

Community Board Ten Board Meeting Attendance
Shore Hill Community Room
Monday, December 16, 2013 – 7:15 pm

Board Members Present: 31

Greg Ahl
Liz Amato
Jaynemie Capetanakis
Shirley Chin
Judith Collins
Doris Cruz
Ida D'Amelio
Khader El-Yateem
Barbara Germack
Andrew Gounardes
Ronald Gross
Stephen Harrison
Robert Hudock
June Johnson
Habib Joudeh
Brian Kieran
Stella Kokolis
Rhea McCone
Mary Nolan
Susan Pulaski
Mary Quinones
Dean Rasinya
Husam Rimawi
Susan Romero
Eleanor Schiano
Joanne Seminara
Joseph Sokoloski
Lawrence Stelter
Sandy Vallas
Mary Ann Walsh
Jonathan Yedin

Board Members Excused: 13

Allen Bortnick
Kevin Peter Carroll
Ann Falutico
Michael Festa
Judith Grimaldi
Brian Kaszuba
Katherine Khatari
Nikolaos Leonardos
Rita Meade
Jean Ryan
Dilia Schack
Fran Vella-Marrone
Lori Willis

Board Members Absent: 6

Anna DeMetz
Luigi Lobuglio
Jeannie May
Adil Oualim
Linda Sarsour
Tony Wu

Ex-Officio:

Councilman Vincent Gentile

COMMUNITY BOARD TEN GUESTS

Date: December 16, 2013 - 7:15 PM

Subject: CB10 Board Meeting - Shore Hill Community Room

PLEASE PROVIDE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

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Ken Chin			Assemblyman ORTIZ	

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN BOARD MEETING
December 16, 2013 – Shore Hill Community Room**

MINUTES

Chair Kieran called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM and invited John Crane, Director of Senior Housing at Lutheran Health Care, to lead the Honor of the Pledge.

Chair Kieran asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the amended Agenda. Agenda adopted as amended.

Chair Kieran asked for a motion from the floor to adopt the Minutes from the November 18, 2013 Board Meeting. Motion by BM Romero, seconded by BM Vallas. Minutes adopted as written.

PRESENTATION

Representatives Emily Genser and Justine Johnson from the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission gave a presentation on the new Five Boro Taxi Plan (Green Taxis). See Attached. Discussion followed.

BM Romero asked if the Boro Taxi picks up a passenger in a borough for a drop off in Manhattan, does it have to go back to whichever borough they are from. Ms. Genser replied that many drivers will because they know their neighborhood, but they can go back to any inclusionary area. BM Romero asked if the fares are the same as yellow taxis and was told that they are. She then asked how they can be efficient if they cannot pick up a fare from an exclusionary area. Ms. Genser said it is illegal for a yellow cab to refuse service to the outer boroughs from Manhattan. There are a lot of local fares that do not go into Manhattan. It is unfortunately something the drivers have to deal with. A Boro Taxi might be able to find a fare closer to the bridge and may not have to go back to his base.

BM Harrison noted that there is no prearrangement for yellow taxis and he is curious about the method being used in Manhattan. Ms. Genser said they are actually piloting the smart phone applications right now and will be voting on rules at a meeting this week. She cannot speak technically about it, but it is her understanding that the application is specifically designed so you can look at the location of yellow taxis. It is not about prearrangement. BM Harrison asked if Boro Taxis have that, and was told that it is optional and livery drivers can sign up for it.

BM Cruz asked where the two bases are in our area however Ms. Genser did not have the information readily available. BM Cruz asked how often GPS data is updated and if the community can access that information. Ms. Genser replied that you can request GPS data through FOIL. Chair Kieran said that we will get that information about the bases. BM Gounardes asked how long TLC keeps the information on GPS. Ms. Genser replied that she really does not know but every ride is on GPS. He then asked if it is linked to your credit card, and she replied that she did not know. BM Romero asked if Boro Taxis can pick up at airports and was told they cannot. However, they can do prearranged pickups at airports and they can drop off.

Chair Kieran invited Council Member Vincent Gentile to speak. The Councilman wished everyone a merry Christmas and happy New Year, and happy birthday to Bay Ridge which is 160 years old today. It was originally named Yellow Hook and was renamed Bay Ridge 160 years ago. One of the new things in Bay Ridge is the beautiful new Veteran's mural at the athletic field at Fort Hamilton High School, which was painted by about 70 people in the community. He invited everyone to go by to see it.

The Councilman stated that the Department of Transportation has identified 100 school zones across the City where drivers speed at least 75% of the time. He and Councilman Greenfield have sponsored a bill which will mandate speed bumps around City schools.

Councilman Gentile announced that tomorrow the Mayor will sign the bill for street namings for Firefighter Michael Behet 9/11 Memorial Way, Tom Kane Way, and John and Dorothy Maguire Way. Those families will be with him tomorrow at City Hall and they will witness the Mayor signing the bill. Ceremonies for those street namings will be held in the spring.

Councilman Gentile announced that Alternate Side Parking regulations will be suspended tomorrow due to anticipated snow removal. Finally, he stated that he shall return in 2014 as the most senior member of City Council, and he appreciates our support.

Assembly Member Alec Brook-Krasny wished Bay Ridge a happy birthday. He is honored and privileged to represent part of this wonderful neighborhood, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from his family and his staff. May 2014 be another great year for the Bay Ridge area, which is a great community with incredible family values. He is very proud to represent so many people and so many great families. The community is becoming more and more diverse, but getting better and better. Like his family, many families are coming here and want to become American as soon as possible. While being American, they are very proud of their heritage as well. Every year when getting together with his family they always say how blessed they are that they made the decision to come here. This is really a small town within a big City. He wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked everyone for being a great partner.

PUBLIC SESSION

Nicholas Chamberas, representing Assembly Member Nicole Malliotakis, wished Bay Ridge a happy birthday, saying it is a great community. He announced that the Assembly Member is holding the annual toy drive for kids in the Bay Ridge area through Sunday December 22nd at two drop off locations. The first is at Salam Arabic Lutheran Church, and he thanked Pastor El-Yateem who has been very gracious and helpful. The second location is at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church, 8401 Ridge Boulevard. On behalf of Assembly Member Malliotakis and himself, he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

John Quaglione from Senator Marty Golden's office announced the Holiday Senior Fair, which is a new event they are having this year on Thursday at St. Patricks from 12:00-3:00 PM. He noted that they will be mailing out their 2014 Alternate Side Parking calendar. Today they did an email in conjunction with Transportation Alternatives to almost 20,000 people about the B37 bus encouraging people to go on the MTA website and to call, as they have a board meeting coming up deciding on whether the bus will go past the Barclay Center. The 3rd Avenue bus will only run from 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM, so they are not restoring it to what it used to be. Also, regarding the X28, they have sent letters and collected almost 1,000 petitions asking that they restore the weekend service. He stated a personal observation about taxis and car services who park at meters especially on 3rd Avenue, where they double and triple park and take up all the meters. Finally, he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

On behalf of the Center Against Domestic Violence, BM Ahl thanked everyone for their generosity on the toys they brought this year. It is quite an impressive lot. There were some additional efforts made by Community Board Members who he wanted to mention and thank. First are June Johnson and her students at PS/IS 180 who hand decorated shopping bags with Christmas themes that will be filled with items for the moms. Mary Quinones brought shopping bags filled with slippers and toiletries. Integrated Health Care is collecting gift cards. Eleanor Petty's Lutheran Auxiliary Group also collected gifts for the moms as well as toys for the kids. He thinks this year we collected double the amount of items for the shelter.

