

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance  
Shore Hill Community Room, 9000 Shore Road  
Monday, December 16, 2019 – 7:00 PM**

Board Members Present: (33)

Tracie Britton-Pitcher  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Judith Collins  
Ida D'Amelio  
Richard Day  
Michael Devigne  
Ann Falutico  
Carmen Feliciano  
Barbara Germack  
Ruth Greenfield Masyr  
Judith Grimaldi  
Stephen Harrison  
Daniel Hetteix  
Justin Hyatt  
Jill Infantolino-Hajjar  
June Johnson  
Habib Joudeh  
Stella Kokolis  
Marty Lentz  
Nicholas Massab  
Iris Mulé  
Susan Pulaski  
Dean Rasinya  
Husam Rimawi  
Adam Rosatti  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Henry Stewart  
Ali Taoube  
Jana Taoube  
Sandy Vallas  
Barbara Vellucci  
Michael Xie

Board Members Excused: (12)

Shirley Chin  
Doris Cruz  
Michael Festa  
Dianne Gounardes  
Steve Griffith  
Brian Kaszuba  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Stephanie Mahaney  
Ryan Mahoney  
Anthony Marino  
Julie Thum  
Lori Willis

Absent: (5)

Yasmin Dwedar  
John Heffernan  
Nick Nikolopoulos  
Giuseppe Tulumello  
Edward Yoo

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 16, 2019 SHORE HILL COMMUNITY ROOM, 9000 SHORE ROAD**  
**LIVESTREAM LINK [https://youtu.be/a6th\\_3isZmA](https://youtu.be/a6th_3isZmA)**

In the absence of Chair Willis, the meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Vice Chairperson Capetanakis who invited Joseph Riley, CEO of Guild for Exceptional Children (GEC), to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Joseph Riley, CEO of Guild for Exceptional Children (GEC), thanked Community Board Ten for this honor and for all their efforts and support they have given to Community District Ten. He also thanked the audience for being exceptional neighbors and for their services given to the GEC. He noted that the GEC commenced in 1958 and has been blessed with an outstanding community.

**A motion was made by BM Rasinya, second by BM Sokoloski to amend the Agenda to reflect that there will not be a report given by Chair Willis. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Vice Chairperson Capetanakis asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the November 18, 2019 General Board Meeting. Motion by BM Sokoloski second by BM Vellucci. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Council Member Justin Brannan announced that he recently worked with the Federation of the Italian American Organizations to restore the Christmas lights on 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue and that he was still unsure as to why it was stopped in the past. He mentioned that the lights viewing in Dyker Heights has improved since the City Council passed the Dyker Christmas Lights vendor ban in the prime viewing area. He said that a vendor found a way around the current bill but there are lawyers working to ensure that vending trucks are not permitted in the prime viewing area between November 28, 2019 and December 31, 2019. He wished the audience a happy holiday.

Mary Hetteix, Adult Education Program Coordinator for the Arab American Association of New York, announced that they are hosting FREE English classes starting on January 6, 2020, Monday to Thursday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Beit El Maqdis Islamic Center, 6206 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11220. She also mentioned that they provide Citizenship one-on-one tutoring on Friday mornings at their main office at 7111 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11209. Registration begins on December 17, 2019 to December 19, 2019.

Jay Filan, Branch Manager for Brooklyn Public Library Fort Hamilton Branch, stated that the branch hosted the Build-the-Block meeting for the 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct and it was successful with approximately twenty residents who attended. He mentioned that the branch has a Community Room and if an organization would like to use this space to please contact the branch at [bklynlibrary.org](http://bklynlibrary.org) or 718-748-6919. Mr. Filan announced that the branch will have their third English Conversation class beginning Monday mornings. He wished the audience a great holiday.

Clio Markman, Brooklyn Director for Congressman Max Rose, mentioned that they are sponsoring a new bill to address unwanted robocalls. He stated that they obtained \$1,250,000.00 for constituents either for delayed or denied payments.

Sarah Anders representing State Senator Gounardes, announced that the Senator wishes everyone a happy holiday. She stated that Senator Gounardes and Council Member Brannan sponsored some tree lighting events and on Friday, Senator Gounardes will host another tree lighting event on Gravesend. Ms. Anders said that this is a great time to support people in need and that anyone can sign up for the Three for Community Program. She mentioned that she left pledge cards in the back for anyone who is interested. She stated that Despina from



their office worked hard to formulate a transit report regarding issues residents endure with public transportation in Southern Brooklyn and a copy is available online and/or in their office. Ms. Anders mentioned that the Senate session commences on January 8, 2020 and that Senator Gounardes will be in Albany preparing his agenda for year 2020 and that he wants to focus on property tax reform.

