

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance**  
**Shore Hill Community Room**  
**Monday, April 20, 2015 – 7:15 pm**

Board Members Present: 34

Greg Ahl  
Elizabeth Amato  
Allen Bortnick  
Jaynemie Capetanakis  
Kevin Peter Carroll  
Judith Collins  
Doris Cruz  
Ida D'Amelio  
Donna Mae DePola  
Ann Falutico  
Michael Festa  
Barbara Germack  
Judith Grimaldi  
Stephen Harrison  
Victoria Hervas-Castaneda  
Bob Hudock  
June Johnson  
Brian Kaszuba  
Katherine Khatari  
Brian Kieran  
Rhea McCone  
Nick Nikolopoulos  
Mary Nolan  
Adil Oualim  
Susan Pulaski  
Dean Rasinya  
Joanne Seminara  
Joseph Shaia  
Joseph Sokoloski  
Lawrence Stelter  
Brian Walsh  
Mary Ann Walsh  
Lori Willis  
Jonathan Yedin

Board Members Excused: 12

Jumana Bishara  
Paul Cassone  
Shirley Chin  
Khader El-Yateem  
Ronald Gross  
Habib Joudeh  
Stella Kokolis  
Nikolaos Leonardos  
Mary Quinones  
Dilia Schack  
Eleanor Schiano  
Sandy Vallas

Board Members Absent: 3

Anna DeMetz  
Husam Rimawi  
Linda Sarsour

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

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**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2015 – SHORE HILL COMMUNITY ROOM  
MINUTES**

Chair Kieran called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM and invited Mary Nolan, President, Commodore Barry Club, to lead the Honor of the Pledge. Chair Kieran then presented Mary with a Certificate of Appreciation for her many years of outstanding service to Community Board 10.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Inspired by our honoree Mary Nolan, Chair Kieran noted that the good we can do can only be accomplished when we work together. It is a group effort and team ethos that moves the City; the machinery, democracy, sometimes ever so slowly but it is the only way we get something accomplished and done. It is not magic; it is all pure effort, sacrifice and a special formula, attendance – you need to come to the meetings and he asked if anyone has problems with some of the meetings to let him know – involvement and dedication. You can never give up, you cannot give in, and you have to persist and persevere. No one he knows exemplified these characteristics better than our honoree tonight, our own dear member, Mary Nolan. He has been to some functions and has listened to bios on Mary and he knows this is the Reader's Digest version. It does not go anywhere near where you would have to go to let people know what she has done and what she has meant to this community, especially to our Community Board.

Chair Kieran asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the amended Agenda. Motion by BM Sokoloski, seconded by BM Harrison. Agenda adopted as amended.

Chair Kieran asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the March 16, 2015 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Sokoloski, seconded by BM Stelter. Minutes adopted as written.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

Council Member Vincent Gentile announced that the Bay Ridge Greenmarket will return early this year on Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>. The Bensonhurst Greenmarket will return on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. He noted that City Council passed historic legislation this week that would prohibit New York City employers from discriminating against job applicants based on their credit history.

Councilman Gentile noted that there was an incident today at IS 201, the Dyker Intermediate School on 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Construction is underway there and two large windows fell into the classroom. Luckily the teacher in that room heard the rumbling of the window and got the children out of that classroom before the window fell inwards. DM Beckmann was on the scene today as well as his staff members. He is calling on the Department of Buildings to do an audit of all the work that is being done on our school buildings, not only in District 20, but City-wide. If the current construction work being done is not safe, children should not be in the schools. The Department of Buildings and the Fire Department have issued a vacate order for IS 201 for tomorrow, which means the 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be going to McKinley, the 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be going to McAuliffe, and the 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be going to New Utrecht High School. That will be on a day-to-day basis until they determine whether the rest of the building is safe for the children. He has been told it may be 30 of the 60 classrooms at IS 201 that may be compromised. This could be a much bigger problem than we know. The DOB and Fire Department will be there inspecting all the rooms to see if there are any rooms that can be occupied after tomorrow. For anyone interested, the school's website is [IS201k.org](http://IS201k.org). There will be robocalls to parents telling them where their children should go. If they cannot get to those schools there will be a bus at Dyker to transport the children to the schools. BM Capetanakis asked if these windows were being replaced. The Councilman replied that it is his understanding that they were replacing the windows and as they removed the bricks it became

unstable and fell in. It is scary that there are student in the schools that are being worked on and we have to be careful about that. BM Harrison asked if the teacher will be commended and was told yes, absolutely.

Finally, Councilman Gentile reiterated what Mary Nolan said about the value of this Community Board. There are hard-working people on this Board and he is pleased to have a role in constituting this Board. The re-appointments and new appointments will be announced next month.

Phil Smallman said that the Senator Golden is encouraging everyone to attend a public hearing on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at St. Francis College on Remsen Street in hopes that you would protest a proposed water bill increase of 3.24%. You can also voice your opinion and concerns at [nycwaterboard@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:nycwaterboard@dep.nyc.gov). The Senator helped pass a bill that would ensure and mandate timely payment of State income tax refunds. The bill requires that if you are entitled to receive a refund you will get it within 30 days unless there is a discrepancy in the return. He announced that the Senator recently secured a \$100,000 grant for the Lymphatic Educational Research Network. The Senator's office has volunteers going around the community to identify and report pot hole locations, which will be submitted to the Department of Transportation. He encouraged anyone who knows of locations to call their office at 718-238-6044. The Senator will be hosting a free shredding event on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> in Bay Ridge and Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> in Marine Park. Senator Golden's Annual Senior Fair will take place in Bay Ridge on May 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick's Church and in Marine Park on May 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Columba's Church. The Senator's office will be hosting a mammogram screening on May 21<sup>st</sup> in Bay Ridge and June 12<sup>th</sup> in Marine Park in association with the American Italian Cancer Foundation and he encouraged anyone interested to schedule an appointment by calling 877-628-9090. Lastly, Senator Golden's summer concert series is fast approaching. It will begin in early July and the performers will be announced shortly.

Nicholas Chamberas from Assembly Member Nicole Malliotakis' office attended last Friday's meeting on illegal conversions which was held at the Community Board Ten district office. He thinks it was an effective meeting and that the elected officials and representatives from the various agencies understand that this issue is not going away. They are taking a methodical approach and they plotted out next steps. There is going to be another meeting in June or July. He announced that the Assemblywoman is hosting a CPR training program where you can learn the basics of CPR on May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10AM to 12PM at Holy Angels Academy located at 337 74<sup>th</sup> Street. Anyone interested in attending should call their office at 718-987-0197.

Ari Kagan from the Comptroller's office announced that Scott Stringer, Chief Financial Officer for New York City, released an audit yesterday of the City's animal shelters and the results were shocking. As an overview, for the last four months animals received expired medication 500 times, all the shelters are overcrowded especially in Manhattan, and some of the medication was stored in refrigerators along with remains of animals. There is going to be much more accountability as a result of this audit. The City spends \$30.3 Million a year on City animal shelters. He announced that Comptroller Stringer is inviting everyone to attend the Irish Community Breakfast on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at the Municipal Building, 1 Centre Street, 5<sup>th</sup> floor.

Larry Morrish, representing Assembly Member Felix Ortiz complimented Mary Nolan, the pride of our Irish Community. He stated that the Assemblyman is honored to partake in Donna Mae DePola's Town Hall Meeting on the drug problem which will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Angels. Assemblyman Ortiz will co-host it along with Senator Golden. He believes Donna Mae will hold a second meeting to accommodate people in Dyker Heights. The beauty of the whole thing is that the Assemblyman sponsored a van for the drug center which they should have soon and which will be a great help. He noted that Assemblyman Ortiz submitted legislation that has passed which helps military spouses. There are 126 professional licenses that are required for all military spouses who come to New York, which generally takes six months and a lot of money to secure. This bill makes it an exchange from their home state. If the state has the same qualifications as we do, the military person will be given the license free of charge immediately.

Max Rose from the District Attorney's office announced that there will be a joint 62<sup>nd</sup> Precinct and 68<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> at which the DA will bring his executive staff. The goal is to address

all the public safety issues that are affecting this southern Brooklyn area: real estate issues including illegal conversions, human trafficking, small level drug abuse, issues of fraud, and lastly gun trafficking and gun violence throughout the borough. He then announced that this past week the Brooklyn District Attorney's office indicted two of the worst landlords in New York City history. They own rent stabilized properties in Williamsburg, Bushwick and Greenpoint. The landlords would eliminate bathrooms and kitchens, destroy the apartments and wait until the tenants would leave. This is one of the first times in our City's history that criminal charges have been brought against landlords for doing things like this. The District Attorney is very serious about this because he understands that the most rent stabilized apartments in this borough are in Bay Ridge, Bensonhurst and Marine Park. That is one of the issues he would like to discuss at the joint Community Council meeting. He looks forward to seeing everyone there. BM Johnson asked where the meeting will be held and was told it will be at the Knights of Columbus on 86<sup>th</sup> Street at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. DM Beckmann noted that the information is also on the Community Board Ten website.

