



Independence Avenue between West 246<sup>th</sup> Street and West 247<sup>th</sup> Street. At the December meeting, the Committee voted to support the residents' request for the No Parking regulation contingent upon there being no present regulations in effect. However, when the topic was presented to the Executive Committee in January 2013, there was a question as to whether the residential buildings on West 246<sup>th</sup> Street were notified about the request. It was believed that the Board Office had notified the buildings but it was learned that they were not notified and the issue was placed back on the T & T February Agenda for further public comment. Chairman Padernacht stated that the Board office confirmed to him in an email that the Board office mailed the February 2013 agenda with the resident request for No Parking on this street to the Superintendents of the residential buildings on West 246<sup>th</sup> Street as well as Briar Oaks which is on the corner of West 246<sup>th</sup> Street and Riverdale Avenue. In addition, the Chair also stated that he placed a copy of the Agenda in the laundry rooms at 600 West 246<sup>th</sup> Street and 630 West 246<sup>th</sup> Street. Chairman Padernacht also stated that he was in contact with the NYC Department of Transportation who confirmed that there are presently no parking regulations on that street. The Chair opened the floor to comments on the request. There was no further comment from the public.

The Health and Hospitals Committee passed a resolution at their February meeting to approve a Play Street which would close vehicular traffic on Kingsbridge Terrace between Summit Avenue and Perot Street between 10am and 2pm on Thursdays in July and August. The Resolution was presented at the Traffic and Transportation Committee to give additional notice to the community and allow further public comment. Andrew Sandler of Councilman Koppells office asked about an alternate street, but it was said that this site was proposed by the CB 8 District Manager and the Kingsbridge Heights Community Center to coincide with the centers Youth market. It was brought to the T & T committee by the H & H committee because there was a street closure involved.

The Committee reviewed proposed guidelines created by the Economic Development Committee for SAPO applications submitted to Bronx Community Board No. 8. There were questions by T & T and EDC committee members S. Alexander and R. Press who said that the EDC proposal for SAPO did not pass since there was no quorum at the EDC committee meeting. After a further discussion on the SAPO guidelines, *(where it is noted that in reference to one point raised that CB8 board Chairman Bob Fanuzzi stated: "I agree 100 percent with Bob Press, he is absolutely right")*. The Traffic and Transportation Committee put forth proposed SAPO application guidelines for Bronx Community Board No. 8. They are as follows:

1. Board office shall receive application from the Street Activity Permit Office.
2. Community Board Chairman shall direct the application to an appropriate committee.
3. Applicant shall appear at the Committee meeting and present its proposed event to the Committee.
4. Applicant shall present evidence of community support and community benefit.
5. The Committee members shall have an opportunity to ask the Applicant questions.
6. The Public shall have an opportunity to ask the Applicant questions and make comments to the Committee.
7. The Committee shall approve, approve with conditions or deny the application. Such result shall be forwarded to the Community Board which shall approve, approve with conditions or deny such application.
8. Applicant shall promptly notify the Community Board of any changes in its application prior to the event.

The consensus of the committee was 8 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Old Business: Mr. & Mrs. Geasau, residents of West 238th Street/Putnam Avenue area asked about traffic on Putnam and West 238th Street at the new entrance to Riverdale Crossings there. Chair Padernacht asked if there were specific questions or regulations that are being requested by the community and that the topic will be in a future committee meeting. The Chair asked the residents to bring forth any requested regulations sought by the residents.

New Business: Mr. Anthony Fella of the North Riverdale Avenue Merchants Association spoke about creating a central shopping area at the intersection of Riverdale Avenue and West 259<sup>th</sup> Street by moving bus stops to different locations. In addition, Mr. Fella inquired about the possibility of sidewalks being fixed and/or installed on West 254th Street by the Metro North railstation and possible angle parking by the train station since the MTA lot fills by 7:00am. The Chair stated that more discussion on the matters are needed.

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2013 Traffic and Transportation Committee meeting was moved. Ms. Khury asked that the minutes be amended to reflect:

“Ms. Groake feels that she should have been called by the board office in regards to any meeting on the topic since she expressed concerns of the development.” CB8 Vice Chair Khury stated that unfortunately, due to limited resources and man power, the Board office in most cases is unable to make calls and do mailings. Vice-Chair Khury suggested that Ms. Groake visit the Board website online to view minutes of meetings and agendas from the past and future meetings of the Economic Development Committee and all Board business.

The minutes were approved 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention by Mr. Heller who said he was absent from the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 PM.

Minutes submitted by,  
Robert Press, Vice Chair  
Traffic & Transportation Committee