

Brooklyn Community Board #4 Regular Monthly Meeting  
Wednesday, April 18, 2018  
RiseBoro Youth Center  
1474 Gates Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11237  
6:00PM

The Brooklyn Community Board #4 April 18, 2018 Meeting. The Chairperson, Ms. Julie Dent opened the monthly Community Board #4 meeting at 6:12PM.

This is not the regular meeting location for the Community Board Monthly meeting. We want to thank RiseBoro for letting us have our meeting here. At this time 195 Linden Street is still under construction.

- Agenda Items -

Ms. Hansley has done many wonderful things in our community stated Chairperson Julie Dent. Ms. Dent invited one of her daughters to speak before the board.

Annie, Ms. Avellar Hansley's middle daughter spoke.

It is a great honor to be here and to be considered of having a street named after our mother. (Ms. Hansley's two other daughters were also present: Martha and Patricia) She truly loved the Bushwick Community and she provided a lot of services throughout the years.

I was just reading a New York Times article from 1986 where it mentioned that my mom took what was once a dump and made it into a secret garden for the community. She also had a food pantry and she did a lot of community service work. My family thank you for this wonderful opportunity.

The Chairperson asked if anyone else would like to say a few words about Ms. Hansley.

Board Member, Parks and Recreation Committee Chairperson and Parliamentarian of Community Board #4 Mr. Robert Camacho: In 1986, 1987 I was the auxiliary sergeant in the 83<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Hansley was the treasurer of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Precinct Council. She was always helping me. Anytime I would get upset and uptight when things did not work out well she would always tell me to calm down. She would sit me down and say "things will work out". She was on Community Board 4 for a long time. She was a pillar and I loved her to death. She was the best thing that Bushwick ever had. She could tell you stories for days. I always want to remember her as the thriving woman that she was, pushing and helping anyone that needed help. It will be an honor to see her name on Linden Street, if this board approves. Her family is my family. (As he looked at her daughters) We really adored her, thank you for giving us the time with her.

Ms. Louise Manning: Ms. Hansley was my second mom. When we had community meetings and she couldn't drive anymore I was the driver. I am going to miss the community garden picnics that she established and I will miss her. She was just like my mom to me.

Chairperson Julie Dent: Mrs. Tracey Lott-Davis has been the Principle of PS/IS 45 for many years. She is here to update us on her school. She has brought the school up to very high standards and we are very proud of her.

2) Tracey Lott-Davis, Principle of PS/IS 45: I have been in Bushwick for many, many years. I went to kindergarten at PS 151, I was in PS 45 from grades 1 – 6, I went to the old JHS 296 and I went out for High School. I came back at the age of 19 in my last year of college and became a para at PS45. When I graduated college I was offered a teaching job at my Alma Marta. After teaching there for 11 years I became the Assistant Principle and since 2005 I have been the Principle. So this is home. PS 45 is my home. My mother and my sister taught there and my nephews, nieces, and other family members all went to PS 45.

I tell my students that no matter what corner they go to, that I know the corner. Not that I have been in it, but I definitely know where the good hiding spots are in the school.

PS 45 is a great school. I tell my community great things come out of it, because look at me. Look what came out of Bushwick. I have been at PS 45 for almost 34 years.

My story for my students is that you can be anything you would like to be as long as you put the work in.

My goal at PS 45 is to make sure that they have the foundation, to reach their goals. What I have learned, I want to make sure that my students are able to learn it too.

I went in a time when the gifted students had all of the material. They had everything. They had thesaurus, dictionaries, etc.

I had class 306, when my mother was working there I asked her, where are the books, where are the materials? I always had it in the back of my mind that if I ever had the opportunity to run this school I will make sure that the every single child have a new book according to their grade level and not according to their academic level. I have to give them material that will support them where they are at and support them to where they are going. I do not want parents to have to buy anything and I do not want children to have to share books. My goal is to make sure that everything that the children need is there for them next September 2018 when we open up the building. I am spending money now so that will happen.

