

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
P.S. 32 AUDITORIUM
317 HOYT STREET**

MARCH 14, 2018

****THESE MINUTES ARE CONSIDERED A DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT SUBSEQUENT
GENERAL BOARD MEETING****

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

J. ARMER
L. BRANCH
F. BROWN
K. GURL
G. KELLY
R. LEVINE
S. LONIAL
T. MISKEL
H. PRATTS
R. RIGOLLI
M. SHAMES
J. SMITH
N. ZEPHYRIN

P. BASILE
D. BRIGGS
J. BROWN
J. HEYER
A. KRASNOW
P. LI
R. LUFTGLASS
C. PIGOTT
M. RACIOPPO
E. SANTOGADE
M. SILVERMAN
S. TURET

P. BLAKE
K. BROUGHTON
P. FLEMING
F. JEAN
D. KUMMER
H. LINK
E. MCCLURE
L. PINN
A. RAMDHARI
D. SCOTTO
J. SKALLER
D. WILLIAMS

EXCUSED:

R. BASHNER
J. KRAUSE-VILMAR

P. BELLENBAUM

V. HAGMAN

ABSENT:

D. BUSCARELLO
G. FABBRI

M. CARTER
E. FELDER

E. CAUSIL-RODRIGUEZ
J. THOMPSON

GUESTS:

HON. BRAD LANDER, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
HON. CARLOS MENCHACA, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
D. WILEY, CONGRESSWOMAN VELAZQUEZ'S REPRESENTATIVE
D. CAMPANELLI, ASSEMBLY MEMBER CARROLL'S REPRESENTATIVE
E. ROONEY, ASSEMBLY MEMBER ORTIZ'S REPRESENTATIVE
R. ROTHBLATT, STATE SENATOR HAMILTON'S REPRESENTATIVE
D. ZUCKERMAN, STATE SENATOR KAVANAGH'S REPRESENTATIVE

Complete list of meeting attendees on file at District Office.
Chairperson Sayar Lonial called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

❖❖❖ **ADOPTION OF MINUTES** ❖❖❖

Board Member Peter Fleming made a motion to accept the minutes of the February general meeting, seconded by Board Member Leroy Branch.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 6:46 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT.....SAYAR LONIAL, BOARD CHAIR

Chairperson Lonial opened his remarks by commenting on Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez’s to-be-proposed Superfund Enhancement Act of 2018, an effort to reinstate the Superfund Tax on the chemical and oil industries in order to finance tax deductions, a disaster loan program, and economic injury loans for small businesses, home owners, and renters who were forced to move because of their proximity to a Superfund Site.

Mr. Lonial reported that Ms. Velazquez’s office sent a representative to the Economics, Waterfront, Community Development and Housing committee to report on the proposed bill and solicit the Board’s support. The Economics, Waterfront, Community Development and Housing committee ultimately decided not to vote one way or another, but to provide questions and feedback to Ms. Velazquez. From that feedback, the bill was altered to include home owners and renters in the tax deduction and disaster loan section of the bill.

Having provided strong feedback to the Congresswoman’s office and receiving appropriate responses, the Chair sought a motion from the floor to support the Superfund Enhancement Act of 2018.

Motion: By Board Member Peter Fleming; seconded by Board Member Dolly Williams
To support the Superfund Enhancement Act of 2018.

VOTE: 29 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 6:53 P.M.

Mr. Lonial continued his report by bringing forth another item for consideration, a proposed resolution addressed to the Mayor and the NYC Department of Transportation asking that swift action be taken to analyze and implement necessary safety measures along the Ninth Street corridor in Park Slope, paying particular attention to improving safety for pedestrians.

Motion: By Board Member Eric McClure; seconded by Board Member Peter Fleming
To communicate to the Office of the Mayor and the NYC Department of Transportation a request to analyze and implement necessary safety measures along the Ninth Street corridor in Park Slope.

