



CITY OF NEW YORK **COMMUNITY BOARD 3**
MINUTES OF THE
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024
COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
1368 FULTON STREET, 1ST FLOOR MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
BROOKLYN, NY 11216

In Attendance:

Members Present: Alex Abarbanel-Grossman, Ricardo Agcauli, Monique Antoine, Dr. Kim Best, Santana Brown-Payton, Anthony Buissereth, Tiffanie Burt, Michael Catlyn, Evelyn Collier, Yvonne Cummings, Keith Forest, Ivy Gamble-Cobb, Shia Greenfeld, Letty Hawthorne, Edna Johnson, Dr. Kerliene Johnson, Maliyka Muhammad, Jerome Nathaniel, Aboubacar Okeke-Diagne, Christine Parker, C. Doris Pinn, Melissa Plowden-Norman, Shnequa “Coco” Purvis, Carolyn Richburg, Miari Roberts, Wendy Robinson, Abitzel Robinson-Hobson, Dr. Gail Singleton-Taylor, Samuel Stern, Alicia Walton, Rev. Dr. Robert Waterman, Douglas Williams

Members Absent/Excused: Aline Estefam, Carroll “Rusty” Fields, Rabbi Joel Friedman, Nicole Greaves, Ahsan Habib, Oma Holloway, Dr. Jada John-Ali, Frank LaChapelle, Dovie Matthews, Kenneth Mbonu, Joel Polatsek, Karen Rhau, Suzette Sheppard, Dr. Adesola Tella, TJ Wilson

Elected Official/Reps: Borough President Antonio Reynoso, Councilmember Lincoln Restler, Carol-Ann Church – Office of Borough President Antonio Reynoso, Leanna Pearson – Office of Assemblymember Stefani Zinerman, Mark Leary – Office of Councilmember Darlene Mealy, David Kahn – Public Advocate Office,

City Agencies/CBOs: D.I. Lito Gill – 79th Precinct, Capt. Steven Leuze – 81st Precinct, Det. Conrad Narcisse – 81st Precinct, Nicole Bryan – Macon Branch Library

Chair Anthony Buissereth called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He read the agenda into the record. There were 19 members present at the first roll call and 21 absent.

He informed the Board that there was a request from One Brooklyn Health for a letter of support. Here is a [draft of the letter of support](#).

Community announcements were made by Coach Yasim about the celebration of Jackie Robinson on April 15th. Rev. Cynthia Niles, Raphael announced the opening of the comic bookstore at 831 Nostrand Avenue.

IN THE MATTER OF a private application submitted by Joel Berkowitz pursuant to Section 197-c and 201 of the NYC Charter for an amendment of the Zoning Map. Section No. 13b from M1-2 to R7D/C204 and a zoning text amendment to facilitate the development of a new 9-story, 41-unit mixed use building, including 12 units of inclusionary housing, with 41,929 sf of residential and 7,919 sf of commercial at 712 Myrtle Avenue.

The presentation was made by Richard Lobel on behalf of the applicant who was in attendance.

Presentation

VOTE: 28 – In Favor; 2 – Objection; 3 – Abstentions

ROLL CALL:

There were 32 members present and 15 absent. There was a quorum.

Chair's Report:

- Community Board 3 and 8 will be hosting a Youth Expo on April 27th at Weeksville Heritage Center for youth between the ages of 15-24 years.
- The Board will host a shred fest in May.
- Beryl Nyack will be working remotely on Fridays.
- He thanked the members of the personnel committee who assisted in the selection of a new district manager.
- The new District Manager is Nadeen Gayle. She will start on April 8, 2024.

Chair Buissereth made a motion to give a letter of support to One Brooklyn Health proposal.

VOTE: 31 – In Favor; 1 – Objection; 0 – Abstention

Action on the Public Hearing:

After the Housing & Land Use caucused, they voted to support the application with three stipulations:

1. We have input on the vendor for the lottery.
2. We recommend that the already housed tenants should be given the opportunity to return when the building is complete.
3. We recommend MIH Option 1

A motion was made to accept the committee's recommendation and seconded.

Five applicants seeking letters of support for SLA on-premises Alcohol Beverage Control Liquor Licenses were voted on:

- Johnsons Industrial Corp. d/b/a G & S Brooklyn Tavern at 257 Malcolm X Blvd
- LGBB HALSEY AT 478 Hallsey Street
- Lazziza Falafel LLC d/b/a Lazziza at 304 Malcolm X Blvd
- Confessions Bar, Inc. at 333 Marcus Garvey Blvd
- Bed Stuy Hospitality at 397 Tompkins Avenue

A motion was made to accept the committee's recommendation was made and seconded by Edna Johnson.

VOTE: 30 – In Favor; 2 – Objections; 0 – Abstention

A motion to accept the March 4th minutes was made by Edna Johnson and seconded by Douglas Williams.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.

Compiled by Beryl Nyack