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## **Social Services Committee Meeting Summary**

### **November 7, 2023**

**Board Members Present:** Nellie Santiago Rivera, Chandra Moore, Daniel Porro, Mitchell Halpern

#### **I. Introduction**

- A. Committee Description:** The social services committee represents the community's interests with regards to social services including senior services, disability, and veterans concerns and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Human Resources Administration, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Aging, and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Seniors Connected Sub-Committee is under this committee.

#### **II. New Business**

- A. October Bronx Metro-North Station Area Study Community Engagement Public Workshop (Recap by BM Chandra)-** Deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup> to submit the survey. The survey link will be emailed to all BM's.

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=SH9iCmVrfkWUN3M-Tf3b5tZJLRZecJ1BsY8QKhovT7JUNkRMUVg2TEdDSEtMUFBFVVJKWkk1TFNKMC4u>

Your elected officials want to hear from you! This is your chance to provide feedback about the investments you want to see in your neighborhood. The survey is also available here in Spanish. Since 2018, the NYC Department of City Planning (DCP) and the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) have been engaging with local communities in planning efforts around the forthcoming Metro-North stations coming to the Bronx. The Fall 2023 Community Engagement effort is sponsored by local electeds who want to make sure you have up-to-date information and are engaged in this process moving forward! These workshops were convened by Council Member Amanda Farias, Council Member Rafael Salamanca Jr., Council Member Kevin C. Riley, Council Member Marjorie Velázquez and Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson.

<https://new.mta.info/project/penn-station-access>

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/planning/plans/bronx-metro-north/bronx-metro-north-plan.page>

<https://council.nyc.gov/districts/>

<https://council.nyc.gov/land-use/plans/bronx-metro-north-area-study-bmns-fall-2023-engagement/>

#### **III. DM Report**

- A.** December committee meeting dates will be crunched, the holiday GB meeting will be at Jimmy's Café 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

- B.** Senior Connected will be on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am at ShopRite
- C.** Daniel Porro stated he wants to have a mental health resource event. Mr. Porro stated it's not easy to get treatment/help and wants to have a workshop. Mr. Porro stated there is no active mental health council. Daniel Porro requested to have a speaker from Social Security Administration, and 311 to speak at the committee. The committee attendees discussed mental health and different programs. DM Rivera shared the following NYC Well- 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, 1-877-8-HOPENY (467369).

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