

Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager William Rivera

Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Summary April 4, 2024

Board Members Present: Shante Chamblee, Isabelo Adames, Brent Woodie, Elizabeth Angeles, Henry Pelayo, Robbin Kelly, Sarwar Jahan

I. Committee Description: The public safety & transportation committee represents the community's interests with regards to sanitation, crime, fire-ems, quality of life, NYS liquor license application recommendations, street activity permit applications, street re-naming application, transportation and acts as a liaison between community members and the New York Police Department & Fire Departments, NYC Department of Environmental Protection, NYC Department of Sanitation, NYC Department of Transportation, & NYS Liquor Authority.

II. Speakers

A. NYSDOT, Rehabilitation/Replacement of Five Cross Bronx Expressway (I95) Bridges between Boston Road and Rosedale Avenue (Presentation Attached) RAISE Study:

- Study Purpose-Multimodal transportation corridor plan to enhance community connectivity and improve quality of life and health along the Cross Bronx Expressway.
- Study Goals and Objectives- Community-driven vision for the future of the Cross Bronx Expressway. Create a vision and develop short, medium, and long-term proposals for enhancements to the neighborhoods and connectivity in the Cross Bronx Expressway corridor based on community input. Develop concepts of enhancements to the public realm and access to open space.
- Study Development- The community planning efforts began in Spring 2023 with a mix of in-person and virtual meetings such as Public Open Houses, Issue identification workshops, Public Walk shops along the CBE corridor.
- NYCDOT, NYSDOT, NYC Dept. of City Planning and NYC Dept. of Health are currently developing reports for existing conditions and issues identification.
- Next steps include developing/evaluating concepts generated from public input.
- Project Purpose is to address structural deficiencies of the Cross Bronx Expressway bridges. To address identifies safety deficiencies within project limits. Improve east-west community connectivity to adjacent neighborhoods.

III. Liquor License

- **A.** Olivia's Restaurant, 1854 Westchester Ave, Renewal- Approved
- **B.** Bronx Havana Cafe, 1247 Castle Hill Avenue, Renewal- Approved w/ 30-day waiver

IV. Notifications

- **A.** Open Streets Approved for May 11th-Nov 2nd on Harrod Place from Westchester Avenue to Morrison Avenue
- **B.** Garage Removal Notice for 2249 Hermany Ave scheduled to begin on or about 3/29/24
- C. Notice of Cablevision Excavation on E. Tremont between Van Nest & Morris Park scheduled to begin 3/23/24
- **D.** DOT Installation of Traffic Controls East 172nd Street and Elder Avenue scheduled to be completed by April 23rd
- **E.** Open Streets: Car-Free Earth Day event taking place this year on Saturday, April 20th, 2024 www.nyc.gov/carfreenyc
- **F.** March 311/ DEP stats

V. New Business

A. Bejay, Resident Concern- Bejay along with other residents expressed quality of life issues, the committee suggested that he contacts the local media, 43rd pct commanding officer, NYPD Bronx borough commander and attend the next 43rd pct meeting. DM Rivera stated that he is going to brainstorm how to take further action in reference to chronic quality of life issues in our district.