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Gary Giordano
District Manager

Minutes of Community Board 5 Public Meeting

July 10, 2019

Board Members Present

Vincent Arcuri, Jr; Robert Cermeli; Walter E. Clayton, Jr.; Patricia Crowley; Brian Dooley; Jerome Drake; Steven Fiedler; Patricia Grayson; Mohan Gyawali-Chhetri; Fred T. Haller; Fred Hoefflerle; Richard Huber; Paul A. Kerzner; Edward Lettau; John Maier; Patricia Maltezos; Edgar Mantel; Katherine Masi; Eileen Moloney; Margaret O’Kane; Michael O’Kane; Donald Passantino; Michael Porcelli; Luis Rodriguez; Lee S. Rottenberg; Walter H. Sanchez; Carmen Santana; Connie Santos; Dennis Stephan; Catherine Sumsky; Gyanal Thapa; Michaeline Von Drathen; Crystal Wolfe; Maryanna Zero; Nan Zhang

Board Members Absent

Antonetta Binanti; Dmytro Fedkowskyj; Maryann Lattanzio; Mike Liendo; Kenneth Rehberger; Theodore Renz; Kelvin Rodriguez; Megan Tadio; Barbara Toscano; Patrick J. Trinchese

Elected Officials

NYS Assemblyman Brian Barnwell, 30th AD
Joseph Nocerino - Queens Borough President Melinda Katz
Cristian Romero – US Congressional Representative Grace Meng, 6th C.D.
Neil Giannelli – NYS Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, 15th SD
Alexa Arrechi – NYS Assemblyman Andrew Hevesi, 28th AD
Alison Cummings – NYS Assemblywoman Catherine Nolan, 37th AD
Samantha Kung – NYS Assemblyman Michael Miller, 38th AD
Daniel Kurzyrna – NYC Council Member Robert Holden, 30th CD

Staff Present

Gary Giordano, District Manager, CB5 Queens
Catherine O’Leary and Laura Mulvihill, Community Associates - CB5Q Staff

GUESTS

Benjamin Fang, the Queens Ledger; Jacob Kate, the Ridgewood Times, and David Russell, the Queens Chronicle
Jason Banrey, NYC Dept. of Transportation - Deputy Queens Borough Commissioner, Queens Borough Hall
P.O. Michael Berish and P.O. Asar Sanad - 104th Police Pct. Community Affairs Unit
US Army Specialist Christina Aponte and Sgt. Maiya Mohammed, NYS National Guard Unit in the NY Armory

Board Chairperson Vincent Arcuri called the monthly Board Meeting to order at 7:37pm, following the Salute to the Flag.

PUBLIC FORUM

Geoffrey Elkind, president of the Ridgewood Property Owners Civic Association, said that he is adamantly opposed to the NYC Dept. of Transportation’s proposal to install a dedicated bus lane in the southbound lane of Fresh Pond Road between Metropolitan Avenue and 67 Avenue, in Ridgewood. He distributed copies of a 6-page

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analysis of his position to Board members present. He requested that, prior to any decision to implement a dedicated bus lane in the southbound lane of Fresh Pond Road, the NYC Dept. of Transportation consider the cost effective recommendations outlined in his concept paper, in order to test whether these measures will resolve the majority of traffic flow problems and congestion on Fresh Pond Road. He cited his top five priorities as follows: 1) traffic signal optimization and synchronization; 2) reallocation of buses that deadhead at the Fresh Pond Bus Depot, but do not service our community, to other bus depots in the neighborhoods they serve; 3) traffic enforcement of existing parking regulations; 4) limiting truck deliveries to stores on Fresh Pond Road to off-peak hours; and 5) relocation and consolidation of some Bus stops on Fresh Pond Road.

Mr. Elkind said that the bus lane proposed by NYC DOT is a concept, not a plan. It is not the best way to implement public transit policy and is not committed to reducing congestion, he said. He requested that his 6-page statement be attached to the Board Meeting minutes for future reference.

Steve Wiebe, owner of Myrtle Seneca Pub, LLC, announced that he plans to open a new bar at 56-53 Myrtle Avenue on the corner of Seneca Avenue, in Ridgewood. He said that he was a born and raised in Queens and owns several other bars in the New York area, including one in Brooklyn and another in Manhattan. He said that he's looking forward to creating a community friendly atmosphere in his new bar. In closing, he welcomed everyone to pay him a visit when his bar opens for business later this year.

