

**CB#1 FULL BOARD MEETING AGENDA –
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8th 2024 – 6:30 P.M.**

In Person – St. Mary’s Episcopal Church – 347 Davis Avenue

SESSION OPENING Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order, Roll Call Attendance, Acceptance of Minutes, Public Session

PUBLIC SESSION: Agnes McBeth, Nicole Brooks, Mario Buonviaggio, Cathleen Kenny, Jeanne Raleigh,

Presentations:

1. **Jennifer Larsen & Nadia Bennacer, On Your Mark.** OYM and the new campus that they have recently acquired in New Brighton.
2. **Jenna Blakeman, Jessie Cohen, Chris DiPietro, Downtown Staten Island Wayfinding Project Team in Coordination with the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce, Janet Dugo for remarks/wrap-up.** This project aims to create pedestrian and vehicular wayfinding signage in downtown Staten Island. Our goal is to increase access to, and awareness of, attractions, businesses, and activities in the area.

---First Vice-Chairman, Anthony Cosentino

---Second Vice-Chairman, Timothy Forsyth

---Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewe

---Secretary, Loretta Cauldwell

---Treasurer, Sunny Jain

---Chairman, Nicholas Siclari

--- District Manager, Joan Cusack

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

---Land Use, George Turner – **301 Howard Avenue & 55 Seagate Road**

---Waterfront, Joseph Ahlstrom

---Public Services, Sunny Jain

---Youth Services, Kathleen Coen & Mohan Radhakrishna

---Rules & Legislative Affairs, Anthony Cosentino & Timothy Forsyth

---Budget & Finance, Anthony Cosentino

---Transportation – Joseph Bird

---Small Business & Non-Profit Committee, Jaclyn Tacoronte

AD HOC COMMITTEE

---Labor, Robert Holst

---Parks & Recreation, Anthony Cosentino –

---Cultural Affairs, Anthony Sgarlato -

<https://sites.google.com/view/cb-1-cultural-site/home>

---Health and Human Services, Fran Reali

AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS

---New Brighton/St. George/Tompkinsville, Claudette Duff

---West Brighton, Anthony Cosentino

---Silver Lake/Sunnyside/Westerleigh/Willowbrook, Timothy Forsyth

---Rosebank/Ft. Wadsworth/Shore Acres, John Guzzo

---Mariner’s Harbor/Port Richmond/Elm Park/Arlington, Selina Grey & Dora Berksteiner

---Clifton/Concord/Stapleton, Peter Lisi

Old Business / New Business / Adjournment

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please call or e-mail Loretta Cauldwell or the Board Office prior to the meeting at 1-718-981-6900 – Linda Maffeo, lmaffeo@cb.nyc.gov.

CB1 Land Use Public Hearing Committee Meeting – Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 6:30PM – Virtual on Zoom.

Board Members

George Turner, Chair, AIA
Nicholas Siclari, Ex. Officio
Michelle Akyempong, ab
Tatiana Arguello
Loretta Cauldwell, Ex.
Andre Ciprut, ab
Katheleen Coen
Anthony Cosentino
John Guzzo, ab
Robert Holst
Lillian Lagazzo
Peter Lisi
Nicole Meyers, ab
Friday Ogbewe
Fran Reali, ab
Anthony Sgarlato, Ex.

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Joan Cusack, District Manager
Linda Maffeo, Community Coordinator

Non-Board Members

Phil Farinacci
Charles Olson
Lisa I. Barbieri
Lindy Peter Crescitelli

Guests: Nonprofit Staten Island, Patrick Timoney, Rasika Deothali, Steve Garanin, Giuseppe Bonomo, AIA, Fayanne Betan, Shiming Tam, Yifan Zhu.

Two Presentations:

1. 301 Howard Avenue

Owner: Steve Garanin, Fayanne Betan, Attorney, Yifan Zhu & Shiming Tam, Architects - Application (N240078ZAR) to authorize a development, enlargement or site alteration on a steep slope or steep slope buffer to facilitate the vertical and horizontal expansion of the existing residence from a two-story to a three-story, single-family house at 301 Howard Avenue (Block 615, Lot 21) within the Special Hillside Preservation District (HS).

Motion: To approve as presented. Vote: 11 yes with 2 abstentions. Passes.

2. 55 Seagate Road

Giuseppe Bonomo, Architect - Application (N230332ZAR) pursuant to Zoning Resolution Section 105-421 to authorize modification of topographic features on Tier 1 sites and Zoning Resolution Section 105-425 to authorize modification of botanic environment and tree preservation and planning requirements to facilitate development of a single-family, two-story residence and detached accessory garage within the Special Natural Area District.

Motion: To approve as presented. Vote: 13 yes. Passes unanimously.

