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BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE: NOVEMBER 14, 2017

Board Members Attending:

Priscilla Carrow
Giancarlo Castano
Chaio-Chung Chen
Lynda Coral
Erica Cruz
Judith D'Andrea
Marialena Giampino
Ingrid Gomez
James Lisa
Salvatore Lombardo
Patricia Martin
Alton Derrick
Edgar Moya
Ruby Muhammad
Sandra Muñoz
Georgina Oliver
Alexa Ponce
Ashley Reed
Neil Roman
Cristian Romero
Clara Salas
A. Redd Sevilla
Lucy Schilero
Malikah Shabazz
Alton Derrick Smith
Marcello Testa
Vivian Tseng
Damian Vargas
Rosa Wong

Board Members Absent:

Lucy Cerezo-Scully
Safat Chowdhury
Debra Clayton
Maria Damico
Jennifer Gutierrez
Salvatore Lombardo
Peter Manganaro
Rovenia McGowan
Gardip Singh Narula
Winnie Oo
Albert Perna
Oscar Rios
Gigi Salvador
Gregory Spock
Louis Walker
Minwen Yang
Lester Youngblood

ATTENDING:

Joe Nocerino, Queens Borough President's Office
Christian Cassagnol, CB4 District Manager
Margaret Silletti CB4 Community Coordinator
Christina Long, CB4 Community Assistant
Assembly Member Francisco Moya
Lissette Barcia, Assembly Member Jeff Aubry's Office
Ernestine McKayle, Corona, NY
Debra Hargrove, Corona, NY
Robert E. Grant, Corona, NY
Jimmy Apostolatos, Elmhurst, NY
Mitch Flax, Valence College Prep
Vincent J. Tomeo
Jacqueline Sanck, Department of Education
Jacqueline Hsieh, Congresswoman Grace Meng's Office
Arif Ullah, Citizen's Committee
Stacey Eliuk, Public Advocate Letisha James' Office
Juan Antonio Maldonado, NYC OEM
Crystal King, Rock Church

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: VFW POST #150
51-11 108 STREET
CORONA, NY

I. Chairperson Damian Vargas opened the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

II. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

At this point, a moment of silence was observed for Board Member Alirio Orduna. Chair Damian Vargas said he and District Manager Christian Cassagnol had attended the funeral services and read a brief bio. on the life of Alirio Orduna father, grandfather, husband, brother, uncle, godfather, former Marine, Cadet Corp. Commander, Master Mason, Community Board Member, volunteer and friend to many, passed away suddenly on October 30, 2017 at the young age of 65.

Also, Chair Vargas announced Board Member Louis Walker's sister had passed away. Both were remembered in the moment of silence.

Next, Chair Vargas announced to the public, if you wish to speak during the Public Forum segment please sign the Sign-in sheet at the dais. Allotted speaking time is two minutes.

III. Executive Secretary Marialena Giampino took the roll call. A quorum was present.

IV. VOTE: Minutes October 10, 2017

Board Member Lucy Schilero made a motion, seconded by Board Member Edgar Moya, to accept the minutes.

By a voice vote, the Board voted 26 in favor, 0 opposed, with 0 abstentions. Motion passed.

V. REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

Chair Damian Vargas reported most of the month had been spent working on the FY '19 Capital and Expense budget priorities. He had attended some of the committee meetings and thanked all who were present at those meetings. The process had changed from past years. Now Community Board members are involved and Chair Vargas thought the involvement process by the members was important. As community board members, we should be planning from today for the FY '20 Capital and Expense priorities. In essence, Community Board members should start gathering data and supporting photos of what projects we want done for our community.

Next, he reported on the Bylaws Committee meeting held on November 8. Revisions to the Board's bylaws are being made and will be completed in the next couple of months for Board review.