Adrian Horczak, a Ridgewood resident, said that he's glad to see that the Dept. of Transportation plans to improve traffic flow on Fresh Pond Road in Ridgewood. He said that every afternoon, when he's travelling home from work on Fresh Pond Road, traffic is always very congested and backs up for blocks, causing a lot of air pollution. He said that traffic comes to a stand-still whenever double-parked cars block the driving lanes, because there aren't any open parking spots on the street. He said that this proposal will help to improve traffic safety on this roadway for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. In response to a question from Board Member Kathy Masi, he said that he doesn't own a car.

Jennifer Reres, a representative of Include NYC and a resident of Ridgewood, said that her agency has been serving the community for the past 40 years, by advocating for the needs of children with special needs, their families and teachers. She said that their staff conduct workshops throughout NYC to familiarize parents with individualized education plans (IEPs) and to provide advocacy services for children with special needs to ensure they have an opportunity to realize their full potential in school. She said that their agency has a large staff of interpreters who are fluent in over 200 languages and communicate with a very diverse population of children and families from all backgrounds. For more information about their programs and services, she welcomed everyone to visit their website at: www.includenyc.org.

Judy Cancel-Valerio, a homeowner on 59 Street in Glendale, said that she and her neighbors oppose the construction of a 6-story housing facility at 80-97 Cypress Avenue, at the end of her block, because it will tower over the small homes on the block. She said that WellLife Network owns and operates similar facilities in other neighborhoods that are densely populated, where there's a combination of commercial and residential apartment buildings, which is a more suitable location for this type of facility. She expressed concerns about the financial viability of this project, because this agency is currently applying for \$28 Million in grants. She asked what will happen if and when their funding is cut. She said that the original 3-story building that was built on this site by PSCH, a prior administration, has been vacant for decades and remains an eyesore to this day.

Marianne Riggiola Martens, a long-time homeowner on 59 Street in Glendale, said that her block has always been a dead-end street off Cooper Avenue. She said that it's disturbing to find out that the proposed 6-story residential facility at 80-97 Cypress Avenue plans include a curb cut and driveway for access to and from their facility via her block. She said that she is concerned about the safety of many small children and elderly residents

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who live on this block, given the increased traffic that this development will bring. She also reported that the cemetery doesn't clean their side of the street, which limits the availability of on-street parking spaces, as it is. She said that the proposed facility will make matters even worse, with their employees' parked cars on her block. She requested the Board to re-consider its support for this proposed facility.

Kelli Anne Scarr, a neighboring homeowner on 59 Street in Glendale, said that she also opposes the proposed housing development at 80-97 Cypress Avenue, which is located adjacent to the dead-end of her block. She said that with two existing residential developments within a block of the proposed facility on Cypress Avenue, her neighborhood is becoming saturated with congregate housing facilities. She said that there's so much traffic congestion already on Cypress Avenue, and it's only going to be made worse by the increased traffic from the proposed residential development. She also expressed concerns about how staffing levels and services would be affected by potential funding shortages. Ms. Scarr stated that there is no subway service or grocery stores near this location.

Robert Martens, a neighboring resident on 59 Street, reported that there's a continuing problem with illegal dumping alongside the cemetery side of Cypress Avenue, between Cypress Hills Street and the Entrance/Exit to the Jackie Robinson Parkway, where abandoned cars and trucks are left parked at the curb, as well as piles of discarded furniture and household trash. He requested that the Dept. of Sanitation stake out this portion of the roadway in order to apprehend the illegal dumpers, as well as to assign personnel to clean up the debris and tow away the derelict vehicles on a regular basis.

Andy Gouzoulis, a property owner and realtor with Krisch Realty in Ridgewood, said that he is opposed to the proposed dedicated bus lane on Fresh Pond Road because it will hurt the businesses that are located on Fresh Pond Road between Metropolitan Avenue and 67 Avenue, in addition to reducing parking availability for local residents and homeowners who live nearby. He said that there's a number of local businesses that have already closed their doors on this shopping strip in the past 2 years, and they remain vacant. He recommended that, instead of implementing this plan, the Dept. of Transportation (DOT) should change the timing of the traffic signals to 1 ½ minute intervals during rush hours, instead of 30 second intervals. He also recommended that the DOT should analyze the turning radius from Fresh Pond Road into the bus depot, between 67 Avenue and Putnam Avenue, in order to give the buses enough room to pull in there without blocking traffic in both direction, which always results in a bottleneck of traffic. He also recommended that DOT consider some more options and new ideas before they initiate plans to create a dedicated bus lane on Fresh Pond Road. He asked the Board to vote against this proposal.