Donald DeRosa from Comptroller Scott Stringer's office provided an update on two recent audits their office released. The Department of Corrections concerning closing Rikers and implementing Borough based jails. He stated that Rikers presently has eight thousand inmates which is the lowest level of prisoners in history but currently the yearly cost per inmate increased to \$300,000. The second audit is regarding the MTA purchase of three hundred new trains for \$600,000,000. Mr. DeRosa said that the MTA was supposed to receive three hundred trains in 2017 but only received ten test trains which were thirty-five months late. He spoke about the trains they received, and that the MTA had to pay over thirty-five million dollars in maintenance cost to get the trains to work. He mentioned that the report is available online at [comptroller.nyc.gov](http://comptroller.nyc.gov). He wished the audience a happy holiday and a Happy New Year.

Jabreel Jalloh, Brooklyn Borough Advocate, for the NYC Public Advocate office introduce himself. He explained to the audience that the NYC Public Advocate is a citywide Elected Official who serves as a direct link between people and government. He mentioned that their office provides oversight on different agencies and they can offer legislative solutions to make government work better for people. Today, Public Advocate Jumaane Williams released the worst landlord watchlist 2019 and can be viewed at [landlordwatchlist.com](http://landlordwatchlist.com). This list was created to inform residents of what landlords the City had an issue with. He wished the audience a happy holiday.

Jaime McFarland, resident of Bay Ridge, expressed her concerns about the vandalism that has been going on since October 2019. She voiced that her car is one of many cars that have been vandalized and she is asking for assistance in stopping this crime. She mentioned that the cameras in the park are no longer working and people are aware of that. She feels that there is not much being done, and she is at this meeting to raise awareness. Ms. McFarland noted that this neighborhood was always safe, and it's not safe anymore. She wished the audience a happy holiday.

Devon Morales, Constituent Liaison for Assemblywoman Frontus, noted that Assemblywoman Frontus was apologetic for not being able to attend the meeting but sent her best wishes to all for a happy and safe holiday. She mentioned that the Assemblywoman was ecstatic for being a part of a landmark in Albany this past year and that she was able to achieve having two bills passed. She stated that in January 2020 Assemblywoman Frontus will be working on one of her campaign promises, the Civic Engagement Series, which will assist people on how to start a small business. She said that they will probably have classes at their local library and to stay connected with their social media for updates. She announced that they will be connecting with New York Legal Assistance Group to have them bring their mobile van for legal service to their Bay Ridge office at 8525 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. She spoke about a Narcon training and certification program they will host for people to learn how to help a person who overdosed. She voiced that Assemblywoman Frontus is partnering with New York Cares for their 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Coat Drive. New or gently used and laundered winter coats can be donated and dropped off at their Bay Ridge office at 8525 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue or their Coney Island office at 2002 Mermaid Avenue. Ms. Morales stated that they are also having a pajama drive in partnership with Bay Ridge Cares and pajamas can be dropped off at their Bay Ridge District Office. She wished the audience a happy holiday season.

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

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT –**

The Treasurer's report was rendered by Secretary Vallas. See attached.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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

### POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Vellucci rendered the Committee report. See attached.

**Motion: CB10 to deny the application for a New SLA Wine/Beer/Cider license for Komorebi FH Company Corp., d/b/a Komorebi Full House, 6201 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, unless the owner agreed to the following stipulations:**

1. The premises will operate as a restaurant.
2. There will be no sale or consumption of alcohol on the premises until appropriate authorization is issued by the SLA. (BYOB is not permitted in NYS.)
3. The hours of operation will be Sunday – Thursday 11AM – 10PM & Friday/Saturday 11AM-11PM.
4. The doors and windows are to remain closed in coordination with any amplified music.
5. There will only be background recorded music and it will remain below the level permitted by the NYC Noise Code.
6. There will be no music on the outside of the premises.
7. The establishment shall not sponsor or use any promoter or have promoted events.
8. There will be no smoking permitted.
9. The applicant agrees that should it change its method of operation, it will give notice and meet with the Community Board/Committee, at least 45 days in advance of any such change.

All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion: CB10 to deny the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for El Castillo Restaurant Inc., 6811 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, unless the owner agreed to the following stipulations:**

1. The premises will operate as a restaurant.
2. There will be no sale or consumption of alcohol on the premises until appropriate authorization is issued by the SLA. (BYOB is not permitted in NYS.)
3. The hours of operation will be Sunday – Thursday 11AM – 10PM & Friday/Saturday 11AM-11PM.
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7. The establishment shall not sponsor or use any promoter or have promoted events.
8. There will be no smoking permitted.
9. The applicant agrees that should it change its method of operation, it will give notice and meet with the Community Board/Committee, at least 45 days in advance of any such change.

