

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance  
Fort Hamilton Senior Center, 9941 Fort Hamilton Parkway  
Monday, April 15, 2019 – 7:00 PM**

Board Members Present: (31)

Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Tracie Britton-Pitcher  
Shirley Chin  
Judith Collins  
Doris Cruz  
Ida D'Amelio  
Richard Day  
Michael Devigne  
Ann Falutico  
Carmen Feliciano  
Michael Festa  
Barbara Germack  
Steve Griffith  
Stephen Harrison  
June Johnson  
Habib Joudeh  
Brian Kieran  
Stella Kokolis  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Stephanie Mahaney  
Ryan Mahoney  
Anthony Marino  
Iris Mulé  
Alex Pellitteri  
Susan Pulaski  
Hussam Rimawi Dr.  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Sandy Vallas  
Barbara Vellucci  
Lori Willis

Board Members Excused: (11)

Allen Bortnick  
Diane Gounardes  
Judith Grimaldi  
Justin Hyatt  
Ramsey Joudeh  
Ruth Greenfield Masyr  
Rhea McCone  
Nick Nikolopoulos  
Dean Rasinya  
Joanne Seminara  
Henry Stewart

Absent: (5)

Paul Cassone  
Jill Infantolino-Hajjar  
Brian Kaszuba  
Adam Rosatti  
Jana Taoube

## COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**APRIL 15, 2019, FORT HAMILTON SENIOR CENTER, 9941 FORT HAMILTON PARKWAY**

(To view the WNET livestream for this meeting go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VKRwJ2QAU8>)

Chair Cruz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and invited Brian Duffy, Battalion Chief, FDNY Battalion 42, to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Brian Duffy, Chief Battalion, FDNY Battalion 42, greeted the audience. He thanked Community Board Ten for inviting him to lead the Honor of the Pledge. He mentioned that if there is anything that requires his attention to please don't hesitate to contact him.

Chair Cruz asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the agenda. Motion by BM Sokoloski, seconded by BM Kieran.

Chair Cruz asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the March 18, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Stelter, seconded by BM Chin.

### PUBLIC SESSION

Lisa Ferrara representative for Brooklyn Public Library Fort Hamilton branch, announced the following programs at their branch:

- Joe The Magic Man on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 2:00 PM
- A Folk Concert with Judy Gorman on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:30 PM
- A Puzzle Project for Adults on Friday, April 26, 2019 at 10:00 AM

For more information please visit their website at [www.bklynlibrary.org](http://www.bklynlibrary.org).

Susan Frances, Volunteer for Owl's Head Park, announced that they are going to have two green ups on Saturday, May 4, 2019 and Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. On Saturday, May 18, 2019 they will have the Viking Fest which will include FREE Arts & Crafts for all ages. On April 27, 2019 from 2:00 – 5:00 PM there will be a presentation regarding compost, where everyone can receive FREE 40 pound bags of compost.

Baruch Blum representing the Department of Sanitation, announced that there will be a community meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM at the Bay Ridge Library, in Community Room, to discuss the process of turning your food scraps and yard waste into compost. He stated that the DSNY is looking for volunteers for their campaign and if anyone who is interested to please join them at this meeting. He mentioned you can register under make compost Bay Ridge Library at <https://www.evenbrite.com>.

BM June Johnson representing Narrows Botanical Gardens, announced that they are having a plant sale on May 11, 2019 and on October 13, 2019 they will have the Harvest Festival.

Ned Berke representing the Brooklyn Eagle, introduced himself and stated they are hiring new reporters. He noted that he would like to cover all of Brooklyn regarding the public, the authorities and the ideas shaping Brooklyn. He stated they are covering the BQE and the renovation plan, the industry city rezoning, the expansion of jail and the crisis of housing theft in NYC. He mentioned that last week they released a story about a Councilman who is pushing for a proposal to decrease Community Board impact in bike lane decisions.



Chris Thomas resident of Bay Ridge at Hamilton Walk, expressed his concerns regarding installation of a new parking pad at 331 94<sup>th</sup> Street. He noted that he has been working with District Manager Beckmann and Councilman Brannan to try to rectify this issue. District Manager Beckmann commented that the office of CB 10 had received a phone call last week from a Board Member informing us that a street light on 94<sup>th</sup> Street was being relocated to accommodate an accessory parking space. She noted that she reached out to Councilman Brannan's office and was told that they had previously been working on this matter. She learned that the homeowner didn't have the appropriate permits to relocate the street light and they also didn't have any permits to install an accessory parking pad which is adjacent to an easement that is for pedestrian use only. DM Beckmann mentioned that the Department of Buildings distributed a notification to cancel the permit that was issued for alteration of a driveway which didn't exist. She noted the contractor that was hired by the homeowner stopped the relocation of the street light when it was discovered they did not have the proper permits and didn't have the sign off from the Department of Transportation. She applauded resident Chris Thomas and all residents at Hamilton Walk for all they had done to stop the work. Chair Cruz stated that Community Board Ten is currently aware of this issue and will continue to assist with this matter.