Some of the programs that we have are:

I took the school from pre-school to 5, to pre-school to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade in 2011. We found that parents did not want to send their children to schools outside of Bushwick. A test was done in the Bloomberg era. Data was submitted and the data showed that the majority of the students from PS 45 were not attending middle school in Bushwick.

This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> graduating class this June and out of the 62, 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduating students, 23 of them have been at PS 45 since Pre-K and 15 of them have been there since kindergarten.

Program Overview:

- Elementary Students: Swim for life and Inside Broadway
- Upper Students: Programs that deal with dance, theatre and behind the camera
- CHAMPS: The goal of the CHAMPS Middle School Sports & Fitness program is to improve student's fitness levels and overall health by increasing opportunities for children to engage in physical activity.
- PSAL - Public Schools Athletic League: The mission of the Public Schools Athletic League is to provide opportunities for education student in physical fitness, character development and socialization skills through an athletic program that fosters teamwork, discipline and sportsmanship.
- Algebra for All and College Access for All. We took them to number of Universities, such as Farmingdale, Binghamton and they just visited Poly Tech this past Friday and on May16, they are going to Harvard.
- Computer programs
- Me Self Esteem program for the girls
- Man Cave program for the boys

- Middle School Arts Program
- Finance Program: teaches them how to save money
- And much more

Great things come out of Bushwick and this I know for a fact, concluded Ms. Lott-Davis.

Chairperson Dent: Thanked Principle Tracey Lott-Davis. She stated, “We are proud of the wonderful things that is coming out of IS 45.”

Chairperson Julie Dent welcome and invited Assemblywoman Maritza Davila to speak.

Assemblywoman Maritza Davila: She thanked all in attendance for being present and she thanked Chairperson Julie and the District Manager Celeste Leon for letting her speak. She came to the meeting to read a statement.

A few weeks ago there was a big meeting at Community Board #4 and yesterday (April 17<sup>th</sup>) there was a meeting at the Borough President’s office regarding 1601 DeKalb Avenue.

One of the reasons why this is so close to my heart is because 1) almost my entire family lives on Hart Street were the development is going to go up.

Assemblywoman Maritza Davila, 53<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District’s, representing the neighborhood of Bushwick and Williamsburg Statement:

“I am a Bushwick resident. My mother brought me here when I was 3 months old. I was educated here. So good things can come out of our neighborhood schools.

As a Bushwick resident and community organizer for over 27 years and now the State Representative for the area, I have seen our neighborhood change from the blackout and fires of the 70’s to the vibrant growing community that it is now.

As our community face challenges due to economic pressures from rising rents, displacing long time tenants and a bid to turn a profit, is at an all-time high.

Bushwick is the home of not only long term tenants but new ones, who actively want to be part of the community.

After hearing about this proposed rezoning only 2 days before the developers, CAMBA went to address the Community Board. I was taken back about the swiftness that this project was being pushed.

After hearing documents from my community residence at the Borough President’s Public hearing yesterday in addition to meeting with more tenants that are facing an uncertain future, they fight to gain protection under the “Loft Law”. I oppose this project as has been presented.

The number of affordable units being presented is not enough to justify the request for rezoning. Moreover, the need to rezone additional lots that are not currently owned by the developer is concerning.

Though CAMBA has offered a letter to the Community Board to assure that no tenants will be displaced, these are just words, phrased into a potential benefit agreement. Sadly as we have seen time and time again projects like Atlantic Yard and the Rheingold redevelopment site.

CAMBA offer no real concrete protection unless these agreement are place in the land disposition agreement at the time of rezoning. This would eliminate the possibility of a developer shirking their responsibility by selling the property to a third party and leaving the partners out in the cold.

In addition, I have serious concerns about the physical property itself. To my knowledge the site has been a parking lot for more than 2 decades and has numerous cars stored there, that have been exposed to the elements including rain and snow. The environmental impact in which the unknown gas, oil and anti-freeze that has seep into the soil, allowing the excavation of the site to residence development may post serious health problems by releasing potential harmful

exposure to the immediate surrounding neighborhood, as our area is already know for elevated cases of asthma and other toxins.

