

COMMUNITY BOARD #1 AGENDA –TUESDAY- SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 -7:30 P.M.
ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.

SESSION OPENING

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Call to Order
- Roll Call Attendance
- Acceptance of Minutes

- American Cancer Society, Making Strides in Breast Cancer
- City Planning – brief presentation on the upcoming ULURP application for the Bay Street Corridor

- Public Session

OFFICERS' REPORTS

- First Vice-Chairwoman, Megan Delmar
- Second Vice-Chairman, Christopher Rooney
- Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewe
- Treasurer, Larry Beslow
- Secretary, Anjail Ameen Rice
- Chairman, Nicholas Siclari
- District Manager, Joseph Carroll

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Land Use, Vincent Accornero
- Transportation, Nicholas Zvegintzov
- Health/Human Services, Catherine Paradiso
- Waterfront, Ole Olsen
- Public Services, Sunny Jain
- Youth Services, Ernest Paige
- Rules & Legislative Affairs, Christopher Rooney
- Budget & Finance, Anthony Cosentino

AD HOC COMMITTEE

- Cultural Affairs, Pearl Minsky
- Veterans, Bob Zion
- Labor, Priscilla Marco/Victoria Gillen
- Parks & Recreation, Megan Delmar
- Civic – Victoria Gillen

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mariners Harbor/Port Richmond, John McBeth
- Clifton/Concord/Stapleton, Larry Beslow
- West Brighton/St. George, Loretta Cauldwell
- Silver Lake/Sunnyside/Westerleigh/Willowbrook, Camille Zarrelli/Timothy Forsyth
- Rosebank/Ft. Wadsworth, John Guzzo

Old Business
New Business
Adjournment

If you are unable to attend the meeting please call or e-mail Anjail Ameen-Rice or the Board Office **prior** to the meeting 1-718-981-6900 lcrosby@cb.nyc.gov.

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Community Board No. 1

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October 4, 2017

Honorable Bill De Blasio
Mayor, City Hall
New York, New York 10007

Re: Charter Communications/Spectrum

Dear Mayor De Blasio:

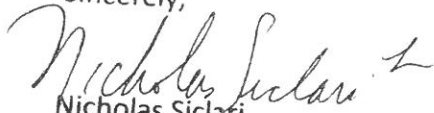
We urge you to use the power of your office to compel this company to act respectfully and productively with their workers, your constituents and to follow rules!


Spectrum has a non-exclusive Franchise Agreement, which requires local hiring. They have not complied. An audit is pending; however, we trust the anecdotal reports of violations.¹ Using non-local workers gives Spectrum the power to avoid any productive negotiations of their labor contract, and has allowed a 197% increase in profits over the past fiscal year².

We note that four years passed in an effort to negotiate a fair and equitable contract with Time Warner Cable/ Spectrum. On March 28, 2017 the cable division of Local Union #3 voted to strike. These 1,800 workers are our neighbors, members of our community, and are your constituents. They need your support.

Spectrum has not adhered to the terms of their franchise agreement. They do not negotiate fairly. This is wrong and your action is needed. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Nicholas Sciarri
Chairman


Victoria M. Gillen/Anthony M. Scutari
CB#1, Labor Committee Co-Chairs

¹ Charter Communications (CHTR) Stock Price, Financials and News | Fortune 500. (n.d.). Retrieved September 30, 2017, from <http://fortune.com/fortune500/charter-communications/>

² Audit will probe Charter Communications' use of non-N.Y. Workers - NY Daily News. (n.d.). Retrieved September 30, 2017, from <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/audit-probe-charter-communications-non-n-y-workers-article-1.3363044?cid=bitly>.