Devon Morales, Constituent Liaison for Assemblywoman Frontus, introduced herself. She mentioned the office has been open since the end of February at 8525 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Wednesday to Friday. She announced that Assemblywoman Frontus will be hosting a Bay Ridge Community Thrive Talk at the Fort Hamilton Public Library on April 17, 2019 from 6:00 – 7:45 PM. She mentioned that there will be a Book Drive on behalf of Grandma's Love, which is set to commence this summer. She stated that Assemblywoman Frontus was able to secure a hundred thousand dollars from the New York State Budget for the Bay Ridge Center.

Jessica Kallo from the Borough President's office, announced that they are having a Career Transition Fair on April 16, 2019 at Borough Hall from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. She stated that on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 Borough President Adams and the Bay Ridge Center are hosting a Senior Tech Event at Borough Hall.

Michael Sheldon representing Councilman Justin Brannan, announced that Councilman Brannan was just named Chair of the new Committee on Resiliency and Waterfronts. He mentioned they are in the middle of budget season and Councilman Brannan is trying to obtain more funding for Community District Ten.

Nicholas Chamberas representing Assemblywoman Malliotakis, expressed how heartbreaking it was to hear what had happened to Notre Dame today. He said that Assemblywoman Malliotakis had a meeting with DSNY today to discuss the compost program. He stated that for the last nine years there have been ongoing issues with the R-Train's reliability and now it has gotten progressively unsafe. He mentioned that Assemblywoman Malliotakis sent a letter to Andy Byford, President of the New York City Transit Authority (NYCTA), asking him to work with law enforcement to set up a plan and to hold the NYCTA accountable.

Joan Klips resident of Bay Ridge, expressed great concern of pedestrian safety at 88<sup>th</sup> Street at Battery Avenue. She mentioned that her vehicle has been struck twice, once by a school bus and another time by two vehicles that had collided at the intersection of 88<sup>th</sup> Street at Battery Avenue in February 2019. She stated that she wants a traffic light to be installed at this location. Chair Cruz commented that Community Board will look into this matter.

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

**CHAIR'S REPORT – See Attached**

**DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – See Attached**

**TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Environmental Committee report was rendered by Chair Cruz in the absence of Committee Chair Nikolopoulos. See attached.

Discussion followed.

Chair Cruz stated that the compost is a great way to reuse unwanted waste. She encouraged the audience to attend meetings when discussing this topic and to start using compost.

### TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Traffic and Transportation Chair Capetanakis rendered the Committee report. See attached.

Discussion followed regarding DOT's proposed School Safety Traffic Calming Plan on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

BM Habib Joudeh questioned what the speed limit would be reduced to. District Manager had explained that currently when coming off the Gowanus southbound there is a sign stating 30 MPH and it will be reduced to 25 MPH. Also, she noted that the entrance to the Gowanus will remain 30 MPH due to being an access point.

BM Willis was inquiring if once the speed cameras are installed in school zones will this be of any help regarding speeding. Chair Capetanakis responded that any enhancements in or around schools are helpful to reduce speed. BM Falutico inquired how adding a bike lane helps calm traffic. Chair Capetanakis clarified that narrowing roadway to two traffic lanes helps reduce speeding.

BM Kieran asked what the bike lanes were protected by and Chair Capetanakis responded Jersey barriers. She noted that the Jersey barriers are made out of concrete like those currently being used along the highways.

BM Germack questioned that the entrance to the parkway is at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 78<sup>th</sup> Street and how it will be affected. Chair Capetanakis answered that the entrance would not be affected but safety should improve.

Nina Haiman, Director of School Safety explained how the bike lanes would be set up and if you are on 79<sup>th</sup> Street driving you would go straight onto the highway without turning lanes. Chair Capetanakis also explained that on 79<sup>th</sup> Street they would add plastic bollards to separate vehicle movements, have a painted curb extension to shorten the pedestrian crossing, and bicycles would shift from the proposed two-way bike lane to a southbound standard bike lane. Travel lanes would be organized to have a dedicated bicycle lane.