Discussion followed:

BM Falutico asked for clarification regarding the doors at the establishment when amplified music is played.



Committee Chair Vellucci explained that the owner must follow the NYC Noise Code which indicates that you cannot have the doors of the establishment open when playing amplified music.

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

Motion: CB10 to deny the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for 66 Cub Inc., 815 66<sup>th</sup> Street, in light of the fact that other karaoke establishments have had serious adverse histories, the security concerns, and the non-correctable safety concern for residents and patrons to our businesses.

Discussion followed.

BM Harrison voiced that he felt just because prior karaoke establishments were a problem doesn't mean this establishment would be and it shouldn't be held against them. He stated that the report shouldn't read prior karaoke establishments were a problem.

BM Infantolino-Hajjar replied the statement was indicated in the report due to the concern that the establishment would be open until 4:00 am without having another form of egress in the event of an emergency. She acknowledged that the owner stated that this establishment would not be problematic, but all owners of karaoke establishments stated that their establishments would not be a problem.

BM Harrison gave an example that just because an establishment with karaoke component had a problem doesn't mean the establishment down the block would have problems. He also stated that writing this in the report is impermissible by law and believes the State Liquor Authority may not accept the Board's recommendation to deny this application if worded as such.

BM Rasinya made a motion to strike from record.

BM Infantolino-Hajjar expressed that she is a volunteer who is speaking on behalf of residents and their concerns of having an establishment with karaoke components and history of fights, stabbings and murders within Community District Ten.

BM Harrison seconds BM Rasinya motion to strike from record.

**Motion: To strike from record that other karaoke establishments have had serious adverse histories.**

Discussion followed.

BM Feliciano mentioned that many years ago she covered a story in the Bronx where there was only one exit and it was blocked resulting in a terrible tragedy for many young people who were trapped.

**32 in favor; 1 recusal BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

Discussion followed.

BM Rasinya questioned if the establishment meets the Department of Buildings regulations.

Committee Chair Vellucci answered according to 1968 building code it received approval.

BM Falutico noted that you can have two exits on the same street front.

Committee Chair Vellucci replied that this building has a 4-foot hallway with 128 persons.

BM Falutico stated that there are other mechanisms to add another door.

Committee Chair Vellucci stated that the owner wasn't interested.

DM Beckmann mentioned that they said it wasn't possible to add an additional front entrance.

**Motion: CB10 to deny the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for 66 Cub Inc., 815 66<sup>th</sup> Street, in light of the fact that there are serious concerns, and that there is a non-correctable safety hazard as there is only one form of egress.**

**BM Harrison moves the motion. BM Joudeh seconds that motion.**

**32 in favor; 1 recusal BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

Discussion followed.

BM Harrison mentioned that an establishment with karaoke component is a general issue and should be discussed in the Police and Public Safety Committee meetings for all applications and not for one specific establishment.

**Motion: CB10 to deny the new SLA Liquor/Wine/Beer/Cider application for Imperial 88 Inc., 848 64<sup>th</sup> Street, due to having serious adverse history at this location as a karaoke establishment.**

**32 in favor; 1 recusal BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

**JOINT YOUTH SERVICES, EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES COMMITTEE & SENIOR ISSUES,  
HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Youth Services, Education and Libraries Committee Member Jana Taoube rendered the Committee report. See attached.

Discussion followed.

BM Jana Taoube wished the audience a happy holiday.

BM Johnson stated that BM Jana Taoube did a terrific job in presenting the Committee report as well as moderating the Committee meeting and wants it noted in the Minutes.

BM Jana Taoube thanked BM Johnson for her kind words.

**ZONING AND LAND USE SUB COMMITTEE**

Zoning and Land Use Sub Committee Chair Devigne rendered the Committee report. See attached.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Communications and Public Relations Committee Member Britton-Pitcher rendered the Committee report in the absence of Committee Chair Kaszuba. See attached.



## **OLD BUSINESS**

DM Beckmann made an announcement that she found a pair of eyeglasses in the parking lot of the Fort Hamilton Senior Center at the last General Board meeting. She mentioned that she will have it at the District Office until the next Board meeting and she will send a picture of the eyeglass frames to all Board Members to know what it looks like. If it is not claimed by the next General Board meeting, she will return the eyeglasses to the Fort Hamilton Senior Center.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

Vice Chairperson Capetanakis wished the audience a safe and happy holiday season.