BM Johnson commented on the statement made by BM Ryan during the Public Session at the November 18th Board Meeting, when she stated that the Eco Dock is not handicap accessible. On the day of the ribbon cutting BM Johnson spoke with one of the architects who assured her that the Eco Dock will be handicap accessible when it re-opens in the spring. The architect spoke at length to BM Johnson and BM Ryan that day, so she

wants it noted that the Eco Dock will be handicap accessible in the spring. Chair Kieran promised to look into it and complete the investigation to see what is going on.

PUBLIC HEARING

In the matter of an application for a new Enclosed Sidewalk Café (pre existing) at Vicolo Ristorante & Bar, Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafes Chair Gross rendered the Committee report. See Attached. Chair Kieran noted that the Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of this application.

Motion: CB10 to approve an application for a new Enclosed Sidewalk Café (pre existing) with 11 tables and 42 seats at ABI Group LLC, d/b/a Vicolo Ristorante & Bar, 8530 3rd Avenue; DCA License #1449171; DCP ULURP #N130124 ECK. All in favor. Motion carried.

CHAIR'S REPORT – See Attached

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – See Attached

TREASURER'S REPORT – See Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Traffic and Transportation Committee Chair Cruz rendered the Committee report. See Attached.

Motion to support the Committee's recommendation to approve the Street Naming Request for "Christopher J. Mega Way" by BM Harrison, seconded by BM Schiano. Committee Chair Cruz stated that she will confirm which corner will be renamed.

Motion: CB10 to approve the Street Naming Request for "Christopher J. Mega Way" at 80th Street between 10th and 11th Avenues. All in favor. Motion carried.

With regard to DOT's CityBench Program proposal for two benches at 9606 3rd Avenue, BM Joudeh thought this should be done by the BID. Committee Chair Cruz replied that there is no 3rd Avenue BID, and this is under the CityBench Program. There are other areas where there is a different program and the benches are very different. Motion to support the Committee's recommendation to approve this location, seconded by BM Kokolis.

Motion: CB10 to approve DOT's CityBench Proposal for two benches at 9606 3rd Avenue. All in favor. Motion carried.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In the absence of Police and Public Safety Committee Chair Vella-Marrone, BM Vallas rendered the Committee Report. See Attached. Discussion followed.

BM Stelter asked how common this tow truck practice is. BM Vallas replied that we have been advised that this is a common practice. It is a loop hole that the tow companies have. The tow truck picks up the car, takes it out of the parking lot just down the street, and is charging a removal fee of \$125 instead of the drop fee which is \$62.50. The rule is when the tow truck picks up the car, it must be taken directly to a storage lot within 10 miles. Legal counsel did not want to comment on this. Chair Kieran said if anyone knows about this or hears about it, the important thing would be to report it to the District Office. BM Harrison asked if they drop the cars

in metered spots. BM Vallas said that the tow companies are taking the cars out of the parking lot and parking them on the street, but the cars are on the hook. They are not supposed to do that; the only place the car is supposed to go is to a lot. DM Beckmann said that most of the complaints received by the District Office are from people whose car is removed from the lot and put on the street. The person then has to negotiate the charge with the tow truck operator on whether they are charged the drop fee or the removal fee. BM Romero noted that some of these places that have tow companies may have cameras posted, like Dunkin Donuts. Chair Kieran stated that if this is a common practice we can surely do something about it. BM Walsh asked if they have spotters, and DM Beckman said that they do.

OLD BUSINESS

BM Schiano stated that there is still an offensive odor on 92nd Street between 3rd Avenue and Ridge Boulevard.

NEW BUSINESS

BM Johnson announced that she is organizing a blood drive in honor of her son Matthieu on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at PS 102. She thanked Principal Cornelia Sichenze for allowing this to happen.

BM Gounardes announced that Wednesday is this year's final meeting of the Bay Ridge Historical Society. The meeting will be at 7:30 PM at the Shore Hill Community Room. The topic is Mayor Robert Wagner, and there will be refreshments.

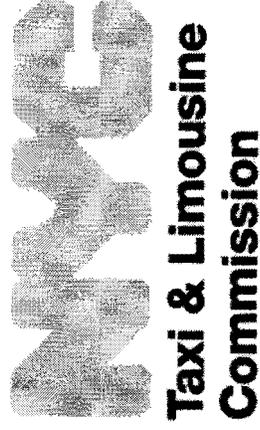
DM Beckmann announced that there will be a Christmas Concert of Handel's Messiah and a collection of Christmas songs and carols at St. Nectarios Church, 340 67th Street, on Saturday, December 21st at 7:00 PM. Tickets are available at the door.

Motion to adjourn by BM Vallas. With no further business, Chair Kieran adjourned the meeting at 8:25 PM.

Five Boro Taxi Plan

Community Board Presentation

December 2013



Street Hail Livery Permits

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- The number of permits we can sell is 18,000. All must be affiliated with a street hail livery base.
- At least 20%, or 3,600, of all permits sold must be restricted to wheelchair-accessible vehicles.
- As of November 8th, we have sold all 6,000 permits and 141 base endorsements:
 - 1,200 permits restricted to wheelchair-accessible vehicles.
 - 4,800 permits that can be used on any vehicle.
- There are 2,035 permit holders who have completed the 'hack-up' process.

