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Denise Keehan-Smith Chairwoman Debra Markell Kleinert District Manager

December 5,2019

Community Board 2 Meeting Minutes

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Board Members Present

Thalia (Karesia) Batan Sandra Bigitschke Bessie Cassaro Osman Chowdhury Stephen Cooper Warren Davis Jake DeGroot Lisa Deller

Dr. Rosamond Gianutsos Kenneth Greenberg Benjamin Guttmann Christine Hunter Denise Keehan-Smith

Nancy Kleaver

Sheila Lewandowski Dominic Lippolis Dorothy Morehead Patrick Murray Dr. Tara Niraula Clara Oza Steven Raga

Steven Raga Regina Shanley Lauren Springer Carol Terrano Karolina Tosi Rebecca Trent Anthony Tudela

Maria Magdalena Vielma

Board Members Absent

Czarinna Andres
Anatole Ashraf
Diane Ballek
Sally Frank
William Garrett
Richard Gundlach
Mohammed Jewel
Ellen Kang
Badrun Khan

Jordan Levine Kristen McGowan Elizabeth McKenna Taina McShane Thomas Mituzas Patrick O'Brien Elliot Park

Norberto Saldana Michael Son Mary Torres Santiago Vargas Adrienne Verrilli

Community Board 2 Queens Staff

Debra Markell Kleinert MaryAnn Gurrado

Department of City Planning

Alexis Wheeler Scott Solomon

Elected Officials/Representatives

Honorable Brian Barnwell, New York State Assembly Member
Victor Montesinos, Representing Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney
Mabel Tso, Representing Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez
Honorable Robert Holden, NYC Council Member
Matthew Wallace, Representing NYC Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer
Jack Bernatovich, Representing NYC Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer
John Perricone, Representing Queens Borough President Melinda Katz

Guests

Jonathan Miller, Sunnyside Community Services

Denise Keehan-Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Honorable Brian Barnwell, New York State Assembly Member

Assembly Member Barnwell provided the following update:

- Announced that Mark Papish, CB 2 liaison from his office has moved on.
- Introduced Victoria, the liaison for CB 2 beginning in January 2020.
- Announced they are not in session until January 2020.
- Announced that his office is conducting a toy drive, and a coat drive.
- Announced free legal advice will be provided on December 9, 2019.
- Announced his office conducts graffiti clean-up.
- Assembly Member Barnwell asked if there are any artists who may be interested in painting a mural. His office would provide the paint and would put the artist in touch with Amtrak and the LIRR.

Ms. Keehan-Smith thanked Assembly Member Barnwell for his help with graffiti removal.

A board member discussed the decorative ceramic tiles that have been falling on the viaduct along the 7 line on Queens Boulevard from 48th Street to 33rd Street, which looks very bare.

A board member asked about the proposed East Side Access stop in Sunnyside on 39th Street and Skillman Avenue to relieve overcrowding on the 7 line and get people to Grand Central in 7 minutes. She requested to have this issue put back on the table. She also requested improvements around the sites, such as tree plantings. She also discussed the noise and exhaust from the diesel trains that go by.

Assembly Member Barnwell stated he will be meeting with the LIRR and will be conducting a walk through.

Assembly Member Barnwell entertained questions.

Honorable Robert Holden, NYC Council Member

Council Member Holden provided the following update:

- Announced that Little Bush Park will be reconstructed while keeping the existing fence.
- Discussed 69-02 Queens Boulevard Project and that he is opposed to the additional 74 units.
- Council Member Holden fought for more 2-bedroom apartments. He negotiated for this and was able to get it down from 561 units to 431 units and increased the 2-bedroom apartments from 13.2 % to 20%. He was able to negotiate a K to 5 public school for 476 seats and more parking.
- The applicant has come back to request more units.
- Council Member Holden submitted a letter to the Department of City Planning and urged the Board to hold them to their original proposal.
- Council Member Holden wished all happy holidays.

