

**Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance
Knights of Columbus, Columbian Room
Monday, October 18, 2010 – 7:15 pm**

Board Members Present: 43

Greg Ahl
Elizabeth Amato
Ruth Berg
Allen Bortnick
Justin Brannan
Kevin Peter Carroll
Michael Casale
Robert Cassara
Judith Collins
Doris Cruz
Ida D'Amelio
Anna DeMetz
Charles Elias
Khader El-Yateem
Ann Falutico
Michael Festa
George Fontas
Barbara Germack
Judith Grimaldi
Ronald Gross
Stephen Harrison
Robert Hudock
Brian Kieran
Scott Klein
Stella Kokolis
Dino Lamia
Nikolaos Leonardos
Rita Meade
Mary Nolan
Eleanor Petty
George Prezioso
Susan Pulaski
Mary Quinones
Dean Rasinya
Husam Rimawi
Jean Ryan
Dilia Schack
Eleanor Schiano
Joanne Seminara

Joseph Sokoloski
Lawrence Stelter
Fran Vella-Marrone
Mary Ann Walsh

Board Members Excused: 3

Jeannie May
Rhea McCone
Susan Romero

Board Members Absent: 2

Habib Joudeh
Luigi Lobuglio

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

Date: October 18, 2010, 7:15 PM

Subject: Board Meeting; Knights of Columbus

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COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING
October 18, 2010, Knights of Columbus, Columbian Room
MINUTES

Chair Seminara called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM and introduced Ilene Sacco, President, NYPD 68th Precinct Community Council, to lead The Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Amended Agenda. Motion by BM Harrison; second by BM Lamia. Agenda adopted as amended.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the September 20, 2010 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Festa; second by MB Ahl. Minutes adopted as written.

Chair Seminara introduced Council Member Vincent Gentile who stated that the MTA lawsuit filed along with Senator Golden is scheduled for Thursday, October 21st at the Kings County Supreme Court. He and Senator Golden have set up two rallies against the MTA service cuts and the recent fare hikes. The first rally is scheduled for Tuesday, October 19th from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM at the corner of Bay Ridge Avenue and Third Avenue. The second rally is scheduled for Thursday, October 21st on the steps of the Supreme Court Building at 9:30 AM prior to the hearing.

Councilman Gentile announced that he, along with Lutheran Health Care, will be offering 200 free flu shots for people 50 and older or considered high risk. People wishing to receive the flu shot must call the Councilman's office to register. Flyers with all pertinent information were at the rear of the room.

Councilman Gentile reminded everyone that the renaming of Leif Ericson Park Dust Bowl at 65th Street and 8th Avenue was scheduled for Sunday, October 24th at 3:00 PM, and invited all to attend.

Chair Seminara invited Assemblyman Peter Abbate to speak. Assemblyman Abbate said he is happy to be able to attend the Community Board Ten Board Meetings when he is not in Albany. The Assemblyman then thanked everyone in Community Board Ten for all their efforts and support.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

In the matter of the Capital & Expense Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2012, Chair Seminara noted that the proposed Marine Science Lab at Denyse Wharf and the Youth Center at the former site of the Community Board Ten District Office have been removed from the list.

Chair Seminara asked for a motion to waive the reading of the reports. Motion by BM Quinones; second by BM Ahl. Motion carried.

Chair Seminara then invited Dr. Merryl Kafka to speak with regard to the marine science lab at Denyse Wharf. Dr. Kafka said that she recently retired from the New York Aquarium. She noted that New York City has over 700 miles of waterfront, and we have an obligation to learn about how to preserve it. The Clean Water Act mandates that we restore and maintain the nation's waters.

Tom Greene spoke in support of the Denyse Wharf Marine Science Lab. He thanked Community Board Ten for their support and help over the years. He noted that schools do not get hands on experience with labs and instruction. The school system wants labs, but is unable to provide them. In 2001, the School Construction

Authority conducted a study for this project and at that time found it feasible to build. He feels there is a need to sit down with the Board of Ed regarding this issue, but they have refused to meet with them.

Laura Marmo proposed having a small area of the Dyker Park Dog Run sectioned off for a small dog run. In Dyker Heights, there is one main dog run which supports all types of dogs, both large and small. She feels this is unsafe for small dogs. She noted that other boroughs, including Manhattan, have separate areas for large and small dogs, and feels it is necessary for the safety of both small dogs and their owners to set aside separate space. She feels there is a need for more recreational areas for dog runs or dog parks, and a place specifically set aside for smaller dogs.

BOARD DISCUSSION

With regard to the Fiscal Year 2012 Capital Budget Priorities and Requests, Chair Seminara opened the floor to a discussion.

BM Petty asked what the CS referred to on the Capital Priority List. DM Beckmann explained it stood for Continued Support. Since the dog run at Owls Head Park was funded and not completed it will remain on our Capital Priority List under the designation of Continued Support.

BM Rasinya made a motion to add Denyse Wharf as #17 to the Capital Budget Priorities and Requests list; second by BM Sokoloski. Discussion followed.

BM Kieran commented that if we continually add requests that are not recommended for funding; it detracts from our submission. In light of New York City Department of Education's letter to Congressman McMahon which stated obstacles at that site including inaccessibility to vehicles which would require the construction of a new vehicle access road, the lack of utilities which would require running new utility lines out to the site, and the isolation of the site which would require increased security, the Committee determined it would be appropriate to remove this item from the list.

BM Harrison noted that during the review of the Waterfront Vision 2020 Plan, the Zoning and Land Use Committee felt that Denyse Wharf was not an appropriate location for a Marine Science Lab and that the City is moving in a different direction hoping to utilize the area as a recreational space.

BM Berg commented that after 9/11, she felt that building a lab under the bridge was not going to happen. BM Grimaldi asked if there is a marine biology facility that we may be able to hitchhike on. BM Pulaski noted there was one built in Brooklyn one year ago.

BM Gross noted that we have supported this issue over the years, it went to #2, and asked what more could we do if the Board of Education asserts this is not a feasible site? BM Fontas stated that the Harbor School which was founded in Bushwick is a marine science based charter school, and was rebuilt on Governor's Island. BM Germack recommended increasing and improving the science labs within existing schools.

Motion: To add Densye Wharf as #17 in the Fiscal Year 2012 Capital Budget Priorities and Requests. 7 in favor; 36 opposed. Motion failed.

Motion to accept the Capital Budget Priorities and Requests as presented by BM Grimaldi; second by BM Klein.

Motion: To accept the Fiscal Year 2012 Capital Budget Priorities and Requests as presented. All in favor. 0 opposed. Motion carried.