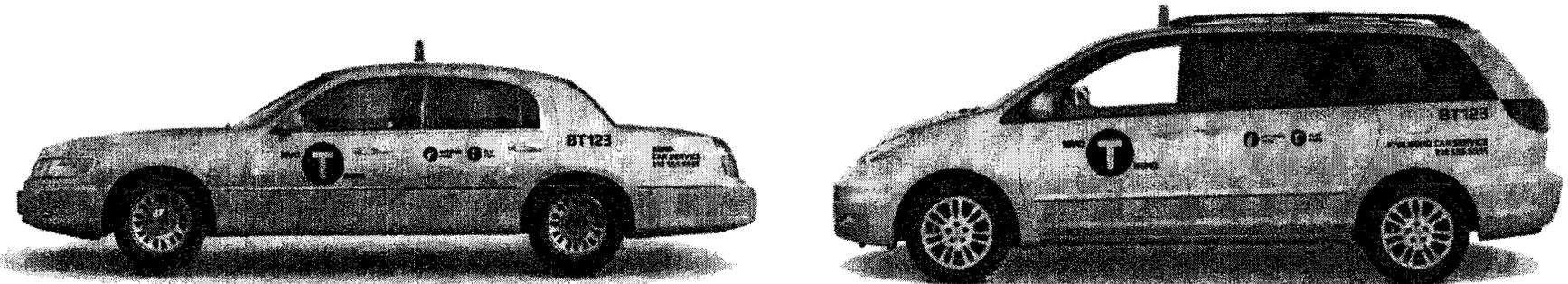
Basics of Boro Taxis

- Drivers and vehicle owners who purchase a Boro Taxi permit can pick-up street hails in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens (except the airports), Staten Island, and northern Manhattan (north of West 110th Street and East 96th Street).
- They can also continue to provide pre-arranged service/respond to dispatch calls from an affiliated car service.
- Boro Taxis cannot provide pre-arranged service/respond to dispatch calls below West 110th Street or East 96th Street in Manhattan unless they are providing Access-A-Ride service.

Basics of Boro Taxis (con't)

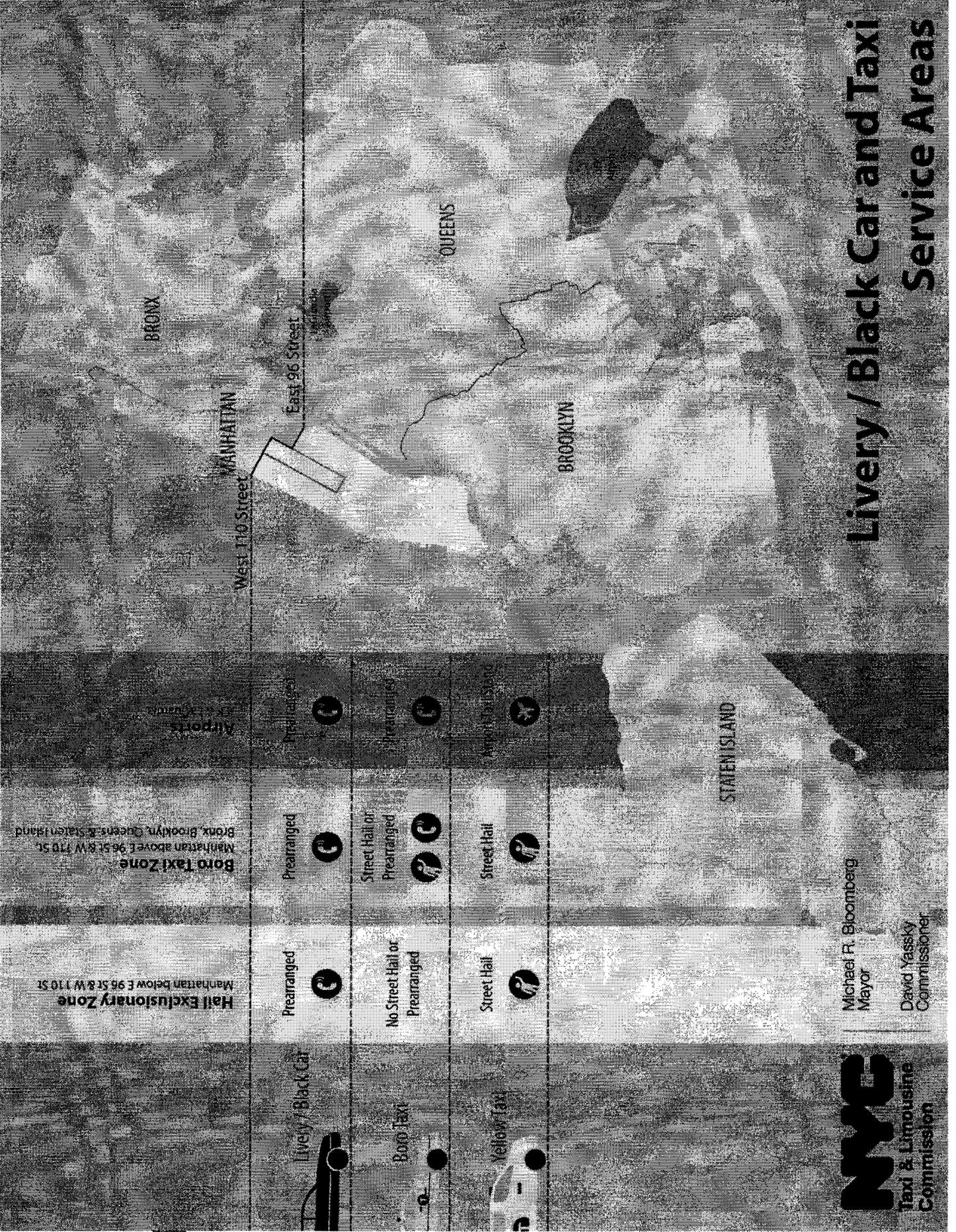
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- All Boro Taxis are required to have certain markings and equipment:
 - All must be painted Apple Green.
 - All must have a credit card reader, a taximeter, a GPS unit, and a rooflight.



- All Boro Taxis are inspected twice a year.

Livery / Black Car and Taxi Service Areas



Michael R. Bloomberg
Mayor

David Yassky
Commissioner



Benefits of Boro Taxis

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- **Set Fares:** All street hail pickups must use the metered fare that is also used in yellow taxis.
- **Safety & Security:**
 - ▣ Easy to distinguish licensed Boro Taxis
 - ▣ Inspected and insured
- **Convenience & Customer Service:**
 - ▣ GPS locators make it easier to recover lost property.
 - ▣ Credit card readers allow passengers to pay by debit/credit card.
- **Wheelchair Access:** 20% of all Boro Taxis must be wheelchair accessible

