Community Board 9 890 Nostrand Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11225

Health & Social Services Committee Meeting Minutes January 7, 2021

Attendance:

Francisca Leopold, Committee Chair Sabrina Lewis, Community Committee Member Nicolas Almonor, CB9 Board Member Warren Berke, CB9 Board Member

Enid Dillard, Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Ctr

Maurice Cummings, NYC Councilwoman Ampry-Samuel

Meeting called to order at 7:10PM COVID-19 Updates:

Committee holds brief discussion reviewing COVID-19 statistics in Brooklyn, including forthcoming vaccination concerns, distribution methods, and potential health risks. Warren Berke will coordinate with a representative from Kings County Hospital to provide further information and answer inquiries regarding the vaccine for the January 2021 Virtual General Board Meeting

Further discussion per mask distribution with CB9 staff and community resident volunteers at varying points of the community district

Discussion on Forthcoming Workshops:

Committee considers presentations/workshops on COVID-19 and Mental Health. Chair Leopold considering a Diabetes and Obesity forum for the month of February 2021; an HIV/AIDS forum for the month of March 2021.

Sabrina Lewis recommends partnering with Social Justice Imperative per HIV/AIDS forum, while pushing back Sickle Cell Disease forum for June 2021

Committee considers a Maternal Health and COVID Forum for April 2021

Chair Leopold considering a meeting with Department of Homeless Services for February 2021 to review resources available during current health crisis, including Department for The Aging at a later date.

Open Discussion:

Committee further discusses vaccination distribution, health risk concerns, community organizations volunteering spaces as vaccination sites, and training healthcare professionals to properly inoculate.

Considerations for a Financial Health/Wellness forum Coordination with CB9 staff for mask, PPE distribution

Meeting adjourned at 8:27PM