Victor Montesinos, Representing Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney

Mr. Montesinos provided the following information:

Congresswoman Maloney joined local elected officials and community groups to announce the introduction of the Improving Helicopter Safety Act of 2019.

"This past June, we were all reminded of the safety threat posed by non-essential helicopters when a pilot attempted to make an emergency landing and crashed into the AXA Equitable Center in my district in Midtown Manhattan. My colleagues and I have called on the FAA numerous times to impose additional regulations that would make New York City airspace safer, but we have yet to see sufficient measures taken. That is why we have introduced the Improving Helicopter Safety Act of 2019 to finally protect the safety and wellbeing of New Yorkers. The bottom line is, the risks that commuter, charter, and tourism helicopter flights pose to New Yorkers far outweigh the benefit to the very small number of people who use them. There is absolutely no margin for error when you fly over somewhere as densely populated as New York," said Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12).

Mr. Montesinos wished everyone a safe and festive holiday season on behalf on Congresswoman Maloney.

Mabel Tso, Representing Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

Ms. Tso announced the following information:

- Announced that last month the Congresswoman introduced the Green New Deal for the Public Housing Act in codifying the Green New Deal into law.
- Congresswoman Ocasio-Cortez will be hosting the Green New Deal for Public Housing Town Hall on December 14, 2019, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at IS 125Q at 46-02 47th Avenue, Woodside, NY. Anyone interested in attending needs to RSVP at ocasiocortez.house.gov/december2019townhall or call their office at (718)662-5970).
- The Congresswoman signed onto a letter with Council Member Van Bramer concerning Sunnyside Yards. They expressed their concerns to the EDC regarding the planning process for the proposed development. Will update the community when they receive a response.
- Announced that anyone can sign up for the upcoming quarterly newsletter through social media at: Twitter@repAOC, Facebook.
- The Congresswoman's Office is available to help resolved constituent concerns.

Ms. Tso entertained questions.

Jonathan Miller, Sunnyside Community Services

Mr. Miller announced that SCS will be signing up for UPK Programs beginning in September 2020. They will be having a series of four open houses beginning on December 11, 2019, one in January and two in February. For more information, contact Sunnyside Community Services.

Matthew Wallace, Representing NYC Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer

Mr. Wallace provided the following update:

- Announced the 10th Annual Holiday Food Drive. There are collection boxes in libraries and in their office.
- Discussed a recent piece of legislation that was introduced regarding restricting the use of nonreusable plastic utensils. They are trying to do an opt-in option.

A board member announced there will be an EPA Public Hearing for the Proposed Plan regarding combined sewer overflow on December 9, 2019 at Sunnyside Community Services from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Mr. Wallace stated they will be in attendance at this meeting.

Mr. Wallace entertained questions.

Jack Bernatovich, Representing NYC Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer

Mr. Bernatovich wished all happy holidays.

John Perricone, Representing Queens Borough President Melinda Katz

Mr. Perricone provided the following information:

- Announced the Borough President's Annual Toy Drive is going on now through December 18, 2019.
- Wished everyone a happy holiday season on behalf of Queens Borough President Melinda Katz.
- Announced that Queens Borough President Melinda Katz will assume her new responsibilities as the Queens DA on January 1, 2020.

Mr. Perricone entertained questions.

Ms. Keehan-Smith welcomed the WNET crew back and announced that we are live streamed for this meeting.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS APPLICATIONS

An application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 4 tables and 12 seats at the Alcove Restaurant located at 41-11 49th Street, Sunnyside, NY

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An application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 18 seats at Piatto LLC, located at 1-50 50th Avenue, LIC

Ellen Lee, ABC License, representative for Piatto discussed the following:

- The sidewalk café is located at 1-50 50th Avenue, LIC, NY.
- The tables and chairs will be lined up on Center Boulevard. There will be none on the 50th Avenue side.
- There are 9 tables and 18 chairs, sets of 2.
- They removed the raised bricks around the tree to make everything level.
- The hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm. The hours of operation for Friday and Saturday, they will close at 11:00 pm.
- The outdoor café will be open from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm.
- The applicant stated the hours for closing the outdoor café were not discussed during the Land Use Committee Meeting
- However, she reported that they will close the outdoor seating one hour before closing.