Adjourned: 6:53 PM

**Community Board 1 Full Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 10, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.
In Person, St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, 347 Davis Avenue.**

Nicholas Siclari, Chairman

Members

Joe Ahlstrom
Michelle Akyempong ab
Arguello, Tatiana ex
Berksteiner, Dora ex
Berksteiner, Doreen ex
Joseph Bird
Allison Brown ex
Telee Brown ex
Christopher Campbell
Loretta Cauldwell
Andre Ciprut ex
Kathleen Coen
Christopher Corbo ab
Anthony Cosentino
Claudette Duff
Samir Farag ab
Timothy Forsyth
Selina Grey ab
John Guzzo ab
Robert Holst ex
Linda Huff ab
Sunny Jain ab
Linda Juarbe

Lillian Lagazzo
Peter Lisi
Ali Lula
David McGoy ex
Nicole Meyers ab
Mohan Radhakrishna ex
Alina Nevradakis ab
Friday Ogbewe
Ernest Paige
Francine Reali
Joshua Renta
Cindy Salzillo ab
Catherine Schiavone ex
Anthony Scutari
Anthony Sgarlato
Sean Sheil
Nicholas Siclari
Jaclyn Tacoronte ex
George Turner
Steven Williams ex

Office Staff

Joan Cusack, District Manager
Linda Maffeo, Community Coordinator

Guests:

Yvonne Scorcia, Joseph Ottomanelli, Brigida Torres-McIntyre, Thomas McIntyre, John Garcia, Neil Pisane, Anthony Illardi, Gloria Morales, Jelica Potter, Andrew Dorman, Edgardo Jimenez, Ralph Fortunato, Elena Brady, Angela Porter, Cathleen Kenny, Ernest Eans Jr., Joan Coogan, Maryanne MacDermott, Agnes McBeth, RV Augusty, Jerry Fine, Rosemary Algeno, Donna Manitta, Charlie Olson, Anika Flores, Antonio Fonseca, Casey Brown, Ivon Martinez, Dina Rosenthal, Tracey Kohne.

6:30 PM Meeting called to order by Chair, Nick Siclari with the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Session - Friday Ogbewe

Agnes McBeth from DA McMahon’s office – Tomorrow, 9/11, we want to offer our prayers for those still suffering from related illnesses and stand in solidarity with our First Responders. Guilty plea from defendant Nelson Pizarro for attempted murder in the second degree of Dominick Libretti and will be receiving a near 20-year sentence. Check washing is on the rise. If you have to pay your bills by checks, use a gel pen. Two upcoming events. Annual EV Walk, Run Festival October 5th. Catalytic Converter etching event on Friday, September 13th at the Ocean Breeze Complex.

Jermaine Williams, NYPD Ambassador for SI – Community Link/QR code. Ex. If you see RV or Tractor Trailers parked illegally. Who are my NCO’s, my ambassador? The community link would pass complaints directly to Precincts. For noise complaints, drug use/sale, loitering, trespassing, traffic violation, vending condition, scaffolding condition, etc.

Nicole Brooks, Parks Project Manager – Liotti Ikefugi Playground Presentation at the Area Committee meeting on September 17th, Alice Austen House Reconstruction will be presented at the Rosebank Area Committee Meeting on September 17th. ADA accessibility, etc. Vital Parks For All: Investing in NYC's Living Infrastructure flyer (posted on CB1 FB Page).

Nina Salerno, Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton's office – We gave 2,000 families school supplies (backpacks) at our Second Annual Back to School Event. Please contact our office if anyone is still in need of backpacks. We continued with our Mobile offices this Summer and will continue in the Fall. Mammogram Event on 9/15 at St. Joseph & Mary Immaculate. Shredding Event on October 3rd at Midland Beach. Veterans BBQ on October 6th, The Elks Lodge.

Cathleen Kenny from Assemblyman, Sam Pirozzolo's office – Very solemn 9/11 Day tomorrow. Along with the First Responders we should remember the people on the airlines. Event hosted in Summer at Willowbrook Park which was a huge success. Thank you to whoever came out. Shredding Event on Wednesday, October 16th at the Krispy Kreme Parking Lot at the SI Mall. Sam has written a letter to the FAA regarding helicopters that are flying over Willowbrook & Westerleigh. To investigate late night and early morning helicopters. You can find updates on Sam Pirozzolo's Social Media sites. District Manager, Joan Cusack said the Congresswoman is also looking into this matter. They were flying over Rosebank one after the other. It's a tourist company that changed their route. Sherry Diamond at Nicole Malliotakis' office is working on it. Cathleen said thank you to Joan for this information. Sam Pirozzolo also firmly opposes the City of Yes for Housing. He is looking at legislation at the state level for tax incentive credits for homeowners for the NYC trash cans. It's great to see everybody and welcome back.

Gerald Fine – Sanitation garage on Jersey Street, the city has affordable housing building there which I believe affordable housing is not the way to go there. There were other options for that location including the 120th Precinct. I believe we need a Charter School there. There are more than 40 kids now in the classrooms. We don't have enough infrastructure to carry another 1,000 people in that community. I can get 1,000 signatures from residents who oppose this. Is this brought upon by an insensitive developer that doesn't even live on Staten Island? Joan Cusack, District Manager said this was done way back when they close-down the Sanitation Garage. Nicholas Siclari, Chair said we are waiting for definitive plans when the garage closes.

John Garcia, President of the Serpentine Commons – The City of Yes is saying forget about the hurricanes, we want to build on the Hillside. It's going to damage the retaining wall. Those tunnels were not properly covered with cement. You don't know if these houses will shift. Oakland Terrace or formerly known as Snake Hill Road. DCAS condemned that street because it's sinking and they closed it. Think about it.