In conclusion I request that the board vote down the project as it stands and encourage CAMBA to seriously engage the residence in the foot prints of a proposed site if it want to live up to its commitment of being a good community partner.

I want to thank everyone and I also want to that you (Chairperson Dent) for allowing me to make this testimony because it is extremely important that we all understand.

About two months ago someone made a statement that they are not here to protect the people of the community that they are here to protect the buildings. Well guess what? I am going to protect my people.

I see the 32BJ-SEIU person in the back and my brother has been a member for 20 years. And he definitely does not want to see his nieces and nephews displaced because of a monstrous building coming up. Although I support all your efforts I am really passionate about this. With so much excavation happening we need to start protecting ourselves. So thanks again for letting me come before the board to speak.

Chairperson Julie Dent: Thank you so much our most distinguish Assemblywoman Maritza Davila.

3) Grant Lindsay, Blanche Romey and John Robertson, Members, East Brooklyn Congregation (EBC) and St. Thomas Church: Requesting a letter of support from Community Board #4 Land Use Committee for the EBC/Breaking Ground proposal to develop the NYCHA Seniors First Bushwick II site, including Block 3325, Lot 1 on Linden Street between Wilson and Knickerbocker Avenues.

Father Joseph Hoffman, the Pastor of St. Barbara's Parish in Bushwick: We are fully behind this project which will create affordable housing for many senior citizens in which there is a great need in our community. Many seniors are being displaced and have nowhere to go and this project will fulfill a great need for them. We hope that we can receive a letter of support so that this wonderful project can get started.

Debbie Whitaker: Seniors First RFP – Bushwick II Site

Who we are:

Development Team

- Breaking Ground
- East Brooklyn Congregations
- Galaxy General Contracting Corp., General Contractor
- MLappin & Associates LLC, Project Management
- RKTB Architects, Architects

The Project:

- Linden Street, between Wilson and Knickerbocker Avenues
- Under-utilized NYCHA parking lot
- TOTAL – 100 Units, including super's unit

Unit Mix:

- Studios – 61
- One Bedroom – 38
- Plus 2 Bedroom super's unit
- Units subject to rent-stabilization and HPD Regulatory Agreement re: affordability

Affordability Levels:

- All units will be affordable to seniors below 50% of AMI, or \$31,750 / single or \$38,100/2 persons household. Most tenants will have lower incomes
- All units will receive rent subsidies; tenants pay 30% of their income towards rent and utilities
- 30% set-aside for referrals from DHS
- 25% referrals from current NYCHA residents

Project Amenities:

- Restored Picnic area in courtyard of Hope Gardens
- Building will have:
  - Community Room
  - Patios with raised planting beds
  - Exercise room
  - Library
  - Lay room
  - Laundry room

On-Site Services:

- Breaking Ground to manage property
- EBC will be an integral part of the leadership team for building
- Breaking Ground to provide social services

Timing:

- Proposal submitted to NYCHA March 2018
- Awards anticipated summer 2018
- ULURP expected to begin early 2020
- Construction start late 2020
- Completion late 2022
- Letters of support requested from Community Board, City Councilmember, and Borough President

Thank you for your support and consideration.

4) Dr. Robert Chin, Chief of Emergency Medicine, NYC Health & Hospitals/Woodhull: Stroke Center and Emergency Services

A stroke is when you have a blood clot that travels to a part of your brain. The blood clot then cuts off your blood supply for that part of the brain, and that part of the brain dies.

It is the same as a heart attack. The blood clot travels to a part of the heart, cuts off the blood supply to that section of the heart and those cells die, never coming back.

