

PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL - revised

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8
MINUTES OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018
AT THE BOARD OFFICE
5676 RIVERDALE AVENUE, BRONX NY 10471**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Julie Reyes	CB8 Housing Committee Vice Chair
Georgia Santiago	CB8 Member
Rosalind Zavras	CB8 Member

ABSENT:

Steven Sarao	CB8 Housing Committee Chair
Omar Murray	CB8 Member
James Santiago	CB8 Member

Guests:

Paul Ellis	CB8 Vice Chairman
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The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Vice Chair Reyes.

Due to a lack of quorum, the meeting opened without discussion or votes of the past committee minutes, nor of old business.

Discussion of the March 26, 2018 minutes will be held over until the next committee meeting.

Discussion was had on the information received from the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) via Community Board 8 (CB8) Chairperson. It is reported that within the confines of CB8, data regarding the 380 people who were reported homeless and whose last address was in CB8 are due to the following:

30% of all families were eligible for shelter because of domestic violence; 20% because of overcrowding or "some type of conflict in the housing they were previously residing"; and, 30% because of eviction, and other causes.

Discussion had on the positive effects a Housing Resource Fair would benefit CB8. It would be beneficial to have the Health Hospital & Social Services (HHS) committee partnering with the Housing committee to offer resources for the domestic support services.

Discussion was had on CB8 budget priorities. Suggestion was made to have the Department of Buildings (DOB) and Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) make a presentation for their budget and service needs.

Budget priorities will likely be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Discussion was had on attempts to conduct a future committee meeting at the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Marble Hill Houses. Chair Sarao and/or Ms. Zavras will follow-up with Marble Hill Tenants Association President Tony Edwards on this issue, and their needs.

Discussion had on the New York City Police Department's new Neighborhood Coordination Officer (NCO) Program. Marble Hill Houses is located in the Zone A area of the NCO program.

Discussions concluded at 8:30 p.m.

Recorded by,

Rosalind Zavras

Housing Committee Member, CB8

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Sarao

Chairperson

Housing Committee, CB8