With regard to the Fiscal Year 2012 Expense Budget Priorities and Requests, Chair Seminara opened the floor to discussion.

BM Rasinya asked why maintaining funding for firefighter levels was #10, and increasing civilian personnel to put more police officers on the street was #18. BM Fontas questioned whether or not the Community Board asking for more funding would have any effect since this is a citywide issue, and since the police cuts were spared.

Motion to accept the Expense Budget Priorities and Requests as presented by BM Petty; second by BM Quinones.

Motion: To accept the Fiscal Year 2012 Expense Budget Priorities and Requests as presented. All in favor. 0 opposed. Motion carried.

In the matter of an application for a Special Permit to increase a portion of the perimeter wall height and floor area at 1153 – 85th Street, BSA Cal. No. 130-10-BZ, Chair Seminara rendered the September 15th ZALUC report in the absence of Zoning and Land Use Committee Chair Stephen Harrison. See Attached.

Chair Seminara invited the applicant to speak. The architect wanted to stress that the stop work order was issued because the framing was not compliant and had nothing to do with the actual building code. He also wanted to note that the height is governed by the adjacent building; that the existing buildings are higher than the proposed construction, and in fact some buildings on the block are much higher. He also wanted to address the character issue with regard to the concern of tiering. He feels that the one story portion with the terrace on top mimics many buildings in the area. With regard to the concern of shadows being cast by the building, he stated that shadows will not be cast on the complaining neighbor's side.

Paul Tocci, owner of 1157 – 85th Street, reiterated his opposition to the approval of this Special Permit application. He stated that the applicant violated the stop work orders and started to construct the building. The building will be bigger and higher than other homes on the block, which is out of character. He feels that the proposed structure will be detrimental to light coming to his home.

Sal Genovese, architect for Paul Tocci, noted that the wall and foundation are partially built already with the stop work order in effect. He stated that the shadows are not the concern, but how dark it would be because of the building's height.

Mr. Most, the owner's attorney, stated that anyone can apply for a Special Permit. He noted that the only differential is the 1'9" which is only in the front. He wanted to reiterate that there was no stop order issued for non-compliance.

BM Gross made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Zoning and Land Use Committee to deny the application for the Special Permit; second by BM Lamia. Discussion followed.

BM Gross reminded the Board that we voted more than once to eliminate the use of the Special Permit in our community. BM Gross also raised questions about the FAR.

BM Kokolis stated that we should help families stay in their homes and with this difficult economy it is necessary that we support these applications to expand these buildings.

BM Germack said she is appalled that new construction is wider and out of character and feels we are going backwards in our philosophy.

BM Bortnick asked how many people own their own their home or rent. Chair Seminara responded that was out of order. BM Bortnick stated that he personally feels it is radically wrong to prevent people from expanding their homes.

BM Lamia said he feels the house is out of character and not equal or as interesting as the other homes.

Motion is to accept the recommendation of the Zoning and Land Use Committee as presented by BM Gross and seconded by Dino Lamia.

Motion: CB10 to accept the recommendation of the Zoning and Land Use Committee to deny the application for a Special Permit to increase a portion of the perimeter wall height and floor area at 1153 – 85th Street. 37 in favor; 4 opposed – BM Bortnick, BM Elias, BM Hudock, BM Leonardos; 2 recusals – BM Falutico; BM Stelter. Motion carried.

In the matter of a request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 19 seats at 8406 Third Avenue Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Sofia, 8406 Third Avenue, License #1167396, ZALUC Sub Committee for Outdoor Cafes Chair Gross rendered the report. See Attached.

The applicant's presentation was made by architect Steve Wygoda who noted that the original application was filed in 2004. He thanked Community Board Ten for their support.

Chair Seminara noted that there was a quorum at the Committee meeting. There was a motion on the floor to accept the recommendation of the ZALUC Sub Committee for Outdoor Cafes to approve this application.

Motion: CB10 to approve the request for renewal to operate an unenclosed sidewalk café with 9 tables and 19 seats at 8406 Third Avenue Restaurant Corp., d/b/a Sofia, 8406 Third Avenue, License #1167396. 42 in favor; 1 abstention – BM Bortnick. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SESSION

Susan Tirotta, representing Assembly Member Janele Hyer-Spencer, announced the Domestic Violence Clothing Drive which is being held during the month of October. They urge anyone who is able to donate women and children's clothing, toiletries, books, and games to drop the items off at the Assembly Member's office at 7606 5th Avenue.

John Quaglione, representing Senator Marty Golden, spoke about the two rallies against the MTA that have been set up and the joint lawsuit Senator Golden and Councilman Gentile have filed against the MTA. He noted that this is the first time the MTA has been sued. He urged people to attend these rallies, which Councilman Gentile spoke about previously.

He then announced that Senator Golden, in conjunction with the Visiting Nurse Service of New York, will be offering free flu shots for senior citizens, uninsured residents, and those who the Health Department is encouraging to get the annual flu vaccine, at two events during the first week of November. Free flu shots will be available to the community on Thursday, November 4, 2010 from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the Bay Ridge Manor located at 476-76th Street, and on Friday, November 5, 2010, from 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Salt Marsh Nature Center located at 3302 Avenue U.

On behalf of Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, Alice Wong welcomed Community Board Ten's newest Board Member, Justin Brannan.

Melissa Batha of Congressman Michael McMahon's office gave an update on legislation supported by the Congressman. The Small Business Jobs and Credit Act of 2010 has gone through. This bill will create a \$30 billion small lending fund and provide tax cuts for small businesses.

The Congressman has introduced the "Blue Alert" Bill to aid injured police officers. This bill seeks to save and protect the lives of police officers by sharing information about injured police officers throughout the nation. The "Blue Alert" Bill for police officers would act like the "Amber Alert" for abducted children, and would broadcast information to the appropriate agencies. Currently only five states have plans in place.

Melissa then spoke about the Traumatic Brain Injury Coverage and Support Act introduced by Congressman McMahon. This bill would allow veterans who have been diagnosed with Traumatic Brain Injury to receive VA benefits even if the doctor is outside the VA system, which would speed up the process for them to receive the help they need.

Finally, Melissa stated that the Congressman is pushing for legislation to provide Social Security recipients with a one-time \$250 payment to override a decision by the Social Security Administration to not provide a cost-of-living adjustment. This Senior Protection Act is expected to be brought to the floor when the House reconvenes in November.

Samuel Lewis spoke about the dangers of hydrofracking. He noted that this is a cocktail of chemicals that they want to put in our watershed, and spoke about the movie "Gasland". There will be a rally organized by the Sierra Club and Clean Air New York on Saturday, October 30th at 12:00 noon, which will be held at the Bay Ridge Greenmarket.

