

**CB#1 FULL BOARD MEETING AGENDA –
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th 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, Prince Cobbina, Beth Stern, Kelly Yim, Mario Buonviaggio

Speaker: Deputy Inspector, Eric Waldhelm, 120th Precinct – Introducing himself.

- 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 – **DEP Presentation on Fence Project for Silver Lake Reservoir**
- Waterfront, Joseph Ahlstrom – **Vote on Letter from EDC Presentation- Maritime Junior HS**
- 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.

**Community Board 1 Full Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 8, 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
Berksteiner, Dora
Berksteiner, Doreen
Joseph Bird
Allison Brown ex
Telee Brown ab
Christopher Campbell
Loretta Cauldwell
Andre Ciprut
Kathleen Coen
Christopher Corbo ab
Anthony Cosentino
Claudette Duff
Samir Farag
Timothy Forsyth
Selina Grey
John Guzzo
Robert Holst
Linda Huff ab
Sunny Jain
Linda Juarbe ex

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

Office Staff

Joan Cusack, District Manager
Linda Maffeo, Community Coordinator

Guests:

Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton, Marie LaFrancesca, Borough President Vito Fossella’s office, Mike Arvenitis of Councilmember Kamillah Hanks, Jennifer Larsen & Nadia Fabozzi, On Your Mark, Jenna Blakeman, Jessie Cohen, Chris DiPietro, Downtown Staten Island Wayfinding Project, Janet Dugo, SI Chamber of Commerce, Agnes McBeth & Brianna Joerger of DA McMahon’s office, Nicole Brooks, Mario Buonviaggio, Cathleen Kenny, Jeanne Raleigh, Patrick Timoney, Pablo Hidalgo, Bruce Lauria, Rosemary Algerio, Vincent Atkinson, Charlie Olsen, Linda Urbanski, Samantha Bright, Diane & Marshall Duberstein, Neil Anastasio, Prince Cobbina, Terry Troia, Andrew Dorman, Anayansi Clarke, Lindy Peter Crescitelli

6:31 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 – Introducing Brianna Joerger – On Staten Island, crime remains lower than other boroughs. There is a problem with the stealing of Treasury checks. When you file your income tax, please try to use Direct Deposit. If you are using checks to pay your bills, we are finding a trend with “check washing”. Our office has special Gel Pens which are harder to wash off. I brought some today. I also brought panic alarms. We are in Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This past Saturday we hosted our Third Annual Walk/Roll Against Domestic Violence. Over 800 Staten Islanders participated. Our office received a \$500,000 Grant from the DOJ for Cold Cases. It also opens a Cold Case Unit for Staten Island. We received \$700,000 for a Program for Children whose parents experience substance abuse. Over the years, this program has serviced over 100 kids. This program will continue over the next three years. On the Prosecutorial front, guilty verdict for Shaheem Chavis. He

entered a Park Hill apartment on September 21, 2022, murdered a 61 year old grandmother, shot her to death and then murdered another individual. He was recently sentenced to 35 years in prison.

Brianna Joerger – Assistant District Attorney for about a year in Criminal Court with Domestic Violence cases.

Nicole Brooks, NYC Parks Department – October 24th Vital Parks for All, 5:30PM – 7:30PM, SI Borough Hall, 10 Richmond Terrace. Investing in NYC's Living Infrastructure. NYC Parks Commissioner Sue Donoghue and BP Vito Fossella invite you to RSVP.

Mario Buonviaggio, Port Richmond North Shore Alliance – Mario acknowledges Ms. Cusack, Ms. Maffeo and Selina Grey for an outstanding job they have done thus far. I have worked with them closely throughout the summer. We are monitoring an ongoing issue at a housing complex, 1544 Castleton Avenue. Over 300 calls to 911, public safety and health issues and is now categorized as the most dangerous address in Port Richmond. NYS Office of Cannabis Management, 1350 Forest Avenue is opening up with a large opposition from the Elected Officials, Port Richmond, CB1 and DA's office. Signatures from residents of Veltman Avenue opposing this site and 1350 Forest Avenue was allowed to open. Damian Fagon, OCM Chief Equity Officer is on administrative leave amid allegations of retaliation and selective enforcement. New agency that is falling on their feet with serious integrity issues. Our elected officials need to speak in Albany about stopping these applications on a main commercial corridor which are being "rubber stamped" and ignoring the residents of SI. These should open in an industrial or manufacturing zoning location.

Cathleen Kenny from Assemblyman, Sam Pirozzolo's office – Coordinating along with BP Vito Fossella, Hurricane Relief Drive for Hurricane Helene victims and upcoming Hurricane Milton in Florida. We will be using 2090 Victory Blvd as a drop-off station, Monday through Friday from 10AM to 4PM. Free shredding event on October 16th from 9AM-12PM at the SI Mall Parking Lot next to Krispy Kreme, Richmond Avenue. Please limit yourselves to two to three bags of shredding material. On October 26th, teaming up with Assemblyman Reilly & Tannousis with the American Red Cross for a Violence Safety Training, 10AM to 2PM at the Elks Lodge on Richmond Avenue. If you're interested in volunteering and installing smoke detectors. Flyers in the back. Please Vote in the Elections.

Jeanne Raleigh – Resident of West Brighton – I already spoken to you about NYC Local Law 18. I would now like to speak about Section 8 Housing. I met a entrepreneur of a private management & developing company in Port Richmond on the corner of Richmond Terrace. He said he will never engage with traditional housing in NYC because Section 8 Housing always pays. On his website, he boasts 300 homes have converted and growing. Mariner's Harbor, Elm Park, Port Richmond, West New Brighton, & St. George. His FB Page reads, "We need your help. We are interested in purchasing low-income properties in these areas. Please let me know if you know anyone with a listing." This is a concern. Many of these homes were owned by long-time Staten Islanders who have passed away and no family to take care of these matters. Our landscape is changing quickly. There is a 4-story apartment building being built by this management company on Port Richmond Avenue by the Terrace. He put in a variance to raise the structure from 2-stories to 4-stories. It used to be a parking lot for a bank. Please have this investigated.

Jermaine Williams, NYPD Ambassador for SI – Annual Baby Shower, October 19, JCC at 230 Broad Street. Senator, Jessica Scarcella-Spanton has given us \$80,000 for NYPD cameras in real-time.

Makeda Campbell, Community Liaisons for Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton – We have had at least 5 Mobile Health Units for people to get checked out without insurance. We go out on location in communities and make ourselves present. We also did a shredding event with the DA's office. We had a Veteran's BBQ this past Sunday partnered with Senator Lanza's office. Thank you to those who came out. Legislation: The Accidental Death Benefit for Anthony Varvaro's family was signed/passed. The Senator allocated money for PS 57 STREAM Program. Jermaine mentioned the money allocated for NYPD cameras. Money allocated to PS 78 for their Community Garden. We will be Honoring Joan Cusack, CB1 District Manager for her work in the community along with other SI Community Members this Thursday, October 10th at Curtis HS.

Roll Call Attendance by Loretta Cauldwell, Secretary. We have a quorum.

Presentation:

Jennifer Larsen, Associate Executive Director & Nadia Fabozzi, Director of Development - On Your Mark – OYM and the new campus that they have recently acquired in New Brighton. We been here since 1979. We finalized our purchase of St. Peter's/St. Paul's Campus. All one floor with no stairs. We had 120 Victory which is no longer conducive to our program. Adults ages 18- "whatever". We have a Snack Zone at the Snug Harbor Children's Museum. On Clinton is a blue house which used to be the Rectory, 4 foot in-ground pool and track to share with the community. The senior housing in the community said the Goodhue Center isn't always open.

Nadia Fabozzi said Casa Belvadere is having a Fall Festival this weekend. Every Tuesday and Thursday at 645 Forest Avenue, walk-in interviews. Peter Lindy Crescitelli said they are doing a great job.

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. The 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. NYS developed a program where they provide \$10 million dollar grants to downtown districts each year. SI Chamber partnered with the BP's office & SIEDC applied for SI District and was awarded that grant. 8 projects are going forward. One being the Staten Island Wayfinding Project. This program will create signage. There will be Infrastructure and transportation signage areas. Chris and Jesse are the Wayfinding Team Design and Implementation Specialists. Presentation couldn't be shown due to technical difficulties but we had handouts.

Chris from Wayfinding spoke. Patterning with the Chamber of Commerce. There would be parking directionals. 13-month project.

Jesse, with Melissa Johnson Associates. This signage is for people who need help with navigating. Throughout the process we will be working along with the Community Board doing a variety of outreach. The signage is welcoming for visitors and gives a sense of pride for residents with its visual appeal for people who live, work and travel here.

Anthony Sgarlato, CB1 Cultural Chair asked if there will be signage for all the Cultural areas on SI, approximately 30 locations. The answer was yes.

The area will be a strict boundary which would be the "downtown" area, St. George, Tompkinsville and Stapleton. Ferry terminal and transit areas.

For more information, you can reach out to Janet Dugo of the SI Chamber of Commerce.

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 – Report in the packet

Chairman, Nicholas Siclari - CB1 Chair Nick Siclari announced there was a church fire on Castleton and Broadway having many fire engines going by during the presentation.

Chair Nick introduced Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton to speak.

Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton - Decided to stop by, living in the neighborhood. Wrapping up her first two years in office. Passed over 55 pieces of legislation, including for veterans. She is the chair of Veterans Homeland Security and Military Affairs. We had a Veterans Roundtable today with Senator Gillibrand. We have a lot on the State level and need support at the Federal level. We have Public Safety bills. We passed a law that was signed making it a felony to assault a retail worker punishable up to 4 years in prison. We have signs that go on a retail window as a PSA, like you see on a bus. If you know anyone who owns a business and wants one. The DA will prosecute those crimes. We passed a bill that prevents squatters from having the same rights as tenants. We brought funding to this district. \$2 million dollars for the Goodhue Center. I care about Public Safety and Affordability. I know groceries are “astronomically” expensive. Inflation is not a state-driven issue, however we passed a \$350 million dollar child tax credit which you’ll be feeling next year. For public safety, we are making sure our police precincts have the resources they need. \$80,000 for the 120 Precinct for cameras. We made sure we enhanced their pension benefits for officers to give them an incentive to stay on the job and retire comfortably. Also we are helping Tier 6 to make sure our state workforce is strong, healthy and sustainable. Thank you to everyone in this room for being a true partner in my first two years.