So a stroke is an attack to the brain. If you were having pain in your chest, one would automatically think that they were having a heart attack, and they would call 911. However, today in this country when someone is having a brain attack they do not think that they should call 911. They might say my arm feels a little funny, maybe it will go away. Let me wait for a little while to see what happens, they say. The problem with that is, while that is going on, you are losing brain cells. You are losing hundreds of thousands brain cells that are dying and you will never get them back.

So this is why we are trying to bring recognition of this because we actually have great treatment. When I was in training years ago there wasn't much we could do for stroke patients now there is a lot we can do.

In this country someone has a stroke every 40 seconds, that is almost 800,000 people a year. About every 4 minutes someone dies from having a stroke.

What to look for:

**FACE:** Look for an uneven smile

**ARM:** Check if one arm is weak

**SPEECH:** Listen for slurred speech

**TIME:** Call 911 at the first sign

Woodhull Hospital has a stroke center. There are about 130 stroke centers in New York State. To have a stroke center you have to meet very vigorous standards. Because stroke is such a time sensitive issue we want people to come in within 3 hours of an onset of a stroke, however, the sooner the better.

If you come to Woodhull because of having a stroke our team will jump on you right away. We will draw blood from you and get you into our CAT Scanner right away. We will have results from the CAT Scanner within 25 minutes and blood results within 45 minutes from your arrival.

Two things we can do:

- 1) We can give you medication that can dissolve the blood clot if you come in with 4 ½ hours of the stroke.
- 2) If you come in after 4 ½ hours perhaps because you woke up finding your speech is funny, if you come within 12 hours of the onset of the stroke we can put catheter in the vein and suck out the blood clot.

Woodhull is a full unit service facility. We have an observation unit where a patient can stay overnight so that tests can be done and they can go home the next day.

We can done blood test at the bedside of the patient, whereas other hospitals might have to send the blood away to a facility upstate, whereas that could take hours, we can get results in 5 minutes. This is something that we just started last year.

Woodhull Hospital is an old building, the building opened in the early 80s, and the volume has grown tremendously.

Woodhull has no plans to go anywhere and we would love to continue to serve you and be a part of this community. Thank you very much.

Chairperson Julie Dent: Thank you Mr. Chin we appreciate you and Woodhull Hospital. I am happy to say that I served on Woodhull's board for 9 years. Now we have Ms. Mary McClellan and Mr. Robert Camacho that serves on the Woodhull Hospital board. We also have Ms. Martha Brown and Ms. Victoria Fernandez that are on the board. We not only volunteer on Community Board 4 but we also volunteer for other things. We care about health in Bushwick.

We are very proud of Woodhull Hospital and the service that they are providing here in Bushwick. Thank you.

The Chairperson closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Chairperson Ms. Julie asked the District Manager, Celestina Leon to call the first roll call.

**First Roll Call: 7:02PM** – 33 members present this does constitute a quorum.

The acceptance of the agenda was made by Mr. Robert Camacho and second by Ms. Elvena Davis.

The acceptance of last month's minutes was made by Ms. Annette Spellan and second by Mr. Austen Martinez.

**Chairperson's Report: 7:08PM**

Ms. Julie Dent welcomed all to the Community Board #4 Wednesday, February 21, 2018 monthly meeting.

Ms. Julie Dent asked that the Elected Officials and / or their representatives to introduce themselves and state their respective contact information with their address and telephone numbers.

- 1) Fredrick Mitchell Representing Senator Martin Malave Dilan, 3215 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11208, 718-573-1726
- 2) Paula Melendez, Representing Assemblywoman Maritza Davila, 249 Wilson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237, 718-443-1205, Ms. Yvette Lopez will be the representative until Ms. Melendez's return.
- 3) Jonathan Pomboza Representing District Attorney Eric Gonzalez, 350 Jay Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, 718-250-2349
- 4) Julio Salazar, Representing Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez, 266 Broadway, NY, NY 718-669-5149
- 5) Jackelynn Reyes Representing Assemblyman Erik M. Dilan, Brooklyn, NY 11237, 718-386-4576
- 6) Yamilky Crisostomo Representing Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 718-802-3809
- 7) Armando Fuentes Representing Councilman Rafael Espinal, 1945 Broadway, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 718-642-8664
- 8) Boris Santos Representing Councilmember Antonio Reynoso, 244 Union Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221, 718-963-3141 & 212-788-7095: He represents the section West of Hart Street and South of Central Avenue up to Cornelia Street

Ms. Dent asked those from Federal, State or City Agencies to introduce themselves and state their respective contact information with their address and phone numbers.