Kelvin Alexander from Borough President Eric Adams' office announced that he will leave the Borough President's Message of the Month for anyone interested, which lists events that will take place. They will be hosting International Friendship Day on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, which is a spectacular display of Brooklyn's diversity including music, food, dance and more. Also, this week is Financial Literacy Month and Borough Hall will be hosting a seminar on Thursday on Women's Wealth. Lastly he invited everyone to their Cinco de Mayo celebration.

Tom Greene on behalf of Friends of Denyse Wharf read a letter that Councilman Gentile wrote to the Department of Education Chancellor Farina in support of Denyse Wharf. He said he has been trying to get a meeting with the Education Committee and the Environmental Committee in order to update them on the specifics that have happened. He requested that Chair Kieran and DM Beckmann help encourage that so they can meet with the Committees.

John Avelluto, a Brooklyn artist, co-owner of the Owls Head Wine Bar in Bay Ridge, and co-founder and president of the Bay Ridge Storefront Art Walk spoke about the upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> annual SAW event. They connect artists with the community and businesses. They have generated money from the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue BID of \$4,000 every year and invest that in artists. They select 15 individual artists to do site-specific installations in storefront windows on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 69<sup>th</sup> Street to 84<sup>th</sup> Street. Depending on available funding, they give the artist \$200 each to put an installation in the front windows. In turn, they wind up generating interest to get people to the Avenue and provide free contemporary art for the neighborhood. Before this year they were all volunteers. This year they are trying to raise more funding by applying for a 501c3. This year's event will be on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in front of Community Board Ten. Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams has been invited. Afterward there will be a fundraiser and reception for the artists at the Owls Head Wine Bar. 100% of the sales there will go toward the Bay Ridge Storefront Art Walk.

Bob Cassara said that the Department of City Planning recently released its City wide rezoning plan called Zoning for Quality and Affordability, which is a total misnomer. This Community Board as well as Community Boards throughout the City have fought to protect the communities. This proposal would gut our neighborhood zoning protections. One of the plan's failures is not to take into account the neighborhood specific condition for lifting height limits across the board by as much as 31%. The majority of the proposal increases an allowable height of luxury developments, not affordable housing or housing for seniors. If we allow the changes to happen it will change the City and our community in ways that will be detrimental to most low income and middle income residents. The timing and release of this plan was such that the uniform land use review procedure would occur during the summer when most of us are on vacation or the Community Board is usually in hiatus. We cannot allow this to start at this time, and there needs to be a full debate and airing of the proposal before it goes to City Council for their vote. On March 25<sup>th</sup> there was a rally at City Hall with about 200 people attending to hear the opposition on this proposal. Many went on to the hearing at City Planning. He was number 26 in line to comment and he was there about 2 ½ hours. There were many more people and he understands it went on for a few more hours and only about 86 people were able to speak before

it was shut down. They did not reschedule any more hearings for that evening, which was disrespectful on the part of City Planning.

On the illegal conversion issue, Bob said it still must be kept front and center. This week he and Fran Vella-Marrone chaired the community task force comprised of representatives from the Department of Buildings, Fire Department, and HPD, local elected officials and representatives, as well as DM Beckmann. This meeting was a direct result of the Town Hall meeting held in February and is a strong attempt to get a handle on and come up with ways in which to stop and eventually reverse illegal conversions. The hope is that we will learn more and more on how to get a handle on this. The lessons and methods learned will be rolled out to other communities throughout Brooklyn.

June Johnson spoke in support of local blood drives. Last month the Bay Ridge area hosted six blood drives. Blood drives seem to do better when there is a person's face or name attached to it. She asked everyone to put a face in front of every blood drive Bay Ridge has. Go out and donate blood; you are saving people's lives. At the blood drive in memory of her son last month, over 80 people donated over 80 pints of blood. It was wonderful to see families there that were supported over the years. Frank Spadaro whose grandson received donated blood and platelets over the years and is now thriving came out. Also Rachel Roden's family was there. When Rachel was in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, many of us helped with blood donations for her. Now she is going to high school next year thanks to your blood, your platelets and your caring. She asked everyone to please show up to donate when there is a blood drive in your area. The next blood drive she is aware of is June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00-7:00 PM at Greenhouse. Bobby Daquara has held blood drives there for many years, and for the last two years they are in memory of for his daughter Haley, who passed away when she was 9. The year Haley passed away she came out and thanked everyone who was there donating blood because they were helping save her life. So June encouraged all to be there June 3<sup>rd</sup> for Haley.

Eileen Kassab from the Dyker Library said it is not too late to advocate for the library. They are libraries, community centers, they have programs for children for the first five years before they go to school, after-school programs, teen programs, programs for seniors, and more. Go online to [bklynlibrary.org](http://bklynlibrary.org) to invest in New York libraries. They are not asking for money; they are just asking you to say that you believe in libraries. She noted that April is Arab Heritage Month and they are having programs for all ages at the Dyker Library, 82<sup>nd</sup> Street and 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue. May is Bike the Branches. You can register if you like to ride bikes and become part of that initiative, or just go to the library to enjoy the program they will have. Finally, she noted that on May 9<sup>th</sup> the Dyker Library will be closing for one week to put LED lighting throughout the building. They will re-open on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Zoning and Land Use Committee Chair Falutico rendered the Committee report and noted the Committee's recommendation is to disapprove the granting of the amendment to the Special Permit for 269 77<sup>th</sup> Street. See attached. Discussion followed.

BM Nikolopoulos asked if there would be a rear extension and was told that the extension previously approved was on the first story in the rear and the current application proposes to put a second floor on top of the current one story portion in the front. Michael Nacmias, representative from Eric Palatnik's office, stated that they are essentially requesting an amendment to the previously approved Special Permit for an enlargement, which will enlarge the homeowner's bedroom. This home enlargement does not meet the purpose of the Special Permit which is to allow families to grow. This enlargement should have been done at the same time as the rear enlargement which was previously approved which expanded the kitchen. The owner now has two children and his house is getting tight on space. BM Willis asked how many bedrooms there are and Mr. Nacmias replied that there are three bedrooms, and they are enlarging one in the front. Another comment that came up was that it would negatively impact the tree, but that is not the case. The homeowner has spoken to his neighbor on the

right who is 4 ½ feet away, and the neighbor he shares the driveway with, and both have supported the application. One reason the neighbors did not support the last application was that the rear addition was going to allow for a terrace above and the neighbor was concerned about privacy.

Committee Chair Falutico noted that at the Committee meeting Mr. Nacmias said the neighbor who is 2' away had refused to comment because of his frustration about the previous permit. She asked if that neighbor has now come forward and expressed a different opinion. He replied that to the best of his knowledge, the answer is yes, he voiced his support to enlarge the bedroom to the homeowner.

BM Hudock asked what the situation is with the zoning and FAR. Mr. Nacmias replied that there are two zoning issues. One, the house has non-compliant side yards. If they want to extend the house forward they could not do it without a special permit. The second issue is that this 150 square foot enlargement will bring the house over the allowable FAR of .75 to .77 prompting a special permit amendment because there is a new non-compliance. BM Pulaski said that at the committee meeting it was said that the closest neighbor in the Victorian house was very frustrated previously that they did not attend the meeting because they felt that no matter how much they might oppose this, nobody would listen, so they did not voice their concern. The committee took that into consideration and she wanted to reiterate that. BM Germack noted that they were also concerned that building the extension out would impede the vision of the window of the Victorian house. BM Johnson asked why they don't extend in the back over the kitchen and Committee Chair Falutico replied that she assumes that would not enlarge the bedroom. Mr. Nacmias said the owners really want to make the least impact possible.

BM Amato said she lives on a block with eight houses that are similar. She has a problem with this because if they change one of the houses on her block it would change the look of the block and set a precedent. Mr. Nacmias feels that is a valid point, but the houses on this block are very different. BM Pulaski said if you do this on one block, the next block is going to want it. Committee Chair Falutico said maybe this is something we should look into as we go forward. The exception they are asking for is not an exception to build an extension on top of a one story structure. It is a floor area exception. If they had the available floor area there would have been no question that they could have added the second floor extension.

BM Hudock asked why they do not go to the allowable FAR of .75 so they would not have to go through this process. Mr. Nacmias replied that it would not look pleasant architecturally. That would be the case if the non-compliant side yards were not there. BM Seminara asked when the first application was made and was told it was approved by the Board of Standards and Appeals in October 2010. The Community Board disapproved it because they were against the balcony or terrace on the second floor rear because of privacy concerns for the neighbors.