Neil Pisani – Neighbor to this project just mentioned. Cecila Court Project. This project is full of variances and half-truths. They are proposing a septic system located underneath a driveway. The city code states this is not permissible. This is a non-porous area. The tanks can overflow into the caves. During Hurricane Sandy that water seeped out into Grymes Hill Estates. Now this will not only be rain water but sewage water.

Leo Heinert – Professional skate-boarder on Staten Island. How many skate parks are there on Staten Island? There are two. The Bronx has 9, Manhattan has 7, Queens has 11 and Brooklyn has 21. Since this sport has been added to the Olympics, this has become more and more popular. This park can prepare for the next Olympics in 2028 in LA. A way to stay active, avoid trouble and for social activity for growth. It would create jobs and economic growth. Skate-boarding is a powerful form of self-expression. Hopefully we can make this happen.

Richard Rojas – I co-founder Skate to Elevate with Leo Heinert. Very important to push these projects forward. Our Outreach is very important. There are safety concerns in skating at night. I've been skating for 15 years and have to go to NJ or other boroughs. This takes money for tolls, gas, etc. We have a petition with over 700 signatures.

Ralph Fortunato – Resident of St. George. Like many of you, I am deeply invested in the well-being of our community and want to keep St. George safe for all of us. Following up on concerns expressed three months ago about Project Hospitalities Drop-In Center at 150 Richmond Terrace. Unfortunately, they are not present this evening. This situation has not improved. Many of the problems have gotten worse. Public urination, indecency, noise, loitering, trespassing, harassment, drug-use on private property in our neighborhood. This is happening in an area where children live, and unsafe for families. There is continued lack of engagement and accountability from Project Hospitality and DHS. The monthly in-person meetings with the community have yet to be reinstated. It has been over 4 years since the Drop-In Center has been operating. We've seen this at their previous location at 25 Central Avenue and at Castleton Housing in Port Richmond. This pattern suggests there are larger systemic issues that need to be addressed. We are asking that our concerns be taken seriously. Safety should be a priority for all of us.

Chairman Nick Siclari said there is still no quorum maybe due to the Presidential Debate.

Presentation:

Joseph Ottomanelli of the Sanitation Department – NYC's New Mandatory Trash Cans (Residential Containerization) & Curbside Composting.

Property owners and managers, beginning November 12th, 2024, all trash must be set out in a bin 55 gallons or less with a secure lid. This applies to single-family homes, two-family homes, buildings with up to 9 apartments. You can use a compliant bin 55 gallons or less with a secure lid that you already have but starting June 2026, you must use an official NYC Bin. The official bin is durable, rat resistant, and costs less than \$50 for the most-used size. Order by October 1 to ensure delivery by November 12th. Official NYC Bins are available for purchase at www.bins.nyc or call 311 for assistance.

Curbside Composting – Free weekly service begins on October 6th. Compost will be collected every week on your recycling day. Separating leaf and yard waste, food scraps and food-soiled paper from trash is mandatory. You need a labelled bin, 55 gallons or less, with a secure lid. Get a free label at nyc.gov/CompostingBinDecal.

What to Compost: Leaf and Yard Waste (Plants, leaves, twigs, grass), Food Scraps (fruit, vegetables, meat, bones, dairy, prepared food), Food-Soiled Paper (napkins, towels, tea bags, plates, coffee filters, pizza boxes). NO RECYCLING OR TRASH. Violations are \$25 to \$400 starting in the Spring of 2025.

Violations are \$50 first offense, \$100 second offense and \$200 for the third and ongoing offenses. Remove the bins by 9PM on the collection day.

Q&A

Chairman, Nick Siclari asked if new trucks were being purchased? That is further “down the pipeline”. June 2026 we do need to have the bins from the city with the NYC logo.

What if the pails are stolen? File a police report (updates to follow). The bins do come with a warranty.

Who will monitor if trash is being disposed of correctly? We will have DSNY enforcement teams.

How will DSNY know that the resident put the food scraps in the wrong bin, anyone can throw garbage in your bin? There was no answer to this question.

To buy all the bins, you are talking about \$200+. What happens to the homeowners that can barely pay their taxes, their mortgage, etc. Will they provide funding for those people?

Chairman, Nick Siclari made a motion to write a letter to Department of Sanitation to forget about the program until they get their act together. Vote passes unanimously.

End of Public Session

Roll Call and Attendance by Loretta Cauldwell – 1 member short of a quorum.

Officers' Reports:

First Vice-Chairman, Anthony Cosentino: No report.

Second Vice-Chairman, Timothy Forsyth: No report.

Third Vice-Chairman, Friday Ogbewele – No report.

Secretary, Loretta Cauldwell – No report.

Treasurer, Sunny Jain - Absent

Chairman, Nicholas Siclari – Chairman of area committees and such, I pride myself and this board that we were the first to come back after Covid and have in person meetings. We have to be smart. We had our first Land Use meeting where we saw an application from 4 years ago. We didn't have a quorum. A couple of members came down with Covid. We have people with compromised immune systems. If you're a chair with one or two liquor licenses, let's use the Zoom account. For example, Tony had one liquor license renewal and he canceled his meeting and sent emails out instead to get a vote. Let's be smart and safe.

