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Thursday, October 20, 2016

The Louis Armstrong School  
 32-02 Junction Blvd, East Elmhurst, N.Y. 11369

**ATTENDANCE**

Ann S. Brown  
 Elba Buerndia  
 Shiv Dass  
 Sonya Davis Roberts  
 Vivian Dock  
 Margaret Dozier  
 Renetta English  
 Vasantrai Gandhi  
 Patricia Glunt  
 Kevin Hughes  
 Stephen Kulhanek  
 Marta Lebreton  
 Martin Maier  
 Caridad Mak  
 Bill Meehan  
 Lisa Mesulam  
 Richard A. Mink  
 Ralph Moreno  
 Laverne Nimmons  
 Philip Papas  
 Dorothy Phelan  
 Fausto Rodriguez  
 Leoncio Romero  
 Edmund Rosenbaum  
 David Rosero  
 Agha Muhammed Saleh  
 Arturo Ignacio Sanchez  
 Jimmy Smith  
 Shanel Thomas  
 Pat Thorpe  
 Hamlett Wallace  
 Edwin Westley  
 Camilo Zamora

**ABSENT**

Patrick Beckles  
 Larinda Hooks  
 Joyce Julian  
 Lynda McDougald  
 Ladisla Perez  
 Jairo Rodriguez  
 Tammy E. Rose  
 Arthur Teiler

**Guests**

Lisa Atkins, Queens Borough President  
 Lilli Pioche, Assemblyman Jeffrion Aubry  
 Inspector Michele Irizarry, 115<sup>th</sup> Precinct  
 Jacqueline Cosme, Rep., CM. Daniel Dromm  
 Nick Gulotta, The Mayor's Office  
 Gabriel Lewenstein, The Public Advocate  
 Barbara Jackson, Congressman Joseph Crowley's Office  
 Andrew Sokolof, Rep., CM. Julissa Ferreras  
 Deanna Foote, Rep., Senator Jose Peralta  
 Gary Gilbert, Office of Assemblyman Michael DenDekker  
 Aridia Espinal, Office of Assemblyman Francisco Moya  
 Josh Rhinesmith, Land Use Consultant Islamic Center of JHTs

**Please note: Next Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 7:45 PM.**

Mr. Steven Kulhanek, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM and welcomed all in attendance.

Mr. Kulhanek asked for a moment of silence for the late Assemblyman Ivan Lafayette and Mrs. Claudia Beckles, the wife of Board Member Patrick Beckles, who passed away.

### **Public Participation**

Resident Marjorie Clark said she is concerned about rumors that homeless men are residing in three hotels located in East Elmhurst. The hotels are within ten blocks from each other. Neither the community board nor the residents were informed. Ms. Clark said she is not against homeless people moving into the neighborhood. She suggests that eminent domain be employed to build affordable housing. She feels that the amount of money used to house the homeless should be used to find permanent housing.

Ms. Mendez, a resident, said that there are six homeless shelters that have been opened without informing the community. She said it is a safe haven for sex offenders because they don't have to register. Ms. Mendez said that it also affects seniors in the community and property taxes.

Ms. Warren, a resident, said there are enough homeless shelters in East Elmhurst. There are other areas that can accommodate the homeless. Ms. Warren suggested that Waldorf Astoria house some of the homeless. Besides, the hotel is converting some of the units into condos.

Chairman Stephen Kulhanek reminded all in attendance that Public Participation is for the public. They call ahead of time and receive confirmation from the District Manager to speak for three minutes. Mr. Kulhanek permitted two board members to make brief comments on the subject of homeless shelters in the community.

Board member Arturo Ignacio Sanchez said homeless shelters are complicated issues. The community should get data on the distribution of homeless shelters in other neighborhoods. Mr. Sanchez said a case based on numbers is what City Hall understands.

Board Member Martin Maier said there should be a quota of how many homeless shelters should be in each community.

Board Member Edwin Westley invited everyone to the Halloween Parade on Monday, October 31. He said the parade starts at 5pm on 89<sup>th</sup> Street and 37 Ave.

Board Member Vasantrai Gandhi invited everyone in attendance to join him for refreshments after the meeting in celebration of Dawali, the Hindu New Year.