VI. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER

District Manager Christian Cassagnol emphasized how important the Capital and Expense process is. He explained how the former Needs Statement was a narrative explaining random items written by the Chair, the District Manager and sometimes members of the Executive Committee. This was in addition to the Board's wish list consisting of 40 Capital and 25 Expense items.

Two years ago OMB changed the process and merged the two documents. Now, every item has a 100 word narrative to accompany it. With that, pdf's and letters of support can be attached. The District Manager gave a detailed explanation of how priorities are now submitted from past years. Key is this document is opened all year 'round. He commended the Board on the whole process, but stated attendance was very poor. Overall, the submission was done by about eight Board members. He suggested the Board members find five items per Committee (5 Capital, and 3 Expense) over the course of a year with photos and submit to District Manager Cassagnol.

Next, he explained on the FY '19 Continuing Support priorities. Those were deliberately left on, which the Board had requested in the past and funded, such as Veteran's Grove, Newtown Playground, and Corona Plaza. The less the Board does the more he must do, for example, to write 40 different 100 word essays. Or, each Committee can do its part during the year. He was optimistic next year more Board members will participate in the budget process.

Board Member Judy D'Andrea asked how you can submit a photo of a new library.

District Manager Cassagnol responded you can submit letters of support or send a link of tonight's Board meeting to say the priority was discussed. Testimony and supporting documents is acceptable also. The library has been submitted for 29 years. The priority goes back and forth and nothing is done.

VII. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Board Treasurer Ashley Reed reported a collection will be taken for the Sunshine Fund tonight. A minimum of \$15 is requested. With a balance of just over \$300, the fund is low. \$200 to be spent for the Board's Annual Holiday Party and \$100 to cover funeral flowers for Lou Walker's sister. \$100 was also sent to the family of Alirio Orduna.

Chair Vargas explained traditionally the Board sends flowers to the family of the deceased, but in the case of Alirio Orduna a Go Fund Me page was set up. Any donations left over, will be donated to the military cadets. The person who started the Go Fund Me page is a family friend and a cadet.

District Manager Cassagnol added in the passing of Board Member Tony Moreno, the family had requested, in lieu of flowers, a donation be sent to the North Shore Animal League, which was done.

VIII. PUBLIC FORUM

Good and Welfare of the District

John Melecto brought to the Board's attention restriping the street on Horace Harding between 108 Street and Junction Blvd. It has not been striped for three/four years and that particular stretch of roadway is fairly dangerous and unsafe for traffic and residents living on that street. Over the years, a few accidents have occurred and a neighbor was killed there.

District Manager Cassagnol responded a meeting is planned with the Department of Transportation tomorrow and this will be brought up.

Next, Arif Ullah, Citizens Committee for NYC, reported on grants available for community groups across the city. Citizens Committee is a non-profit organization operating since the mid '1970's. Its mission is to support small community groups in primarily low income neighborhoods across New York City. Support is given through grants and workshops. Community groups include block associations, tenant associations, community

garden groups, civic associations i.e. any configuration of neighbors coming together to work on projects they identify important to them. Its philosophy is that you live in the particular neighborhood so that you know what's best for your neighborhood.

He spoke about Neighborhood Grants, which are grants up to \$3,000 for community improvement projects. Any group is eligible you do not have to be a 501-C3 organization. Just be a group of volunteers coming together and working together for a community improvement project. Grant deadline is January 22. Literature was left on the back table.

Contact the Citizens Committee for NYC if you have project ideas you would like to discuss before filling out an application. This year the organization is supporting about 400 community improvement projects across the city. Please call Arif Ullah at 212-822-9580 for more information.

Board Member A. Redd Sevilla encouraged all to apply for the grant and added his group had been funded a few times and the support is great.

At this point, Board Member Georgina Oliver thanked all who supported her in the *Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk*. She was able to raise \$2500 in donations for the cause.

Next, Captain Nicola Ventre, 110 Police Precinct reported on the crime numbers.