Port Richmond North Shore Alliance for Mario Buonviaggio (Joan Coogan spoke) – As you know our Civic group does not take the summer off. We have issues that are negatively impacting our community. An application for a Cannabis Retail Business to open up at 1350 Forest Avenue. The response of the community is not favorable. This proposal fell short according to the OCM's list of guidelines. We sent out a letter of opposition along with CB1 and BP Fossella along with other Elected Officials and Civic Groups. OCM moved forward with the approval. A new state agency not listening to community concerns and choosing profit over safety. They should not be put in our community in neighborhoods where there are children, families and young adults.

District Manager, Joan Cusack - There is no quorum, and I know many people are still away. Please try to get to the meetings.

Functional Committee Reports:

Land Use, George Turner – 43 & 47 Cecilia Court – Two house development voted by the board 4 years ago. This Already approved by City Planning and met all the requirements including drainage and structural issues. Project was delayed due to Covid. They came back to City Planning with an amendment that only involves trees. R2 Located within the Special Hillside Preservation District - A Non-ULURP modification of the authorization pursuant to 119-313 for modification of landscaping, tree preservation and tree planting requirements is filed separately as a result of several trees having fallen, several trees increasing in caliper and several trees and several trees reaching the minimum 6" caliper. Presented by Michael A. Sanna, R.A.

A resident in the area above this property said they took down all the trees. The diagram shows that they are there but they're not. They were fined and paid the fine the next day. George Turner said they must replace the trees. The site plan calls for the replacement of the trees. There is a parameter you are allowed to remove the trees. Fran Reali stated there are more trees than needed. Land Use Chair, George Turner said you are welcome to go to City Planning and express your concerns.

We didn't have a quorum at our Land Use Committee Meeting, but we recommend and endorse this proposal.

Reverse Roll Call by Loretta Cauldwell: It passes unanimously, 21 yes.

Waterfront, Joe Ahlstrom – Over the summer we had a Grant for Pier 1. Very happy to get that money. We are keeping a close eye on the Waterfront project. Mary Cali Dalton Center is progressing. We have a rally on Saturday, September 28th at 11:00 AM "Back to Brooklyn" for the Staten Island Brooklyn Ferry at the steps of City Hall. We haven't had this since 1964. The concessions on the ferry are there. We will try to get someone from DOT to speak at our next meeting about getting these concessions open and running. We are still pushing for a Junior High School on Staten Island. We have a Waterfront Meeting on September 24th at 6:30PM on Zoom.

Public Services, Sunny Jain – Excused.

Youth Services, Kathleen Coen & Mohan Radhakrishna. – Kate spoke on behalf of herself and Mohan. Meeting on September 25th via Zoom. Dana Vitolo and Michael Messing, co-directors of Youth Programs for NYC Parks on Staten Island. Discussion on programs for young people to coordinate with the start of the school year, such as Robotics and After School Homework assistance programming. Kate stated, we will do anything to support our young people on Staten Island.

Rules & Legislative Affairs, Anthony Cosentino & Timothy Forsyth – No report.

Budget & Finance, Anthony Cosentino – Will have a meeting on Monday, September 30th to do Budget consultations.

Transportation, Joseph Bird – Meeting September 24th for updates on the MTA buses, traffic issues, bus lateness, etc. We will pick up where Nicholas Z. left off.

Small Business & Non-Profit, Jaclyn Tacoronte, Excused – Chris Campbell said next meeting will be September 26th on Zoom.

Labor, Robert Holst – Excused. Tony Scutari said last Saturday was the Labor Day Parade in Manhattan. 200 unions with 250,000-500,000 people marching on 5th Avenue. It was a great day.

Parks & Recreation, Anthony Cosentino – No report.

Cultural Affairs - Anthony Sgarlato – (no microphone)

Health and Human Services, Fran Reali – No report.

West Brighton, Anthony Cosentino – No meeting.

New Brighton/St. George/Tompkinsville, Claudette Duff -

Silver Lake/Sunnyside/Westerleigh, Timothy Forsyth – Meeting next Wednesday.

Rosebank/Shore Acres, John Guzzo – Absent. Meeting next Tuesday at the Board Office.

Mariner's Harbor/Port Richmond/Elm Park, Selina Grey & Dora Berksteiner – Not present.

Clifton/Concord/Stapleton, Peter Lisi- We had a lot of liquor licenses. 635 Bay Street, Cruiseline, 305 Front Street, 520 Bay Street, 7 Navy Pier Court, Richmond Road. They were all approved. Climate Strong Communities Program Fairshare for the Stapleton Community for Environmental Justice. National Grid upcoming project gas mains in the Clifton, Greenfield Area and Park Hill. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 19th. Upcoming Events: New York City Open Street Stapleton Saturdays (every Saturday in September) from 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM on Water Street and Bay Street. Play in the middle of a normally busy street. On Sunday, September 15th, Pig Fest 2024, 2-6PM at the National Lighthouse Museum. Entertainment, food and vendors. Best Pig food made and entered crowned

winner. Saturday, September 21st, 13th Annual Staten Island Black Heritage Family Day Parade. Starts at Vanderbilt Avenue to Bay Street. A little pick me up...“If you can think it, dream it, picture it, see it and believe it, then it can be it.”