## **Public Information**

### **Inspector Michele Irizarry**

Mr. Kulhanek introduced Inspector Michele Irizarry who is the new commanding officer of the 115<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

Inspector Irizarry thanked the community for welcoming her. The Inspector said she has been with the NYPD for 21 years. Her last command was at the 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct in Manhattan.

She reported that there is a rise in all major crimes. The 115<sup>th</sup> Precinct will do their best to respond to Quality of Life crimes but the police have to respond to 911 calls first. She asked for the public's patience since the precinct has to do more with less resources. Inspector Irizarry said she looks forward to getting to know more about the community and reminded all in attendance that the 115<sup>th</sup> Precinct Council Meetings are every third Tuesday of the month.

Board Member Ralph Moreno said the Civilian Police Patrol needs ID cards.

Inspector Irizarry said she will look into it. She commended Mr. Moreno on serving his community for so many years.

A resident asked the Commander what she is doing to ensure that there is police presence on the streets.

Inspector Irizarry replied that she is moving officers that were assigned to vendor issues and Diversity Plaza to locations where there is a burglary almost every day. There will be more officers that have years of experience policing high crime areas. The Inspector said that the Neighborhood Coordination Officer Program should be in effect in all Precincts by next summer. Neighborhood Coordination Officers work closely with the community to identify and manage local concerns, and establish close relationships with the local community.

Board Member Edwin Westley said something has to be done about the noise level of parades.

Inspector Irizarry responded by saying that she had a lot of complaints about the last parade. She said it is difficult to monitor parade noise decibel levels but they are working with Senator Joy Peralta to address the issue.

## **Public Hearings**

### **FY2018 Capital & Expense Budget – Jimmy Smith, Chair**

Capital and Expense Budget, Chair Jimmy Smith invited the public to comment on the proposed FY 2018 Budget.

Board Member Margaret Dozier expressed concern with item number 15 on the Capital Budget. (*Beautify the center mall on 34<sup>th</sup> Ave from 112<sup>th</sup> – 114<sup>th</sup> Streets. Plant shrubs and trees to expand greenery*). Ms. Dozier said she was told that the trees were blocking the view of drivers going into the Grand Central Parkway. The trees were knocked down.

**TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION – Stephen Kulhanek, Chair**

**TLC – Golden Town Car & Limousine Service – 32-60 81<sup>st</sup> Street – (Renewal)**

Chair Stephen Kulhanek called upon the owner of Golden Town Car & Limousine Service. The owner said she has been in business for 25 years and never had any problems.

**TLC – N.Y. Atlixco Car Service Inc. – 102-20 35<sup>th</sup> Ave – (Renewal)**

Chair Stephen Kulhanek called upon the owner of NY Atlixco Car Service. The owner said they have been in business for six years.

Board member Ralph Moreno asked how many cars they have and where do they park the cars.

The owner said they park their 36 cars in a garage on 98<sup>th</sup> Street.

**TLC LIC# B00290 – National High Class Car & Limo – 112-47 Roosevelt Ave – (Renewal)**

Chair Stephen Kulhanek called upon owner from National High Class Car & Limo. The owner said he has been in business for 20 years and would like to renew his license.

**TLC – Saeta Car Services Inc. – 80-01 31<sup>st</sup> Ave – (Renewal)**

Chair Stephen Kulhanek called upon the owner of Saeta Car Services Inc. The owner said he looks forward to serving the community.

**LAND USE– Hamlett Wallace, Chair**

**BSA Calendar #: 2016-4176- BZ – 78-04 31<sup>st</sup> Ave**

Josh Rhinesmith, consultant for the Islamic Center of Jackson Heights, said that they are seeking a variance pursuant to ZR 72-21 or the New York City Zoning resolution, to permit the construction of a new three-story house of worship that does not need to comply with the applicable front and side yard requirements. Mr. Rhinesmith noted that with the requested waivers, relating to front and side yards at the subject site, if approved will allow the construction of a new viable house of worship that meets the current and future needs of the congregation. It will also support the worship needs of the growing community. The current building was built in the 1930s as a two family home. Mr. Rhinesmith said they propose to demolish the building and construct a three story building. The Islamic Center of Jackson Heights plans the house of worship to be 6000 square feet and 35 ft. in height.