Greg Lynch, a resident at 365 72nd Street, spoke in opposition of the School Construction Authority and the work being done at PS 331, which is the former location of the Green Church. He is curious how the Board and the Zoning Board approved this building. He feels that the new school, which is a six story structure with a 70' wall on the property line, is too much. This will impact the value of his home. He feels that dealing with the School Construction Authority has been very difficult and that a private developer would have to comply. He realizes that it is late in the game and he should have paid closer attention to the meeting notices he received, but feels this construction is not appropriate.

Albert Fratangelo, a resident at 371 72nd Street, also spoke in opposition of the construction work being done at PS 331. When it is complete, he will be looking at a 60' brick wall. He is upset that, because of this construction, the School Construction Authority will be using 12' of his backyard for the next three years. He also is disappointed that Community Board Ten did not notify the residents. BM Gross responded to Mr. Fratangelo by saying that the School Construction Authority does not come to the Community Board for approval. This is a mayoral signature. The Community Board only determines if the site is an appropriate use for a school.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Seminara then rendered her report. See Attached.

Chair Seminara announced the Nominating Committee for Community Board Ten for 2011: Fran Vella-Marrone, Chair of the Nominating Committee; Board Members Judith Grimaldi, Doris Cruz, Dino Lamia, and Susan Romero.

Chair Seminara noted that Geno Laferlita had signed in to speak at the Public Session, but was not present when called upon.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – See Attached

TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS, CULTURAL AFFAIRS, COMMUNICATIONS, PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Parks, Cultural Affairs, Communications, Public Relations Committee Chair Festa rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

Committee Chair Festa then presented the design plans for the new comfort station at Leif Ericson Park which were provided by the Parks Department. Discussion followed.

Chair Seminara asked for the dimensions of the proposed comfort station and was informed it would be 20'x30'. It was asked what the opinion was of the proposed plans and it was stated that the PCAP Committee was impressed with the design.

BM Bortnick stated that the plans have the building at the end of the park but he thought it would be more practical to be in the center. PCAP Chair Festa replied that there is an existing footprint in that spot, and this would be closer to the children's park and basketball court.

BM Petty asked about the cost of the comfort station and was told they have allocated \$1.4 million, which includes everything.

BM Stelter asked what the hours of operation would be and was informed that has not yet been determined. BM Cruz asked as to whether or not the proposed building would be vandal resistant and/or graffiti resistant and scratch resistant. PCAP Chair Festa will find out.

BM Ryan asked about access for the disabled. It was noted that the Parks Department has stated that all buildings will be handicap accessible and meet ADA standards.

Regarding the issue of handicap accessibility, BM Ryan stated that usually the Parks Department says they are compliant, but they are not. They have been cited for years for not being ADA compliant.

BM Cassara asked if we had any choice in the design. The response from PCAP Chair Festa was that it was designed similar to the Greenpoint Comfort Station.

A motion was made by BM Vella-Marrone to approve the plans for the new comfort station at Leif Ericson Park and to include the issue to make sure it is ADA compliant and scratch resistant; second BM El-Yateem.

BM Fontas asked why we are approving the plans when we can say we are in support of the plans. DM Beckmann noted that this was a budget priority. BM Gross suggested we make a resolution to support the plans.

Motion: CB10 is in favor of a resolution to generally support the Parks Department design plans for the new comfort station at Leif Ericson Park, 67th Street between 8th Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway, making sure it is ADA compliant and scratch resistant. 43 in favor; 1 opposed – BM Cassara. Motion carried.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In the matter of the SLA application for Gallery Social, Inc., 7915 3rd Avenue, Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Pulaski rendered the report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

A motion of reconsideration from the floor was needed in order to revote. Chair Seminara stated that she was disturbed that we went back and did again what we already did. However there was a misunderstanding and she gave the Police and Public Safety Chair latitude to address that misunderstanding. Having said that, the Board has already voted on this matter and the Board is free not to reconsider it and not to revote it. Just to review, Chair Seminara wanted to clarify that what the applicant is asking for is another hour. The Board had voted that the establishment would close at midnight on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; and at 2:00 AM on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Committee is requesting a motion to reconsider to give them another hour so that on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday they would close at 1:00 AM, and on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, they would close at 3:00 AM. Discussion followed.

BM Cruz asked if there were any residents present at the Committee meeting and if so, what their opinions were. However, it was stated there were no residents present at the Committee meeting.

BM Falutico asked why change the hours for this establishment. Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Pulaski replied that this is a small establishment compared to Ibiza, which was the only one where they brought up last call. Chair Seminara said we should be consistent; however, we weren't clear and that's the way it is. So she put it to the Board to see if they want to reconsider; otherwise what we said will stand.

There was no motion from the floor for reconsideration.

In the matter of RJ Lounge, 8812 Third Avenue, Police and Public Safety Committee Chair rendered the informational report. See Attached.

In the matter of F1, 823 65th Street, Police and Public Safety Committee Chair rendered the report. See Attached.

A Committee recommendation was made to deny the application for an additional bar at F1; second by BM Gross.

Motion: CB10 to deny the application for an additional bar at F1, 823 65th Street. All in favor; motion carried.

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

With regard to bicycle lane routes, Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Cruz rendered the report. See Attached. She noted that the Committee will meet again to discuss bicycle lanes and anyone is invited to attend. Discussion followed.

Chair Seminara noted that since this is a long meeting, she would suggest that unless someone had something else to say, this will go back to the Committee and any one is certainly welcome to attend that

meeting. BM Cassara feels there is a lot of bias against bicycle lanes. He lives on Bay Ridge Parkway and has been fighting trucks and traffic on that block for years. He truly agrees with the Department of Transportation that this is a traffic calming device. They get a lot of cars that try to make two lanes out of what is supposed to be one lane. But this proposal will eliminate a lot of that. He has spoken with his neighbors on Bay Ridge Parkway who think this is a great idea. He feels this is a logical location to put a bike lane since it is the only street that runs right down the middle of our community. He asked why people are so against this.

BM Berg noted that if anyone is on Shore Road between 7:00AM – 10:00AM and are foolish enough to ride in the bike lane, they are putting their life at risk. She thinks it is irresponsible of DOT to encourage people to use bike lanes on Shore Road. She added that the bike lanes on Shore Road are a duplication of the Shore Road bicycle Path.

With regard to DOT's proposal, BM Stelter said that the plans show a diamond at Fort Hamilton Parkway indicating a retail cross street. He noted that is not a retail cross street; there is a church and McKinley Park at that location. When he told the DOT there was a large commercial street on 5th Avenue, it seemed they were unaware of that fact.

