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APRIL 13, 2021 MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR TELECONFERENCE VIRTUAL MEETING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

ABSENCES AS OF APRIL 2021-MARCH 2022

2nd # Represents Absences as of January-December 2021(Borough President's Attendance)

| Marla Abarca | (0)(0) | Stephen Esposito | (0)(1) | Cristal Rivera | (0)(2) |
|---------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| Sherry Algredo | (0)(0) | Jan Fenster | (0)(0) | Anjali Seegobin | (0)(0) |
| Faiuze Ali | (0)(1) | Laraine Fletcher | (0)(0) | Jarnail Singh | (0)(1) |
| Dilraj Batchu | (0)(0) | Linda Fogal | (0)(1) | Maharani Singh | (0)(0) |
| Julio Batista | (0)(1) | Daniel Grieve | (0)(0) | Raghbir Singh | (0)(0) |
| Dulal Bhattacharjee | (0)(0) | Sylvia Hack | (0)(0) | Sursattie Singh | (0)(1) |
| Kirpal Billing | (0)(0) | Joseph laboni | (0)(2) | J. Richard Smith | (0)(0) |
| Zoila Bofill | (0)(0) | Kemanad Kishore | (0)(2) | Alexandria Sumpter-Delves | (0)(0) |
| Latchman Budhai | (0)(0) | Katharine Maradiaga | (0)(0) | Esta-Joy Sydell | (0)(0) |
| John Carter | (0)(0) | Kevin O'Leary | (0)(0) | Marie Turley | (0)(0) |
| Daniel Chu | (0)(0) | Raquel Olivares | (0)(1) | Seth Welins | (0)(0) |
| Marilyn Custodio | (0)(1) | Michael Pereira | (0)(0) | Kenichi Wilson | (0)(0) |
| Sandra Datnarain | (0)(0) | Rabbi Daniel Pollack | (0)(0) | Lilian Yagual | (0)(0) |
| Joan DeCamp | (0)(0) | Sassy Ramatour | (0)(0) | | |

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

| Inderpaul Ahluwalia | (1)(1) | Sherman Kane | (1)(1) | Matthew Singh | (1)(2) |
|---------------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| Kamal Bhuiyan | (1)(1) | Raez Khan | (1)(1) | Mohinder Singh | (1)(1) |
| Nick Comaianni | (1)(4) | Mohamed Safie | (2)(2) | | |
| Andrea Crawford | (1)(1) | Regina Santoro | (1)(1) | | |

ALSO PRESENT

James S. McClelland, District Manager Irina Barayeva, Community Associate

LEGISLATORS/REPRESENTATIVES, CITY AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

Jenifer Rajkumar, Assembly Member

Amparito Rosero, Rep. Queens Borough President Donovan Richards

Anthony Giudice, Rep. Senator Joe Addabbo

Michael Cohen, Rep. Council Member Karen Koslowitz Ty Hankerson, Rep. Council Member Adrienne Adams Ben Geremia, Rep. Council Member Bob Holden

Muhammad Rahman, DA Melinda Katz

James Mongeluzo, Rep. Comptroller Scott Stringer

1. PUBLIC HEARING

Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider Licenses, Letters of Intent Received

a. On Premises Liquor License Application - New

Peruvian Kitchen Incorporated D/b/a Don Pollo 83-02 95th Ave

Ozone Park, NY 11416 No speakers

b. On Premises Beer & Cider License Application - New

2020 Sabores Latinos Rest & Bakery Corp.

124-04 Jamaica Ave

Richmond Hill, NY 11418 No speakers

c. On Premises Liquor License Application - Renewal

Maracas Club and Restaurant LLC 121-08 Jamaica Ave

Richmond Hill, NY 11418 No speakers

Karp Hill Inc. D/b/a Last Call 81-72 Lefferts Blvd.

Kew Gardens, NY 11415 No speakers

2. REPORTS FROM LEGISLATIVE OFFICIALS

Assembly Member Jenifer Rajkumar

- Whished happy religious holidays to those who celebrate.
- Food Distribution Events take place every Thursday at the office at 5 PM.
- The office remains a COVID testing and vaccination site.
- As a member of the Veteran's Committee, created a Veteran's Advisory Committee.
- With passing of \$212B State budget, more money was allocated to public schools than ever before.
- The office extended weekend hours. Contact number for the office is 718-805-0950.
- Queens COVID Remembrance Day, co-hosted by Senator Addabbo, will take place May 1st.