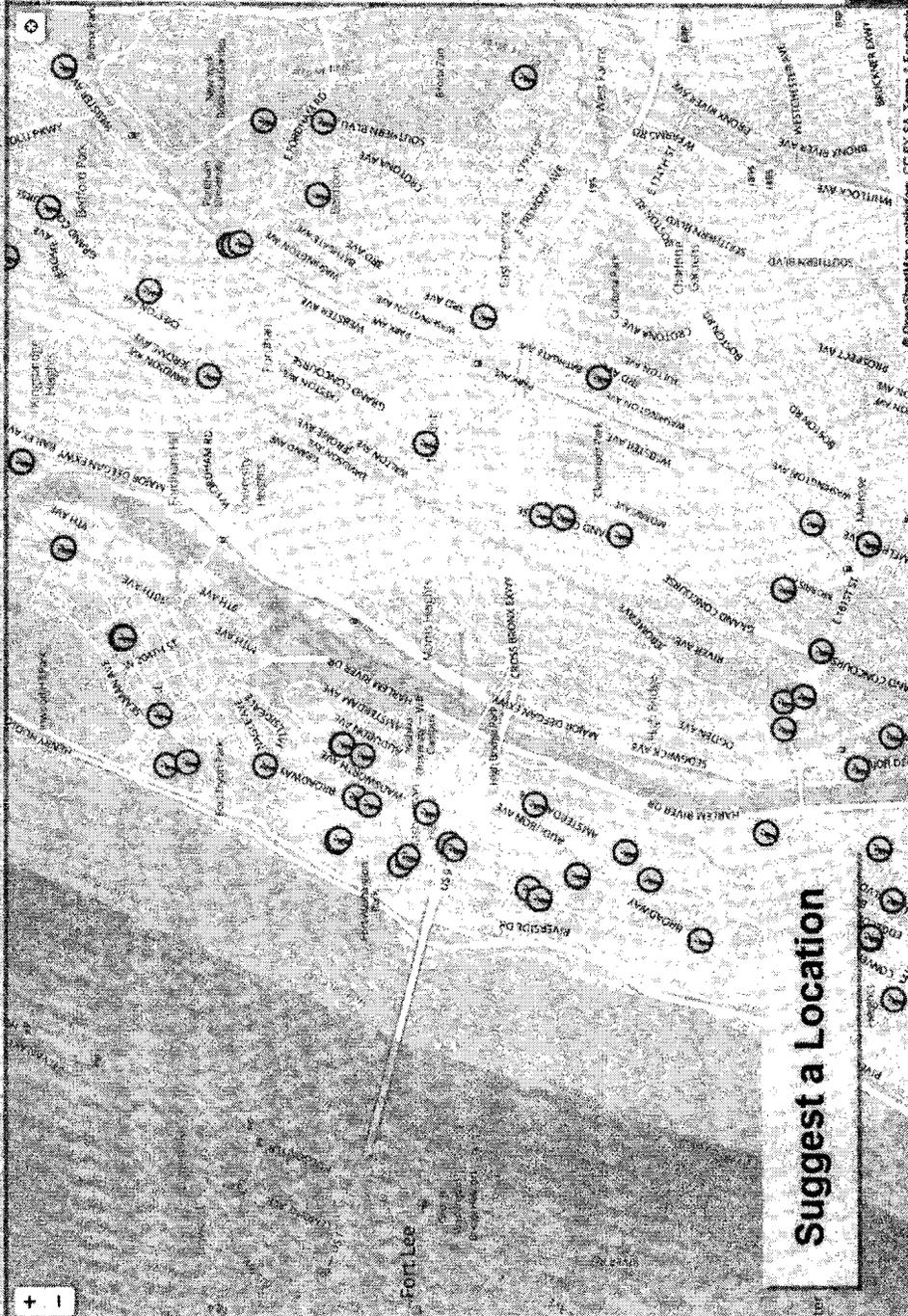
Suggest a Location for Boro Taxi Stands



Where do you want #BoroTaxi stands?

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Jeaus Garay suggested a Boro Taxi Stand - cross section of Woodhaven Blvd. and rockaway avenue (near A. rockaway station), location will serve OZONE PARK WOODHAVEN RICHMOND HILL and SOUTH OZONE PARK as well as HOWARD BEACH.

Someone suggested a Boro Taxi Stand - There is space on the street for a taxi stand and the Boro taxis could replace the black cars that currently litter in this space. Boro Taxis would be a much better use of this space. It's a highly trafficked area and would be a really useful taxi stand location for many people.

Someone suggested a Boro Taxi Stand - easy access to BQE

David suggested a Boro Taxi Stand

Someone suggested a Boro Taxi Stand - Centrally located in Fied Hook which lacks adequate public transportation. Close to several small businesses and two schools.

Someone suggested a Boro Taxi Stand - Boro's affluent is a hub!

Suggest a Location

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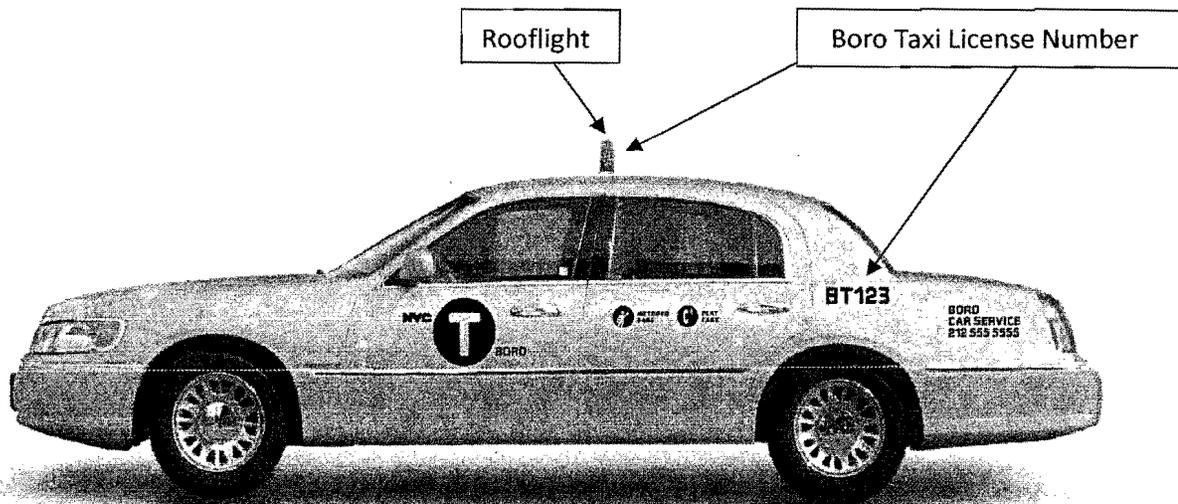
New York City Boro Taxis

On June 6th, 2013, the Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) began issuing licenses for a new type of taxicab called a Boro Taxi. The drivers of these cabs can provide safe, legal street hail service to passengers in northern Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, The Bronx, and Staten Island. If you haven't seen one in your neighborhood already, you should be seeing one in the coming months.

