

**MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 25, 2007**

AT THE COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 BRONX OFFICE
5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE

PRESENT:

J. Reyes
D. Bowden
R. Fanuzzi
T. Giallorenzi
H. Young
K. Broihier
S. Goodson
H. Ring

AFFILIATION:

CB #8 Committee Chairperson
CB #8 Committee member
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Committee member/ BID
KRVCDC
Guest- Community Resident

Committee Chairperson J. Reyes called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.
Minutes recorded by D. Bowden.

Welcome and introductions of all present conducted.

Minutes of the September 27, 2007 committee meeting approved.

Chairperson's Report:

- Starbucks coming to Johnson Ave. & W. 235th St.
- Proposed new development: West 262 Street and Broadway, three (3) new two family homes and commercial building with six separate spaces as per neighborhood newspaper.

JOBS/ TRAINING:

- **NY State Trooper Examination Deadline is December 1, 2007**

The opportunity to take the entrance examination for the position of NY State Trooper comes around just once every four (4) years. This examination, held January 19, 26, February 2 & 9, 2008 will cover the hiring period of 2008 through 2012.

Committee Participation: If you are unable to attend committee meeting, please feel free to forward any comments/ suggestions to Chairperson via communication to Board office or E-mail: MsJulieReyes@juno.com

Vice Chairperson R. Fanuzzi's Report:

- Discussion and update on trolley progress.
- Discussion on possible "Shopping Shuttle" and "Cultural Trolley" with talks to be had with various organizations, agencies and companies in regards to funding, sponsors, participants, routes, etc.

Kingsbridge BID: Business Improvement District:

Katherine Broihier, BID District Manager reports:

- keeping streets clean
- removing graffiti
- getting 30 new trees for district
- preparing for holiday decorations

KRVCDC: Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt-Development Corporation

Shannon Goodman, KRVCDC Manager for "Main Street Initiative". In the process of renovating four (4) commercial storefronts in the BID area with matching funds obtained from the state.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Discussion had on compiling questionnaire for merchants in attempts to ascertain their needs and how we as a Board can assist them. Discussion will continue at the next committee meeting.

Discussion had on holding a "Job Fair" in the spring of 2008. Discussion will continue at the next committee meeting.

Announcements:

Projected guest speakers: Professor Depoo of Monroe College re: SIFE (*Students in Free Enterprise*) matches students with businesses to assist in technical advancement; Small Business Development Corp., Chamber of Commerce and Farmers market representative.

The *next* Economic Development committee meeting will be held on Thursday, November 29th at the Board office, 7:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Reyes

Chairperson

Economic Development Committee

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