



Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary November 10, 2021

Board Members Present: Jorge Hurtado, Jamaal King, Lenora Easter, Lena Johnson, Linda Soto, Monique Farrington, Sadie Davis, Victor Cordero, Abunoman Rahman, Daniel Porro, David Marin, DM Rivera

- I. Committee Description:** The Parks and Recreation Committee represents the community's interests with regard to parks, park services and all park related matters and acts as a liaison between parks users and the New York City Parks Department.
- II. Speakers**
 - A. Tenisha Morrison, GreenThumb (Bronx CB 2, 4-12) (Presentation)- GreenThumb provides programming and material support to over 550 community gardens in New York City. Workshops, which are the access point for supplies, are held every month of the year, covering gardening basics to more advanced farming and community organizing topics. GreenThumb gardens are located in all five boroughs in the city. Some are green spaces meant for relaxation and as a community meeting space, others are full-fledged farms, and many are a mix of the types. These community gardens, now managed by neighborhood residents, provide important green space, thus improving air quality, bio-diversity, and the well-being of residents. Ms. Morrison shared her contact information with the committee for any questions.
 - B. Valerie Davis, Parks- Mulchfest will be December 26th through January 9th. BM Daniel Porro asked Ms. Davis about idlers/suspicious activity, which Mr. Acosta from parks sent an email stating that every one of the parks playgrounds has signage stating no adults unless accompanying children. If anyone should see any suspicious activity, they should call 911. A lighting issue was mentioned about Lacombe Avenue, BM Jorge stated he will look into it and Ms. Davis asked for this to be emailed to her as well.
- III. New Business**
 - A. NYC Parks Events Calendar
<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/keyword%20bronx>
Urban Park Rangers Events
<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/urbanparkrangers?fbclid=IwAR3XnIucKv56mt7SNkN5ceEFj-A8NSftOsGPOSzDe2T4Vdtw1CtJw9UEHeo>
- IV. DM Update**
 - A. December 19th there will be an event just for Board Members. DM Rivera will send an email with all information.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:30PM

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