Here are some key facts the TLC wants you to know about Boro Taxis:

- **Areas of Service:** You can hail these taxicabs anywhere within the five boroughs except in Manhattan below W.110th Street and E.96th Street. You can also call ahead for one from your local car service.
- **Set Fares:** If you hail one, your driver has to use the metered fare, which is the same as the yellow taxi rate. If you call your local car service for one, the driver must input the car service's fare into the meter.
- **Convenience & Customer Service:** All Boro Taxis will be green in color, have a rooflight to indicate if it's available (meaning less honking), a taximeter, GPS (making it easier to locate lost property), and a credit/debit card reader. The credit/debit card reader must be made available for use on all trips. In addition, 20% of all Boro Taxi permits sold are restricted for wheelchair-accessible vehicles.
- **Safety and Security:** Every Boro Taxi is inspected by the TLC twice per year. Also, each Boro Taxi has a unique license number (like a yellow cab), and you can use it to file a complaint/commendation or retrieve lost property. See the diagram below:

Here's what a typical Boro Taxi will look like:

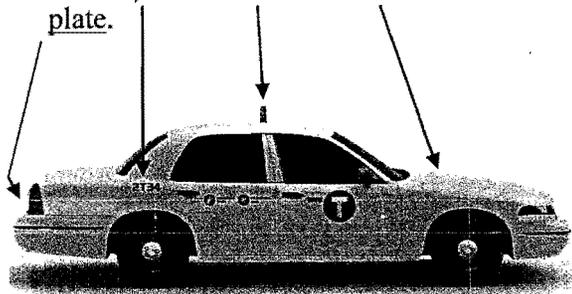


8. Identifying a Licensed Yellow Taxi:

Yellow taxis are the only vehicles in New York City that can pick-up hailing passengers.

Here are some easy ways to spot a New York City Taxi. Taxis are:

- Yellow in color
- Equipped with a roof light
- Equipped with a credit card reader and Taxi TV.
- Marked with the medallion number on the side panel, roof light, hood, and license plate.



- Available yellow taxis will have their roof-light illuminated

9. Unlicensed Vehicles:

Only drivers and vehicles licensed by the TLC are authorized to transport the riding public to their destinations.

- Licensed yellow taxi drivers are drug tested, have completed background checks and are required to attend taxi school.
- Licensed yellow taxi vehicles are required to have the proper insurance and are inspected for safety three times per year.

All TLC licensees have submitted that proper documentation, which makes finding lost property and filing consumer complaints more effective.

10. Commission Meetings:

The TLC has nine commissioners who meet monthly to vote on industry rule changes and policy initiatives.

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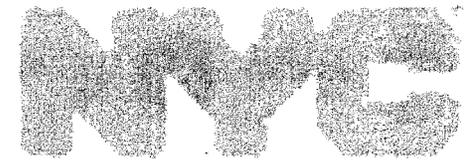
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Information last updated on May 6, 2013



Taxi & Limousine Commission

*Information Every Taxi
Passenger Should Know!*

1. Passenger Bill of Rights:

As a taxi passenger you have a right to:

- A driver who has and uses E-Z Pass at all toll crossings that accept it, and who charges passengers the discounted E-Z Pass rate
- Pay for your trip with a credit/debit card
- Go to any destination in New York City, Westchester County, Nassau County, or Newark Airport
- Direct the route taken
- A safe and courteous driver
- Air-conditioning or heat upon request
- A noise-free trip
- Clean, smoke-free air
- Working seatbelts for all passengers
- A clean taxicab
- Be accompanied by a service animal
- A driver who does not use a cell phone while driving
- Decline to tip for poor service

2. Fares:



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- All taxi fares are done through the meter. Your fare is broken down like this:
- **\$2.50** = Initial Fare
- **50 cents** per 1/5 mile over 6 mph
- **50 cents** per 60 seconds below 6 mph
- **50 cent** State Surcharge for every ride
- **50 cent** surcharge from 8pm-6am daily
- **\$1** surcharge from 4pm-8pm on weekdays, excluding holidays
- Passengers pay for all bridge and tunnel tolls at the E-Z Pass rate
- There are no additional charges for extra passengers or bags
- Please feel free to tip for good service
- Flat fare of \$52 from JFK to Manhattan

3. Importance of Taking Surveys:

Surveys are made available to each and every taxi passenger through Taxi TV screens in the back of each taxi. The data collected from passenger surveys is analyzed and helps the TLC develop and progress new policy. It is also a great way for the agency to know what passengers think of their taxi service.

4. Taking Your Receipt:

Please ask for your receipt at the end of your taxi trip. This receipt contains important information that will help 311 process your consumer complaints and locate your lost property.

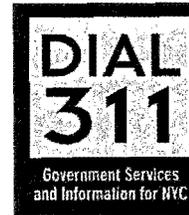
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5. How to File Lost Property Claims and Consumer Complaints:

You may file lost property claims and consumer complaints, by either:

- Dialing 311 if you are in New York City, or
- 212-NEW-YORK if you are out of town.
- Visiting 311 online at www.nyc.gov/311



In order to file lost property claims and consumer complaints, you will need to provide 311 with the following information:

- Time of the incident
- Location of the incident
- The medallion number of the taxi which can be found on the license plate, roof light, interior partition, and on your receipt.
- A brief description of what happened.

By filing consumer complaints, you may be asked to participate in a hearing.

6. Accessibility:

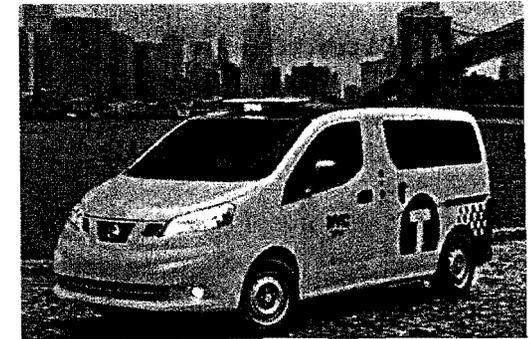
The TLC launched a 24/7, 365 days a year dispatch service to help passengers in wheelchairs find wheelchair accessible taxicabs in Manhattan.



There are five easy ways to connect with an Accessible Taxi near you:

- Dial 311
- Call the Dispatch Center @ 646-599-9999
- Text a request to: 646-400-0789
- Download the free app "Wheels on Wheels" for iTunes and Android
- Visit: www.nycaccessibledispatch.org

7. Taxi of Tomorrow (TOT):



The TOT is the first purpose built taxicab designed specifically for New York City passengers. Some unique features include:

- Deployable step, grab handles and lightweight sliding doors
- Low, flat flooring
- Wide entrance way
- Hearing loop
- Easier access to seatbelts
- Separate climate control systems for the driver and passenger
- Transparent "Skyroof"
- Unprecedented legroom
- USB charging stations and reading lights
- Greater luggage capacity

The Taxi of Tomorrow is expected to be on the road in Fall of 2013.

Boro Taxis:

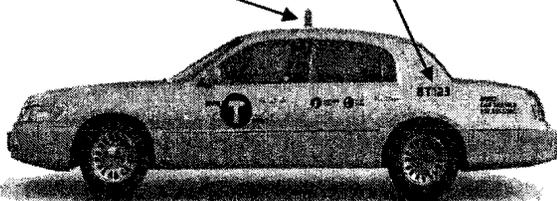
This is a new class of taxi called Boro Taxis. Boro taxis can be prearranged or hailed from the street in Manhattan above E.96th Street and W.110th Street, the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island. Boro taxis can drop off passengers anywhere in the City.

