



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
BOROUGH OF THE BRONX
COMMUNITY BOARD 7



SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 12th, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Environmental Issues:
- A. Green Roof presentation by Miquela Craytor, Executive Director of the Sustainable South Bronx in February. What are our next steps? Issues to follow-up: asking the City Council to introduce a bill to encourage the economic feasibility of installation of Green Roofs in the Bronx. Contact the Borough President's office? Other cities have given tax abatements.
 - B. It was agreed that the chair would contact Jessica Noon at the Borough President's office to follow-up on what if anything is being proposed and to introduce our proposal. Dates for the spring tour of the green roof at the courthouse will also be explored. After contacting the Borough President's office, we will follow-up with City Councilperson, Oliver Koppell and share our ideas on tax abatements with him.
 - C. New Foodtown Supermarket on Bainbridge Ave. – Suggest a green roof be installed on the new store.
 - D. The committee had previously expressed our thoughts to Ozzie Brown, Chair of the Land use Committee that we would like to see a green roof installed at the new supermarket. We do understand that the plans for the new supermarket have been developed and they do not include a green roof. This was discussed and it was agreed that when the other burned out areas on Bainbridge Avenue are developed, we will raise this suggestion again. At that time, we are hoping there may be more economic incentives to make green roofs more attractive to developers.
 - E. Flooding issues on Mosholu Parkway and other areas of concern. What is already planned for, what is needed?
 - F. A separate meeting will be held with the Parks and Transportation Committees to review outstanding issues. One concern is that the Quad, (Mosholu Preservation Corp {MPC}, The NYBG, The Zoo and Fordham University) had major plans for an excellent redesign of Mosholu Parkway that would address flooding issues and with the departure of Dart Westphal of MPC, how will that impact on the plans?
 - G. New business
 - 1. Several areas of flooding were discussed. An area on Bainbridge Avenue is always flooded. The bus route for the 34 and 28 buses has a Con Ed cover that is often under water. Ms. Lowell, DOT chair will follow-up on this. DEP will be contacted regarding cleaning out the drains. It was also discussed that the flooding issues must be addressed in the Capital plan, with a specific number to address these areas of concern.
- II. Sanitation Issues:
- A. Mosholu Preservation Corp – A new contact is needed for “Curb Your Dog Signs.”
 - B. Areas to be cleaned
 - 1. Parkview Terrace – above Jerome Avenue
 - 2. Parkside Place – above Webster Ave. at E.209th St.
 - 3. Bailey Avenue between West Kingsbridge Road and Sedgwick Avenue – an entire hillside with litter observed from the CB 7 Trolley Tour.



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4. Perry Ave and 205th Street Subway Station entrance –It was reported by Transit Authority personnel at 206th Street to Mr. Tirado, District Manager that piles of garbage, in bags have been left outside at the subway station near the 206th St. entrance to the D train. This is an ongoing issue that needs resolution.
 5. “Do Not Litter” signs, have also been requested. Sanitation has already spoken with Mr. Tirado, District Manager and a meeting will be planned to discuss how to remedy this on-going problem.
- C. Ideas raised at the committee meeting were to put up cameras, to see who is doing the dumping and to go through the bags and see who the garbage belongs to. Is it a local business or household garbage? Even though the bags are adjacent to Whalen Park it does not appear to be refuse from the park.
- D. New business – Additional areas in need of clean-up
1. Oliver Place – A city owned property between Mt. St. Ursula and Decatur Avenue
 2. An empty lot on E. 207th Street opposite St. Brendan’s Church.
 3. A new school is opening up across the street from Woodlawn Cemetery in Fall 2010. A request was made to have the signs to “clean up after your dog” as well as having a Sanitation Enforcement Agent present prior to the school opening to encourage appropriate dog walking behavior.
 4. Signs for recycling were requested the large size that can be posted in buildings. A change in the type of recycling is coming up soon, we will explore if the newer signs are available.
 5. A summer activity for CB 7- to have a recycling event for electronic equipment

III. Meeting Adjourned