This year 25 crimes vs. 29 last year at a peak of 13%
5 robberies this year, 6 felony assaults, 7 grand larcenies

For the 28 days – 103 crimes vs. 150 last year – Decrease of 31%, 22 robberies, 31 felony assaults, 12 burglaries, 26 grand larcenies, and 7 GLA's.

He explained there are eight precincts in the Borough. For the week, the 110 Precinct is #7 out of the eight for the lowest crime. For the 28 days the 110 Precinct is the lowest in the Borough. The Borough itself is second lowest in the city.

In the precinct, concerns are focused on felony assaults and robberies occurring on the street. Felony assaults occur during midnight hours usually involving intoxicated individuals, individuals in a bar, and groups of individuals on the street during nighttime.

Captain Ventre reported on an incident this past Saturday that may have been gang related. Information is still being sought.

He spoke about a four pattern hit robberies, which are four robberies that 3/4 individuals committed. Three to four Hispanic males ride in a black sedan. Mostly, the areas targeted are between Broadway, Hampton and Baxter Streets and Whitney Avenue. In the last three weeks, the perps have hit four times.

Subsequently, there is still an unsolved shooting that occurred on Broadway, Elmhurst. Although there is a video, it does not give the license plate number or a clear image of the faces. The shooting victim is uncooperative. Information is being sought regarding this shooting.

Next, Crime Prevention tips were given:

- Don't keep your car running in the morning leaving the keys in it to warm it up. You will be a victim.

- If you run into a deli for two minutes and leave your car running, your vehicle may be taken for a joy ride.

Burglaries – Most burglaries are not committed by a professional burglar. If the perp. encounters a locked door/window, he will move on. If the window/door is unlocked, the perp. will enter.

Keep your cars and doors locked at all times, he cautioned.

Grand Larcenies - Credit Cards and Checks in the mailbox.

Many complaints have been received. Get a mailbox with a lock he suggested.

When perps. walk by, they grab the mail and keep on going, he said. Make it difficult for the perps. and they will move on.

An update was given on the following area Parks:

Linden Park – The Park is secured with chains and locks. Units lock the Park between 9 p.m.-10 p.m. In the morning, Units open the Park at 7:00 a.m. He had received feedback people are happy with this procedure. Police do monitor the outskirts of the Park which are occupied by homeless individuals. Services are offered to those homeless individuals.

Moore Homestead Park – Gambling: Police officers are trying to curtail the gambling. Capt. Ventre is also looking into locking this Park and maintaining it.

Frank O'Connor Park – If other parks were locked, resources can be diverted to where they are needed.

Moreover, derelict vehicles are a major concern. As an example, he cited 46 Avenue where pamphlets were distributed about being a good neighbor. Then, one week later cars were summonsed and towed. Vehicles are being summonsed and towed throughout the Precinct. He has created a team of five police officers where one of their duties is to tow vehicles with the assistance of NCO officers.

Board Member Judy D'Andrea brought up the parking lot in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park (Where the entrance is to the Zoo).

Captain Ventre said he spoke to the Parks Dept. who knows who the owners are and they will contact them and to have the cars moved.

Board Member D'Andrea added those cars have been parked there for months. Capt. Ventre said he would follow up.

Board Member Chaio-Chung Chen inquired about identity theft.

Captain Ventre cited some examples on how perps try to gain your social security number to steal your identity. A full presentation on identity theft will be presented later on in the meeting.

Board Member Giancarlo Castano brought up the youth hanging out on the corner of 102/103 Streets and Corona Avenue. He was unclear if there was gang activity present.

Board Member James Lisa brought up 48/49 Avenues off of 111 Street. A mechanic is performing illegal car repair work on the street. On Sundays at 49 Avenue off 108 Street, illegal car repairs are also being done on the street. Motorists cannot navigate the street because of the double parking.

The NCO officer responded they are aware of this situation and have given the owner a citation and if he does not comply, he will be given multiple citations.