US Army Specialist Christina Aponte and Sgt. Maiya Mohammed, members of the NY Army National Guard based in the NY Armory, introduced themselves and said that they're collaborating with the NYPD as part of a task force to counteract underage drinking and drug use. She said that they're interested in building a coalition of local residents, agencies and law enforcement to address the current opioid crisis in the city. She welcomed anyone interested in joining the coalition to contact her after the meeting.

Dawn Scala, a Glendale resident and member of the Glendale-Middle Village Coalition against a Homeless Shelter at 78-16 Cooper Avenue, said that Council Member Bob Holden continues to advocate for a District 75 school to be built on the vacant site of 78-16 Cooper Avenue, in Glendale. She announced that the Coalition plans to hold a fundraiser at Yer Man's Pub on 88 Street in Glendale, on Saturday, July 27th, to replenish their legal defense funds, in the event that the owner decides to convert this vacant building into a homeless shelter. In closing, she said that we need to find permanent solutions to homelessness, not build more shelters to warehouse the homeless.

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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Vincent Arcuri, Jr.

Chairperson Arcuri recognized the staff present: the District Manager Gary Giordano, and Community Associates Catherine O'Leary and Laura Mulvihill. He also recognized members of the press: Benjamin Fang, of the Queens Ledger; and David Russell, of the Queens Chronicle, and he thanked them for keeping their readers very well informed about Board business.

He welcomed P.O. Michael Berish and P.O. Asar Sanad, in the Community Affairs Unit of the 104th Precinct, to address the Board. Officer Berish gave a brief update on crime statistics in the precinct, pointing out that there have been 10 or more robberies reported recently. He said that detectives have identified a suspect and took him into custody recently. He cautioned drivers not to leave any valuables inside their parked cars, including the fob, because most Grand Larceny cases that are reported in this precinct involve the theft of property from personal automobiles.

Officer Sanad welcomed everyone to attend the National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 6th in Juniper Valley Park in Middle Village.

The Chairperson invited elected officials' representatives to address the Board.

On behalf of Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, Joe Nocerino wished everyone a happy Summer, and distributed copies of the free Summer Concert flyers to those present.

On behalf of Congresswoman Grace Meng, Christian Romero welcomed calls for assistance from constituents regarding any questions or concerns they may have. He gave their office number as (718) 358-6364.

On behalf of NYC Council Member Bob Holden, Daniel Kurzyna welcomed constituents to attend their next Town Hall Meeting that is scheduled for 6:30pm to 8pm on Wednesday, July 17th in the Council Member's at 64-69 Dry Harbor Road, in Middle Village.

On behalf of State Senator Joe Addabbo, Neil Giannelli reported that the Senator will meet with constituents during Mobile Office hours at the South Ozone Park Library tomorrow night from 5:30pm to 7pm. He also announced that their office will distribute free rain barrels to local homeowners on Saturday, July 20th from their satellite office at 88-08 Rockaway Beach Blvd. In addition, he said that their office is sponsoring the MetroCard Van to assist residents in applying for Full or Reduced Fare MetroCards, from 1pm to 3pm, on Wednesday, July 31st, 2019.

On behalf of Assemblyman Daniel Hevesi, Alexa Arrechi wished everyone a Happy Summer.

NYS Assemblyman Brian Barnwell announced that his office will give away 50 free rain barrels to local homeowners on Saturday, July 20th, from 1pm to 3pm in Maspeth Federal Savings Bank's parking lot on 69 Street at Grand Avenue. He thanked everyone who participated in the reading of the Declaration of Independence on July 2nd in the Maspeth Memorial Plaza.

On behalf of Assemblywoman Catherine Nolan, Alison Cummings announced that the Assemblywoman will hold Mobile Office hours from 5pm to 7pm on Thursday, August 1st, in the Ridgewood Public Library at 20-12 Madison Street. She welcomed constituents to meet with her to discuss any issues of concern to them.

On behalf of Assemblyman Michael Miller, Samantha Kung welcomed everyone to attend a Summer Celebration hosted by the Assemblyman, on Sunday afternoon, July 28th, at the Mobile Gas Station at Myrtle and Cooper Avenues in Glendale. Food and refreshments will be provided to all participants.