**Motion: CB10 to send a letter to the Department of Transportation outlining Community Board Ten's feedback and concerns on DOT's proposal for a School Safety Traffic Calming Plan on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 65<sup>th</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup> Streets.**

**Motion by BM Habib Joudeh, second by BM Collins. All in favor. Motion carried.**



With regards to the Street Activity Permit Office (SAPO) application #463990 for St. Mary's Festival on Ridge Boulevard from 81<sup>st</sup> to 82<sup>nd</sup> Street on May 19, 2019 from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM, District Manager Beckmann rendered her report including details of this event.

**Motion from the floor by BM Sokoloski, second by BM Germack: CB10 to approve the application for the St. Mary's Festival, located at Ridge Boulevard between 81<sup>st</sup> and 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, on 05/19/2019, from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM, event #463990, with the same stipulations that is required by SAPO.**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **SENIOR ISSUES, HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Chair Mulé rendered the Committee Report. See attached.

Chair Cruz granted Eric Kumar, representing District Attorney Eric Gonzalez, time to speak. He announced that they have an email dedicated to the public if they would like to be updated on current news and indictments. Chair Cruz asked Mr. Kumar about human trafficking and what the District Attorney is doing about this topic. Mr. Kumar stated that there is a special unit dedicated to human trafficking. He explained that the District Attorney's Office is not concerned if the victim is undocumented all they are concerned about is the safety for the public. He stated that an investigator from the DA's Action Center Unit will reach out to a victim if contacted and mentioned that they had already made numerous arrests resulting in indictments.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

Chair Cruz wished the audience a happy holiday.

Motion to adjourn. With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Community Board 10 Chair's report April 15, 2019

Good evening. Today is tax day, but what other events occurred on this date in history? I will tell you two at the end of my report.

Last month I very firmly expressed my concern that CB10 with 353 acres of diverse parkland has not had a parks manager since May 2018. I thank Councilman Brannan for reaching out to the Parks Department. However, we will not have a new parks manager until May, the earliest. The District Office hosts quarterly District Cabinet meetings. This brings together senior representatives from all city agencies. It is helpful to the District Office and it is an important venue to have agencies address issues jointly. I have attended three of the last four meetings. At the most recent meeting, representatives of the Parks Enforcement Police were present. But at the three meetings that I attended, there was no management representation from the Parks Department. That is unacceptable.

On a positive Parks note, thanks to Bay Ridge Cares and State Senator Gounardis for their recent park clean up. And thanks to all of our local parks volunteers, you are the backbone of the parks network.

I would like to congratulate Councilman Brannan on his appointment as chair of the New York City Council's Committee on Resiliency and Waterfronts. He said "we are a city of waterfronts and of the five borough, four of them are island." Brooklyn is one of those. And I would like to remind our Councilman that for as long as I have been a board member, the number one item on Community Board 10's capital expense budget is the rebuilding of the seawall at Shore Road. We see the seawall as the protection of the walkway and bicycle path, but it is also the protection of the Belt Parkway. Councilman, please try to address this before it is a crisis.



At the most recent Brooklyn Borough Board meeting, the MTA discussed their new OMNY fare payment system. Within the next two years, Metro Cards will be phased out. They will be replaced by a scanning system. Scanners have been installed at stations on the IRT Lexington Avenue stations from Grand Central Station to Barclay Center and on all Staten Island buses to test the program. During this test period, passenger's free transfers will not be available from subway to bus if they use the scanning technology. This is important for Staten Island bus riders. When fully operational, riders will be able to pay for their new OMNY cards in a variety of ways. One will be similar to EZPass payments. It will be possible for riders to buy and refill cards at stations and prepaid cards will be available at many retail locations. I suggest we have a presentation on the program. CB10 particularly needs to address the concerns of seniors and the disabled.

You are familiar with "Tuesdays with Morrie", in the last month I have had "Fridays with Josephine".

DM Beckmann, Josephine, and I attended a presentation by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey on the Port Master Plan. This is a thirty year plan to address the growth of cargo in and around our area. The Port Authority expects container volumes to double or triple by 2050. Increased freight into New York harbor means increased trucks. We see this already with the increase in volume at the 65<sup>th</sup> Street rail yard. There is also increased activity at both the South Brooklyn Marine Terminal (39<sup>th</sup> Street) and at the Red Hook Marine Terminal at Columbia and Sackett Streets. Much of this increased activity includes cars, lumber, windmills, produce from Central and South America and clothing. There is a change in the distribution process. For many decades, distribution centers were located in low density and low land cost areas and goods were transported by truck to the population centers. With increased costs in fuel, tolls and labor