IX. REPORT OF THE LEGISLATORS

Assembly Member Francisco Moya addressed the Board. He commended Captain Ventre on his job performance. Capt. Ventre has been extremely attentive to community concerns, and the NCO officers are doing a tremendous job. Their attention to community issues is noteworthy. Captain Ventre and the NCO officers were given them a 'round of applause for their good work.

The Governor signed Assembly Member Moya's Bill last week, which assists first time home owners and low income residents in our community. If you are buying a home and do not meet the 20% down payment threshold, the buyer is required to obtain insurance, which is an added cost most people do not have. His Bill eliminates this cost and will not require a first time, low income homeowner to get mortgage insurance. Surrounding states will also adopt this legislation.

Subsequently, Assembly Member Moya is hosting a Town Hall meeting Thursday, November 30, 6:30 p.m., at St. Leo's Catholic Academy, 104-19 49 Avenue, Corona, NY. He urged all to attend. All city and state agencies will be in attendance to answer your concerns. Come out and talk to the agency heads directly.

Next, he reported he will be sponsoring the tree lighting December 1 on 104 Street between 47/48 Avenues. All were invited to attend.

Next, he reported Board Member James Lisa will not be doing the tree lighting at Moore Park on 108 Street. This year, Assembly Member Moya will be in charge and the event is planned for December 7. Board Member James Lisa was given a 'round of applause for his past efforts.

He wished all a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded all there are many needy families in our district. He will be accompanying the Governor serving hot meals in different areas. If anyone has the opportunity to donate to your local church or the local food bank, please take it into consideration. Let's do our best to feed the hungry in our community.

Board Member Judy D'Andrea congratulated Assembly Member Moya on his recent victory. She was optimistic he would give his full support to the Library and she will work with him in any way to get this priority moving. It is her desire to see a Library open in this community, and noted the priority has been carried for thirty years.

Next, Qi Bin Ye, representing Council Member Daniel Dromm's office, reported Council Member Dromm is co-hosting a holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony with Senator Toby Stavisky on December 4, 4:30 p.m., at CC Moore Homestead Playground. All were invited to attend.

Next, Joseph Nocerino, representing Queens Borough President's office Melinda Katz, reported Queens Borough President Melinda Katz will attend the Board's December meeting.

Next, he mentioned Community Board applications. If a Board Member joined on an even year, it's time to renew. The application is on the Borough President's website and the deadline is January 12. It's for a two year term starting April 1.

Also, the Borough President's heating efficiency program has started. Anyone who needs help paying their heating bills, a federally funded program is available. Visit the Borough President's office Monday and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Next, Stacy Eliuk, representing Public Advocate Letitia James' office, thanked everyone who voted to re-elect the Public Advocate in the last election. The Public Advocate's Office has passed more legislation and enacted more litigation than any other public advocate in the past combined.

She announced on October 31 the salary history ban went into effect. Also, a rally was held to announce the city's worst landlords. Every year a list is released of people who are bad actors in our communities and who take their tenants for granted. Every year the Public Advocate's office shames those worst landlords. She shared an example in the Board's district of a landlord of a small building, only three units. From the three units, there were 201 violations, meaning each apartment had 67 violations. 40-26 Denman Street is where the property is located. A full listing of the Worst Landlords Watchlist can be seen on the Public Advocate's website.

Board Member Sandra Munoz inquired before shaming the landlords, does the Public Advocate's office speak to the landlords or visit the property. How do you know it's not retaliation by a tenant?

Ms. Eliuk responded it's based on reports by HPD and DOB. These are infractions that occurred this year and infractions that have existed for many years and are still active. Many times the landlords approach the Public Advocate's Office, not the other way around. There is also a program where landlords are working to improve their status. The best interest of the tenants is the main focus.

