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Christian Cassagnol
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September 12, 2023

#### COMMUNITY BOARD ATTENDANCE

## Board Members Attending:

Mac Ryan Merchan Louis Walker Jonathan Anzalone Ruby Muhammad Rownoka Ashakhan G. Oliver Isaac Carmignani Georgina Oliver Ramon Pimentel Jaime Cho Michelle Dunston Lindsay Quartini Leeanne G. Bowley Mildred Ramirez Lara Gregory Clara Salas

Alexander Huaylinos Delia Sebastian-Cecilio
Carol Machulski Meenu Singh
Sylvia Martin Alton Derrick Smith

Anthony Szeto
Charlie Tetiyevsky
Minwen Yang

## Board Members Absent:

Matthew McElroy

Michelle Calderon Rovenia McGowan
Valery Calderon Jose Morillo
Linda Coral Edgar Moya
Marialena Giampino Sandra Munoz
Vincent Laucella Alexandra Owens
Myrna Littlewort Ashley Reed
Cristian Romero

Marcello Testa

## **ATTENDING:**

Christian Cassagnol, CB4 District Manager
Caroline Herrera, CB4 Community Associate
Adrianna Aviles
Representative from U. S Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez office
Representative from State Senator Jessica Ramos' office
Samantha, Assembly Member Catalina Cruz's office
Jamey Battle, NYS Assembly Member Steven Raga's office
Representative from Council Member Francisco Moya's office
Pat Rosero, Queens Borough President's office
Jessica Colon, Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice
Michael, Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice
Sergeant Raul Jara, 110 Precinct, Crime Prevention Bureau
Officer Williams, 110 Precinct, Crime Prevention Bureau

## **COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING**

DATE: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 TIME: 7:00 P.M. PLACE: Elmhurst Hospital 1st Floor Auditorium 79-01 Broadway Elmhurst, NY

- I. Parliamentarian/Executive Secretary Louis Walker opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

## III. Roll Call

District Manager Christian Cassagnol took the roll call. A quorum was present.

#### IV. Vote: Minutes June 13, 2023

Board Member Clara Salas made a motion, seconded by Board Member Ruby Muhammad to <u>approve</u> the minutes of June 13, 2023. Since there were none opposed or abstentions, the motion passed.

## V. Chairperson's Report

As the Board Chair Marialena Giampino was not in attendance, there was no Chairperson's Report.

## VI. District Manager's Report

From the Board Chair, District Manager Christian Cassagnol reported on the committee choices. As of Monday, September 18, Board Members will be assigned to respective committees. Already a Chair of a committee, you can meet for the next week; but the committee chairs may change. New chairs will be assigned as other Board Members have expressed interest in the role of committee chair.

Next, he reported on 311 complaints. When complaints are called in to an agency, the response is they are aware of the issue but no one had called it in to 311. An official record of the call is needed. Subsequently, he urged all to call 311 and also reach out to the Board office to expedite the matter and as a record is kept.

District Manager Christian Cassagnol introduced the Board's new Community Associate Caroline Herrera in attendance tonight.

Next, the District Manager reported on happenings over the summer specifically at our community gardens. Sparrows Nest on 102 Street/Strong Avenue and the Peach Tree Garden. During the summer months, much work was done at those gardens by the District Manager and community members and provided details on the scope of the work. Of specific note was the former Environmental Chair/First Vice Chair of CB4 Giancarlo Castano operates an independent contracting company and had refurbished the gardens. Mr. Castano had donated a substantial amount of manpower to install flooring under the grape vines at the Peach Tree Garden. The District Manager encouraged all to visit the garden at 52-02 102 Street.

Within two or three weeks, a Sip & Paint workshop is planned with the groundskeeper at the garden with the intent of having a fund raiser to raise money for that garden.

Subsequently, the District Manager reported this is budget season and consultations start tomorrow emphasizing the Board's Needs Statement is due very soon. This year, however, the Borough President's office will be heavily involved with the Needs Statement, which is a wish list of the community's needs. Often very vague responses will be received from the agencies. Hence, the Borough President's office had offered to have one-on-one conversations with agencies so that items do not remain stagnant for years. The Needs Statement is due October 31 and must be via a Public Hearing and voted on by the Board. An extension, however, will be granted until November.