costs, it has become cost effective to locate distribution centers near population centers. There are large distribution centers on Staten Island with the potential for more growth. New large distribution centers are planned in Sunset Park and Red Hook. I pointed out that there is no direct highway access from these new centers or from the marine terminals and that this will have a detrimental impact on southwest Brooklyn. The director of the Red Hook Terminal discussed a proposal to site cargo transfer stations throughout the City, similar to the Department of Sanitation Marine Transfer Stations. This would allow transfer of containers by water to each borough. To me this seems like an important and viable option. It would move some cargo from the Brooklyn sites, Red Hook Marine Terminal, South Brooklyn Marine Terminal and the Bay Ridge Rail Yard to other parts of the city by water not truck. As the waterfronts of Manhattan, northern Brooklyn and Queens have been de-industrialized the major impact of increased container traffic seems to fall to southwest Brooklyn. I ask all of our elected officials to explore this cargo transfer proposal and other options to protect southwest Brooklyn. Many Brooklyn Community Boards were invited. Only CB 10 was in attendance.

My second "Friday with Josephine" was the second "Dyker Lights" meeting for 2019. Thank you Councilman Brannon for taking the lead on this issue. As you know the District Office has been working on this nightmare for several years. There were multiple meetings in the fall of 2018. Nothing improved. New ideas are introduced that seem promising and then nothing changes. At each meeting DM Beckmann does a Power Point presentation of conditions in Dyker Heights during the Christmas season. It is awful the images, not her presentation. The most disturbing slide shows firefighters walking because their truck could not get through the congested streets. Fortunately it was not an



emergency. But in an emergency seconds make a difference between life and death. If there is a medical emergency, if a resident with no history of asthma has an asthma attack because an illegal food truck is belching toxic fumes into their house and emergency medical workers are delayed it will be a tragedy. When you look at the conditions in the area, this is not if a tragedy occurs, it is when it occurs. The District Office and the Councilman are working diligently on this, but the agencies of the City of New York do not seem to understand the gravity of the situation. When a tragedy occurs during Dyker Lights, the responsibility falls on the Administration of the City of New York.

Tonight I announce the nominating committee for the new term. Judie Grimaldi will chair the committee joined by Tracie Britton Pitcher, Ann Falutico. Ruth Greenfield Masyr and Dean Rasinya. Thank you.

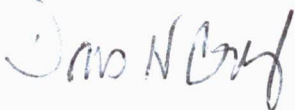
And enough from me.

But before I go, on my history question, April 15<sup>th</sup>, Abraham Lincoln died and the Titanic sank.

Thank you

Respectfully Submitted,

Doris N Cruz

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doris N Cruz", written in dark ink.

## DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT

April 15, 2019

Dear Board Members,

There is a great deal of work taking place in the District and want to briefly review with you.

The New York State Department of Transportation notified the District Office that they will begin resurfacing the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street overpass above the Gowanus Expressway **between Gatling Place and Dahlgren Place starting today April 15<sup>th</sup> to approximately April 17<sup>th</sup>**. One travel lane in each direction will be maintained during construction. This partial roadway closure is needed to facilitate repairs on the road surface as part of a \$28 million bridge maintenance project.

The District Office along with Council Member Justin Brannan requested New York State DOT engineers once again inspect the Fort Hamilton Parkway overpass which is forming large cave ins and pot holes along the joints of the Bridge. Thank you to all Board Members who brought this to our immediate attention.

From TBTA: The Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge Belt Parkway ramp into the Belt Parkway eastbound will be repaved starting **Monday night, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 PM through 5:00 AM, and Tuesday and Wednesday nights**. This roadway surface operation will require a lane closure on the off-ramp from the bridge and onto the Belt Parkway eastbound. One lane will always be maintained from the bridge to the Belt Pkwy, but motorists may expect delays and should plan additional travel time. The work is extremely weather-dependent, and may require **additional nights the week of April 22<sup>nd</sup>** to complete the operation.

Starting tomorrow, April 16th - DDC Project K-2019-12 will commence. The project involves the installation of new 8" & 12" water mains between 76th Street and 80th Street from 10th to 12th Avenue; 10th Avenue from 77th Street to 80th Street and 11th Avenue from the mid-block between Bay Ridge Parkway and 76th Street to the mid-block of 81st Street.

The initial phase of work includes saw cutting to prepare for the excavation and replacement of the water mains. There will be intermittent water turn- offs with notification to affected homes. There will also be the relocation of certain fire hydrants in the project area.