The applicant was present and Chair Kieran asked if he wanted to speak. The homeowner replied to the questions about how much space they need and stated that he has a son and daughter so they need separate bedrooms. He and his wife have a bedroom that is about 8' by 14'. All they are doing is squaring the second floor with the first floor, so it would push everything out and build on the existing first floor and would be bedroom space only. BM Harrison pointed out that the way it has been phrased is that they are just filling in the box. In reality that house is not a box. They are making it a box which actually destroys the architectural features of the house. He does not want the family to feel that we are asking about how they are living their lives. That is not the problem. The problem is the purpose of the permit as it was originally constructed was to allow the families to grow in place. What he is hearing is that it is not the family that is growing in place, it is just the room that is growing in place and still the same number of rooms.

Chair Kieran stated that the motion before the Board is to disapprove the application and called for a vote.

**Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the BSA Special Permit Application for an amendment to a previously granted Special Permit to allow a second story enlargement at the front of an existing one family, two**

story home in an R4A/Special Bay Ridge Zoning District at 269 77<sup>th</sup> Street, Calendar No. 105-10-BZ. 32 in favor. 2 recusals: BM McCone, BM Stelter. Motion carried.

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

Chair Kieran asked if cannabinoids are listed as controlled substances, and if they are illegal and should be confiscated. BM Beckmann replied that they are illegal and store owners could receive a \$250 fine for each packet. These have to be reported, so if you see it you have to say something. That is what is important. One is sold as Scooby Doo and it is called “pot pourri”, so it targets young people. But people who were buying this are adults and people who want to evade drug testing, because it does not come up on a regular urine test. She does not think people realize you can get sick and die from one use.

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

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

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

**Motion: CB 10 to approve the SLA Wine/Beer Application for Shangri-La Vegetarian Inc., 7400 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the SLA On Premise Application for JAX Holdings Corp., 8402 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, unless the following stipulations are agreed to and met:**

- 1. The applicant will not use promoters or have promoted events;**
- 2. All windows and doors shall remain closed;**
- 3. The hours of operation shall be 11 AM – 12 AM, Sunday – Wednesday; and 11 AM – 2 AM Thursday – Saturday;**
- 4. Applicant shall employ and have on the premises during the hours of operation at least one certified security personnel and one of the three owners; and**
- 5. There shall be no valet parking.**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Motion: CB 10 to approve the SLA On Premise Transfer Application for Embers Steakhouse, Inc., d/b/a TBD, at 9519 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.**

With regard to the new SLA wine/beer application for Brooklyn Pig LLC, Chair Kieran asked what was previously at this location and was told it was Bunch of Bagels. BM Amato asked if there is valet parking and was told no, however they were considering curb-side take away because their food lends itself to that.

**Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the SLA Wine/Beer Application for Brooklyn Pig, LLC d/b/a The Pig Guy NYC, 8413 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, unless the following stipulations are agreed to and met:**

- 1. The hours of operation shall be 11 AM – 10 PM, Sunday – Wednesday; Thursday 11 AM – 1 AM; and 11 AM – 3 AM, Friday and Saturday;**
- 2. There shall be no DJ;**
- 3. The applicant will return for a 6 month review; and**
- 4. The applicant will advise the Board in advance if there is a change in the method of operation.**

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

With regard to the new SLA On Premise application at Chill Corp., DM Beckmann stated that there was no communication. The premise owner did respond that he would attend the meeting but he did not show up. Following the meeting Community Board 10 received a petition from about 25 neighbors complaining about noise, DJ music and non-compliance with stipulations that were approved by the Board.

**Motion: CB 10 to disapprove the new SLA On Premise Application at Chill Corp., 7810 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. 33 in favor. 1 recusal – BM Nikolopoulos. Motion carried.**

### COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Communications and Public Relations Committee Chair Festa rendered the Committee report. See attached. Discussion followed.

BM Willis asked at what intervals they are planning to install the Links and was told we do not know as the representative was not clear when asked. BM Willis asked where the electric will come from to power these considering the fact that we are having trouble with our infrastructure in terms of electric use and demand. DM Beckmann noted they are using existing infrastructure.

BM Germack asked how big these booths will be and Committee Chair Festa replied that the Committee asked for an example or rendering, but it was not provided. In doing research on several websites they are big. He is 6' tall, and they are 4' taller than he is, and they will be bright. BM Harrison feels it is more about the advertising than anything else. It is going to give you free domestic phone calls and to make the phone calls you have to have a cell phone. Committee Chair Festa replied that the way it was described is that you have to establish a password, sign in, touch a keyboard and make your calls. BM Germack asked if the service provider will charge for the calls and Committee Chair Festa replied that they said it is free and we are taking them at their word. We are going to get giant kiosks between 9'-11' tall replacing existing phone booths we have now and it will start at the end of the year. Chair Kieran said that the Wi-Fi itself is their Wi-Fi that will be used. You have to have an identity to use it. If you cannot give them a valid email address and phone number you will not be able to use it. He added that the contract is signed. All they are giving us is input as to where they should go which is a very small number in Brooklyn. We are very limited in terms of when we make a decision. The big decision is already made. Committee Chair Festa said that the only decision we have is naming 10 sites that we will present to Borough Hall. BM Capetanakis reiterated saying they will be placed where there are currently existing pay phones so they will use the infrastructure that is there. They are looking on more commercial avenues like 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and when you look at 62 to 68 for the borough for the first year, the numbers that will come to our community are really very low. This is going to be doled out over a 15 year period. BM Seminara asked if the advertising is static and was told it moves.

BM Bortnick asked if maybe they can turn them into some sort of a protective three-sided structure at bus stops, and was told we do not think so as they have already been designed. BM Amato said that Mr. Fergus was not prepared to answer questions as to how much money it would cost, but he did confirm that when a person uses the kiosk they pool all that information; if people go online and look for books, they will approach Barnes and Noble and sell your information. She knows we are able to give locations but wants to know if we can add comments. Committee Chair Festa responded absolutely, and that will be discussed at the May meeting.

### TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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

With regard to the Department of Transportation proposal for 65<sup>th</sup> Street safety improvements, BM Germack thanked the person who put the presentation online which is excellent. BM Bortnick was unable to attend the meeting, but he objects to the idea of these corner extensions because they are creating funnels which will back up traffic. He definitely does not go along with their percentages. He does not trust DOT. Those extensions do not serve any benefit other than forcing cars to make bigger turns getting into the streets and it just does not work. Committee Chair Capetanakis said she is sorry he was unable to be at the meeting, but the power point is online to look at more closely. The people who attended the meeting did hear it out and found that all of these things, in their opinion, did help add to safety and safety improvements for our neighborhood. For that reason they have supported it. She is sorry that it is something he does not feel he can vote on but we will have that opportunity in just a moment. BM Bortnick said the other thing regarding safety is that there is no such thing as safety in the form they are talking about. Committee Chair Capetanakis said that right now we are voting on the 65<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvements as it was presented by the Department of Transportation.

**Motion: CB 10 to support the Department of Transportation's Proposal for 65<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvements. 33 in favor. 1 opposed – BM Bortnick. Motion carried.**

With regard to the Department of Transportation Bicycle Network Proposal, BM Hervas-Castaneda said she was unable to attend the meeting but noted she lives near 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway where there was a mother and child pedestrian fatality. That particular corner has the Staten Island bus making a right turn and it is a very dangerous intersection. She refuses to cross that street with a stroller because of the fatalities and all the oncoming traffic on and off the Verrazano Bridge and toward the Belt Parkway. She objects to the bike lane because of pedestrians and bikers being in danger. There is also a lot of double parking because there is a garage on that corner, a mini-market and laundromat as well as Papa John's, which would mean the bikers would have to go around the path in order to head toward the 80's. The power point was distributed to Board Members to look at that intersection.

DM Beckmann added to the Committee report that there is a pedestrian safety improvement of a curb extension that is going to be made at the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway intersection. The bicycle lane route was already adopted by the Community Board. This was a follow up to that with some pedestrian safety improvements.

BM Stelter said they adamantly did not allow bike lanes at 65<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. BM Harrison said he rides a bike a lot and for instance on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue they are going to have a shared bike lane. In reality a bicycle can go on any street because it is a vehicle and when they do this he does not understand what the purpose is. It is a good way to go although it is not any better than any other way. Committee Chair Capetanakis replied that DOT mentioned it is to make sure bikes are in the street and not on the sidewalk, and that this allowed it to be clearly indicated so drivers could be aware as well. BM Amato noted it is awareness. BM Bortnick said 92<sup>nd</sup> Street is a very heavily travelled corridor and in effect by pouring concrete there they are creating a bigger problem than you might think because there are narrow streets leading into the area between Fort Hamilton Parkway and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There are currently three lanes in existence now: the right hand lane going east is basically a turn lane for cars and trucks going to the Verrazano Bridge. By removing that lane which does not observe the red light, you are reducing it to one lane. There is no sense to it at all at that particular point.