Boro taxis are prohibited from picking up hailing passengers in Manhattan below E.96th Street and W.110th Street, as well as at LGA, JFK, and Newark airports. However, if prearranged, Boro taxis are permitted to make pickups at LGA, JFK and Newark airports.

The rate of fare for a trip starting from the street in a Boro taxi is the same as the current yellow taxi fare.

Like yellow taxis, Boro taxis will have distinct features such as a uniform color (apple green), a meter, a rooflight, a GPS unit, and a credit/debit card reader.

Boro taxis will also have distinct markings to help you identify them. The Boro taxi license number can be found on the rear quarter panel and on the rooflight.



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Taxi & Limousine Commission

*Information Every Livery/Boro
Taxi Passenger Should Know!*

Passenger Bill of Rights:

As a Livery/Boro Taxi passenger, you have the right to:

- Ride in a car that is clean, in good condition, and has passed all required inspections.
- Be driven by a TLC-licensed driver in good standing whose license is clearly displayed.
- A safe and courteous driver who obeys all traffic laws.
- Pay a metered fare for trips that start on the street, with the option to pay for your trip with a credit card. (Boro taxi only)
- A quiet trip, free from horn-honking and audio/radio noise.
- Receive a fare quote from the dispatcher and pay that amount for your ride (unless the trip changes). (Prearranged trips only)
- A driver who does not use a cell phone while driving (hands-free phones are not permitted).
- A smoke and scent free ride.
- Air-conditioning or heat on request.
- Working seatbelts for all passengers – please use them!
- Not share a ride, unless you want to.
- Be accompanied by a service animal.
- Decline to tip for poor service.
- Request a wheelchair-accessible vehicle

Livery Cab Fares:

- All fares for livery trips are determined by your car service's dispatcher when you call for your cab.
- The dispatcher's price is the fare for the trip – unless you change the destination of your trip.
- Each car service has its own fare structure and it is up to you to choose which car service offers the best price.
- To pay by debit/credit card, and to get a receipt, tell the dispatcher in advance.

Unlicensed Livery Cabs

Only drivers and vehicles licensed by the TLC are authorized to transport the riding public to their destinations.

- Licensed livery cab drivers are drug tested, have completed background checks and are required to take a defensive driving course.
- Licensed livery cab vehicles are required to have the proper insurance and are inspected for safety by the TLC.
- Licensed car services have set fares which are on file with the TLC.

All TLC licensees have submitted the proper documentation, which makes finding lost property and filing consumer complaints more effective.

If you would like to call a licensed car service, please visit www.nyc.gov/tlc and search "find a ride." This is an up-to-date list of all current TLC licensed car services that provide service in your area. The list is broken down by borough and zip code and provides a phone number and address for each car service.

Can I Hail Livery Cabs?

It is against the law for a livery cab driver to offer you a ride that was not prearranged.

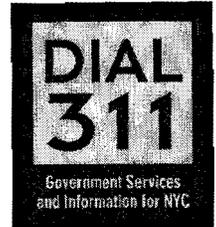
Besides being against the law, there are some risks associated with hailing a livery cab:

- Livery drivers and vehicles do not have the proper insurance to provide trips through street hailing.
- The TLC and the car service will not have a record of the trip, making it difficult to file a complaint or find lost property.
- Livery cabs do not have meters so there is no way to ensure that you are paying the right price.
- If you would like to know how to hail a Boro taxi, please see the Boro taxi section of this brochure

How to File Consumer Complaints and Retrieve Lost Property:

You may file consumer complaints, by either:

- Dialing 311 if you are in New York City, or
- 212-NEW-YORK if you are out of town
- Visiting 311 online at www.nyc.gov/311



In order to file a complaint, you will need to provide 311 with the following information:

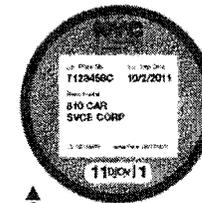
- Time of the incident,
- Location of the incident,
- The cab license number,
- And a brief description of what happened.

To retrieve your lost property, please call the car service which provided you service. They will ask you basic questions about your trip.

Licensed Livery Cab Markings:

Stickers on the side and rear of the livery cab must have:

1. The car service's name
2. The car service's license number
3. The car service's telephone number



Look for the TLC decal on the rear quarter windows. This means the car is licensed. The decal has information about the car and its car service.



ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés

Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2013

Community Board 10 Offices – 7pm

The ZALUC Subcommittee for Outdoor Cafés met on 11-Dec-2013. A quorum **WAS** | **WAS NOT** met.

A **NEW** | **RENEWAL** application for an **ENCLOSED** | **UNENCLOSED** sidewalk café was discussed for 11 tables and 42 seats at Vicolo Ristorante and Bar located at 8530 3rd Avenue - Brooklyn 11209. The Consumer Affairs License Number is 1449171.

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

This is a new application representing a change in ownership. The location is the former Gold Coast Deli. It was noted that a copy of a letter from DCA to the owner was received at the Board office. The letter requested that the dark tint covering be

Notes: removed to restore the visibility through the cafe.

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

CONTINUED

December 16, 2013

Chair Report

Good Evening,

I hope the holiday season finds you well and that you anticipate a peaceful and productive New Year. The year 2014 should be an exciting time in New York City and in our community as well. We can look at what we accomplished in the past and plan to make our neighborhoods even better next year.

In 2013 we passed a traffic safety plan for Fourth Avenue. We will examine more traffic safety enhancements in 2014 including a reinstatement of speed boards that let a driver know his/her speed, slow speed zones, traffic cameras and enhanced enforcement of traffic regulations. We will meet the NYPD Chief of Traffic Enforcement in January and attempt to get more traffic safety resources for CB 10.

We will work with our neighbors in CB 11 to draft and effect a practical plan to eliminate illegal curb cuts in our neighborhoods. We will look for assistance from the Department of Finance and from Borough President Eric Adams in order to draft an effective plan.

We have begun the process of improving the bus situation around 4th Avenue and 86th Street. In 2014 we will work hard to create a plan that eliminates the congestion and danger caused by too many buses and too many passengers crammed into a too small a space. Our bus services in 2014 should improve dramatically with increased Select Service and the MTA Bus Time program. Delays on local buses including the B-1 are beyond acceptable but Bus Time which is in operation in other parts of the city uses GPS technology to track the exact location and arrival times of buses so riders know when the next bus is expected to arrive at its stop.

