



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 21, 2018
Margarita Espinosa, Committee Chairperson

The Parks and Recreation Committee met on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at the Bronx Community Board #6's district office located at 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A. During the meeting the following members were present: Claudette Coles, Lanell Gardenhire, Laura James, Moussa Siby and Gil Simmons.

New York City Department of Parks and Recreation presented the proposed redesign of Mapes Ballfield. The design was created with the community's input in mind and will be implemented through the Community Parks Initiative. The redesign includes an updated baseball field, a picnic area, a playground, an adult fitness center, updated sidewalks and pavement, and added seating.

The Parks and Recreation Committee also discussed the Fiscal Year 2019 Preliminary Budget Requests. We reviewed the Department of Parks and Recreation's response to our budget requests and documented our subsequent responses.

On Saturday, March 10, 2018, Friends of Tremont Park had their second meeting at the Bronx Neighborhood Health Action Center. We reviewed the feedback given by the community at our previous meeting and began planning for an event in Tremont Park for the summer. Following the meeting, we walked through Tremont Park. Details regarding our next meeting will be released soon. If you would like to become a Friend of Tremont Park, please reach out to Carly Wine by email at friendsoftremontpark@gmail.com or by phone at 718-579-6990.

This coming Saturday, March 17 there will be an It's My Park Day Cleanup event at Happy Land Memorial. The clean up will run from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM. The Happy Land Memorial is located on Southern Boulevard and East Tremont Avenue. Please reach out to the community board office if you are interested in volunteering.

On Saturday, March 25, we will be hosting the Happy Land 28th Memorial at St. Thomas Aquinas Church followed by a candlelight vigil. The memorial mass will begin at 2:00 PM. St. Thomas Aquinas Church is located at 1900 Crotona Parkway, Bronx, New York 10460. Contact the office if you have any questions.

The Parks and Recreation committee will meet next at 6:30PM on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at the Bronx Community Board 6 Office at 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A.