- 1) Police Officer Oscar Lopez and Police Officer E. Gomez, 83<sup>rd</sup> Pct., 480 knickerbocker Avenue, Community Affairs Unit, 718-514-1697
- 2) Captain Hugo Dominguez, NYPD, 480 Knickerbocker Avenue

Due to the sake of time the Chairperson asked that everyone read her report.

**District Manager's Report: 7:18PM**

Captain Dominguez: NCO – working on the relationship with the police department and the community. Everyone should find out who their NCO are. If you have any questions or concerns you can reach out to your NCO or the PO Lopez and PO Gomez of the Community Affairs Unit.

Captain Dominguez usually work in the evenings from 2pm – 11pm, he does not work on Sundays and Mondays.

Yesterday, April 17, there was a homicide at 494 Central Avenue near the corner of Cornelia Street. This was the first homicide of the year and a male black was stabbed to death.

We are doing everything in our power to find out who did it, so if anybody have any information please let us know.

Ms. Leon asked that everyone read her report.

Important Notice regarding Your Gas Service: Final Notice

The notice reads:

Dear Neighbor, we have previously attempted to contact you in writing, by telephone and by visit to your home regarding the installation of an important safety device on your gas service. You must call our contractor, BOND Brothers Inc. To schedule an appointment for this work, or **we will be forced to interrupt gas service** to your residence. The gas will remain off until we are granted access to complete the mandatory safety upgrade of our equipment.

BOND Brothers Inc. who will be doing this work on our behalf and you must call them directly between the hours of 7am and 11pm at 857-319-5487 to schedule an appointment or you can call Francesco Proietto the foreman working in your area, at 516-307-7468 between the hours of 7am to 3pm. Please do not call National Grid for this appointment.

In order to complete the work BOND Brothers Inc. will need access to the gas meter and service valve in your home as well as your gas appliances, including a clear space of at least four square feet near the meter. It will take between two to four hours to complete. Before they leave BOND Brothers Inc. will turn your gas service back on and relight your appliances. BOND Brothers Inc. will do their best to schedule this work for a time that is convenient for you.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely National Grid.

BOND Brothers Inc.

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857-319-5487

### **Committee Reports, 7:24PM**

**Civic and Religious Committee (CRC)**, Committee Chairperson, Ms. Elvena Davis and Ernest Estime'

Meeting Held: Thursday, April 12, 20018, 3:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207-1422

Members Present: Chairperson Julie Dent, Elvena Davis, Ernest Estime', Barbara Smith and Mary McClellan

Others Present: District Manager, Celestina Leon, Community Associate, Sharon Fludd; Kurt Barnes Jr., Cooper Street Community Association; Magdalena Mangual, Positive Health Management at Wyckoff Heights Hospital; Monica Holowacz – Broadway Stages; Joseph Estrella, Affinity Health Plan; Gloria Mieves, Essen Health; Minister Dawn Baxter, Bushwick Family Ministry; PO Oscar Lopez, 83<sup>rd</sup> Pct. Community Affairs Unit; and Carmen Kawalick, LIFE - Audrey Johnson Learning Center

Excused: Rev. Grace Aytes

Items discussed:

Ms. Davis said a few words about Ms. Hansley.

Ms. Hansley was a good friend to the community. I have known her for a number of years.

Ms. Hansley was:

- The treasure of community Board 4 for numerous years
- The treasure of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Community Council
- Honorary member of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Clergy Council
- She was not clergy but she made sure that she attended all of the clergy council meetings
- Secret Garden - she was able to get the owner of the property to allow her to turn a vacant desolate lot into a beautiful garden. She did this for 40 years.



