



**COMMUNITY BOARD 11**  
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- Ethics & Disciplinary*
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- Sanitation & Environmental Protection*
- Transportation*

Full Board Meeting  
 Thursday, June 27, 2024  
 7:00 p.m.

Einstein College of Medicine’s Lubin Dining Hall  
 Abraham Mazer Building  
 1200 Van Nest Avenue  
 Zoom Webinar

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Moment of silence for our fallen first responders and medical and military service personnel, and for those suffering throughout the world
3. Gallery Session: *Speakers receive an initial, two (2) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time; only those registered will be called upon*
  - a. Elizabeth Diaz from Davita: consolidation of dialysis facilities – spoke about the consolidation of dialysis centers by the end of September,
  - b. Mr. Ed Murphy, NY: Greenway road widening -spoke against expanding the asphalt part of the greenway
  - c. Charlene Mendez-Jackson, Friends of Pelham Parkway – spoke against the expansion of the pathway
  - d. Ms Charlene Slader, Community member/neighbor 30yrs: Park’s widening of path to allow for motorized vehicles – spoke against widening of the pathway
  - e. Mr. Nicholas Carovillano: Street parking and road conditions – asked for painted restriction line to say where the parking should be, among other items
  - f. Director of Landscape Architecture Renata Sokolowski, Bronx Parks Department: Pelham Parkway Malls Partial Reconstruction – spoke about finalizing the scope of work for this project and the need the widen the path a foot or two
  - g. Ms. Eileen Marcus, Resident: Pelham Parkway renovations particularly about widening the pathway -spoke against widening of the pathway
  - h. Ronald Coangelo, 1900 Seminole Avenue – spoke about meeting he attended regarding 1900 Seminole Avenue

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- i. Robert Press, City of Yes – spoke about the proposal on the agenda tonight and the board’s elections
  - j. Roxanne Delgado, Friends of Pelham Parkway – spoke about letter she has on not widening the pathway
  - k. Janet Gerena – spoke about pedestrians being hurt by motorized vehicles
  - l. Kevin Dalioa, Hutchinson River Greenway- spoke about daylighting at crosswalks, among other items
  - m. Roy Smith, City Island resident – spoke in favor of widening and resurfacing the pathway
  - n. Dina Finch, Pelham Parkway greenway – spoke about board working to deal with the issues of vehicles vs pedestrians
4. Chair’s Report
- a. Quorum at committee meetings  
V. Castro stressed the need for physical presence at committee meeting as remote presence users cannot be counted toward the quorum.
5. Treasurer’s Report
- V. Castro reported the Treasurer’s reports were submitted and will be uploaded to the website. Anyone with questions cannot reach out to her.
6. Secretary’s Report
- a. Review of the DRAFT [February](#), [March](#), [April](#), [May](#) 2024 Full Board Meeting Minutes  
H. Miura reported that the minutes will be available in September.
7. District Manager’s Report
- a. Yankee Awards and game tickets
  - b. Three inactive non-standing committees  
Bylaws, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, and Social Media
  - c. Text messages notifications  
Motion by N. Pemberton, seconded by R. Reynoso, that Community Board 11 use text message and robo calls to notify members about meetings.  
**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**
8. Committee Reports
- a. Nominating & Elections
    - i. Sergeant at Arms Nominations
      - (1) Currently nominated and accepted: Harry Santaella  
Motion by S. Pirtam, seconded R. Reynoso for D. Kawalick for Sergeant at Arms and she accepted.  
J. Rubino explained why some candidates’ names were not on the ballot, but that their name can be written on the ballot tonight.  
N. Pemberton withdrew as candidate for Chair,
    - ii. Election for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Sergeant at Arms

- iii. Chair- V. Castro, N. Pemberton and C. Rodriguez
  - iv. Vice Chart – E. Perez and R. Reynoso
  - v. Secretary – H. Miura
  - vi. Sergeant at Arms – D. Kawalick and H. Santaella
- Ballots were electronically sent to the board members.

b. Leadership

- i. **Motion that Community Board 11 RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL of the Allerton Food Festival Street Activity Permit for July 27, 2024**

H. Miura explained why this event was recommended for disapproval.

**PASSED with 5 AGAINST (A. Diaz, N. Pemberton, E. Perez, S. Perez and L. Soto) and 1 ABSTENTION (K. Allen)**

c. Ethics & Disciplinary

- i. **Motion that Community Board 11 PARTNER with Grassroots Grocery for an event on June 29 and/or August 3, 2024**

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

Discussion on why some candidates' names were not on the ballot took place.

