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Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Nicole Carter, Economic Development Committee Chairperson

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

The Economic Development Committee met on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 in-person at the district office and on Zoom Video Communications. The following board members attended the Economic Development Committee Meeting: Nicole Carter (virtual), Margarita Espinosa, Maria Garcia, Magdamary Marcano, Jessii Parham (virtual), Reggie Powell (virtual), Paul Ramirez (virtual), Renee Reed, Carol Robinson (virtual), and Angelina Zervos.

The Economic Development Committee discussed the following:

- **Discussion on Jamaica Avenue BID and Jamaica Busway**

District Manager, Rafael Moure-Punnett, briefed the committee on the testimony from business owners in Jamaica Avenue, Queens where a busway was implemented. The business owners' complaints included customers getting numerous, high-fine tickets for driving down the busway, which discouraged them from returning to the businesses. Drivers were generally confused about what was permissible and deterred from visiting the area to avoid traffic fines. The businesses argued that while most shoppers ride the bus or walk, the loss of customers who drive is disproportionately bad because drivers carry more and spend more money. The business owners on Jamaica Avenue link the busway to an increase in commercial vacancy rates, which they report went from 6% in 2023 to 13% in 2024 and 21% in 2025. The committee expressed skepticism that the Tremont busway would increase bus times and increase foot traffic for businesses along the corridor. The committee compared the project to the one undertaken along Fordham Road and anticipate the Tremont busway to create the same economic disadvantages for businesses in the area. The District Manager noted that similar complaints may be raised by businesses when the Department of Transportation (DOT) returns with the Tremont busway proposal under the new mayoral administration.



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**Economic Development, Environment and Parks, Sanitation,
and Public Safety and Licensing Committee Meeting**
Wednesday, December 10, 2025

Environment and Parks Committee		
Board Members	Signature	Virtual Attendance
Nicole Carter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sofia Delgado		<input type="checkbox"/>
Margarita Espinosa	<i>M. Espinosa</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Renee Reed		<input type="checkbox"/>
Carol Robinson		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Angelina Zervos	<i>az</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sanitation Committee		
Board Members	Signature	Virtual Attendance
Nicole Carter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sofia Delgado		<input type="checkbox"/>
Margarita Espinosa	<i>M. Espinosa</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Renee Reed		<input type="checkbox"/>
Carol Robinson		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Angelina Zervos	<i>az</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Committee		
Board Members	Signature	Virtual Attendance
Nicole Carter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Margrita Espinosa	<i>M. Espinosa</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shantavia Inabinet		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nicole Ndiaye		<input type="checkbox"/>
Renee Reed	<i>Renee Reed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carol Robinson		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Angelina Zervos	<i>az</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