As many of you know, the DDC Sidewalk Contract is in effect.. and work on sidewalks that have been violated in the past is taking place. This has generated many, many calls to the District Office. There is also a pedestrian ramp project that is continuing in our Board.



The Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee will be hosting its Senior Resource Fair on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 from 11am to 3pm. Tonight I am making an appeal to any Board Members who are able to volunteer that day to help us.. we would be very grateful. Please give a call or an email and we will provide you an assignment for a portion of the day. I also have posters here .. if you are able to take some and hang in local store fronts .. it would be very helpful.

**Some announcements:**

Sunday, May 5th is the Five Boro Bike Tour. We will have a copy of the route map up on our website.

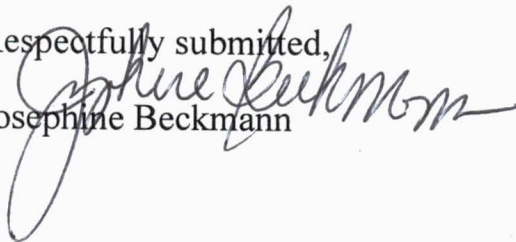
Sunday, May 19th is the Norwegian Day Parade. The parade steps off at 80th Street and 3rd avenue, turns right at Bay Ridge Avenue up to 5th Avenue, makes a left on 5th and continues until 67th Street, marching continues along 67th along the park and up to the reviewing stand between 6th and 7th Avenue.

Monday, May 27th is the Memorial Day Parade. The parade route is from 78th St. and Third Ave., along Third Ave. to Marine Ave., up to Fourth Ave. and over to John Paul Jones Park on 101st St. and Fourth Ave. for the memorial service. All marchers will enter the park in formation to pass in review by the grandstand. Marchers will then be directed to a location on the field for the ceremony. NOTE: There will be no band performances in front of the grandstand and no solicitation or campaigning along the parade route.

The next General Board Meeting of Community Board Ten will take place on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Knights of Columbus 1305 86 Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Josephine Beckmann




**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Budget Appropriation for FY 19													\$283,911.00	
DISTRICT MANAGER		7/31/18	8/31/18	9/30/18	10/31/18	11/30/18	12/31/18	1/31/19	2/28/19	3/31/19	4/30/19	5/31/19	6/30/19	Y - T - D
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR		\$9,196.12	\$9,196.12	\$9,196.12	\$9,196.12	\$13,258.81	\$9,196.12	\$13,258.81	\$9,591.12	\$9,591.12				
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE		\$5,615.77	\$5,598.78	\$5,598.78	\$7,221.38	\$8,767.64	\$5,848.01	\$5,848.01	\$5,848.01	\$5,848.01				
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT		\$1,660.33	\$1,661.15	\$1,648.72	\$1,870.27	\$2,434.75	\$1,652.54	\$1,730.59	\$1,730.59	\$1,721.95				
COLLEGE AIDE(s)		\$2,131.81	\$2,777.36	\$1,269.47	\$322.87	\$624.87	\$328.65	\$328.65	\$328.65	\$330.75				
<b>Total Personal Services</b>		<b>\$16,472.22</b>	<b>\$19,233.41</b>	<b>\$16,443.82</b>	<b>\$18,287.77</b>	<b>\$24,996.57</b>	<b>\$16,696.67</b>	<b>\$20,837.41</b>	<b>\$17,169.72</b>	<b>\$17,491.83</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$167,629.22</b>

Expenses Code	Description	7/31/18	8/31/18	9/30/18	10/31/18	11/30/18	12/31/18	1/31/19	2/29/2019	3/31/19	4/30/19	5/31/19	6/30/19	Y - T - D
686	Professional Services													
10B	Telephone													
10X	Intra-City Supplies													
40B	Intra-City Telephone	212.59	218.68	218.68	266.53	234.33	230.17	232.65	178.21					
100	Supplies & Materials		473.98		289.69		111.02	178.18	261.88	579.05				
101	Printing Supplies													
117	Postage	2,500.00							3,000.00					
170	Cleaning Supplies			57.93										
199	Data Processing Supplies													
302	Telecomm. Equipment													
314	Office furniture													
315	Office Equipment													
319	Security Equipment			75.00	825.00		75.00							
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel./Communications													
412	Rental/Misc. Equip	46.00	44.00	342.00	344.00	200.25	151.00	290.25	2.00	2.00				
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures													
602	Telecomm. Maintenance			75.80	2,214.76		113.28	38.89		37.76				
612	Office Equip. Maint.													
613	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual			424.80	672.60	613.60	141.60	554.60		200.00				
624	Cleaning Services	170.00		170.00	340.00	170.00	170.00	85.00		1,303.50				
608	Iron Security. Gate Maintenance									170.00				
684	Constant Contact Account													
110	Food & Forage Supplies			19.95					19.95	19.95				
	<b>Total Other than Personal Services</b>	<b>\$3,642.59</b>	<b>\$262.68</b>	<b>\$1,838.19</b>	<b>\$4,952.58</b>	<b>\$1,218.18</b>	<b>\$992.07</b>	<b>\$1,375.57</b>	<b>\$3,462.04</b>	<b>\$2,312.26</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$20,060.16</b>
<b>TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES</b>		<b>20,114.81</b>	<b>19,496.09</b>	<b>18,281.81</b>	<b>23,240.35</b>	<b>26,214.75</b>	<b>17,688.74</b>	<b>22,216.98</b>	<b>20,631.76</b>	<b>19,804.09</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>187,689.38</b>

