

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

**Economic Development Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2021**

**Attendance:**

Debbie Timothy, Committee Chair  
Bishop Hamilton Gonzales, CB9 Member  
Greg Clarke, Community Resident Member  
Kate Naplatarski, Guest

**Absent:**

Christina Aldime, Community Resident Member  
Michelle Derosier- Caldwell, CB9 Member  
Diane Jean-Mary – Community Resident Member  
Wayne King – CB9 Member  
Robert Mitchell – CB9 Member  
Gina Pol – Community Resident Member

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A meeting of Brooklyn Community Board Economic Development Committee was held virtually via zoom on January 11, 2021, @ 7:15 p.m.

Word of encouragement - Bishop Sylveta Hamilton-Gonzales

Approval of December 7, 2020 Minutes  
Approval of the January 11, 2021 Agenda

Report: The U.S. Small Business Administration will be reopening its forgivable loan program for new borrowers and second rounds for certain existing borrowers. Initially, only community financial institutions will be able to offer PPP loans on Monday, Jan. 11, and second round PPP loans on Wednesday, Jan. 13. The program will reopen to all afterward. Congress authorized up to \$284 billion toward the loans as part of its COVID relief act the end of 2020. While our current nationwide crisis continues to affect our community small businesses, as a committee; we remain committed to supporting our small businesses whether small or large in size.

Community Board 9 Economic Development Committee had an open dialogue on possible techniques to provide substantive and relevant information to local community businesses via social media links. The consensus reached by committee members is to do individual videos and post them on CB9 social media sites after all necessary protocols are met. Community Resident member Greg Clarke will assist will coordinating the short informational videos. In addition, crafted (3) support shop local signs for re-view/edits and finalize which sign is best suited for

community small businesses store-front windows. The information will be made available to board members for feedback.

Unfinished business:

Revisit BK-CB9 Shop Local bag discussion at February Committee meeting.

Possible vendor: BAGGU Reusable Bags :<https://wholesale.baggu.com/pages/custom>

New Business:

Support shop local signs designed by Greg Clarke for local businesses windows, the committee will decide on a sign. We welcome feedback as well.



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

Announcements:

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Debbie Timothy, EDC Chairperson,  
January 11, 2021