Ms. Hansley was involved in so many committees and community events that every time you looked up you would see her there.

She really put her heart into this community and we should honor her in some way because of what she had done.

We are working on our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Parade and Shape up Bushwick VI

Theme: Bushwick Strong

Colors: Red, White and Gold with Navy blue trim

Volunteers are needed.

Donations are needed. Last year we were able to raffle off two bikes and helmets.

We had a lot of toys to give away. We need toys and gifts give away.

**Health/Hospital/Human Service/Senior Citizen/Veterans Committee (HHHSV) 7:29PM,**

Meeting Held: Monday, April 2, 2018, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 3:00PM

Members Present: Co-Chairpersons Mary McClellan, Luisa Jose (Called In); Cheryl Jones and Barbara Jackson

Others in Attendance: District Manager Celestina Leon, Venus Cooper, Family Services Network of NY; Margaret Laurence, Eddie Harris Men's Shelter; Mark Comrie and Stephanie Purnell, CAMBA/Broadway House; PaulHargrow, DHS; Jelani Mashariki and Sheret Young, Black Vets for Social Justice; Gerard Jones, Angela Grandbess and Deneen Ritchie, Acacia; Carol Rubenstein, CAMBA; Eliseo Perez and Aluta Khanyile, NAICA; Kim Golds, Rosa Nunez and Manuela Nobles, SCO; Robert Linden, VOA Bushwick Family, and Perri Litton, DSS.

Mary McClellan: Had all the shelters in the community came out to the meeting. Please read her report.

**Housing and Land Use Committee (HLU) 7:32PM,** Martha Brown, Committee Co-Chairperson, and Joshua Brown, Co-Chairperson

Meeting Held: Tuesday, February 27, 2018, 6:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207-1422

Members Present: Julie Dent – CB4 Chairperson, Martha Brown – HLU Co-Chairperson, Joshua Brown – HLU Co-Chairperson, Jose R. Guzman, James Wiseman, Anne Guiney, Freddy Fowler, Edwin Delgado, Julio Salinas, Robert Camacho, Jo-Ena Bennet

Others Present: CB 4 District Manager, Celestina Leon; Armando Fuentes, Rep. Council Member Espinal; Kevin Lereny, Allied; Richard Bass, Akerman LLP; Gloria Giles, SLCE; Carl Mattone, Kim Zazulna, and Michael Mattone, Mattone Group; Bill Driscoll, Driscoll Group; Leonardo Labriola, 950 Hart Tenant Association; Alexis Jesup, Resident; Inna Guzenfeld, Rep. for Borough President Adams; Sandra Young-Quiroz, Resident; Sarit Platkin, Dept. of City Planning; Louise Mittleman, Resident; Marcel Neyet, Resident; Gregory Louis, Brooklyn Legal Services Corp; Carlotta Williams, Resident; Casta lo'NE, Resident; Jackie Reyes, Rep. for Assemblyman Dilan; and Magen Martin, Resident

**Parks and Recreation Committee (PRC) 7:35PM,** Committee Co-Chairpersons Mr. Robert Camacho and Ms. Annette Spellan

Meeting Held: Thursday, April 12, 2018, 6:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207-1422

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Julie Dent, Co-Chairpersons Robert Camacho and Annette Spellan; Carlos Feliciano, Jose Guzman and Austen Martinez

Others Board members Present: Nancy Liao, Edwin Delgado, L.A. Blacksmith and Raul Rubio

Others Present: Celestina Leon, CB 4 District Manager; Willie Morales, CB 4 Community Associate; Meredith Kamuda, Elizabeth Masella, Tamara Johnson, P.O. Lopez, P.O. Atherley, P.O. Romero, Petra Segundo, Ingrid Ramos, NYC park Manager Richard Williams. Armando Fuentes, Lloyd Lesperance, Nina Keneally, Cherie Bustamante, Sgt. S. Vesga, Roberta Sutton, Lisandra Ponce, Mildred Phillips, Rev. Lula Phillips and Trevor Johnson