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Respectfully submitted,  
  
Sandy Vallas, Treasurer



**ENVIORNMENTAL COMMITTEE**  
**APRIL 10, 2019**

On Wednesday, April 10, 2019, the Environmental Committee co-sponsored an outreach event with Department of Sanitation. The Distirct Office did extensive outreach to promote this event. DSNY is calling this campaign Make Compost, Not Trash. The goal of these meetings is to open a dialogue with area residents to encourage organics recycling, identify issues or suggestions to improve participation and create a new volunteers outreach effort within Community Board Ten. The event was very successful and the Environmental Committee will be meeting in the future to discuss ongoing ways to assist in this effort.

If any Board Members were not able to attend last week's Committee meeting there will be another opportunity this week as DSNY is holding an event Thursday, April 18 from 5:30pm -7:30pm at the Bay Ridge Library – Ridge Blvd at 73<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Nick Nikolopoulos

## Traffic and Transportation Report: April 1, 2019

Chair: Jaynemie Capetanakis

### Committee Members:

- Michael Devigne
  - Carmen Feliciano
  - Dianne Gounardes
  - Judith Grimaldi
  - Steve Harrison
  - Brian Kieran
  - Stephanie Mahaney
  - Ryan Mahoney (absent)
  - Nick Nikolopoulos
  - Dean Rasinya
  - Joseph Sokoloski (absent)
  - Larry Stelter
  - Doris Cruz, Chair
  - Josephine Beckmann, District Manager
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- The membership of the Traffic and Transportation Committee met on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 7:00 PM at P.S. 170.

The first item on our agenda was an update from the DOT on the public comments and ideas submitted at the January bike lanes workshop. This is an informational report.

- To review, bike lanes were first installed in Community Board 10 in 2003 and expanded in 2015. In 2018, DOT made a recommendation to bring a North/South connector on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street, which was met with community disapproval. In an effort to work with our community and get more input, a workshop was held in January 2019 and on April 1, 2019, the DOT shared a review of the outcome of that workshop with our Traffic and Transportation committee. The January meeting had over 70 participants who use all types of modalities of transportation. The DOT website also was open for additional comment. At the meeting, tables discussed the destinations where people would want to ride their bikes to get to. This included going to parks, shopping, getting to school, getting to other neighborhoods and also just commuting to work. Community concerns included safety issues, such as double parking, truck loading, traffic congestion, bus routes and bike lane conflicts, enforcement of traffic law and the need for more traffic education. At the workshop, the creation of North/South routes were discussed, such as direct routes along avenues and access to Sunset Park and other neighborhoods to the north. The suggestions for East/West routes included access to commercial areas and easier Gowanus Expressway crossings. Requests for improved neighborhood crossings besides to the Gowanus, included Shore Parkway improvements to Coney Island and also along Poly Place. Both committee members and residents urged the DOT to consider the safety for all modes of transportation, including walking, biking and driving. For their next steps, the DOT will be reviewing the feedback and return with a proposal for bike routes.

The next item was a presentation by DOT for a School Safety Traffic Calming Plan on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 65<sup>th</sup> to 84<sup>th</sup> Streets. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Southbound is an important local truck route along the expressway, it is an area used by students crossing to several schools on either side of the highway, and between



2012 and 2016 there were two pedestrian fatalities, two school-age pedestrian injuries, and one school-age bicyclist injured in this project area. The crash data from 2012 to 2016 actually included 160 total injuries of 20 pedestrians, 8 cyclists and 132 motor vehicle occupants. DOT presented that the existing wide roadway on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue is part of the problem and encourages speeding; on this wider roadway, speed has been recorded at 50 miles per hour, 61% of the drivers are above the 30 mile per hour speed limit between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Bay Ridge Parkway and 82% are above 30 miles per hour at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway. Between 65<sup>th</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup> Streets, there is a very high volume of student pedestrians going to Bay Ridge Christian Academy, Lutheran Elementary, PS 170, PS/IS 30, IS 259, St. Ephrems, St. Anselms, PS 127 and several Pre-K Centers. Existing conditions include the failure to yield, including particular trouble spots at 67<sup>th</sup> Street, Ovington Avenue, and Bay Ridge Parkway.

