

Brooklyn Community Board 9
890 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11225
Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2022
Meeting ID: 845 0087 2370

Attendance (Board Members): Primo Lasana, Committee Chair; Rashidah Siddiqui

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Jenelle Bazil-Charles; Ronald Banks

Absent (Board Members): Rabbi Yaacov Behrman; Tessa Hackett-Vieira

Absent (Community Resident Members): Victor M. Sanchez-Lloveras Campolieto

Guests: Rick Boyce, Bleunuk, LLC Applicant; Robert Callahan, La Cucuzza, LLC Representative; Thomas Hobon-Williams, Community Resident; Jenny Hong, Bleunuk, LLC representative; Michael Kelly, La Cucuzza, LLC Representative

CB9 Staff: Mia N. Hilton, Assistant District Manager

I. Call to Order

- a. Chair, Primo Lasana called the committee meeting to order at 7:03pm

II. Applications to the New York State Liquor Authority

- a. Bleunuk, LLC – 1150 Nostrand Avenue (Midwood Street/Rutland Road)
- i. Applicant is the owner of the building and business
 - ii. Applicant previously operated as a catering business/banquet hall
 - iii. Seating will consist of 16 tables inside, 10 tables that wrap around the exterior and additional 6 tables on the lower level
 - iv. Restaurant will operate 5pm-12am with recorded music and occasional live music
 - v. Architect is currently in the process of working to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy from the DOB
- b. La Cucuzza, LLC d/b/a Joe and Sal's Pizzeria – 842 Franklin Avenue (Union Street/President Street)
- i. Opened in 2016; Operates a second location at 353 Myrtle Avenue (Fort Greene)
 - ii. Operates until 10pm daily except for 11pm on Friday and Saturday
 - iii. Serves pizza and Italian cuisine
 - iv. Customers have previously requested beer/wine offerings.
 - v. Future goals for the location include additional seating

- III. Committee Goals and Expectations
 - a. Expectations
 - i. Attend and participate in committee meetings
 - ii. Review meeting prep materials
 - b. Goals
 - i. Expand committee bandwidth
 - 1. Connect with NYPD (NCO's – Update on community hotspots)
 - 2. Connect with FDNY (Fire Safety initiatives/trainings)
 - 3. Partner with CBO's (Violence intervention/Public Safety events)
 - 4. Youth geared initiatives/activities
- IV. Community Safety Concerns
 - a. Shootings
 - b. Burglaries
 - c. Package theft
 - d. Speeding
 - e. Fake plates/ghost cars
- V. Marijuana licensing
 - a. What role will the Public Safety Committee be?
 - b. Applications for licensing opened to the formerly incarcerated in late August.
 - c. Additional information is required to develop committee procedure
- VI. Committee vote
 - a. Bleunuk, LLC - Committee voted unanimously to support the application
 - b. La Cucuzza, LLC – Committee voted unanimously to support the application, pending receipt of the signatures of support and a strong recommendation of letter support from the neighboring church
- VII. Adjournment
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm

**Respectfully submitted,
Mia Hilton
September 8, 2022**