Questions about Ferry workers by Joshua Rental - Senator Spanton said yes, the protection is for ferry workers too.

Tony Cosentino - 6 months ago, letter for assaults on teachers. Senator Spanton said both of her parents are retired school teachers. She will look at it. It is not easy increasing penalties on crimes in NY State. I do my best to talk to my colleagues and get them on board. We will try to get that passed.

Neil Anastasio asked about Cannabis Management on where these dispensaries are placed. Senator Spanton said the fact that a church is only considered a church if only used as a church is absurd. We introduced a bill to address those issues and also as far as schools. They are not considering daycare schools. We want to make sure we get the language right. The Office of Cannabis Management is understaffed. There are 20 people at the agency dealing with the State of NY. It’s not an efficient system.

Jack Bolembach thanked Senator Spanton for her work with the veterans. She said her husband did two tours in Afghanistan. We passed a bill that require the Department of Veterans Services to have a registry. A veterans drivers license is not enough. We want the Department of Veterans

Services to get that information. A packet, Welcome to NY, this is what's available to you, housing, jobs, non-profits offering mental health services, etc. Make sure you sign up for the VA.

We are collecting items for victims of North Carolina right now.

Chairman Nick said you can come to the Senator Spanton's Award Ceremony on Thursday for Joan Cusack, CB1 District Manager.

Chairman Nick said we had a 22 minute Land Use Meeting. Continue to do virtual meetings especially when there are less important agendas.

District Manager, Joan Cusack - - Please don't park on the grass outside the church.

Functional Committee Reports:

Land Use, George Turner – Meeting, Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 6:30 PM – Virtual on Zoom

55 Seagate Road

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. They came to us because they have a pool which is outside of the 15 foot buffer. They didn't have to even go to City Planning for a pool but that's why they came over to us. We feel the project is deserving of our endorsement.

Land Use Vote – 13 Yes, Passes Unanimously.

Motion to approve this project.

Full Board Vote: 28 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions

301 Howard Avenue

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). Parking platform proposed (10 feet). They already have a parking garage.

Land Use Vote: 11 Yes, 2 Abstentions, Passes

Motion to approve this project.

Full Board Vote: 29 yes, 0 No, and 1 Abstention

Waterfront, Joe Ahlstrom – Minutes are in the packet. We are still working on the Ferry to Brooklyn. We are pushing to get the Maritime Junior High School on SI. There is a huge issue with crossing Bay Street with these events like the Bike Tour, etc. People cannot get access to their homes. It was the whole day. John Guzzo said Rosebank/Shore Acres also suffers and anyone below Bay Street is not allowed out. Every year this happens with a "rookie cop", "sergeant said". No reason not to let the couple go to church.

Public Services, Sunny Jain –

Youth Services, Katheleen Coen & Mohan Radhakrishna. –

Rules & Legislative Affairs, Anthony Cosentino & Timothy Forsyth – Tony said Joe Bird is doing an excellent job with the Transportation Committee.

Budget & Finance, Anthony Cosentino – We had a meeting and discussed the Statement of Needs Budget. Two corrections. We are looking to get a Maritime Junior High School, not High School. This is on the Expense Budget #8. Expense Budget #2, Mental and Physical Health Issues for transgender youths and everyone and all groups including DEI. Vote Passes unanimously.

Transportation, Joseph Bird – We have some historical issues started by Nicholas Zvegintzov. Issues with the S76 & S78 buses. The schedule was resolved with the S76. Goethals Road and Jules Drive. A traffic study was done and was completed with no plans at that intersection. Nicholas Avenue in Port Richmond, there is a longer plan for that intersection. Next meeting October 29th on Zoom.

Small Business & Non-Profit, Jaclyn Tacoronte – Excused. Chris Campbell spoke - September 26th we had a meeting via Zoom. We decided going forward to do quarterly meetings.

Labor, Robert Holst – The project at Castleton and Port Richmond Avenue, this project was before I was on the Community Board. The money is coming to the North Shore. As far as these projects, like the developer did in other boroughs. Not everyone is a bad neighbor but everyone of those bad neighbors builds their project by exploiting their labor.

Parks & Recreation, Anthony Cosentino – The Parks Department is giving presentations to some of the area committees.

Cultural Affairs - Anthony Sgarlato – No report. Our meetings will be going quarterly.

Health and Human Services, Fran Reali – No report. Our meetings will be going quarterly. Jessica Scarcella-Spanton is working with me with protecting one heart at a time which is near and dear to my heart. Our son died of Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy. Our goal is to have every single high school entrance exam to include an echocardiogram and EKG so that every child gets tested. Please pray for Jessica if this goes through so I don't have to have 200 baskets to raise funds.

West Brighton, Anthony Cosentino –

New Brighton/St. George/Tompkinsville, Claudette Duff - Leotti Playground Presentation. Parks is asking for a letter. Anthony Cosentino said the letter will be approved and sent out.

Silver Lake/Sunnyside/Westerleigh, Timothy Forsyth – No meeting, no minutes.

Rosebank/Shore Acres, John Guzzo - Kindly get a flag for the CB1 office. (Update: We now have a flag). We have a rat problem in Rosebank. At 49 St. Mary's Avenue, a Fish Warehouse that washes their trucks out in the street at 11PM. The entire neighborhood smells like a fish store. We can't seem to get the city agencies to ticket them. Consumer Affairs should be there. I want every city agency to go there. Sanitation one meeting, consumer affairs another meeting, Health Department, EPA, etc. They are worried about our food scraps in a pail but we have fish smell down the street. We had a Alice Austen House Presentation by Parks. Upgrading the signage for the community, new stairs and ramp. The Rosebank Committee approved it unanimously.

Reverse Roll Call to send a letter of approval.

Mariner's Harbor/Port Richmond/Elm Park, Selina Grey & Dora Berksteiner –

Clifton/Concord/Stapleton, Peter Lisi- Liquor license renewals. The Richmond on Bay Street, I was told they're not open anymore. Change of Operation for Addiction on Front Street, for later closing time. We took no action and they will come to another meeting. Barca SI, LLC, Pastavino, 44 Navy Pier Court, committee approved. Latin Grooves Bar & Lounge, we will monitor this place. 155 Tompkins Avenue, Demolition Notice. We would like clarification. Two NYPD complaints on Van Duzer Street. Drug use during school hours. Also by the Stapleton Library. Next meeting October 17th Hybrid meeting. 4th Annual Tappan Park Tree Lighting on Saturday, December 7th. Port Richmond and Rosebank has one. Mr. Christopher Rooney, 77 years young. Beloved husband, father, grandfather and long time Staten Island resident. An Irishman who married his college sweetheart and proudly raised 4 children and loved his 5 grandchildren. Chris was the second of 7 children. His father served and Chris served as a US Army Captain in Vietnam. He played varsity Baseball and Basketball and Coach for his children soccer teams. He was a lawyer for 50 years. Known for his integrity, dedication and commitment to justice. He helped family, friends and strangers. Devoted community activist. Served on this CB1 for 25 years. President of the Special Olympics Soccer Team. He was inducted into the SI Soccer Hall of Fame. Devoted catholic and a member of Holy Name Society. Staten Island thanks him for his contributions. A street naming honoring Mr. Rooney must be done. Thank you.

Chairman Nick asked for a moment of silence for Chris Rooney's passing. We didn't get notified of his wake.

Michael Arvenitis - New trains in the SIRT in a month. We have retired old trains. We got together with BP Fossella and other Elected Officials for Hurricane Relief for North Carolina and Georgia. We are looking for socks, feminine products, paper towels, & cleaning supplies. You can drop them off at Borough Hall and all the Elected Officials offices. We are teaming up with the International Firefighters Association & Notre Dame Alumni Association to deliver those supplies there. Post Sandy we were supported and we will now support. We have 3,200 job vacancies, go to NYC.GOV/Hire.

Old Business – None.**New Business** – Tatiana Arguello - Non-Profits are important. 12th Annual Non-Profit Conference on October 30th at the Hilton. We have the entire space. We all need to work together. If you want to have a table please let me know. We have an amazing lineup.

Motion to Adjourn – 8:06PM

Treasurer's Report - FY 2025 November 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

PLEASE NOTE: EACH CODE IS TRANSFERABLE TO OTHER CODES AS LONG AS THE TOTAL ALLOCATION IS THE SAME.

SUNNY JAIN, CB1 TREASURER

ENCUMBERED FOR FY2025 CONTRACTS

Land Use Public Hearing, Thursday, November 7th, 2024, 6:30PM, Virtual on Zoom

Area Committee Members Guests

Nicholas Siclari, CB1 Chair Mario Bruno, DEP Commissioner

George Turner, AIA, Area Chair Jenna DeFalco, DEP

Loretta Cauldwell Ryan, DEP

Anthony Cosentino Neil Anastasio, FRRCA

Katheleen Coen Joe Pozzolano, CTV

Lillian Lagazzo Krzysztof Musiat, DEP

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Agenda: Per Public Design Commission Rules, DEP Presentation on Fence Project for Silver Lake Reservoir.

Mario Bruno, DEP Commissioner - CB1 sent a letter in May 2024 for Silver Lake Reservoir Dam. Requesting a letter for construction of a 6 foot fence for safety reasons. A 3 foot fence already exists. The location is not changing. It will be completed by the Summer of 2027. Construction would be between 8AM-6PM.

