

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance**  
**Fort Hamilton Senior Center, 9941 Fort Hamilton Parkway**  
**Monday, October 21, 2019 – 7:00 PM**

Board Members Present: (36)

Tracie Britton-Pitcher  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Shirley Chin  
Judith Collins  
Richard Day  
Michael Devigne  
Ann Falutico  
Carmen Feliciano  
Michael Festa  
Barbara Germack  
Dianne Gounardes  
Judith Grimaldi  
Stephen Harrison  
Daniel Hetteix  
Jill Infantolino-Hajjar  
June Johnson  
Brian Kaszuba  
Stella Kokolis  
Marty Lentz  
Stephanie Mahaney  
Ryan Mahoney  
Anthony Marino  
Nicholas Massab  
Iris Mulé  
Nick Nikolopoulos  
Susan Pulaski  
Dean Rasinya  
Husam Rimawi  
Adam Rosatti  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Henry Stewart  
Julie Thum  
Sandy Vallas  
Lori Willis  
Edward Yoo

Board Members Excused: (11)

Doris Cruz  
Ida D'Amelio  
Yasmin Dwedar  
Ruth Greenfield Masyr  
Steve Griffith  
Justin Hyatt  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Ali Taoube  
Jana Taoube  
Giuseppe Tulumello  
Barbara Vellucci

Absent: (3)

John Heffernan  
Habib Joudeh  
Michael Xie

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 21, 2019 FORT HAMILTON SENIOR CENTER, 9941 FORT HAMILTON PARKWAY**

Chair Willis called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and invited Rose Gangi, Chairperson, Ragamuffin Parade, to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Willis asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the agenda. Motion by BM Gounardes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chair Willis asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the September 16, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Sokoloski. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Assembly Member Peter Abbate stated that the New York State legislative session hasn't commenced but he looks forward to the upcoming session. He thanked Community Board Ten's District Manager Josephine Beckmann for all her efforts in getting DOT to mill and repave more streets in Community District Ten over recent years. He announced reopening 7th Avenue exit to N-line after thirty-seven years of being closed. He mentioned that his office is located at 66th Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway if his assistance is needed.

Assembly Member Mathylde Frontus addressed Board Members. She discussed her first year in office and legislative session. She spoke about an incident that took place over the weekend with a Muslim American family at TJ Maxx located at 86th Street and 5th Avenue. She stated that the while in TJ Maxx an individual shouted to go back to their country to the Muslim American family and that verbal abuse is not acceptable. She, along with Councilman Brannan, State Senator Gounardes and Congressman Rose reached out to the 68th Precinct to ask to investigate this incident as a hate crime. Assembly Member Mathylde Frontus reminded everyone of the location of her District Office at 8525 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and that on Halloween between the hours of 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm the staff will be handing out treats. She announced \$1 million dollars in capital funding will be invested within Community District Ten.

Council Member Justin Brannan announced that last week the City Council passed the Dyker Christmas Lights vendor ban in the prime viewing area. He said that the vendor ban starts right after Thanksgiving until January 1st. He stated that as of Thursday, Doctors' Row officially became the first historic district in Community Board 10. He mentioned that there was another site found at 6740 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to place an elementary school. Councilman Brannan spoke about the need for additional schools and that he is looking for more sites because there is a high demand due to overcrowding. He also secured an additional \$4 million for the renovation of Owls Head Park and that he once again allocated \$1 million toward capital budget funds for participatory budgeting. He stated that a statue of Mother Cabrini will finally be built but he is unsure of the location.

Clio Markman, Brooklyn Director for Congressman Max Rose, announced that they share an office with Councilman Brannan at 8203 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and that the office can assist in any state, federal or city matters. He stated that Congressman Rose is engaging in a war with Big Pharma. HR3 is a bill that will allow the Federal government to negotiate drug fees. The goal is to help tax payers save \$345 billion across the country and save businesses \$50 billion.

Michael Tannousis representing Assembly Member Nicole Malliotakis, introduced himself. He stated that he was a former prosecutor and that if anyone needed his assistance with any city, state, or federal issues to please approach him after the Community Board Ten's General Board meeting.

Tori Kelly representing State Senator Gounardes, stated that the Senator was unable to attend this meeting as he is hosting a Climate and Resiliency Town Hall in Manhattan Beach. She mentioned that until the end of the month they will be accepting entries for the Street Safety Essay Contest for students from Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. She announced the following upcoming events:

- Thanksgiving Food Drive, to benefit Grandma's Love, Monday, October 28, 2019 10:00 am at the Office of State Senator Andrew Gounardes, 8018 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Veterans Breakfast, Tuesday, October 29, 2019 10:00 am at the Fort Hamilton Community Club, 207 Sterling Drive, Brooklyn, New York 11252
- NIA Halloween Festival along with Councilman Brannan, Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Owls Head Park

She concluded by announcing that early voting will commence this Saturday.

Fran Vella-Marrone President of the Dyker Civic Association stated that the Dyker Lights viewing is approaching and that she was glad that the City Council passed the Dyker Lights vendor ban in the prime viewing area. She mentioned that she is looking forward to working with Community Board Ten, Councilman Brannan and the 68th Precinct to enforce the guidelines so that everyone can have a safe and joyful Christmas.

Jessica Kallo from the Borough President's office announced that the Borough President is an advocate for healthy life styles including meditation. She left the message of the month including upcoming events and programs in the back for anyone who is interested.

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

- Morning Yoga, Saturdays, from 10:15 am to 11:45 am
- Yoga for Fun and Fitness, Tuesdays, from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm
- Homework Help for students in grades 1 to 8, Mondays and Wednesdays, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
- Annual Jump Start Read for the Record 2019, Thank you, Omu! at 11:00 am

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

Di Cui of Citizens Committee of NYC, a non-profit that serves all five boroughs of NYC, which provides grants to community groups for different types of improvement projects announced the following grant opportunities: The Neighborhood grant up to \$3,000, applications began on October 1, 2019 with submissions due January 20, 2020; the Public Schools Green Team Grants up to \$1,000, applications are accepted online at [www.nyc.gov/zws.com](http://www.nyc.gov/zws.com) with submissions due November 8, 2019; and the Love Your Block grant up to \$1,000 to be used towards neighborhood quality of life improvements, plus services and support from some city agencies. Applications can be submitted at [www.nyc.gov/loveyourblock.com](http://www.nyc.gov/loveyourblock.com) with submissions due November 12, 2019. For more information please visit their website at [www.citizensnyc.org](http://www.citizensnyc.org) or she can be contacted via phone at 212-822-9563.

