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Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Nicole Carter, Economic Development Committee Chairperson

The Economic Development Committee met on January 18, 2023 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference. The following board members were present at the meeting: Nicole Carter, Margarita Espinosa, Marilyn Gurley, Floretta O'Brien, Paul Ramirez, Carmen Rivera, Kristine Rivera, Carol Robison, Maria Ruiz Gutierrez, Gil Simmons, and Monique Williams.

The Economic Development Committee discussed the following information:

- **Informational presentation by the New York City Department of Worker and Consumer Protection on Free Tax Prep**

The Economic Development Committee was informed about the New York City Department of Worker and Consumer Protection (DCWP)'s Free Tax Prep and the NYC Financial Empowerment Center. The Free Tax Prep consists of educating individuals on financial literacy and how to properly understand tax credits to aggrandize New York City residents. This service is available for families with an income less than \$80,000 and for individuals with an income less than \$56,000. The agency is continuing to be open sites throughout the Borough, but can also take advantage of this service online.

- **Discussion and Planning of the Upcoming East Tremont Avenue Merchant Meeting**

The Economic Development Committee discussed and planned upcoming East Tremont Avenue Merchant meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Grand Slam Banquet Hall located at 478 East Tremont Avenue. The Community Board staff has been contacting and meeting business owners and managers of the businesses on the East Tremont Avenue corridor of our district. The Economic Development Committee was also encouraged to join the outreach efforts.