



Chairman Nicholas Himidian Jr. - District Manager William Rivera

Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2018

Committee Chair: Brandon Ganaishlal

Vice Chair: Isabelo Adames

Board Members Present: Brandon Ganaishlal, Isabelo Adames, Juan Torres, Henry Pelayo and William Rivera (District Manager)

Board Members Not Present: Jennifer Ellison Lackard and Cleneth Dais

1. 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.

2. Speakers

No Speaker

3. Liquor License

A. El Dorado Sport Lounge

- On White Plains Road; Serial #1003986
- 2 years ago, there were some issues with the noise
- It was called Archer Sports Bar
- They have been there for 20 years
- They also have cameras that record for 30 days
- They may need security if it starts getting more crowded
- DM Rivera spoke with NCO and they didn't have any issues
- Sometimes there is a group of people outside the establishment and should contact NCO if issues arise
- No objections from board members

B. DLO Bar & Restaurant: Willie's Steakhouse

- On Westchester Ave
- There are cameras
- Usually an older crowd and there aren't really any issues
- They should contact the NCO
- No objections from board members

C. La Kamelia Bar & Restaurant Inc.

- 1802 Westchester Ave

- There are no problems but a while back, the DJ had to be summoned because the music was too loud
- The cameras record for 30 days
- This is the only Colombian restaurant
- DM Rivera suggests that there should be a manager or security on the weekends
- Bartenders should check IDs before serving
- No objections from the board members

D. Mi Gente Café Inc.

- 1306 Unionport Road
- Manny is a good owner and a retired firefighter
- There were issues but Manny is very cooperative with the police
- The camera records for 12 days
- There are 20 cameras all together
- Security is one of the best
- No objections from committee members

DM Rivera will mail the letters to SLA for all of the liquor licenses and email it to the owners.

4. New Business

A. Bicycle & Scooter Share Program

- Two letters sent and was sent directly to DOT
- Waiting for Chairperson Nicholas Himidian to explain the program

B. Hookah: Illegal?

- Hookah isn't illegal and the smoking age is 21+
- It can be smoked on the sidewalk
- If an establishment has made 51% or more of the total sales off of hookah, then they have to file a permit
- When City Council meet up, they come up with things that can't be enforced

C. Selling Cars on the Street

- 308 Stephens Ave
- Selling used cars on the street taking up parking spots
- DM Rivera spoke to the lady and warned her
- The cars were towed twice last year
- He leaves the cars for a week and then there's a new car the next week
- Henry Pelayo said he will take pictures and send it to 311

D. Man putting up random Stop Signs

- DOT just takes them down

5. Old Business

No old business

6. DM Report

A. Paquitas

- The owner closed the place down; she may have sold the building and the rights to the building
- A new establishment, "Mi Casa.. Tu Casa" came in
- Across from Isla; 1852 Westchester Ave
- DM Rivera is requesting the committee to hold off on the meeting, so he can speak with the new owner with NCO Eric Hernandez
- They want a family-style restaurant with a liquor license until 4 AM
- DM Rivera wasn't comfortable with the restaurant staying open that late because of the area; he would be more comfortable if they stayed open until 2 or 3 AM but will meet with them to address any other issues

- The committee members are okay with holding off on the meeting with Paquitas
- B. Banyer Place two-way traffic (between Fteley and Croes)
 - DOT approved our request but we don't know when it will be done
- B. Renaming of East 177th Street
 - Cross Bronx Service Road between Zerega Ave and Bronx River Ave will go back to East 177th Street, so that it's in accordance to GPS's
- C. DEP Data
 - Committee should read through it
- D. Newsstand will be installed on the corner of Starling Ave and Olmstead Ave
 - DM Rivera will speak with the businessowners to inform them of the change
- E. DOT Updates
 - DM Rivera will bring up DOT updates at the DSC meeting
 - He will be able to update the committee in the April Public Safety Meeting
- F. Yadira Arroyo Memorial
 - There will be a new memorial and CB9 have coordinated the event
 - The Aviation will do a flyover
- G. Application for Liberty Cab
 - 1748 East Tremont Ave
 - DM Rivera will speak with them and invite them to the next Public Safety Meeting

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