the drop off locations, or have them delivered on a day that you know that you're going to be home, or have a neighbor pick them up. People feel that they don't want to call 911 because it's not an emergency, but that's the only way we're going to know what's going on within that area. Everything is prioritized through the 911 system, but it must be called in.

The Chair thanked her.

The Chair indicated it was said earlier that we will have to meet in-person in April if no extension to the Open Meetings law is made as the current extension expires on March 15<sup>th</sup>. She said, as of right now I'm assuming that we're probably going to have to have an in-person meeting in April. If that changes, we'll notify you as soon as we know, but the assumption is that we will have to be compliant again with the Open Meetings Law because the Executive Order may not get extended.

**PUBLIC FORUM** – the Chair acknowledged Callias Zeng from GrowNYC.

The Speaker greeted everybody and extended thanks for the opportunity to speak during this forum. My name is Callias Zeng and I'm a Stop'N' Swap Coordinator at GrowNYC. For those who are unfamiliar, GrowNYC is an established environmental non-profit with over 50 years of activity in NYC. We aim to empower and improve the lives of New Yorkers through local sustainable change. As an organization we have programs that work to increase conservation, education, food access and green space, which you can learn more about at: [www.grownyc.org](http://www.grownyc.org). Stop 'N' Swaps are free community reuse events run by GrowNYC Zero Waste Programs funded by NYC Dept. of Sanitation. My team is tasked with the ambitious goal of completing one event in each of the 59 NYC districts by June 30<sup>th</sup>. During the events the public is invited to bring clean, reusable, portable items, such as clothing, housewares, games, book, toys and take those items for free once we redistribute them. People do not have to bring items to take them. I will drop all information and links in the Chat. The Stop 'N' Swap Program has partnered with P.S. 63 to bring this free one day reuse event to Ozone Park. The event will take place on Saturday 04/09 from 12pm to 3pm. We will be in the outdoor courtyard located at 90-15 Sutter Avenue, 11417. The entrance will be on Sutter Avenue between 90 Street & 91 Street. Unfortunately, we could not generate a pdf flyer in time for this meeting, but I will share it through email with the board as soon as possible.

The Chair indicated we'll distribute any flyer that you get to us.

The speaker said it's appreciated.

At this point, it was noted that a member, Frank Dardani, had his hand raised.



The member said he wanted to mention that a private parking spot has been put by the handicap ramp at the 106 Precinct; so that parking spot is now available for anyone who is handicapped to come into the precinct and make a complaint or accident report, thanks to Captain Bacchi.

The Chair thanked him.

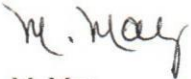
The Chair asked if there was anyone from the public on the telephone line that would like to speak, hearing none.

The Chair asked if there was any member of the public on the Zoom video who would like to speak, seeing / hearing none.

The Chair stated, as we've done throughout our Zoom meetings, we will continue to keep the record of this meeting open so that anyone who is watching the YouTube live stream of this meeting if you have any questions you'd like to ask or any comment you'd like to make, you can contact our office via e-mail at: [qn10@cb.nyc.gov](mailto:qn10@cb.nyc.gov) or by telephone: 718-843-4488 any time before the close of business tomorrow.

The Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,



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