Bronx Community Board 8 Housing Committee Minutes (Pending Committee Approval)

<u>Date:</u> April 26th, 2021 <u>Meeting called to order:</u> 7:10pm via ZOOM

<u>Committee Members Present:</u> T. Morris, M. Della, T. Pardo, J. Reyes, J. Townes

*Robert Kaplan – Absent

Community Board guests: D. Gellman

Community guests present: T. Edwards, T. Bethea, R. McNeal, P. Frye

Housing meeting called to order at 7:10 PM by Chairman T. Morris with a statement condemning the recent occurrences of bias attacks against the AAPI community and the desecration of Jewish houses of worship. After which committee roll call was taken and guest introductions were made. Agenda items were discussed as follows:

- 1. March minutes seen by all committee members in attendance. Approval of March 2021 minutes: Motion to approve made by M. Della and seconded by J. Reyes.
- 2. Guest address Tenant Association VP Mr. Tony Edwards gave an overview of his Environmental and Sanitation Committee meeting where complaints of flooding in Marble Hill were reported. According to Mr. McNeil (Marble Hill Maintenance Supervisor) DEP addressed the flooding issue some time ago and there hasn't been any major problems noticed within the development from 225th down. The only recent issue according to Mr. McNeil was located at building 5, but it has been addressed by NYCHA. According to D. Gellman the combined sewer overflow flows into the Broadway sewer system but is constantly monitored by DEP.
- 3. Guest address #2- Marble Hill property manager Ms. Paula Frye voiced her concerns with security within the development. She appraised the committee of incidents where members of her staff have been attacked by homeless persons trespassing in the buildings, as well as a resident in building 11 which attacked by a homeless person as well. I advised Ms. Frye that Marble Hill security was one of our budgetary priorities and that she should attend the next Community Board #8 Public Safety Committee meeting so she can address her concerns directly with 50th Pct commander Captain Melendez.
- 4. Chairman's Report Advised committee members that an email regarding the RAD/PACT was forwarded to them by me for review and discussion in our next Housing Committee meeting. It is the chairs contention that we must hold our elected officials accountable for decisions they make that impact our community, specifically where they stand on the RAD/PACT issue.

- 5. Old Business- None
- 6. New Business- A committee vote was taken to approve our submitted capital and expense budget request rankings for FY22. Motion by J. Townes, seconded by M. Della.
- 7. Adjournment Chairman Morris thanked all members of the Community Board as well as the public for their attendance and their participation. Motion to adjourn was made by T. Morris, the motion was seconded by M. Della. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.