Next, Jacqueline Santos, new coordinator for the Department of Education, reported ESL courses for parents are offered to adults 21 and older. Enrollees do not have to be parents of children in the school, but for anyone in the community. Courses are offered at many schools in the area—Jackson Heights, Corona, and Elmhurst. She read the schedules at a variety of schools of different courses. Ms. Santos gave an overview of the courses offered. There are basic education courses leading up to the task exam, formerly GED exams--High school Equivalency Levels 1-7. There are many different levels depending where the enrollee is placed. All teachers are NYS certified and immigration status is not asked for. Just bring identification for supplying correct information. To register, go to the nearest school. In the main center, computer classes are also offered, along with career and technical courses. For ages 16 to 21, the DOE program is the Pathways to Graduation.

Next, Glynis Gomez, Specialized High School Admissions Diversity Outreach Team, Department of Education, reported on the specialized admissions process. Specialized high schools are elite New York City public schools for students who are outstanding academically and artistically. There are nine specialized high schools--eight require students to test for them. The test is given in the eighth grade year in the fall. Students must register with their school counselors in September, latest October 12. The nine specialized high schools have a history of having a low enrollment of African Americans and Hispanics. The outreach team has been working very hard attending close to 30+ New York City libraries giving informational sessions about the admissions process. The nine specialized schools are:

- Bronx High School of Science
- The Brooklyn Latin School
- Brooklyn Technical High School

- High School for Mathematics, Science and Engineering at the City College of New York
- High School of American Studies at Lehman College
- Queens High School for the Sciences at York College
- Staten Island Technical High School
- Stuyvesant High School

Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts admits students based on an audition and review of academic records

Call Glynis Gomez 212-637-8010 or email ggomez15@schools.nyc.gov for assistance.

At this point, Ms. Gomez took questions from the Board.

Literature with more information was left on the back table.

X. PRESENTATIONS

A. Detective Clifford Spell, NYPD Financial Crimes Task Force

Discussion on defining identity theft, the signs of identity theft, how to report it and how to avoid becoming a victim.

B. Juan Maldonado, NYC Emergency Management

Active Shooter Awareness and Survival Techniques

Basically, the unit investigates large dollar theft, explained Detective Spell. Most of the cases involve \$1 million or more. However, the office does investigate smaller, individual crimes. Two key points to remember are *Restoration* and *Due Diligence*. A clipboard was passed around if anyone is interested in *Restoration*; please fill in your information. With the aid of a slide presentation, Detective Spell explained someone will come in steal your identity and create havoc in your life.

Identity theft is committed when a person knowingly and with intent to defraud assumes the identity of another Person by presenting himself/herself as the other person or acting on the other person's behalf by using their personal identifiers. Personal identifiers are: social security number, name, date of birth.

Detective Spell asked the Board if anyone was a victim of identity theft. Four or five Board members replied yes. It takes a long time to restore your identity once you become a victim, he said. He asked the Board if anyone carries their social security card. No one did. Those cards should be left at home, Detective Spell commented. There is no reason anyone should physically carry a social security card with them.

In a ten year span from 19,000 reported identification thefts there was a staggering 399,000 reported identification thefts. 70% fraud; 46% identification theft with phones and credit cards.

Mail Fraud - Perps. are delving into not only your personal mailbox, but the corner mailbox as well. When on vacation, notify the Post Office as well as your neighbor to collect your mail. Perps. will see stacks of uncollected mail and steal it. Motives are terrorism, finance organized crime, obtaining benefits in your name, and manipulate existing accounts etc.

The New York City Police Department within the last two years, all but did away with a Bureau called Organized Crime and Control, which handled narcotics cases. Now, crack dealers have moved indoors from outdoors to avoid getting caught and still make much money.

Dumpster Diving - Perps. will pay low level individuals to go through the trash. Once trash is curbside, it is fair game for anyone. Perps. will retrieve your statements, canceled checks etc. (even torn up, perps will try to tape it back together). Use a paper shredder for your own protection.