Board Member Ralph Moreno asked if there were notices given to the neighbors about the plans.

Mr. Rhinesmith said that there was an Open House meeting at the Mosque and all of the neighbors were invited.

Board Member Philip Papas asked if the dome shown in artist renderings was included in the 35 feet of overall height.

Mr. Rhinesmith said the dome will be an additional 15 feet.

Board Member David Rosero said that at the Land Use meeting it was mentioned that variances are granted if there is a hardship and not created by the applicant. Mr. Rosero feels the home is in good condition.

Mr. Rhinesmith said the hardship is that the applicant would have to build a smaller house of worship.

A resident asked if they are going to have a parking lot to accommodate the increase of the congregation so they don't block people's driveways.

Mr. Rhinesmith said the nearby shopping center will provide parking space and that 95% of the congregation live in walking distance.

Board Member Arturo Ignacio Sanchez said that during these difficult times this diverse community should welcome a house of worship with open arms.

Board Member Edwin Westley said the Jackson Heights Beautification Group has had positive experience with the congregation. He recommends the application be approved.

Board Member Shiv Dass said they are a peaceful community and the application should be approved.

**Bus. Eco. Develop. – Arthur Teiler and Edmund Rosenbaum, Co-Chairs**

**S.L.A. New Wine/Beer & Liquor License Applications:**

**El Encuentro Latino Corp. – 37-29 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Corona, NY 11368 – (Class Change – Full Liq.)**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Business Economics Co-Chair, called upon the representative of El Encuentro Latino Corp. The representative said that the Spanish style restaurant has been in business for two years. The representative said they have no record of noise complaints.

**Tacos Morelos NYC, Inc. – 94-13 37<sup>th</sup> Ave, Jackson Heights, NY 11372 – (New – Full Liquor)**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Business Economics Co-Chair, called upon the representative of Tacos Morelos NYC.

The representative spoke on behalf of the owner. He said the owner was the chef and the proprietor of the restaurant. He said nothing will change in the operation of the restaurant.

**Trapiche Bar – 96-12 31<sup>st</sup> Ave, East Elmhurst, NY 11369 – (New – Full Liquor)**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Business Economics Co-Chair, called upon the representative of Trapiche Bar. The owner introduced herself and said she is applying for a full liquor license.

**Executive Session**

Stephen Kulhanek, Chairman, open Executive Session with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion - # 61 - Adoption of the October 20, 2016 Agenda**

Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek, seconded by Edmund Rosenbaum, to adopt the agenda, was passed unanimously.

### Motions by Committee

#### FY2016 EXPENSE BUDGET PRIORITIES

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.	Install air monitors in the neighborhoods of Jackson Heights and East Elmhurst located near LaGuardia Airport.
2.	Keep Queens Libraries Open 7 Days a week with one late night closing at 10:00pm.
3.	Restore litter basket collections to three times per day in our commercial strips – 37 <sup>th</sup> Ave; Junction Blvd; Roosevelt Ave; Northern Blvd; 103 <sup>rd</sup> Street; and 74 <sup>th</sup> Street; Astoria Blvd., 73 <sup>rd</sup> and 72 <sup>nd</sup> Streets in Jackson Heights.
4.	Restore and Increase funding for youth, adult and senior programming in Jackson Heights, North Corona and East Elmhurst.
5.	Hire Parks Associates for PS 127 and Junction Blvd. parks.
6.	Hire additional uniformed, civilian and custodial Personnel for the 115 <sup>th</sup> Precinct.
7.	Increase graffiti removal programs.
8.	Open special-education programs and vocational training in CB3Q.
9.	Fund gifted programs in CB3Q.
10.	Restore day care slots and after-school programs.
11.	Improve community access to government services by sharing 311 data with Community Boards.
12.	Re-establish Neighborhood Business Development programs.
13.	Provide funding for pointing of the brick work of 115 <sup>th</sup> Precinct.
14.	Increase funding to hire additional personnel to install, replace traffic signs, repair pot holes, etc. for Queens DOT.
15.	Increase staffing levels for Department Of Buildings Compliance Unit.
16.	Increase inspectorial staffing levels for Housing Preservation and Development.
17.	Increase staffing levels for parks recreation and maintenance personnel, including an Assistant Gardener.
18.	Hire Traffic Enforcement agents.
19.	Purchase a small sanitation truck with plow for alley collections.
20.	Purchase a small sanitation truck for school refuse collections.
21.	Purchase a wenger wagon (parks)
22.	Install free Wi-Fi in CB3 parks and plazas.
23.	Purchase a 4x4 single cab pick-up with plow, salt spreader and powerlift gate.
24.	Extend fencing at Northern Playground <b>(NEW)</b>
25.	Hire additional Consumer Affairs agents to conduct night and weekend street vending inspections. <b>(NEW)</b>