Before concluding, he mentioned a Halloween event at the community garden such as a pumpkin workshop.

Also working with Newtown High School, Corona Arts Academy and the High School for Arts and Business to strive for murals in the community specifically a mural designated for the Woman in the Iron Coffin. Details were given.

Since the District Manager has 21 years of employment with the City of New York, the Queens United Lions Club will honor him with an award on Saturday, September 16.

At this point, Board Member Leeanne G-Bowley announced she is the newly appointed Director of Programs and Partnership at the New York Hall of Science. Upcoming events were mentioned as NYSCI celebrates seasons beyond November/December and through March/April.

If you have any holidays, she will include the information in the programming. Also, a big celebration of Earth Day in April is planned.

Free showing of movie, A Million Miles Away – streaming Thursday at the Museum. Free.

Saturdays free access to the Terrace.

## VII. Public Forum - Good & Welfare of the District

Adrianna Aviles read a DOE colleague's statement regarding prostitution in the community, specifically, quality of life issues arising from this problem.

Ms. Aviles, a 20-year retired police officer, is a member of Community Board 11 who spoke about the differences in quality of life between the Board areas.

A background of Corona when she was growing up then and now was given. Specifically mentioning the major prostitution issues on .Roosevelt Avenue where a school is located and the effects on the neighborhood and the school children who attend P. S. 19.

Her colleague teaches at P. S, 19 located on Roosevelt Avenue where brothels have set up and pictures and videos of those brothels were taken. A protest rally was held on Sunday, September 10, with Curtis Sliwa in attendance who made very disparaging comments toward the police department. Police do have their hands tied, and it's the political representatives and the laws in effect contributing to an ongoing problem about prostitution in the neighborhoods.

Ms. Avila was asking the Board to support her colleague in a letter writing campaign against landlords and owners of properties who rent to brothels. As an example, 40-07 95 Street is a known brothel. The suggestion was made to write a letter to the owner of this property to do something about this problem. Complaints should also be made to 311 and the Dept. of Buildings. Help is very much needed to shut these brothels down and make streets safer for our community

## VIII. Report from Elected Officials

#### House of Representatives

## Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

A representative announced its back to school season and the Congresswoman visited a Mosaic Pre-K last Thursday to greet students on their first day of school. The Congresswoman's office secured \$750,000 to develop a pre-k program and identify new practices that promotes STEM learning from a young age for fiscal year 2023 through Community Project funding

Also, announced entries are being accepted for the 2023 Congressional App Challenge. The deadline to submit is November 1, 2023. Register at Congressional App Challenge. Us. Visit the Challenge website for more information on rules and regulations.

An event was announced for September 23 at the Hall of Science. Registration information please reach out to the Congresswoman's office. Middle school and high schoolers can participate.

The Congresswoman's office is aware of a potential government shutdown and updates will be given as negotiations continue in the House

September is Passport Awareness Month. The Department of State recommends an application is submitted for passport renewal nine months in advance of planned travel before booking flights. Passport delays this summer were unacceptable. Passport agencies should be equipped to meet the needs of emergency appointments. A bipartisan letter was written to Secretary of State Antony Blinken outlining the New York City delegations concerns with the New York passport agencies capacity level.

Contact the Congresswoman's office if assistance with the Department of State is needed.

Lastly, sign up for the Congresswoman's newsletter to keep updated on information and events.

## NYS Senate

## Jessica Ramos

A representative announced backpacks are available in the State Senator's office for those children who need them. Additionally, masks and test kits are available at the office for free. Contact the office to acquire them.

With the current increase in the MTA fare, the State Senator is working on ways to help people who cannot afford the increase to subsidize it.

## NYS Assembly

## Catalina Cruz

Samantha, Director of Constituent Services, reported on a back to school block party; and over the summer, back pack distributions were held. In addition, citizenship drives were conducted.

Upcoming events include:

Saturday, September 16 - Elmhurst Hospital - Free Paper Shredding Event, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20 – Partnering with the New York Hall of Science, for Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Contact the district office for constituent services at 718-458-5367.

#### Steven Raga

Jamey Battle, Legislative/Community Affairs Coordinator, reported on the first Pride Celebration presenting a resolution honoring Ecuadorian Independence Day to the Ecuadorian Consulate, rain barrel giveaways, legal clinics, mammogram screenings and first annual health fair.