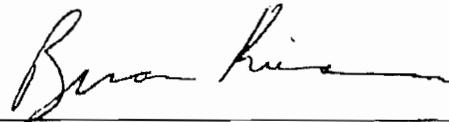
We had a successful holiday gathering organized by our own inimitable Liz Amato. Thank you Liz. The idea that our members get together to discuss personal issues and just enjoy each others company without the pressure of a schedule or agenda makes us better prepared to work together to meet the challenges of our community. We will examine whether a Spring social can be done as well.

I'm very proud of the work that all of you do to make Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and Fort Hamilton into wonderful communities. Our T&T members met earlier this evening just before the board meeting to address unfinished business. It's another example of the unselfish and compassionate energy you all bring to your lives: to your employment, to your friends, your family and to the community. I want to remind you that no one could do much without the tireless work of our incredible staff in the district office: Joanne, Dorothy and Josephine.

Not one of us could accomplish much of consequence on our own. Civic work is a collaborative effort ... it is a team thing. We need to pull to work together toward our goal of a better life for all our neighbors and fellow citizens. We need and we get help from our great

elected representatives; in the Assembly Peter Abbate, Alec Brooks-Krasny, and Nicole Malliotakis; in the City Council Vincent Gentile and Nelson Menchaca; State Senator Golden as well as Congressman Grimm. Let's continue the hard work and team effort we have done this past year so that we can together make 2014 the best year ever for Community Board 10.

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to and your families.



Brian Kieran

District Manager Report
December 16, 2013

Good Evening Board Members,

We were notified by our liaison at the NYC Department of Environmental Protection that they are no longer funding trench restorations. As you know we have a trench restoration request for the intersection of Bay Ridge Parkway at 13th Avenue. Upon learning this information I reached out to the NYC Department of Transportation to determine – moving forward – which agency will fulfill requests to reconstruct a street that has been determined is in need and there are no underlying water issues.

The District Office continues to receive resident complaints about recurring cave-ins along 13th Avenue from Bay Ridge Parkway to 76th Street. There is currently a large depression that is once again sinking leaving residents frustrated. The DOT informed us that this depression is currently under the jurisdiction of the NYC Department of Environmental Protection for sewer inspection. We know all too well voids underground have potential of becoming sink holes. Today I again spoke to DEP to let them know that this location needs to be made safe.

The District Office received a notification a week ago from Empire State Development Program regarding a public hearing which is required by the UDC Act will be held at the meeting room 4201 4th Avenue tomorrow December 17, 2013 10am to 11am to consider the General Project Plan. The grant is an allocation from State Senator Martin J. Golden to be used for a view corridor and landscaping areas at Shore Road Park from 95th Street to 101st Street.

There has been a lot in news about mental health awareness and assistance and through a partnership with Woodhull Mobile Treatment Team- Parachute NYC is offering a respite program for young people ages 18-30 experiencing a first episode of psychosis. Detailed information regarding this program will be posted on our website.

The District Office received a notice to be announced regarding its OATH Health Tribunal. It is opening on December 20th for all Brooklyn based restaurants and food service establishments. This is an administrative court – a division of the NYC office of Administrative Trials and Hearings. It is a neutral place where hearings on alleged violations issued by NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene are held. The Brooklyn location is at 9 Bond Street 6th Floor. Copy of brochure will be posted on our website.

Construction work has commenced at the Dyker Beach Park Dog Run.

NATIONAL GRID is currently working on upgrading service on 83rd Street between 7th and 10th Avenue as well as 70th Street between Fort Hamilton Parkway and 8th Avenue.

CRANE OPERATION The District Office of Community Board Ten has been notified of a crane operation on December 21st and 22nd as well as December 28th and 29th on 92nd Street between 3rd and 4th Avenue. The closing was approved by NYC DOT for installation of telecommunication equipment.



4th Avenue Bridge Over Belt Parkway - NIGHT TIME WORK

Commencing December 2nd - 10pm to 5am. This work includes under deck repairs masonry and application of the anti-graffiti protective coating to the concrete structure.

Homeless Outreach Population Estimate (HOPE)

On January 27, 2014, the Department of Homeless Services will conduct its annual Homeless Outreach Population Estimate (HOPE). It is a unique opportunity to volunteer and participate in an extraordinary citywide effort. Homeless Services needs approximately 3,000 volunteers to help survey the

number of homeless individuals living on city streets, parks, and in other public spaces in New York City. While it is the night of our Board Meeting it will be held at night..

Citizens Committee for NYC Neighborhood Grants

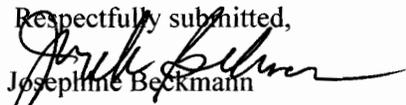
Citizens Committee for NYC awards grants of up to \$3,000 to resident-led groups to work on community and school improvement projects addressing issues that they identify as important to them. The deadline to apply is January 27th. Flyer with details is listed on our website.

Thank you to Greg Ahl who transports Community Board Ten donations to local domestic violence shelter.

The 2014 Meeting Halls Schedule is available for all Board Members. Please take one before you leave this evening. The next General Board Meeting will take place on Monday, January 27th at Shore Hill.

On behalf of Dorothy, JoAnn and myself, we would like to wish to all of you in celebrating -- a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Respectfully submitted,


Josephine Beckmann

District Manager

**COMMUNITY BOARD TEN
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

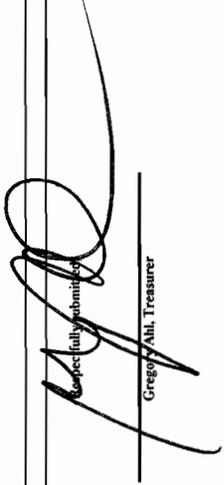
Budget Appropriation for FY 14										\$206,895.00
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	7/31/13	8/31/13	9/30/13	10/31/13	11/30/13	12/31/13	1/31/14	2/28/14	3/31/14	4/30/14	5/31/14	6/30/14	Y - T - D
DISTRICT MANAGER	\$10,902.49	\$12,236.04	\$8,157.36	\$8,157.36	\$8,157.36								
COMMUNITY COORDINATOR	\$6,480.22	\$7,397.76	\$4,931.84	\$4,931.84	\$4,931.84								
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE	\$1,387.92	\$2,071.20	\$1,380.80	\$1,380.80	\$1,380.80								
COMMUNITY ASSISTANT													
Total Personal Services	\$18,970.63	\$21,705.00	\$14,470.00	\$14,470.00	\$14,470.00	\$0.00	\$84,085.63						

