



Chairman Nicholas Himidian Jr. - District Manager William Rivera

Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2018

Committee Chair: Brandon Ganaishlal

1. 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.

2. Liquor License

- A. Yo Soy...
- 1163 Manor Ave; 1500 sq ft
 - Serves breakfast, lunch and dinner ; Business hours: 7 AM – 1 AM everyday
 - New application
 - Next door to Crespo's office
 - Will have security camera
 - One bar with 12 seats, 7 tables with 6 seats and Total capacity: 54
 - Deadline: April 1st
 - Liquor license is until 4 AM
 - Make sure they have access to NCO
 - Willing to restrict liquor license to 1 AM for the first 2 years
 - Because they have a bar, they should be conscious about different element it brings
 - Music will not be played loudly
 - Communicated with building department to make sure all of the regulations are followed
 - No objections; will approve liquor license application

3. Speakers

- A. Jackie Carter, Assistant Director of MTA Government and Community Relations with Lieutenant Garcia, Bronx Road Operations
- Q44 Select, BXM6, BX36, BX39, BX27, BX5, BX4 and BX22

- Q44 Select (inter-borough): efficient, buses usually double up and may be due to traffic in Flushing; gets traffic from I-95; will work with Queens counterpart because depot is in Queens
- BXM6 (inter-borough): never on time in the morning (assume talking about rush hour but have to check schedule), should move stop up to avoid traffic
- BX36 and BX39: Trouble in Westchester Ave and White Plains Rd; goes out of service at the most inconvenient times; these buses aren't BX36 or BX39 buses instead they are buses driving by to get to another location
- BX27: People get on the bus through the back and older people use student metro card; will have officers ticketing at the time and place provided; bus drivers can't stop; Simpson St
- BX5: Hunt's Point stop is most crowded; 4 PM – 7PM (Mon – Fri); low ridership because people come through the back of the bus
- Nicholas: Has the ridership increased on the BX5?
- Jackie: The ridership remained basically the same
- Number of buses coming to a particular route depends on number of people swiping
- Connecting from the train first would be Simpson and then would be Hunt's Point and ride the rest of the route; every half hour or every hour between 1:30 AM and 5:00 AM
- Would it be possible to have a stop on the BXM8 at McDonalds at Bruckner Plaza or can stop at White Castle to get to Downtown
- Buses are supposed to go through Newman but residents park on the street and the buses can't get through, so they go through Stevens
- CB9 needs to work with DOT to clear route
- Waiting for BX22, walks to train station, which is a 15-20 min walk and end up getting to train station before the bus even came; due to daily congestion on Pelham Pkwy
- Angela, send time of BX4 when they take forever to come
- DOT is responsible for bus shelters and maintenance of it

B. Neile Weissman, Complete George

- Coalition of 200 businesses and organizations asking public officials for letters of support to call on Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to widen the bike paths on the George Washington Bridge to comply with national standards as part of the upcoming ~\$2B renovations
- There is a resolution passed by City Council
- Over next 7 years Port Authority rip out and restore 1931 paths as part of the renovations
- 3,700 cyclists are there every weekend and really crowded
- If renovated according to national standards, it would lead to construction to connected grid and expansion of bike share across the Harlem River Bridges reduces congestion
- It would be cheaper for MTA to provide facilities than to maintaining bus or train services
- Restoring it to 1931, creating 7 foot paths
- Asking leave existing paths for runners and build out for cyclists
- This will carry into the next century
- Projected cost is \$90M and maybe even less
- Map didn't include bike lanes in Soundview Park
- Port Authority's responsibility for bi-state transportation
- NJ governor supports this

No objections to signing letter of support for Complete Bridge

Send letter to Port Authority Commissioner

C. Ig Toing

- Sign says from 5 AM to 10 AM no parking except for loading and unloading

- Sometimes loading trucks; traffic keeps coming and they keep giving tickets
- Not getting ticketed when parked; getting ticketed while loading
- 809 Zerega Ave (Cross street is Lafayette Ave)
- Sanitation took up all the parking on one side of the street and writing tickets
- Took tickets to court to fight them but don't want to have to fight them in court
- No one can park and only can double park
- Suggestion should be to send a letter to remove sign because it serves no purpose
- All of the parking is restricted to sanitation and don't use all of the spots
- Will have conversation with DSNY to reserve some parking for DSNY and leave the rest for the public
- DM will have site visit with DSNY commissioner and NYPD
- DM will also talk to DOT and will report back in next Public Safety meeting

4. New Business

- Mariam says both sidewalks from White Plains Road going to Kmart on Story Ave are not ADA compliant
- On White Plains Rd, going through Story to get to Pugsley
- Nicholas: We'll work on it because all of them have to be ADA compliant; should have wooden ramps
- Cars on Bruckner are parked without license plates
- Send letter to management because street may be public property
- Aurora write letter and gather more information and CB9 will confirm
- Nicholas will write letter for Mariam

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 PM

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