



Chairman Nicholas Himidian Jr. - District Manager William Rivera  
**Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**June 6, 2019**

Committee Chair: Brandon Ganaishlal

Vice Chair: Isabelo Adames

**Board Members Present:** Abunoman Rahman, Brandon Ganaishlal, Juan Torres, Isabelo Adames, Kwabena Gabay, Daniel Porro, Henry Pelayo Jr., District Manager William Rivera, and Chairperson Nicholas Himidian Jr.

**Board Members Not Present:**

**Meeting Start Time:** 7:00 PM

**Introduction-** 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, NYC Department of Sanitation & NYS Liquor Authority.

**Speakers/Presentations**

- A. NYC Emergency Management, Ready New York Presentation (All Board Members are invited)
  - 1. CERT team is shared by CB9 and CB10
  - 2. CERT presentation beginning with Public Safety Committee
    - Literature attached

**New Business**

- A. DOT request of speed hump on Stevenson Ave between O'Brien Ave and Paterson Ave has been denied
  - 1. DM Rivera suggests doing a petition
  - 2. They look at speeding, number of driveways and accidents to determine whether it's appropriate to add a speed hump
  - 3. Whenever there is a speed hump request, send it to the office and the office will make the request
  - 4. DM Rivera will ask for the report to see why the request was denied
- B. NYPD Immigrant Outreach
  - 1. Empowering Immigrant communities through presentations
  - 2. CB9 will invite them to summer events
  - 3. Officers speak different languages to communicate with the community
- C. JUMP will present at the General Board Meeting

1. Refer to the information in the packet
- D. Bronx Redesign will be at ShopRite on Tuesday, June 18 from 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
1. You can walk in at any time to look at the draft plan
- E. Sinkhole with a cone inside on Story Ave and Elder Ave
1. DM Rivera asked the chairperson to take a picture and send, so CB9 can send it to DOT
- F. Roadways took up corner of Bronx River and Story Ave and Bronx River and Bruckner Blvd
1. Larger 18 wheel vehicles have been taking up lanes and there was traffic coming in and coming out
  2. DM Rivera will speak with the sergeant for No Standing signs in the area to reduce the number of vehicles there and ask for enforcement
  3. Trucking business needs to grow with the community but needs to consider traffic
  4. They were good for some time but it turned back to the way it was
  5. DM Rivera will speak with the owner and manager
  6. Empire got better but Roadways has not been
- G. MTA meeting at P.S. 93
1. CM Salamanca said he would try to talk to Traffic Commissioner, so he can talk to and get a traffic agent at BP
  2. DM Rivera will follow up

### **Taxi & Limousine Renewals**

- A. Unicar Company
1. No issues at this location
  2. Renewal Approved
- B. Watson Car Service
1. No issues at this location
  2. Renewal Approved
- C. Barona's
1. No issues at this location
  2. Renewal Approved
- D. V.I.T. Car Service
1. Street parking is a problem because people don't follow the no standing sign
  2. Renewal will be on hold until there is a site visit with DM Rivera and Juan Torres
- E. Joy Car Service
1. No issues at this location
  2. Renewal Approved

## **Liquor Licenses**

- A. El Molcajete Restaurant Corp.
1. Establishment has been here for 4-5 years
  2. There aren't any issues
  3. There is an expansion of the restaurant, increasing the seating capacity, so adding an alteration to the liquor license
  4. They would like to close at 3 AM and stop selling liquor at that time
    - DM Rivera said that's fine
  5. They asked to reduce the tickets that the delivery man on bikes get
    - NYPD are especially hard on motor bikes because there are a lot of accidents, so the tickets can not be reduced
  6. No objections on the alterations of the liquor license and DM Rivera will stop by
  7. CB9 will send letter straight to SLA
- B. MS Caridad Restaurant
1. Ownership change
  2. There is parking there
  3. Corporate Name Change
  4. Everything will be kept the same including early closing time
  5. There are no problems there and DM Rivera speaks to NCO officers before meetings
  6. No objections
  7. There are cops waiting at Morrison and Westchester where they changed the lanes and give out tickets to their cars because they didn't allow pedestrians to cross
    - NCO sergeant says that they stationed safety officers there because there are a lot of accidents that occur in that location
    - DM Rivera will look into the issue and speak with other officers

## **Notifications**

- A. NYPD 43<sup>rd</sup> Precinct CompStat Report
1. Crime went up 10% and 20% in two categories this month -- robbery and grand larceny
- B. DEP/311 Stats for May
1. Refer to attachment/packet
- C. Westchester Ave (Noble Ave to Pugsley) Notification
1. DOT plans on doing improvements to bus stops in Noble Ave, Thieriot Ave, Pugsley Ave and Westchester Ave this summer
  2. DM Rivera looked at the plan and didn't see anything wrong with it
  3. DM Rivera will ask about yellow signage
- D. Sheridan Expressway Service Road Propose Street Regulation
1. Construction on Sheridan Expressway
  2. Temporary one lane while they do construction

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