



Chairman: Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager: William Rivera

## **Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary** **January 13, 2021**

**Committee Chair:** Kwabena Gabay

**Board Members Present:** Kwabena Gabay, Jorge Hurtado, Chieue Jones, Jamal King, Louise Merchana, DM Rivera

**A. Committee Description:** The Parks and Recreation Committee represents the community's interests with regard to parks, park services and all park related matters and acts as a liaison between parks users and the New York City Parks Department.

### **DM Update**

- All committees have been assigned. All committees will have 6 Board Members, besides Land & Zoning which will have 7 and NYCHA which will have 5.
- The new office for CB9 has been completed. The move will probably be in the summer.
- There will be a MLK event and candlelight vigil on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> for Board Members and Community Members that passed away during COVID.
- A clergy meeting will be held this month or next month.
- CB9 is distributing food every week with Rap4Bronx and at food pantries in the district.
- DM Rivera asked the committee for the stakeholders for special needs and autism to be invited to the next Parks Committee meeting, to have a conversation about a sensory park at Stevenson Commons.
- The Committee along with DM Rivera discussed working with DOH and DOE to get kids active and moving during the summer. The committee discussed having equipment such as jump ropes, volleyballs, foots balls, etc. for the children. BM Ms. Jones will take the lead on this.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25 PM