Discussion ensued, with various Board members requesting that various specifics be either added to or subtracted from the request. Some wished to see specific demands on truck traffic; others pointed out the economic importance of truck traffic.

After several minutes of back and forth, parties agreed that the original intent of the motion was to express a specific demand on the relevant government agencies, and that further considerations could be taken up by the Transportation & Public Safety committee in future meetings.

The question was called by Board Member Jerry Armer.

VOTE: 30 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:00 P.M.

The Chair updated the Board on progress toward establishing an ad hoc Development committee with the goal of establishing a peer mentoring program for the sake of sharing institutional knowledge and building a closer Board.

Mr. Lonial updated attendees on the status of the Board’s newsletter, which is currently under consideration for redesign. He tasked the respective committee chairs with writing a short summary of their committee’s work for the month.

Mr. Lonial closed his remarks by stating that per his direction the District Office sent a letter to the NYC Department of Buildings and the Landmarks Preservation Commission requesting that DOB issue no new permits to alter the historical character or structural integrity of 236 and 238 President Street until LPC has a chance to consider the addresses for individual landmarking status.

❖❖❖ COMMITTEE REPORTS ❖❖❖

ECONOMICS/WATERFRONT/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HOUSING.....

....ARIEL KRASNOW, HOUSING CHAIR
....RICK LUFTGLASS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CHAIR
....RICHARD BASHNER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHAIR

Housing Chair Ariel Krasnow reported that the committee held a meeting with the Wyckoff Gardens Residents Association and received a request to pass along a letter from the resident association to the New York City Housing Authority outlining a number of concerns the residents had relevant to the planning process for the proposed NYCHA NextGen development on the Wyckoff Gardens property.

Motion: To send request to the New York City Housing Authority from the Wyckoff Gardens Residents Association for more information regarding the planning of the NextGen Development for Wyckoff Gardens.

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
TIME: 7:08 P.M.

LANDMARKS/LAND USE COMMITTEE.....ROBERT LEVINE, LANDMARKS CO-CHAIR
.....JERRY ARMER, LANDMARKS CO-CHAIR
.....PETER FLEMING, LAND USE CHAIR

Land Use chair Peter Fleming reported that the committee reviewed an application to the Department of City Planning to allow alterations to standards for waterfront public access and visual corridors at **280 Richards Street**.

Motion: Conditionally approve an application submitted to the Department of City Planning for a grant of authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(a) of the New York City Zoning Resolution to modify the location, area and minimum dimension requirements of Section 62-50 (General Requirements for Visual Corridors and Waterfront Public Access Areas) and, in conjunction therewith, 62-332

(Rear Yard and Waterfront Yards); and an application for the grant of authorization pursuant to Section 62-822(b) of the New York City Zoning Resolution to modify the requirements of Section 62-513 (Permitted Obstruction in Visual Corridors) and Section 62-60 (Design Requirements for Waterfront Public Access Areas) at **280 Richards Street**.

VOTE: 25 YEAS, 7 NAYS, 4 ABSTENTION

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 7:32 P.M.

Land Use Committee chair Peter Fleming reported that the committee reviewed an application to the Board of Standards and Appeals for a special permit to reduce accessory parking at **228 4th Avenue**.

Motion: Approval of an application submitted to the Board of Standards and Appeals for a special permit pursuant to Section 73-44 of the New York City Zoning Resolution to permit the reduction of accessory parking spaces for a proposed altered building at **288 4th Avenue** with uses in the parking requirement category B1.

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 7:50 P.M.

Landmarks Committee co-chair Robert Levine reported that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application at **76-82 St. Marks Avenue**.

Motion: Conditionally approve a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for storefront façade renovations, a new secondary egress door, and a rear yard extension at **76-82 St. Marks Avenue**, Park Slope Historic District.

VOTE: 31 YEAS, 4 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:02 P.M.

Landmarks Committee co-chair Robert Levine reported that the committee reviewed a Certificate of Appropriateness application at **608 5th Street**.