Joanne Cavalleri, Board Member of the Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) 10, spoke about how the NAB grew out of the Community Action Board and that it was created to help alleviate poverty. She stated that the NAB is asking for everyone to complete a Community District Needs Assessment Survey so they can obtain feedback from leaders and residents within Community District Ten. She mentioned that the surveys will be in the back where she is going to be sitting and can answer questions that anyone may have. She thanked the audience.

BM Feliciano announced to the audience that she has been working with a charity the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child for twenty-six years. She informed the audience that if anyone has anything, they would like to donate for a child that all donations can be given to the District Office of Community Board Ten. Donations are placed inside a shoe box with the charity's logo on it. She expressed the importance of helping this charity and the impact it has on a child less privileged.

Tom McCarthy, resident of Bay Ridge, expressed the need to get E-Bikes off the street. He voiced his concern about the danger it has on sidewalks and in the street caused by non-delivery personnel and by delivery personnel. He is seeking more enforcement and stricter E-Bike legislation.

David Marangio Member of the Brooklyn Voters Alliance announced that early voting will commence this year. Starting this Saturday voting will be taking place nine days prior to Election Day at specific and fewer locations than on Election Day. He stated that if anyone receives a voter's card via USPS to bring it to the location chosen to vote, so it can be scanned through an iPad designated for the poll. This will speed through the process of getting a ballot in. He mentioned the process if anyone hasn't received their voter's card or has moved within New York State. He discussed five ballot measures that constituents will be voting on during this year's election.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Chair Willis presented the FY 2021 Community Board Ten Capital and Expense Budget Priorities. Chair Willis asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the Capital Budget Priorities. Motion by BM Sokoloski, seconded by BM Gounardes.

**Motion: CB 10 to accept the FY 2021 Capital Budget Priorities as presented by the Executive Committee. 35 in favor. 1 recusal – BM Day. Motion carried.**

With regards to the Expense Budget Priorities, Chair Willis asked for a motion to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Motion by BM Festa, seconded by BM Collins.

Discussion followed.

BM Grimaldi asked for a clarification for new Board Members about the capital and expense priorities process. DM Beckmann explained that the Capital Budget Priorities are submitted to City Planning and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. OMB forwards requests to appropriate City Agencies. Most City Agencies do not have an active capital funding budget. Capital and Expense priorities are also forwarded to our Elected Officials within Community District Ten to secure funding. DM Beckmann added on an average at least two or three Capital Budget Priorities are funded every year.

BM Pulaski inquired about number ten on the Expense Budget Priorities and suggested that the Fort Hamilton Library Branch should have more hours for security personnel. DM Beckmann replied that she has received request from residents to add security personnel at this location. She stated that Community Board Ten can advocate for more security personnel, but the need for security personnel should be a direct call to the library branch. She said that she will reach out to our Brooklyn Public Library liaison to question if adding security personnel is possible.

**Motion: CB 10 to accept the FY 2021 Expense Budget Priorities as presented by the Executive Committee. 34 in favor. 2 recusals – BM Stelter, BM Day. Motion carried.**

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT – See Attached**

Chair Willis acknowledged the presence of Assembly Member Felix Ortiz and invited him to the podium to speak.

Assembly Member Felix Ortiz announced that he attended the 68th Precinct Community Council meeting, visited eight senior centers and attended some PTA meetings within his District and toured about twenty-eight schools. He stated that he was glad that the Governor had signed two bills. The first bill calls for the NYS Department of Mental Health to create awareness about Veterans with issues of humiliation regarding substance abuse and address the issue of homelessness. The second bill enhances community gardens which he began in 1995. He wished the audience a Happy Thanksgiving and a happy holiday season.

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

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Police and Public Safety Committee Member Mahoney rendered the Committee report in the absence of Committee Chair Vellucci. See attached.

Motion: CB10 to approve the new SLA Wine/Beer/Cider application for Brooklyn Bay Seafood Inc., 7026 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

Discussion followed.

Chair Willis asked if this establishment is set up as only a restaurant or is there a bar inside. BM Mahoney responded that it is only set up as a restaurant.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the new SLA Wine/Beer/Cider application for Brooklyn Bay Seafood Inc., 7026 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Motion: CB10 to approve the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for Dandy Lion Restaurant Corp., 8901 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

Discussion followed.

Chair Willis questioned if the front windows of this establishment fully open. The owner of the establishment was present at the meeting and replied that the windows do fully open.

BM Kaszuba asked what type of restaurant this establishment is. BM Mahoney responded that the owner presented a Diner/Café menu at the Committee meeting.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for Dandy Lion Restaurant Corp., 8901 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

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

Motion: CB10 to only approve the addition of the curb extensions and the hardened centerline on 3rd Avenue and Marine Avenue; to deny the DOT recommendation to reverse 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road, thereby denying signaling the east leg of 99th Street at 3rd Avenue. Also, recommend further study of right turn restrictions onto 99th Street during the school day, especially during peak hours; a stop sign mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court; and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue.

Discussion followed.

BM Thum asked if the curb extension eliminates parking spots.

Committee Chair Capetanakis replied that it will not eliminate parking spots. She stated that she couldn't understand why DOT didn't have on their summary page the extension of the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue and why it was left off.

BM Thum questioned the need of a stop sign at the mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court when a traffic signal already exists.

BM Harrison explained the recommendation for further study was suggested concerning a mid-block stop sign, right turn restrictions onto 99th Street during the school day, especially during peak hours, and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue if DOT was proceeding with the reversal of ongoing traffic at 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road.

Chair Willis stated that the motion states the Community Board denies the reversal of 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road.

BM Harrison mention that if DOT was proceeding with the reversal that a study should be conducted to determine what is warranted and Community Board Ten would be advised of their findings.

Committee Chair Capetanakis said that it is a complicated corner/street and a stop sign already exists when coming out of Harbor Court, but not when you exit 99<sup>th</sup> Street and this intersection is concerning to residents. She mentioned that the right turn during peak hours was also concerning to residents. She stated that the extension of the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue is not indicated on the summary page and it needs to be.

BM Falutico suggested that the motion should be split into three different categories.

Committee Chair Capetanakis said that in the past sometimes when trying to be thoughtful things get misinterpreted, and thanked BM Falutico for her suggestion.

Chair Willis clarified the motion, if recommended, to separate into three categories as suggested by BM Falutico.