Ms. Deller requested that they take in the furniture so that people are not sitting outside until midnight.

Street Renaming Request

Request from the United Forties Civic Association in honor of Donald McCallian to Co-Name 40th Street and Greenpoint Avenue.

Ms. Keehan-Smith spoke about the number of years she knew Don McCallian and that she served with him on CB 2.

Bob Burch, United Forties provided the following information:

- Don was a former CB 2 Board Member and former President of the United Forties Civic Association and engaged with the community.
- He was a member of the 108th Police Precinct Community Council. He was involved with the Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce.
- Mr. Burch stated that he and his wife, Carol Burch, knew Don McCallian for over 45 years.
- Don McCallian helped many people in the community.
- He started a Tenant Association in a Lefrak building that met monthly.
- He became involved in many organizations throughout Sunnyside and Woodside.

• He was the Vice President of the 108th Police Precinct Community Council and helped at the local food pantries at St. Teresa's and St. Raphael's.

Minor Modification Application

69-02 Queens Boulevard ULURP No: C180265ZMQ, C180267ZSQ and N180266ZRQ

The representative stated they are seeking a minor modification and provided an update on the 69-02 Queens Boulevard project.

- Announced the addition of a public school.
- Added 15 parking spaces, more than required.
- Reduced the height of both buildings by 2 stories.
- Increased 2-bedroom apartments from 13% to 20%.
- Responded to all the Council Member's concerns.
- They were forced to reduce the height of the buildings. They did not reduce the floor area.
- Had to go back to City Planning to include the school and redesign the building.
- Had to find a way to use floor area in these buildings with lower heights.
- Increased lot coverage by 3%
- Added dwelling units from 431 to 505.
- They will be providing 152 affordable units.
- Came to Land Use in September.
- They were certified on Monday.
- All changes are in accordance with zoning.
- Added 10 feet into the central courtyard.
- 70,000 square foot school.
- Added Lot 8, 288 square foot triangle on the central west corner of the site.
- Explained how the minor modification affects the unit count.
- 505 213 studios, 191- 1 bedroom 101- 2 bedroom
- They will be going with Option 2, 30% of dwelling units at 80% of AMI. They are still trying to determine how to get to the 80% of AMI.
- Added two floors of 10 feet on 69th Street.
- 354,803 usable square feet residential.
- There will be a 70,000-community facility.
- There will be 8.600 of commercial space.
- There will be 237 parking spaces and only 222 are required.
- There will be 476 seats for the school.
- As of right, with none of the actions that were approved, it would have been 42,800-total floor area 214,335 and looking at 315 units at 20% affordable.
- If there is no decision, there is a good chance that we will miss a whole year of a funding cycle.
- The SCA is buying a condominium unit.

Questions were entertained.

Queens Blvd MIH Text Amendment 64-11 Queens Blvd. - N190352ZRQ

The Proposed Text Amendment is requested to facilitate the development of the two new mixed-use buildings located at two non-contiguous development sites (Block 1341, Lot 77 and Block 2446, Lots 1, 4, 30, 31, 36 and 41)

Jacklyn Scarinci, Akerman, LLP introduced her partner Steve Sinacori, and her other colleagues and the owner, the representative from Hanac and Bishop Taylor, the project's local hiring partner.