Amparito Rosero, Rep. Queens Borough President Donovan Richards

- Welcomed new board members and congratulated members who were re-appointed.
- Borough President's Virtual Job Fair will take place on Thursday, April 15th, 2-3:30 PM. Registration is at queensbp.org/rsvp.

Anthony Giudice, Rep. Senator Joe Addabbo

- Mobil Sports Betting Bill made it to the state budget this year which is expected to bring a significant amount in revenue to State's budget. 80% of the taxes on sport's betting goes directly to educational fund.
- Recycling Even, co-hosted by Assembly Member Rajkumar, will take place on Sunday, April 25th, 10 AM-2 PM. at Forest Park Bandshell Parking Lot.
- Partnering with NYLAG to do a remote intake session on Tuesday, May 4th 10 AM to 3 PM. Call the office at 718-738-1111.

Michael Cohen, Rep. Council Member Koslowitz, stated that the City Council votes on Street Co-Naming in June and December. The deadline for June co-naming requests is May 1st.

Ty Hankerson, Rep. Council Member Adrienne Adams, stated the following:

- The new COVID-19 Vaccination Site has opened at the Ozone Park Branch Library. To schedule an appointment call 877-vax-4nyc or at www.nyc.gov/vaccinefinder.
- Council Member is hosting a virtual Homeowner's Benefit Community Event with the Department of Finance on Monday, May 3rd at 6 PM. To register, email or call Mr. Hankerson at 646-596-0518, thankerson@council.nyc.gov.
- The Council Member is sponsoring Suicide Prevention Master Class series with the Samaritan's Suicide Prevention Center. To register, call 646-796-5638.

Ben Geremia, Rep. Council Member Bob Holden, stated that the office continues to work with the 102nd Pct. on resolving numerous quality of life complaints. All events, sponsored by the Council Member, can be found on his social media sites.

<u>Muhammad Rahman, Rep. DA Melinda Katz</u>, stated that the multitude of resources that are available to the community can be found on their website. Asian Hate Crime Seminar took place past Thursday.

James Mongeluzo, Rep. Comptroller Scott Stringer

- New York by the Numbers Weekly Economic and Fiscal Outlook Newsletter is available on the Comptroller's website.
- Fiscal Year 2022 Agency Watch List highlights the agencies that do not spent money very efficiently or wisely.
- FY 2020 Claims and Lawsuits against NYC Report can also be found on the Comptroller's website.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

<u>Brenda Horton, Member of PS 254 Parents Association</u>, spoke about a monetary issue that they are experiencing with one of the catering halls located in Woodhaven.

4. OPENING OF MEETING & READING OF MINUTES

Chair Wilson asked if there were any corrections/additions to March 9th, 2021 meeting minutes and motions. There were none. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion # 1: To accept March 9th, 2021 meeting minutes and motions as presented

Vote # 1: 32 in favor and 9 abstentions

- 5. MONTHLY UPDATE NYPD 102nd PCT REPORT no one was present to give a report
- 6. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS & EXEC. REPORT Kenichi Wilson
 - Introduced CB9 Officers to the newly appointed board members. The new board members introduced themselves.
 - Participated in citywide Graffiti Clean-Up Event last Sunday.

7. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – James S. McClelland

DM McClelland wished happy birthday to Andrea Crawford, Happy Ramadan, and Happy Baisakhi to those who celebrate. District Manager welcomed all new board members.

8. EDUCATION & YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT – Sherry Algredo, Chair

"Roughly 51,000 NYC students to return to classrooms starting April 26. With this new influx of students

- opting back into campuses, 365,000 students will be eligible for in-person learning, representing about 38% of the city's traditional public-school students.
- Pre-K Application Deadline Extended to Monday, April 19.
- The ELA exams and dates explained.
- · Presented new guidelines for school closure.
- Discussed D27 candidate forum.
- We have been receiving continual updates regarding the Richmond Hill Library Renovation. They are
 discussing structural, air conditioning and date requirements, bid process and documents needed
- Education meeting will be held on Monday, April 26th at 6:30 PM.
- April is an Autism Awareness Month. Spoke about importance of elected officials requesting more services
 and funding for these children and the greater need for awareness, as the pandemic has caused more
 hardships for them. Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) provides services for families
 with autistic kids, but it is very lengthy and complex, and many families still do not know this exists for their
 children. Even disability benefits are very hard to attain for them and some of these need a broader
 discussion and tremendous improvement.
- Recognized autistic and special needs children and their families who have had to endure and have their struggles increased by this pandemic and the lack of socialization and services because of it.
- Acquired about the status of the CB 9's Diwali Resolution."

9. HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT - Andrea Crawford, Chair

Not present to give a report.

10. LAND USE & HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT – Sylvia Hack, Co-Chair

"The Board Members will be receiving committee's final response to the DDC about the work that they've already started: building garages for the jail. The response will be submitted to the City Council by May 3rd."

11. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – Cristal Rivera, Chair

"At the committee meeting yesterday, the Woodhaven BID gave an update on the Avenue NYC Commercial Revitalization Grant. The first year's grant was about fact finding, surveys, and seeing the findings from the businesses in the community and the consumers and getting feedback on what the priorities should be."

12. PUBLIC SAFETY & CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT – Rabbi Daniel Pollack & Joe laboni, Co-Chairs

a. On Premises Liquor License Application - New

Peruvian Kitchen Incorporated D/b/a Don Pollo 83-02 95th Ave Ozone Park, NY 11416

Motion # 2: Not to oppose new on premises Liquor License Application for Peruvian Kitchen Incorporated,

d/b/a Don Pollo, 83-02 95th Ave with the 1 AM Stipulation

Vote # 2: 38 in favor and 3 opposed

b. On Premises Beer & Cider License Application - New

2020 Sabores Latinos Rest & Bakery Corp. 124-04 Jamaica Ave Richmond Hill, NY 11418 **Motion #3:** Not to oppose new on premises Beer & Cider License Application for 2020 Sabores Latinos Rest & Bakery Corp., 124-04 Jamaica Ave with the 1 AM Stipulation

Vote #3: 40 in favor and 1 opposed

The next Public Safety and Consumer Affairs Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 21st, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

13. TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE REPORT – Faiuze Ali, Chair

- OMNI Reduced Fare Card
 – eligible MTA customers can apply for it the same way they applied for a regular
 Reduced Fare Card. Public schools students will be getting their cards from the school system after the
 Board of Education works it out with the MTA.
- The FAA has released its Final Environmental Impact Statement for the LaGuardia Air Train Project.
- The Van Wyck Expressway Capacity and Access Improvements to John F. Kennedy Airport Project is still
 ongoing. All noise complaints should be called in to the CB 9 office.

Co-Name Talbot Street and Lefferts Boulevard "Barry Lewis Way"

Sylvia Hack made a motion to pass the street co-naming request of the intersection of Lefferts Boulevard and Talbot Street to Barry Lewis Way to the City Council. Joan DeCamp seconded the motion.

Motion # 4: To pass the street co-naming request of the intersection of Lefferts Boulevard and Talbot Street to

"Barry Lewis Way" to the City Council

Vote # 4: Unanimous

2nd Vice Chair Algredo made a motion to co-name the intersection of Lefferts Boulevard and Talbot Street to "Barry Lewis Way". Stephen Esposito seconded the motion.

Motion # 5: To approve the co-naming of the intersection of Lefferts Boulevard and Talbot Street to

"Barry Lewis Way"

Vote # 5: Unanimous

14. PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – Regina Santoro, Chair

Not present to give a report.

15. BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – John Carter, Chair

- Money was moved from PS (Personal Services) to OTPS (Other Than Personal Services).
- The District Manager will provide the report and reach out to Board Members on ideas on how to spend money for public outreach.

16. OLD BUSINESS

Chair Wilson recognized the Hindus celebrating nine nights of Navratri which ends on April 21st.

Sylvia Hack asked what the need is for Pre-K Programs in District 28.

Seth Welins brought up the recurring noise coming from cars issue and the toll it has on residents' health

Kenny-had a Walk Through and a follow up with Council Member Holden and requested to have a Task Force with extra police officers coming to the Precinct.

Sherry Algredo asked for updates on CB 9's Diwali Resolution. The DM will follow up.

17. NEW BUSINESS

Sandra Datnarain brought to board members' attention DOB's attempt to implement the new law for all buildings, except for 1-2 family residences, to have gas line inspections every four years. Failure to comply will result in \$10K fine.

Kemanad Kishore stated that the noise coming from amplified systems and car mufflers has become a great concern.

18. PUBLIC FORUM No speakers

J.R. Smith made a motion to adjourn. Rabbi Daniel Pollack seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson at 9:15 PM.