BM Gounardes said that she recalled the meeting that DOT had in June 2018 regarding this topic and she suggested a left turn signal from 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue into Marine Avenue to alleviate traffic. This would help pedestrians when crossing Marine Avenue. She asked if this suggestion was voiced to the Traffic and Transportation Committee.

Committee Chair Capetanakis responded as to her knowledge it was never discussed.

Chair Willis announced that there is a motion on the floor to amend the original motion.

Motion by BM Falutico, second by BM Harrison.

Motion: CB10 to approve the motion to amend the original motion to separate into three categories.

First Motion: CB10 to only approve the addition of the curb extensions and the hardened centerline on 3rd Avenue and Marine Avenue.

Second Motion: CB10 to deny the DOT recommendation to reverse 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road, thereby denying signalizing the east leg of 99th Street at 3rd Avenue.

Third Motion: CB10 to recommend to DOT to conduct further studies of the right turn restrictions onto 99th Street during the school day, especially during peak hours and a stop sign mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue.

Discussion followed.

BM Harrison stated that he is not opposed to separating the motion into three categories, but he believes there is no need to ask DOT to conduct further studies if the Board is in favor of denying the reversal of 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road.

Committee Chair Capetanakis expressed that she was unclear of BM Harrison's intention of eliminating DOT from conducting further studies. She mentioned that her purpose was to make sure that the realigning of the crosswalk was indicated and that the concerns that were brought to the Committee's attention by residents were considered. She voiced that she believed that the motion was being left as it was and not based on the reversal of the block.

Chair Willis voiced her opinion that she is in favor of separating the motion into three categories.

BM Rasinya said that by separating the motion into three categories is practical, but what is concerning to him is now DOT has an opportunity to deny parts of the motion and that is not what he wants to happen. He wants DOT to address the motion as one to get the result that is needed. He is not in favor of separating the motion.

Chair Willis stated that the motion remains on the floor.

BM Mahaney asked for clarification of the motion on the floor.

Chair Willis explained the motion.

BM Mahaney mentioned that to her recollection the Committee didn't deny the reversal of the block but asked for further studies.

Chair Willis called the motion.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the motion to amend the original motion to separate into three categories.**

**First Motion: CB10 to only approve the addition of the curb extensions and the hardened centerline on 3rd Avenue and Marine Avenue.**

**Second Motion: CB10 to deny the DOT recommendation to reverse 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road, thereby denying signaling the east leg of 99th Street at 3rd Avenue.**

**Third Motion: CB10 to recommend that DOT conduct further studies of the right turn restrictions onto 99th Street during the school day, especially during peak hours and a stop sign be installed mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue.**

**15 in favor; 18 opposed. Motion failed.**

Chair Willis announced that the original motion remains on the floor.

Motion made by BM Harrison, second by BM Kaszuba to amend the original motion.

Motion: CB10 to approve the motion to amend the original motion as follows: to approve the addition of the curb extensions and the hardened centerline on 3rd Avenue and Marine Avenue; to disapprove the DOT's recommendation to reverse 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road, thereby denying signaling the east leg of 99th Street at 3rd Avenue, as currently proposed by DOT pending further studies; Also, recommend further study of right turn restrictions onto 99th Street from 3rd Avenue during the school day, especially during peak hours; a stop sign be installed mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court; and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99th Street to the curb on 3rd Avenue.

Discussion followed.

BM Thum asked for clarification and stated that vehicles are double parked at 99<sup>th</sup> Street, Shore Road. She expressed that she believes that Fontbonne should be advised that parents and/or guardians that are dropping off or picking up students are creating a hazardous condition when double parking their vehicles. Committee Chair Capetanakis stated that this topic was discussed, and it becomes a matter of enforcement.

DM Beckmann voiced that this wasn't the origin of this plan and that it began when a serious incident occurred at Marine Avenue and 3rd Avenue. She pointed out that when DOT was addressing improvements at this location it was the Board who asked why the signalization at 99th Street and 3rd Avenue is off set at the intersection. She mentioned that the issue with Fontbonne was raised and can be brought to the school's attention for enforcement.



Chair Willis emphasized that once DOT installs a light, they will not remove it no matter how incorrectly it was placed. She mentioned that this creates an issue and that is why it is brought before us.

BM Rasinya noted that DOT mentioned that accidents have decreased. He stated that this matter is not based on how many accidents occurred except for the one serious incident, and it is regarding the removal of the light. He mentioned to address this situation a physical change must occur. He explained that New York City / New York State are obligated to follow Federal Guidelines which state that once a light is placed it shall not be removed unless a physical change occurs.

BM Stelter questioned if the red, yellow, and green traffic light can be changed to a flashing light.

DM Beckmann responded that DOT will not change the traffic light.

BM Hetteix reiterated that the motion to amend made by BM Harrison to include further studies by DOT is logical.

BM Harrison stated he is concerned that DOT will approve the reversal of 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road.

Chair Willis noted that DOT provided data from 2012 to 2016 at the prior Traffic and Transportation Committee meeting, and at the last Traffic and Transportation Committee meeting dated October 17, 2019 DOT provided data from 2013 to 2017, which indicated three more motor vehicle occupant injuries since the installation of the traffic light.

BM Rasinya pointed out that DOT was referring to the statistics of 2018 to 2019.

Chair Willis granted a resident the opportunity to ask a question.

Resident asked if DOT can reverse 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road if Community Board Ten is not in favor of the reversal.

Chair Willis responded that DOT can approve the reversal even if Community Board Ten is not in favor of it. She clarified that DOT reaches out to Community Board Ten for their feedback, but it is based on the data that is collected by DOT.

Committee Chair Capetanakis mentioned that DOT inquires about the information that Community Board Ten receives from residents in prior meetings, emails, phone calls, and/or in person.

Chair Willis asked about what sense Community Board Ten received from DOT with respect to the reversal of the block.

DM Beckmann replied that DOT said they wouldn't proceed with the reversal of 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road if it was not supported by the Board. Committee Chair Capetanakis voiced that DOT was opposed to the reversal of the block after obtaining residents' comments and/or explanations.

Chair Willis reiterated that DOT would not proceed with the reversal of 99th Street between 3rd Avenue and Shore Road if it was opposed by the Board.

DM Beckmann clarified that at the Traffic and Transportation committee meeting DOT's Coordinator Mr. Branch emphasized that DOT will not proceed with the reversal of the block.

BM Sokoloski spoke about the complexity of this topic and that the motion to amend that was made by BM Harrison simplifies what is being asked of DOT.