The applicant presented slides and discussed the following:

- Project Area 1 encompasses the blockfronts on the northern side of Queens Boulevard between 64th Street and 65th Place. Project Area 1 contains Development Site 1 known by the street address 64-11 Queens Boulevard (Block 1341, Lot 77).
- Project Area 2 encompasses the blockfronts between 70th Street and 73rd Street on the southern side of Queens Boulevard. Project Area 2 contains Development Site 2 known by the street address 72-12 Queens Boulevard (Block 2446).
- The applicant requests the proposed action to facilitate the development of two new mixed-use buildings that total approximately 201,180 square feet of floor area.
- The two developments will consist of 218 dwelling units of which approximately 56 units would be permanently affordable pursuant to MIH Option 1 and 65 units would be permanently affordable pursuant to MIH Option 2, 7,135 square feet of retail floor area, and 107 indoor and outdoor parking spaces accessory parking spaces.
- They are not proposing a rezoning.
- The 69-02 Queens Boulevard Rezoning was recently adopted in October 2018. The 69-02 Queens Boulevard Rezoning rezoned the site south of Queens Boulevard that fronts on 69th Street, 70th Street and 47th Avenue from an M1-1 zoning district to an R7X/C2-3 zoning district in a Mandatory Inclusionary Housing designated area.
- The height of the project was discussed.
- The applicant is proposing the 30% at an average of 80% of AMI. A discussion of the income bands took place.
- At the recommendation of CB 2, the unit distribution for 64-11 Queens Boulevard, they are
 proposing 140 residential units with 42 permanently affordable units, 2,000 square feet of
 ground floor retail and approximately 75 parking spaces.
- At the recommendation of the Land Use Committee, 72-12 Queens Boulevard will have 78
 residential units with 23 permanently affordable units, approximately 5,500 square feet of
 ground floor retail and 32 parking spaces. 62% of the units will be 2 and 3 bedrooms with 13 %
 studios and 25% 1-bedroom units.
- The Land Use Committee recommended that they include a landscaped area and put the parking in the building and that they provide public open space on the site.
- Ms. Scarinci discussed the local hiring strategy and introduced the representative from Hanac and announced that they have an agreement with 32BJ. They are working with a local hiring partner Urban Upbound that local jobs will be within the community.

The representative for Hanac provided the history of Hanac and discussed the MIH units for low income community members. They want to ensure that they do the proper outreach and work with community members. They have a full computer lab to help individuals to apply. They will manage the process to ensure that all the requirements are met. The main process is to conduct interviews and manage the

affordable housing component to make sure that if a unit becomes available that it remains affordable. Once the building is operating, the affordable component rentals will be managed by Hanac.

Questions were entertained.

Ms. Deller discussed the parking issue and asked if they can do underground parking at the site.

Mr. Sinacori stated they will be happy to review the matter.

Public Comment

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Attendance Report

Board Members Present 28 Board Members Absent 21 Quorum Yes

Approval of the November 7, 2019 Community Board 2 Meeting Minutes

Sheila Lewandowski made a motion and it was seconded by Lisa Deller to approve the minutes provided a correction be made to the CB2 Meeting minutes under the Transportation Committee Report. Ms. Lewandowski requested a correction to the Transportation Committee Report to reflect that she did not have a walk through with Assembly Member Barnwell but with representatives from Assembly Member Barnwell's office.

The vote was all in favor to accept the November 7, 2019 CB 2 Minutes with the revision by a show of hands with none opposed and no abstentions.

Chairwoman's Report

Ms. Keehan-Smith provided the following update:

CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT

Ms. Keehan-Smith provided the following update:

- Ms. Keehan-Smith requested a moment of silence concerning sad news that occurred last Friday morning. A 49-year-old woman, by the name of Choekyi Norzon of 68th Street was crossing inside the crosswalk at the intersection of 65th Street and Roosevelt Avenue and was hit by a car and taken to Elmhurst Hospital and pronounced dead. The investigation is ongoing.
- Reminded everyone the January meeting will stay as our regularly scheduled meeting January 2, 2020 as we were unable to get the meeting space.
- Congratulated Captain Gibbs on his promotion to Deputy Inspector Gibbs.
- CB 2 attended holiday lighting events within the CB 2 district.