STEERING COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 – BOARD OFFICE

MEGAN DELMAR, CHAIRWOMAN

MEMBERS

Vincent Accornero
Anjail Ameen-Rice, Excused
Larry Beslow
Loretta Cauldwell
Timothy Forsyth, Absent
Victoria Gillen
John Guzzo, Excused
Sunny Jain, Absent
Priscilla Marco, Excused
John McBeth, Absent
Pearl Minsky, Excused
Friday Ogbewe, Absent
Ole Olsen, Absent
Ernest Paige, Absent
Catherine Paradiso, Excused
Chris Rooney
Nicholas Siclari, Ex. Officio
Camille Zarrelli, Absent
Bob Zion
Nicholas Zvegintzov

OFFICE STAFF

Joseph Carroll, District Manager
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

Chairwoman, Megan Delmar called the Steering Committee Meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.
P.M. – A quorum was not present.

FY'2019 Capital and Budget requests and responses were given to members present to bring to their committees for recommendations for the FY'2020 Budget Public Hearing to be held in October prior to the Board Meeting.

Chairman Nicholas Siclari informed all present that the Bay Street Corridor Application will be certified in October.

Land Use Chairman, Vincent Accornero has arranged with City Planning to have walking tours of the Bay Street Corridor for all members. It will be mandated that all members take a tour before the application is voted on by the Board. If members do not take advantage of the tour he will not entertain any questions from those members.

A discussion was held regarding the procedures of liquor licenses – attached are the procedures ALL AREA COMMITTEES must follow with the survey that is sent to all applicants applying for liquor licenses.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Liquor License Policy

Applicant sends in a Community Board notification form 30 days prior to submitting an application to the SLA.

Only new applicants are invited to the appropriate area committee and asked to complete the attached survey.

However, if there are complaints or problems with an existing license, the licensee will be asked to attend the appropriate area committee to discuss the issues involved. PD will be asked to comment on all renewals.

Applicants are not mandated to attend an Area Committee meeting as per the State Liquor Authority.

While there was no quorum at the 4 September '18 Steering Committee, the consensus was that if a new applicant does not attend the appropriate area committee meeting, the application will be denied and the CB1 recommendation letter to the SLA will request the SLA require the applicant adhere to conditions assessed by the appropriate area committee based on the CB1 policies applicable to all applicants which herein follow:

*It is up to the area committee to determine if the applicant premises is in a residential neighborhood. If so, the restrictions are that from Sunday through Thursday service stops at midnight and the premises closes at 1 A.M. On Friday and Saturday, 2 A.M. is closing time.

*Conditions also can be placed for sound, music and outdoor service. Outdoors in a residential neighborhood must close at 8 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 10 P.M. Friday and Saturday.

*Some establishments are not in residential area or only have beer and wine licenses or are strictly restaurants and it is up to the appropriate area committee to impose conditions which will be forwarded to the Executive Committee,

Area Committee Chairs must provide minutes of the outcome of all licensed deliberations.

Chris Rooney suggests an addition to this policy: "in the event that an Area Committee does not have a quorum when a new liquor license application is discussed, the chair of that committee shall forward the application to the executive committee with a report on the consensus of the area committee members who were present at its meeting, so that the executive committee can act on behalf of the Board if necessary to avoid missing the SLA's 30-day deadline."

Survey for new Liquor License Applicants

Please provide a copy of the C of O of the establishment.

What will the name of your establishment be?

How close is the nearest residence to your establishment?

How many days a week will you be opened?

What are your proposed hours of operation?

Do you have a kitchen? If yes, what are the hours of food service for your kitchen?

Will you have outdoor food and beverage service?

Will you have live entertainment in your establishment? If so, will you have sound baffling installed?

Which of the following best describes your establishment?

- ☐ Neighborhood Pub
- ☐ Sports Bar
- ☐ Catering Facility
- ☐ Full Service Restaurant
- ☐ Night Club
- ☐ Dance Club
- ☐ Bistro
- ☐ Lounge

Has the type of business changed from the buildings previous use?

Where will your customers park?

Will you have a bouncer/doorman?

Will there be an owner present during hours of operation?

Please provide contact information for person responsible for premises

Name _____
Cell phone _____
Email _____

Last Thursday Community Board 1 hosted a meeting with the property owner, his architect, and a representative from La Quinta. Attending were CB1 Chair Nick Siclari; CB Manager Joe Carroll; CB1 Vice Chair Meaghan Delmar; CB1 Secretary Anjail Ameen Rice; CB1 member & President of Elm Park Civic Assoc. Inc. Victoria Gillen; CB1 Member & Member of Pt. Richmond Strong Priscilla Marco; Members of Pt. Richmond Strong, Saul Porter and Jessica Calvello. The meeting was facilitated by Sunny Jain, CB1 member.

