

Chairman Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager William Rivera

# Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Summary April 6, 2023

**Board Members Present:** Brent Woodie, Shante Chamblee, Robbin Kelly, Sadie Davis, Isabelo Adames, Alizia McMyers, Elizabeth Angeles

#### I. Introduction

**A. Committee Description**: The public safety & transportation committee represents the community's interests with regards to sanitation, crime, fire-ems, quality of life, NYS liquor license application recommendations, street activity permit applications, street re-naming application, transportation and acts as a liaison between community members and the New York Police Department & Fire Departments, NYC Department of Environmental Protection, NYC Department of Sanitation, NYC Department of Transportation, NYC Department of Sanitation & NYS Liquor Authority.

#### II. SLA Applications

## A. Brisas Del Caribe (1207 Castle Hill Ave), Renewal

Family style and owned restaurant that has security and cameras, there are no issues with this establishment. Renewal application approved as per the Committee.

- B. Hook & Reel Cajun Seafood & Bar (65 Metropolitan Oval), Renewal
  - Relatively new restaurant coming in for their first renewal. Concern about noise at late nights and is there security here during the weekend? DM to speak to General Manager about this concern.
- C. Willie's Steakhouse (1832 Westchester Ave), Renewal
  - This restaurant has been in the district over 25 years and is a staple of the community. This establishment is in good standing and attracts an older crowd. Renewal application approved as per the Committee.
- D. C-Lounge & Grill (1735 East 172nd St), Method of Operation Change (2am to 4am)
  This is an operation change, they're requesting to extend their restriction from 2am to 4am.
  There have been no issues with this establishment in the past. It is a family style restaurant.
  Renewal application approved as per the Committee.

#### III. Speakers

#### A. Meagan Molina, MTA - ADA Work at Parkchester 6-Train Station Upgrade

This bundle of 4 stations is part of a larger accessibility initiative throughout NYC

- Project includes escalator and staircase upgrades and new elevators
- Design-build contract awarded to JTTC JV (J-Track and TC Electric Joint Venture) in December 2022
- Start Date: June 2023
- Completion: Q3 2025

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PowerPoint deck with additional information presented at meeting.

### B. 43rd Pct Commanding Officer Carlos Peralta

CO is aware of dirt bike concerns, parks related concerns for the summer, and noise complaints. He is targeting illegal car washes and abandoned vehicles in the district. His work is driven by 311 and 911 calls. CO encourages all to contact their NCOS after calling 311 and 911. Drag racing and car meet near Western Beef was tackled by CO. DSNY collaborates with the 43<sup>rd</sup> to tackle related concerns in collaboration. CO is contemplating a designated Parks Officer for the summer and is working on a plan to tackle parks concerns.

Sgt Ray Soriano, NCO Sgt, 917-825-5604, Ray.Soriano@nypd.org Deputy Inspector Carlos Peralta, 929-213-4862, Carlos.peralta@nypd.org

C. Odette Wilkens, Wired Broadband; Theodora Scarato, Environmental Health Trust; Julie Mardin & Jill McManus, New Yorkers 4 Wired Tech - Link5G Cell Tower

Non-profit team focusing on safe technology for the public, recommends that community boards either ask for an extension of time, if possible, or vote for disapproval and a moratorium on the planning and construction of Link5G Cell Towers until questions and concerns are addressed. White Paper and presentation included numerous arguments against these tower installations. Including, but not limited to: Inadequate Environmental Review, NYC Comptroller's Negative Report on Existing LinkNYC Kiosks, Privacy/Security Vulnerabilities, Fire Hazards, Insufficient Fall Zone, Devaluation of Property Values and Digital Equity, and FCC Lack of Oversight and Regulatory Gap.

Bx CB 2, 5 and 7 are equity districts, getting around 80 towers.

#### IV. Notifications

- A. CB 9: Installation of Carshare Locations
- B. DOT-578146-J2D2 Street Lighting Morrison Avenue and Lafayette Avenue (Approved, Pending Scheduling)
- C. DOT-522921-Z2G9 Speed Hump Noble Avenue and Bronx River Avenue (Denied)
- D. DOT-466964-X1P7 Speed Hump Study on Norton Avenue between Olmstead Avenue and Castle Hill Avenue Bronx (Denied)
- E. DOT-466947-V2Z3 Speed hump request on Howe Avenue between Hart Avenue and Norton Avenue (Denied)
- F. DEP's Water Bill Amnesty Program (Service is available until April 30th)
- G. NYC DOT Loading Zone Expansion Phase 3 (e-notification)