# COMMUNITY BOARD #1 AGENDA – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020 VIRTUAL MEETING -6:00 P.M.

#### **SESSION OPENING**

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

District Attorney Michael McMahon and Ashlee Owens will be making a presentation.

PUBLIC SESSION: Jessica Prahl, Setonji Agosa, Cookie Satten, Bob Satten, Troy McGhie, Diane Mitchell, Sergei Golovanov, Mario Buonviaggo, Jennifere Sanchez, Megan Delmar, Saul Porter, William Martin, Jahi Rose, Frank Fontana

- ---First Vice-Chairman, Anthony Cosentino
- ---Second Vice-Chairman, Timothy Forsyth
- ---Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewele
- ---Secretary, Loretta Cauldwell
- ---Treasurer, Larry Beslow
- --- Chairman, Nicholas Siclari
- --- District Manager, Joseph Carroll

#### **FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

#### **AD HOC COMMITTEE**

- ---Labor, Robert Holst
- ---Parks & Recreation, Norman Light,

#### AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

**Old Business** 

**New Business** 

Adjournment

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call or e-mail Loretta Cauldwell or the Board Office **prior** to the meeting 1-718-981-6900 <a href="mailto:lcrosby@cb.nyc.gov">lcrosby@cb.nyc.gov</a>.

## TREASURER'S REPORT - FY 2021 February 2021

CODE	ALLOCATED TO	USED TO DATE	BALANCE
100 Supplies	<u>6/30/21</u> \$1,294.72	628.00	\$666.72
101 Printing Expense	200.00	0	200.00
110 Food & Forage	1,500.00	1,500.00	0
117 Postage	200.00	0	200.00
199 Data Process Suppl.	450.00	0	450.00
300 General Equip.	0	0	0
314 Office Furniture	140.00	0	140.00
315 Office Equipment	250.00	0	250.00
332 Data Process Equip.	294.00	0	294.00
337 Books Subscriptions	100.00	0	100.00
400 Contractual Services	1,500.00	1,500.00	0
40B Communication	3,013.00	0	3,013.00
403 Office Services	150.00	0	150.00
412 Equipment Rental	2,148.48	313.52	1,834.96
451 Carfare	0	0	0
452 Special Event	0	0	0
622 Contractor	0	0	0
700 Chase Imprest Fund	200.00	0	200.00
TOTAL:	\$11,440.20	\$3,941.52	\$7,498.68

Please Note: Each Code is transferable to other codes as long as the total allocation is the same.

Larry Beslow, CB1 Treasurer

\*Encumbered for FY2021 Contracts

# LAND USE VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING FEBRUARY 3, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.

## **MEMBERS**

Vincent Accornero, Excused Christopher Rooney, Co-Chair

George Doyle, Excused

Anthony Cosentino, Excused

John Guzzo

Nick Siclari, Ex. Officio

Phil Farnicci, non bd. member Jessica Prahl Ernie Selitto, non. bd. member P. Stewart

Sam Schiff, non bd. member

## **GUESTS**

Joseph Helferty, SI Dept. of City Planning Todd Dale, Rep. 51 & 53 Cortlandt Street David Morace, Rep. 33 Ridgefield Avenue Priscilla Marco, Pres. Van Duzer Street

Elaine Lanham Jeannine Leib Jessica Prahl

Roger Wesby

## **OFFICE STAFF**

Joseph Carroll, District Manager Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator Linda Maffeo, Community Associate

An application has been submitted to the Board of Standards & Appeals Application No. 2020-82-A to 2020-83-A for an appeal pursuant to General Law 35 to permit construction of 2- one-family homes that will be located within a portion of the bed of a mapped but unbuilt street at 51 & 53 Cortlandt Street.

Mr. Todd Dale, Attorney representing the applicant presented plans for the project.

It is proposed to develop two new cellar and two-story one-family homes each in a separate zoning and tax lot. Each home will have 1529.44 square feet of floor area and will comply and conform to all underlying zoning. Two parking spaces as required will be provided for each home.

The owner has to request relief as the proposed homes will be located within a mapped but unbuilt portion of Kramer Place. A mapped but unbuilt portion of Kramer Place extends west from the intersection with Derby Court through the privately owned subject lot, terminating at Corlandt Street. The extension of Kramer Place was added to the City map in 1960 via City Planning, however the City has never taken any action toward the acquisition of the privately owned property, and there appears to be no reasonable possibility that nay agency of the

City of New York would have interest in developing the street after 60 years of inaction.

A few neighbors in the area spoke against the proposal. One neighbor said the property was open and some used as a street until November of 2020 before a fence was erected. Another neighbor said that the Sanitation Dept. and EMT and Fire Department thought the street should be open. The Board reached out to the Fire Department and DOT and had no response.