V. Castro explained the bylaws required that candidates submit a statement as to why they want to run for office 72 hours before the election.

d. Parks & Recreation

- i. **Motion that Community Board 11 REQUESTS that the City Parks Department resurface but not widen the greenway of Pelham Parkway, as proposed by the Parks Department on June 13, 2024**

**PASSED with 25 FOR, 8 AGAINST (E. Aguirre, R. Barthel, S. Deleon, A. Diaz, S. Perez, C. Rodrigues, L. Soto and J. Wilson) 1 ABSTENTION (J. Luciano ) and 1 RECUSAL (O. Selkridge)**

e. Transportation

- i. **Motion that Community Board 11 SEND the City and Bronx Department of Transportation Commissioners the Committee's daylighting resolution**
- PASSED with 1 AGAINST (J. Rubino) and 1 RECUSAL (O. Selkridge)**

f. Economic Development

- i. On-Premise Alcoholic Beverage Licenses
  - (1) Jo & Ed Caterers Corp, DbA Fratelli, 2507 Eastchester Road: [Renewal](#)
  - (2) Golden Corral, 2375 E. Tremont Ave: [Renewal](#)

Motion by J. Rubino, seconded by J. Luciano – That an email be sent to the State Liquor Authority that Community Board 11 has no objection to the renewal of these two licenses.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

- (3) Burger Time, 1080 Morris Park Ave: [Corporate Change](#)

Motion by J. Rubino, seconded by J. Luciano that Community Board 11 send an email to the SLA that we had no objection to the Corporate change.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

g. City of Yes

- i. Housing Opportunity [recommendation](#)

Motion by W. Hewlett-Betts, seconded by E. Perez to approve a no vote for the City of Yes Housing Opportunity.

**PASSED with 1 AGAINST (R. Barthel) and 1 RECUSSIONAL (O. Selkridge)**

Ciara Gannon reported that there will be a Borough Board vote on this at the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting,

h. Education, Culture & Youth Services

- i. New Chair for the Committee

M. Elhakam, new chair of Education and she is working on a comprehensive list of schools in community board 11.

i. Community Development & Budget Priorities

- i. Committees' budget priorities requests

Motion by R. Barthel, seconded by S. Deleon that the deadline for submission of budget requests be extended to August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**UNANIMOUSLY PASSED.**

- ii. Mayor's Neighborhood Support Team

R. Barthel explained the idea of this team is to bring together different agencies throughout the city to try and solve problems that we have identified in the neighborhood,

- iii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Juneteenth Event

S. Deleon announced it was highly successful.

b. Health & Social Services

- i. Letter of support for the New York State Nurses Association

- ii. Health Fair

S. Unger reported it was a successful event, but next year the event should be held in April.

c. Housing

- i. DSS Blondell Shelter

R. Reynoso announced there will be a community board for this homeless shelter

- d. Land Use
  - e. Public Safety
    - i. New Chair for the Committee needed
9. Elected Officials: *Elected officials receive an initial, five (5) minutes of uninterrupted speaking time, and they may respond to at most only four (4) questions or comments by board members, and only board members, without any time restrictions; surrogates are afforded the same courtesy as their principal but are limited to two (2) minutes of initial speaking time*
- a. Council Member Marmorato’s Office  
Renata Scalva spoke about illegal smoke shops, among other items.
  - b. Council Member Riley’s Office  
Kevin Bolt announced upcoming events.
  - c. Mayor’s Office  
Alina Dowe spoke about the Revision Charter Committee, among other items.
- Election Results  
Chair – V. Castro 14, C. Rodriguez 19 and 6 abstentions  
C. Rodriguez is the new Chair.  
Vice Chair – E. Perez 9, R. Reynoso 17  
Runoff vote will be done  
Secretary  
H. Miura – 21, W. Hewlett-Betts 5, J. Luciana 1, N. Pemberton 1  
H. Miura is the Secretary  
Sergeant At Arms  
D. Kawalick 16, H. Santaella 16  
Runoff vote will be done
- d. Bronx District Attorney’s Office  
Brian Gonzalez explained DASH FORD program
  - e. U.S. Representative Ocasio-Cortez’s Office  
Rene Castellano spoke about Section 8 voucher list opening and announced upcoming events
  - f. State Senator Rivera’s Office  
Evan Weinberg announced that illegal smoke shops closed, and outside vendors fined, among other items
10. Old Business  
E. Perez asked about the conditions at Eastchester Gardens Community Center. A great deal of discussion took place.
11. New Business  
Election Results  
Vice Chair –E. Perez 5, R. Reynoso 20  
R. Reynoso is the new Vice Chair  
Sergeant at Arms  
D. Kawalick 13, H. Santaella 16  
H. Santaella is the new Sergeant at Arms

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Minutes by staff (H. Lasky and J. Warneke); approved by Secretary Miura.

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