DM Beckmann asked Board Members to look at page 27 and added that the Department of Transportation is including and has funding for the concrete curb extensions which would shorten the crossing distance on the southern lane by 24%. The District Office has received complaints in the past about trying to fix this intersection to reduce crossing time. Part of this is an LPI (Leading Pedestrian Interval), which is the 7 seconds where the pedestrian will have the ability to walk where all traffic stops. The intersection of 81<sup>st</sup> Street where Fort Hamilton Parkway and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue move together is also a difficult intersection. The LPI was installed many months ago and she feels it really has improved pedestrian safety. This is something the Board has requested specifically at this intersection, and it is going to be concrete and not painted. BM Cruz said the large curb cut extension on the southeast side by Imbriale's has also been proposed by the MTA to improve safety at

that intersection. It is rare that we have two agencies agreeing on something, but DOT has the money to do it now.

BM Kaszuba said he was unable to attend the meeting and he is curious about the rationale for 72<sup>nd</sup> Street as opposed to another street. His concern is that Flagg Court and other large apartment buildings are on that block, a school on Ridge Boulevard, and there is a higher concentration of traffic on that block than one of the smaller residential streets. Also there is quite a hill coming up 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and you cannot see over the hill. He is concerned about safety if there are bikes there. Committee Chair Capetanakis said that part of their goal was to link to bike lanes that are already in the community. The improvements where all these different routes are being expanded were to help improve that flow of bicycle traffic through our community. BM Khatari stated that there are also two schools on 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, one on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and PS 102. You are risking children and she feels there is going to be a child who gets hurt by a car or bike. She does not know how they are going to squeeze in a bike lane. Committee Chair Capetanakis responded that as BM Harrison said, bicycles are already there because bicyclists are trying to make the connection to the existing bike route. What this is talking about doing is making the markings and visibility. These things had been discussed in 2014 and it is just that the work is being done now. BM Khatari said that in 2014 the point about the schools was made. DM Beckmann said the bottom line is that the bicycle route was adopted and supported by the Board and sent to the Department of Transportation. They have come back now. We had one issue that was specifically addressed by DOT and this is the implementation of that plan. BM Khatari said there already was a child hit by a car not too long ago. DM Beckmann said the DOT responded that in making these lane markings it safens the roadway, and she shares their sentiment. It distinguishes the parking lane from the cycling lane, it adds visibility, and it makes the roads safer for all users of the roadway. BM Khatari asked about double parked cars and DM Beckmann replied that double parked cars should never be permitted and that is an enforcement issue everywhere.

Chair Kieran followed up by saying that when we were working on the proposed bike route throughout the neighborhood, DOT wanted to put them where they thought would be best but it really did not fit the neighborhood. It is safe to say that none of these selections are ideal. A bicycle route could be on Shore Road but no one will go on it. They will go where they need to go. The only other choices are 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, where there is a lot of speeding and traffic. BM Stelter noted that a year earlier they proposed Bay Ridge Parkway. BM Bortnick said he lives on 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and Shore Road. They put in a bike lane there on the north side of the street. If five bicycles a day went down Shore Road and turned onto 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, it's a lot. It is not a bicycle path and it is not needed there. He sees no sense to it at all. If they are going to put bicycle paths in they should not go on major arteries under any circumstances unless there are no other possible means of travel. Committee Chair Capetanakis said there is no doubt that there are more cars on the road than bicycles on the road at this time. There is also no doubt that there have been bicycle paths that need to have a clear designated marking for the cyclists that do choose to use Shore Road and also making the trip from our neighborhood to connect to downtown Brooklyn, Sunset Park, Park Slope; there are people who want to commute this way. All we are saying from Fall 2012 when this was first proposed is that we have to make the markings clear for all members of the community, not just so the cyclists can have a clear and safe path, but also our motor vehicle drivers can be aware of the cyclists who are there. It is not going to solve the problems associated with double parking or congested streets. It is going to say that we are sharing our streets and we are making it visible and we are going to make it safe for everyone who passes on those streets. BM Bortnick said what he is questioning is making it a 5' or 6' wide lane because that is even wider than a motorcycle needs. Committee Chair Capetanakis believes they said that the 5' lane is the standard lane and it will only be indicated on roads that are wide enough, potentially 20' wide. Whereas the lanes that are narrower, being 10 ½' to 13' wide, will be a shared lane and will just be marked with a chevron sign for the bicyclists and drivers to be aware. If all the drivers who pass through the whole day and only see those five bicycles that came up 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, we will know we kept five people safe.

**Motion: CB 10 to approve the Department of Transportation's Bicycle Network Proposal. 29 in favor. 5 opposed – BM Khatari, BM Kaszuba, BM Bortnick; BM Brian Walsh, BM Hervas-Castaneda. Motion carried.**

**Motion: CB 10 to approve the Groundswell proposal of a design concept for installation of a mural on the bridge at Fort Hamilton Parkway between 61<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> Streets set to be installed in April 2015 or shortly thereafter. All in favor. Motion carried.**

BM Bortnick had a question about Traffic and Transportation however Chair Kieran told him he would have to save that for Old Business or New Business since everything was thoroughly discussed, the Committee voted to recommend and there was a vote.

## **ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE**

Zoning and Land Use Committee Chair Falutico rendered the Committee report. See attached. Discussion followed.

With regard to the illegal conversions proposed legislation introduced by Councilman Gentile, BM Willis asked which agency is responsible and was told the Department of Buildings. Committee Chair Falutico understands that if the circumstantial evidence indicates an illegal conversion, the Department of Buildings can issue a violation. But if the recipient of the violation wishes to call the Department of Buildings to come for an internal inspection, the inspector could rescind the violation. BM Willis asked if the date of the hearing would be postponed until after the inspector comes, because it sounds good but she does not know if the inspectors will get out there. She is picturing the scenario where it is postponed indefinitely because she does not think the Department of Buildings has the resources to send people out. BM Harrison thinks it is a practical matter. He is sure it will be worked out where they would get their adjournment until such time that the inspection took place. If not, he is sure they can write it into the law. He does not think we are trying to rewrite it; we are trying to make suggestions that should be looked at. Chair Kieran hopes that the law committees on City Council will look this over. This is not the finished product. Maybe instead of just sending copies to the elected officials we can also send it to our District Attorney and they can have some input.

BM Rasinya supported what BM Willis said in speaking against the first motion because before the DOB inspector issues the violations, he is going to already try to gain access. For whatever reason he cannot, and it is usually because the owner does not want him to. Why are we affording this extra procedure to make it easy for the owner? We have a system in place; let the system work the way it is. Let the summons be issued; if he has an answer let him answer in court. We are putting another layer in there just to delay things. The Buildings Department cannot do what they are doing now and he thinks it is creating an unnecessary level of bureaucracy.

BM Kaszuba said the problem with the way the bill is written now is that it does not say that the inspector has to try to gain access. If this bill goes through they might not try to gain access. Our concern is not for the offenders because they are not going to allow access and are going to let the 30 days go. It is for those people like senior citizens and people who have not done anything wrong but now have to take time to go down to court to fight this. It is giving the people who are not the offenders the ability to have another recourse to fight this. Committee Chair Falutico thinks that component increases the chances of the bill passing because it makes a place for the innocent to go.

Chair Kieran asked if this law means the circumstantial evidence will be the basis for writing the summons that the Department of Buildings will be able to write a summons if they see evidence of three bells or three mailboxes, and was told that is correct.

Committee Chair Falutico noted that a motion was made at the April 16<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting to send the letters that BM Kaszuba had drafted as written with regard to the respective bill to the respective legislator. All were

in favor and the motion carried. There is a motion on the floor tonight that the Community Board send the letters to Councilman Gentile and Senator Golden.

BM Willis asked if the letters are saying with regard to the first legislation that you want to take out specific instances. Committee Chair Falutico responded that with respect to Councilman Gentile's bill it is to take out the examples, and also what we have been discussing the opportunity to refute the violation by scheduling the inspection. With respect to Senator Golden's bill, it is to include the one and two family houses in the bill. The question was asked if she wanted to separate that into two motions and she responded that we could do that.

**Motion: CB 10 to send letter to the respective legislator summarizing the Committee comments. Bill introduced by Councilman Gentile, #0393-2014, allows DOB to issue summonses and violations based on externally observable circumstantial evidence of an illegal conversion. The bill mentions specific examples of the circumstantial evidence. The Committee suggests this bill be amended to reflect the following:**

**-That Introduction 393 eliminate the references to circumstantial evidence examples so as not to limit the types of circumstantial evidence that an official may use to issue a violation.**

**-That the alleged offender has the initial opportunity to refute the violation by scheduling an inspector to come to the premises prior to the date in which they are to appear in court. The inspector could rescind the violation if no evidence of a violation is found.**

**28 in favor. 5 opposed – BM Johnson, BM Willis, BM Rasinya, BM Grimaldi, MB Shaia. 1 recusal – BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

**Motion: CB 10 to send letter to the respective legislator summarizing the Committee comments. Bill S3239A, introduced by Senator Marty Golden and Assemblyman Alex Brook-Krasny, aims to alter the NYC Multiple Dwelling Law such that failure to secure an alteration permit or obtain a Certificate of occupancy from DOB will be classified as a felony offense. Committee suggests this bill be amended to reflect the following:**

**-That S3239A broadens its scope to all residential buildings that illegally convert into multiple dwellings. This should not just be limited to buildings legally classified as multiple dwellings, but also include one and two family homes.**

**32 in favor. 1 opposed – BM Willis. 1 recusal – BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

With regard to the Zoning for Quality and Affordability Text Amendment BM Rasinya wanted to clarify that we are not saying yes we like it or no we do not like it, and was told that is correct. He has a problem with that because the City might turn around and tell us we never said we did not like it. He thinks we should put some language in there saying that based on the lack of information we vote no. Committee Chair Falutico thinks that is some of the flavor of what was going on at the meeting as well. A friendly amendment was made to vote no based on the previously described reasons.

