

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

February 10, 2023
Meeting ID: 845 0087 2370

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

Attendance (Community Resident Members): Victor Sanchez-Lloveras

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

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

Guests: Jonathan Butler, Brooklyn Flea DC, LLC d/b/a Smorgasburg; Michael Campbell, Irie Vybz Café, Inc. d/b/a Pasa Pasa Juice Bar; Rod Herbert

CB9 Staff: Mia N. Hilton, Assistant District Manager

I. Call to Order

- a. Chair, Primo Lasana called the committee meeting to order at 7:05pm

II. Applications to the NYS Liquor Authority

- a. Irie Vybz Café, Inc. d/b/a Pasa Pasa Juice Bar
 - i. Owned and operated by lifelong resident
 - ii. Open for the last 2 ½ years
 - iii. Vegan/Vegetarian/Ital menu
 - iv. Liquor license would amplify business boost revenue
 - v. Outdoor space on two feet around the perimeter of corner property
- b. Brooklyn Flea DC, LLC d/b/a Smorgasburg
 - i. Leadership previously managed Summer Stage and BRIC events
 - ii. 60-65 vendors; Majority Brooklyn based
 - iii. Seasonal full license for use April – early Fall
 - iv. Operates Sundays in Prospect Park

III. FDNY event at Tivoli Towers

- a. FDNY representatives tabled in the lobby of the building, engaging development residents; Along CB9 Staff
- b. Next year- schedule in October/November; Pre-winter

- c. Engage other HDFC's/senior developments, etc. in the district

IV. Marijuana licensing

- a. OCM meeting reporting, R. Siddiqui
 - i. 2 licenses approved in Manhattan
 - ii. Injunction in Brooklyn; No licenses are approved
 - iii. A lot of illegal shops have popped up
 - iv. Lack of enforcement personnel
 - v. Should not be in operation within 500 feet of a church or school
 - vi. OCM will be conducting a series of community meetings around the city
- b. Community Board Review
 - i. Manhattan CB2 has compiled a thorough application
 - ii. Review and develop an application relevant to CB9
 - iii. Gather additional information, so that ppl can be educated on the licensing process and the Board's role in it
 - iv. Extend invite to OCM to attend a committee meeting

V. Committee Updates

- a. Public Safety event at Brooklyn Children's Museum on March 22nd
 - i. Organized by Interborough Developmental and Consultation
 - ii. Calendar invite will be sent to committee members

VI. Voting

- a. Quorum not reached; unable to vote
- b. Chair will bring forth applications to the Executive Committee review

VII. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm

Submitted by Mia Hilton
February 21, 2023