**Upcoming Events:** 

Saturday, September 16 – Paper Shredding truck in partnership with Assembly Member Catalina Cruz. Maximum five bins of paper to shred. No electronics or batteries.

Tuesday, September 19 – Veterans Advocacy Project: VA benefits and housing for veterans.

Sunday, September 24 – Hispanic Heritage Celebration, from 1:00 p.m. -2:00 p.m., 73 Street/34 Avenue.

Tuesday, September 26 – Queens Legal Services provides a session on SNAP benefits, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., at the District Office.

Upcoming mobile hours: Wednesday, September 13, at the Woodside Library, 2:00-4:00 p.m. and monthly on the second Wednesday of the month.

More mobile office hours: Tuesday, September 19 at Queens Public Library, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Elmhurst Library hosted monthly -third Tuesday of the month.

## **NYC Council**

#### Francisco Mova

A representative reported on a back to school block party where backpacks and school supplies were distributed. There are additional backpacks in the district office for giveaway if anyone is interested. Contact the office.

Upcoming Events:

New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) at the Council Member's office on Thursday, September 14, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., to receive free legal service regardless of immigration status. Legal services include: Housing (Tenants Only), public benefits, disability benefits, identity theft, and employment to name a few. Contact the office to set up an appointment.

Saturday, September 16, in partnership with Queens Community House a Hispanic Heritage Festival will be held at William F. Moore Park at 12:00 Noon.

Thursday, September 21, City Hall, Celebrity Mexican Independence Day. Contact the Council Member's office for more information.

#### **Queens Borough President Donovan Richards**

Pat Rosero reported Kahleel Bragg is the new Director of Community Boards. Email him at <a href="mailto:kbragg@queensbp.org">kbragg@queensbp.org</a>.

The last week of August wrapped up Borough Hall on Your Block for Community Boards 3 & 4, a weeklong launch by the Borough President in 2022. The goal was to bring programs and services to each part of the borough. Mostly the series was in Community Boards 2 & 4 which included self-defense classes, workshops for seniors, job and immigrant resource fairs, youth summits and a town hall meeting. So far, this initiative had been brought to Community Boards 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12 and 13. This initiative will continue every year striving to make it better.

## **Upcoming Events:**

September 16 & 17 at Queens Borough Hall, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. – Resource Fair, in partnership with the Colombian consulate, and specifically geared toward the Colombian community and the Colombian government. RSVP on the Colombian Consulate website and also on the Borough President's website. Free.

Queens Climate Expo. Wednesday, September 20, 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at the Helen Marshall Cultural Center at Borough Hall. On August 21, the Borough President announced \$3 million was allocated to Elmhurst Hospital for its maternal and neonatal services.

#### IX. Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice

## Presentation: Introduction of the Climate Strong Communities (CSC) Program to Corona.

(CSC) will launch the next generation of equitable, multi-hazard, proactive resiliency and sustainability projects by maximizing unprecedented infrastructure and climate funding opportunities that are focused on the most at-risk and environmental justice neighborhoods in New York City. It aims to connect communities with new funding sources from the state and federal level for resilience related grant opportunities.

Jessica Colon reported the Mayor's office focus on climate change and were seeking community partners to work with.

This new initiative is at the tenth anniversary of Hurricane Sandy, and the goal is to bring in federal dollars that are being released to communities vulnerable to climate change. While this work is being done, it is essential to ensure close community partnerships and to take advantage of millions of dollars of federal funding, especially that New York City receives its fair share as well as the communities most in need. Much of the work is focused on communities damaged by Hurricanes Sandy and Ida. Other communities may not have been severely damaged but are at risk. Soundview, East Harlem, Richmond, Corona, Brownville and Canarsie are being pursued for funding. Those are the first neighborhoods designated for funding. In the coming years, more neighborhoods will be selected.

Now, climate is much hotter with more heat waves and warmer temperatures lasting longer that kills more people than floods. Heat is extremely dangerous. Moreover, the extreme rainfall and its frequency is highly concerning. There has never been such intense rainstorms noting the existing drainage system cannot accommodate this tropical-type rain.

It was pointed out chronic tidal flooding and coastal storm surges are not issues here since we are inland.

