

Minutes of the Special Committee on Racial Equity Meeting  
January 5, 2023, via Zoom

**Attendees**

Committee: Bob Bender, Margaret Della, Camelia Tepelus, Julie Reyes

Absent: Bob Fanuzzi

Guest: Caesar Tobar Acosta, Marianne Montero

**Agenda**

The Special Committee on Racial Equity (SCRE) meeting began at 7:03 pm and Chair Margaret Della welcomed the community to the meeting.

- **Annual interim report:**
  - FY22 - with edit committee as lead on executive summary, this report has no further revisions.
  - FY23 - Building report revisions for the May 2023 draft:
    - Update appendix with Racial Justice Commission and revised NYC Charter
    - Emphasize the significance of equity within budget priorities - Bob B. to draft
    - Review EPA vs NYS Environmental Justice mapping to determine if there are nuances that should be highlighted in CB8 Mapping by FY Budget Requests - Camelia
    - Any Committee member wishing to edit or revise the structure of the report must do so prior to the final due in May 2023
    - CB8 Mapping by FY Budget Requests, Committee priorities - Margaret
    - Review [Mapping Equity](#) to determine District service provision
    - Update Borough President posted 2022 data
- **Priorities:**
  - SCRE wishes to partner with Landuse and Economic Development on affordable housing, Cannabis, respectively
  - **Kingsbridge Armory** - The #KingsbridgeTogether visioning process is underway, led by @NYCEDC in collaboration with a Community Working Group and our Co-Chairs PiSanchezNYC and @Northwestbronx. We will be hosting 2 public engagements in January and want you to join us/share the word!
    - Please join us on January 17th through **Zoom** 6-7:30pm. Find the Zoom link here: [kingsbridgetogether.com](https://kingsbridgetogether.com).
    - Please join us on January 21st **in-person**: PS 340 Annex, 25 West 195th Street, Bronx, NY 10468
    - Participate in community [survey](#)

- SCRE membership has fallen and requests members to volunteer to join this Special Committee.
- SCRE recommends [Mapping Equity](#) to determine District service provision, which may be of interest to each standing committee.
- The budget process is beginning. Each standing committee recommends funding priorities that have not been fulfilled. SCRE recommends prioritizing environmental justice/racial equity areas (see FY22 interim report).
- **Next agenda:**
  - Next Meeting February 2nd at 7pm
  - Nov 2022 minutes were deleted and will be redistributed for committee review and approval

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm. Minutes submitted by Margaret Della.