- The Community Education Council District 24 monthly meeting save the date: December 17, 2019 at 6:30pm a town hall with Chancellor Carranza at 6:30pm in PSIS 58Q 72-24 Grand Avenue, Maspeth.
- The Winter Lights Festival Lighting Ceremonies will be on Saturday, December 7, 2019.
 - o 43rd Avenue and 44th Street and begins at 5:00pm and lighting is at 5:30pm.
 - o Skillman Avenue and 48th Street will begin at 6:00pm and lighting at 6:30pm.
- A Public Scoping Meeting was held for Court Square on November 14, 2019 at 25-01 Jackson Avenue.
- A Public Scoping Meeting was held by Parks on Sohncke Square at 58th Street and Roosevelt Avenue. Council Member Van Bramer and Queens Borough President Melinda Katz allocated funds for this project. Ms. Keehan-Smith stated she attended this meeting. There was a call for additional greenery. Once Parks has an official design, they will present all the final designs to the community board for our feedback.
- There is a Joint Public Hearing of the Franchise and Concession Review Committee and the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DOITT) to be held on December 16, 2019 at 4:30pm at 2 Lafayette Street 14th floor in Manhattan. A proposed mobile Telecommunications Services Franchise Agreement between the City of NY and Crown Castle Fiber LLC.
 - The proposed franchise agreements would authorize the franchisees to install operate and maintain equipment and facilities including base stations and access point facilities on:
 - 1) city owned street light and traffic light poles and certain privately-owned utility poles located on the city streets.
 - 2) subject to necessary further approvals LINKNYC kiosks, bus stop shelters and automatic public toilets all in connection with the provision of mobile telecommunications services.
 - The proposed franchise agreements have a term of ten years.
- DOT announced that an all way stop sign was approved at the location of 50th Avenue and 66th Street in the Woodside/Wynwood Gardens.
- Ms. Keehan-Smith announced that the Capital and Expense Budget was successfully submitted
 on time and correctly. Ms. Keehan-Smith thanked Kenny Greenberg and Dorothy Morehead for
 the narratives they wrote so that we could get it in on time. Ms. Keehan-Smith reported that
 she has put it in a template so that it can be easy to follow in the future. We covered our top 3
 Community District Needs, the Top 5 Capital and Expense Priorities added 7 Policy Areas as
 required by DCP in the new format. The Policy areas coincide with our committees.
- Ms. Keehan-Smith announced that a Budget Committee has been scheduled for next week.
- DDC has begun the Rain Gardens Project. This is a green street storm water project at various locations to facilitate this activity. This project will entail saw cutting, excavation, backfilling,

engineered soil sidewalk restoration, tree guards, tree planting and permeable asphalt. Please visit our website for updates on future locations. This project starts tomorrow on or about December 6, 2019. This is an ongoing project with different locations each week which will be posted on our website as we receive the flyers

- They began working at the location of 48th street between 56th road and 56th avenue
- o 53rd avenue between 46th street and 48th street
- o 54th avenue between 67th street and 68th street and 68th street
- o 63rd place between 55th avenue and 53rd drive
- Ms. Keehan-Smith wished everyone a very Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanza and A Very Healthy Happy New Year.

District Managers Report

Ms. Markell Kleinert provided the following update:

- The 108th Children's Christmas Party will be held on December 14, 2019 from 2-5pm at Sunnyside Community Services with PBQN Community Affairs.
- The Social Security Administration and Inspector General announce new online report form for imposter scam calls. The website is: https://olg.ssa.gov for Social Security related scams.
- The 108th Precinct is continuing to work with Street to Home to help the homeless get shelter.
 They can only move them in a code blue situation. If they do not want to go to shelter, they cannot force them.
- The CB2 Toy Drive is under way. Donations can be dropped off until December 20, 2019.
- Remember if you have complaints, please submit to the Board office for follow up.
- Please check the website for updated information at www.nyc.gov/queenscb2.
- Ms. Markell Kleinert wished everyone a very Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa and a very Healthy Happy New Year.

