

Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

NYCHA Committee Meeting Summary February 5, 2021

Board Members Present: Antoinette Vereen, Jorge Hurtado, Jennifer Sayers, Elizabeth Angeles, Sinade Wadsworth, Monique Farrington

1. Speakers/Presentations

- A. Kaychell English, 2020-2021 Needs Assessment of NYCHA Residencies in CB9 District. Presentation was shared regarding the various issues present at NYCHA developments throughout the district, 10 in total. The objective of this presentation and work is to ensure the top needs in each NYCHA community are funded and to monitor its completion. The next 30 days will be used to reconnect with TAs and Property Managers. Anyone not on the TAs may still submit suggestions for the report.
 - B. Marquis Jenkins, Residents to Preserve Public Housing (RPPH)

 Topic: The residents' plan for NYCHA and the battle to stop NYCHA's Blueprint for Change proposal.

The Residents to Preserve Public Housing (RPPH) seeks support from Bronx Community Board 9 in rejecting NYCHA's Blueprint for Change Proposal and in developing a preservation plan for NYCHA that centers resident leadership and keeps public housing public under the Section 9 federal housing program.

Blueprint for Change proposal will take 110,000 NYCHA apartments and will convert them to Section 8 apartments. Letter of support is being requested. NYCHA's Blueprint for Change Proposal is offering a presentation for residents who want to learn more about. Requests can be sent to residents2preservenycha@gmail.com.

1. Old Business

- A. The Rental Assistance Demonstration or RAD may already be rolled out, similar to Blue Print which was rolled out in the middle of the pandemic. Something to note is that with RAD, rent cannot exceed 30% of tenant income. https://www.thecity.nyc/housing/2020/2/7/21212243/what-is-rad-a-look-at-nycha-s-private-management-move
- B. For unresolved mold or leak complaint with NYCHA the Ombudsperson Call Center (OCC) is available to assist NYCHA residents at: ombnyc.com

2. DM Update

A. Yankees Stadium is currently hosting covid vaccinations. To schedule an appointment, visit: https://www.somosvaccinations.com/ or call (1-833-766-6769). Vaccinations that are taking place in the district unfortunately aren't always shared with the community board sometimes because they are specific to designated residents. Also, Metro Community Health Center located at 979 Cross Bronx Expressway can be reached for inquiry at 718-665-7565.