26. Hire additional Department of Health inspectors to perform night inspections. **(NEW)**
27. Provide funding to expand and upgrade the emergency room at Elmhurst Hospital. **(NEW)**
28. Provide funding to increase Naturally Occurring Retirement Community programming in CB3. **(NEW)**
29. Retrofit apartments for seniors. **(NEW)**
30. Install cameras at the overpasses located at 27<sup>th</sup> and 31 Drive on Ditmars Blvd. **(NEW)**
31. Purchase a mini collection truck. **(NEW)**

### **Motion # 62 – Expense Budget Priorities FY 2018**

Upon motion duly made by Jimmy Smith, seconded by Stephen Kulhanek, for the approval of the Expense Budget, was passed unanimously.

### **Capital & Expense Budget Priorities FY 2017** *(Passed-10/2015)* – Jimmy Smith, Chair)

### **FY2016 CAPITAL BUDGET PRIORITIES**

<b><u>Priority</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
1.	Construct new School facilities in CB3, especially Early Childhood Centers and a High School.
2.	Reduce odor and improve water flow in Flushing Bay.
3.	Expand East Elmhurst Library.
4.	Construct a new building and expand the capacity of the Jackson Heights Regional Library – keep allocation in place.
5.	Create affordable housing for middle & low-income families, including seniors. No property taxes for residential owners for 5 years.
6.	Reconstruct sewers on Astoria Blvd. located between 84 <sup>th</sup> through 96 <sup>th</sup> Streets; 114 <sup>th</sup> St. between Ditmars Blvd. and 23 <sup>rd</sup> Ave; 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue from Gilmore Street to the Cul-de-Sac; 110 <sup>th</sup> Street from Astoria Blvd. to Northern Blvd.; Northern Blvd. btw. 98 <sup>th</sup> Street; 99 <sup>th</sup> St. btw. Ditmars Blvd. and 27 <sup>th</sup> Avenue; 87 <sup>th</sup> Street between Astoria Blvd and 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue; Astoria Blvd. – Corner of Elmcors Senior Center; 99 <sup>th</sup> Street & Astoria Blvd – Blessed Sacrament Church & School, 93 <sup>rd</sup> Street & 35 <sup>th</sup> Ave.
7.	Fund a study for the construction of a separate sewer system in CB3.
8.	Reconstruct Northern Blvd. from Junction Blvd. to 114 <sup>th</sup> street. Northern Blvd. from Junction to Roosevelt Ave. 37 <sup>th</sup> Ave from Junction Blvd. to 114 <sup>th</sup> Street. 82 <sup>nd</sup> Street from Roosevelt Ave to the BQE. Roosevelt Ave from 114 <sup>th</sup> to 69 <sup>th</sup> Streets and Astoria Blvd. from 69 <sup>th</sup> to 114 <sup>th</sup> Streets.
9.	Construct library in Northwest Sector of CB3. The Lexington School for the Deaf should be considered for a possible site.
10.	Traffic study of the Grand Central Parkway exit located at 114 <sup>th</sup> Street and Northern Blvd.
11.	Fund a traffic study at the entrance of 114 <sup>th</sup> Street and Astoria Blvd.
12.	Rehab Fisher Pool and construct a misting area.
13.	Install left turn signals at 82 <sup>nd</sup> & 85 <sup>th</sup> Streets and Astoria Blvd., east bound.
14.	Beautify the center mall on Astoria Blvd. Plant shrubs and trees to increase greenery.