It was said that the DA's office requested this fence for safety reasons. There were two drownings which were accidents in July 2021 and March 2022.

George Turner said there is a grassy slope there now and this would limit the access. We need community access to this outdoor space. Lillian Lagazzo said there is a 42" fence along the waterfront by Bay Street Landing. The safety concerns are understood but this is not inviting.

It was also said that we are a borough surrounded by water, we can't fence the entire island.

Suggestions in lieu of the 6 foot fence:

Security cameras

Signage and Awareness Campaign (Peter Lindy Crescitelli).

Motion to Deny the construction of a 6 foot fence at Silver Lake Reservoir.

Vote: 11 yes, 0 No - 6 foot fence Denied Unanimously

Meeting adjourned.

Silver Lake Reservoir Rehabilitation Fence Improvement

Victory Blvd. & Silver Lake Park Rd.
Staten Island, NY 10301

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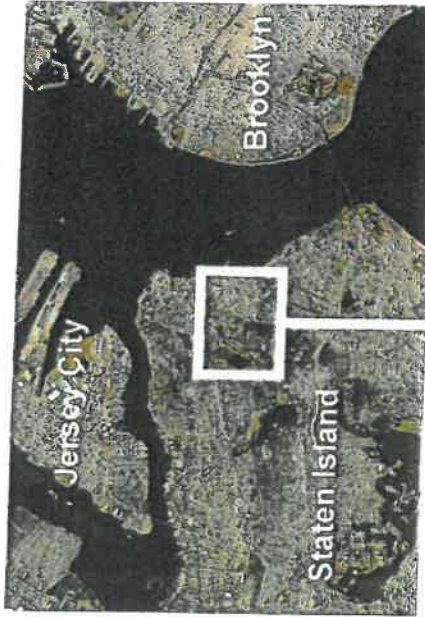
November 2024



Project Background

- The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) aims to protect public health and the environment by providing clean water, managing wastewater, and reducing air, noise, and hazardous substances pollution.
- Silver Lake Reservoir, located in Staten Island, New York, is owned and operated by NYCDEP. Established in 1917, Silver Lake Reservoir provided drinking water to Staten Island until 1971, when it was replaced with water storage tanks. The reservoir is a central feature of Silver Lake Park and an important open space for the neighborhood.
- The fence installation will be part of the planned reservoir rehabilitation project for dam safety which was presented to the Community Board on May 2, 2023.





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Neighborhood



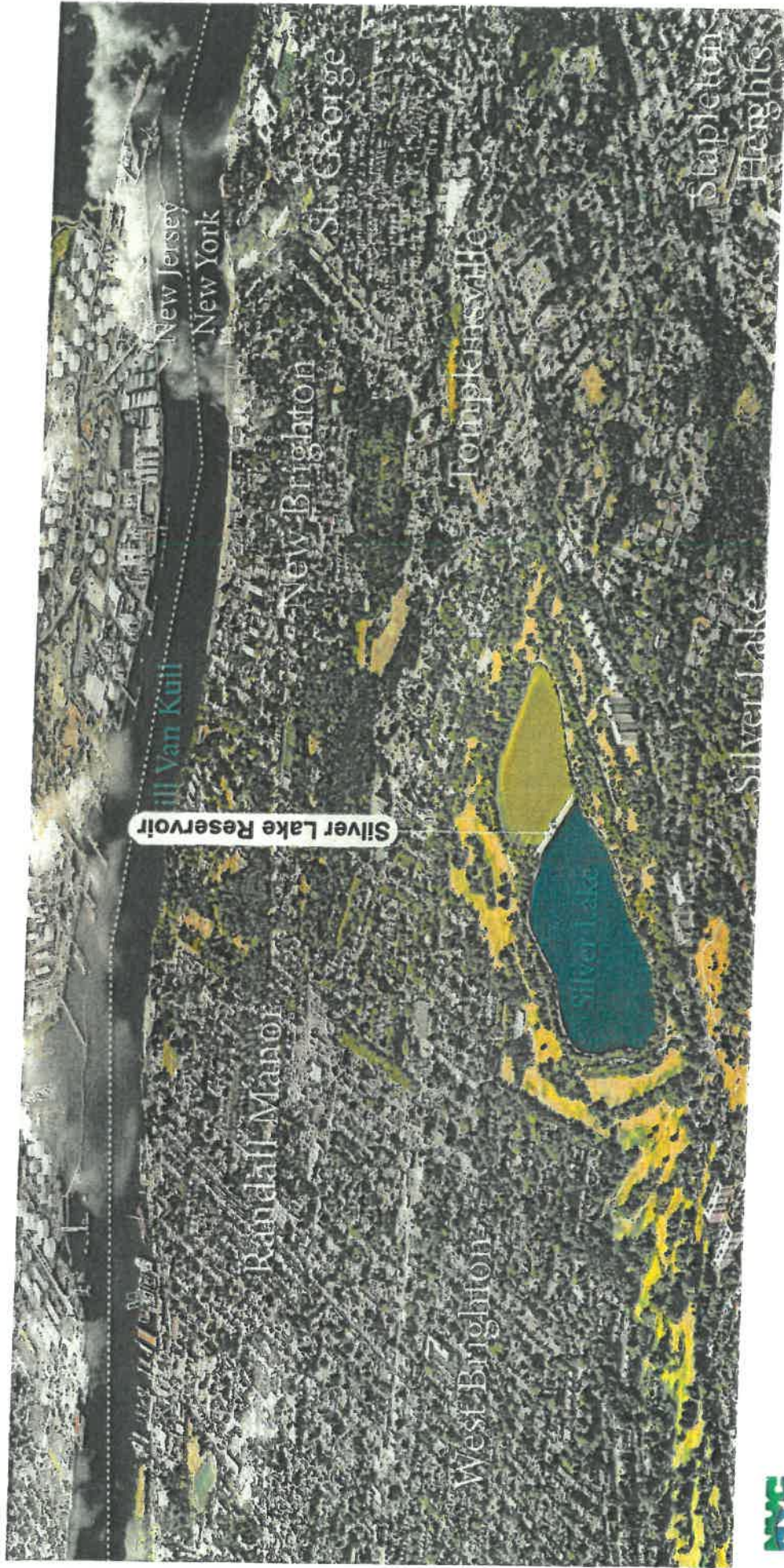
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Silver Lake Reservoir | Project Location

Project Scope

- This project is to improve public safety in response to two fatal drownings and other safety incidents at the reservoir.
- Upgrade the existing three-foot high decorative metal fence to six-foot high protective fence that enhances safety and prevents climbing over the top.



Silver Lake Reservoir | Project Location Aerial View



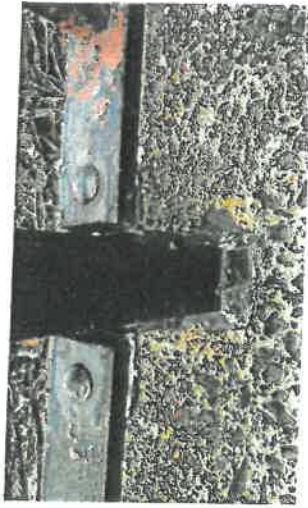
1 - Northern portion of the Silver Lake Reservoir



Silver Lake Reservoir | Site Photos



1 - Steel fencing post mounted to cast-in-place, large aggregate curb



2 - Steel Fence Post Northern Area



Legend

EXISTING FENCES (x = HEIGHT)

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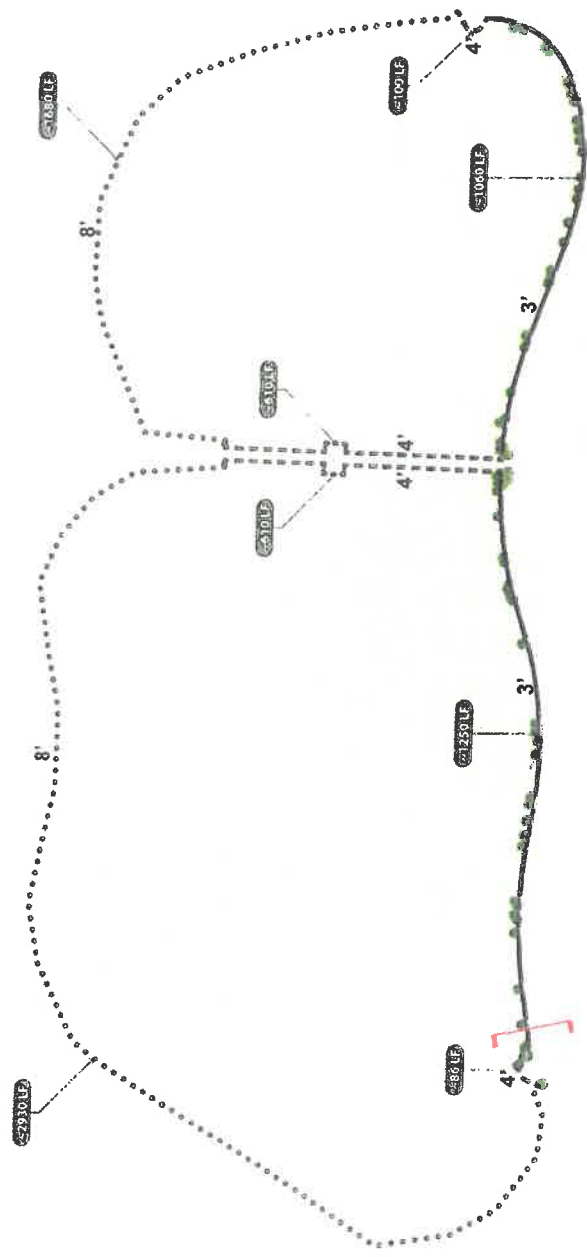
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Silver Lake Reservoir | Section Key Plan