Authorizations have been submitted to the Department of City Planning to subdivide 1 existing zoning lot into 3 zoning lots and, requesting certification of Section 119-04 for future subdivision, Section 119-311 authorization of a development on a steep slope buffer & section 119-314 modification of lot coverage controls at 33 Ridgefield Avenue east side of Ridgefield Avenue and north of Cunard Street.

Mr. David Morace the architect for the project presented plans. The existing building on the site has been demolished. The current zoning lot dimensions are 125.00' wide by 110.00' deep (125.00' being of street frontage). The lot configuration is rectangular. The new proposed lots will be (3) 41.67' wide, 44.67' side and 38.66' wide by 110.00' deep each with a frontage on Ridgefield Avenue. Ridgefield Avenue is not a final mapped street but has a CCO with a date of 5/10/93 and is open and in use. The lot is an interior lot, currently bounded by existing homes on either side.

Residents in the area spoke against the proposal and submitted written testimony. The street is very steep and narrow, cannot get a full-sized plow on the street, Sanitation has trouble with collection. Water pressure is very low and there are insufficient sewers in the area.

## **PUBLIC SESSION CLOSED**

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Motion made and seconded to deny the application. Motion to deny passed 9-1-0.

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Motion made and seconded to deny the application. Motion to deny passed 9-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

February 12, 2021

Honorable Bill de Blasio, Mayor City of New York City hall New York, NY 10007

Reference: FY 2022 Preliminary Budget Response

Dear Mayor de Blasio:

On February 09, 2021 Community Board #1 voted unanimously to send the following letter of comment:

Community Board 1 represents Staten Island's North Shore and has been a tireless advocate for improving the quality of life for our residents. This encompasses increased affordable housing, expanded youth and senior services, upgrading the mass transit and street transit system, adding school seats and improving the waterfront.

CB1 is grateful Sanitation 1 is being relocated to Fresh Kills, that new schools are being built and that HHC has placed a clinic in Clifton; however, there are major aspects of our budget requests that have been unresolved.

#### <u>Parks</u>

Every Park should have either a bathroom or portable toilets as well as water fountains and parks with facilities and should be staffed during regular park hours.

Parks should have a base line capital budget of \$100 million to end the game of getting local elected to pay for park projects out of their budgets.

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The North Shore Greenway needs to be designed and built.

With the inception of "Parks without Borders," more PEP officers are required.

#### HHC

The Corporation must be provided 5% of the tax-levy capital budget to be given to the Island's two health care systems to address the inequity of the lack of an HHC hospital facility on Staten Island. This is critical in the COVID era since tests and vaccines are impossible to get on Staten Island.

#### **EDC**

The site of the failed NY Wheel, which NYC refused to help, must become a tour de force economic development site to enhance the growth engendered by the Empire Outlets and to provide local businesses the opportunity to flourish.

The Corporation must designate a new lease holder for the Staten Island Yankee Stadium and expand the types of activities that can be accommodated therein.

The Corporation needs to go beyond considering and fund the project to improve truck access, a new pier and an expansion of NY Container Port.

#### Schools

An Intermediate school needs to be sited in the Port Richmond/Mariners Harbor Area.

#### **FDNY**

The Bay Street Corridor and Empire Outlet projects coupled with increased response time make the siting of a fire house with the Bay Street area essential.

#### NYPD

The increase in population, drug activity and certain other crimes coupled with the congestion at the current 120th make it important to develop the new Hill Street property for a precinct.

#### HRA

Shelter funding should be transferred to affordable housing and more money provided to prevention programs.

As domestic violence increases, the DA needs to be funded to increase the Borough's push-back.

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#### DOT

The confluence of Amazon and other warehouses near the Container Port has created a congestion issue that needs to be resolved by providing a separate entrance into the port facility.

Smart lights, better signal algorithms, sequential signals and turning lanes are needed to ease congestion at traffic choke points.

SBS routes need to be created in ways that isolate the buses from traffic congestion.

Bus shelters should be redesigned with this Borough in mind. Since SI lacks the luxury of wide sidewalks, the generic design used by the Agency does not work and our commuters are left to the elements.

#### DYCD

Provide youth development, senior services, literacy programing and youth and adult recreation in a community center built or leased in the Park Hill Community.

#### DEP

Sewers are needed Sharon Avenue to Broadway between Forest Avenue to Richmond Terrace, including Delafield Avenue from N. Mada to Kissel Avenue and all the streets parallel to Forest Avenue.

#### LIBRARIES

CB1 has spent the last twenty years advocating for a library in Rosebank. In a neighborhood bereft of schools and a growing young population, this is unconscionable.

#### **DFTA**

The rise in crime against the aged requires an increased commitment from NYC to protect them.

These are CB1's major unaddressed concerns in your preliminary 2020 budget and we hope you will review these requests in a more positive way before final budget adoption.

Yours truly,

Nicholas Siclari Nicholas Siclari, Chairman Anthony Cosentino
Anthony Cosentino, Budget Chairman