BM Vella-Marrone feels that considering DOT's response, it is obvious that they are not knowledgeable about the area. They are not honest about past plans that they claim we voted on; they are not honest about a number of things that came up, and she does not trust them. She does not think Bay Ridge Parkway is a good place for a bicycle lane because she feels it is a dangerous location. She is definitely opposed to it and does not think it is something we should support.

BM Bortnick said that he is not against bicycles; he thinks they are wonderful and have their place. However, there has not been one year without an increase in cars. He noted that in some of the photographs supplied by DOT, the shadow is directly over the car which means it was high noon. He defied anyone to tell him one street they showed with three or four blocks of untraveled streets at that point in time unless they put a flagman at each end. DOT talks about calming traffic, but it won't calm traffic. The people will violate the laws by running around cars and they are going to do it whether they paint lines or not. If it is just a recommendation, which it really is, it is not a mandate. DOT takes it upon themselves to create what they call mandates, and as BM Vella-Marrone pointed out, they lie.

Chair Seminara said she thinks our goal here is to incorporate all the concerns of the community, have a further discussion and ask more questions of DOT before we act on this. This issue will be discussed again at the next Committee meeting.

With regard to the MTA proposal to implement X27/X28 bypass service via West Street, Manhattan, Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Cruz rendered the report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

Committee Chair Cruz noted that the MTA has done this very quietly, and in January people will be standing on street corners waiting for buses and not knowing where the buses are going. It is imperative that people are aware of this. She is presenting this not only for informational purposes, but so that people can advise others of the changes in service.

BM Bortnick wanted to add that if anyone travels in New York from Houston down to the Battery, except for three blocks next to City Hall, you can only drive in one single lane downtown. There is a lane adjacent to it only for buses; not even taxis are allowed to use it. Therefore, he cannot understand why they are taking a turn at Houston to go west to go down to West Street, when they can use that newly created bus lane to go

downtown, and then make a right turn somewhere in the area of the World Trade Center before they go into the tunnel.

BM Gross noted that this ties in with their whole mentality of traffic in the city. They have done that to Broadway and that obviously does not work. Therefore the buses need to be rerouted to West Street.

With regard to the next phase of the DOT Gowanus Expressway emergency repairs, Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Cruz rendered the report. See Attached. Committee Chair Cruz noted that there are no changes to the plan, so if there are any concerns about it, it will be discussed at another meeting.

With regard to the final item, the Black Sea Car Service, Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Cruz rendered the report. See Attached.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Environmental Committee Chair Ahl rendered the Environmental Committee Report. See Attached.

BM Stelter noted that he called Mr. Sapienza about the tunnel shaft at 68th Street and Shore Road which was abandoned in 1924. Mr. Sapienza indicated that he would look into that.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

BM Berg announced that The Ladies Who Organization will be celebrating Oktoberfest the last Wednesday of the month at Hunter's Steak and Ale House at 6:00 PM.

BM Hudock announced a book fair that is taking place at his daughter's school, Treasure Island Preschool, which is in Our Lady of Angels Church. The book fair, sponsored by Scholastic Books, will take place on Thursday and Friday, October 28th and 29th in the auditorium. Research shows that children who pick their own books actually tend to read them more than books that someone else picks for them at random. The school will raise money, it will promote literacy, and any money the school makes will go toward discounted school supplies for the school.

BM Prezioso announced an informational meeting regarding Calvary Hospital Hospice and Calvary Satellite at Lutheran Medical Center offering a program "When a Loved One is Ill – Know Your Options and Benefits", which will be held on Wednesday, November 3rd at 7:30 PM at St. Anselm's Meletia Hall, 365 83rd Street.

BM Vella-Marrone suggested that the Environmental Committee discuss the bed bug epidemic. She said this is a very serious problem and she does not see the City doing anything to address this problem. It has been going on for years now and she is very concerned about it. It is affecting our local businesses, as well as personally at home. For whatever reason, she does not see the City coming up with a plan, and she does not know of a plan, to address this problem. Chair Seminara noted the district office has received many complaints about this problem. DM Beckmann agreed, saying it is very costly for families in the community.

BM Stelter announced that this coming Wednesday, the Bay Ridge Historic Society will have its monthly meeting at Shore Hill. The topic will be the first tunnel under the Hudson which is now the PATH train. They thought this was a timely topic since the New Jersey Governor just stopped the entire tunnel project being built into midtown Manhattan.

BM Grimaldi stated that at the Senior Issues, Housing, and Health and Welfare Committee meeting they did talk about bed bugs and the impact on the whole community. Chair Seminara said that maybe we can have a joint committee meeting.

BM Schiano announced that the Guild for Exceptional Children will be having a wine tasting experience and buffet on November 9th at Lai Yuen Restaurant. The cost will be \$65 per person. All Board Members will be getting the email tomorrow. She invited anyone who is not a Board Member but would like to attend to see her at the end of the meeting.

Chair Seminara reminded everyone that the next Board Meeting would be on November 15th at the Norwegian Christian Home. With no further business, she adjourned the meeting at 9:20 PM.

Community Board 10
Zoning and Land Use Committee

Report Date: September 20, 2010
ZALUC Meeting Date: September 15, 2010
Subject: 1153 85th Street
BSA Cal # 130-10-BZ

Good evening zoning fans.

ZALUC met without quorum on September 15 to consider an application for a Special Permit under ZR§73-622 on the premises. Present were DM Beckmann and the attorney for the applicant, Jonathan Most. Under the application the FAR would increase from the current .36 to .6. The current maximum FAR is .5. In gross terms this would increase the FAR from 2206 to 3647 sf, an increase of 1441 sf. Maximum permitted currently is 3000sf.

The applicant was actually in the process of building when a stop work order was issued. According to the applicant, at that time no work had been done on the non-complying portions of the building. As such they claim this to be an application for a new permit rather than an application for a legalization. However, upon studying the photos and plans it appears this representation may not have been accurate and the attorney representing the applicant agrees that may be so.

The neighbor to the east appeared and objected. He believes the permit should not be granted because the wall close to his home will crowd him and the building is too big for the community.

Provided the plans are consistent with the character of the surrounding community, a special permit under 73-622 almost automatically allows the owner to build about 10% larger than allowable under as-of-right zoning provided the owner stays within certain specs and the plans to not exceed any current non-compliance.

CB10's role is to comment upon character. The residence when completed will be significantly larger than other buildings on the block, both taller and occupying a larger footprint. Moreover, the style of the street wall appears more monolithic with no tiering characteristic of other homes there. One lot directly across the street has a home about the same size but with a more tiered appearance, consistent with the neighbors.

Those ZALUC members present unanimously believe the proposal does not meet the character of the surrounding community and recommend disapproval of the application.