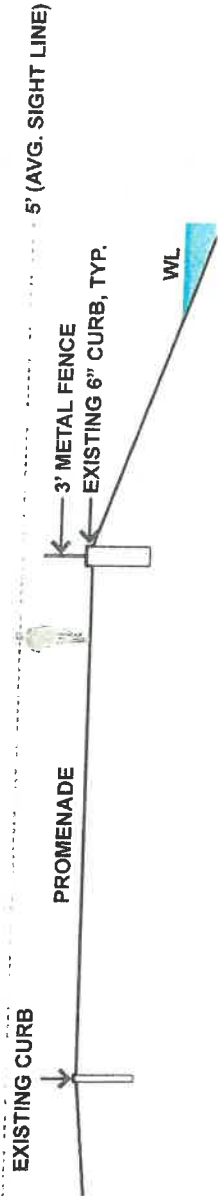


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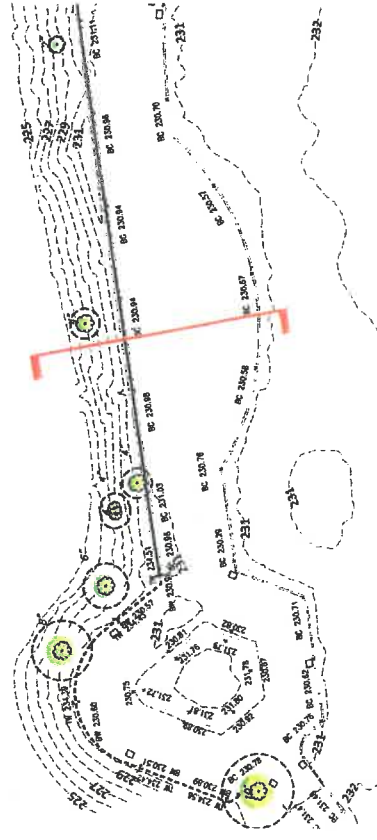
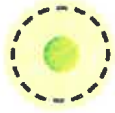
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EXISTING FENCES

- Chain Link Fence
- Steel
- Concrete



EXISTING TREES BY THE FENCE



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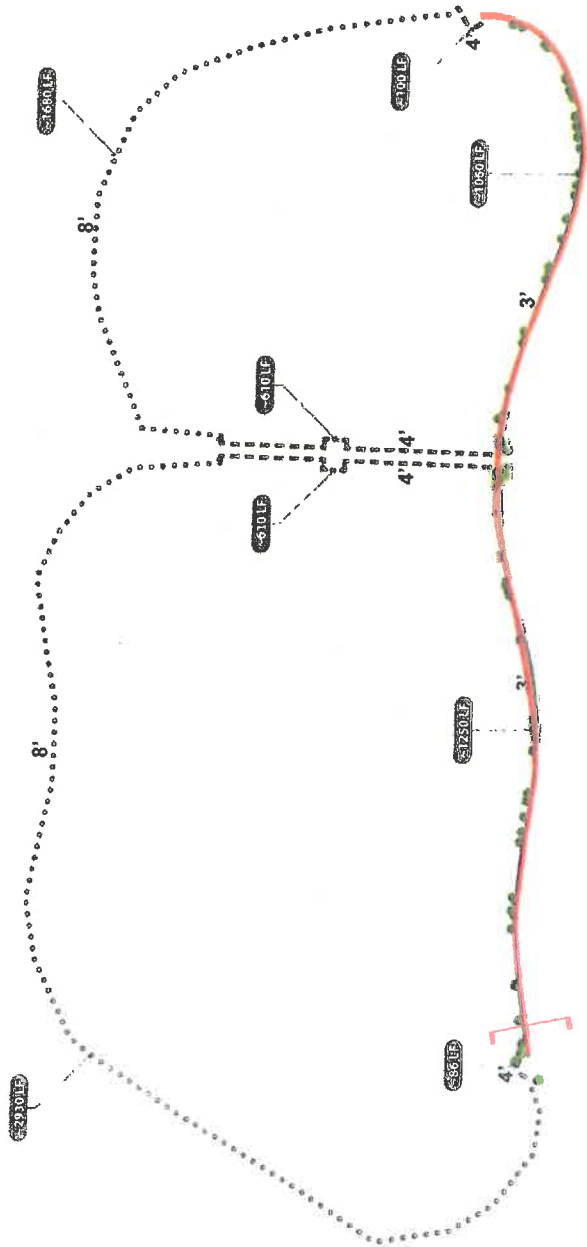
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 x Steel

— Steel
 — Concrete

PROPOSED 6' FENCES
 — Steel

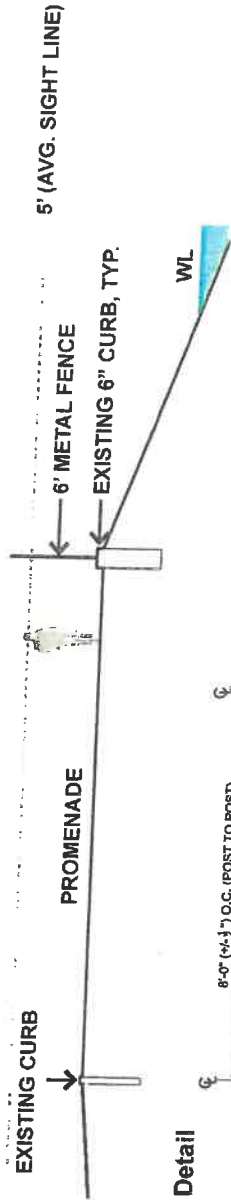
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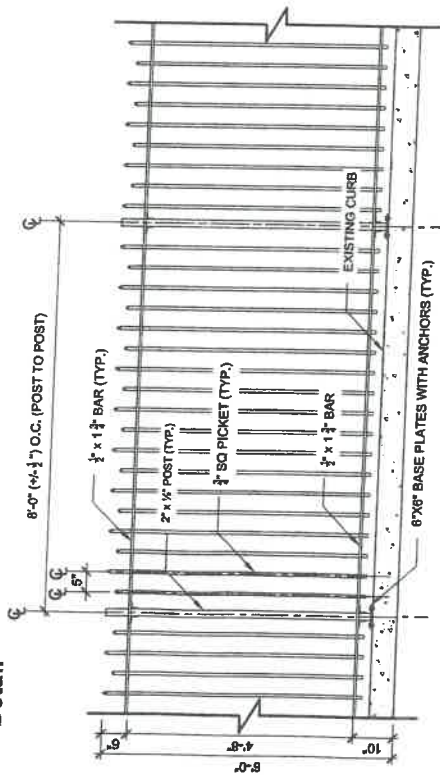
Silver Lake Reservoir | Section Key Plan - Proposed



Section - Proposed

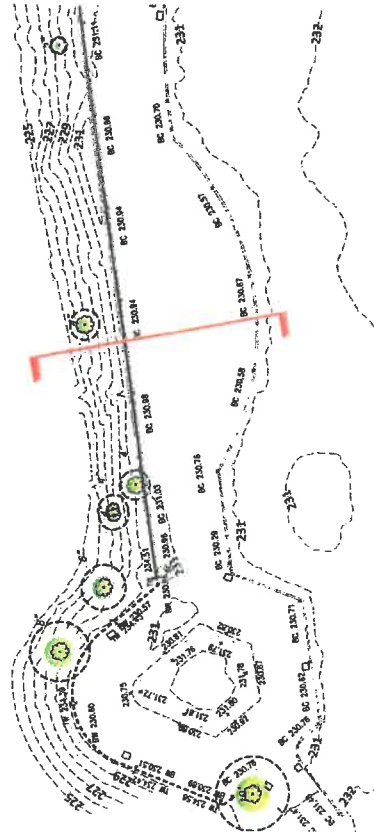
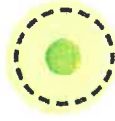


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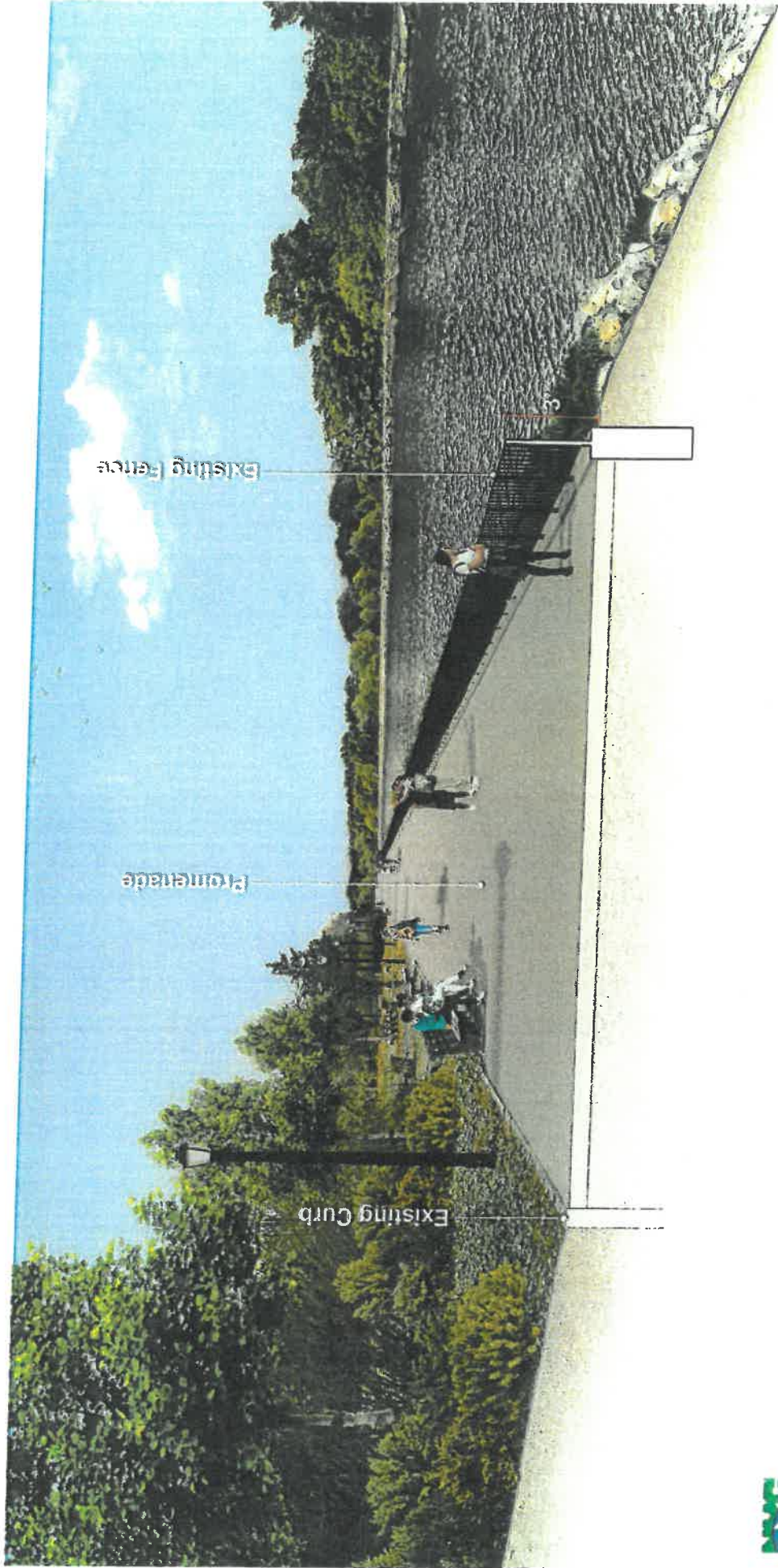