Investments brought in will reduce drain water flooding, improve infrastructure projects, and to work closely with city agencies that build infrastructure to expand capacity to hold water.

With the aid of a slide presentation, a project was shown where the area was flooded and sunk and the improvement made so that the water did not flood into other areas. Initiatives such as expanding tree canopies or other ways such as more shade are being explored. Looking at city-owned assets to ensure that they are resilient such as an existing Health Department building or libraries to provide a critical function during emergencies to be places of information/resource during a blackout or a heat wave.

A snapshot of the funding was shown. Billions of dollars are coming into the country and a process is involved to apply. It is imperative New York City receive funding.

The floor was turned over to Michael who spoke about engagement. He spoke about how help is needed in engaging the Corona community over the next year in this program. One of the goals of the program is to center the idea of equity in community engagement and planning. The city is experiencing heat waves and storms. Every neighborhood in New York City is diverse in the way communities are experiencing these risks.

Through engagement over the next year, the team needs to understand these risks for a foundation for the funding so that the needs of the community can be addressed.

Looking to work with a community partner in Corona and a neighborhood support team, a format used across the country was shown. The community partner must have strong ties to the neighborhood such as a CBO, faith based or trusted institution. The role of the community based organization would be to work with the Mayor's Office and collaborate on facilitating the community engagement. Seeking to identify five to eight community members who are very knowledgeable about the neighborhood and connected to diverse stakeholders to work very closely with the team to provide feedback on the process/community needs. Also, later next year to help set priorities for funding through those programs.

More slides on expectations and a schedule was shown for the fall when the neighborhood support team will be formed. Meetings and workshops are to be held and open to the community. A neighborhood walk is also planned. In the winter/next year to meet again and hold a second public workshop and a virtual summit, which will be an opportunity for the six neighborhoods participating in the program to come together. Wrapping up in the spring and meeting up with the neighborhood support team with a final workshop to charter the next steps and discuss how the neighborhood can be involved long-term.

Feedback is requested on experiences and priorities. A partner is needed in Corona for recommendations and later on in the fall as the public workshop is being organized to spread the word in community networks.

At this point, questions were taken from the Board.

Environmental Chair Carol Machulski asked if this program is similar to the State identifying Elmhurst and Corona as disadvantaged communities. The Board's yearly Needs Statement was mentioned. Every year the Board goes through this process, which is the Board's requests based on the needs of the community. Why is the Needs Statement not looked at, she inquired.

The response was this is not the State designation as a disadvantaged community. The Needs Statement was looked at, but other criteria was used for selecting neighborhoods. The Needs Statement is developed by the Community Board and brought to the agencies. A climate component must be added and also provides the opportunity to talk to community members.

Inland flooding in Corona was brought up by Environmental Chair Carol Machulski and not looked at by the local agencies. Under climate control, it would qualify. Many issues on the Board's Needs Statement affect the quality of life of our constituents. This is wasting time she stated because a startup will not be accomplished for at least two years. No money will be coming through to remedy any of the much needed projects.

Executive Secretary/Parliamentarian Louis Walker asked what zip code is involved.

The response was it's not a zip code or census tract or straight line on the map or a council district. Rather, it is looking at what ties the community has whether culturally or historically. For example, an infrastructure project or the extension of a tree canopy may be considered.

Subsequently, the Board Members raised more questions to the guest speakers.

## X. NYPD - Community Affairs Bureau

#### Crime Prevention Bureau

Sergeant Raul Jara, NYPD Crime Prevention Bureau, spoke on active shooting, scams seen in Queens, and a big event brought to Queens on Friday.

Active Shooting – involves Run, Hide and Fight.

Run – If you are able to run away safely, do so. People do have the opportunity to exit, but instead of exiting they hide on site.

Hide – Hide in a room. Barricade the door and try to hide in the furthest part of the room.

Fight – Fight for your life.

Reiterating the first priority is to run from the scene.

Next, he spoke about two scams in particular. One scam is withdrawing money at an ATM. The person behind you is a scammer, will drop money and tell you that you had dropped the money. When you go to pick up the money, the scammer will take your card or switch it with a dummy card.

Usually in teams of two, Sergeant Jara also noted the scammer is also looking to see your PIN.

Throughout the city, people have lost hundreds of thousands of dollars with this major scam.