Item Discussed:

- 1) Elizabeth Masella, Public Art Coordinator for NYC Department of Parks:
  - Art in the Parks: Temporary Public Art in NYC Parks
  - For over 50 years NYC parks' Art in the Parks program has brought contemporary public artworks to the city's parks, making NYC one of the world's largest open air galleries
  - For more information about the programs please visit [www.nyc.gov/parks/art](http://www.nyc.gov/parks/art)
- 2) Tamara Johnson, Artist, summary of temporary public art installation in Maria Hernandez Park.
- 3) Cherie Bustamante & Nina Keneally, Friends of Irving Square Park
  - A group of community volunteers dedicated to helping maintain and beautify the Park.
  - Talked about having a dog run and what they feel the benefits are.

Mr. Camacho said that he loves dogs, but he rather have room so that the kids can exercise in the park. The park is too small. The park does not have a dog run.  
Mr. Austen Martinez stated that the park is too small and should be a playground for kids not dogs.

**Public Safety Committee (PSC) 7:45PM.** Committee Chairperson Ms. Barbara Smith

Meeting Held: Tuesday, April 3, 2018, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207-1422, 6:00PM

Members Present: Co-Chairperson Barbara Smith, Elvena Davis, Annette Spellen, Victoria Fernandez, Mary McClellan and James Wiseman,

Others Present: District Manager, Celestina Leon, Rich Webster, 1359 Broadway (GF Enterprise LLC Taco Bell); PO Oscar Lopez, 83<sup>rd</sup> Pct.; Antonine Maruello, Gabriele Maurello and Boris Sorin, 33 Wyckoff Avenue

Not in Attendance: 1204 Halsey Street, 354 Cornelia Street, 340 Wilson Avenue, 250 Wyckoff Avenue, 1544 DeKalb Avenue, 144 Evergreen Avenue, and 360 Jefferson Street

Overview: As it relates to the NYS Liquor License Application Review:

District Manager Ms. Leon read report.

- 1) Halsey Ale House, Inc. – 1204 Halsey Street, Brooklyn, NY 11207: New Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider license in a Tavern. Applicant neither attended the meeting nor notified the Community Board office of their status.

**Committee Recommendation: Hold due to applicant not attending the required committee meeting.**

- 2) GFE Broadway-Brooklyn LLC aka Taco Bell Cantina – 1359 Broadway, Brooklyn, NY 11221: New Wine, Beer, & Cider license in a Fast Food Restaurant. Applicant informed committee during the meeting that they intended to apply for a full liquor license. The district manager advised for them to follow up with the SLA in order to correct their application and subsequently notify the community board office.

**Committee Recommendation: Hold until applicant resolves the discrepancy with their application.**

- 3) . El Rey Del Pollo Restaurant Inc. aka El Pilon Restaurant – 354 Cornelia Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237: New Wine, Beer, & Cider license in a Restaurant. Applicant neither attended the meeting nor notified the Community Board office of their status. The 83<sup>rd</sup>

Precinct shared that they do not recommend renewal due to the following: unlicensed sale of alcohol, unauthorized warehouse of alcohol, sell alcohol to under 21, and fail to check ID.

**Committee Recommendation: Do not approve application due to the summons noted above and failure to attend the required meeting.**

- 4) Mi Lindo Restaurant Corp. – 340 Wilson Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11221- New Wine, Beer & Cider license in a Restaurant. Applicant neither attended the meeting nor notified the Community Board office of their status. The 83rd Precinct also shared that there have been three 311 calls in reference to noise at this location.

**Committee Recommendation: Hold due to applicant not attending the required committee meeting.**

- 5) Vianelly Restaurant Corp. – 250 Wyckoff Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237: New Wine, Beer, and Cider license in a Restaurant. The applicant informed the Community Board office that they are out of business.