The developer and his team revealed an astounding lack of information about the community and immediate environs, as seen in the following comments. Indeed, the very design of this seven-story building ignores the context of the surrounding environment (three- and four-story mixed use, by and large); there is no attempt to integrate and maintain a coherent street-scape, key to our revitalization efforts for Port Richmond.

My personal notes summarizing some of the community's concerns follow.

Parking

Developer claims waiver from parking requirements (in C4-2, 1 space for every 8 rooms); a discretionary waiver may be granted by the Dept. of Buildings Commissioner. However, it may be as-of-right for cases where 15 or less is the minimum parking requirement. Follow up is needed (DoT, DCP). See traffic, below.

Traffic

The proposed sites are both heavily trafficked; drop - offs will be problematic, and double-parking will lead to a standstill of traffic on Port Richmond Avenue. Furthermore, vehicle idling in the course of passenger pick-up and drop-offs is to be expected, and is not acceptable. The developer seemed unaware of conditions; a walking tour is planned. Follow up is needed (DoT, MTA, FDNY)

Fire District

see traffic, above. Notwithstanding a fully sprinklered building, will there be adequate egress? Note cellar use as public space. Follow up is needed (FDNY, DoB).

Hotel as magnet for illegal activity (prostitution, drugs et al.)

Development team seemed unaware of the local conditions; insisted there will be no problems because units will be paid by credit card. External security enhancements are required. Follow up is needed (NYPD 121 Pct.)

Lack of planning for business disruption/failure

Citing a 75% occupancy rate for Staten Island, the developer is certain he will make money. STR data does not reflect source of occupancy (i.e. pctg. of bona fide traveler/tourist occupants v. "emergency" Agency-placed shelter populations). There was also a question of the competition from hotels in process at the ferry terminal and URB, both better locations for bona fide hotels for a host of reasons. We are concerned that guarantees of business success are predicated on use as a homeless shelter, either directly by DHS or NGOs funded by DHS. The community was

assured by both Mayor DiBlasio and DHS that there will be no placements. Follow up is needed (DHS, CAU)

Use as Homeless Shelter

Consistent with his previous interactions with community groups, the owner again insists there will be no use as a homeless shelter (notwithstanding other hotels built by this developer, which immediately converted to homeless shelter use). I was surprised when we got a fast agreement to a restrictive declaration in the course of our meeting with the owner yesterday (generally, there shall be no use of the facility by the NYC Department of Homeless Service or any other Agency, public or private, serving displaced individuals. This restriction must be prepared and filed with the Richmond County Clerk as soon as possible, with notation of the duly filed restriction on the Certificate of Occupancy. The intention: use contrary to the restriction would constitute illegal use and occupancy; a vacate order from the Department of Buildings may then be issued, with daily penalties until the condition is "cured."

The developer has agreed to respond to concerns. A walking tour is planned in the near future, and a subsequent meeting of all parties will be scheduled. A meeting with the Local Area Committee was suggested, but not finalized.

I suggest that the follow-up points listed above be actively pursued. Furthermore, I submit the history of this developer's projects in other boroughs mandates extreme caution.

Respectfully submitted, Victoria Gillen

Staten Island Community Board 1

Transportation Committee

Chair: Nicholas Zvegintzov

Report of September 11, 2018

1. No formal Transportation Committee meet in September

2. Buses

The new Staten Island Express Bus schedule went live on August 19. This is designed to increase express service by reducing slow legs on Staten Island and in Manhattan.

The MTA withheld some resources on the go-live day in order to make immediate modifications in subsequent weeks.

The review and modification continues.

No announcement yet of a start for the redesign of the local bus network. Plans for this were complicated by the new MTA NYC Transit President Andy Byford that the bus network in *all* the Boroughs are to be examined.