Another is the jewelry scam. The scammers friend you and compliment the jewelry you are wearing. They will ask you for a hug, and when they do that, they take/switch your jewelry. You don't expect those scammers, because they drive nice cars and the victim is unsuspecting. A scammer with family told the victim to approach their Honda Pilot, asking to see the victim's item, giving him their item, and then taking off with the victim's jewelry. Targeted mostly is the older adult community. Specifically, there is a big influx of this scam in Queens.

Next, Sergeant Jara spoke on pickpocketing, especially in overcrowded area such as the Flushing area and with subway riders. Keep your wallet in a pocket that has a button. If not, carry your wallet in your front pocket. In your purse or backpack make sure everything is closed.

In the supermarket, keep your personal belongings close and be aware of your surroundings. Don't be sidetracked by sale items.

Subsequently, Sergeant Jara urged all to spread the word about these scams and the ways to prevent them. Information is key.

Next, Officer Jara introduced Officer Williams who is the Crime Prevention Officer at the 110 Precinct. The Crime Prevention Unit offers security assessments such as residential, houses of worship and commercial. This unit can suggest what type of locks, cameras, or windows needed. The evaluation is free. For houses of worship, once the assessment is completed, they can apply for grants.

Next, Officer Jara spoke about the TikTok challenge. If you drive a Honda or Kia, there will be an important initiative on Friday, at 89-00 23 Avenue, Elmhurst, NY. The event will be held in the Korean Church of Queens's parking lot, from 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. He explained the motorist would plug in the GPS tracking devices for use with your phone, and he provided more details.

Officer Williams added those vehicles stolen account for the highest crime in the city as well as the largest percentage with CRVs followed by the Ford commercial vehicles. Those vehicles are popular to steal because they have a security design flaw said Officer Williams.

If you have a Honda or Kia, contact your dealer, where you purchased the vehicle, because they are offering security software updates free of charge only for applicable vehicle models. Also offered is steering wheel clubs free of charge.

Personal financial safety lectures are also given by Sergeant Jara to speak at community organizations, the Unit's email address is <a href="mailto:crimeprevention@nypd.org">crimeprevention@nypd.org</a> or email him directly at <a href="mailto:raul.jara@nypd.org">raul.jara@nypd.org</a>.

At this point, Sergeant Jara took questions from the Board.

Before concluding, Officer Jara brought up artificial intelligence and suggested to make a password with your family members.

At this point, a representative from the Queens District Attorney's Office addressed the Board. The District Attorney's office is very committed to creating avenues of support for victims of crime to provide needed services specifically through the Crime Victims Advocacy Program.

It is a dedicated team of professionals connected to a broad range of services ranging from counseling to navigating the criminal justice system. The Crime Victims Advocacy Program possess critical referral services for victims in need of assistance whether its shelter or substance abuse counseling. Part of the effort is to ensure spreading the word and that victims of crime are able to reach out to the Queens District Attorney's office to obtain those services and resources to navigate the criminal justice system. In this way, it would render support and help to the crime victims.

# XI. Report and Vote: Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee State Liquor Authority Applications

Committee Chair Lara Gregory reported the committee continued to meet during the summer months when the full Board was in recess. Committee members were thanked: Georgina Oliver, Ruby Muhammad, Isaac Carmignani, and Delia Sebastian-Cecilio who served the committee well, and attended all meetings. It was noted the committee never had a lack of quorum.

## **NYS LIQUOR AUTHORITY LICENSES**

## September 2023

## **NEW/TEMPORARY PERMIT APPLICANTS**

Establishment's Name	Address	License Type	New/Temp	Date Rec.
Latin Mix Dreams Lounge Corp.	40-19 Case Street Elmhurst, NY	Wine Beer & Cider	New App.	8/14/2023
MB Bar Boutique Corp.	40-08 74 Street Jackson Heights, NY	Liquor Wine Beer & Cider	New App.	8/1/2023
The Sun 24 Corporation	90-19 Corona Avenue Corona, NY	Wine Beer & Cider	New App/ Temp.	8/18/2023
Plaza Tlaxcala Corp.	43-14 104 Street Corona, NY	Wine Beer & Cider	New App.	8/21/2023