- Legend**
- EXISTING FENCES
 - CLF
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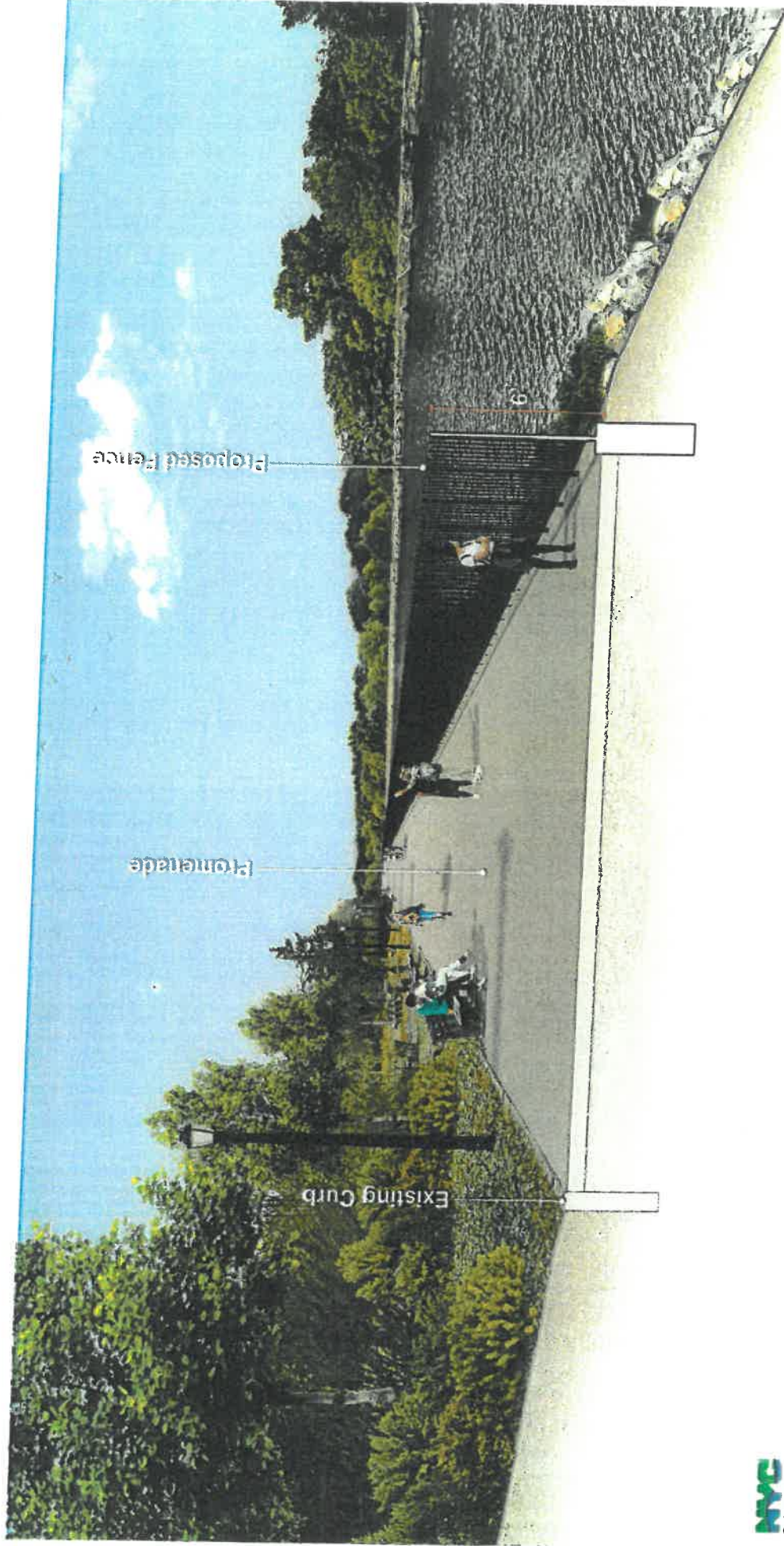


Silver Lake Reservoir | Fence Design - Proposed



Silver Lake Reservoir | Existing Fence - 3'

Note: Promenade shown to represent existing condition, no work is being proposed.



Silver Lake Reservoir | Proposed Fence - 6'

Note: Promenade shown to represent existing condition, no work is being proposed.

Anticipated Schedule

Active Construction Period: Summer 2027

- Removal of existing fence and barricade install (~4 weeks)
- Installation of new fence and barricade removal (~4 weeks)

Construction Hours: 8AM to 6PM Monday-Friday



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

TUESDAY, October 15, 2024, 6:30 PM

Meeting was held via Zoom

Attendance:

CB1:

Joan Cusack – District Manager

Board members:

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

Voting Non-Board Members:

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

Guest:

Lt. Rafet Awad – NYPD Community Affairs Unit, Jermaine Williams NYPD
Ambassador Staten Island, Vanessa Rodriguez Payne – NYRR - Head of
Community Relations and Government Affairs, Vincent Atkinson, Makeda –
Rep. – Senator Scarcella-Spanton, Geraldine Swanson, Yissela's iPhone.

Excused:

None

Presentations:

Representatives from the 120th Precinct and NYRR were
present to discuss Bike Tour Closing Streets Issues.
Vanessa Rodriguez Payne from NYRR stressed that her

organization tried to inform everyone in the community one month and again two weeks before the day of the race. At the conclusion of a very robust discussion, it became clear that although the marathons are inconvenient, the biggest problem is with the Bike Tour. Several suggestions were offered, including rerouting some of these events in certain areas and in the case of the bike tour, setting aside certain times for cars to go through. Lt. Awad will investigate the issue and get back to the committee.

Liquor Licenses Invited & Attending:

None.

Cannabis applications:

None

Old Business:

The Five Borough Bike Tour and streets being closed off Issues. Lt. Rafet Awad promised to assess the problem and get back to us.

New Business:

None

Announcements:

SGCA General Meeting

Wednesday, October 16, 2024, 6:45pm

at the St. George Theater.

NEXT LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING: November 19th, 2024

NEXT COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MEETING November 12th, 2024 -
LOCATION: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 347 Davis Avenue, Staten Island
NY 10310.

Claudette Duff

Area Committee Chair

Rosebank Meeting, Tuesday, October 15, 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
Anthony Sgarlato

Non-Board Voting Members

Mike Cataldo ab
Charlie Olson

Guests

Demetrius (Jim) Kalamare, Darwin Yir, Frank Graniero, George Graniero, Valerie Lynn-Logue, Jin Tang, Jeff Telton, Marck Blaszczyk, Tomas Blaszczyk, Nelida Flores, Cindy Aponte

Open 6:30 PM
Pledge of Allegiance

Complaints for 11 St. Mary's Avenue
311-19922339, 311-19686263, 311-19937831

John Guzzo, Area Chair spoke to Sanitation Community Affairs, Antonio Whitaker.

Request Hylan Blvd. To Tompkins Avenue – Redesign or amend design. **Request DOT to come to our next meeting in November 2024.**

64 Clifton Avenue - Speeding condition on Clifton Avenue.

1277 Bay Street – Rear yard harboring rats.

Bellair Road and Tompkins Avenue – Fake license plates – Parked green bus.