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MINUTES

The Board Chairperson asked Board members to review the minutes of last month's Board Meeting conducted on June 12, 2019. Edgar Mantel said that he was misquoted on Page 3 of the minutes of last month's Board Meeting. He said that instead, it should read that he requested that the new signs for the proposed designated bus lane on the southbound side of Fresh Pond Road be limited to 3pm – 7pm on weekdays, instead of 2pm - 8pm. He said he did not request a tour of the Fresh Pond bus depot.

The minutes were adopted by acclamation on a motion to amend the minutes as proposed, by Katherine Masi, and seconded by John Maier.

LIQUOR, WINE and BEER LICENSE APPLICATIONS and RENEWALS

The Board Chairperson read aloud the list of establishments in the Community Board 5 area that are in the process of applying for liquor, wine and beer licenses since the last monthly Board Meeting on June 12, 2019. Each Board member received a copy of the list.

New Liquor Licenses

- 1) **Bushwick Taco Co. Glendale Inc.** 71-24 Fresh Pond Road, Ridgewood, NY 11385
- 2) * **Myrtle Seneca Pub LLC** 56-53 Myrtle Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385

Liquor License Renewals

- 1) **Pollos Mario Woodhaven Corp.** 63-20 Woodhaven Blvd, Rego Park, NY 11374
- 2) * **O'Neill's of Maspeth Inc.** 64-15/23 53rd Drive, Maspeth, NY 11378

New Wine and/or Beer License

- 1) * **Woodward Coworking LLC** 467 Woodward Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385

Wine and/or Beer License Renewals

- 1) **Kantu Inc.** 74-17 Metropolitan Avenue, Middle Village, NY 11379
- 2) **New Estrella Del Mar Restaurant Corp.** 552 Seneca Avenue, Ridgewood, NY 11385

Corporate Change/Alterations/Other

- 1) **A&J Juniors Pizza Corp.** 71-09 Grand Avenue, Maspeth will be submitting a Corporate Change Application to the NYS Liquor Authority due to the passing of Salvatore Loprinzi. The owners will now be listed as Loretta Loprinzi, as Wife and Wife as Executrix, and Salvatore G. Loprinzi.
- 2) Chicken Soup & Rice LLC d/b/a **Sundown Bar**, 68-38 Forest Avenue, Ridgewood will be submitting an alteration application for use of the basement, increasing the number of seats by 35 (total of 79) and providing live jazz to traditional music, excluding loud electronic rock music, 5 nights a week, mixed with community oriented events such as, poetry readings and performances.
- 3) **Seneca Gourmet Deli Grocery** 1025 Seneca Avenue, Ridgewood has notified us of their intention to apply to the NYS Liquor Authority for a Grocery Store Beer License.

* Indicates Outdoor Area

Regarding 68-38 Forest Avenue, Carmen Santana said that several building violations were issued to this building a few years ago, and asked if more than one liquor license could be issued for several separate bars at the same address. She said there should be an entrance and exit for any basement premises, but doesn't believe there is a separate fire exit from the basement at this location. The Chairperson said that the first question to inquire about is whether or not they are permitted to occupy the basement for a bar. The District Manager replied that there appears to be a cellar there, not a basement.

Ms. Santana asked how many bars where alcoholic beverages are being sold on premises are located in Community Board 5, particularly on Seneca Avenue, in Ridgewood. The Chairperson said that there's a list of licensed establishments in the Board office.

Demolition Notices

The Board Chairperson reported that the Board received the following demolition notices since last month's Board Meeting on June 12th: **78-15 62 Street** – residential garage; **65-22 80 Avenue** – residential garage; and

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71-61 70 Street – residential garage, in **Glendale**; **64-72 84 Place** – residential garage, in **Middle Village**; and **460 Seneca Avenue**- 1-story building, in **Ridgewood**.

The Chairperson asked that anyone with questions or comments about any of these locations to please contact the Board Office at (718) 366-1834.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Vincent Arcuri, Jr.

The Board Chairperson reported that the committee met recently to discuss committee participation and new assignments. He said that one committee chair has to be filled, since Sarah Feldman resigned.