- The first proposal to address this is to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour from 67<sup>th</sup> to 79<sup>th</sup> Streets and to reconfigure the roadway to reduce speeding. This will include a proposed protected area for cyclists and there will be no loss of parking spaces to achieve this; there will be a parking lane, two driving lanes, a buffer and two-way protected bike lanes next to the side of the highway from 67<sup>th</sup> to 79<sup>th</sup> Streets.
- Next, at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Ovington and also at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Bay Ridge Parkway, there will be traffic calming for a pedestrian and bicycle head start; this is achieved through adding new crosswalk and left turn traffic calming; adding Leading Pedestrian/Bike Interval (LPI/LBI) for pedestrians and new bicycle signals for crossing Ovington Ave and Bay Ridge Pkwy and existing LPIs for pedestrians crossing 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Another proposal detail is to improve access to the pedestrian bridge at 72<sup>nd</sup> Street with an improved crosswalk.
- On Fort Hamilton Parkway from 79<sup>th</sup> to 84<sup>th</sup> Streets, there is a proposal for a Southern Bike Route Connect from the proposed protected bicycle lane on 7Ave to the bike lane on Fort Hamilton Pkwy south of 84 Street. On 79<sup>th</sup> Street, they would add plastic bollards to separate vehicle movements, have a painted curb extension to shorten the pedestrian crossing and bicycles would shift from the proposed two-way bike lane to a southbound standard bike lane. Travel lanes would be organized to have a dedicated bicycle lane.
- At Fort Hamilton Parkway at 83<sup>rd</sup> Street, they have proposals to reduce u-turns and speeding by adding plastic bollards to separate vehicle movement and add a parking lane stripe to reduce speeding.
- At 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 65<sup>th</sup> to 67<sup>th</sup> Streets, the issue is that there are poor connections across the highway. The wide roadway encourages speeding, the Leif Ericson Park Greenway has no eastbound connection and bicyclists cannot connect to bike lanes on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue north of 65<sup>th</sup> Street. The section of detail for this is the triangle between 65<sup>th</sup> and 67<sup>th</sup> Streets and the proposal is for new crosswalks and pedestrian space on the bridge to create safer, shorter pedestrian and bicycle connections. They will remove the turning lane on Erik Place to calm vehicles exiting the highway and separate two eastbound legs of 67<sup>th</sup> Street with painted curb extensions. They propose to remove a vehicular travel lane on bridge and add a shared pedestrian/bicycle space separated by plastic quirk curb. There will be rubber speed bumps to calm traffic and move the parking from the right to left side in that southbound triangle area opposite the house with the picket fence. They will remove four parking spaces on 66 St and add bike connection to 7 Ave on the Northbound side.
- In summary, they will make these improvements to improve safety, reduce speeding and improve connectors. Feedback from the committee members, community residents and District Manager Beckmann included our concerns about ongoing issues with the supermarket at the intersection of 65<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and dangerous truck traffic in that intersection. We have had ongoing issues with truck traffic and truck unloading at 65<sup>th</sup>

and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and they are not adhering to the law; we are concerned that this particular spot is not compatible with a curb side bike lane. Also, the intersection of Ovington and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue has had known issues of flooding during rainy weather; changes to this area need to take this into consideration. Additionally, there are concerns regarding these changes and the ability for buses to make their turns by Ovington and Bay Ridge Parkway. There is concerns for safety by PS 127 and that is supposed to be changing to "No Stopping Anytime" by the exit from the highway. It was also noted that although this presentation was up to 84<sup>th</sup> Street, just further down at Fort Hamilton Parkway the turning lane to 86<sup>th</sup> Street has a bicycle lane and there is a direct safety concern. The committee met in quorum and made a recommendation to send a letter to DOT expressing these concerns of our committee members and residents. The motion is now before the full board for vote to send a letter to DOT outlining our feedback and concerns on this proposal. Any questions or discussion. All in favor; any objections; any recusals or abstentions.