15. Beautify the center mall on 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 112<sup>th</sup> – 114<sup>th</sup> Streets. Plant shrubs and trees to expand greenery.
16. Develop unused property located near the 94<sup>th</sup> Street entrance to the GCP for a dog park.
17. Redesign Step Street at Butler/Ditmars Blvd. (DOT) **(NEW)**
18. Provide funding for curb repair (DOT) **(NEW)**
19. Provide funding for bus pads (DOT) **(NEW)**
20. Provide funding for the installation of handicap ramps (DOT) **(NEW)**
21. Purchase new trucks for the Engineering Unit. (DOT) **(NEW)**
22. Provide funding to study traffic circle at 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue (DOT) **(NEW)**
23. Expand Corona Library. **(NEW)**

### **Motion # 63 – Capital Budget Priorities FY 2018**

Upon motion duly made by Jimmy Smith, seconded by Edwin Westley, for approval of the Capital Budget, was passed unanimously.

### **TLC – Golden Town Car & Limousine Service – 32-60 81<sup>st</sup> Street**

Stephen Kulhanek, Chairman, reported that the committee recommends that the application be approved.

### **Motion # 64 - TLC – Golden Town Car & Limousine Service – 32-60 81<sup>st</sup> Street**

Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek, seconded by Richard Mink, to approve the application was passed unanimously.

### **TLC – N.Y. Atlixco Car Service Inc. – 102-20 35<sup>th</sup> Ave**

Stephen Kulhanek, Chairman, reported that the committee recommends that the application be approved.

### **Motion # 65 - TLC – N.Y. Atlixco Car Service Inc. – 102-20 35<sup>th</sup> Ave**

Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek, seconded by Ann Brown, to approve the application was passed unanimously.

### **TLC LIC# B00290 – National High Class Car & Limo – 112-47 Roosevelt Ave**

Stephen Kulhanek, Chairman, reported that the committee recommends that the application be approved.

### **Motion # 66 - TLC LIC# B00290 – National High Class Car & Limo – 112-47 Roosevelt Ave**

Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek, seconded by Hamlett Wallace, to approve the application was passed unanimously.

### **TLC – Saeta Car Services Inc. – 80-01 31<sup>st</sup> Ave**

Stephen Kulhanek, Chairman, reported that the committee recommends that the application be approved.

### **Motion # 67 - TLC – Saeta Car Services Inc. – 80-01 31<sup>st</sup> Ave**



Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek, seconded by Leoncio Romero, to approve the application was passed unanimously.

**LAND USE– Hamlett Wallace, Chair**

**BSA Calendar #: 2016-4176- BZ – 78-04 31<sup>st</sup> Ave**

Hamlett Wallace, Chair, said that in the matter of an application regarding, 78-04 31<sup>st</sup> Ave, Jackson Heights, New York, the Isamic Center of Jackson Heights, Inc. – Owner, is seeking a variance pursuant to ZR 72-21 of the New York City Zoning Resolution, to permit the construction of a new three story house of worship that does not comply with the applicable front and side yard requirements.

The requested waivers related to the front and side yards at the subject site will allow for the construction of a new viable house of worship that meets the current and future needs of the congregation and support the worship needs of the growing community.

**Resolution:**

The Land Use Committee after review of this matter recommends the application to waive the applicable front and side yard requirements for an as-of-right house of worship be approved.

**Motion # 68 - BSA Calendar #: 2016-4176- BZ – 78-04 31<sup>st</sup> Ave**

Upon motion duly made by Hamlett Wallace, seconded by Leoncio Romero, to approve the application was passed with a vote of 26 in Favor, 4 Opposed and 3 Abstention.

Board Member Agha Muhammed Saleh said he abstained because the extra traffic will disturb the neighborhood.

Board Member Pat Thorpe said that she is concerned about parking.

Board Member Shanel Thomas said she sympathized with the residents who spoke at the Public Hearing.

**El Encuentro Latino Corp. – 37-29 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Corona, NY 11368**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Co-Chair, informed the Board that the committee recommends disapproval.

Board Member Fausto Rodriguez said it is not fair to recommend disapproval because of only two noise complaints.

Board Member Sonya Davis Roberts said that maybe there were only two people who spoke up about the noise.

