



Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

NYCHA & Housing Committee Meeting Summary

April 7, 2023

Board Members Present: Antoinette Vereen, Loretta Masterson, Lena Johnson, Anne Johnson, Lorenzo Van Ness

I. Committee Description: The NYCHA & Housing Committee represents the community's interests with regards to housing related matters and concerns, namely in relation to NYCHA, and acts as a liaison between community members and the New York City Housing Authority as well as local property owners and management teams.

II. Speakers

A. Robert Desir, Staff Attorney at the Legal Aid Society - Rent Guidelines Board-

Mr. Desir gave a presentation on the rent guidelines board. The NYC Rent Guidelines Board (RGB) is mandated to establish rent adjustments for the approximately one million dwelling units subject to the Rent Stabilization Law in New York City. The Board holds an annual series of public meetings and hearings to consider research from staff, and testimony from owners, tenants, advocacy groups and industry experts. The RGB staff is responsible for providing administrative support to the Board and prepares research regarding the economic condition of the stabilized residential real estate industry including operating and maintenance costs, the cost of financing, housing supply and cost of living indices. The RGB staff engages in year-round research efforts, publishes its reports for use by the public, other governmental agencies, and private organizations, and provides information to the public on housing questions.

<https://rentguidelinesboard.cityofnewyork.us/rent-guidelines/>

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III. New Business

A. Sackwern Basketball Court Update- There was a walk through this week to discuss what renovations needs to be made with the league founder and the PACT Developers along with BM and TA President Loretta Masterson.

B. NYCHA Watson Houses Playground Closure- Construction started on March 22nd.

C. Caste Hill Local Neighborhood Stat Event on April 22nd- 1pm to 4pm, in front of 625 Castle Hill Avenue.

D. May Agenda Items- Committee Chair Antoinette wants NYCHA Committee recap to be added to the agenda for May. Ms. Vereen wants to do a recap of all accomplishments within the NYCHA committee, from the past year.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:20pm

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