Alexis Wheeler, Department of City Planning

Ms. Wheeler provided the following update:

- In November, there was a presentation on the Zoning for Coastal Resiliency presented by Rafael, and this is still on target for a January 21, 2019 certification date.
- There is still no hearing scheduled for the 5 Pointz site and as soon as it gets calendared, Ms.
 Wheeler will advise.
- Ms. Wheeler discussed Your LIC, which is a group of developers who are doing a series of public meetings. The second one is focused on open space and resiliency and will be held on December 16, 2019, at 6:00 pm at the Hunters Point Community Middle School on 51st Avenue.

Ms. Wheeler encouraged everyone to attend. It is being led by five private developers who have taken an initiative to create Your LIC and they are leading this project as it is a private application and the City Council is involved in this as well.

Ms. Wheeler discussed the boundaries of the area and entertained questions.

Arts & Cultural Committee Report

Mr. Greenberg provided the following update:

- The Committee met with a few groups that are not yet non-profits and that are hoping to have a 501c3.
- Announced that Jack Howard Potter, a long-time sculpture in the community attended the
 meeting. He discussed his large-scale figurative pieces that are made of steel. He has
 experience installing work in public places. Mr. Potter is working with Arts in the Parks to put 4
 temporary sculptures in the park in front of Court House at Court Square. It is Arts in the Parks
 that makes the decision and he will self-fund it. It will be presented at Land use.
- The next meeting of the Arts & Cultural Committee will take place on January 14, 2019 and encouraged all the members of the committee to attend.

Land Use Committee Report

Ms. Deller provided the following update:

<u>An application for an Unenclosed sidewalk café with 4 tables and 12 seats at the Alcove Restaurant located at 41-11 49th Street, Sunnyside, NY</u>

Ms. Deller reported on the following:

- It is a renewal for unenclosed café with 4 tables and 12 seats.
- They have been operating since June 2017.
- There are no changes to the café.
- There was a planter that belongs to the landlord that has been removed. There have been no complaints concerning the establishment.
- Ms. Deller stated that she has observed that sometimes the café is enclosed without a permit.
- Ms. Deller stated the Land Use committee made a recommendation to support the application with the stipulation that the applicant does not use the enclosure.

Rebecca Trent made a motion and it was seconded to approve the application with the stipulation that the applicant remove the tarp. All were in favor by a show of hands with 28 in favor of the motion, none opposed and no abstentions.

An application for an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 18 seats at Piatto LLC, located at 1-50 50th Avenue, LIC

Ms. Deller reported the that Piatto was here a couple of months ago and there was a lot of testimony from the neighbors. During this time, they changed the design. There are no tables and chairs on 50th Avenue any more, they are all on Center Boulevard. There are no tables of 4, only tables of 2. We shared the maps with members of the community. There was no more opposition. The hours of

operation we require that on weekends all tables and chairs are removed by 11 pm and they stop serving by 10:00 pm. The hours of operation will be incorporated into the response.

Sheila Lewandowski made a motion and Stephen Cooper seconded the motion to support the application with the stipulation they would stop serving one hour before closing.

During the week, they will stop serving at 9:00 pm. On weekends, if the closing hour is at 11:00 pm they would stop serving at 10:00pm.

The vote was 27 in favor, 1 opposed and no abstentions.

Street Renaming Request

Request from Applicant United Forties in honor of Donald McCallian to Co-Name 40th Street and Greenpoint Avenue.

Ms. Deller stated that Don made many positive contributions to the community.

Stephen Cooper made a motion and it was seconded by Rebecca Trent to approve the street renaming for Don McCallian Way at 40th Street and Greenpoint Avenue.

All were in favor of the motion with none opposed and no abstentions.