Old Business – Michael Arvenitis said Shrek II, September 13th, 6:30 PM at the Ballpark. New bus stop in St. George, looks nice. If you take an express bus between 7AM and 11AM tomorrow, please don't. They are all being rerouted to New Jersey to Holland and Lincoln Tunnels due to the 9/11 Ceremonies.

New Business –

Motion to Adjourn – 7:52 PM

New Brighton – St. George – Tompkinsville Local Area Committee Meeting Minutes

TUESDAY, September 17, 2024, 6:30 PM

Meeting was held via Zoom

Attendance:

CB1:

Joan Cusack – District Manager

Board members:

Tatana Arguello, Katheleen Cohen, Claudette Duff, Lillian Lagazzo, Steven Williams, Christopher Campbell, Linda Juarbe.

Voting Non-Board Members:

Eileen Harrington, John Luisi, Lisa Barbieri, Lindy Peter Crescitelli, RV.

Excused:

None

Guest:

Reverend Dale Smith, Bobby Moor, Nicole Brooks NYC Parks, Robert Perkins, Siming Zhu NYC Parks, Tamer Mahmoud, Nicholas Bolio (Shake Shack), Kecia Weaver (Pavilion on the Terrace), Stevin Hamson.

Presentations:

Nicole Brooks, MPA – (Project Manager Parks) Borough Commissioner's Office was present and discussed the design for Liotti Ikefugi Playground

Siming Zhu (NYC Parks) Presented plans for improvements of the park: better fencing, play equipment enlargement and better materials, more shaded areas to protect kids, space for music, spray shower where kids can enjoy water play, bright color furnishings, and colorful paving materials which will make the park more enjoyable.

Some attendees had security concerns. We were told that there will be security lighting and that the park will be closed & locked at night. One attendee asked about the possibility of having Ping Pong Tables and was told that this was a low priority item. Someone asked about Milk Weed plants to manage the lanternflies and was told that this was not in the plans.

Liquor Licenses Invited & Attending:

*Shake Shack New York LLC

35 Richmond Terrace, Space 323

Corporate Change – Nicholas Bolio was in attendance to represent Shake Shack. He reported that the former CEO left the company and that the new CEOs are Robert Lynch and Stephanie Sentell. These changes were approved unanimously.

*Pavilion On the Terrace Inc.

404 Richmond Terrace

Renewal – Kecia J. Weaver (Owner/President) was in attendance. She reported that her establishment was doing well, and several board members complimented her on the restoration revitalization of the venue. Concerns about the amount of garbage outside of the property (bus stop & across from the deli) was raised. Garbage cans were taken away by the city and were not replaced. CB1 will reach out to the Sanitation department. This Renewal was approved unanimously.

Cannabis applications:

NONE

Old Business:

Regarding the Bay Street Landing/Five Borough Bike Tour Issues: Sgt. Petrino is on longer at the 120 percent. CB1 will invite his replacement to our next meeting.

New Business:

NONE

Announcements:

SGCA General Meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 6:45pm

at the St. George Theater.

NEXT LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING: October 15th, 2024

NEXT COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MEETING October 8th, 2024 -
LOCATION: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 347 Davis Avenue, Staten Island
NY 10310.

Claudette Duff

Area Committee Chair

MARINERS HARBOR/PORT RICHMOND/ELM PARK/ARLINGTON

LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, September 17, 2024, VIRTUAL

Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened: 7:05 PM

In attendance:

Everette Wattley
Charlene Burke
Mario Buonviaggi
Dora Berksteiner
Raleigh Swinton (Arlington Civics)
Everett Wattley
Michelle Akyempong

Presentations/Updates: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Demolition/New Building Permit Notices: None

Liquor License Renewal:

- Sayori Resturant (1440 Forest Ave)

Vote:

1. Charlene Burke: Yes

2. Everett Wattley: Yes
3. Mario Buonviaggio: Yes
4. Michelle Akyempong: Yes
5. Dora Berksteiner: Yes

Liquor License NEW Applications:

ZaRa Resturant (Rep. Ramazan Avci 1745 Forest Ave): vote

1. Charlene Burke: Yes
2. Everett Wattley: Yes
3. Michelle Akyempong: Yes
4. Dora Berksteiner: Yes

Mario was not yet in attendance at the time of this vote.

Restaurant Bar Vikingos Inc. (Rep: Francisco Robles & Elena Urena 330 Heberton Ave) Vote:

1. Charlene Burke: No
2. Everett Wattley: No
3. Mario Buonviaggio: No
4. Michelle Akyempong: No
5. Dora Berksteiner: No

Mario has reported that he as observed this establishment being open pass 2 AM on several occasions. It has been reported that customers have walked out of the restaurant inebriated, urinating in the street and loud music playing which is disturbing to the neighbor.

San Jeronimo Bakery: No show, No vote

Cannabis License: None

Car Service Base Operating License Renewal: None

Water Service Interruptions: None

Filming Interruptions: None

Civic Groups Report:

Port Richmond Strong: Cannabis license was granted for 1350 Forest Ave despite them not meeting NYS cannabis guidelines.