Meanwhile in late July the MTA approved a \$4.8 million contract to VHB/STV North Shore Joint Venture to update the Staten Island North Shore Alternatives Analysis, i.e., the proposed North Shore Bus Rapid Transit, and draft the required engineering documentation for the environmental review process. Expected delivery: Summer 2020.

Hopefully this will reveal which portions of the old North Shore Line can be re-used, and how high speed buses can run on the narrow right of way.

3. Speed cushions

In late July, after at least three fatal accidents and long community pressure, the DOT installed four sets of speed cushions along Henderson Avenue between Bard Avenue and Clinton Avenue. Speed cushions include wheel cutouts to allow large vehicles to pass unaffected, while reducing passenger car speeds, allowing unimpeded passage by emergency vehicles, buses, trucks.

4. Parking



Effective September 3 (or as soon as parking meters are updated) parking in the CB1 area will cost \$1.25 per hour, and in St. George / Tompkinsville \$1.50 per hour.

This map shows the streets where metering is in force, and the two rates in green and blue.

5. Dockless bike share in SI

Late in July the DOT launched a pilot program for dockless rental bikes in parts of CB1 and CB2.

The dockless bike share program does not have a physical dock station, allowing riders to park almost anywhere within the area limits.

Two companies are participating:

- JUMP Bikes (an Uber-owned company)
- LIME.

The JUMP bikes are 'pedal-assisted', i.e., have some additional electric power. According to the company the bikes are charged by JUMP technicians that work in the borough.



6. The Siah Armajani Bridge

The NYCDOT Division of Bridges is demolishing the Siah Armajani structure and bridge at the Staten Island Ferry Terminal as structurally unsound.

It was built as both a bridge from the harbor walkway to the upper sidewalk of the Ferry Terminal and as 'art'.

It will return as 'art' but not as a bridge.



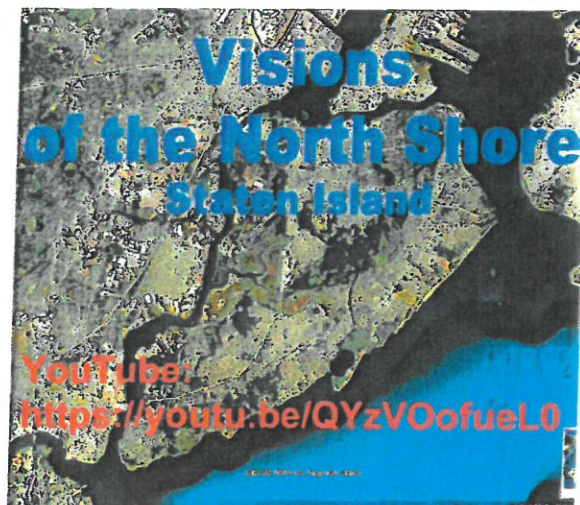
7. The Four Borough NYC Ferry

At the end of August the City completed six de luxe ferry routes touching four Boroughs - the NYC Ferry. The Borough not touched: Staten Island.

CB1 called on the City to extend service to Staten Island by re-starting the 69th St ferry closed since November 25 1964.

Meanwhile NJ Transit received a \$6M grant from the Federal Transit Administration for a passenger ferry from Carteret NJ (opposite Fresh Kills on the Arthur Kill) to Manhattan.

Nicholas Zvegintzov, Chair



CB1 Civic Committee – Summer 2018

working together to identify, and resolve, issues impacting our communities

Our goal was to expand our Community Board's influence, reaching out to civics and exploring ways to get more community members involved. To that end:

Working with wonderful, tireless interns, we updated contact lists (with a focus on email) and created a spreadsheet: contacts may be sorted into groups by Local Area Committee, and information is easily converted to .csv files, allowing for export to email server address books. Local Area Committees can use this to notify people and organizations about upcoming Agendas, meeting time/places, and other relevant information – perhaps we can cut down on the outraged “I didn’t know [fill in the blank] was coming to my neighborhood” comments! Lisa Crosby is giving a final check; we will be sending the spreadsheets to Local Area Committee Chairs (and a short guide to .csv files) soon.

