

**BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8 BRONX**

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON MAY 19, 2020  
MEETING HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM  
(pending approval)**

**PRESENT**

Margaret Donato (Chair)	CB8 Public Safety Committee
Myra Joyce (Vice Chair)	CB8 Public Safety Committee
Edward Green	CB8 Public Safety Committee
Diomarys Escaño	CB8 Public Safety Committee

Guests: David Gellman, Omar Murray, Rebecca Zimikover, Marilex Santana-Tavarez (Bronx DA's office), Steven Sosnick, Jesse Bernstein, Boris Ayala (CMSV), Benjamin Hoff (Bella Notte), Kieran Maloney (Madison's).

1. Chair Donato called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members introduced themselves
2. Minutes of the April Public Safety Meeting approved
  - a. In favor: 3 (M. Donato, M. Joyce, E. Green)
  - b. Opposed: 0
  - c. Abstained: 0

**3. Police Report**

a. Compstat Report

	28 Day-Ending 5/17/2020		
	2020	2019	% Chg
Murder	0	0	
Rape	1	0	
Robbery	4	9	
Fel. Assault	10	3	
Burglary	8	8	
Gr. Larceny	25	36	
G.L.A.	14	9	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>-4.6</b>

- Parilla Latina is out of business. Captain Melendez stated that they were blatantly violating the law.
- Got funding for 8 new cameras. 4 will go into Marble Hill, the other 4 will be placed by suggestions to be submitted by Assemblyman Dinowitz.
- Assault on 2 seniors on Cambridge & 231<sup>st</sup> Street (near Ewan Park). The perps have been recorded on camera and arrested.

4. Fire Report (none)

**5. SLA Renewal Applications**

- a. Belle Notte, 3524 Johnson Ave.
  - Represented by Mr. Benjamin Hoff

- No problems have been reported at the site.
- Have live music at the restaurant. Once had back door open and neighbor asked them to close the door, which they did.
- Restaurant has no issues they need to report

In favor of approval: 4 (M. Donato, M. Joyce, E. Green, D. Escaño)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

b. A1J1 Restaurant, 5977 Broadway

- Represented by Mr. Pardeep Deol
- No problems at the location
- Restaurant has no issues they need to report

In favor of approval: 4 (M. Donato, M. Joyce, E. Green, D. Escaño)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

c. College of Mount St. Vincent, 6301 Riverdale Ave.

- Represented by Mr. Boris Ayala
- This is mostly catering and is not for school function

In favor of approval: 4 (M. Donato, M. Joyce, E. Green, D. Escaño)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

d. Madison's, 5676 Riverdale Avenue

- Represented by Mr. Kieran Maloney (on behalf of his father)
- There have been no problems at that location
- Have been at that location for decades

In favor of approval: 4 (M. Donato, M. Joyce, E. Green, D. Escaño)

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

### Miscellaneous Business

- There have been large gatherings at 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Broadway. Trash, loud noise, late into the night. Same problems on 242<sup>nd</sup> St. Captain Melendez said they will look into it.
- Chair Donato brought up the issue of fireworks after the clapping for essential workers. The fireworks are going late into the night. Captain Melendez stated that he is aware of the issue
- Captain Melendez stated that masks being worn for COVID-19 spread prevention make it hard to identify the perpetrators.
- Seniors getting scam calls from callers posing as Medicare.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Reviewed by Chair Margaret Donato

Submitted by Myra Joyce, Vice Chair