Skimming - A skimming device is a small electronic device that is usually placed over a legitimate ATM machine. When a victim inserts his/her card into the machine, it reads the strip on the back of the credit card. Cameras will observe you putting in your pin number too. The perps. will come back later and remove the device. When you are using an ATM machine, place your other hand over the hand entering the PIN number. By using slides, Detective Spell demonstrated how quickly it is to install a skimming device.

Phishing - Phishing is done by phone calls, letter, and e-mails. For example, perps. will send out a letter to everyone with the same last name stating money is owed and they want to recoup that money. Victims will write out a check to save their credit rating. Telemarketers will call you asking to verify your information asking for your social security number. If someone is calling you for information, do not answer any personal questions.

Callers should have the information if they are legitimate.

Pickpocketing - It is not as prevalent today as it was, but it is still out there. While shopping, take only what you need. It's the holiday season. Take cash and one or two credit cards maximum. Do not carry all your credit cards in one bag.

Although gas stations have skimming devices, they have moved from using the universal key. If you had a gas station key to look at the credit card device (it could be used universally in all states). There should be a sticker over the frame of the gas station and if the seal is broken try another station.

Shoulder Surfing - Someone is looking over your shoulder while you are typing in your information. Politely ask the person to step back, and say I am not done.

Dishonest Employees - Arrested were Verizon, AT&T, Time Warner and dentist employees, to name a few. Currently, investigations are ongoing with bank tellers, bank managers, home health aides, nurses etc. Dishonest employees cost \$50 billion annually in losses.

He spoke about the incident with Wells Fargo where a settlement was reached. Bogus accounts were being created. Employees were manipulating accounts to earn more money.

Hacking – He reported not only computers, but also cellphones can be hacked. Bluetooth has wireless devices that can pick up the signal when typing in your account numbers.

Additionally, he noted the Public Library photocopy machine is a computer. A perp. can go in after you and retrieve your personal information.

Perps manipulate current accounts, opening accounts using thousands and thousands of dollars of your credit.

Check Fraud – You write out a check for your rent. Perps will steal your mail and wash that check. Basically, they will take that check, put it in a solution, erase the payee's name and the dollar amount, and put in a different payee with a more dollar amount. Individuals are using a 2 liter bottle of soda, tying a string around the nozzle, wrap glue traps around the bottle, put it inside the mailbox, move it around and pull it out. Checks and statements are now attached.

Netflix - recently compromised. A bogus e-mail was sent out to update customers' payment history. Thinking it was legitimate; customers gave out their credit card number, PIN # etc.

When reporting identity theft, contact all three credit bureaus, he advised.

Restoration: invest in a shredder, notify the Post Office when away and family members and do not provide your personal information to people over the phone. Also, do not have the same password for everything. Change it around and often. Do not allow children to take your debit card to the store. When donating a computer, be cognizant it has your personal information on it. Totally destroy the old computer to prevent information from leaking out.

At this point, Detective Spell turned the floor over to his colleague, Mr. Alan Plummer, who explained it is important that protections are in place to protect your identity. If identity thieves want your information, they can get it in a number of different ways. People think identity theft is about your credit card, but it is not. The bottom to identity theft is you are guilty until proven innocent. Identity theft is growing and cannot be stopped. The FTC claims it would take 160 to over 600 hours to restore a victim's good name. He spoke about a company called ID Shield that offers identity theft protection. A private licensed investigator will take your case until you are fully restored to pre-theft status. The company offers a \$5 million service guarantee they will restore you to pre-theft status. Call Pastor Alan Plummer at 917-335-1490 for more information.

Mike Liquori reported the mailbox on 108 Street/Corona Avenue is contaminated. Do not put mail in that particular box. He had notified the Junction Blvd. Post Office. This is an ongoing problem for the past two months. There should be a maintenance crew cleaning the mailboxes he suggested.