Minor Modification Application

69-02 Queens Boulevard ULURP No: C180265ZMQ, C180267ZSQ and N180266ZRQ

Ms. Deller stated the developer wants to increase the lot coverage due to the horizontal enlargement of the east and west buildings. It is a 3% lot coverage increase. No additional height and there is an additional increase in the width of the building. They acquired an additional lot. In the negotiation with the Council Member in the original rezoning of the site, they agreed to provide the school and there is a green park along the railroad crossing near the LIRR. They have an agreement with 32BJ. They will have union labor and affordable housing and the increase in the number of units increases the number of affordable units. The increase is the number of units. It has increased from 431 to 505 units. It is not an increase in additional FAR.

Ms. Deller stated that she did not see Council Member Holden's letter until after the meeting. This has 45 days for review from Monday. City Planning has communicated that the acquisition of the school site has a timing issue associated with it.

Stephen Cooper made a motion and it was seconded by Benjamin Guttmann to approve the minor modification. There were 25 in favor of the motion, 3 opposed and 0 abstentions.

A board member discussed congestion on 69th Street. The developer has required changes in part of the project is to work with DOT to modify signals in the area.

Queens Blvd MIH Text Amendment 64-11 Queens Blvd. – N190352ZRQ

This is a text amendment and is a change in the mapping of the site R7X zone. As of right currently, its voluntary inclusionary housing. With no affordable housing they can build up to 3.75 FAR. With affordable housing they can build up to 5 FAR with a 20% allocation of affordable housing. They are proposing to map the Mandatory Inclusionary Housing, which then requires 30% affordable housing and gives them an additional FAR of 6.0. It is two buildings with the following breakdown:

218 total units and 65 affordable apartments.

The breakdown is listed as follows:

72-12 Queens Boulevard

10 studios

- 19 1 bedrooms
- 38 2 bedrooms
- 11 3 bedrooms
- 32 parking spaces

64-11 Queens Boulevard

60 studios

- 3 1 bedrooms
- 64 2 bedrooms
- 13 3 bedrooms
- 4 commercial spaces
- 71 parking spaces

Total of 140 units.

Benjamin Guttman made a motion and it was seconded by Dr. Tara Niraula to approve.

Ms. Hunter offered a stipulation that the parking be moved below grade for both buildings.

A board member asked about the number of people who testified and read from what was essentially a script and that this may have been a form letter which seemed to go out to many groups.

Ms. Deller stated the developer is working with Reverend Taylor to have workforce development outreach development occur.

Stephen Sinacori spoke about a round table meeting and invited them to attend the meeting. He agreed to have a job fair for construction jobs and 32BJ

The vote was 26 in favor, 2 opposed and 0 abstentions.

Transportation Committee Report

Ms. Lewandowski provided the following update:

• The Transportation Meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. The next meeting will be January 6, 2020.

- DOT has found feasible an all way stop sign at the location of 22nd Street and Queens Plaza North.
- DOT has approved an all way stop sign at the corner of 50th Avenue and 66th Street.
- Woodside
 - o 33-49 60th Street sinkhole at location. Con Edison is working on this issue.
- Attended the November 12, 2019 Court Square Civic Association Meeting on Transportation with John O'Neill, Matt Wallace, a rep from Transportation Alternatives. Ms. Lewandowski provided an update on some of the issues that were discussed at this meeting, such as the pedestrian crossing on Jackson Avenue, residential parking, alternative side, parks and green space, etc.
- The next Transportation Meeting will be held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6pm.

Environmental Committee

Dorothy Morehead provided the following update:

- Provided an update on the December 2, 2019 Newtown Creek Community Advisory Meeting held at Sunnyside Community Services. There was a presentation by the EPA on some of their findings.
- Provided an update on the Long-Term Control Plan.
- Provided an update on the DDC Project on Rain Gardens installation which will take place on 39th
 Street to 39th Place to Skillman Avenue and 43rd Avenue to 40th Street.

City Services & Public Safety Committee

Ms. Keehan-Smith announced the next meeting will take place on December 11, 2019.

Health & Human Services Committee

No report.

Public Comment

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

MA Gurrado

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