ExpensesCode	Description	7/31/13	8/31/13	9/30/13	10/31/13	11/30/13	12/31/13	1/31/14	2/29/2014	3/31/14	4/30/14	5/31/14	6/30/14	Y - T - D
10B	Telephone	181.13												
10X	Intra-City Supplies		201.61	200.06	201.47	199.81								
40B	Intra-City Telephone													
100	Supplies & Materials													
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	75.00								
332	Data Process Equipment													
337	Books													
402	Tel./Communications			193.41	193.41	193.41								
412	Rental/Misc./Equip	44.41	342.41											
417	Advertising													
431	Leasing Misc. Equip.													
451	Local travel expenditures				400.00									
602	Telecomm. Maintenance	24.64	24.64	24.64	25.00	24.66								
613	Office Equip. Maint.													
615	Data Process Equipment													
615	Printing Supplies													
622	Temporary Services-contractual	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00								
624	Cleaning Services													
608	Iron Security Gate Maintenance													
676	Avoting													
414	Water, Sewer, Utility													
Total Other than Personal Services		\$410.18	\$728.66	\$578.11	\$1,114.88	\$652.88	\$0.00	\$3,484.71						

TOTAL PS AND OTPS EXPENSES	19,380.81	22,433.66	15,048.11	15,584.88	15,122.88	0.00	87,570.34							
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TOTAL UNCOMMITTED BUDGET BALANCE														\$119,324.66
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 Gregory Ahl, Treasurer

Community Board 10 Traffic and Transportation Committee Report for December 16, 2013 Meeting

The committee met in quorum on Monday, December 16, 2013 at the Shore Hill Community Room.

The first item on the agenda was a street naming request Christopher J Mega at 80th Street between 10th and 11th Avenue. Chris Mega was a State Assemblyman, State Senator and a Judge. He was a well-known and respected leader in the Bay Ridge/Dyker Heights community. In addition to his duties as an elected official and a judge, Chris Mega was active and supported the many community groups in CB 10. There were letters of support from elected officials and organizations.

The committee voted unanimously to approve this request.

The second item on the agenda was a request for a Citibench at 9606 Third Avenue. The bench was originally requested by Athens Market. Key Food currently operates at that location. Key Food supports the request and asked if there could be two benches.

The committee voted unanimously to approve the installation of two Citibenches at 9606 Third Avenue.

Respectfully submitted

Doris N Cruz 

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

December 16, 2013

The Police and Public Safety Committee met in quorum on Monday, December 9, 2013. The Committee first heard from DM Josephine Beckmann regarding a brief history of complaints from local residents who had been towed from private parking lots within Community Board Ten.

Vincent Romano, a local resident and attorney, whose car was towed from a lot made a presentation to the Police and Public Safety Committee in an effort to help educate local residents about the proper procedures tow companies must follow when a car is towed from a private lot.

Mr. Romano voiced concern about a common practice of tow companies who spot someone exiting from the private lot – towing the vehicle off the premises to nearby street – waiting for driver to return and charging a REMOVAL FEE versus a DROP FEE. A Drop fee (a lesser charge of \$62.50 is charged when vehicle owner returns to lot and car is in tow on the lot) a REMOVAL FEE should only be charged if the car is removed to a storage lot within ten miles of the location. Often times the NYPD or Consumer Affairs are summoned to the scene to settle this and other disputes. The Committee then listed what residents should know if they are involved in a tow and agreed to provide guidelines to residents seeking advice following a tow.

TOW TRUCK GUIDELINES TO TOW FROM PRIVATE LOT

1. Need proper signage with all of the required information. DCA License, valid corporation.
2. The tow operator must have express written authorization from the OWNER of the private property.
3. The tenant must be designated as the property owner's authorized agent and sign an authorization for each vehicle removed, which includes: the location, make, model, color and plate number of the vehicle removed.
4. Tow company doing the towing must be the same as the company on the warning sign.
5. Fees according to DCA drop fee:
 - Drop fee is \$62.50 plus tax
 - Removal fee is \$125 plus tax and includes 3 days of storage

6. Removal fee applies when a tow company hooks a vehicle and removes it and it is taken directly to a storage facility. There is a maximum 10 mile rule.
7. Drop fee applies if the vehicle is hooked and the owner arrives prior to the vehicle's removal from the area. (\$62.50 plus tax)
8. Person must receive a receipt from the tow company.

9. Tow Company must notify the 68th Precinct within 30 minutes after arrival at the facility. Ricky Wong, Assistant Commissioner from NYC Department of Consumer Affairs was also present and answered questions pertaining to Mr. Romano's presentation. Committee members asked Mr. Wong for a DCA determination regarding the appropriate fee that should be charged if a car is taken immediately outside of the private lot.

In response, DM Beckmann followed up with Mr. Wong via email. He informed the Community Board that he consulted with their executive deputy general counsel and DCA will not be issuing a legal interpretation on it as CB10 clearly pointed out in the regulations that the removal of a consumer vehicle during the process of a non consensual tow requires the tow company to tow the vehicle back to their storage facility. Parking the towed vehicle around the corner from the original tow site or down the street is contrary to that regulation and to ask for DCA to take a position on if a drop fee or removal would be charged in that type of scenario is asking DCA to condone and legitimize an illegal action.

Mr. Wong stated that he will continue to work with our office to resolve these issues in our community. He advises consumers to file complaints with DCA for possible mediation and of course report any alleged unscrupulous tow activates to me so that I can have our inspectors investigate.

DM Beckmann also reached out to DI Richard DiBlasio to make sure that patrol officers responding to such calls for assistance are aware of DCA regulations.

The Police and Public Safety Committee with the District Office will create an Information Sheet for residents who have questions on tow practices. In addition, we will meet to further discuss at an upcoming meeting the Department of Consumer Affairs response to the problem of tow practices that may require legislative recommendations as well as additional questions raised by committee members.

Respectfully submitted.

Fran Vella-Marrone



Chair Police and Public Safety

STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY – NEW APPLICATIONS & RENEWALS

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Received at CB 10</u>	<u>Status</u>
3 rd Ave. Salumi Inc., d/a/b Zitos 3 rd Ave., 7604 3 rd Avenue	12/10/13	*New Application (Wine & Beer Only)
Circles Natural, 6901 3 rd Avenue	12/12/13	500' Hearing
Verrazano Deli, 9130 4 th Avenue	12/23/13	Renewal
Dari Mediterranean Corp., 8518 – 8520 3 rd Ave.	12/27/13	*New Application (Liquor, Wine & Beer)
Mori Sushi Inc., 8619 5 th Avenue	12/27/13	*New Application (Wine & Beer Only)
Shogun Sushi Inc., 6201 11 th Avenue	1/2/14	*New Application (Wine & Beer Only)
Crown KTV Inc., 848 64 th Street	1/2/14	*Renewal
Hana 86 Sushi Inc., d/b/a Sushi Hana, 524 86 th Street	1/8/14	New Application (Wine & Beer Only)
*Arthur Maresca or entity to be formed by him, 10007 4 th Avenue	1/10/14	New Application (Liquor, Wine & Beer)

* Has been invited to present application at Police & Public Safety Committee Meeting in January 2014.