Regarding the Board's Internal Budget, he said that last year, the Board's budget was increased by \$42,500 and about half of the additional funds were spent. This year, Community Boards were allocated the same increase, but are still waiting for clarification on what expenditures would be permitted. He said that last year, under the City's guidelines, Community Boards were restricted from spending the additional allotment for personnel costs. He said that the committee is considering spending the additional allocation on graffiti removal; providing livestream services to broadcast all of our Board Meetings; and setting up a social media website for our Board 5 area.

Jerry Drake asked if anything was being done to punish graffiti vandals. Officer Berish replied that the 104th Precinct used to lead the city in the number of graffiti arrests that were made each year and organized large-scale graffiti cleanups by graffiti vandals. He said that the number of arrests have declined significantly, ever since the Officer who was assigned to address graffiti complaints was re-assigned to another precinct, and graffiti vandalism was re-classified as a misdemeanor this year.

The Board Chairperson announced a change in the monthly schedule of Community Board Meetings this year: Wednesday, September 18th is the date of our next monthly Board Meeting, one week after September 11th; and Wednesday, October 16th is the date of the following monthly Board Meeting, in order to avoid a conflict with the observance of Yom Kippur on October 9th, 2019. Copies of the revised Board Meeting calendar was given to all Board members.

District Manager's Report

Gary Giordano

District Manager Gary Giordano reported that Community Board 5 started a graffiti removal program in 2003, which involved painting over graffiti at more than 30,000 locations since it began. He said that this program was discontinued last year because the Greater Ridgewood Youth Council said that they could no longer afford to work on it. He said that, in addition, the Greater Ridgewood Restoration Corporation power washes about 200 buildings a year. Along with representatives of local community organizations, our Board has always advocated that graffiti vandals who are repeat offenders are arrested and then booked for the total number of locations that they vandalized.

Regarding the list of streets that are scheduled for resurfacing this year, he said that he has a firm commitment from the Dept. of Transportation to resurface Metropolitan Avenue in Middle Village, Myrtle Avenue in Glendale, and Fresh Pond Road in Ridgewood. He said that Myrtle Avenue was resurfaced last month, but the lane markings have not been repainted yet.

Regarding the sewer project in the area of Penelope Avenue and 74 Street in Middle Village, the District Manager said that this weekend, the contractor will be working to install a new sewer main on 74 Street in the vicinity of Juniper Valley Road. He said that the contractor requested permission to work on Saturdays to expedite the work in order to finish by Thanksgiving, this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Transportation and Public Transit Services Committee

Vincent Arcuri

The Chairperson reported that the committee met on Tuesday, June 18th, in the Board office to review and approve a new bike corral for 8 bikes at curbside on the Harman Street side of 467 Woodward Avenue, in Ridgewood. He said that the property owner plans to divide the ground floor into a co-working space, and said that most of his clients will probably bike to work.

He also reported that the committee reviewed the Dept. of Transportation's proposal for a dedicated bus lane on the southbound side of Fresh Pond Road between the hours of 3pm and 7pm, from Bleecker Street to Putnam Avenue; the installation of 2 hour parking meters on certain side streets, effective from 9am to 7pm, from Monday to Saturday; the installation of additional loading zones; consolidation of one bus stop; and full analysis of retiming the signal systems on Fresh Pond Road from Metropolitan Avenue to Myrtle Avenue, in Ridgewood. He said that the committee voted in favor of this revised proposal, as presented.

Edward Lettau asked if the committee looked into the question of where the bus drivers could park their own personal vehicles, instead of local side streets. The Chairperson said that they spoke with the MTA-NYC Transit representatives about that, and they're looking into it.

Fred Haller asked how local residents are supposed to find parking on the street when they come home every afternoon. The Chairperson said that many local residents park their cars on the street and only move them once or twice a week.

Patricia Crowley pointed out that when DOT first installed a dedicated bus lane on a portion of Woodhaven Boulevard in Rego Park, they installed limited parking restrictions originally. But then, after a while, the parking restrictions were expanded to 24/7. In response, John Maier said that once the SBS service went into effect on Woodhaven Boulevard, the parking restrictions were expanded to 24/7 in some locations.

Richard Huber said that a 25% increase in traffic flow will only increase the vehicular speed by one MPH, basically from 4 MPH to 5 MPH. John Maier replied that more cars have been added to local streets to the detriment of public transportation.