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**31 in favor. 5 recusals. Motion carried.**

### **BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Budget and Personnel Committee Chair Rasinya rendered the Committee report. See attached.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the allocation of funds in Fiscal Year 2020 from a New York City Council Grant in the amount of \$42,500.00 and a Grant from New York City Council Member Justin Brannan in the amount of \$5,000.00.**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **PARKS COMMITTEE**

Parks Committee Chair Gounardes rendered the Committee report. See attached.

Chair Willis stated that she or a member of her family walks their dog every morning at Shore Road Park and notices that NYC Parks worker Bobby Bourne could use additional volunteers to service the park. She encouraged the audience to volunteer at Shore Road Park.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Communications and Public Relations Committee report was rendered by Committee Chair Kaszuba. See attached.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the setup of Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts in order to promote and forward announcements and information. The accounts will be monitored daily by the District Office of Community Board Ten and Members of the Communications and Public Relations Committee. All communications will be first approved by Community Board Ten's District Manager Beckmann before being posted.**

Discussion followed.

Chair Willis pointed out that the District Office doesn't have enough staff to reply to any comments and confirmed it is exclusively for displaying information for upcoming events and/or news.

Committee Chair Kaszuba confirmed the motive of having Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

BM Gounardes asked if comments can be made on any postings.

Chair Willis verified that no comments can be submitted.

**Motion: CB10 to approve the setup of Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts in order to promote and forward announcements and information. The accounts will be monitored daily by the District Office of Community Board Ten and Members of the Communications and Public Relations Committee. All communications will be first approved by Community Board Ten's District Manager Beckmann before being posted.**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Jessica Kallo from the Borough President's office pointed out to the audience that Communications and Public Relations Committee Chair Kaszuba mentioned that he would like to have more active people within Community Board Ten. She responded to that comment and informed the audience that last year she received 154 applications which is one of the highest in the Borough and that indicates how many people are interested in being involved with Community Board Ten.

Chair Willis said that there was a vote to amend the City Charter regarding the term limit of a Board Member, but she believes that Community Board Ten has a vigorous turn over and that sometimes people move on for different reasons.

DM Beckmann added to Chair Willis' comment that there was a twenty percent turn over this past year.

BM Kaszuba mentioned that when voting in the upcoming election, to analyze question #5 because it involves Zoning and Land Use, and this will help with the submission of applications during the summer hiatus.

BM Stelter expressed his fears concerning the shared bike lanes that have been placed on the 400 block at Bay Ridge Parkway where he resides.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

Motion to adjourn by BM Vallas. With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 10**  
**GENERAL BOARD MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 21, 2019**  
**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Good evening. My report tonight will be brief, as we have a lot to get to this evening.

Earlier this month I and District Manager Beckmann gave testimony at the New York City Council's Consumer Affairs Committee hearing in support of the Dyker Heights Lights Bill which had been introduced by Councilman Justin Brannan to prohibit vendors in the prime Lights viewing area from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day. Councilman Brannan was able to have the Consumer Affairs Committee Chair, Raphael Espinal, bring the matter to the Council for a vote before the start of the impending Dyker Lights season. Captain Conwell of the 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct also appeared to give testimony and informed that this legislation would greatly assist our law enforcement in regulating and controlling the crowds in this area. Testimony was also given in favor of the Bill by the Dyker Heights Civic Association. I am happy to say that the bill was approved on Wednesday by the Committee, and was passed by the full Council on Thursday. I would like to thank Councilman Brannan for bringing forth the bill and this Board for all of its work in, once again, championing a community concern and effecting a change to address it. This was truly a collaborative effort, and I hope that the practical effects of this legislation will help to regulate this event and ameliorate the dangers and problems that have evolved as it has grown from a local display to a tourist destination.

Tonight you will be hearing from our Communications Committee about plans to have the Board's newsletter posed on social media in order to improve our district's awareness of our events and to make that information more widely known and accessible. We do a great deal of public notice and outreach, but I think this will be a great help in providing notice to the members of our district.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you who are here tonight, and those of you who were able to attend your committee meetings, and I wish you all a safe and happy Halloween.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lori Willis".

Lori Willis, Chair

**District Manager Report**  
**October 21, 2019**

Good Evening Board Members,

The District Office has been busy this month preparing for Fiscal Year 2021 budget. Over the past month I attended several budget consultation meetings with agencies of the City of New York to discuss overall budgetary needs which were reflected in our priority lists voted upon tonight.

First I would like to congratulate the 400 Block of Doctor's Row for completing the final hurdle of their historic district designation. The City Council voted Thursday to affirm the Landmarks Preservation Commission's decision to designate Doctors Row a historic district. Their application has sparked interest on other blocks. Therefore, CB10's Zoning and Land Use Committee in conjunction with State Senator Andrew Gounardes and CM Justin Brannan will be hosting a Landmarking 101 informational session on October 29<sup>th</sup> – 7pm at Our Lady of Angels School Auditorium 344 74<sup>th</sup> Street. Kelly Carroll of the Historic Districts Council will give a step by step explanation of the Landmarking process to interested residents.

CB10 received an update regarding the 86<sup>th</sup> Street Elevator Construction - 86th Street Elevator Construction at 4th Avenue. The MTA Contractor El Sol has informed us that they are applying for the Holiday Embargo waiver again this year for their construction at 86<sup>th</sup> Street Station. DOT's OCMC unit will review this request. They will be able to prepare the area for the NYC Marathon.

We are being asked to spread the word for DSNY as we approach leaf season, I encourage all residents to pitch in and help in leaf collection by sweeping and raking leaves and bagging them. Residents should sweep 18 inches from the curb and bag the leaves to help the sweepers. It slowly becomes our biggest complaint in CB10 during the latter parts of October and November. The Department of Sanitation sweeper trucks are not vacuum trucks so they merely sweep and pick up as many leaves as they are capable of doing.

The District Office of Community Board Ten has been working with residents to address complaints that the Stop Sign on Colonial Road at 80<sup>th</sup> Street (heading northbound) is not visible to drivers because tree branches are blocking the sign. Dorothy and I visited the site last week and we agree branches blocked the Stop Sign by about 95%. The markings on the street were refurbished back in 2017 when this intersection was a news story for vehicles not heeding the Stop Sign when it was visible. We were informed by NYC Parks that tree pruning to fully reveal the STOP sign would harm the tree to an extent that would cause its decline. Residents are concerned that many vehicles do not see this stop sign if they are unfamiliar with the area so I have asked DOT to install a larger Stop Sign visible to motorists. In the meantime, I am urging all to pay attention when driving and crossing at this intersection.

