



BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8



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BOARD MEETING NOTICE

OFFICERS:

Vice Chairperson
Sergio Villaverde

Secretary
Margaret Della

Treasurer
Joy Campbell Priveterre

Immediate Past Chairperson
Laura Spalter

DATE: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

TIME: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

PLACE: St Stephen’s Methodist Church –
144 W. 228th Street, Bronx, NY 10463

Members of the public may attend via zoom or in person.

Join Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2114033690>

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

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Sylvia Alexander

Environment & Sanitation
Daniel Rowen

Health, Hospitals & Social Services
Rabbi Bob Kaplan

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Rosemary Ginty

Land Use
Charles G. Moerdler

Law, Rules & Ethics
Martin Wolpoff

Parks & Recreation
Debra Travis

Public Safety
Edward Green

Traffic & Transportation
Kelli Buford

Youth
Dr. Julia T. Gomez

Board Members must attend in-person unless they receive a written pre-approved exemption from the Chairperson in writing. Members must keep their video on, and name displayed throughout the meeting.

*See Bronx Community Board 8’s Procedures for Hybrid Meetings [LINKED HERE](#)

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Announcements
2. Public Gallery Session
3. Report from the Mayor's Office
- 4 Report from the Bronx Borough President’s Office
5. Report from the 50th Police Precinct
6. Council Member’s Report
 - Council Member Eric Dinowitz
 - Council Member Pierina Ana Sanchez
 - Council Member Carmen De La Rosa
7. Elected Officials Reports
8. NYC Fire Department Presentation – Fire Safety
9. Roll Call
10. Chairperson’s Report & Resolutions
11. Treasurer’s Report & Resolutions
12. District Manager’s Report

13. By 7:45 P.M. Committee Reports and Resolutions

- a) Parks & Recreation
- b) Public Safety
- c) Economic Development
- d) Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs
- e) Law, Rules & Ethics
- f) Environment & Sanitation
- g) Youth
- h) Aging
- i) Budget
- j) Health, Hospitals & Social Services
- k) Housing
- l) Land Use
- m) Traffic & Transportation
- n) Special Committee on Racial Equity
- o) Special Committee on Veteran Services
- p) Special Committee on Hudson River Greenway
- q) Irving Ladirer Community Service Award
- r) Nominating

14. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024

15. Discussion of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2024 and May 1, 2024

16. Miscellaneous

17. Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 26, 2024

18. Adjournment

Julie Reyes

Chairperson



Pursuant to New York State legislation signed by Governor Kathy Hochul (Bill S1150A), The Community Board is required to post material to be discussed at a public meeting. Please know that the material below has not been voted on or discussed by the full board at this time.

RESOLUTIONS

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

April 24th, 2024

RESOLUTION ASKING THE CITY TO ULURP THE LEASE, PURCHASE, OR EASEMENT OF LAND ALONG THE MTA TRACKS FROM WEST 230TH STREET TO WEST 225TH STREET IN BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8

WHEREAS, the NYC City Planning Commission (CPC) authorized the 2011 New York City Council ULURP resolution for the acquisition of CSX property with the following statement for the future lease of MTA tracks south of W230th Street:

“The MTA will continue to maintain and use these tracks until at least 2013, after which time DPR is planning to lease the ROW from the MTA for the purpose of creating another segment of greenway that will connect to that of the current proposal. Eventually the goal is to have the greenway continue along the waterfront of the Harlem River, connecting to other existing and proposed greenways further to the south.”

And,

WHEREAS, the current planned route for the Putnam Greenway will end at West 230th Street with minimal connections along city streets which are far from the Harlem River waterfront; and

WHEREAS, the City of New York has committed to planning and building the Harlem River Greenway as a continuous greenway from Van Cortlandt Park to Randall’s Island along the Harlem River waterfront; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the Putnam Greenway south of 230th Street along the route of the former Putnam Railroad is integral to the success of the Putnam Greenway as planned by connecting it to a larger greenway system within the Bronx from Van Cortlandt Park to Randall’s Island, and was described as “a priority project for the borough” and a “significant opportunity to expand the off-road greenway system, providing an off-street route to the Harlem River waterfront” in the 2007 Bronx Greenway Plan; and

WHEREAS, this section of land between West 230th Street and West 225th Street would provide a vital connection between the Northwest Bronx and Randall’s Island over ten miles south via the planned Harlem River Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the Putnam Greenway south of W. 230th Street will bring needed recreation opportunities to the Marble Hill community, the most economically disadvantaged census tract in Bronx Community District 8, and provide access for this community to the Harlem River Greenway; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Bronx Community Board 8 supports the extension of the Putnam Greenway as outlined in the 2011 ULURP authorization for the purpose of creating a continuous linear parkland connecting to the planned Harlem River Greenway

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Bronx Community Board 8 calls upon the New York City Department of Parks to initiate the process of submitting a ULURP application for lease, purchase, or easement of the currently owned MTA property running adjacent to the Old Putnam Railroad between West 230th to West 225th Street to the New York Department of City Planning (DCP) in compliance with all relevant rules and standards outlined by DCP.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
April 16th, 2024

RENEWAL APPLICATION: Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider.

WHEREAS, Brendan O’Sullivan, a Representative of Gaelic Athletic Association of Greater New York, located at 201 West 240th Street, appeared before the Public Safety Committee on April 16th, 2024, to renew this establishment’s liquor license.

WHEREAS, Representatives of NYPD’s 50th Precinct stated they were unaware of any prior notable disturbances or complaints at the location of this establishment.

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee unanimously approved this application.

Therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board 8 approves this application.

IRVING LADIMER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD AD HOC COMMITTEE
APRIL 24th, 2024

WHEREAS, Bronx Community Board 8 (Community Board) annually accepts nominations for the Irving Ladimer Community Service Award (CSA), and

WHEREAS, criteria for consideration are that the nominee has acted on a volunteer basis to improve or enhance, in some way, the quality of life of those living or working in the Bronx Community Board 8 area and open to individuals, students and organizations or groups with an interest in the community, and

WHEREAS, nominations were received at the Community Board office from February 15, 2024, to April 19, 2024, and

WHEREAS, Bronx Community Board 8’s October 14, 1992 Resolution authorizes the Chairperson of the Community Board to annually appoint an Ad Hoc Committee for the Irving Ladimer Community Service Award, and

WHEREAS, at the March 12, 2024 Community Board meeting the Board’s Chairperson, Julie Reyes, submitted a resolution to the board appointing Board members Christopher Calhoun, Sebastian Chittilappilly, Mary Ellen Gibbs, and Barbara L. Kail to serve on the Ad Hoc committee to review nominations and submit a recommendation listing the selected nominee for consideration to receive the award to be presented at the June 2024 Board meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed nominations and will submit to the Executive Board on May 1, 2024, a Resolution listing the selected nominee for consideration, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Irving Ladimer Community Service Award (CSA) Ad Hoc Committee unanimously recommends the selection of Nominee A to receive the 2024 Irving Ladimer Community Service Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Bronx Community Board 8 approves the selection of Nominee A to receive the Irving Ladimer Community Service Award.