Board Member Kevin Hughes asked if the two complaints were two former complaints.

Co-Chair Edmund Rosenbaum said that the Police were conducting an inspection at the location and observed the condition.

**Motion # 69 - El Encuentro Latino Corp. – 37-29 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Corona, NY 11368**

Upon motion duly made by Edmund Rosenbaum, seconded Ann Brown, to disapprove the application for a full liquor license, was passed, with a vote of 18 in Favor, 13 Opposed and 1 Abstention.

**Tacos Morelos NYC, Inc. – 94-13 37<sup>th</sup> Ave, Jackson Heights, NY 11372**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Co-Chair, informed the Board that the committee recommends approval.

**Motion # 70 - Tacos Morelos NYC, Inc. – 94-13 37<sup>th</sup> Ave, Jackson Heights, NY 11372**

Upon motion duly made by Edmund Rosenbaum, seconded by Marta Lebreton, to approve the application for a full liquor license, was passed, with a vote of 31 in Favor, 1 Opposed and 0 Abstentions.

**Trapiche Bar – 96-12 31<sup>st</sup> Ave, East Elmhurst, NY 11369**

Edmund Rosenbaum, Co-Chair, informed the Board that the committee recommends disapproval. He reported that the applicant was or is affiliated with the former owner. The applicant previously filled for a Corporate Change to buy 10% of the corporation but was denied by the SLA.

In reference to El Encuentro Latino Corp. Board Member Arturo Ignacio Sanchez said “on multiple occasions the committee has provided misinformation in regards to the applicants.” He said small businesses provide employment for the neighborhood and should get a fair hearing.

Board Member Sonya Davis Roberts said that she is part of the Business and Economic Committee. Ms. Davis said Board Members can vote the way they want but the committee does not provide negative nor misinformation. She said the committee draws their conclusions from the information the applicants present at the committee meeting.

Board Member David Rosero said in response to Arturo Sanchez’s previous comment that board and committee members should go to Business/Economic Committee meetings so they can see firsthand how recommendations are arrived at.

Chairman Stephen Kulhanek said that discussions about committees should be discussed at Executive Committee meetings not in the Public meeting.

**Motion # 71 - Trapiche Bar – 96-12 31<sup>st</sup> Ave, East Elmhurst, NY 11369**

Upon motion duly made by Edmund Rosenbaum, seconded by Edwin Westley, to disapprove the application for a full liquor license, was passed, with a vote of 28 in Favor, 2 Opposed and 2 Abstentions.

**Chairman’s Report – Stephen Kulhanek**

**Construction of a Charging Station – 80<sup>th</sup> Street and Northern Blvd**

Chairman Stephen Kulhanek said FDNY sent a letter asking for support to construct a sidewalk charging station. The FDNY Ambulances have to be kept at a certain

temperature for maintenance of medicines and equipment. The FDNY Ambulances want to get away from engine idling, which is not good for the environment. Mr. Kulhanek asked for the Board's support of the charging station. By a show of hands the proposal was approved unanimously.

Mr. Kulhanek said that Street Activity Permit Office has proposed changes for street activities permits. For example, there could only be 100 in Manhattan and 100 distributed within four boroughs. It would affect the number of events in each community district. Mr. Kulhanek asked for the Board's support to send a letter listing our concerns. By a show of hands the proposal was approved unanimously.

### **District Manager Report – Giovanna Reid**

District Manager Giovanna Reid reported that a memorial service for Claudia Beckles will take place at St. Gabriel's on Saturday, October 22 at 2pm.

Ms. Reid said that additional signage will be installed at 74<sup>th</sup> Street and 31<sup>st</sup> Ave in honor of Emma Brandt on November 18 at 11am. She encouraged everyone to attend.

### **New Business**

Board Member Shanel Thomas announced that she is the new Community Liaison for La Guardia Airport Redevelopment Project. She encouraged everyone to contact her with any concerns.

Board Member Lisa Mesulam said that she is looking into a way of memorializing respected educator Dr. Dolores Beckham who passed away recently. Ms. Mesulam also added that IS 230 is looking for speakers for Career Day on Nov 18.