**Motion: CB 10 to send a letter to City Planning Commission saying no to the Zoning for Quality and Affordability Text Amendment for the following reasons:**

**1. The review period of the EAS was insufficient for proper Community Board review.**

**2. The scope of Text Amendment too large for short review period.**

**3. Description of text amendment grossly insufficient.**

**4. Description gives appearance of trying to accelerate and bypass community not engage it.**

**5. Plan feels like a Master Plan void of key details.**

**6. We need advance notification of the certification of text amendment, far in advance of the 60 day statutory review period and at least 30 days before the certification notification.**

**7. We need to be able to not only review parochial concerns - but that of our neighboring Districts and Citywide impacts.**

**33 in favor. 1 recusal – BM Stelter. Motion carried.**

## SENIOR ISSUES, HOUSING, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

In the absence of Senior Issues, Housing, Health and Welfare Committee Chair Vallas, DM Beckmann noted that she attended the Committee meeting which was chaired by Sandy Vallas. The Committee did not meet in quorum. The application was for a three person potential community residence being sponsored by Program Development Services at 9517 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. It is for the relocation of three group home residents into a three bedroom apartment rental. In Section 4134 of the Mental Hygiene Law, the Community Board is formally notified. These three individuals, as you may recall from a prior meeting, were at another location that was hit by Superstorm Sandy. Their residence was within Community Board 13 in Coney Island and the three gentlemen were temporarily relocated into a day hab program in one of the larger group homes. The building was repaired enough for them to move back, however the need was still there because the gentlemen were getting older and it was a fourth floor walk-up. This apartment is actually one flight up, but the three gentlemen are mobile. The Committee members asked several questions and basically they are going to be in PDS related building. We do have three others within Community Board Ten. We did extensive community outreach and had no public comments to the contrary. We did have a positive phone call from a nearby resident. We are subject to the Padavan Law which gives us 40 days to comment to such notification. The Committee members who were present were supportive. Chair Kieran called for a motion from the floor. Motion by BM Harrison, seconded by BM Rasinya. Chair Kieran noted that PDS has a couple of houses in the neighborhood already. They are good and established mental health providers. Everything they do would have to be subject to the Office of Mental Retardation and Disabilities approval as well as state inspections. Once the apartment is ready for these gentlemen they will be able to move in.

**Motion: CB 10 to approve the proposal by Program Development Services to relocate three group home residents into a three bedroom apartment rental at 9517 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. 33 in favor. 1 abstention – BM Ahl. Motion carried.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

BM Bortnick made a formal request to the Department of Transportation and the Community Board that the proper City agencies be approached regarding putting some sort of identification on the back of every bicycle that travels in New York City. Chair Kieran asked for a second to the motion. BM Harrison said the motion is out of order because the control of vehicles is with the State. BM Grimaldi said that has to be sponsored legislation. Chair Kieran said they will refer that to the committee. BM Hervas-Castaneda commented on this issue saying that Community Board 6 in Manhattan has something similar to what he is suggesting. It was not approved but it is on their website if anyone wants to read up on it.

A motion was made from the floor to adjourn. With no further business, Chair Kieran adjourned the meeting at 9:55 PM.

# ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Community Planning Board #10/Brooklyn

April 16, 2015

ZALUC Committee Meeting was called to order @ 6:00 on Thursday April 16, 2015

Meeting was held at St. Anselms Meletia Hall

A quorum was met.

## **TOPIC #1**

**Board of Standards and Appeals Special Permit Application, pursuant to Section 73-622 of the Zoning Resolution for an amendment to a previously granted Special Permit at 269 77<sup>th</sup> Street, a two one family residence in an R4A zoning district.**

Presentation was made by Michael Nacmias of the office of Eric Palatnik PC

### **General Description:**

The Special Permit, which was already granted several years ago, allowed an increase in floor area in the form of a one story extension at the rear of the dwelling. The current amendment requests increase in floor area at the front of the dwelling adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor to the existing one-story front portion of the of the dwelling.

The amendment would add a second floor on the existing one story portion of the home adding approximately 150sf bringing the FAR to .77 against the allowable FAR of .75.

The roof of the dwelling would remain unchanged.

Discussion took place and plans were reviewed.

### **Committee Action**

Motion was made:

To disapprove the granting of the amendment to the Special Permit

(6) in favor, (1) opposed, motion carried

Disapproval was based on the following factors:

the front of this dwelling, it existing, is identical to the building to its east making an important visual relationship between the two building.

The proposed amendment may obstruct the sight lines from the windows of the adjacent neighbor to the west.

## **TOPIC #2**

Referring to the topic of illegal conversions and the minutes of the March 24<sup>th</sup> 2015 meeting.

Motion was made to send the following letters which contain the suggestions put forth by the committee at the March 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, as written and submitted by Brian Kaszuba at this meeting:

To send letter with committee comments on Bill S3239A to Senator Marty Golden and to send the Letter with committee comments on Bill 3993-2014 to Councilman Gentile.

All in favor, motion carried.

## **TOPIC #3**

Discussion on upcoming zoning text amendment being proposed by NYC City Planning Commission in accordance with the Mayor's goals to build and preserve affordable housing throughout NYC.

In short there are four primary goals. (see AIA document)

There are summaries, power points and many articles on the proposal as well as very vocal opposition from many fronts .

# ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Community Planning Board #10/Brooklyn

April 16, 2015

The text amendment would in certain instances, allow for increased building heights and decreased parking requirements but there is also a shortage of specific information on how this change will impact the neighborhoods.

The actual text amendment is not available at this time, any yet the community boards are being asked to give comment at the EAS stage, that is, before April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made to send a Letter to City Planning Commission covering the following committee points:

1. The review period of the EAS was insufficient for proper Community Board review.
2. The scope of Text Amendment too large for short review period.
3. Description of text amendment grossly insufficient.
4. Description gives appearance of trying to accelerate and bypass community not engage it.
5. Plan feels like a Master Plan void of key details.
6. We need advance notification of the certification of text amendment, far in advance of the 60 day statutory review period and at least 30 days before the certification notification
7. We need to be able to not only review parochial concerns -- but that of our neighboring Districts and Citywide impacts.

All in favor, motion carried.

It was also discussed that at the next Borough Board Meeting, our chairperson Brian suggest we do a joint letter of solidarity to City Planning from all Brooklyn Boards.

## **TOPIC #3**

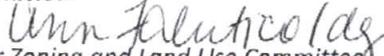
CN10 received notification of rooftop wireless telecommunications facility installation at 301 100<sup>th</sup> Street.

Given the visual impact of these installations, increase in their numbers, as well as potential health risks, ZALUC committee plans to focus on topic of these facilities in as an agenda item in the near future.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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*Respectfully Submitted:*

Ann Falutico   
Committee Chair Zoning and Land Use Committee

*Committee Members Attending: PLEASE CHECK ATTENDANCE LIST*

*Josphine Beckman*

*Ann Falutico*

*Barbara Germack*

*Steve Harrison*

*Brian Kaszuba*

*Susan Pulaski*

*MaryAnn Walsh*

*Brian Walsh*

*+ (4) community guests*

**DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT**  
**APRIL 20, 2015**

**ELECTRONIC RECYCLING** – As you know, Electronic Recycling will no longer be collected curbside. This change began at the beginning of the year. Starting April 1, 2015 Department of Sanitation will be issuing violations for placing electronics such as computers and TVs at the curb for disposal. There is a long list of places that will accept electronic recycling. Manufacturers are required to provide take back program. Information on E Recycling will be place on our website.

**Organic Recycling will be extended to the remaining portion of Bay Ridge currently – it will be an extention of the pilot and voluntary.** Sanitation will include all single family homes and apartment buildings under 10 residential units in the pilot area. The extended area will include South of 62<sup>nd</sup> Street to 74<sup>th</sup> Street roughly from Shore Road to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. On May 21<sup>st</sup> notices will be sent to mail – June 5 to 10<sup>th</sup> Bins will be delivered to homes of building and collection will start June 8<sup>th</sup>. Residents will receive a free “starter kit” including an outdoor organics bin, an indoor kitchen collector, and detailed information on how to participate. Sanitation will collect the material once a week, on the local recycling day. Residents can set out food and yard waste in the brown bin, and can set out extra yard waste in paper bags or other unlined bins.

