

**COMMUNITY BOARD #1 FULL BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 8, 2019 – 7:30 P.M.**

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2329 VICTORY BLVD.**

**Nicholas Siclari, Chairman**

**MEMBERS**

Accornero, Vincent  
Ahlstrom, Joe  
Ameen-Rice, Anjail  
Beslow, Larry  
Bird, Joseph  
Brown, Telee, Excused  
Cauldwell, Loretta  
Ciluffo, Anastasia  
Cosentino, Anthony  
Delmar, Megan  
Doyle, George  
Duff, Claudette, Excused  
Eskenas, Linda  
Forsyth, Timothy  
Gillen, Victoria, Excused  
Guzzo, John  
Holmes, Celeste  
Holst, Robert  
Jain, Sunny  
Lattanzio, Lisa M  
Light, Norman  
Marco, Priscilla  
McBeth, John  
Minsky, Pearl  
Mohan, Radharkrishn  
Ogbewe, Friday  
Olaf, Olsen  
Paige, Ernest, Excused  
Paradiso, Catherine  
Poirer, Amy  
Rooney, Chris  
Scaturi, Anthony  
Siclari, Nicholas  
Sona, George  
Tale, Hakan  
Turner, George  
Washington, Kevin, Excused  
Williams, Daniel  
Zarrelli, Camille  
Zion, Bob  
Zvegintzov, Nicholas

**GUESTS**

Hon. Debi Rose,  
Christine Johnson Chief of Staff Councilwoman Rose  
Kevin Elkins, Rep. Congressman Max Rose  
Patrick Lewis, Rep. Mayor Deblasio, CAU  
Rowland Stewart, Rep. Borough President Oddo  
Elena Brady, Rep. Councilman Matteo  
Setonji Agosa, Rep. Assemblyman Charles Fall  
Nicole Brooks, NYC Parks and Recreation  
Cara Buoncontri, Rep. Assemblywoman Malliotakis  
Jenny Fischman, Rep. District Attorney McMahon  
Joan Cusack, Director Human Resources Administration  
Nicole Brooks, NYC Parks and Recreation  
Michael Morrell, Westerleigh Improvement Facility  
Chris Hadwin, Director of Dept. of City  
Joe Helfenty, Dept. of City Planning  
Parish Strada, Housing Preservative Development  
Will Fisher, NYCEDC  
Michael Sunde  
Larry Cirillo, NYCDCC  
Kate Ward, NYCEDC  
Munro Johnson, NYCEDC  
Will Fisher, NYCEDC  
Lisa Thompson  
Sydney Kashiwagi, S.I. Advance

**ADDITIONAL GUESTS ON FILE AT THE BOARD  
OFFICE**

**OFFICE STAFF**

Joseph Carroll, District Manager  
Lisa Crosby, Community Coordinator

Chairman Nicholas Siclari made a motion which was seconded to suspend the Rules to allow for public session of anyone other than Bay Street Corridor and then continuation of the Land Use Public Hearing followed by a full board vote. There were no objections.

Councilwoman Debi Rose addressed the Board was happy to see so many people for the Bay Street Corridor rezoning applications. Tonight is the opportunity to develop a comprehensive plan to address the great need for housing on SI. This gives us an opportunity to avoid the pitfalls associated with spot zoning which happens without a comprehensive plan nor attention to neighborhood vision or community character."

The Councilwoman assured everyone that since the Mayor first spoke about rezoning the Bay Street Corridor her message has been consistent: "I want smart planning, a range of housing options which must come with infrastructure to support the increase in density including recreational facilities and amenities, school seats, sewers, lighting, public access and many more items.

Councilwoman Rose said she is here to listen; this is our opportunity to tell the Administration what we want to see in this corridor and to support a smart plan that will bring infrastructure, public necessities and amenities as well as the housing that we desperately need and deserve. Yes with conditions is one way to accomplish this.

Representatives from the Department of City Planning gave a presentation regarding the 3 applications relating to the Bay Street Corridor.

- C 190113 ZMR – Bay Street Corridor multiple zoning changes:
- C190115 PPR – Bay Street Corridor, Disposition of one city-owned property, 55 Stuyvesant Place.
- C 190179 HAR – Bay Street Corridor, disposition of property located at 539 Jersey Street, Sanitation Garage.

Representatives from Housing Preservation and Development, New York City Economic Development Corporation and the Mayor's Office were in attendance as well to answer questions etc.

There was a very long question and answer period. Residents had major concerns of no transportation plan, overcrowding of schools, no public hospital, overcrowding of current hospital and health care facilities and an already overburdened sewer system.

Question was asked about union workers, wages etc. NYC EDC explained that they would advertise the job locally first and that we are still very early in the process.

Members do not want Cromwell Center included in the proposal for the Bay Street Corridor instead, it should be separately funded.

10 speakers were given the opportunity to speak which included statements that the plan is flawed, there are not enough school seats, private renters are going to be displaced, and rents being raised. The most valuable piece of property our waterfront is being cut off from public access. The EIS does not include any infrastructure improvements.

Many residents who filled out speaker forms were not given the opportunity to speak due to the 3 hr. question and answer period.

#### PUBLIC SESSION CLOSED

In the other boroughs the waterfront includes recreational uses, parkland public access. It was reiterated again the need for more school seats, public hospital, more public transportation and infrastructure, upgraded sewers, additional fire and pd.

#### THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE MADE AND DISCUSSED AS FOLLOWS:

- C 190179 HAR – Bay Street Corridor, disposition of property located at 539 Jersey Street, Sanitation Garage.

Motion made and seconded to approve with the following conditions:

A full remediation of the site be done and,

a daycare center and/or supermarket and/or community center be built for the neighborhood on the first floor of the building with on-site parking.

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#### **Roll call vote taken. Vote passed to approve application with conditions 33-2-0.**

- C 190113 ZMR – Bay Street Corridor multiple zoning changes:

Motion made and seconded to deny the application with the following conditions:

1. 20 acres be preserved as park land; and,
2. Reassess affordability with consistent statistics for north shore seniors and disabled; and,
3. Preserve and provide waterfront public access; and,
4. 6 floor maximum of all buildings; ,
5. Upgrade the Port Richmond Sewage Treatment Plant; and,
6. Upgrade Bay Street Sewer and mitigate flooding conditions that already exist; and,
7. Reassess the already inadequate transportation infrastructure; and,
8. Retract Cromwell Center facility from the application and fund Cromwell Center separate; and,
9. Request for a new K-8 school and a High School; and,
10. Preserve lots A1 & B as parkland and Waterfront Esplanade; and

11. That the Stapleton Waterfront Phase III Sites (A and B1) should not be rezoned at this time in this action.
12. Site an HHC hospital in the Bay Street Corridor

**ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN, VOTE PASSED TO DENY 37-3-0.**

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- C190115 PPR – Bay Street Corridor, Disposition of one city-owned property, 55 Stuyvesant Place.

Motion made and seconded to approve the application with the following conditions:

Request the lease operator allocate a portion of the building at least 20% to include a Maritime school and a CUNY College library.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN, VOTE PASSED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH CONDITIONS 30-8-0.**

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Meeting adjourned at 11:27 P.M.