### **Landmarks - Philip Papas, Chair Re: 37-46 37-48 37-50 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, Jackson Heights**

Landmarks Chair Philip Papas said that the committee met on September 28, 2016 to review the application for a commercial space on 82<sup>nd</sup> btw 37<sup>th</sup> and Roosevelt Ave. The interior modifications required for the incoming business were already approved. The applicants presented plans regarding exterior modifications to the commercial space. These include the addition of a new façade over the existing exterior, and the installation of a new elevator with rooftop bulkhead to the rear of the building. The location is the old Clark's department store built in 1928. The original elevation featured an asymmetrical design, with modern features such as a large round window alongside more classical items such as neo-classical pilasters. The applicants will try to honor the original building with asymmetrical design. The new façade will feature symmetrical elements, with centrally placed main entrance, but also some asymmetry (e.g. in the irregular window of the second story) which will reference the original 1928 structure which lies beneath. No modification will be made to the sidewalk. One section of the sidewalk at the central entrance of the new façade will retain its original block with the Clark's logo. An elevator bulkhead is proposed for an area on the rooftop at the rear of the building, to accommodate a new elevator to be placed there.

Mr. Papas said the committee voted to approve the plans as presented at the meeting, with the proviso that the applicants agree to remove the "1994" stone should their business depart the premises in future.

Board Member Edwin Westley asked what kind of business or businesses is it going to be.

Mr. Papas said it will be a retail clothing store.

### **Youth Services – Renetta English, Chair**

Youth Services Chair Renetta English said the committee had a meeting on October 6, 2016 to discuss future events. The Committee is asking Community Board 3 to participate in gift giving for the holidays. The gifts will be collected at the December 15 Board meeting. She asked the Board to spread the word that the Committee is looking for young people to join Youth Services. Ms. English said that The Corona East Elmhurst Historic Society is having a meeting on November 19 at Langston Hughes Library.

### **Borough Presidents Report**

Lisa Atkins, representative for Borough President Melinda Katz' Office, said the Port Authority has put up a website for anyone with questions or complaints. Website address: [laguardiaairport.com](http://laguardiaairport.com)

She further reported that there was a tribute to former Queens Borough President Helen Marshall. An open atrium at Borough Hall was named in Ms. Marshall's honor.

Ms. Atkins said that Borough Present Melinda Katz invites everyone to a Veterans' Day observation on November 9 at 11am.

### **Legislators Report**

Nicholas Gulotta from the Mayor's Office invited everyone to a LGBT Job Fair co-sponsored by Council Member Daniel Dromm. It will be at the Jackson Heights Jewish Center on November 1.

Mr. Gulotta said that Mayor de Blasio was at Diversity Plaza registering people to vote. The first lady of New York, Chirlane McCray was also at Diversity Plaza talking about Thrive NYC, a plan of action to guide the city toward a more effective and holistic system to support the mental well-being of New Yorkers.

Gabriel Lewenstein from Public Advocate Letita James' Office said two Bills were passed sponsored by the Public Advocate. One Bill Expands Pedestrian's Right of Way" to help prevent people from being by a vehicle at a blinking red light. He said that Legislation was passed for women and business run by minorities. These groups will have access to contacts for trainings.

Mr. Lewenstein said the Public Advocate is keeping an eye on bad landlords; check out her website: [landlordwatchlist.com](http://landlordwatchlist.com)

Aridia Espinal from Assemblyman Francisco Moya's Office said that the Mobile Office will be stationed in front of the Jackson Heights Post Office on October 22, 2016. A Quality of Life Town Hall meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17 at 6pm.

Jacqueline Cosme from Council Member Daniel Dromm's office said there will be a shredding event 10am – 1:30pm on Sunday, October 23. Domestic violence law training will be held on October 26 and fire alarm installations on Saturday, October 29.

Andrew Sokolof from Council Member Julissa Ferreras' office invited everyone to the Halloween Parade at Flushing Meadows Corona Park on Sunday, October 30. Mr.

Sokolof said homeowners can have solar panels installed for free by contacting Solar NYC.

**Motion # 72 - Motion to Adjourn**

Upon motion duly made by Stephen Kulhanek and seconded by Marta Leberton, to adjourn the meeting, was passed unanimously.

The meeting was closed at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Clara Colon