Motion to adjourn by BM Rasinya. With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

**District Manager Report**  
**December 16, 2019**

Good Evening Board Members,

I would like to provide an update to members regarding the Dyker Lights viewing event. The District Office received several complaints about now two ice cream trucks vending in the prime viewing area. As you know several interagency meetings were held in advance of the Dyker Lights season. Traffic control/safety and the newly adopted vendor ban limited to the prime viewing area were discussed. CB10 sent out 975 piece mailing to residents in prime viewing area and distributed to tour buses. On Friday, December 6, 2019, I along with Chair Lori Willis attended an onsite meeting with Council Member Justin Brannan office, Department of Health and NYPD representatives who informed us that they were unable to enforce ice cream trucks with Citywide permit holder that employs a veteran for the day. We will continue to work on this and keep you apprised.

The 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct thanks to Patrol Borough Brooklyn South continues to provide additional patrol officers, traffic safety, CERT and Auxiliary volunteers to address traffic control and pedestrian safety assistance.

The NYPD light tower was placed again to brighten 86<sup>th</sup> Street at 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue tour bus drop off for pedestrian safety

CB10 requested that the timing of the street lighting over the pedestrian overpass at 84<sup>th</sup> Street be changed to reflect daylight savings time after received complaints. Currently the lights do not go on until 6:45 pm when it is dark at 5pm.

I reached out to NYS and NYC Department of Transportation to examine issue of recurring pot holes on Fort Hamilton Parkway Overpass. In response, New York City DOT repaired the potholes to make the area safe.

This is tree planting and pruning season. NYC Parks has requested all pruning be postponed until January and anyone noticing white T on their sidewalk.. this is indicative of a planned tree planting.

On Monday, January 27, 2020, (weather permitting of course) the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) will conduct its annual Homeless Outreach Population Estimate (HOPE) count, as part of an ongoing effort to engage NYC's street homeless individuals. Commissioner Banks in an email to our office asked for volunteers to help canvass parks, subways, and other public spaces to estimate the number of people who are street homeless.

**A friendly reminder 2020 Meeting Halls Schedule** is available for all Board Members. Please take one before you leave this evening. Our meetings will also broadcast starting in January thanks to a grant from Council Member Justin Brannan. The January General meeting will take place on Monday, January 27, 2019 at the Fort Hamilton Senior Center 9941 Fort Hamilton Parkway

New York City DOT has provided our office with wallet DOT ASP Parking Calendar 2020. We have left some on pamphlet table for anyone interested.

On behalf of District Office staff, we would like to wish to all of you in celebrating -- a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and a healthy and prosperous New Year. Respectfully submitted,

  
Josephine Beckmann  
District Manager



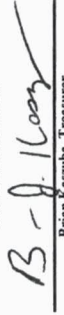
**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Budget Appropriation for FY 20													\$254,384.00	
ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/19	8/31/19	9/30/19	10/31/19	11/30/19	12/31/19	1/31/20	2/28/20	3/31/20	4/30/20	5/31/20	6/30/20	Y - T - D
	<b>DISTRICT MANAGER</b>	\$9,572.39	\$9,564.90	\$9,564.90	\$9,564.90	\$14,347.35								
	<b>COMMUNITY COORDINATOR</b>	\$5,853.12	\$5,823.32	\$5,823.32	\$5,823.07	\$8,924.68								
	<b>COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE</b>	\$1,730.59	\$1,728.00	\$1,728.00	\$1,730.59	\$2,633.59								
	<b>COLLEGE AIDE</b>	\$787.50	\$1,791.58											
	<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>\$17,156.10</b>	<b>\$19,907.80</b>	<b>\$17,127.22</b>	<b>\$17,127.56</b>	<b>\$25,905.62</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$96,213.30</b>

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/19	8/31/19	9/30/19	10/31/19	11/30/19	12/31/19	1/31/20	2/29/20	3/31/20	4/30/20	5/31/20	6/30/20	Y - T - D
10B	Telephone	79.99	79.99	79.99	79.99	79.99								
10X	Intra-City Supplies													
40B	Intra-City Telephone													
100	Supplies & Materials	274.30	274.30		271.64	60.41								
101	Printing Supplies													
117	Postage				3,500.00									
170	Cleaning Supplies													
199	Data Processing Supplies													
302	Telecomm. Equipment													
314	Office furniture													
315	Office Equipment			438.78										
319	Security Equipment	75.00		75.00										
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel./Communications													
412	Rental/Misc./Equip	45.75	47.75	47.75	552.83	120.05								
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures			675.00										
602	Telecomm. Maintenance		40.71	225.71	42.30	42.30								
613	Office Equip. Maint.													
613	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual				1,304.14	964.40								
624	Cleaning Services	170.00	170.00	170.00	170.00									
608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance													
684	Professional/Computer Services	588.00	19.95											
110	Food & Forage Supplies					19.95								
	<b>Total Other than Personal Services</b>	<b>\$956.74</b>	<b>\$632.70</b>	<b>\$1,712.23</b>	<b>\$5,920.90</b>	<b>\$1,287.10</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$10,511.67</b>
	<b>TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES</b>	<b>18,114.84</b>	<b>19,540.50</b>	<b>18,828.45</b>	<b>23,048.46</b>	<b>27,192.72</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>106,724.97</b>