Fred Hoefflerle said that between 3pm and 7pm are the busiest hours for customers to shop in the stores on Fresh Pond Road. He said that this proposal will negatively impact the local businesses on this shopping corridor. Secondly, he said that now, the traffic lights change every 40 seconds. DOT should retime the traffic signals so that traffic can flow better, which would be a cost effective way to improve traffic flow. He also said that the bus stops should be relocated to 3 block intervals, instead of every other block, to minimize the number of times that local buses pull up and then pull out into traffic again.

John Maier replied that DOT is implementing this change in conjunction with the street resurfacing project that is planned for this Summer. He said that all of the lines for parking spaces, loading zones, bus stops and the new bus lane will be painted as part of this project.

Edward Lettau asked if the direction of some One-Way streets that feed into Fresh Pond Road could be reversed, in order to reduce traffic congestion at some of the intersections on Fresh Pond Road.

Edgar Mantel asked if DOT's proposal has been finalized yet. The Chairperson said that it's still a work in progress. He said that they're having ongoing discussions with local businesses.

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Peggy O’Kane asked when loading zones would be in effect, morning or afternoon. The Chairperson said that it depends on when businesses need their deliveries.

Kathy Masi commented that the Board cannot stop this proposal from happening.

Fred Haller commented that this stretch of roadway amounts to a very short express bus lane because the buses will have to merge back into traffic at Putnam Avenue, which will lead to traffic tie-ups back to Metropolitan Avenue.

Dennis Stephan said that the Q58 Bus has to pull into the opposing lane of traffic while making a right-turn onto Putnam Avenue. He said that bus route should be changed and go all the way to Myrtle Avenue, before it turns right, toward Brooklyn.

John Maier said that the Q58 Bus is one of the busiest bus lines in Queens, carrying an average of 30,000 riders per day. He said that anything that will improve the turnaround time of the Q58 Bus will improve the lives of thousands of commuters. In addition, he said that the stores on Fresh Pond Road benefit from having the bus depot there, because the bus drivers shop in stores on Fresh Pond Road every day. He said that most of the traffic flow on Fresh Pond Road is due to the fact that Fresh Pond Road serves as the north-south connecting route between Grand Avenue and the Jackie Robinson Parkway.

As there was no further discussion on the matter, the Chairperson requested a Roll Call vote on the committee recommendation which failed to carry by a vote of -6- in favor; -28- opposed; -0- abstentions; and -0- not voting.

Parks Committee

Steven Fiedler

Steven Fiedler announced that Frank Principe Park is now open to the public, and the new drainage system is working very well.

Regarding the new running track, turf field and exercise equipment planned for Juniper Valley Park, he said that the contract is now in the procurement process.

Regarding the capital improvement project at Rosemary’s Playground, he said that this project has just begun. Mr. Fiedler reported that the new Forest Park Entrance in the vicinity of Union Turnpike will be constructed as originally planned, but the funding to complete the work is still pending.

Old and New Business

Fred Haller made a motion in favor of adopting the five main recommendations that were outlined in the report delivered by Geoffrey Elkind, president of the Ridgewood Property Owners Civic Association, earlier tonight regarding the NYC DOT Proposal to Implement a Dedicated Southbound Bus Lane on Fresh Pond Road:

- 1) traffic signal optimization and synchronization;
- 2) reallocation of buses that deadhead at the Fresh Pond bus depot and that do not service our community, to other bus depots in the neighborhoods they serve;
- 3) traffic enforcement of existing parking regulations;
- 4) limiting truck deliveries to stores on Fresh Pond Road to off-peak hours; and
- 5) relocation and consolidation of the Bus stops on Fresh Pond Road

Carmen Santana seconded the motion on the floor.

Richard Huber suggested that DOT implement these five measures for at least 6 months, before they implement any other changes on this thoroughfare.

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The Chairperson requested the pleasure of the Board regarding the motion on the floor. Kathy Masi requested to move the question. As there was no further discussion of this matter, the Chairperson requested a Roll Call vote which carried by a vote of -29- in favor; -4- opposed; -0- abstentions; and -0- not voting.

Carmen Santana asked if taxis are permitted to park on the eastbound side of the intersection of Myrtle Avenue and Wyckoff Avenue, in Ridgewood. The Chairperson said that the Transportation Committee will investigate it.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Board Chairperson Arcuri adjourned the public meeting of Community Board 5, Queens on a motion from the floor at 9:21pm. He reminded everyone that our next monthly Board Meeting will be conducted at 7:30pm on Wednesday, September 18th, 2019.