**SCAMS** – Pay attention.. we have heard about many scams taking place right here in our community and they are happening to people we know and care about and I cannot reinforce how important it is to be cautious, attentive and alert.

Today I joined John Mancuso, Chief of Staff to CM Gentile at the construction collapse at IS 201. I want to say thanks to the swift action of a teacher no injuries were sustained after a large window and surrounding bricks collapsed separating from the brick facade and crashing into the classroom. A second classroom was also affected. The pointing and brick work has been the source of many neighborhood complaints including noise and dust. A complete vacate order was issued by FDNY and DOB. The office of Emergency Management and School Construction as well as DOE were on hand. Students will be relocated tomorrow while engineers return to complete full inspection of all classrooms.

The District Office today received a letter from Hillary Kumins MD MPS Assistant Commissioner of Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Use Prevention Care and Treatment regarding a sudden increase in synthetic cannabinoid Marijuana related adverse events and emergency department visits in NYC. From DOH” There is no antidote presently for synthetic cannabinoid intoxication however, symptoms are usually short lived and self-limited. It is illegal to in New York State to possess, sell, and offer to sell or manufacture synthetic cannabinoids. Stores in possession of synthetic cannabinoids can be fined \$250 per packet. Synthetic cannabinoids are detected by standard urine toxicology screens.” I have learned that many people seeking to evade/avoid routine screening tests are turning to synthetic cannabinoid without knowing the real dangers. Please help get the word out about this.. synthetic cannabinoids have been sold in local convenience stores.. We have received complaints in the past about this.. These substances are known to be dangerous and can make anyone who uses them very sick.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Here are the confirmed dates for 2015 Summer Stroll on 3rd

Friday July 17

Friday July 24

3rd Avenue from 80th Street to 90th Street

6-10 PM, Rain or shine

Friday August 7

Friday August 14

3rd Avenue from 69th Street to 80th Street

We received public notice from NYC Water Board – Public hearing on Water rate increases – Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at Saint Francis College.

**FIVE BOROUGH BIKE TOUR** is this Saturday, May 3, 2015 – if you plan on travelling please take note check our website for street and highway closures.

**Bay Ridge Norwegian Day Parade**

Sunday, May 17, 2015 - Steps off at 80th Street and Third Avenue at 1:30 PM, rain or shine, and proceeds along Third Avenue, turns right at Bay Ridge Ave (69th street) up to Fifth Avenue, makes a left onto Fifth Avenue, marching along Fifth Avenue to 67 Street, makes a right on 67 Street - marching along the park up to the reviewing stand between 6th and 7th Avenues.

**NYC Department of Sanitation annual SAFE Disposal Events** for NYC residents with a one-stop method to safely dispose of potentially harmful household products. Check out DSNY website.. this year includes electronic recycling.

Next meeting of Community Board Ten will take place on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:15pm at the Norwegian Christian Home 1250 67<sup>th</sup> Street.

Respectfully submitted,  
Josephine Beckmann  
District Manager

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Josephine Beckmann" followed by a stylized flourish.

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

Budget Appropriation for FY 14	\$206,895.00
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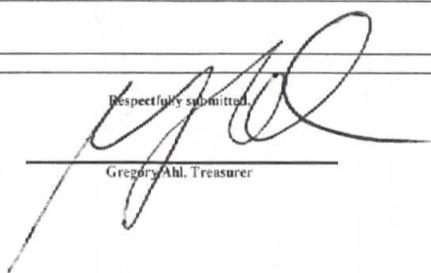
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100	Supplies & Materials					284.26			595.91	154.83					
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431	Leasing Misc. Equip														
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608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance														
676	Awning														
<b>Total Other than Personal Services</b>		<b>\$514.16</b>	<b>\$438.40</b>	<b>\$1,348.48</b>	<b>\$662.32</b>	<b>\$1,289.72</b>	<b>\$987.17</b>	<b>\$653.81</b>	<b>\$1,171.55</b>	<b>\$743.79</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>\$7,807.40</b>

<b>TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,984.15</b>	<b>22,141.40</b>	<b>15,818.48</b>	<b>21,203.51</b>	<b>16,043.72</b>	<b>15,739.37</b>	<b>22,782.11</b>	<b>15,923.75</b>	<b>16,495.99</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>161,132.48</b>
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<b>TOTAL UNCOMBURED BUDGET BALANCE</b>														<b>\$45,762.52</b>
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Respectfully submitted,

  
Gregory Ahl, Treasurer

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

Date/Time: April 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Called to Order: 7:15 p.m.

Place: District Office, 8119 5th Avenue, Brooklyn , NY 11209

Quorum: Yes (attendance sheet attached)

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**New SLA Wine and Beer Application for Shangri-La Vegetarian Inc.**

**Premises: 7400 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue**

200 Foot/500 Foot Hearing: n/a

This is a new wine/beer restaurant liquor license application. The applicant appeared its owner, Yu Quing Lu, and it's representative, Karen He, from the office of Jing Yao (James) Wang. The premises will operate as a vegetarian restaurant. Its owner was the manager of LuAnne's Wild Ginger on Smith Street, a vegan restaurant. The premises has no adverse history, as it was previously a Carvel. The hours of operation will be 11:30 am – 11 pm, Sunday – Thursday; and 11:30 am – 11:30 pm, Friday and Saturday. The premises will have only background music. The C/O permits a maximum of 74 people, and the premises will have 5 tables with 40 seats. There is no outdoor space used in conjunction with the premises. The Committee voted unanimously to approve this application.

**New SLA On Premise application for JAX Holdings Corp**

**Premises: 8402 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue**

200 Foot/500 Foot Hearing: Yes

The applicant appeared by its attorney, Anthony P. Scali, Esq., and one of its owners, Armand D'Accordo. This application is for a new on premise liquor license for the premises previously operated as the Blue Zoo. Mr. D'Accordo is also an owner of Xin. The premises have been licensed since 1982 and were operated as a bar for many years, with no recent adverse history. There is no intended change to the premises (except interior decoration) or its method of operation. The premises will continue to have recorded music, and a DJ in the evening and night hours. The hours of operation will be 11 am – 12 am, Sunday – Wednesday; and 11 am to 2 am, Thursday – Saturday. There is no outdoor space used in conjunction with the premises. The C/O permits a maximum of 74 people, and there will be 12 sofa and 8 lounge seats with 4 lounge tables. The Committee voted unanimously to disapprove the application unless the following stipulations are agreed to and met:

1. The applicant will not use promoters or have promoted events;
2. All windows and doors shall remain closed;
3. The hours of operation shall be 11 am – 12 am, Sunday – Wednesday; and 11 am to 2 am, Thursday – Saturday;
4. Applicant shall employ and have on the premises during the hours of operation at least one certified security personnel and one of the three owners; and
5. There shall be no valet parking.

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**SLA On Premise Transfer application for Embers Steakhouse, Inc. d/b/a TBD**

**Premises: 9519 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue**

**200 Foot/500 Foot Hearing: Yes**

The applicant appeared by its owner, Fernando Garcia. Mr. Garcia has been managing the establishment for 4 years. ~~The owner of the applicant owns 4 other diners.~~ The premises have been operated as restaurant for many years, with no adverse history. There is no intended change to the premises or its method of operation. The premises will continue to have recorded background music, delivered via the existing sound system. The hours of operation will be 12 pm – 9 pm, Sunday – Monday; 12 pm to 10 pm, Tuesday – Thursday; and 12pm – 11pm, Friday – Saturday. There is no outdoor space used in conjunction with the premises. The C/O permits a maximum of 104 people, and there are 72 seats and 21 tables. The Committee voted unanimously to approve this application.

**New SLA Wine and Beer application for Brooklyn Pig, LLC d/b/a The Pig Guy NYC**

**Premises: 8413 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue**

**200 Foot/500 Foot Hearing: n/a**

The applicant appeared by its attorney, Gus Halkias, Esq., and its two owners, George Venetsakiakos and Pasqualino Trunzo. Mr. Trunzo was the manager of The Palm and the World Yacht. Both owners are from the area and attended school in Bay Ridge. The premises will be operated as a restaurant which is in concept the first fixed location of an existing food truck. There will be 30 seats and 12 tables. There is no existing C/O. Applicant will obtain an no objection letter if the SLA requires it. The hours of operation are: 11 am – 10 pm, Sunday – Wednesday; Thursday 11am to 1am; and 11 am to 3am, Friday and Saturday. The applicant will have only recorded background music. There shall be no DJ. There is no outdoor space used in conjunction with the premises. The Committee voted unanimously to disapprove the application unless the following stipulations are met:

1. The hours of operation shall be 11 am – 10 pm, Sunday – Wednesday; Thursday 11 am to 1am; and 11 am to 3am, Friday and Saturday;
2. There shall be no DJ;
3. The applicant will return for a 6 month review; and
4. The applicant will advise the Board in advance if there is a change in the method of operation.