OPEN Session: As called.

Announcements:

There **WILL** be a monthly meeting **UNLESS** specifically cancelled, ZOOM information is always the same, until further notice.

NEXT LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING: Oct 15, 2024

NEXT COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MEETING Oct 8th, 2024, LOCATION: TBA

Meeting Adjourned: 8:06 PM

Minutes Submitted by Dora Berksteiner

Selina Grey and Dora Berksteiner

Area Co-Committee Chairs

*Port Richmond*Mariners Harbor*Elm Park*Arlington*

Rosebank Meeting, Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 6:30PM – CB1 Board Office, 1 Edgewater Plaza, Room 217

Attendance

Members

John Guzzo, Chair
Christopher Corbo ab
Alina Nevradakis ab
Cindy Salzillo ab
Anthony Sgarlato

Non-Board Voting Members

Mike Cataldo
Charlie Olson

Guests

Frank Andreossen, Lucy DeJesus, Jin Fang Tang, Denise Reyes, Joseph Caputo, T. Panaccio, Joe Tirado, Dan Allen, Jackson Tam, Tomasz Blaszczyh.

Open 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board office needs a flag. (We do have a couple of flags in the office).

Alice Austen House Presentation by the Parks Department and Signage Presentation by Victoria Munro, Executive Director of Alice Austen House – No Objection at this time. Will be discussed at the October Board meeting with a vote and letter will go out if needed.

XO Mexican Bar Inc., 1072 Bay Street, 10305 (used to be Bayou). Approved with music restriction weekdays stopping at 9:00 PM and Weekends at 11:00 PM.

Con Edison Battery Fear

Rat Problem – 11 & 59 St. Mary's Avenue (obstructed sidewalk at 59)

Garbage – 19 St. Mary's Avenue

Washing Fish Trucks – 49 St. Mary's Avenue

Day Care Center Garbage stored under deck – 60 St. Mary's Avenue

Burning Illegally in Backyard at 7:30 PM – 85 Anderson Street.

Chestnut Avenue – DOT, Building Department and Consumer Affairs Response

Adjourned

Update on Lyndhurst Avenue from PD. DEC to go to 97 for waste oil and dirty water discharge. Also blocking parking.

Consumer Affairs to go to 101 Chestnut Avenue.

1133 Bay Street has illegal pet sales.

Trash cans removed in Rosebank need to be replaced. (The trash cans on School Road will be replaced. They are taken away in the winter months due to people throwing their own trash in the cans.)

EG Bay Street, PS13, CVS on Bay Street.

Rats on Bay Street, St. Mary's, Virginia Avenue.

Church Lane Silverton. Pronto Shopping Center.

Uhaul lot – Mattress debris with rodents.

End of meeting.

Community Board 1 Staten Island

Clifton, Concord, Stapleton Area Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 19, 2024, 6:30 PM, Stapleton Library, 132 Canal Street.

Hybrid Meeting In Person & On Zoom

Meeting ID: 852 8932 8780

Previous meeting minutes APPROVED

Liquor License Renewal: El Patron Restaurant & Lounge, Inc, 520 Bay Street, Staten Island, NY 10304. Previously approved & OUTSTANDING REQUEST TO ATTEND COMMITTEE MEETING.

Liquor License Renewal: The Richmond on Bay Street LLC, 695 Bay Street, Staten Island, NY 10304. No representative attended meeting and establishment has recently closed down. NO ACTION TAKEN

Liquor License Renewal: (Change Method of Operations) Addiccion Inc, 308 Front Street, Staten Island, NY 10304. Request to change closing time from 2 AM to 4 AM. Committee wanted to first clarify CB1 guidelines of closing past 2 AM. NO ACTION TAKEN & CALENDARED FOR A FUTURE MEETING.

Liquor License Renewal: Barca SI LLC, Trade Name: Pastavino, 44 Navy Pier Court, Staten Island, NY 10304. No complaints, no objections, APPROVED

Liquor License Renewal: (Change Owners Name) Latin Grooves Bar & Lounge LLC, 68 Canal Street, Staten Island, NY 10304. Request to remove listed owner Daniel Ortiz and keep only one listed owner Efrain Rivera. No complaints, no objections. APPROVED

Demolition Project Notification: 155 Tompkins Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10304. Committee wants clarification of what building is being demolished, considering 155 Tompkins is a huge building that's currently housing people and no other buildings are present on property.

NYPD:

360 Van Duzer Street: People are using drugs during school hours 7am-11am in front of day care center.

132 Canal Street Stapleton Library. People are using drugs on front steps before 8am and throughout the day on concrete slab in front on Wright St.