<b>TOTAL UNCOMBURED BUDGET BALANCE</b>														<b>\$147,659.03</b>
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Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Brian Kaszuba, Treasurer

## Traffic and Transportation Report: December 10, 2019

**Chair: Jaynemie Capetanakis**

### Committee Members:

- Doris Cruz
- Michael Devigne
- Carmen Feliciano
- Dianne Gounardes (Excused)
- Judith Grimaldi
- Steve Harrison
- Stephanie Mahaney
- Ryan Mahoney (absent)
- Nick Nikolopoulos (excused)
- 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 District Office on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

This was an informational meeting. Members of the MTA gave us an update and overview of the Brooklyn Bus Redesign Plan. In Brooklyn, they're assessing all local, Select Bus Service, and express bus service in the area, and how it matches up with current and future market needs and travel trends, with the goal of improving customer experience. By redesigning the bus network, they intend to deliver more frequent, reliable service that satisfies the needs of the borough.

### Areas of focus include:

- Expanding bus priority in collaboration with NYCDOT
- Providing, high frequency, high capacity bus service on major corridors
- Improving bus stop spacing to speed up commute times
- Modifying bus routes that are low-performing and/or circuitous
- Reducing route redundancy and subway competition
- Improving off-peak service frequency and coverage

This redesign is happening because many routes have not been changed in decades. In fact, some follow old trolley routes. As customers' needs change, the MTA must change with them. Brooklyn continues to see major changes in all sectors, which are residential, commercial and institutional. Job growth in Brooklyn is the fastest growing in NYC, yet, job locations are becoming more decentralized. Bus ridership in Brooklyn and NYC has been decreasing and bus speeds have slowed as congestion has worsened.

When looking at the bus network, it was shared with us that there are 63 local bus routes with about 640,000 average weekday customers. There are 9 express bus routes with about 9,000 average weekday customers. As mentioned, Brooklyn local bus ridership has declined 14% between 2016 and 2019. Brooklyn express bus ridership has declined 10% between 2016 and 2019. Bus speeds continue to decline and are about 3% slower since 2016 at 7.7 mph.



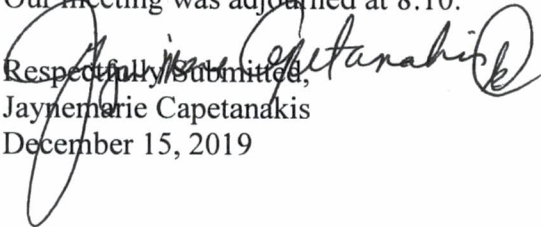
Improvements are going to be made based on data collected. This includes quantitative data from MetroCards, GPS feeds and External Data including NYCDOT travel data, demographic and development information. Qualitative data includes observation, survey research and public feedback. Part of the public outreach happens when they make presentations like this to Community Boards, there are also open houses/workshops, online surveys and street engagement at busy hubs. The next step for the First Quarter of 2020 will be the Release of the Existing Conditions Report and this will be followed by the release of a Draft Plan in the Second Quarter with opportunity for more feedback before the final plans are released in the Fourth Quarter of 2020.

When asked, we learned that they have responses from about 2,000 surveys. Of course, this is only a fraction of the potential ridership. Committee members also discussed the lack of reliability of the buses and how members themselves have waited over an hour for a bus to arrive. We also heard from a retired bus driver who came to our meeting and he shed light on the fact that not all bus routes are evenly spaced and that the data on ridership may be skewed because of the impact of fare evasion and the number of riders who do not pay their fare. The drivers cannot do anything about this and it is very difficult to get enforcement on this issue. We also asked how our Community Board can help with the redesign and we shared that we have had several proposals for buses based on community feedback. We were encouraged to revisit these plans and submit them again. District Manager Beckmann also mentioned that she usually visits Senior Centers in the month of January and bus service is often a topic of their concern. She will make it a point to engage our seniors for their input and use their wealth of experience as a foundation for new suggestions. Again, this was informational and we will continue to share information as it becomes available.

