# Brooklyn Community Board 9 890 Nostrand Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11225 Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2023 Meeting ID: 890 2747 1795

Attendance (Board Members): Nicolas Almonor, Committee Chair; Courtenay Loiselle

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Julia Bryant, Brenda Pagan, David Romeo

**Absent (Board Members):** Matthew Fulton, Abena Hutchful

**Absent (Community Resident Members):** Chloe Lucan

**Guests:** Marlee Tavlin Prospect Park; Bill Elliston Prospect Park Zoo; Alexis-Mckenzie Paulin-Edwards Prospect Park Alliance; Christian Zimmerman Prospect Park Alliance

CB9 Staff: Khalid Jemmott, Community Associate

### I. Welcome, Greeting and Introductions

- a) Committee Co-Chair Courtenay Loiselle, called the committee meeting to order at 7:15 pm
- II. Roll Call

### III. Wildlife Conservation Society

- a) Marlee Tavlin spoke she will be on committee meeting to understand the needs of the community and how WCS can assist in the effort
- b) WCS (Prospect Park Zoo) wants to provide resources for education and learning about the environment
- c) Bill Elliston spoke on employment for the youth at the Prospect Park Zoo
- d) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs
- e) WCS is looking to include community members in programming to gain stronger knowledge of environment

# **IV.** Prospect Park Alliance (The Vale Restoration)

- a) Currently in the approval progress
- b) 10 Acres, 3 separate projects (The upper vale, the lower vale, and northeast pavilion)
- c) Upper Vale Design: Schematic Plan

- d) Upper Vale Design: Accessibility Plan
- e) Pollinator Meadow and Planted Arbor
- f) Upper Vale Design: Natural Exploration Area
- g) Lower Vale Design: Material used will bring back old material but make ADA
- h) Pond Elements

### V. Parks and Cultural institutions Liaisons report

- Next steps construction documentation
- Construction
- Procurement
- Vale Construction (Vale Restoration + Opening)

# VI. Projects and events for fiscal year 2022-2023

- The Vale Restoration
- Pratt Area Focus Group (The Lefferts House) updates

Meeting was adjourned 8:40 pm