**New SLA On Premise Application for Chill Corp.**

**Premises: 7810 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**200 Foot/500 Foot Hearing: Unknown**

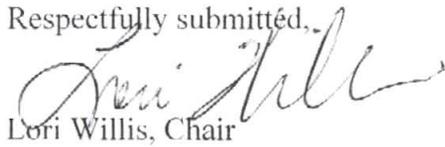
The applicant did not appear or provide any written submission or appear. Five members of the community appeared to speak against the application. Their complaints included: smoking in the rear yard and smoke emanating from the open rear door, causing headaches and breathing problems for the rear residential neighbors who suffer from asthma; the rear yard being open

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until 2am; and loud DJ music and vibrations until around 2 am on weekdays and weekends. These activities violate the applicant's existing stipulations, and the applicant received a DOB violation for use of the rear yard. After last month's PPS Committee meeting and the full Board meeting, the local police precinct reached out to the applicant. Last month the Board voted to send a letter to the SLA regarding the applicant's existing stipulation violations. One week later, the applicant submitted its application for a full liquor license and karaoke at the premises. In light of all of the foregoing, the Committee unanimously voted to disapprove the application.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Lori Willis, Chair



The Communications and Public Relations Committee met for an informational meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015 at the District Office. In attendance were Michael Festa (Chair), Brian Kieran (CB Chair), and Committee members Judy Collins, Kevin Peter Carroll, Jaynemie Capetanakis & Liz Amato.

There were two items on the agenda for the evening's meeting:

- Ongoing discussion regarding LinksNYC
- Bay Ridge Storefront Art Walk (SAW)

### **LinksNYC:**

Patrick Fergus, the Director of Community Affairs for the New York Department of Information, Technology and Communications (DoITT) attended the meeting to discuss the DoITT proposal for the Wifi Phone structures, and address the questions that the Committee had with regard to this issue. The District Office sent notifications of this meeting to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Merchants, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue BID, 86<sup>th</sup> Street BID 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue Merchants and Fort Hamilton Parkway Merchants. Heather Hamilton was in attendance as a representative of the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue BID (as well as a member of the Bay Ridge SAW).

Briefly, the replacement of the existing pay telephones in the five boroughs was approved in November 2014. Over the next four years, all pay phones, roughly 7000 across the city, will be replaced by kiosk structures. Manhattan will have the most structures. The schedule for Brooklyn is as follows:

First Year (2015):	62 structures
Second Year (2016):	127 additional structures
Third Year (2017):	160 additional structures
Fourth Year (2018):	161 additional structures

The final tally after four years will be 510 structures in the Borough of Brooklyn, including both advertising and non-advertising structures.

Questions:

### **How do you connect?**

When you connect to the network, you will first hit a splash page with some advertising. You will need to provide, via a touch screen, an email address, and a username and password to create a LinkNYC account, with the hope that you can then access any structure without logging in again. You do not provide any personal information. Mr. Fergus advised that the system will be secure. Domestic phone calls are unlimited and free, with no handset needed. The range of a link is 150 feet in all directions, so even if

there is a link at every corner, there will still be areas on the block too far away to connect. The question was asked if the authorities will have access to the phone records in case of illegal use. We were promised a review and response.

### **Why are the structures so high, and can the structure height be reduced?**

In order for the WiFi connections to function, the structures have to be constructed at a certain height, although there was some lack of clarity as to the final height of both advertising and non-advertising structures when questioned at the Committee Meeting. According to the technical information provided, the advertising structure will be 3 feet in width, and 9 ½ - 10 feet high. The non-advertising structure will roughly 10 feet high, and less than 2 feet in width. The final height of each structure cannot be reduced.

### **What type of advertising will be displayed on the structures?**

The advertising structure will come with two digital ad units on each side that can be changed remotely, or sold programmatically. Along with the side digital units will be the initial splash page. The plan is to have major brands advertise on the LinkNYC network. There will be no “sexy” ads; all ads will be vetted to ensure that they are clean, and not questionable in any way. The vetting process was not explained to us. Mr. Fergus advised the Committee that there will be an opportunity for local advertising, perhaps Community Board notices, and after questioning, even opportunities for schools and libraries to participate in the information sharing. Mr. Fergus advised that he would follow-up with the Community Board in this regard.

### **When will the structures be installed?**

Installation will begin in late 2015, early 2016 and will continue for a four-year period. Each year will have a specific number of installations in each Borough, with the following taken into consideration:

- Feedback from the Borough President and Community Boards
- Technical aspects; current and deactivated sites, with pre-existing conduits

The ads are expected to generate \$500 million in revenue for the city over the next 12 years. The project will also create as many as 150 new full-time jobs, as well as 650 support positions.

The Community Board has been given a mandate by Borough Hall to provide comments and recommendations by June 1. The presentation was informative, but we still wish to receive feedback from our business leaders prior to our discussing additional sites in our District for consideration. The District Office will send a follow-up notification to our business leaders, with a cut-off date for their thoughts and comments. We will hold a final Committee meeting in May 2015 to prepare our report to the Borough President with our comments and recommendations.

### **Bay Ridge Storefront Art Walk (SAW):**

In attendance to represent and speak about the upcoming May 16 Art Walk were John Avelluto, Danielle Bullock, Heather Hamilton, and participating artists Jeannine Bardo and Salim Hasbini.

The Sixth Annual Fifth Avenue Storefront Art Walk will take place starting May 16 in stores on Fifth Avenue between 68th and 84th streets. Store windows on Fifth Avenue in Bay Ridge will become mini-art galleries, thanks to this unique program designed to bring together art, commerce and the community

The Fifth Avenue Storefront Art Walk, nicknamed SAW by its organizers, teams artists up with merchants to create memorable works of art tailored specifically to the participating stores. This year there will be 15 artists working with a variety of visual media to present individual art projects in the storefront windows.

Each artist will be paired with a Fifth Avenue business and will create a unique installment with the particular business in mind. There is no cost to the merchant and the artist will install their own work. Maps will be distributed at the participating businesses. The art works will be on display for several days.

SAW is sponsored by the Bay Ridge Fifth Avenue Business Improvement District, Red Hook Winery and SixPoint Brewery

John Avelluto has asked that the space outside the District Office be made available on May 16 at 11:00 am to jump start the walk, and that members of Community Board Ten be available to introduce SAW and Borough President Eric Adams, who is slated to say some words at the opening.

John will be asked to say a few words about the Walk during the presentation of this report during the General Meeting on May 20, 2015.

Respectfully submitted.



Michael J. Festa  
Chairman

## Traffic and Transportation Report: April 16, 2015

Chair: Jaynemie Capetanakis

### Committee Members:

- Lizabeth Amato
- Jumana Bishara (excused)
- Doris Cruz
- Judith Grimaldi (absent)
- Steve Harrison (excused)
- Victoria Hervas-Castaneda (excused)
- Brian Kaszuba (excused)
- Nick Nikolopoulos
- Dean Rasinya (excused)
- Joseph Sokoloski
- Larry Stelter

### Other CB Members:

- Bob Hudock
- Chair Brian Kieran
- DM Josephine Beckmann

The membership of the Traffic and Transportation Committee met on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 7:15 pm.

### The Traffic and Transportation committee then reviewed the following items:

1. Department of Transportation presentation for 65<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvements.
  - This presentation involved Corridor Safety Improvements along 65<sup>th</sup> Street from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. CB 10 had requested that DOT study safety improvements for this area in April 2013.
  - For purposes of this report, this stretch is then broken down into two sections:
    - From 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Fort Hamilton Parkway
      - This is the more commercial and light industrial segment
      - Currently, this has what are referred to as “rush hour regulations” meaning that there is no parking, creating a third lane during rush hour facing westbound from 7:00 to 10:00 am and eastbound from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.
    - From Fort Hamilton Parkway to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue
      - This is the more residential segment of 65<sup>th</sup> street
      - Here there is curbside parking without any “rush hour regulations.”
  - It is common knowledge in our Community Board that 65<sup>th</sup> Street is an area where there is major traffic and speeding—which is why we had requested it be studied in 2013. It is also a Vision Zero Priority Corridor based on the statistic that it falls in the top 10% of the worst corridors in Brooklyn—there have been 22.5 people killed or severely injured, which is known as a KSI statistic, per mile along 65<sup>th</sup> Street. The priority intersection is 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 65<sup>th</sup> Street—this is the site of the most severe accidents, although there have been additional fatalities and severe injuries along the entire section of 65<sup>th</sup>.
  - Of the pedestrian crashes from 2009-2013, 74.4% were referred to as “failure to yield” crashes. This means, the pedestrian was doing the right thing and crossing with the light, but the car—and the car driver—failed to yield to the pedestrian. Potentially, these are vehicles making the turn

onto 65<sup>th</sup> Street. Additionally, speeding has been identified and confirmed as an issue along 65<sup>th</sup> Street—although the DOT could not confirm the percentage of truck vs. automobile speeding.