Abandoned Vehicle – White Mercedes Benz
311-20437305 – October 15, 2024 – Open
311-20351605 – October 8, 2024 – Closed
311-20228661 – October 2, 2024 – Closed

Abandoned Vehicle – Black Mercedes Benz

311-20351647 – October 8, 2024 – Closed

311-20286710 – October 2, 2024 – Closed

311-20441458 – October 15, 2024 – Open

Abandoned Vehicle – Audi – Kansas Plates

311-20351637 – October 8, 2024 – Closed

311-20286691 – October 2, 2024 – Closed

311-20441398 – October 15, 2024 - Open

Motion to Adjourn – 7:25 PM

**Mariner's Harbor/ Port Richmond/Elm Park/Arlington
Area Committee Meeting- Virtual Zoom- Oct. 15, 2024**

Agenda

Liquor Licenses

- 1. Ungaro Coal Fired Pizza Cafe- 1298 Forest Ave., 10302- Renewal**
- 2. Sarahi Marquez- 461 Port Richmond Ave., 10302- Renewal**
- 3. La Tuna Inc. 68 Van Riper t., 10302- Renewal**

Meeting began at 7:10 p.m. led by Chair- Dora Berksteiner

Members Present: Michelle Akyempong, Charlene Burke, Everett Watley and Mario. Member Excused: Selina Grey

- I. Ungaro Pizza Café- Renewing Beer, Wine, Sangria license, Represented by Kim Ungaro, renewal Oct. 2024- Opened Restaurant Jan. 2021
Members voted unanimously to recommend License Renewal**
- II. Sarahi Marquez- San Jeronimo Bakery- License renewed prior to this meeting. Attended meeting as guest. Mario**
- III. La Tuna Inc. – This Restaurant did not attend the meeting. As per Mario there are issues with this Restaurant. Over serving drinks, intoxicated patrons and disorderly conduct spilling into the streets. On Oct. 4, 2024 NYPD/EMS were called due to argument. The neighboring residents have expressed concerns, which are being ignored and health**

concerns(rodents) have been reiterated to the owners. The owners refuse to meet with the residents. Mario submitted a video which shows dining shed is still in the street. North Shore Alliance will be submitting a letter **requesting disapproval of license renewal for this venue.**

IV. Unfinished Business

Office of Cannabis Management- Business at 1350 Forest Ave. continues to sell cannabis for recreational use in spite of falling short of legal prerequisites required to open shop. The Office sent a letter of no concern. The elected politicians have reached out to the office to no avail.

V. Announcements

Taste of Richmond –

Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Community Board 1 Staten Island

Clifton, Concord, Stapleton Area Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 17, 2024, 6:30 PM, Stapleton Library, 132 Canal Street.

Hybrid Meeting In Person & On Zoom

Meeting ID: 852 8932 8780

There was no objection to liquor license renewal application:

Seppe Pizza Bar Inc.

7 Navy Pier Court aka 3 Navy Pier Court, Staten Island, NY 10304.

October 22, 2024 Waterfront Committee Meeting Minutes

Start: 6:30PM

Attendees: Chair Joe Ahlstrom, Diana Switaj (NYCEDC), Judah Asimov (NYCEDC), Ryan Palkowski (NYCEDC), Patty Sarantakos (Community construction liaison) , Munro Johnson, Steve Schwarzkopf, Anthon Consentino, Charlie Olson, Christopher Campbell, Darwin Yip, Heather Butts, Jim McCrindle, Joan Cusack, Joe Pollack, John Caropreso, Kate Coen, Linda Juarbe, Lindy Peter Crescitelli, Ricia Augusty, Steven W, Tamer Mahmoud, Tim Forsyth, Veronica Gambon, Mike Rosalie

Presentation: NYCEDC North Shore Waterfront Update by Diana Switaj and Judah Asimov

1. Mary Dalton Rec Center broke ground earlier this year (Parks Dept)
2. Pier 1 funding has been secured and is in design phase, 1st public design phase meeting coming up this year. No date currently
3. Katherine Walker Statue to be installed most likely by Pier 1 Lt house museum or St George esplanade north of WTC memorial
4. St George Esplanade design phase meeting in Q4 This area goes from the ball park to the end of the NY Wheel site. This project has been isolated from the NY Wheel site.
5. LightHouse Point is nearing completion expected to open end of this year. Approximately 115 apts and retail space.
6. NYCEDC is working on confirming RFP commitments for the Staten Island Ferry boats in Q4
7. New Stapleton Waterfront (NSW) Infrastructure broke ground Sept 13, 2024. 34 acres. There are multiple parcel sites that are reserved as future development sites. North of Urby is Parcel A and B1. Parcel A is confirmed for a 100% affordable housing unit and a 600 seat school. Parcel B1 currently has no confirmed plan but they expect more affordable housing.
8. South of Urby would be more housing with mixed income levels and mixed use buildings
9. The 600 seat school would be a perfect location for a future junior high maritime middle school. NYCEDC has recommended this to the DOE. DOE has ultimate say and it is imperative to contact the DOE to insure that this school is used for a future maritime middle school due to proximity to waterfront which would be a necessity.
10. North Shore Esplanade- Veronica Gambon asked NYCEDC about updates but they have no updates for this project. It falls under the parks department.

Meeting End: 7:15PM



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District Manager: Joan Cusack

November 12, 2024

Vote on Waterfront Letter

Waterfront Committee Meeting EDC Presentation, October 22, 2024

As discussed in EDC North Shore Action Plan, CB 1 supports the construction of a Maritime Junior high school located in the area being developed on the Waterfront.

Thank you.

Nicholas Siclari
Chair

Joseph Ahlstrom
Area Chair

Staten Island North Shore Action Plan: Building a Vibrant, Mixed-Use Waterfront Community



CB1 Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday 10/22/2024

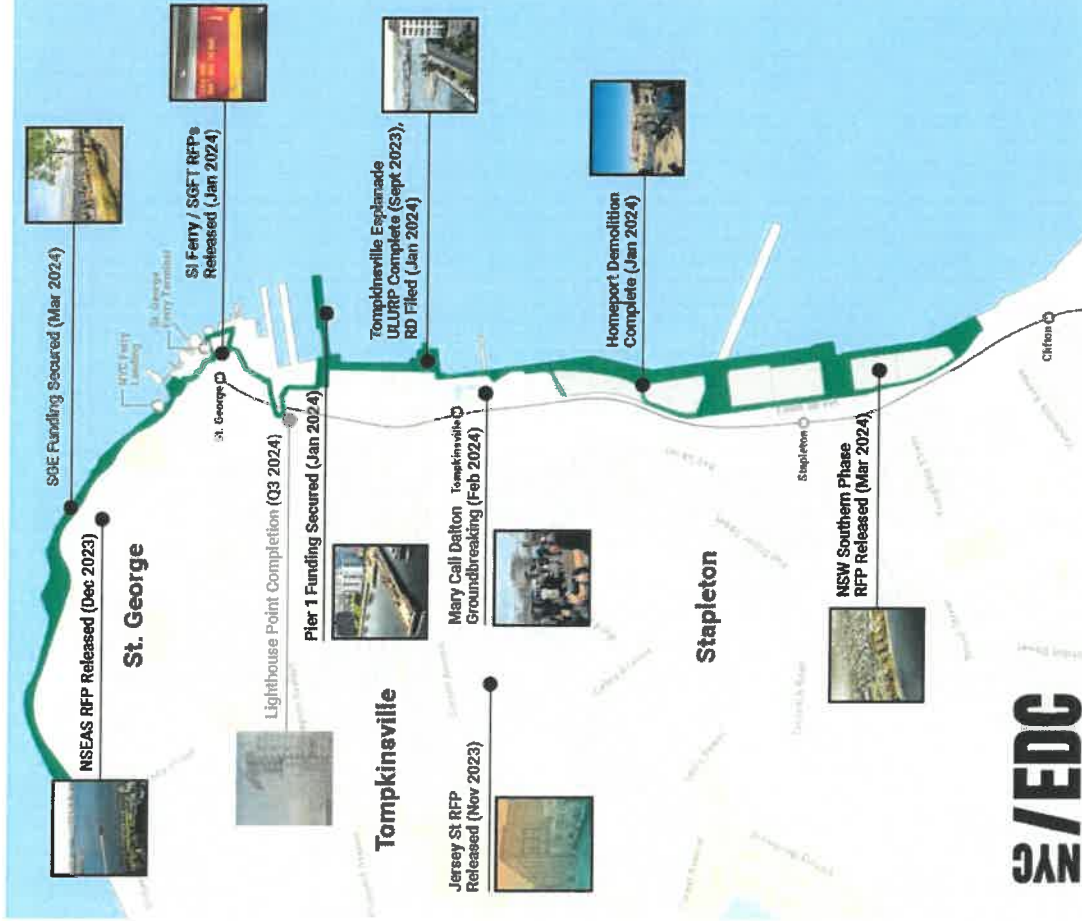


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Prepared by NYCEDC in collaboration with
NYC Council Member Kamillah Hanks (49th District)
Summer 2023

Staten Island North Shore Action Plan:

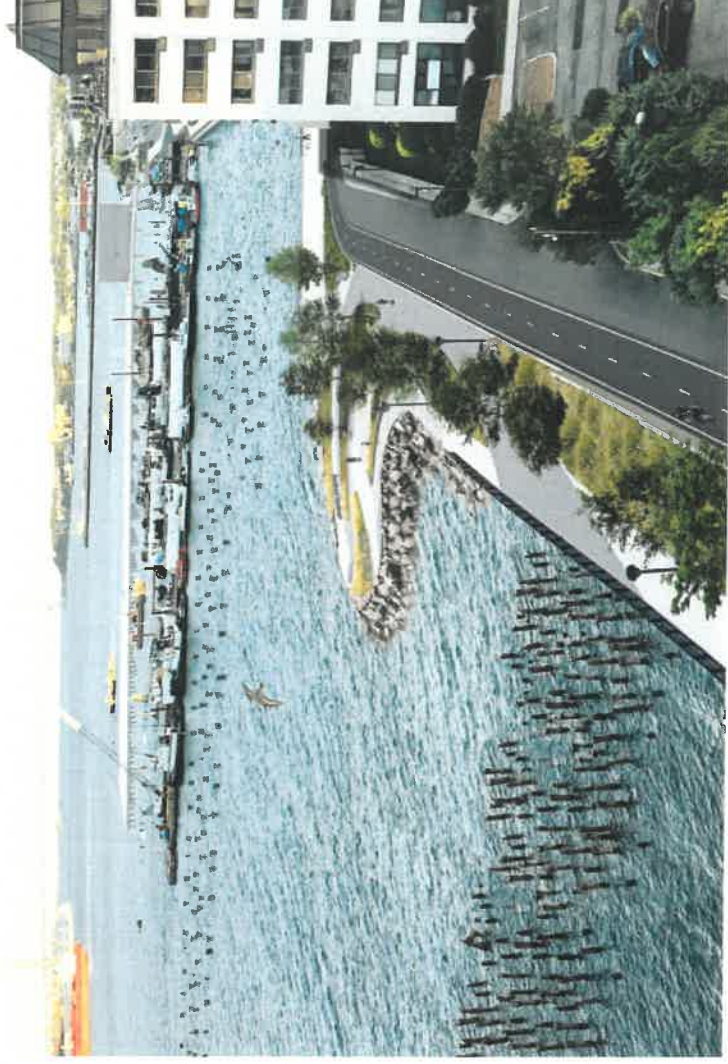
Progress Since the September 2023 Release