We remind everyone that persons attending two or more functional committee meetings may apply to be “Voting Non-Board Members” – they can be **actively** involved (and help the Committee meet quorum requirements!)

Since 2005 NYC has allowed Junior and Senior High School students to join Community Boards. Working with Council Member Debi Rose, we now have an application form available! We suggest interested students check the list of Committees, and attend a meeting (or two...) before applying. Call Debi Rose's office to request the Application: 718-556.7370

Suggestions for topics for the 2018/2109 year are welcome! Send to vmgillen@yahoo.com

CB1 Local Area Committee
Port Richmond, Elm Park, Arlington & Mariners Harbor
JUNE 18, 2018 Minutes

Attendees:

John McBeth: CB1, Local Area Committee Chair

Vincent Accornero: CB1, Absent

Anjail Ameen-Rice: CB1

Telee Brown: CB1, Absent

Claudette Duff: CB1, Absent

Bill Morris: Voting Non-Board Member –Absent

Victoria Gillen: CB1

Pearl Minsky: CB1, Absent

Ali Mir Masum: CB1

George Sona: CB1, Absent

Electeds/Organizations/Businesses:

Stephanie Shavuo, representing Council Member Debi Rose: sshauo@ciunoncil.nyc.gov; 718.556.7370

Kathleen Sforza, Northfield LDC: northfieldldc.kathleensforza@gmail.com; 718.442.37351

Serena Manning, Bootleg Mannings remanning71@gmail.com; 2645 Forest Ave; 718.981.4988

LaTuna, Inc.: honduras3744@gmail.com 68 Van Riper Avenue; 347.729.9285.

Saul Porter, Port Richmond Strong: portrichmondstrong@gmail.com; facebook

Community Members:

Ying Lin	Fernando Vivanco	Angela Tyrone	Sissy Villamar
Maria Rios	Jose L. Juarez	Michael Casey	Mary Bullock
Denise Boyd	Denise Bradley	A. Brown	

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. NOTE: No quorum

PRESENTATION:

Northfield LDC discussed the NY Main Street Program, which provides funding and technical assistance to properties om Pt. Richmond Avenue. (Note: CB1 resolved to support Northfield's application for the current round of funding by this program).

Old Business:

- * National Grid gas project (ongoing). Report issues to 311; SShavuo advises: give closest address.

- *Camelot held their first Community Advisory meeting on June 5th; the NYPD NCOs for Sector B attended. Next meeting is proposed for July 10th. While all are invited to the next meeting, Camelot plans to hold meetings by invitation only thereafter.

- *Demolition permit for 209 Park Avenue (Castleton) pending; applications have been filed

New Business:

- *Community Justice Center, proposed for Staten Island, viewed as a positive development. Concerns about locating in Pt. Richmond Area – St. George makes more sense due to transportation connections (local oversaturation of services also a concern)

- *Boutique Hotel at 109 Pt. Richmond Ave (at Bennett St). Nothing filed with Department of Buildings for construction. A call for vigilance: watch for future changes. Port Richmond Strong will spearhead community response.

Liquor Licenses – NEW Applications:

*New Grocery and Deli, 760 Port Richmond Avenue. No representative: Tabled

*Déjà Vu Sports Bar, 297 Port Richmond Avenue (corner of Post). Restaurant; wil have cameras inside. Has been operating for 4 months, Sun – Thurs 1pm to Midnight, Fri and Sat 2pm to 2am. Kitchen closes one hour before closing. Local Area Committee will check with NYPD 121 Precinct for any reports. No Vote.

Open Discussion:

*Big Park (fka Grandview) great job re-designing; needs more lights. NCOs have agreed to work on this request.

*Jobs and NYC Housing Authority – NYCHA residents get preference in hiring. See www1.nyc.gov/site.nycha/about/jobs.page

*WARNING: multi-outlet power strips can be dangerous – avoid cheap brands.; do not use with heavy appliances (air conditioners, e.g.)

Have a wonderful summer!

Next meeting: ~~Tuesday, September 18th~~

CHANGED DUE TO HOLIDAY: Monday September 17th.