Because there was no quorum, the motion must come from the floor

Respectfully submitted



Stephen A. Harrison
Chair, ZALUC

ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés

Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2010

DATE

Community Board 10 Offices - 7pm

The ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés met on October 6, 2010. A quorum **WAS** | **WAS NOT** met. DATE

A **NEW** | **RENEWAL** application for an **ENCLOSED** | **UNENCLOSED** sidewalk café was discussed for 9 tables and 19 seats at 8406 Third Avenue Rest Corp (SOE) located at 8406 Third Avenue, 11209. The Consumer Affairs License Number is 1167396. BUSINESS NAME LICENSE NUMBER

The applicant **WAS** | **WAS NOT** present.

The Board has received no complaints regarding this establishment.

There were no proposed changes

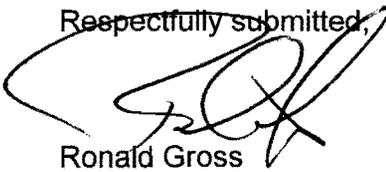
This is an amended application: DESCRIBE _____

Notes: _____

After discussion, the committee voted **UNANIMOUSLY** | **2 TO 1** to **RECOMMEND** | **DENY** approval of the application for this café permit and thereby so moves.

After discussion, the committee's recommendation is to **SUPPORT** | **DENY** approval of the application for this café permit. As quorum was not met, a motion from the floor is required.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald Gross
Chair, ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés

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Chair's Report
Community Board 10, Brooklyn
October 18, 2010

Dear Board Members and guests:

Good evening. On Saturday, I had the privilege of getting to know Tom Neve and the wonderful organization he leads, Reaching Out Community Services, Inc. that has been distributing free food to the needy in our community for over 16 years, when I attended their walk-a-thon to raise money on Saturday morning. If you want to see God's love made tangible right in your backyard this is it. "Reaching Out," a 501 c (3) organization, desperately needs financial help in order to survive. They pay rent at a "store" where they allow hungry families the dignity of picking out the food items that they need and are run primarily with volunteers. Their monthly budget is \$12,000 all of which comes from donations, and they barely make it from month-to-month and are facing a possible decision to close their doors..

If you have some left-over funds from your holiday bounty this year I suggest you remember Reaching Out and help to support the continuation of the wonderful work that they do. In addition to food distribution, Reaching Out helps needy persons fill out paperwork including applications for food stamps and other benefits, helping people to help themselves. Please take some time to check it out. They do this without fanfare or publicity and virtually no public or institutional funding.

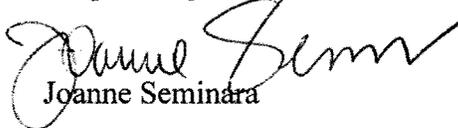
Many people have lost jobs and face difficulties which will make our compassion all the more meaningful as we start to think about the holiday season.

Global climate change is one of the newer challenges to face New York City. The scientific consensus is now incontrovertible; the earth is changing as a result of human emissions of greenhouse gases. Glaciers re melting, sea levels are rising, temperatures are rising and we see more marked weather fluctuations, storms and flooding. We are a coastal community, part of NYC's more than 500 miles of coastline at sea level and we already suffer from heat waves. As a city that creates 1 percent of the entire planet's greenhouse gas emissions, it its imperative that we play a leading role in the global effort of reducing carbon emissions. The goal of PlaNYC is to reduce citywide greenhouse gas emissions by 30% by 2030.

One of things we will discuss tonight is the City's plan to increase the grid of bike lanes throughout our community. More bike lanes and less vehicular use is one of the goals of PlaNYC. We should debate where and how we do this, but the "why" and "our need" to do this has become fairly obvious. I am in the middle of reading "Hot, Flat and Crowded" by Thomas L. Friedman, which I forced myself to read. Frankly, I would like to avoid the challenge of curtailing my use of fossil fuels and electricity and unrenowable materials as much as the next person but it is now clear that we choose to do so at your collective peril. And so I turned on the house heat on a little later this year and am learning to think twice before I jump in my car. More walking and biking are what we need to do to become healthier as individuals and a society. Which is why it is so infuriating when instead of improvements we face cuts to mass transit and fare hikes, while at the same time the MTA tries to take free bus passes away from schoolchildren.

I would like challenge all of you on how we, as a Board, can do our part to reduce emissions, green our little green coastal corner of New York City and reduce, reuse and recycle. I, for one, want to learn about composting and talked to a few of you about a community-wide electronics recycling project. Let us do it. Thanks you for all the work you do and your concern for our community.

Respectfully submitted,


Joanne Seminara

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

October 18, 2010

Good Evening Board Members:

On October 15th and October 20th, I attended the Brooklyn Borough Consultations at Brooklyn Municipal Building. We discussed our budget priorities and concerns with key officials from the Police Department, Department of Environmental Protection, Parks Department, Fire Department, Department of Sanitation and Department for the Aging. The Charter mandates Community Board participation in this process with officials from City Agencies to review budget concerns for upcoming fiscal year.

The New York City Department of Sanitation informed us that leaf collection has been cancelled once again for this fiscal year. Leaves can be placed in regular black bags and will be picked up with regular household garbage. The second pick up of public trash receptacles on our commercial strips has also been cut.

Once per year, the NYC Department of Sanitation designates one section of our District to a night collection schedule. This occurs from November through April to allow one shift to be on an overnight tour in the event of a snowstorm. This year it is Section 1 which is the Bay Ridge portion of our Board running from Wakeman Place to 73rd Street Shore Road to 7th Avenue. The important thing for residents to know who live in this section is that you should continue to put your garbage out the same night of collection because workers will pick up trash midnight to 8AM or on the following day on the 4PM to midnight shift.

On Wednesday, October 13th, Community Board Ten met with SCA officials to get an update on the PS 331 project (former site of the Green Church). The meeting was attended by staff from CM Gentile's office, representatives from School Construction Authority, BM Susan Pulaski, Ron Gross, Judith Collins and BM Ann Falutico who chairs the Board's special committee on the new schools in CB 10 and Laurie Windsor, President CEC. SCA informed us that they are expecting DOB's full approval in the next few weeks; fencing has been installed and a 24 hour security staff is on site. The SCA brought a model of the project and full color renderings. The Contract has been awarded to Plaza Construction and excavation should begin in Mid- late November. It should last about six months. It will be water tight by June 2012 and they expect the school to open September 2013.

NYC DOT notified us that they are installing a traffic light at the intersection of 8th Avenue at 62nd Street at the request of PS 69.

NYC DEP notified us that the intersection of Bay Ridge Parkway at 13th Avenue has been placed on a capital list for trench restoration and has been placed on our CB 10 Capital Priority list.