- ✓ Obtained ULURP approval (September) and Filed RD (January) for Tompkinsville Esplanade and Pier
- ✓ Released the Jersey Street Housing RFP (HPD) (November)
- ✓ Released RFP for North Shore Entertainment and Amusement Site (December)
- ✓ Demolition for next phase of New Stapleton Waterfront development (December)
- ✓ Broke ground on Mary Cali Dalton Rec Center (Parks) (February)
- ✓ Released RFP for New Stapleton Waterfront B4/B5 (March)
- ✓ Secured full funding for Pier 1 and SGE (March)
- ✓ Released RFP for SI ferry concessions and retail leasing (March)
- ✓ Completion of Lighthouse Point, first phase

Tompkinsville Esplanade

- **Status:** ULURP complete; Restrictive Declaration between Bay Street Landing and the City approved
- **Next milestone:** Begin construction (Q4 2024/Q1 2025)



New Stapleton Waterfront Infrastructure & Open Space

- **Status:** Broke ground on infrastructure
- **Next milestone:** Complete construction (2027)



Mary Cali Dalton Rec Center (Parks/DDC)

- **Status:** Broke ground
- **Next milestone:** Complete construction



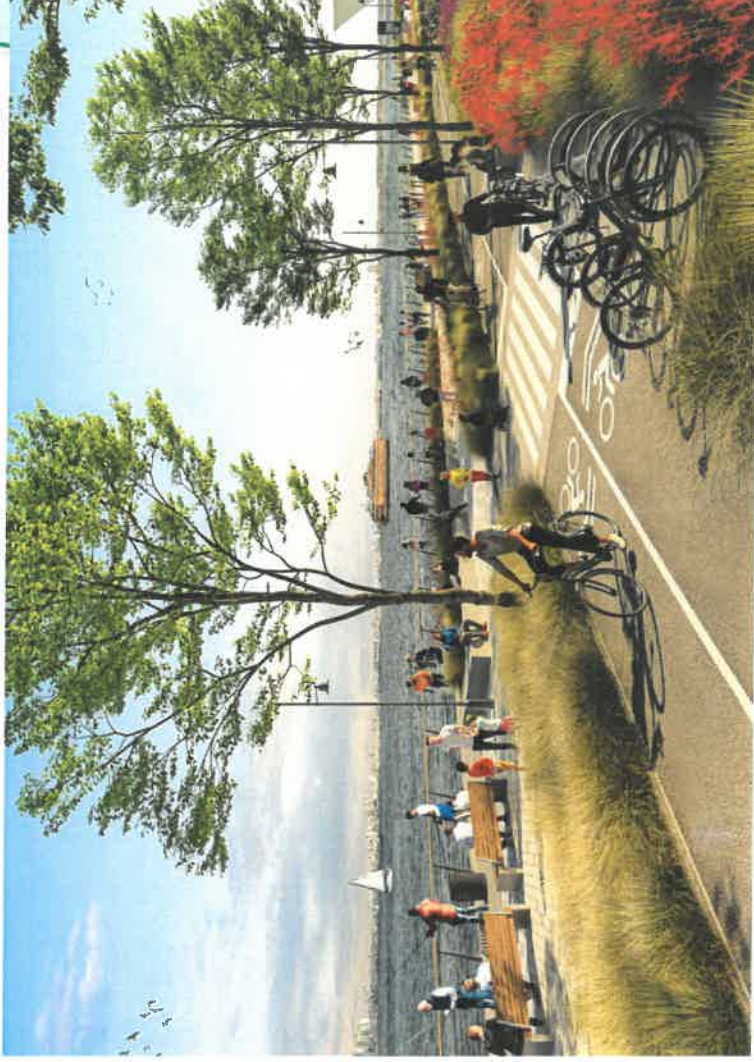
Staten Island Pier 1

- **Status:** Design commencing
- **Next milestone:** Hold first public design meeting (Q4 2024)



St. George Esplanade

- **Status:** Design commencing
- **Next milestone:** Hold first public design meeting (Q4 2024)



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Lighthouse Point

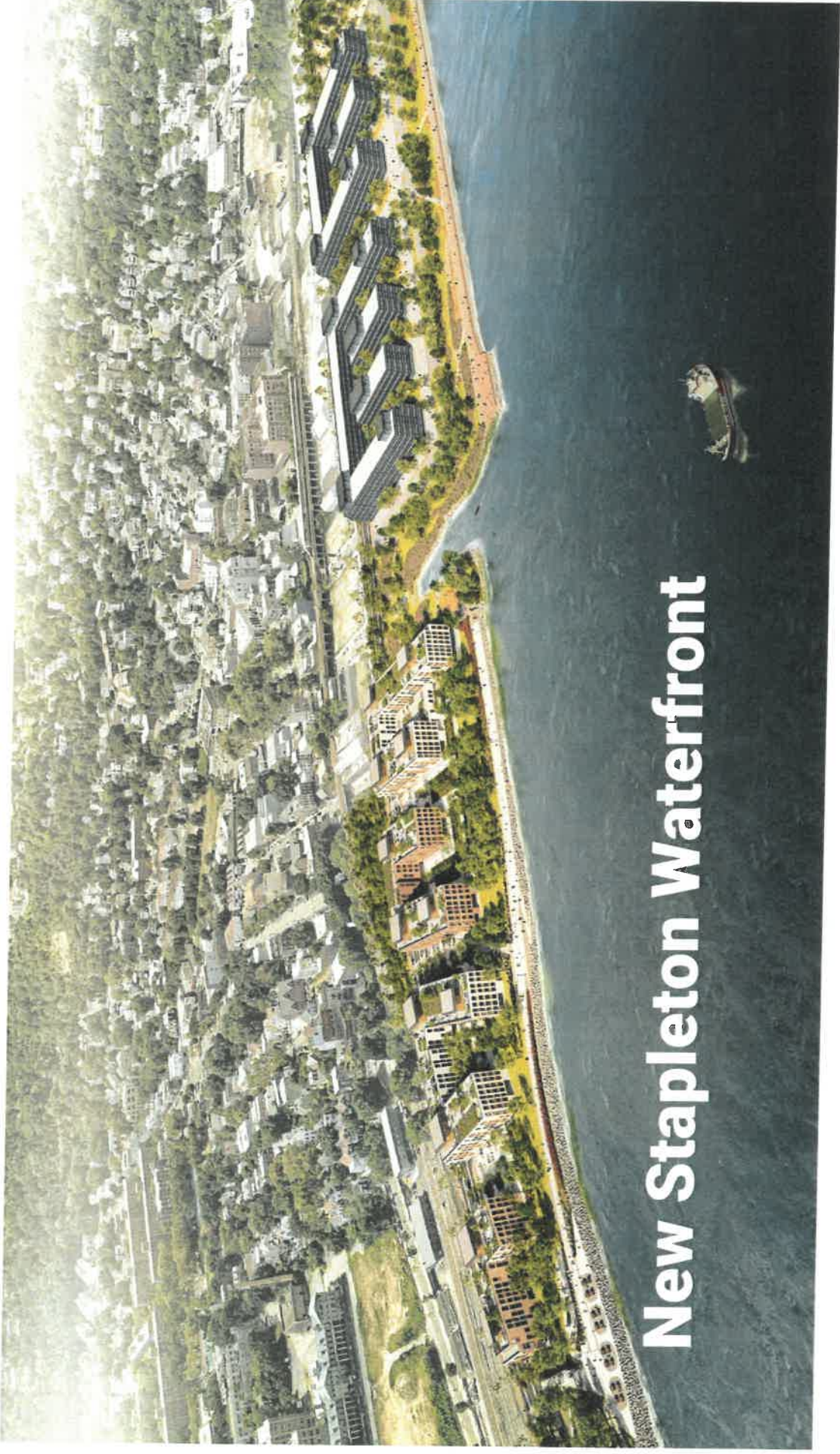
- Status: Interiors finished
- Next milestone: Ribbon cutting (Q4 2024)



RFP Commitments

- **Jersey St (HPD)**
 - **Status:** RFP released (Nov 2023), closed (Feb 2024)
 - **Next milestone:** Selection
- **NSW Southern Phase (Parcels B4/5)**
 - **Status:** RFP closed (June 2024)
 - **Next milestone:** Selection
- **NS Entertainment & Amusement Site**
 - **Status:** RFP released (Dec 2023), closed (Apr 2024)
 - **Next milestone:** Selection
- **Staten Island Ferry Refreshments**
 - **Status:** RFP released (Feb 2024)
 - **Next milestone:** Resume concessions (Q4 2024)
- **St. George Ferry Terminal Leasing**
 - **Status:** RFP released (March 2024)