The Parks Department also has a new protocol/priority system adopted some time ago (in July 2017) but we have noted its use recently in 311 responses and are experiencing an increase in calls from some frustrated residents. All of NYC Parks current tree maintenance is based on risk management assessment and work is prioritized based on the likelihood of tree failure, impact, and consequences of impact. For example a mid size tree branch that is hanging from a tree that is deemed by a forester upon inspection as not likely to cause significant damage will generate a work order that may take up to 180 days to complete. We recently had a tree branch hanging on Bay Ridge Parkway 500 block and many residents remain frustrated that it can take up to 180 days to address.

Milling and resurfacing will commence this week thanks to the incredible advocacy by our City Council Member Justin Brannan along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from Bay Ridge Parkway to 90<sup>th</sup> Street. As you know, this area has undergone extensive National Grid and utility work and is in pretty bad shape. Milling work will begin tonight and continue

The MTA has informed the District Office that they are proceeding with a series of public meetings to discuss their efforts to redesign the bus network. It is their goal to improve local bus service. There will be 2 sessions in CB10 area including curbside at 86<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue tomorrow October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4pm to 7pm and again at the Bay Ridge Library, Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8pm at the Bay Ridge Library 7223 Ridge Blvd. I was told that MTA will be coming to Community Boards before any new routes are proposed. I have brochures provided by the MTA if anyone is interested.

#### **Announcements:**

The Bay Ridge Community Council has requested that I share information with you An Evening of Health presented by Maimonides Medical Center featuring several presentations at Saint Anselm Catholic Academy 1<sup>st</sup> Floor at 7pm. Dinner and refreshments will be served.

Also, the BRCC will be sponsoring its Annual Halloween Art Contest on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Halloween.

During the November Board Meeting next month.. we will once again be collecting canned foods and other food pantry items in loving memory of our late CB10 Member Helen Sokolski who was a dedicated volunteer and was passionate about the need to collect food to donate to needy families. All food items donated will be provided to Saint Vincent DePaul food pantry at Saint Patricks Church.

The NYC Marathon will take place on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – road closures and other details will be posted on our website.

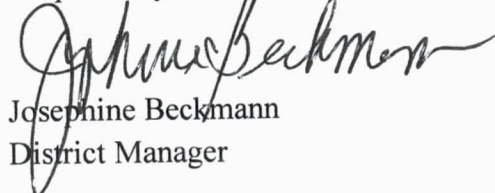
Halloween events include NIA Halloween Festival on Thursday, October 31, 2019 at Owls Head Park, Colonial Road at 68<sup>th</sup> Street. NIA will also host its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Spooktacular for families on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 4pm on 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 66<sup>th</sup> and 67<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Congratulations to Board Member Dianne Gounardes who was honored by the Neighborhood Improvement Association this month.

Congratulations also to Detective Harold Kirschner who was transferred to the Department of Investigation. We wish him well in his new assignment.

The next General Board Meeting will be on Monday, November 18, 2019 at Fort Hamilton Senior Center 9941 Fort Hamilton Parkway at 7 **PM**.

Respectfully submitted,



Josephine Beckmann  
District Manager



**POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
COMMUNITY BOARD 10**

Date/Time: October 7, 2019 – 7:00PM

Place: District Office, 8119 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11209

Quorum: Yes

**- New Application for Wine, Beer & Cider License for Brooklyn Bay Seafood, Inc.**

Premises: 7026 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11209

This is a new SLA application for a restaurant wine/beer/cider license. The applicant and owner, Mr. Chao Liu, was present at this hearing. The operation of this establishment is as a full restaurant and is presently in operation. This restaurant has 14 tables and 32 seats. The owner doesn't expect to have more than 40 people in the establishment at any one time. The hours of operation are 12 P.M. to 11 P.M., Sunday thru Saturday. Menu, floorplan and photos were provided. The indoor premises will only have background music. It was noted that the windows are open, but the music is and will be kept very low. There will be no use of any outdoor space. The owner has agreed to return to the Community Board if there is any change in method of operation.

The committee voted unanimously to approve this application.

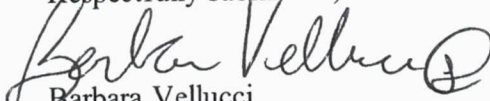
**- New Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider License for Dandy Lion, Corp.**

Premises: 8901 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11209

This is a new SLA application for a restaurant liquor/wine/beer/cider license. The applicant/owner, Mr. James Warchol, was present at this hearing. Also present was the manager, Mr. John Cambio. Mr. Cambio is the former owner of the former Bay Ridge Restaurant Lai Yuen. The operation of this establishment is as a full restaurant. This restaurant has 35 tables and 140 seats. A certificate of public assembly is held. The hours of operation are Sunday thru Thursday 7 A.M. – 10 P.M. & Friday and Saturday 7 A.M. – 11 P.M. The indoor premises will only have background music. There will be no use of any outdoor space. Floor plan, menu and photos were provided. The owner has agreed to return to the Community Board if there is any change in method of operation.

The committee voted unanimously to approve this application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Barbara Vellucci  
Chairperson



## **Traffic and Transportation Report: October 17, 2019**

**Chair: Jaynemie Capetanakis**

### Committee Members:

- Doris Cruz
- Michael Devigne
- Carmen Feliciano
- Dianne Gounardes (Excused)
- Judith Grimaldi
- Steve Harrison
- Stephanie Mahaney
- Ryan Mahoney (excused)
- Nick Nikolopoulos (absent)
- Dean Rasinya
- Joseph Sokoloski
- Larry Stelter
- Lori Willis, Chair (excused)
- Josephine Beckmann, District Manager

The membership of the Traffic and Transportation Committee met at the Fort Hamilton Senior Center on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

The first four items on our agenda were presentations of street naming applications. As per our guidelines, presentations are made at our committee meeting and updates are shared at the general board meeting. Next month, the application will come up for committee vote and recommendations to the full board will follow. Tonight we have only informational reports.