Block Parties – This year the District Office processed 63 Street Activity Permits and the last one will be held on Saturday October 30th.

Planning ahead for next year – our list of Community Board Ten meetings for 2011 is available. Please make sure you take a copy before you leave tonight. Make sure you place our meetings on your calendar.

Please help us spread the word that our T&T committee will be hosting a DOT presentation on proposed changes to the 7th Avenue Exit on **Thursday, October 28th 7PM** at McKinley Junior High School.

Sunday, November 7, 2010 is the ING NYC Marathon. As you know this event impacts our District. Our website will post the opening and closing of traffic to the VZ Bridge as well as local streets that will be affected.

This Friday is the Guild's Dinner and one of the honorees is our very own Eleanor Schiano – Eleanor Congratulations on this well deserved honor.

Our Next Board Meeting will take place on **Monday, November 15, 2010, at the Norwegian Christian Home 1250 67th Street, 7:15PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josephine Beckmann". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

Josephine Beckmann
District Manager

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

Budget Appropriation for FY 11	\$198,896.00
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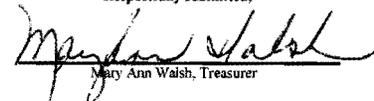
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DISTRICT MANAGER	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46	\$7,585.46										
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26	\$4,609.26										
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE													
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT		\$360.24	\$1,440.96										
Total Personal Services	\$12,194.72	\$12,554.96	\$13,635.68	\$0.00	\$34,385.36								

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/10	8/31/10	9/30/10	10/31/10	11/30/10	12/31/10	1/31/11	2/28/11	3/31/11	4/30/11	5/31/11	6/30/11	Y - T - D
10B	Telephone	188.71	193.34	189.06										
10X	Intra-City Supplies													
40B	Intra-City Telephone													
100	Supplies & Materials		50.64											
101	Printing Supplies													
117	Postage													
170	Cleaning Supplies													
199	Data Processing Supplies													
302	Telecomm. Equipment													
314	Office furniture													
315	Office Equipment													
319	Security Equipment	135.00		135.00										
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel./Communications													
412	Rental/Misc./Equip	44.41	44.41	44.41										
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures													
602	Telecomm. Maintenance	43.40	21.70	21.70										
612	Office Equip. Maint													
613	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual	1,080.00												
624	Cleaning Services	160.00	160.00	160.00										
Total Other than Personal Services		\$1,651.52	\$470.09	\$550.17										\$2,671.78

TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES	13,846.24	13,025.05	14,185.85											41,057.14
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TOTAL UNCOMBURED BUDGET BALANCE														\$187,837.86
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Respectfully submitted,


 Mary Ann Walsh, Treasurer

The Parks, Cultural Affairs, Communications and Public Relations Committee (PCAP) met on Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at the Guild for Exceptional Children First Floor Conference Room. In attendance were Committee Chair, Michael Festa, and Committee members Greg Ahl, Justin Brannan, Eleanor Schiano, Siti Eschrich & Scott Klein. We did not have a quorum. Justin Brannan was welcomed as a new member of the Committee.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm, and the Chair presented as follows:

There were two items on the agenda this evening:

- 1) An update regarding the NEIGHBORHOOD TOUR scheduled for Saturday, October 16.
- 2) A presentation of design plans for a new COMFORT STATION at LEIF ERICSON PARK.

1) NEIGHBORHOOD TOUR UPDATE

An email was sent to the District Office from the OEM advising of the Nor'Easter expected Thursday night into Saturday, October 16. As the Neighborhood Tour is scheduled for Saturday morning, October 16, the Committee discussed the postponing of the Tour until a further date, perhaps one of the first two weekends in November 2010, or spring 2011. As the NYC marathon will be held the second weekend in November, and first week is just too close, it appears that the best avenue would be to postpone until spring 2011, giving us sufficient time to get the word out. The District office will contact those who have RSVP'd, as well as the presenters.

2) LEIF ERICSON PARK

PORTIA DYRENFORTH and Leonora Retsas from the DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION, CAPITAL PROJECTS, presented to us the design plans for the LIEF ERICSON PARK COMFORT STATION. For those who are not familiar, Lief Ericson Park is one of the hidden gems in Brooklyn. It is located on 67th Street between 8th Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway. It offers tennis, soccer, a play place for kids, lots of benches and huge trees where you can sit and relax, eat lunch and take in the views

The Comfort Station will be prefabricated, built off-site and brought to the location, placed on top of a foundation. The location will be closer to the 8th Avenue park entrance. Some items of interest with regard to the presentation:

- Trees will be kept and protected
- Four park benches will be removed so that the doors face the playground
- ADA accessible
- Fencing will be continued, and low-maintenance, high-durability flowers and landscaping will be added

- All pavers added will match existing pavers
- Rood will be tilted downward to collect rainwater, in turn, feeding the landscaping
- There will be three rooms (men's room, women's room and a mechanical space)
- There will be baby changing stations
- The facade will be graffiti-proof glazed bricks

The hours of operation have not been decided. Committee members agreed that at least a 9 to 5 operation would be reasonable, with an attendant during these times. It was also requested that signage be added both in the Park and at the Dust Bowl, so people are aware of the Comfort Station.

ETA is late spring, early summer 2011.

Portia and Leonara were asked by the Committee Chair to attend the general Board meeting on October 18, 2010 to make their presentation. The Committee did not vote on this item, but unanimously voiced their approval of the design plan.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Festa", written in a cursive style.

Michael J. Festa
Committee Chairman
October 14, 2010

Police and Public Safety Committee Report of October 18, 2010

The Police and Public Safety Committee met on Thursday, October 14th at the Community Board Office at 7:00 PM. We met to rediscuss a new SLA application for Gallery Social, a renewal application for RJ's and an additional bar at F1.

The committee met in quorum. Also attending were Josephine Beckmann, District Manager; Stephanie Giovinco from Councilman Gentile's office; 68th Precinct Community Affairs P.O. Mario Venezia; owners Julia and Alex Smoroda and their attorney John Halkias of Gallery Social; and Tobias Russo from Governor Patterson's office.

[Those in attendance were committee members Judith Collins, Charles Elias, Michael Festa, George Fontas, Brian Kieran, Fran Vella-Marrone and Susan Pulaski, Chair.]