- The last item is a review of SAPO Application #463990, for St. Mary's Festival on Ridge Blvd. from 81<sup>st</sup> – 82<sup>nd</sup> Street on May 19, 2019 from 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Historically, our committee has agreed with the festival applications with the agreement that the organization follow the Community Board 10 stipulations, which are given to all applicants. The committee members did not have the opportunity to discuss this at our meeting. District Manager Beckmann will share this application details and vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
April 14, 2019





## St. Mary's Festival SAPO Application Report

St. Mary's Church of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese has applied through SAPO for a Single Block Festival, Event ID # 463990. The festival date is Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 7:30 pm including set up and breakdown. The festival will take place on Ridge Blvd. between 81<sup>st</sup> and 82<sup>nd</sup> Streets, with a full street closure in effect. The required petition signatures were submitted.

The Church hopes that the festival will bring the public out to socialize and showcase the historic Church which has recently gone through a major refurbishment. There will be amplified sound and a sound permit application will be submitted. There will be three small tents, food and beverages will be served. There will be inflatable rides and carnival games.

District Manager Beckmann met with the applicant, Christopher Athineos, and he and the parishioners of St. Mary's Church are enthusiastic about the festival. They are proud of the major renovation to the church and are eager to bring the public out to the location to enjoy a fun, family day and provide tours of their beautiful church.

Call for a motion from the floor regarding St. Mary's SAPO Application.

Respectfully submitted,



Josephine Beckmann

District Manager

Community Board Ten  
Senior Issues, Housing, Health & Welfare Committee  
March 21, 2019 Meeting convened at 7:00 P.M.

After introductions, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Rosa Schirripa, Clinical Director of The Resource Counseling and Training Center gave a presentation. The Resource Center, as it is often referred to, is a nonprofit, New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) licensed outpatient chemical dependency treatment center. They have two locations. One is in Sunset Park at 39<sup>th</sup> Street and the other is within Community Board 10 at 408 77th Street.

With the motto of "Treatment on Demand", the Resource Counseling and Training Center empowers chemically dependent individuals to achieve their full potential by delivering community based substance abuse treatment services that concentrate on mental, physical, and emotional recovery for those individuals and their families. At the Sunset Park location, they have an intensive DWI program with Spanish speaking counselors. They serve all of Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island (through Christopher's Reason) providing direct services and referring people to other addiction treatment services as needed.

Clients, self-referred or referred by others, are often given appointments on the day they call and timely progress reports are made to referral sources. The number for the Bay Ridge office is 718-833-3320. District Manager, Josephine Beckmann, shared the long history of working with founder Donna Mae to address the needs of the community. For more information about the Resource Training and Counseling Center, go to their website [www.resourcetraining.org](http://www.resourcetraining.org) or call 718-833-3320.

Anica Allen and Shannon Henry, from Ohel Geriatric Project HEAL spoke to those present about a free short-term in-home mental health service for older adults with depression. Social workers and mental health counselors, under the supervision of a psychiatrist, assess the client's depression using the PHQ9 screening tool. If scoring indicates, services (available in a wide range of languages) are offered. This free short term solution focused treatment is provided in up to eight sessions over the course of five or six months. For more information about Project HEAL, call 347-578-0817. [www.ohelfamily.org](http://www.ohelfamily.org)

District Manager, Josephine Beckmann, gave a brief presentation about the upcoming Community Board Ten Senior Resource Fair on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Fort Hamilton Senior Center. The fair will feature city agencies and many organizations that serve older adults. The Fair and distribution of a new resource guide that features 53 participating businesses offering senior discounts are products of the Age Friendly Initiative. Leaders of that Initiative, Judith Grimaldi, Marianne Nicolosi, and Tod Fliedner, were all present at the committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.  
Respectfully Submitted – Iris Mulé





**STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS**

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
Mezeny, Inc. d/b/a Meze 6601 13 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	04/08/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
427 Kings Highway Inc., d/b/a Peppino's 7708 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	04/10/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
Campania Brick Oven Pizza, LTD d/b/a Campania Coal Fried Pizza 9824 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	04/10/2019	Renewal Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Zimei Weng d/b/a Shobu Sushi Inc. 9427 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	04/17/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
Per Tavern Corp., d/b/a The Kettle Black 8622 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	04/18/2019	*Change in Method of Operation/ Alteration Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Dyker Heights Deli Inc., d/b/a Blimpie America's Sub Shop & Convenience 8623 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	04/18/2019	*Class Change Beer & Cider
Molaoi Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Blue Door Souvlaki 8413 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	04/22/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
PJS Restaurant Inc., d/b/a Parkway Restaurant 7504 13 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	04/22/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider

\*Will be invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in May 2019.