- First, we have an Update on an applicant's presentation of a Street naming application for 69th Street and Shore Road for Dominick Della Rocca Way. This is an Informational Report. This application is being made by Mr. Della Rocca's daughter Shelley Della Rocca Aprea. Besides being a long time business owner in Bay Ridge operating Della Rocca's restaurant on Bay Ridge Avenue, Ms. Aprea spoke to the committee about her father's extensive work in community service. We learned that Dominick Della Rocca was the leader of an organization which began as the Locality Mayors and grew into being "The Community Mayors." Under his leadership for nearly fifty years, this organization is a not for profit, non-political group that focuses on special needs children and is dedicated to improving the quality of life of children with disabilities. If you've ever seen news coverage around the holidays of "Operation Santa Claus" where children receive gifts from Santa who flies in on an airplane at JFK that is an example of their extensive work. We were given several newspaper articles and lists of awards and testimonials of his work here in Bay Ridge, across Brooklyn, and at a special summer camp for blind children that Mr. Della Rocca helped organize in upstate New York.
- Our second Update is on an applicant's presentation of a Street naming application for 81st Street and Ridge Blvd. for Father Paul Schneirla Way/St. Mary's Church. This is an Informational Report. This application is being made by members of the parish and the current pastor Fr. Michael Ellias. We learned that Fr. Paul became pastor of St. Mary's at its founding in 1951 and served continuously for over 50 years until his retirement in 2002. Besides his duties at his beloved parish, we learned that Fr. Paul was a general board member of the National Council of Churches, Vicar General of the Antiochian West Archdiocese, a published author, literary scholar, professor of theology and recognized as a leading voice in interfaith dialogue around the world. This application also came with signatures from over 150 parishioners and many heartfelt letters,

including from Fr. Paul's children, who spoke about his calling to the ministry and serving people. As his daughter wrote, "Fr. Paul and St. Mary's Bay Ridge are linked for all time. To honor them with a street name is to underscore the happiest of associations founded in a commitment and dedication to the spirit of goodness, to community and to the city at large."

- Third, we have an Update on an applicant's presentation of a Street naming application for 74th Street and 4th Avenue for Patrolman Arthur Loewe Way. This is an Informational Report. This application is being made by Richard Lejman, who is also a retired police officer from the same precinct as Patrolman Loewe, which was formerly the 78<sup>th</sup> Precinct and is currently the 72<sup>nd</sup> Precinct. Patrolman Loewe gave his life in the line of duty on July 22, 1922 when he was 26 years old. Officer Loewe was a World War 1 Veteran and five year member of the NYPD when he died. He was a resident of Bay Ridge and had a large extended family, some of whom still live on the block on 74<sup>th</sup> Street where he was raised. On the night he died, Officer Loewe responded to a call of men attempting to break into a home on 8<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. When Officer Loewe ordered them to stop, one began shooting at him. Although wounded Officer Loewe reloaded and continued a valiant gun battle. Officer Loewe was given the honor of an Inspector's Funeral, he was posthumously awarded an Honorable Mention and Medal of Honor by the NYPD. In 1939, a Youth Center was named after him. Officer Loewe was buried from Our Lady of Angels Church and one of his brothers had been assigned as a priest to that parish. This past year, thanks to the efforts of Officer Lejman and others, a memorial plaque was installed at the precinct. As the plaque reads, "No greater devotion to sworn duty can a police officer demonstrate to God and to man than to lay down his life in the line of duty."
- Our final application is an Update on an applicant's presentation of a Street naming in honor of St. Ephrem's 100th Anniversary, at Bay Ridge Parkway and Fort Hamilton Parkway. This is an Informational Report. This application is being made by Pastor Reverend Robert Adamo and was presented to our committee by Barbara Vellucci. Besides the ministry, we learned about the many organizations that the parish and school has organized to help all members of the community. This includes youth activities, sports, scouting, a teen club, summer camp and a summer enrichment program. Their services extend through parish life as they also host a senior citizen center. St. Ephrem's extends their services to benefit the homeless, conduct donations to food pantries, clothing drives and outreach to the homebound, sick and elderly. Many social and community events are hosted at St. Ephrem's and all of their programs are offered to the entire community, regardless of faith. Additionally, St. Ephrem's School opened in 1922 and has educated tens of thousands of students; since 2018, it has been a Catholic Academy and has grown in school enrollment. As noted in their application, St. Ephrem's welcomes "the opportunity to expand the many programs and opportunities for our parish community to better serve all members of our Dyker Heights, Fort Hamilton and Bay Ridge communities in the future."
- Next, we have an Update on request by Senator Gounardes' Youth Street Safety Committee regarding an Educational Campaign. This is an Informational Report. Our committee heard from Preston Ferraiuolo, a student at Regis High School and member of the committee. Preston spoke to us about their focus to approach and engage students and their request to partner with Community Board 10. Their plans include inviting schools to participate in an art contest themed for street safety and that the winning artwork will be used for banners in the neighborhood. As plans are developed, we look forward to hearing from Preston and the Youth Street Safety Committee as we work on our mutual goal of improving the safety of all members of our community.

The last item on our agenda is an Update on DOT presentation of pedestrian safety enhancements at Marine Avenue and 3rd Avenue. We will have a Committee Report and Recommendation, followed by a Discussion and Vote. This intersection has been of great concern to Community Board 10 and the residents that live along these streets. There are long crossing distances of 75 feet at 99<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 90 feet at Marine Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Soft, wide turns from Marine Avenue to 3<sup>rd</sup> allow vehicles to turn