**Committee Recommendation: N/A since applicant is no longer operating.**

- 6) Wyckoff Beer Garden, LLC – 33, 33A, and 35 Wyckoff Ave, and 267 Starr Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237: New Wine, Beer, and Cider license in a Beer Garden with food. The applicant indicated that they will host six vendors and only one will serve alcohol. They added that no more than 75 people would have access to the area at a time.

**Committee Recommendation: Approve with no sales of alcohol beyond 12 midnight on Sunday.**

- 7) Fernie Creations LLC – 1544 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237: New Liquor, Wine, Beer and Cider license in a Restaurant. The applicant informed the Community Board office that they withdrew their application.

**Committee Recommendation: N/A due to the withdrawal of their application.**

- 8) Chuko Bushwick LLC – 144 Evergreen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206: New Liquor, Wine, Beer, & Cider license in a Restaurant. The applicant notified the Community Board office that they were not ready to attend.

**Committee Recommendation: Hold until applicant is ready to attend the required committee meeting.**

- 9) Absurd Conclave LLC – 360 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237: New Wine, Beer, & Cider license in a Bar/Tavern. The applicant notified the Community Board office that they were not ready to attend.

**Committee Recommendation: Hold until applicant is ready to attend the required committee meeting.**

Mr. Austen Martinez said that the business that are coming to Bushwick must do things the correct and legal way. When there is going to be a meeting there must notify the residents in the community by putting signs up so that they can have a voice.

**Recommendation, 7:52PM:**

- 1) Street Co-Naming for Ms. Avellar Hansley: A motion was made by Ms. Martha Brown and second by Ms. Mary McClellan. All members were in favor. Motion moved.
- 2) Public Safety Committee: Motion to change applicant that is not following the board's recommendation. 1359 Broadway. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Camacho to put the 1359 Broadway on hold. Motion was second by Ms. Gladys Puglla. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Camacho to accept the other recommendation of the PSC. The motion second by Ms. Annette Spellen. 1 opposed and 2 abstentions. All other members in favor. Motion moved.

- 3) Housing and Land Use: East Brooklyn Congregation and the St. Thomas Church requesting a letter of support for their design, proposal at Block 3325, Lot 1 on Linden Street between Wilson and Knickerbocker Avenues.

Roll Call vote was conducted: 1 opposed, 7 abstentions & 25 approved. Motion passed.

- 4) Last month the Parks and Recreation Committee: Recommending the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation Ballfield design at the Maria Hernandez Park. Motion was made by Mr. Robert Camacho and second by Mr. Austen Martinez. All member were in favor. Motion moved.
- 5) Housing and Land Use Committee: AICP, PP, Akerman LLP and 1601 DeKalb Avenue owner LLC – ULURP Application #C180148ZMK at 1601 DeKalb Avenue (Block 3237, Lots 23, 47 and 48)

Martha Brown: Rezoning Change

Roll Call vote was conducted:

30 Members opposed, 1 yes, 4 abstain and 2 refusals

This item does not have the support of Community Board 4. Does not pass.

Ms. Leon suggested that everyone continue to follow this project and continue to testify.

**New Business:** We will be meeting with Councilmember Espinal regarding the dog run and the playground.

### **Announcements, 8:13PM**

Joshua Brown: Owners take precaution regarding your home.

Shape up Bushwick parade, Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 at the Irving Square Park, 10am to 3pm.

LIFE – Audrey Johnson Learning Center's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Fair: Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM. Location: 272 Moffat Street, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 718-574-0130 Snacks and beverages will be provided.

Earth Day: Irving Square Park, Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM to 4:00PM. All Day Recycling Bring your gently used clothes, fruit and vegetable scraps for composting. Activities will be from 11:00AM to 2:00PM

RiseBoro: Community Farm Volunteer Day, April 22, 2018 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM  
1474 Gates Avenue, between Irving and Knickerbocker Avenues.

**2nd Roll Call:** Community Board #4 Wednesday, April 18, 2018 Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.  
37 Members Present.