



Chairman Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager William Rivera

Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Summary February 3, 2022

Board Members Present: Miriam Sanchez, Lena Johnson, Daniel Porro, Md Allaudin, Lenora Easter, Shante Chamblee, Elizabeth Angeles, Juan Torres, Alizia McMyers, Linda Soto, Isabelo Adames, Monique Dennis

I. Introduction

II. Speakers

A. Michael Beltzer, Soundview Bike Network- Protected Bike Lanes
Presentation attached. Recommendations do not include changes to traffic lanes and do suggest minor width adjustments to allow for larger buffers beside bike lanes. Bullet points to come (to be emailed by Michael Beltzer to the board) to be sent to DOT with this request. As per BM Juan Torres, DOT has caused many issues in the district. What is the usage of bicycles in the district? Figures to be determined. Many resident voiced their concerns and issues with scooters on sidewalks.

III. Liquor License

C Lounge & Grill Corp, Temporary Retail Permit (1735 East 172nd St.) - New restaurant on paper but has already existed under previous ownership

A. ULUA Restaurant Corp, New Application (1544 East 174th St.) - New restaurant on paper but has already existed under previous ownership

B. Zavala Restaurant, New Application (1853 Westchester Ave) - DM conducted site visit. This restaurant agreed to restrictions.

C. Havana Cafe, Renewal (1247 Castle Hill Ave) - No issues with this location previously. This liquor license was approved by the committee.

DM requested extension on vote for other 3 businesses to allow sufficient time to send committee information on all 3 businesses.

DM reviewed the SLA committee process, SLA questionnaire to be drafted soon with questions for businesses and listing items expected from businesses

As per BM Daniel Porro, we should have conversations with owners about delivery operation, to eliminate negligence of delivery drivers/riders

IV. New Business

A. March Agenda Items

- Status of 3 liquor licenses under old business
- Soundview modification recommendations under old business
- Unlicensed Scooters, find out if they plan to start enforcing, issuing summonses to these violators, to be added under new business. As per DM, this item is to be added to DSC for Mayor's CAU follow-up as well

B. BM Daniel Porro requested check points in key areas in the district

C. As per DM Rivera, he was on call regarding Neighborhood Safety Teams, their job is to go after individuals who are dangerous and who are known to carry fire arms.

D. Compstat is still in existence, it may be a good idea to get someone at the precinct to present on this as it pertains to Bronx County – DM Rivera will have this conversation with the new administration

E. As per Angela, is there a directory of businesses in CB9 district? As per DM Rivera, there is a list of businesses who request liquor licenses, however, maybe taxation and finance will have full list of businesses in the district.

F. Castle Hill BID is going well as per DM Rivera. City Council still has to vote on this item and the BID will hopefully be in play by the end of the year.

G. DM Rivera noted that the Executive Team did a great job at defending the last incoming shelter therefore, there are no new shelters sited for our district with the exception of a family shelter which was designated some time ago.

H. Is there a database for licensed gun users? This is unknown to the committee.

V. DM Update

A. Office move is complete and CB9 Office is now across the hall.

B. As per the Governor's Mandate, no in person meetings will take place until emergency restrictions are lifted. As per BM Juan, are we ready to meet in person as soon as restrictions are lifted? As per DM Rivera, Yes. Just awaiting new office furniture.

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