Motion: Conditionally approve a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a new rooftop staircase bulkhead, new windows, and a new first floor double door at **608 5th Street**, Park Slope Historic District.

VOTE: 29 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:13 P.M.

Landmarks Committee co-chair Robert Levine reported that the committee reviewed a preliminary individual landmarking request for 236 and 238 President Street.

Motion: To request that the Landmarks Preservation Commission expeditiously consider the individual landmarking applications for **236 President Street** and **238 President Street** to determine if they should be reviewed for such consideration by Brooklyn Community Board Six.

VOTE: 39 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:18 P.M.

PERMITS & LICENSES COMMITTEE.....MIKE RACIOPPO, CHAIR

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Popina NYC LLC at **127 Columbia Street**.

Motion: Approval of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Popina NYC LLC at **127 Columbia Street** (between Kane Street/Degraw Street).

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:19 P.M.

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed an alteration to an existing liquor license submitted to the State Liquor Authority and application to the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs to permit a sidewalk café with 4 tables and 8 chairs on behalf of Varrio 408 at 412 5th Avenue (between 7th Street/8th Street).

Motion: Approval of an alteration to an existing on-premises liquor license submitted to the State Liquor Authority and an application to the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs to permit a sidewalk café with 4 tables and 8 chairs on behalf of Varrio 408 at **412 5th Avenue** (between 7th Street/8th Street).

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:21 P.M.

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed an alteration to an existing liquor license submitted to the State Liquor Authority and application to the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs to permit a sidewalk café with 5 tables and 10 chairs on behalf of Chela at 408 5th Avenue (between 7th Street/8th Street).

Motion: Approval of an alteration to an existing on-premises liquor license submitted to the State Liquor Authority and an application to the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs to permit a sidewalk café with 5 tables and 10 chairs on behalf of Chela at **408 5th Avenue** (between 7th Street/8th Street).

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:22 P.M.

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of The Bklyn Juice Co., LLC at **75A 5th Avenue**.

Motion: Approval of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of The Bklyn Juice Co., LLC at **75A 5th Avenue** (between St. Marks Avenue/Prospect Place).

VOTE: 35 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 8:24 P.M.

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Waterfront Partners LLC at **215 Columbia Street**.

Motion: Approval of a new on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Waterfront Partners LLC at **215 Columbia Street** (between Sackett Street/Union Street).

VOTE: 34 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:25 P.M.

Permits & Licenses chair Mike Racioppo reported that the committee reviewed a renewal of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Prime Six Inc. at **242 Flatbush Avenue**.

Motion: Denial of an application for renewal of a current on-premises liquor license submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Prime Six Inc. at **242 Flatbush Avenue** (between 6th Avenue/Bergen Street).

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:34 P.M.

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.....ERIC MCCLURE, CO-CHAIR

Transportation Committee Co-Chair Eric McClure reported that the committee reviewed a proposal by the NYC Department of Transportation to install a bike corral at the northwest corner of 7th Street and 4th Avenue in Park Slope, outside and at the request of PS 118.

Motion: Approval of the installation of a New York City Department of Transportation bike corral at the northwest corner of **7th Street** and **4th Avenue**.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION

MOTION PASSED

TIME: 8:37 P.M.

Board Chair Sayar Lonial recognized the elected representatives in attendance.

Dan Campanelli of Assembly Member Robert Carroll's office, Emm Rooney of Assembly Member Felix Ortiz's office, Riki Gross of Assembly Member Jo Anne Simon's office, and Raul Rothblatt of State Senator Jesse Hamilton's office all gave updates on the State Budget process.

Dan Wiley of Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez's office gave updates on the previously discussed Superfund Enhancement Act of 2018.

❖❖❖ NEW/OTHER BUSINESS ❖❖❖

Motion: by Board Member Roger Rigolli; seconded by Board Member Peter Fleming.

To adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: 32 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 9:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted into the District Office by Assistant District Manager Ty Beatty on March 30, 2018.