We also received a very quick update that the elevator at 86<sup>th</sup> Street is coming along. The construction company was granted a waiver of the holiday embargo and so work is continuing with an expected completion date of Spring 2020.

Our meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
December 15, 2019



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

Date/Time: December 4, 2019 – 7:00PM

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

Quorum: Yes

- **Request for a NEW SLA Application for Wine, Beer & Cider License for Komorebi FH (Full House) Company**
- Premises: 6201 – 11<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11219

This is a request for a new SLA application for a restaurant wine/beer/cider license as there is a transfer of owner. The operation of this establishment is presently a full restaurant and has 14 tables and 45 chairs. The owner was present.

After a discussion period - A motion was made and the committee unanimously agreed to deny this application unless the owner complied with the following stipulations:

1. The premises will operate as a restaurant.
2. There will be no sale or consumption of alcohol on the premises until appropriate authorization is issued by the SLA. (BYOB is not permitted in NYS.)
3. The hours of operation will be Sunday – Thursday 11AM – 10PM & Friday/Saturday 11AM- 11PM.
4. The doors and windows are to remain closed in coordination with any amplified music.
5. There will only be background recorded music and it will remain below the level permitted by the NYC Noise Code.
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8. There will be no smoking permitted.
9. The applicant agrees that should it change its method of operation, it will give notice and meet with the Community Board/Committee, at least 45 days in advance of any such change.

The applicant has agreed with all stipulations.

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- **Request for New Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider License for El Castillo Restaurant, Inc.**
  - Premises: 6811 – 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11220

This is a new application for a liquor, wine, beer cider license for this full restaurant. The owner, Deleny Abreu was present. There is a letter of No Objection on file and the restaurant has 10 tables and 42 chairs. After a discussion period – A motion was made and the committee unanimously agreed to deny this application unless the owner complied with the following stipulations:



1. The premises will operate as a restaurant.
2. There will be no sale or consumption of alcohol on the premises until appropriate authorization is issued by the SLA. (BYOB is not permitted in NYS.)
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4. The doors and windows are to remain closed in coordination with any amplified music.
5. There will only be background recorded music and it will remain below the level permitted by the NYC Noise Code.
6. There will be no music on the outside of the premises.
7. The establishment shall not sponsor or use any promoter or have promoted events.
8. There will be no smoking permitted.
9. The applicant agrees that should it change its method of operation, it will give notice and meet with the Community Board/Committee, at least 45 days in advance of any such change.

The applicant has agreed with all stipulations.

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Informational - 3 Month Review of –

- **BAY RIDGE HOSPITALITY GROUP, LLC.** - Doing business as **BACI**
- Premises: 8424 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11209

This full restaurant has been operating with the liquor, beer, wine & cider license. The owner, Salvatore Finazzo was present. This review was held in accordance with 17 complaints to the police on file regarding the amplification of music through 2 outdoor speakers affixed to the building from August – October 2019. Nine complaints were unfounded. District Manager Beckmann sent him a letter dated October 8, 2019. – The committee reminded Mr. Finazzo that amplified music is not permitted and he said that he had removed the speakers. The speakers as of the date of this meeting were not removed. He then corrected himself and stated that they were disconnected. One member of the community present, requested that he also remove the wires. Mr. Finazzo agreed that he would. As of today, Dec. 16, 2019, the speakers have been removed.

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- **Request for New SLA Application for Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider for the 66 Club Inc. with Karaoke Component**
- Premises: 815 – 66<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11220

The committee met with this applicant on three occasions regarding this application for liquor, wine beer & cider. The first meeting held on September 4, 2019 was adjourned due to an incomplete application such as a missing floorplan, menu, construction photos and the discrepancy in the Certificate of Occupancy vs. intended use and a Permit of Public Assembly.

In addition, we were concerned that there was only one front door with no emergency exit. There is a central bar, 3 karaoke rooms and a 4 foot hallway – with a C/O for 128 persons.

- On November 7, 2019, we met again. We reiterated our concerns -- over this building and its conversion from an auto repair shop to a restaurant with a karaoke component – there is only one door and no capacity to create any other forms of exit, that this is the owner’s first business, the hours of operations from 7PM to 4AM – 7 days a week, that the application did not list any manager, only the owner who would be present all the time; the discrepancy over the C/O of 128, vs. the owner’s intention of only allowing 68 persons, thereby evading an application for a Certificate of Public Assembly. Concerns were also regarding a limited menu, limited view into the karaoke rooms, the financial limitations in hiring a sufficient number security officers and the use of this building with only one form of egress caused us to ask for additional time to consider this application.

The committee reconvened with the applicant on December 5, 2019.

