

**Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225**

**Economic Development Committee Minutes
February 8, 2021**

Committee Members Present: Debbie Timothy, Chair; Bishop Sylveta Hamilton-Gonzales, Wayne King, Member, Khalid Nixon, CB9 Staff.

Committee Members Absent: Michelle Derosier-Caldwell, Robert Mitchell

Community Resident Member Absent: Greg Clarke, Christina Aldime, Diane Jean-Mary, Gina Pol

Guest in Attendance: Edwin Raymond, Candidate for Council Member, 40th District

A meeting of Brooklyn Community Board Economic Development Committee was held virtually via zoom on February 08, 2021, @ 7:15 p.m.

Approval of January 11, 2021 Minutes

Approval of the February 08, 2021 Agenda

New Business:

- Crown Heights, Brooklyn Associated Supermarket

LOCALS FEAR FOOD DESERT AFTER CROWN HEIGHTS SUPERMARKET HIT WITH EVICTION NOTICE

<https://www.brooklynpaper.com/crown-heights-associated-market-eviction-food-desert/>

- Edwin Raymond, Candidate for Council Member, 40th District was introduced and provided a brief presentation on his candidacy for council member in the 40th District. He expressed concerns about the current state of the district and his desire to make a difference if elected.

- **Panel Approves \$50 Billion for Small Businesses: Stimulus Update
Bill Would Provide \$50 Billion for Small Businesses**

The House Small Business Committee on Wednesday approved \$50 billion in emergency pandemic aid for small businesses, according to a statement.

“Surveys show that one in three small business owners will not survive the next few months without additional financial support,” the committee’s chair woman, Nydia Velázquez, a New York Democrat, said in the statement.

The legislation, according to the statement, would provide \$25 billion for restaurants and bars under a new Small Business Administration program, and \$15 billion for “economic injury disaster” loans. Here is the link to the article in the Washington Post.....

https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/on-small-business/panel-approves-50-billion-for-small-businesses-stimulus-update/2021/02/11/1e2813de-6c2d-11eb-a66e-e27046e9e898_story.html

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-02-10/house-committee-advances-minimum-wage-increase-stimulus-update>

Announcements:

- Committee members...please be mindful that your attendance and input is important to this and any committee that you are involved with. In the event that you are unable to attend a meeting please be considerate and inform the CB9 office staff.

Poor attendance is a common problem for committees. This makes it difficult for committees to apply consistent, good quality, collective decision making.

Unfinished business:

- Revisit BK-CB9 Shop Local bag discussion at February Committee meeting.
Possible vendor: BAGGU Reusable Bags:<https://wholesale.baggu.com/pages/custom>
- **Support shop local signs designed by Greg Clarke, committee resident member for local businesses windows, the committee is expected to make a decision on one of the designs. We also welcome feedback on the enclosed drafts.**



- Contact CB9 office with questions about protocols when requesting resources for EDC current projects.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Debbie Timothy, EDC Chairperson, January 11, 2021