Adjournment

Steering/Budget Committee Meeting, Monday, September 30, 2024, 6:30 PM

Board Office, 1 Edgewater Plaza, Room 217

Attendance:

CB1 Executive Committee

Anthony Cosentino, First Vice-Chair
Loretta Cauldwell, Secretary
Sunny Jain, Treasurer

Office Staff

Joan Cusack, District Manager
Linda Maffeo, Community Coordinator

CB1 Board Member Chairs

Peter Lisi
Katheleen Coen
Anthony Sgarlato

Meeting started at 6:30 PM
Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda:

Revisions made to the Register of Community Board 1 Budget Requests for FY 2025 for deadline October 31, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM

September 24, 2024 Waterfront Committee Meeting Minutes

Time Started: 6:31pm

Attendees: Joe Ahlstrom, Josh Renta, Charlie Olson, Chris Campbell, Lillian Lagazzo, Peter Lisi, Linda Juarbe, Andrew's Phone, Mary Habstritt, Annette - Kayak SI, Katrina Vigo, Claudette Duff, RVA, Matthew Lesieur, 201-213-6209, Anthony Consentino, Tim Forsyth

Topics:

- Brooklyn Ferry Rally at Borough Hall Sept 28, 2024 11am
NYC Ferry (Hornblower) is operator
- SI Ferry Concessions - What is the status of concessions? The committee would like to have someone from DOT to discuss status.
- SL7 Project - Capt Ahlstrom discussed the opportunity to have an SL7 Ship docked at the homeport as its permanent home. Currently SL7s are fast sealift steam ships slated for scrap. An SL7 could be utilized as a floating museum/educational platform at our homeport. This is another opportunity to enhance Staten Island's waterfront and showcase the importance of Staten Islands long history as a bustling seaport
- JR High Maritime Middle School ongoing discussions pushing for this to become a reality. No updates as of now.
- College of Staten Island location in St George could be used for future maritime/labor school to coincide with our maritime waterfront opportunities. The idea is to take individuals from the street and help them pursue a labor career in the maritime industry.
- Lighthouse Point Parking Lot - No updates as to when this parking lot will open. It is completed but still no driveable access to the lot.
- Waterfront committee wish list of guests at future meetings: NYCDOT Rep, College of Staten Island Provost Tim Lynch, nyc ferry rep(Hornblower is operator)
- Bay St. Landing Access denied to vehicles during NYC TD Bike Tour. Letter is to be drafted requesting this be addressed prior to the 2025 Bike Tour to the NYPD Patrol Borough SI.
- Kayak SI - Annette informed the waterfront committee that their kayak launch site has been restricted by construction. It was also proposed that a future site be named in honor of the founder of Kayak SI Jacky Krogh
- Lilac Preservation project- another great waterfront opportunity. The hope is to have an old USCG Cutter "LILAC" to be permanently stationed at the National Lighthouse Museum.

- October 27 next waterfront meeting.

Time Ended: 7:30pm

Meeting Minutes - CB1 - Youth Committee meeting (09/25/2024)

Participants List: Michael Messing from Parks Dept, Anthony Consentino, Tony Scutari and Youth Committee Co-Chair Radhakrishna Mohan – Co-chair Kathleen Coen and Dana Vitolo from Parks couldn't make it.

Meeting started at 5:35 PM Ended at 6:25 PM

Quick recap

The meeting addressed technical issues, discussed after-school programs for children, and mentioned upcoming events like a haunted trail and Halloween celebration at Walker Park. Participants explored the idea of a monthly meeting and agreed to follow up on communication and planning details.

Next steps

- Michael to discuss with his chief the possibility of allowing Community Board meetings in park houses, particularly Walker Park, and report back to Tony.
- Michael to send flyers for upcoming youth programs and events to Community Board members once available.
- Radhakrishna to confer with co-chair Kathleen Coen about sharing the program information with the community.

Summary:

Anthony, Mohan, Tony and Michael discussed some technical issues with the meeting link and Zoom app. They also talked about the progress of their work, with Mohan mentioning a loss of people from the community board. Michael, the Borough Parks Youth Coordinator for Staten Island, joined the meeting to fill in for his partner, Dana, who couldn't attend. He introduced himself and mentioned his role in overseeing youth and teen activities across the island.

After-School Programs for Children Discussion

Mohan, Michael, Tony Scutari and Anthony discussed their after-school programs for children aged 6 to 13, which are free and open to all. The programs, held at Walker Park and Jennifer's playground, offer activities such as homework, sports, music, and trips. A robotics program is available for children in 3rd grade to 8th grade on a first-come, first-served basis. Michael also mentioned upcoming sports programs and events, including a haunted trail event and a Halloween event at Walker Park. He offered to share flyers for these programs and encouraged attendees to reach out for more information.

Engaging Youth and Addressing Park House Usage

Mohan expressed appreciation for the information shared and mentioned that co-chair Kathleen Coen was unable to attend due to a family situation. He emphasized the importance of engaging and informing the number of people under their jurisdiction, particularly the youth. Mohan also highlighted the success of the programs and the need to connect with more youth. Michael agreed with Mohan points and mentioned their partnership with the cricket club. Mohan also mentioned his role as the Youth Director for the Staten Island Cricket Club. Mohan enquired on the status of the proposed redesign and enhancement

of Children Pay Center at Walker Park and reminded the need for 16 feet fence to protect the children from the Cricket ball which is hit during the Cricket game played at the adjacent ground. Anthony asked Michael to remind the Project manager and follow up.

Anthony raised a concern about the use of park houses for meetings, stating that they were no longer allowed to use them. Michael confirmed that this was true.

