



*Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera*

## **Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee Meeting Summary September 12, 2022**

**Board Members Present:** Monique Farrington, Linda Soto, Mitchell Halpern, Robin Kelly, Alizia McMyers, Victor Cordero, Kristine Garcia, Andrea McLeod, Miriam Sanchez, Tywana Bush, Chondra Moore, Brent Woodie, Daniel Porro, Sinade Wadsworth, Julio Quiñones Jr

**I. Committee Description:** The Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee represents the community's interests with regard to the use of land, zoning, landmark, building, etc. and acts as a liaison between community members and Department of City Planning, Department of Buildings & the New York City Economic Development Corporation.

### **II. Speakers**

#### **A. Elise Goldin, CLT Campaign Organizer, CLT 101 Presentation**

This presentation included information regarding Community Land Trusts (CLTs) via a PowerPoint which can be accessed here:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1FuX5Wg1v3KogJADcvEPMFQPDMQ3Bd81IPn dtNqe8meA/edit?usp=sharing>

A community land trust, or CLT, is a nonprofit organization that collectively owns and stewards land for a community.

Community Land Trusts (CLTs) offer organized communities an alternative, a way to take land out of "the market" and ensure it is used to develop housing and other spaces that are inclusive and affordable to all.

The separation of ownership of land and buildings allows the CLT to regulate affordability and use through a long-term ground lease.

CLTs are able to purchase zombie homes, however, acquisition is challenging.

In addition, lack of funding is always a challenge for CLTs.

CLTs receive less than 100K annual, which goes to staffing, fundraising and outreach events, advertising, etc.

Through the New York City Community Land Initiative (NYCCLI) which is a coalition of community land trusts (CLTs) and other housing and social justice organizations, advocating for state and local policies to strengthen CLTs takes place. To learn more and help advocate for policy platforms that affect CLTs please visit:

<https://nyccli.org/2022-policy-priorities/>

Elise Goldin can be contacted at [elise@neweconomynyc.org](mailto:elise@neweconomynyc.org)

For more information about how the WQCLT (western queens community land trust) got started, please contact Pamela Herrera at [pherrera@woodsideonthemove.org](mailto:pherrera@woodsideonthemove.org), [wqclt.org](http://wqclt.org), <https://wqclt.org/current-projects>

### **III. New Business**

#### **A. Developer Checklist Update to include Flood Zone stipulation**

Suggested by Committee Chair and approved, ADM Alonzo to redistribute updated checklist to the committee

#### **B. Training/Refresher of DOB Now and other Department of Buildings Online Resources**

DOB has been invited to attend an upcoming committee meeting in the fall to present a refresher on this system.

#### **C. Lien Number for all IRS liens: 800-913-6050**

### **IV. DM Update**

#### **A. As per DM Rivera the Governor will not be extending remote meetings in October**

#### **B. The FY2024 District Needs Statement is upcoming and all Board Members are requested to complete the brief survey distributed:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/52MG3JB>

#### **C. GB Meeting location for October to be announced**

#### **D. Construction on the CB9 Office is completed and hopefully electrical work will be completed by the holidays for a grand opening.**

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