## RENEWAL APPLICANTS

Establishment's Name	Address	License Type	Date Rec.	License Exp. Date
Gato Verde Sports Bar Corp.	82-14 Roosevelt Avenue Jackson Heights, NY	Liquor Wine Beer & Cider	8/14/2023	10/31/2023
D & E Mexican Food Corp.	40-11 82 Street Jackson Heights, NY	Wine Beer & Cider	8/7/2023	N/A
Crystal Ball Group Inc.	52-11 111 Street Corona, NY	Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider	8/21/2023	10/31/23
Mi Taqueria Rest. Corp.	92-10 Corona Ave. Corona, NY	Wine Beer & Cider	8/25/2023	10/31/2023

Committee Chair reported the committee recommended approval for the following New/Temporary applicants:

Latin Mix Dreams Lounge Corporation The Sun 24 Corporation Plaza de Tlaxcala Corp.

The committee recommended **denial** of:

MB Bar Boutique Corporation

Despite notice given of the committee meeting to answer questions, non-attendance can be used to recommend denial of the application. This establishment did not respond and was not in attendance. The NYPD's report contained incidents concerning the establishment including three incidents of physical assault, incident of sexual assault occurring in the restroom of the establishment which occurred January 26, 2023.

For the Renewal applications, the committee recommended **approval** for the following:

D&E Mexican Food Corp.

Crystal Ball Group Inc.

Mi Taqueria Tolte Restaurant Corp.

The committee recommended **denial** of the following application:

Gato Verde Sports Bar Corp.

Despite notice given of the meeting and non-attendance to respond to questions, denial was recommended of the renewal application. The renewal applicant did not attend and could not respond to the committee's questions. The NYPD's report noted elven incidents regarding the establishment including three reported assaults, robbery with assault, and grand larceny

Public Safety Committee Chair Lara Gregory acknowledged the prostitution complaints made by residents. On July 31 there was a report regarding the prostitution concern in Corona. What's important is the factual report and it is recommended that people report anything they see to 311 and obtain the incident report. If you have difficulty using online 311, you can call.

The Community Board does not have enforcement powers, but is only advisory. It is important to ensure facts are documented. With the service report number, the Community Board can follow up.

At this point, Parliamentarian/Executive Secretary Lou Walker called for a vote on the committee's report.

Board Member Georgina Oliver made a motion, seconded by Board Member Sylvia Martin to **approve** the Public Safety Committee report as presented.

Sine there were none opposed or abstentions, motion passed.

Subsequently, District Manager Christian Cassagnol commented the *NY Post* issued an article regarding prostitution along Roosevelt Avenue. He did not like the direction of the story and did comment on its content. Over the last six months/ year Community Board 4 has seen more complaints than any other time during his twenty years of city employment. Directly after, there was a follow up story.

#### XII. Committee Reports

## Consumer Affairs

Committee Chair Michelle Dunston reported concerns on price gouging such as the Food Bazaar in the area. The price is posted at 3/\$10 and when you reach the register, the consumer is informed a purchase of \$30 is necessary to receive the sale price. She urged all to be vigilant at the check-out counter.

Next, the committee chair complimented the Board for its efforts with the Corona Plaza clean-up, which was a great improvement from over the summer.

Before concluding the committee chair urged people to join the Consumer Affairs Committee and announced she will be stepping down as committee chair due to a family illness. The importance of the committee was emphasized.

#### **Environmental**

Committee Chair Carol Machulski reported the committee did not meet in June nor was a CB4 representative in attendance for the June and July QSWAB meetings.

#### Health and Human Services

Committee Chair G. Oliver reported on an upcoming October Health Fair. After the first committee meeting, more details will be presented.

#### **Parks**

No report. Committee Chair not in attendance.

## **Transportation**

Committee Chair Matt McElroy reported the committee did not meet over the summer. NYC Department of Transportation has completed the installation of the Citi Bike docks in Community Board 3 and will start in Community Board 4. As yet, he had not noticed any docks in Board 4.

## **ULURP/Zoning**

Committee Chair Alton Derrick Smith reported the committee did not meet over the summer, but looks forward to meeting in the fall.

## **Youth Services**

Committee Chair Sylvia Martin reported the committee did not meet over the summer, but looks forward to planning upcoming events.

Since there was no further business, Board Member Mac Merchan made a motion, seconded by Michelle Dunston, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.