Proposed Monthly Meeting Discussion and Follow-Up

Michael agreed to discuss the proposed monthly meeting idea with his chief and get back to Anthony Cosentino with a decision. Anthony provided his email address for Michael to reach out with more details. The proposed meeting would be held once a month for about two hours, and Michael suggested he could distribute flyers to the neighborhood during the meeting. Michael also offered to provide his supervisor's email for further communication.

Meeting Adjournment: Co-Chair Mohan, adjourned the meeting with the approval of the meeting participants at 6.25 PM

Staten Island Community Board 1 - Transportation Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/25/2024

Location: Zoom

Attendees:

- Nicholas Siclari, CB1 Chair
 - Joseph Bird, Transportation Committee
 - Sean Sheil, Transportation Committee Member
 - Radhakrishna Mohan, Transportation Committee Member
 - Anthony Constantino, Transportation Committee Member
 - Christopher Campbell, Transportation Committee Member
 - Melissa Farley, MTA
 - Will Deautriell, NYC DOT
 - Anisa Bekteshi, NYC DOT
 - John Mauch, CB1 Public
 - R Augusty, CB1 Public
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1. Call to Order

Joseph Bird acting as chair, called the meeting to order, welcoming attendees, expressing gratitude for their participation and honoring a moment of silence for the passing of the previous chair Nicholas Zvegintzov and his impact to transportation on the north shore of staten island.

2. Old Business

- **Review of Previous Transportation Topics:**
 - **MTA DOT Issues / Projects:**
 - **S66 / S78 Issues Along Victory Boulevard & Petrides Campus:**

Joseph raised that it's his understanding that previous enhancements to bus services outlined by the MTA to begin this fall have not been running. Melissa Farley noted ongoing challenges with bus operations and driver availability, and confirmed that in some cases buses are simply not showing up for transportation. She further clarified that this is universal to all school routes due to driver availability many buses are not running - She will be following up with Depot leaders to see how these buses can run again and provide an update via email to the relevant committee members and DOE staff being impacted.

- **Updates on North Shore BRT:**

The committee discussed the current status of the North Shore Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) initiative - Melissa Farley from the MTA had no updates at this time
- **NYC DOT Issues / Projects:**
 - **Goethals Road North / Jules Drive:**

Joseph Bird initiated a discussion about any updates or safety improvements underway on Goethals Road North and Jules Drive. Will Deautriell from the DOT provided additional context, explaining the area has been a safety priority for some time due to the recent fatal accidents and has been studied extensively. He stated, "We've been reviewing data and community input to ensure the design takes into account the unique challenges of the road's layout." However he underscored that there are no planned improvements at this time as the DOT is a data driven organization and their studies did not result in required action at this intersection.
 - **Nicholas Avenue and Enis:**

The committee briefly touched on ongoing considerations for improvements immediately surrounding Nicholas Avenue and Enis and the traffic island which is a green space in the middle of the block located near a school. Anis and Will from the DOT indicated that this is a planned capital priority which will be expensive, and while a fix is being planned it will be on an extended timeline due to the complexity of the existing issues, the required work to remediate the situation. When a project is further along DOT will update the committee and community board.

3. New Business

- **MTA Updates (Service Changes, Projects):**

Melissa Farley noted that the MTA did not have any significant updates to highlight at this meeting.
- **NYC DOT Updates (Roadwork, Traffic Improvements):**
 - **S52/S42 Issues:**

RVA, a community member, raised issues with the S52/S42 bus routes and buses simply not showing up for their intended route. Melissa Farley said she will investigate this route with the bus depot and follow up at a future meeting and underscored an issue of driver availability impacting Staten Island more broadly
 - **Missing Bus Stop at St. Peter's Church:**

Concerns were raised regarding the absence of a bus stop near St. Peter's Church, exact locations were not clear at the time of the meeting and this will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

4. Public Session

Joseph opened the floor for community concerns, inviting attendees to share their thoughts and questions. There were no volunteers or raising of any additional topics during the public session.

5. Adjournment

Joseph confirmed the next meeting date of **October 29th at 5 PM** on zoom, and thanked everyone for their contributions and collaboration.

Treasurer's Report - FY 2025 October 2024

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ALLOCATED TO 6/30/23</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
100 Supplies	\$1,108.66 – \$248.03	\$ 860.63
101 Printing Expense	200.00	200.00
110 Food & Forage	1,150.00	1,150.00
117 Postage	200.00	200.00
199 Data Process Suppl.	450.00	450.00
300 General Equip.	0	0
314 Office Furniture	140.00	140.00
315 Office Equipment	544.00	544.00
332 Data Process Equip.	0	0
337 Book Subscriptions	0	0
400 Contractual Svces.	1,500.00	1,500.00
40B Communication (Paid by OTI for our telephone bills – not our budget spending money)	(3,013.00)	(3,013.00)
403 Office Services	25.00	25.00
412 Equipment Rental	\$3,161.03 - \$595.49	2,565.54
451 Carfare	0	0
452 Special Event	0	0
622 Contractor	0	0
700 Chase Imprest Fund (Money for Imprest Checks only- not our budget spending money)	500.00	500.00
TOTAL:	\$8,135.17	\$8,135.17

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SUNNY JAIN, CB1 TREASURER

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