



Chairman Nicholas Himidian Jr. - District Manager William Rivera

# Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

**December 6, 2018**

Committee Chair: Brandon Ganaishlal

- **Introduction**

- A. 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**

- a. No speakers

- **Liquor License**

- Isla Café 1859-61 Westchester Ave. #1114257 Renewal Application
  - Liquor License was passed on to new owner
  - It has a bar
  - Same location for 2 years and first renewal
  - Closes at 2 AM on the weekdays, 4 AM on the weekends
  - DM Rivera already knows them and they are compliant with cameras and security
  - Olivia's is across the street and closes at 3, people usually come across but their security is selective, so there aren't any problems
  - During the summertime, there are a lot of cars parked and even double parked but that isn't the owner's fault
  - CB9 will send letter to SLA on Monday
- El Mocajete 1504-1508 Westchester Ave. #1271989 Renewal Application
  - DM Rivera has no problems with the restaurant and very low-key
  - There were no 311 complaints and the NCO has no issues with them
  - It is primarily a restaurant
  - Will mail letter to SLA by Friday or Monday
  - They close at 2 AM on weekdays and weekends

- **New Business**

- BM Jennifer wanted to create a subcommittee for re-entry issues
  - Resources for people
  - Can have community people but a Board Member has to Chair the subcommittee
  - They must have 3-5 people and should inform the General Board
  - Wants to make a motion to create a subcommittee under Public Safety for re-entry issues
  - Motion was seconded and will be revisited at the January Meeting
- DM Rivera to have pushing to have a NYCHA Committee because there are a lot of NYCHA residents and makes up half of our district
  - Maybe move housing to Land & Zoning and just have Social Services
- Will have vans for NYPD by next year's National Night Out
  - This will be for the community and NCO officers said they can share it

- **Old Business**

- DOT Matters
  - Putting out lights on Watson and Wheeler Ave and additional traffic controls will be completed by April 30, 2019
  - Capital Project Increase
    - O'Brien Ave, Harding Park and certain parts in the district are sinking
    - This was in the District Needs Report but DM Rivera is starting the process by speaking to DOT and Parks on next steps and how much it'll cost
  - 1776 Mansion Ave, a school, requests No Standing or No Parking but there are signs at the school; however, they want more signs, so the teachers can park but DOE doesn't do it anymore. DM Rivera will check, so DOE might give the permits
  - Traffic on Story Ave and Bronx River Ave is an issue and there are complaints from residents, which are forwarded to DOT
    - DM River will work with NCO officers to help monitor throughout the district but it should be Traffic's responsibility
    - Bronx River Ave lane reduction made the traffic on the 174<sup>th</sup> bridge worse
    - News outlet called and DM Rivera told them about the overnight tractor trailers and waste trucks; they will help Will expose it on the news throughout the district
      - Regardless of signs, you can still give summons but DOT will go again to survey the area at midnight
      - If there are no standing signs, you can park until 8
  - Barrett, Howe and Screbin Ave Modifications
    - Town Hall Meeting at the end of Castle Hill
    - Email sent to DOT but haven't responded yet
  - DOT is working on BM Jennifer's complaint and she asked if DM Rivera can send Navardo an email to make sure the issue is tended to
  - DM Rivera wrote email to all the city agencies on their lot requirements and will have meeting with the Council Member in Parkchester
  - Curbside pick-up has been removed and Parkchester agreed to do the transfer station; Sanitation will not renegotiate the contract; this seems completely out of CB9's hands

- Sanitation trucks can go in and out but can't make noise
  - Soundview Ferry & DOT Letter @ Next General Board Meeting
    - BX39 bus will be extended all the way to the end
    - DOT Letter regarding all the issues that they have not been responding on and DM Rivera will CC the Mayor
- Izzy is the new Vice- Chair for the Public Safety Committee

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