at higher speed. The existing crosswalk is set back from 99<sup>th</sup> Street and does not extend to the curb on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Additionally, a traffic signal was added in 2015 that is on the corner by 99<sup>th</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. DOT presented safety enhancements to our Community Board in June 2018 that included installing 4 painted neck-downs to shorten crossing distances, putting in a harden centerline to slow turns onto Marine Avenue and realign the crosswalk at 99<sup>th</sup> Street. However, the board felt that they had not taken into consideration the effects that the traffic signal had on the intersection and that they complete an engineering review of the signal work. After a year of review, the presentation given last week to the committee and community included adding three curb extensions, a harden centerline on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Marine Avenue, however, in order to change the location of the traffic signal, it would require changing the directionality of 99<sup>th</sup> Street. The new DOT proposal included that to signalize the east leg of 99<sup>th</sup> Street at 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, we would have to reverse the directionality of traffic on 99<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Shore Road, meaning that traffic from 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue would turn down 99<sup>th</sup> Street toward Shore Road. Our Traffic and Transportation meeting was the first time the committee and residents of the community were hearing the new proposals and viewing their Power Point. We had a full room of residents in attendance and about nine people signed up to speak, with several others speaking from the audience. Overwhelmingly, residents were not in favor of changing the directionality of 99<sup>th</sup> Street and many expressed frustration that the traffic light added in 2015 was put at the wrong intersection. We heard from many passionate people who felt they would not be able to get off their block, they were worried about snow removal, dangers from ice, and ultimately, they were concerned about safety. Residents believed the changes would endanger the many children who live on those blocks and the high school students who walk those streets. Additionally, the crosswalks are already dangerous for slow moving pedestrians, especially the very young and very old. The DOT explained that when the traffic light study was done in 2015, the intersection the residents preferred did not meet the guidelines for the threshold of volume that warrants a traffic signal. (The Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices listed 150 vehicles per hour as the lower threshold volume for a minor street approach with two or more lanes and 100 vehicles per hour applies as the lower threshold volume for a minor-street approach with one lane.) Simply put, while the configuration of the streets makes more sense at the corner of 99<sup>th</sup> Street next to the liquor store, there is a very low volume of traffic on that street of well under 50 vehicles per hour at both average and peak times. Whereas, across the street, at 99<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, that intersection meets the threshold for a traffic light. It stands to reason that the volume of parents dropping students off at Fontbonne may turn up that street and add to the number of vehicles. However, once a traffic signal is installed, there must be a change that warrants moving it or re-examining the area. Without a change in directionality, there cannot be a change in signal. The committee met in quorum and voted to only approve the addition of curb extensions and the harden centerline on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Marine Avenue; the committee voted to disapprove the DOT recommendation to reverse 99<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Shore Road, thereby disapproving to signalize the east leg of 99<sup>th</sup> Street at 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. The committee also recommended further study of right turn restrictions onto 99<sup>th</sup> street during the school day, especially during peak hours; a stop sign mid-block at the intersection of Harbor Court; and to extend the existing crosswalk at 99<sup>th</sup> Street to the curb on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Any questions or discussion. Are we ready to vote? All in favor; any objections; any recusals or abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaynemie Capetanakis

October 19, 2019

# **Brooklyn Community Board Ten Budget and Personnel Committee Report October 17, 2019**

The Budget and Personnel Committee of Brooklyn Community Board Ten met, in quorum, on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the District Office. Committee Members Barbara Germack, Brian Kaszuba, Sandy Vallas, and Chair Dean Rasinya were in attendance. Also present was District Manager Josephine Beckmann.

The purpose of the meeting was to allocate funds for Fiscal Year 2020 from a New York City Council Grant in the amount of \$42,500.00 and a Grant from New York City Council Member Justin Brannan in the amount of \$5,000.00.

After considering recommendations from Board Member Doris Cruz the Committee recommends the following:

## New York City Council Grant of \$42,500.00

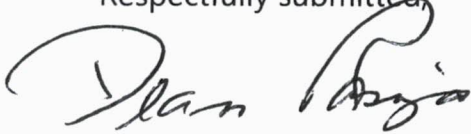
CUSTOMER RELATIONS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND COMPUTER TRAINING FOR STAFF	\$6,500.00
NEW AWNING FOR DISTRICT OFFICE	3,500.00
DIGITIZE ZONING FILES	11,800.00
UPGRADE TWO COMPUTERS	2,200.00
BACK UP SERVER SYSTEM	1,500.00
PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM	500.00
YOUTH FORUM/PUBLICATION--DANGERS OF VAPING	5,000.00
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY EDUCATION-- ART CONTEST/BANNERS	2,000.00
EDDM MAILING/POSTAGE	4,000.00
TEMP SERVICES	5,000.00
CARPET CLEANING	500.00
TOTAL:	\$42,500.0

COUNCIL MEMBER JUSTIN BRANNAN GRANT \$5,000.00

UPDATE AND PRINT THE RESOURCE DIRECTORY  
AND COUPON BOOKLET FOR THE MILITARY AND  
VETERAN COMMUNITY

\$5,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean Rasinya". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

Dean Rasinya  
Chair, Budget and Personnel Committee

**Minutes from the Parks Committee Meeting of Community Board 10**  
**Tuesday, September 24, 2019**

The Parks Committee met on Tuesday evening, September 24, 2019 in the Community Board 10 office at 7 p.m. Five committee members were in attendance so we did not meet in quorum. We welcomed representatives from Senator Gounardes and Councilman Brannan's offices as well as Lauren Sylvester from NYC Parks Department, and guests at large.

**Topic #1 – Review of Parks Capital Projects**

District Manager Josephine Beckman explained that during the month of October, we engage in the adoption of capital projects for the district. She shared a power point with the committee that highlighted the Capital and Expense Priorities of the previous fiscal year. Community Board 10 actually has 352.51 acres of parkland. The major parks are:

- Shore Road Park
- Dyker Beach Park
- Owl's Head Park
- McKinley Park
- Leif Ericson Park
- JJ Carty Park
- Cannonball Park

We also learned of the 2014-2019 Service Requests from the Department of Parks and Recreation where the majority of complaints dealt with damaged trees, overgrown tree branches, maintenance of areas, new tree requests, root sewer and sidewalk conditions, dead or dying trees, and other miscellaneous categories of complaints. We heard of various tree damage issues like broken limbs or branches, split tree trunks, and cracked branches. The Parks Department currently provides a tree-pruning schedule that is on a 7-year cycle. This means someone can call in a complaint and if the issue is not an immediate hazard the tree will not be pruned until it is due in the 7-year cycle. We learned that there is a new system for forestry, where trees or limbs that have fallen are prioritized and if they are not a hazard, it can take up to 90 days to resolve the problem.

We then reviewed the FY 2020 Capital Priority Requests from last year, along with the responses from Parks:

- Request an engineering study of Shore Road Promenade / Bicycle Path
- Repair or build new seawall or bulkheads along Belt Parkway
- Owl's Head Park, Lower Path Erosion with full landscaping plan and drainage system
- Reconstruct or upgrade Fort Hamilton Senior Center parking lot
- Reconstruct or upgrade Shore Road Park – renovate hexagon paving and unintended overgrown landscaping
- Reconstruct or upgrade JJ Carty Park – refurbish basketball courts
- Reconstruct or upgrade JJ Carty Park – refurbish playground equipment
- Reconstruct or upgrade Owl's Head Park – refurbish basketball courts

- **Reconstruct or upgrade Cannonball Park – refurbish paths and benches including water fountains**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade McKinley Park – repairs/upgrades to comfort stations including handicap accessibility**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade McKinley Park – upgrade play equipment and landscaping**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Shore Road Park – interior paths from 79<sup>th</sup> to 95<sup>th</sup> Streets**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Dyker Beach Park – remaining ballfields**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Dyker Beach Park – asphalt field**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Russell Pederson Playground – new play equipment, spray showers and separate adult exercise area from children’s play ground**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Russell Pederson – basketball courts**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Leif Ericson Park – ball field on 67<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade – tennis courts at**
  - **Bay 8<sup>th</sup> Street**
  - **Leif Ericson Park**
  - **Shore Road Park**
- **Provide new comfort station at Shore Road Promenade Bike Path**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Shore Road Park – at Narrows Botanic Gardens to install security fence**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Shore Road Park – complete renovation of field**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Dyker Beach Park – playground**
- **Reconstruct or upgrade Dyker Beach Park – Golf Course**