B. Juan Maldonado, NYC Emergency Management ***Active Shooter Awareness and Survival Techniques***

Mr. Maldonado is a detective with the NYC Police Department detailed to NYC Emergency Management working directly with Commissioner Esposito. His professional background was also presented to the Board.

With the aid of a slide presented, he reported due diligence and situational awareness, knowing your surroundings is essential.

Evacuation Procedures – Before a meeting is started, inform people where the bathrooms and exits of egress are. What's the primary location and secondary location where people will go to? Getting into the safety culture is very important.

Emergency Evacuation Route Map – Where is it in the building? Where are the secondary locations? If you have the opportunity, google this information and it will put much in perspective. Different courses are also available. Each facility is different so that you must be very critical i.e. a school, hospital or house of worship. He noted everyone will react differently according to the setting.

The following goals were addressed:

- What is an Active Shooter?
- Immediate Priorities
- Need for Continuous Training
- Expectations of Basic Medical Care Prior To First Responder Arrival
- Need for NYCEM Specific SOP's/IAP's

Detective Maldonado explained an active shooter is defined by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as individual(s) actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area, in most cases, active shooter uses firearms, and there is no pattern or method in their selection of victims.

Subsequently, Detective Maldonado reported on Good Practices for coping with an active shooter situation:

- Be aware of your environment and any possible dangers
- Take note of the two nearest exits in any facility you visit
- If you are in an office, stay there and secure the door
- As a last resort, attempt to take the active shooter down
- When the shooter is at close range and you cannot flee, your chance of survival is much greater if you try to incapacitate him/her.
- Call 911 when it is safe to do so

Evacuate:

If there is an accessible escape path, attempt to evacuate the premises. Be sure to

- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Leave your belongings behind
- Help others escape, if possible
- Prevent individuals from entering where the active shooter may be
- Keep your hands visible
- Do not attempt to move injured people
- Call 911 when you are able

Hide Out:

If evacuation is not possible, find a place to hide where the active shooter is less likely to find you

- Your hiding place should;
- Be out of the active shooter's view
- Provide protection if shots are fired
- To prevent an active shooter from entering your hiding place;
- Lock the door
- Turn lights off
- Blockade the door with heavy furniture

- Information to provide to law enforcement or 911 operator:
- Location of the active shooter
- Number of shooter, if more than one
- Physical description of shooter
- Number and type of weapons held by the shooter
- Number of potential victims at the location

Detective Maldonado explained that although the presentation is a lot longer, for sake of time, he touched on the most important aspects of the presentation.

He emphasized that OEM is willing to do this presentation for any community groups would like it, and emphasized that the points discussed in this presentation should always be on everybody's mind. Detective

closed by quoting John Robert Wooden: “Failing to prepare is preparing to fail” before wishing the Board a Happy Holiday.

XI. VOTE: CB4Q CAPITAL AND EXPENSE REQUESTS FY19

Chairman Vargas opened discussion regarding Capital and Expense FY19 Budget Priority Request discussed during the Public Hearing earlier in the evening. There being no comments, questions or concerns, a vote was called with a motion made by Ingrid Gomez, and seconded by Judith D’Andrea. Vote passed unanimously.

XII. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Public Safety Chair, Ms. Lucy Schilero began by thanking the Neighborhood Coordination Officers (NCO’s) who attended a meeting on October 23rd. She commended their ability to work well with the local community. Ms. Schilero then handed out a limited number of maps depicting the different sectors (A, B, C & D) for the new NCO’s. She urged callers to reach out directly to the NCO landline with any community issues (718 476-9305).

She briefly reported on the gravity knife law. City Council was looking to make the law less stringent as these knives could be readily purchased. Governor Cuomo later vetoed the bill.