Item 1: SLA Application for Gallery Social Inc., at 7915 Third Avenue. We addressed this application at our September meeting. It is for a full liquor license for a restaurant/bar. At the full Board meeting, we passed the motion to disapprove this SLA application unless eight stipulations were agreed to. The day after our September meeting their attorney called the Board office to state that there was a misunderstanding in the hours of operation stated in their stipulations. The stated hours of operation were closing times, whereas the establishment that had made an earlier presentation at our committee meeting, Ibiza, had their hours of operation listed as last call AND closing time. [Ibiza's last call is one hour before closing time.] Gallery Social thought that the times listed in their stipulations were for last call AND NOT for closing time. They asked that this item be revisited and came to our October committee meeting to make their request. Essentially, they would like their closing times be one hour later than was stated in order to be in line with their competition. To summarize, we voted on the following the Hours of Operation: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 11 AM – 12 AM; and Thursday, Friday and Saturday 11 AM – 2AM

After much discussion and deliberation, most especially of setting a precedent of overturning a passed motion, our committee made and passed the following **Motion**: To disapprove this SLA application unless the following hours of operation are agreed to in addition to the other seven stipulations: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 11 AM – 1AM and Thursday, Friday and Saturday 11 AM – 3AM. We need a motion of reconsideration from the floor in order to revote.

Item 2: SLA Renewal Application for 8812 Caffe Inc. (RJ's) at 8812 Third Avenue. The Board office received a renewal application for this location this month. Note: This renewal application was to have been received during the month of August as their license was set to expire on September 30, 2010. We addressed this renewal at our June committee meeting, since we don't meet in the summer. RJ's owner was invited, but did not attend. At that meeting, w/o a quorum we voted unanimously, to deny the renewal application listing the 2 SLA violations for noise, historical record of complaints and promises not kept. At the full Board meeting in June the following motion was passed unanimously: CB10 to deny the SLA renewal application for RJ's in advance of receiving it based on the history of complaints at this location. In response to this October 7th notice, Josephine sent another letter to the SLA reminding them of our June vote.

Item 3: SLA Request for an Additional Bar at F1 at 823 65th Street, Josephine informed the Committee that the District Office received a notice from the attorney of F1 of their intent to file for an additional bar at F1. Complaints continue to come in regarding the use of promoters, noise, disorderly groups, fights, and assaults. There was a shooting at this establishment last week. The Committee passed unanimously the following **Motion**: To send a letter to the SLA disapproving the request for an additional bar.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan J. Pulaski

Community Board 10 Traffic & Transportation Meeting, October 13, 2010

The committee met in quorum.

There was a presentation by the NYC DOT Bicycle Program Group led by Hayes Lord and Gary Washinsky.

According to Hayes Lord, bicycle lanes are refurbished on a 3-5 year cycle. The refurbishment is the impetus for the second bike lane on Shore Road and Colonial Road. It is their policy that if there is a one directional bike lane, during refurbishment, they will add a second lane in the opposite direction. This answered questions from our spring meeting as to why they are adding additional lanes on those streets.

The City plans to install a 1800 mile bicycle network. This is based on a 1997 Master Plan. I will discuss the master plan later in the report.

In June, CB10 voted against the installation of bicycle lanes on Bay Ridge Parkway. In response to that vote and the requests by CB10 for more information on the planning of bicycle lanes, DOT agreed to send representatives from the Bicycle Program to a committee meeting.

There was a visual presentation of the BR Parkway bicycle lane from Shore Road past 20th Avenue to Garibaldi Square. No hard copies were available. It showed pictures of BR Parkway with no traffic.

The presentation helped explain how reducing lane width improves traffic safety. Wide lanes encourage speeding and aggressive driving. Narrower driving lanes encourage slower and safer driving.

BR Parkway is 50 feet wide for most of its length. Under the plan there would be a 9 foot parking lane, a 5 bicycle lane and 11 foot driving lane in each direction, three lanes in each direction totaling 25 feet. The cycle lane would be clearly marked. According to DOT, a 9 foot parking lane allows car doors to open without hitting a cyclist. West of Fourth Avenue, going towards Shore Road, the roadway narrows to 44 feet. Here there would be an 8 foot parking lane and a 14 foot shared cycle vehicle lane. There would be bicycle markings in the street, but no lane designations. Only the parking lane would be marked. At "Retail Cross Streets" they propose left turn bays with a shared through lane. There would be an 8 foot parking lane, a 12.5 foot shared lane and a 9 foot turning lane. Here too, there would be no dedicated bike lane, only bicycle markings in the street and a defined parking lane. These left turn bays are proposed at Fort Hamilton Parkway, New Utrecht Avenue, 13th, 15th, 18th & 20th Avenues. No left turn bays are considered for Third, Fourth or Fifth Avenues. In response to an email request, DOT responded –

“Thank you for your suggestions to look at avenues 3-5 on a Saturday mid day, we'll investigate the traffic condition along this section of corridor.”

Their stated objectives are to calm traffic, increase mobility, reduce carbon emissions, provide access to subway lines, and to provide links to popular recreation sites.

That was the heart of their presentation.

A summary of comments from the committee

Bike lanes for access to mass transit is not an option for most of our seniors.

The Fort Hamilton Parkway area is dangerous and our precinct will not be able to do proper enforcement.

DOT collected stats on bicycle use, 200 cycles in a 12 hour period. When and where were not available. Why were no stats collected on vehicular traffic?

Again the general traffic problem at Ft. Hamilton/7th Avenue - problem with cyclists obeying laws, concern for seniors and that there is not demand for use of bicycles for subway access. Especially since this is a bus route, which the team did not seem to be aware.

Cyclists ride closer to cars than traffic

There does not seem to be sufficient benefit to the community.

This plan does not provide enough safety for cyclists. There should be buffer areas between cycle and vehicular lanes. Bay Ridge/Dyker Heights is getting an economy model. We are not getting the safest model possible.

Cyclists do not obey traffic laws.

BR Parkway at Fort Hamilton Parkway backs up. Have they considered this?

Are they aware of the congestion in the 3rd to 6th Avenue corridor and that this is Doctor's Row.

Concerns were raised about the narrowness of streets on existing lanes, Wakeman Place and 68th Street, and on other proposed routes prompted, especially with the new federal mandate of 5 foot cycle lanes. DOT advised that if necessary they would remove traffic lanes to accommodate bicycle lanes.

There is a need for greater education of cyclists, and secondarily motorists and pedestrians.

Not surprising, these were the same concerns expressed in June.

However, while all of these concerns were voiced, there was an understanding that there is a benefit to bicycle lanes both for traffic calming and for alternate transportation.

Support of the plan was tempered by needs for greater safety for cyclists and by concerns for the congestion at the 3/4/5 Avenue area and the Ft Hamilton Parkway area.

No action was taken by the committee. As chair, I was confused by the frequent referral to a "Master Plan" from 1997 that had been approved by Community Boards. This is why DOT repeatedly says that community input is not required.