A review of our concerns and a discussion was held. Motion presented by the committee - In light of the fact that other karaoke establishments have had serious adverse histories, the security concerns, and the non-correctable safety concern for residents and patrons to our businesses – the committee voted six-to-one to deny this application.

- This above recommendation was brought to the floor and a motion was approved in the amended form as follows:

**In light of the fact that there are serious security concerns, and that there is a non-correctable safety hazard as there is only one form of egress, the board denies this application.**

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- **REQUEST FOR A NEW SLA APPLICATION FOR IMPERIAL 88, INC.**
- Premises: 848 – 64<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11220

This is a new request for a liquor, wine, beer and cider license with the Karaoke component plus, live music & DJ. The owner Zhi Ying Li was present. The hours of operation would be Monday-Thursday 5PM – 2AM & Friday-Sunday 5PM – 4AM. The Certificate of Occupancy is for 187 persons. There is a central bar, and 14 karaoke rooms. There are two doors, both in the front with a narrow hall. The option is open for promoters.

The attorney, Neil Visoky, represented the owners and acknowledged the adverse history of this address as a karaoke establishment. He stated the owners’ commitment to this *new* business and asked us to consider this as such.

Reviewed by the committee:



**Adverse History to Address 848 – 64th Street -- Karaoke Establishment**

2009 – 2014 Crown TV

*Violations:*

*Drug use & sale, bouncer received a broken leg in a fight, altercations & assaults, sale of alcohol to minors, and to intoxicated persons, failure to conform to building safety codes – (over a dozen Karaoke rooms with one hallway to two doors). In front of the building there were 5 stabbings. While SLA revocation was pending in 2013, 50 calls to 911 were made with 8 arrests and 2 felonies. The establishment remained open after the assigned hours and additional violations were issued included possession of controlled substances, failure to comply with health and building codes & 5 more arrests. License is revoked in June 2014.*

2014 - Go One Sushi (formed)

*Insufficient information was provided to this board – SLA denied in April 2015 .*

May 2016, Ming Hao Inc. is formed.

*-Karaoke rooms remain with an unchanged configuration, very limited menu, proposed late hours of operation.*

*January 2018 – several 311 calls for loud music. April 1, 2018, there was a murder by stabbing at the premises, no one called 911 – but rather the man was dropped at Maimonides Hospital. When the police arrived, the premises was bleached to remove evidence and the people at remaining at the establishment were uncooperative. In addition, the police informed us that the name on file at this establishment was Go One Sushi. All operating without a liquor license.*

After reviewing the adverse history of this premise, the Proteus Security representative and retired detective Peter Liotta spoke as he will be head of security here at Imperial 88. He assured us that there will be approximately 7 security officers constantly patrolling the central bar area, the restrooms, all of the karaoke rooms as they will not have a lock, and there will be a several methods of metal detection as well as a database created of all patrons. The lawyer stated that this would set a tone. The committee saw this as an anticipation of inappropriate activity.

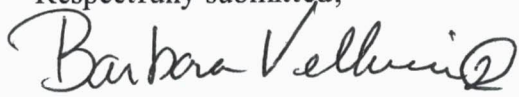
The floorplans show that the configuration of the premise remains unchanged from Crown TV, Go One Sushi & Ming Hao, Inc. with 14 karaoke rooms. In addition, it was noted that the menu submitted had a crown and the letters KTV on it.

We have several concerns: karaoke establishments in this community in general and this particular site specifically has a long record of adverse history, the close proximity to a school and it's after hour events, and the fact that this establishment appears to be a replica of Crown TV, et. al.

- The committee suggested that we reconvene to further discuss this application. Attorney, Mr. Visoky, requested that we come to a decision this evening.

**In light of all of the above and the serious adverse history of this location as a karaoke establishment – a motion was made and the committee voted unanimously to deny this application.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Vellucci". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Barbara Vellucci  
Chairperson



## **Panel Discussion**

### **Dangers of Vaping**

**When: Thursday, December 12, 2019; 6:30pm**

**Where: Fort Hamilton High School Library 8301 Shore Road**

On December 16 the joint committees of senior issues, housing, health, and welfare and youth services, education, and libraries held a panel discussion on the dangers of vaping. The event was co-sponsored by State Senator Andrew Gounardes and Council Member Justin Brannan. The speakers that were present included representatives from the NYC Smoke Free partnership, NYC Department of Health, and medical experts from NYU Langone Health. Although many middle schools and high schools were invited we would like to highlight the students of Fort Hamilton and Fontbonne High School who were in attendance.

