

**Brooklyn Community Board 9**  
**890 Nostrand Avenue**  
**Brooklyn, New York 11225**  
**Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes**

January 6, 2022  
Meeting ID: 897 3403 5231

**Attendance (Board Members):** Warren Berke, Committee Chair; Bishop Hamilton-Gonzales; Debbie Timothy

**Attendance (Community Resident Members):** Connie Allen; Janice Grannum; John Marable; Tiffany Yarde

**Absent (Board Members):** John Beckles, Jr.

**Absent (Community Resident Members):** Dale Charles; Greg Clark; Jerry Kansis

**Guests:** None

**Agency Representatives:** Lisa Ennis, NYC Small Business Services

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- I. Committee Chair, Warren Berke called the meeting to order at 7:**
  - II. NYC Small Business Services**
    - a. The NYC Small Business Administration presented the “Quick Start Program for Small Businesses.” The crux of the program is to assist start up and existing small business guidance in navigating all NYC licensing requirements and help with NYC fines that are levied. Requested their presentation and when received, the Committee will distribute and promote with in the small business community.
  - III. GrowNYC Farm Stand**
    - a. CB9 leadership has been informed by Grow NYC that the Farm Stand will resume operations , every Friday through the winter. Our residents will now have the availability for farm to table fresh vegetables, fruits, breads, beans, maple syrups and artesian hot sauces, available from January through December 2022. In parallel to the Farm Stand, CB9 DM Dante Arnwine has a standing request in for an NYCHHC Vaccination/Testing Van to be onsite Fridays, next to the Food Stand.
  - IV. Shop Local**
    - a. The Committee discussed various activities the Committee could implement to assist our local merchants, restaurants, artist, and independent contractors in increasing revenues during the Spring. The Committee voted unanimously to approve Shop Local and begin the planning process.

**V. Next meeting**

- a.** The committee will virtually meet on the second Monday of the month, 7 PM. The next EDC meeting will be held on February 14, 2022. All are welcome to attend and contribute, links to all committee meetings can be found on CB9 Website and weekly CB9 email.

**VI. Adjournment**

- a.** The meeting was adjourned at 8p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by,  
Warren Berke, Committee Chair  
January 11, 2022**