Ms. Schilero then discussed legislation in process by Senator Peralta with regards to massage parlors. The legislation would require massage parlors to register with NY State. The purpose of the law is to discourage the ongoing issue of prostitution. Under this law, massage parlors would be mandated to apply for a 4 year license. Ms. Schilero then explained that the Senator is considering passing a law whereas the New York State Liquor Authority would have a representative at each meeting of the Community Board.

With no further report, Ms. Schilero discussed the following report regarding committee liquor license review:

New Applicants

ESTABLISHMENT’S NAME ESTABLISHMENT ADDRESS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

BBQ Chicken Don Alex II, Inc. Wine, Beer and Cider	106-26 Corona Avenue Corona, NY	Denied
Norbu Lingkhas, Kitchen, Inc. Wine, Beer and Cider	75-16 Broadway Elmhurst, NY	Denied
Taiwanese Cuisine Inc. Wine, Beer and Cider	84-02 Broadway Elmhurst, NY	Approved
Chimy Express, Inc. Wine, Beer and Cider	101-17 43 rd Avenue Corona, NY	Approved

Renewal Applicants

<u>ESTABLISHMENT'S NAME</u>	<u>ESTABLISHMENT ADDRESS</u>	<u>COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION</u>
Global Ent. Group LLC "Play" Liquor, Wine and Beer	77-17 Queens Blvd. Elmhurst, NY	Approved
Nepali Kitchen, Inc. "Himalayan Yak Restaurant" Liquor, Wine and Beer	72-20 Roosevelt Avenue Jackson Heights, NY	Approved
Gato Verde Sports Bar Corp. Liquor, Wine and Beer	82-14 Roosevelt Avenue Jackson Heights, NY	Denied
La Mexican, Inc. Wine, Beer and Cider	111-12 Roosevelt Avenue Corona, NY	Approved

Motion was then made by Ingrid Gomez, and seconded by Edgar Moya to **approve** the report of the Public Safety Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

District Manager Christian Cassagnol reported on behalf of the Transportation Committee regarding a Play Street application being submitted by IS311Q- Corona Arts and Sciences Academy (98-11 44th Ave, Corona, NY 11368.) The closure would take place along 44th Avenue from 7:00am to 3:30pm on school days to aid in the dismissal of its students.

District Manager Cassagnol explained that two signatures are required to move forward with approval: one from the Community Board, and the other from the precinct. The precinct has already signed off in favor of the closure.

Transportation Committee member Mr. James Lisa explained that the school did approach the board in the past, and at the request of the committee submitted signatures from local residents, parents, and businesses. Mr. Lisa mentioned that the school fulfilled the request of the committee, and met all the criteria. He made a motion to **approve** the closure seconded by Judith D'Andrea. Motion passed unanimously.

1st Vice Chair and Environmental Chair Giancarlo Castaño reported on the committee's work on the FY19 Capital and Expense. He intends to focus on the list throughout the year. Judith D'Andrea asked about the state of the concrete flags around fire hydrants. She expressed concern over homeowners replacing sidewalks only to have them destroyed by DEP. The specific address is 108-38 49th Avenue. The Environmental Committee would follow up with a letter to DEP.

Mr. Chen mentioned an issue he was previously having with a laundromat giving off noxious fumes. Discussion ensued regarding his follow up calls.

Youth Committee Chair Ingrid Gomez mentioned that the Youth committee would be meeting on Thursday November 14th, 2017 at the Board office. On the agenda is the election of Committee vice Chair. She proceeded to discuss that throughout the month, DM Cassagnol, herself, and other committee members have begun to visit all the schools within the district. Thus far, PS28Q and PS14Q have been visited. The purpose of the visits is to establish a relationship between the Board and the schools in the hopes that the Board would know what the schools' needs are (libraries, school yards, etc.) These visits will take place over the course of the next 6 months.

CB Member Priscilla Carrow thanked the Board for a get well card that was sent to her the previous month.

Chairman Vargas wished everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

Motion to adjourn was made by Judith D'Andrea and seconded by Edgar Moya.