The event was held in Fort Hamilton High School and it is the first of many discussions we hope to have in a series of informational discussions leading to a district-wide education effort. The goal of this effort is to, of course, educate our community, especially our youth, about vape related illnesses and addiction.

This discussion gave our communities and our community board much to think about. It was clear throughout the night that there must be more of an education effort in our classrooms. Incorporating the dangers of vaping with videos and images of the negative consequences is crucial to get our youth to understand the consequences. This effort will be focused on Middle Schools as well as our local High Schools. In addition to this, there were ideas about perhaps presenting a video presentation in assemblies and even putting flyers and advertisements around the school building. This was, of course, then connected to creating more of a social media effort so that our message reaches all ages. Stricter punishments if caught vaping was also brought up

in our discussion as well as writing letters to our local officials explaining the need for certain restrictions in our schools and about further support for our schools such as, perhaps, a designated person students could seek out for help regarding issues including drugs and any type of smoking.

All in all, this discussion brought up many great points and suggestions for how to incorporate education efforts in our schools while simultaneously holding students responsible for their actions. Once again, I would like to reiterate that our goal as a Community Board is to educate our youth with the knowledge they need to make responsible and smart decisions.

The meeting ended at about 8:30pm and was live streamed on our YouTube page- Community Board 10 so please be sure to check that out and be sure to like and subscribe!

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Anthony Marino.

  
-Jana Taoube



**Zoning and Land Use Subcommittee on the 65<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor – December 16<sup>th</sup> 2019  
meeting report**

The Zoning and Land Use Subcommittee met today on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 prior to this evening's General Board Meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive and review a brief informational handout created by Anish Pendarkar, our community planning fellow, regarding current conditions and background information on the 65<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor.

The Subcommittee will be meeting again on Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup> to participate in a collaborative visioning session that aims to generate ideas about what the community would like to see for the future of the corridor.

This was an informational meeting and no vote was taken.

This report is respectfully submitted.

  
Michael Devigne

### Introduction

The Communications and Public Relations Committee Meeting met at 7:00 on December 11, 2019 at the CB 10 District Office. We meet in quorum.

### Topic #1: Update on Community Board 10 Branding and update on progress of building pages on Social Media

The Committee met with Christina Medina, CEO and Founder of the CM Brand, CB 10 hired them a couple weeks ago to help us with branding and marketing for all print and digital communications. Christina presented designs she made for a new CB 10 Logo, letterhead, brochures, social media and newsletter templates.

CM Brand designed three new logo options. The Committee preferred the option that the District Office emailed the Board last week. The logo depicts "Community Board" spelled out in italics in black next to a larger numerical 10 in blue with a slight blue accent arc over the 10. There would be a shortened version of this same style with just cb and the numerical 10 in the same fonts and color scheme that can be used on social media pages.

CM Brand showed us how these logos would look on various brochures, email blasts, letterhead, and social media. They also showed us a template for new letterhead and templates that can be used to make social media announcements.

The Committee's big change was to ask CM Brand to add the word Brooklyn to both of the logos. The Committee felt that in a City with 4 separate CB 10's it's important to distinguish ourselves.

The committee also made some suggestions on how to incorporate the logos on a new letterhead, and suggested an idea to create a generic CB 10 Business Card that members could carry and give out to people wanting to email, call, or visit the district office.

Once CM Brand updates the logos, the Committee will begin building and launching their social media platforms. CM Brand will develop several templates that the Board can easy use to post things such as pictures from meetings, to share community or citywide announcements, alert the public about upcoming meetings, and to even educate the community in a regular: "Did You Know" post. To do this the board can download an easy to use, and free App called Canva for phones to create posts. CM Brand also will help us to use an online tool called Buffer.com that allows the Board to schedule social media posts in advance across all platforms.




The Committee welcomes any additional feedback from the Board on the new logo or ideas on how to shape our branding. The Committee looks forward to meeting again soon, to build the social media sites and hopefully launch early in the new year.

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The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Brian J. Kaszuba  
Committee Chair Communications and Public Relations

Committee Members Attending:

Josephine Beckman, DM  
Brian Kaszuba, ZALUC Chair  
Tracie Britton-Pitcher  
Michael Festa  
Judith Collins  
Carmen Feliciano  
Henry Stewart

## STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
El Maya Coffee & Restaurant Corp. 6602 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	11/22/2019	*New Application Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
To Restaurant & Bar, Inc. d/b/a Euphoria 834 62 <sup>nd</sup> Street	12/3/2019	*Alteration Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Saje Business Corp., d/b/a Matter 7604 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	12/11/2019	Renewal Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider
Saje Business Corp., d/b/a Matter 7604 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	12/13/2019	Renewal Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider

\* Will be invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in January 2020.