**We also spoke about the need to refurbish the 76<sup>th</sup> Street steps. We had made a request to make this street a “Green Street” whereby the Parks Department would take care of maintaining the area. Unfortunately, the Parks Department no longer participates in this program because they do not have a maintenance budget for this.**

**New requests included:**

- **Looking at possibilities for upgrades to Leif Ericson Park specifically between Ridge Boulevard and Third Avenue as well as a possible dog run between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**
- **Water Fountains in Shore Road Park and in Cannonball Park**

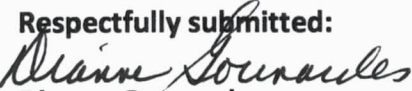
**We then reviewed the FY 2020 CB10 Expense Priority Requests as follows:**

- **Forestry services, street tree maintenance**
- **Other park maintenance and safety requests – increased personnel to keep park bathrooms open beyond 3 pm**
- **Provide more programs in the parks**
- **Other park maintenance and safety requests – grass cutting crews**
- **Increased funding for forestry inspectors**
- **Increase park services funding allocation to hire additional maintenance operations to do rodent abatement**
- **Increased funding to provide erosion control and better park maintenance**
- **Enhance park safety through more security staff – police or parks enforcement**

Parks manager shared that we are short-staffed in CB 10. It is more important than ever to encourage volunteer groups to come forward on a consistent basis so that we can maintain the beautiful parks in our neighborhood. We were also encouraged to seek our additional maintenance funding from our Councilman.

There being no other business to conduct, the committee meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Dianne Gounardes  
Chair, Parks Committee



### **Introduction**

The Communications and Public Relations Committee Meeting met at 7:00 on October 15, 2019 at the CB 10 District Office. We meet in quorum.

### **Topic #1: Vote on the use of social media platforms and the future direction of the Committee**

I would like to first like to thank the chair Lori Willis for asking me to serve as Chair of this Committee. I am excited to be working with the members of this committee to build upon the work they have started the last couple of years to improve Board communications.

The Committee acknowledges that CB 10 is a vital and active Board with strong committees that take actions on a regular basis to improve and advocate for our community. Our Board takes very strong, thought out, substantive positions on all matters. It's important that the community understands why we take these actions. And our Committee can serve as an avenue to make sure that happens.

Unfortunately, with last year's Charter referendum change imposing term limits on Community Board members, it has become even more important that the Board becomes even more proactive in self-promotion. Many New Yorkers that voted in favor of term limits did not understand what a CB was and what we did. Furthermore, since we now are stuck with term limits, it becomes imperative that the Board educates the Community about the importance of Board members in order to ensure we continue to solicit application for quality new members.

With that the Committee discussed several ways that we can better promote our Board to all members of the community. The committee understands that there is no one way to affectively reach everyone, and that different demographics get there information in different ways.

1. Last year, CB 10 debut its online newsletter which gets emailed to a distribution list. Presently we have over 2000 people on the distribution list with a 50% click rate which is a very strong number for email blasts. Right now, in order to get on the list, you have to give your contact information to the District Office and they can manually enter you to the list. The committee discussed working with the office to figure out a way to develop an online link or form that would allow interested people to sign up directly.

2. The Committee is going to take a look at the CB 10 informational booklet to see if we think it can be updated, we also will look at creating a PowerPoint presentation about CB 10 that we can use at other community meetings. This may include going to senior

centers, schools, block associations or other community group gathering.

3. The Committee believes it's important to reach the youth demographic in addition to the senior population. We believe while site visits educating people about the Board is important, we need to do more in order to spark active participation. The Committee will explore avenues and partnerships to create art contests, essay contests, CB 10 citizen awards a graduations, and other ways to encourage to not only educate people, but to activate potential future leaders and board members.

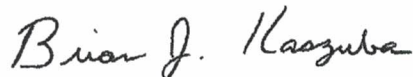
4. Finally, the Board discussed establishing social media accounts. The Committee believes that in addition to the email distribution list, the website, and any direct mail campaigns we have, it is now time that we have a presence on platforms such as FaceBook, Twitter, and Instagram. Many of our community members actively get their news and share information through social media. Many of our local elected officials have successfully used social media to learn about issues in the community, and to share responses or to alert the community about upcoming events or other government announcements. In addition, CB's around the City have used social member to promote upcoming committee and board meetings, public hearings, to forward messages received from City agencies such as film permits, parking issues, sanitation notices, and more. We can do the same.

With that, the Committee voted unanimously to approve a motion to set up a Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram account in order to promote and forward announcements and information. The accounts will be monitored daily by the district office and members of the Communications committee. All communications will be first approved by the District manager before posted.

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The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Brian J. Kaszuba  
Committee Chair Communications and Public Relations

Committee Members Attending:

Josephine Beckman, DM  
Brian Kaszuba, ZALUC Chair  
Tracie Britton-Pitcher  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Judith Collins  
Carmen Feliciano  
Jana Taoube

## STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
Komorebi FH Company Corp. 6201 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	7/15/2019	*New Application Wine, Beer & Cider
66 Club Inc. 815 66 <sup>th</sup> Street	7/15/2019	*New Application Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
El Castillo Restaurant Inc. 6811 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	10/10/2019	*New Application Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Luliano's Trotteria Corp., d/b/a Luliano's Wood Fired Pizza & Trattoria 7902 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	10/10/2019	*Alteration Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
PMC Bakery Corp. d/b/a Jean Danet Bakery 7526 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	10/16/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
F&M Campo Bello Restaurant II 9128 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	10/22/2019	*New Application Wine, Beer & Cider
Marestclau Inc., d/b/a Piccante 7214 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	10/28/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
Owls Head General Store LLC 479 74 <sup>th</sup> Street	10/29/2019	Renewal Wine, Beer & Cider
Captiva Enterprises Inc. d/b/a Cappuccino Café 7721 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	10/30/2019	Renewal Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Bar Ridge 8910 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue LLC Red, White & Brew 8910 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	11/1/2019	Renewal Liquor/Wine/Beer & Cider

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