- The Proposal is to:
  - Remove the “rush hour regulations” that created the third lane from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and make it consistent with the parking pattern from Fort Hamilton to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This will create 24 hour parking lanes on both sides of 65<sup>th</sup> Street. There will be street sweeping regulations and truck zones will remain for delivery zones.
  - They will make Corridor Marking Upgrades, which includes painting parking lane lines to indicate an 8 foot parking lane with two moving lanes that are 11 feet wide in each direction. Another Corridor Marking Upgrade is to paint higher visibility crosswalks, known as zebra stripes, in all crosswalks along 65<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - There will be an installation of LPIs, which are Leading Pedestrian Intervals, at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort Hamilton Parkway, 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This will give pedestrians a 7 second “head start” to cross when the light changes before the cross street of 65<sup>th</sup> Street will get a green light. This will help increase pedestrian visibility and hopefully reduce those “failure to yield” pedestrian crashes.
  - There are many upgrades in store for 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 65<sup>th</sup> Street. Here they will install “Qwick-Kurb” to prevent shallow left turns from 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue onto 65<sup>th</sup> Street (these are those ballasts that separate lanes and are bendable). They will install lane designations northbound on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue (which is going toward 64<sup>th</sup> street) that will include a new left turn only bay—they estimate that there are 500 vehicles per hour taking the left turn from 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 65<sup>th</sup> Street. They will add a proper merging lane with curbside channelization and a new No Standing Anytime. On the southbound side of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, they will construct curb extension and realign the crosswalk to increase visibility and install channelization to designate existing No Standing Anytime and define lanes.
  - Additional safety treatments included a markings upgrade along 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, which stems from our request for traffic calming near IS 187, Christa McAuliffe. They will be improving the parking lane stripes and adding new crosswalks at 64<sup>th</sup> Street, Tabor Court, and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, which also helps PS 176.
- We were asked by DOT to give our approval of this proposal.
- All of these designs should help to reduce speeds, reduce crashes, improve safety and they are a direct response to the Community Boards request.
- The committee voted and all were in favor to support this proposal. This proposal was given committee endorsement.

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2. The second item on our agenda was the approval of Community Board 10 Bike Route Projects. This came from CB 10 Requests in 2012 and DOT’s report first shared in June 2014 with implementation for now in 2015, perhaps as early as June.

- This project is organizing the traffic with designated bike lanes to improve bicycle routes between neighborhoods and connects to existing bike routes. There are no planned parking removals with this proposal.
- Streets for improved bike lanes are :
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 67<sup>th</sup> Street to Fort Hamilton Parkway
  - Fort Hamilton Parkway from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 92<sup>nd</sup> street
  - Fort Hamilton Parkway from 92<sup>nd</sup> Street to 101<sup>st</sup> Street

- Marine Avenue from Colonial Road to Fort Hamilton Parkway
  - 68<sup>th</sup> Street from 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue
  - 68<sup>th</sup> Street from Shore Parkway to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
  - 72<sup>nd</sup> Street from Colonial Road to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 66<sup>th</sup> Street to 67<sup>th</sup> Street, which is a proposed alternate route around the Gowanus Expressway for cyclists
- On each of these streets, they have taken the existing lanes and designated between 7 to 9 feet as a parking lane, and the remainder as either a shared lane for cars and bikes (which ran from 10.5-13 feet wide), and where the street was even wider, you may have a specific designation of 5 feet for bicycle traffic. In the bike lanes and where there are shared lanes, it will have the painted symbol for bicycle paths. If anyone is interested in more information, please go to the CB 10 website to view the Power Point that has the mapping of these changes.
  - The committee voted and all were in favor of this proposal.
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3. The third item on our agenda was a presentation by Groundswell, with a design concept for installation of a mural on part of the bridge at Fort Hamilton Parkway between 61<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, which also wraps around the corner at 62<sup>nd</sup> Street opposite P.S. 310. This project was part of a CASA grant (CASA is Cultural After-School Adventures) funded by Councilman Carlos Menchaca and the NYC Department of Transportation Urban Design and Art Department. Groundswell's goal is to not only beautify these public spaces, but to teach that "creativity is a tool for change." They use a collaborative art-making process to generate activism and their quote, "art creates community and community creates change." For this mural, Groundswell has been working with the 5<sup>th</sup> graders from P.S. 310, who are the first graduating class, to involve them in the creation of this design. This includes student ideas of planting seeds, jumping rope, teamwork and the connection between home and school working together. This project is due to be completed by June 2015.

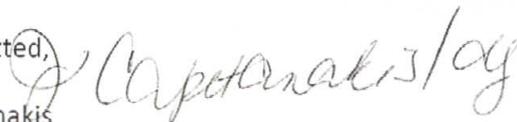
- Committee discussion included that this grant, which is about \$20,000) only covers cost for a mural of 110 feet, which is only part of the wall facing Fort Hamilton Parkway. We discussed asking our other representatives from this area to consider continuing this project in the future. CB 10 will also ask DOT if the remainder of the unpainted area can be power-washed. We also discussed a recommendation that the mural has a protective coating to keep it graffiti-free and we recommend the completion of the remainder of the wall.
  - The committee voted and all were in favor of this proposal.
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The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaynemie Capetanakis

April 19, 2015



# ZONING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Community Planning Board #10/Brooklyn

March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015

ZALUC Committee Meeting was called to order @ 7:10 on Tuesday March 24, 2015

At CB10 Office.

A quorum was met.

## Update on Illegal Conversions:

This topic is being crusaded from many fronts – by our own CB10 efforts, the efforts of CB11 and other community boards, by neighborhood groups and by bills being introduced by local legislators.

Committee dedicated this meeting to review and comment of two pending bills.

1. One of the bills introduced by Councilman Gentile, #0393-2014, allows DOB to issue summonses and violations based on externally observable circumstantial evidence of an illegal conversion. The bill mentions specific examples of the circumstantial evidence. Committee suggests this bill be amended to reflect the following:  
That Introduction 393 eliminate the references to circumstantial evidence examples so as not to limit the types of circumstantial evidence that an official may use to issue a violation.

That the alleged offender has the initial opportunity to refute the violation by scheduling an inspector to come to the premises prior to the date in which they are to appear in court. The inspector could rescind the violation if no evidence of a violation is found.

2. The other bill discussed at this meeting is S 3239A, introduced by Senator Marty Golden and Assemblyman Alex Brooke-Krasny which aims to alter the NYC Multiple Dwelling Law such that failure to secure an alteration permit or obtain a Certificate of occupancy from DOB will be classified as a felony offense. Committee suggests this bill be amended to reflect the following:  
That S 3239A broadens its scope to all residential buildings that illegally convert into multiple dwellings. This should not just be limited to buildings legally classified as multiple dwellings, but also include one and two family home.

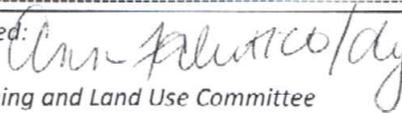
Letters to the respective legislators summarizing committee comments will be prepared with the help of Brian Kaszuba.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ann Falutico

Committee Chair Zoning and Land Use Committee



Committee Members Attending: PLEASE CHECK ATTENDANCE LIST

Josphine Beckman

Ann Falutico

Steve Harrison

Brian Kaszuba

Susan Pulaski

MaryAnn Walsh

Brian Walsh

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

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
TBA, 6314 Fort Hamilton Parkway	4/8/15	New Application Liquor, Wine & Beer
Rocco's Italian Cafeteria, Inc., d/b/a Joe's Italian Cafeteria, 6408 Ft. Hamilton Pkwy.	4/10/15	Renewal Wine & Beer Only
Rocco's Italian Cafeteria, Inc., d/b/a Joe's Italian Cafeteria, 6408 Ft. Hamilton Pkwy.	4/13/15	Renewal Beer Only
Go One Sushi Inc., 848 64 <sup>th</sup> Street	4/13/15	*New Application Wine & Beer Only
Pirate Club of Brooklyn Corp., d/b/a TBD 6314-6324 Fort Hamilton Parkway	4/13/15	New Application Liquor, Wine & Beer
Shobu Sushi Inc., 9427 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	4/16/15	Renewal Wine & Beer Only
Castillo De Jagua Deli Restaurant, 6811 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	4/23/15	New Application Wine & Beer Only
Candela Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Red Oak, 8305 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	4/23/15	*Corporate Change Liquor, Wine & Beer
Splitem Corp., d/b/a Bullshots, 8121 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	4/28/15	Renewal Liquor, Wine & Beer
Sapan Convenience Store LLC, 9116 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	4/30/15	Renewal
Pams Bar Inc., PC's Bar & Grill, 7215 5 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	4/30/15	Renewal Liquor, Wine & Beer

\*Has been invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in May 2015.