The next day, I contacted Hayes Lord and asked for a copy of the "Master Plan". I was advised that it is on City Planning's website.

We looked through our records and did not find any evidence that CB10 voted on a bicycle plan for Bay Ridge Parkway or any Master Plan.

In a quick review of the 70+ page Master Plan, the Bay Ridge Parkway route is not included.

In addition, there are guidelines for the placement of cycle lanes dependent upon the volume of traffic. No traffic volumes were presented to the committee at the October 13th meeting. Bicycle routes with bus routes that run at a frequency of less than 15 minutes require 9 foot wide parking lanes. In the morning and evening rush, the B4 runs at 15 minute intervals.

Have there been changes to the guidelines/master plan and were communities advised?

At the meeting, DOT did say that they would consider changes. Additional information on the 5th Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway areas and on vehicular traffic volumes will be requested as well as information in the DOT mandate to install bicycle lanes. The committee will then meet to make a recommendation. All are welcome to attend

Discussion and recommendations from the floor.

CHANGES TO THE 27/28 BUS ROUTES

To correct the imbalance between the uptown and downtown service, the MTA has changed the route of the rush hour/peak hour uptown service. Uptown service, starting January 1, 2011, will travel north on West Street, stop at Carlisle Street continue north to Warren Street then turn north again at Church Street and continue north on the regular route. This will eliminate stops at Battery Place and Exchange Place. During the

evening rush, the bus will turn west at Houston Street, continue on to West Street, go south to the World Financial Center, turn west, make one stop, and return to West Street, onto the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel.

The proposal was received via fax late afternoon on Wednesday Sept. 22, for an MTA meeting at 9:30 on Monday, Sept. 27, 2010.

After the board received a legible map on Friday, Sept. 24, a letter was sent to the MTA
The notice time was too short for the board to review and comment.
No schedule was provided to accurately assess the impact.
The route seems cumbersome and could add travel time to the uptown commute.

The change does address the imbalance in the uptown and downtown service and the only solution is to restore the 37/38 service to midtown via the FDR.

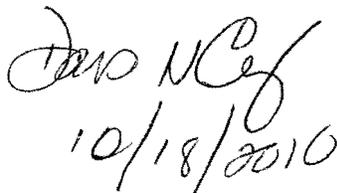
NYS DOT GOWANUS EMERGENCY REPAIRS

The next phase of the Gowanus Expressway emergency repairs is underway. This is a 4-5 year project to replace steel and the concrete roadway. The contract has been awarded and preliminary work has begun. There will be east bound lane changes and some closures. An east bound HOV lane will be added. The exit at 6th Avenue will be reconstructed to allow two lanes to exit the expressway. New traffic signals will be installed when completed to regulate the flow of traffic on to 6th Avenue and onto 65th Street. The projected time for completion of this exit is 2 years. There is an early completion incentive in this phase of the contract. To save time, if there are additional concerns, we will address them at a future meeting

BLACK SEA CAR SERVICE

CB10 voted to revoke the license of Black Sea Car Service because of the seriousness of the complaints. In response to its complaint about Black Sea Car service on 74th Street, CB 10 received a response from the Taxi and Limousine Service. As condition of renewal, the owner was required to meet with DM Beckman by October 15th. He has not contacted CB10. We do not know what action will be taken next. Committee members asked what would happen if the license was revoked and the car service continued to operate. DM Beckman said TLC takes any revocation very seriously and that scenario was unlikely. She has concerns that the car service would reopen under a new name with the same problems. We will follow up. DM Beckman suggested setting up stipulations similar to the Police & Public Safety Committee's SLA application stipulations. Committee members asked how this would be enforced. This is just an idea and we will work on it as needed.

Respectfully submitted


10/18/2010

**Environmental Committee
Community Board Ten
October 7, 2010**

Present: Greg Ahl, Chair, Allen Bortnick, Ann Falutico, Ron Gross, Jeannie May, Dilia Schack, Larry Stelter, Joanne Seminara, Chair

Excused Siti Eschrich, Dino Lamia, Nikolaos Leonardos, Mary Nolan, Eleanor Petty

Absent: George Prezioso,

Also attending:

Erin E. Silvers

Stephanie Giovinno, a representative from the office of Councilman Vincent Gentile's office,

Vincent Sapienza, DEP Owls head Water Treatment Facility

Debra Pucci, DEP

Meeting Location: Community Board 10 office at 8119 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.

The Meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.

A quorum was not met

There was 1 item that was discussed at the meeting

1. Odor complaints during September.

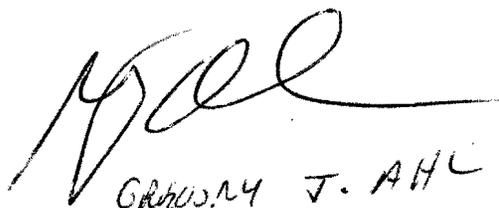
Vinny Sapienza came to represent Owls Head Plant. He reported that all systems were functioning normally. Low odor levels were detected on September 8, 9, 11 & 28.

The history of complaints shows that most calls came during morning hours. The September complaints took place mostly in afternoon.

These complaints coincided with a contract by DEP to clean a large sewer to accommodate flow from the Avenue V Pumping Station to Owls Head. 15 tons of sediments per day were removed during September, and an unknown amount was flushed to Owls Head. This sediment was decade's old and most likely release large amounts of odor. This main runs from Verrazano Bridge to 82nd Street. Complaints have stopped since the completion of this work.

Vinny also reported that the contracts for Owls Head Plant should be completed by January.

Debra Pucci updated us on the odor at Marine Avenue and Fort Hamilton Parkway. They believed that 2 large building still connected to the old sewer that has been back filled. They are looking into this and will report back to us.


GREGORY J. AHL

STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
Xtreme Billiards & Bar Inc., 823 65 th Street	10-13-10	Alteration application
Nico Nadia Restaurant Corp., d/b/a India Passage 7407 3 rd Avenue	10-13-10	Renewal
Gaspare Pizza Inc., d/b/a Bay Ridge Pizza 7704 5 th Avenue	10-14-10	Renewal
Xtreme Billiards & Bar Inc., 823 65 th Street	10-18-10	Alteration application
9715 Kildare Inc., Kitty Kiernans, 9715 3 rd Avenue	10-18-10	Renewal
*Tryst Lounge Inc., 7724 13 th Avenue	10-19-10	New Application
Gallery Social Inc., 7915 3 rd Avenue	10-22-10	Notice of 500 foot hearing on 10/26/10
*Dept. of Consumer Affairs Cabaret License for dancing at NY Hollywood Club., Inc. 834 62 nd Street	10-19-10	Cabaret License Application

*Has been invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting on November 10, 2010.