

Uniform Service and Transportation
Committee Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Co-Chairs: Hon. Carolyn Thompson, Hon. Solomon Prophete

Members: Hon. Ted Kovaleff, Hon. Georgette Morgan-Thomas, Hon. April Adams
Hon. Jane Arrendale-Johnson, Hon. Hugo Torres-Fetco

Attendees:

Carolyn Thompson, MCB9

Solomon Prophete, MCB9

April Adams, MCB9

Jane Arrendale-Johnson, MCB9

Alberto Roldan, MTA

K. Magee, MTA

C. Smith, MTA

PO Stumer, NYPD 30th Precinct

Lyle Blackwood, DOT

Alexa Donaphin

Edwin Torres, MCB9

Heather Jason, MCB9

Victor Edwards, MCB9

Jair Sanchez, 695 Tenants Association

Jennely Figueroa, new owner of Billiards and Bar (3428 Broadway)

Minutes of 11/2/2023 meeting

Meeting Call to Order - at 6:37 p.m., moved by S. Prophete, seconded by A. Adams.

Adopt Agenda - moved J. Arrendale-Johnson, seconded by. A. Adams.

Adopt Minutes - moved J. Arrendale-Johnson, seconded by. A. Adams.

Presentation: MTA Representative Alberto Roldan – Replacement of Tracks on
125 th Street Stations Lines A, B, C and D.

- 8 subway stations getting elevator replacement(s)
- November 27th -project should start. Ends 2nd quarter of 2024.
- Elevators with access to the street will be temporarily removed. South side will be closed. North side will remain open.
- Elevators in the station (on mezzanine level) will remain in service.
- Shuttles to accessible stations? MTA will look into the possibility.
- MTA Customer Service Centers - closest is 125th and Lexington (4/5/6)
- Mobile Van/Bus. Carolyn asked MTA to make it available in our district
- Escalator at 145th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue (A/B/C/D) is constantly out of service.
A. Adams asked the MTA for an explanation why.

26 th Pct. Officer Cardenas

- Not present

30 th Pct. Officer Stumer

- Looked into making 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue one way
- Main issue - Cars started double and triple parking during school drop off and pick up
- Enforcement would be counterproductive
- Requested traffic agents in the past but was denied. NYPD can make the request again.
- Ms. Figueroa - new owner of the Billiards location (3428 Broadway) was not aware of the past problems of the location
 - Will need to appeal the final NYSLA decision.
 - There are more than 700 complaints YTD for 3427 Broadway
- There was a shooting at 143rd and Hamilton Place last Friday

PSA6. Detective Cheatham

- Not present

DOT. Lyle Blackwood

- Proposed rules and guidelines for Dining out NYC
 - Virtual meeting on Mon 11/20 at 10 AM
- Viaduct 153rd to 161st Street - tentative completion November 2024
 - Impacting CB9 and CB12
 - Residents worried about parking and break-ins
- MTA Request on 133rd Street (to make a one way street)
 - Email sent by Lyle - explaining DOTs position
 - Assessment was done during high traffic times
 - Issues caused by double parking
 - It can be controlled and enforced.
 - Need to re-install signage that was taken down
 - Possibly look into a traffic agent. Crossing guard is helping pedestrians cross the streets.
 - Trash Containerization project has taken away 6 parking spots
- Question from Jair regarding 145th Street & St. Nicholas Avenue to make a DOT assessment. Issues with double & triple parking and idling. Need a deterrent.

ACTION ITEMS

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Cocina Consuelo LLC

130 Hamilton Place

New York, NY 10031

Approved by 30th precinct, no objections from the committee.

Symposium Greek Restaurant
544 West 113th Street
New York, NY 10025

Approved by 26th precinct, no objections from the committee

Renewal Applications:

Panda Restaurant and Lounge
2321 12 th Avenue
New York, NY 10027

Approved by 30th precinct, no objections from the committee

OSO Hamilton Heights
1616 Amsterdam Avenue
New York, NY 10031

Approved by 30th precinct, no objections from the committee

Motion to adjourn made by A. Adams at 7:47 PM, seconded by J. Arrendale-Johnson.

Next committee meeting on Thursday December 7th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.