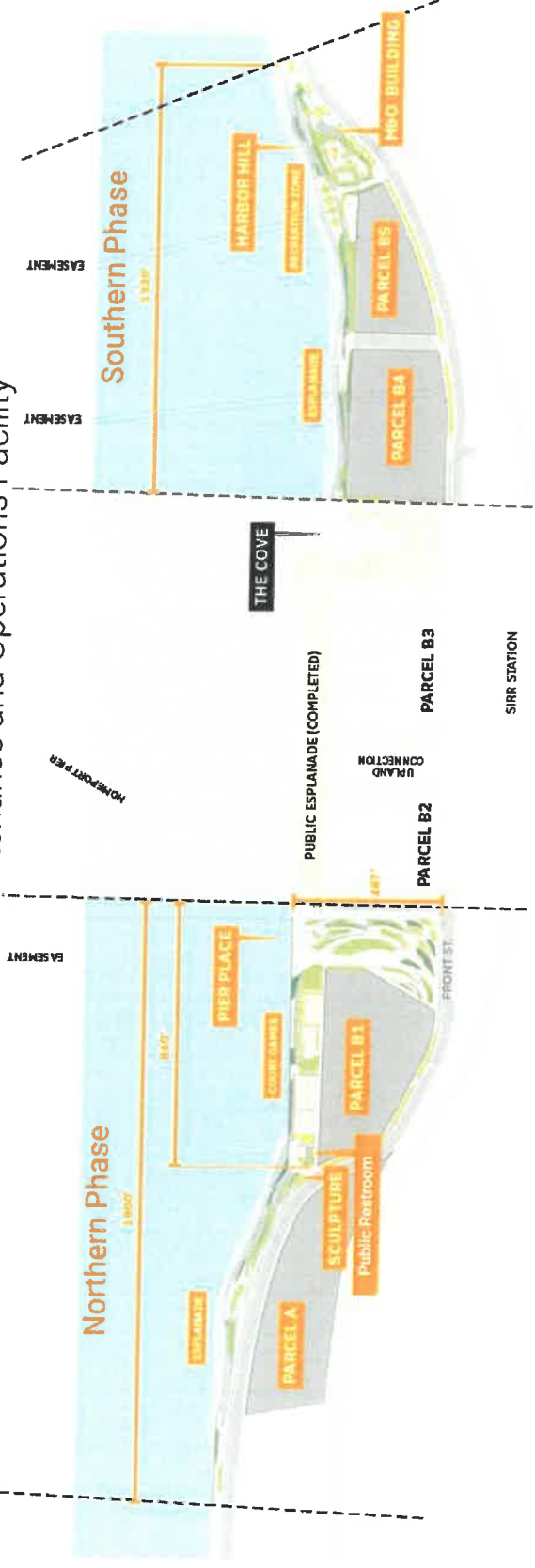


New Stapleton Waterfront

New Stapleton Waterfront Project Overview

NYCEDC initiative to activate the 35-acre decommissioned US Navy Homeport

- Shoreline stabilization and rehabilitation into a one-mile continuous esplanade
- Reconstructed and realigned Front Street with new utilities, bicycle path, and street plantings
- 7 new acres of open space
- New NYC Parks Public Restroom and Maintenance and Operations Facility



New Stapleton Waterfront Map

New Stapleton Waterfront

Renderings of Reconstructed Shoreline and Park Spaces



New Stapleton Waterfront

Construction Milestones:

- Shoreline Q3 2024
- Infrastructure Q4 2024
- Park Q2 2025
- Anticipated Completion 2027

Next steps:

- Regular construction bulletins
- Quarterly construction updates

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- StapletonCCL@gmail.com

- 646-832-5370



Community Board 1, Staten Island

Youth Services Committee Meeting, October 23, 2024

Minutes of Meeting

The meeting began at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Radhakrishna Mohan, Anthony Cosentino, Jermaine Williams, Elizabeth Veyna, Tracey Walton, Katheleen Coen and PO Raymond Rodriguez, the guest speaker for the meeting.

PO Rodriguez, a 17-year veteran of the NYPD, discussed his role in dealing with the efforts of the NYPD to protect and intervene with the youth of the North Shore. As the 120 Youth Outreach Officer, he described several programs that are available.

Blue Chips is a sports program in which registrations are currently available. The Youth Leadership Council is a community service program in which young people gather and identify a community need that needs to be resolved. Their recommendations are discussed and presented in a formal meeting at Police Headquarters. Saturday Night Lights is an open sports night at the Broadway YMCA supervised by the NYPD. Sports featured are basketball and volleyball.

Tony Cosentino asked about the involvement of Family Court. PO Rodriguez responded that there is no involvement of Family Court in these programs.

Jermaine Williams stated that all involvement in these programs is completely voluntary. Mr. Williams further emphasized that mentoring is the emphasis here.

PO Rodriguez noted the support of Rev. Babb from Christ Church on Franklin Avenue. Rev. Babb provides space and facilities for programs of the NYPD.

Katheleen Coen noted to contact Rev. Babb as a future speaker at a CB 1 Youth Services meeting.

Jermaine Williams stated that many youths participating live in a food desert. He noted that he has seen officers buy kids food when they are hungry.

The Committee thanked PO Rodriguez and Jermaine Williams for their participation in the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katheleen Coen, Co- Chair

Staten Island Community Board 1 - Transportation Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/29/2024

Location: Zoom

Attendees:

- Joseph Bird, Transportation Committee
 - Kathleen Cohen, Transportation Committee Member
 - Radhakrishna Mohan, Transportation Committee Member
 - Melissa Farley, MTA
 - Will Deautriell, NYC DOT
 - Anisa Bekteshi, NYC DOT
 - John Mauch, 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

2. New Business

- **PS 57 AWS - Principal Singleton**
 - Principal Singleton from PS57 requested an all-way stop at the intersection of Palmer Drive and Park Hill Avenue, aiming to improve safety for students and families. Currently, a crosswalk is present, but there is no stop sign, leading to an expectation among pedestrians that cars will stop—creating potentially dangerous situations when they don't. The DOT acknowledged the concern, confirming they would investigate the intersection and assess the feasibility of adding a stop sign or other safety measures to better protect pedestrians. This review will be prioritized due to the location near a school.
- **CB1 - Crosswalk request - Watchogue Road on the east side of its intersection with Glascoe Avenue**
 - CB1 at large made a marked crosswalk request at a location near to accommodate high pedestrian volumes, especially during CYO events and when school buses are present, as current traffic frequently spills into adjacent residential streets. DOT reviewed photos of the location provided

by committee members and confirmed that adding crosswalk markings would be feasible. DOT will schedule the marking installation, with follow-up communication planned to ensure proper placement based on pedestrian patterns and traffic volume.

- **Traffic Volume Studies on Religious & School Holidays (Elmhurst Ave)**
 - Concerns were raised regarding recent traffic studies conducted during a Jewish holiday, skewing traffic data due to altered travel patterns when schools are closed. Committee members questioned the validity of this timing for an accurate representation of typical traffic conditions. DOT clarified that the study parameters were initially set to capture significant traffic flows of over 500 vehicles per hour, regardless of the specific day, suggesting this volume would not typically be reached in Elmhurst and committee members said this is an invalid way to gauge realistic traffic conditions.
 - One committee member voiced strong disagreement with conducting traffic studies on non-school days or holidays due to Staten Island's specific commuting patterns, especially school-related traffic. This perspective reflects broader concerns about ensuring that data accurately reflects peak traffic conditions. The follow-up meeting with DOT's director may address this, but it could be helpful to include this stance in the minutes to represent committee sentiments on the issue.
 - DOT offered to arrange a follow-up discussion with the director overseeing the study to clarify the methodology and address specific committee concerns about holiday timing. While this call was tentatively scheduled for the following morning, since then the DOT has clarified that this location will be re-studied and targeted for additional consideration including Staten Island specific discretion.
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3. Old Business

- **Review of Previous Transportation Topics:**
 - **MTA DOT Issues / Projects:**
 - **Updates on the S52/S42**

Melissa Farley from the MTA reported improvements in bus availability for the S52/S42 routes, though no plans are in place to restore the former routing. While a Staten Island local bus redesign is expected in the future, there are no updates to review currently, and reinstating the S42 bus stop on St. Clyde's Place is not planned, though dialogue remains open pending additional community feedback. Further updates may come as the next MTA capital plan is developed.

- **St Peter's Church Missing Stop**

Buses have been observed bypassing the stop near St. Peter's Church. This issue has been submitted to the bus division for follow-up, and efforts are underway to ensure that operations redirect to serve all intended riders at this location.

- **Missing S94 Bus Stop Sign**

The committee voiced the possible absence of signage for the S94 bus. Melissa Farley will coordinate with DOT to address any missing signage if confirmed.

- **Ferry Bus Stop at Nicholas Street:**

A temporary elimination of the bus stop outside the ferry on Nicholas Street was noted. A request has been submitted to DOT's bus stop planning division to reinstate this stop, and updates will follow as actions progress.

- **NYC DOT Issues / Projects:**

- **Jules Drive**

- **Minutes Correction** - Joseph clarified a minutes correction for Jules drive as reported last month, the community requested studies for three intersections on Jules Drive, 2 of them outlined below were approved with another need meeting the criteria for an all-way-stop

- Jules Drive and Lenore Court- Case #DOT-649889-W6V2 - All way stop was approved and installed
- Jules Drive and Elson Court- Case #DOT-649891-P7X0 - All way stop was approved and installed
- Jules Drive and Arlene Court- Case #DOT-649885-G7K8 - All way stop was studied and did not meet the standards for a stop, speed humps or speed cushions

- **Additional Public Feedback**

- John Mauch, a community resident, again requested access to traffic studies related to Jules Drive, which he had previously requested from the DOT. The committee advised him to submit a Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request for these documents, which may be accessible digitally, potentially without cost. The DOT noted that requests typically involve their legal department for processing and suggested that digital copies, if

available, would be the best option to minimize costs. John was encouraged to proceed with the FOIL request, with DOT offering continued support as needed.

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 that were not already discussed.

5. Adjournment

Joseph confirmed that we will skip next month's committee meeting due to the Thanksgiving holiday and thanked everyone for their contributions and collaboration.