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Land Use & Housing Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at Sunnyside Community Services

Land Use & Housing Committee Members - Present

Ann Marie Baranowski, Karesia Batan, Nick Berkowitz, Danielle Brecker, Tannia Chavez, Lisa Deller, Morry Galonoy, Kenny Greenberg, Christine Hunter, Prameet Kumar, Lauren Springer

Land Use & Housing Committee Members - Absent

Stephen Cooper, Mary Torres

Land Use & Housing Committee Members – Public Members Present

William Jourdain

Elected Officials/Representatives

*Isaac Blasenstein, Representing Council Member Julie Won
Israel Martinez, Council of the City of New York*

NYC Department of City Planning

Teal Delys

Guests

*Laura Rothrock, LIC Partnership
Charles Yu, LIC Partnership
Henry Smith, LIC Partnership
Angel Hart, LIC Partnership
Dirk McCall, Sunnyside Shines BID*

Public Comment

Amin Siad
Kris Czermachowicz
Manny Gomez
Eileen Connelly
Dorothy Morehead
Pat Dorfman
Jared Sochinsky
Nina Young
Fung Jion Yuan
Ken Campanelli
Steven Kim
John Ritter
Gretchen Werwaiss
Rachel Cohen
Allison DuVal

Long Island City Partnership – Business Improvement District (BID) Expansion

Update on the Expansion of the LIC Business Improvement District (BID)

Christine Hunter welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Laura Rothrock, President of the LIC Partnership and LIC BID. Christine also noted that tonight’s hearing was not the last time the BID expansion will come before the CB2 Board, and that if it goes into ULURP there will be another Public Hearing as part of that process.

Laura Rothrock introduced her colleagues and presented a power point presentation on the BID Expansion. A copy is attached (Attachment #1)

Public Comment

Amin Siad - spoke in opposition to the BID Expansion
Kris Czermachowicz – discussed concerns with the closure of 46th Street
Manny Gomez – spoke in opposition to the BID Expansion
Dorothy Morehead – discussed the concerns with the closure of 46th Street and spoke in opposition to the BID Expansion
Pat Dorfman – spoke in opposition to the BID Expansion
Jared Sochinsky – spoke in support of the BID Expansion
Nina Young
Fung Jion Yuan – Spoke in support of the BID Expansion
Ken Campanelli – spoke in favor of the BID Expansion
Steven Kim – spoke in favor of the BID Expansion
John Ritter – spoke in favor of the BID Expansion

Gretchen Werwaiss – spoke in favor of the BID Expansion
Rachel Cohen- spoke in favor of the BID Expansion
Allison DuVal – spoke in favor of the BID Expansion

Nicholas Berkowitz made a motion that the Land Use Committee does not make a recommendation as additional information is needed. The motion was seconded by Lauren Springer. The motion did not carry.

Prameet Kumar made a motion and it was seconded by Nicholas Berkowitz to allow the BID to move forward with the proposal for the BID Expansion. The motion carried with 8 (eight) in favor 3 (three) opposed and 1 (one) abstention.

Department of City Planning

Teal Delys provided the following update:

- ULURP Application 24-02 49th Avenue has been referred by DCP.
- Will be presented at the October Land Use & Housing Committee Meeting and to the full board in November
- Provided an update on the Info Session for City of Yes Text Amendment.

A discussion about the Phipps Project took place.

A discussion about the Eagle Electric Building took place.

The meeting was adjourned:

Respectfully submitted by:

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