



## Uniform Service & Transportation Committee Meeting Agenda Minutes Thursday, October 5th, 2023

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

**Members:** Hon. Ted Kovaleff, Hon. Georgette Morgan-Thomas, Hon. April Adams,  
Hon. Jane Arrendell-Johnson, Hon. Hugo Torres-Fetsco, Hon. Derrick Johnson

**Location:**

***In Person:***

Manhattan Community Board No. 9 District Office  
3295 Broadway  
New York, NY 10027

***Virtual:***

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88036274227?pwd=ZC9vTWEzdVNSbytoLzlWUCtHVnpXZz09>

**I. Call to Order**

- a. Attendance in person - H. Elliston, S. Prophete, C. Thompson, H. Fetsco
- b. Attendance virtually - T. Kovaleff, M. Hardin-Cordero, A. Barksdale, Lyle Blackwood (DOT), Officer Cardenas (26 PCT), Officer Stumer (30 PCT), Emily (CU Spectator)
- c. Excused - G. Morgan Thomas, A. Adams,
- d. Resigned - D. Johnson
- e. Meeting called to attention at 6:52 PM
- f. Not enough members of the committee to have quorum.

**II. Adopt Agenda**

- a. Not able to adopt an agenda because we did not have quorum.

**III. Adopt Minutes**

- a. The meeting minutes from the September 2023 meeting were distributed, but not adopted because we did not have quorum.

**IV. Presentation/Discussion**

- a. 26<sup>th</sup> Precinct
  - i. Turkey Drive - date to be determined. Precinct currently working with the sponsors on a date.
  - ii. Officer Cardenas gave the year-to-date report for the 26th precinct thru (2023-09-17)
  - iii. Felony Counts (YTD 2023)
    1. 0 murders confirmed, last year 1
    2. 7 rapes confirmed, last year 12
    3. 103 robberies confirmed, last year 76
    4. 129 felony assaults confirmed, last year 112



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5. 71 burglaries confirmed, last year 90
6. 285 grand larcenies confirmed, last year 249
7. 79 auto grand larcenies confirmed, last year 52
- iv. Subway assault at 116th Street and Lenox at the 2 & 3 subway station
  1. Still under investigation. PO Cardenas will follow up.
- b. 30<sup>th</sup> Precinct
  - i. Police Officer Stumer gave the crime stats report for the 30th precinct thru (2023-09-25)
  - ii. Felony Counts (last 28 day period)
    1. 0 murders confirmed this year, last year 0
    2. 0 rapes confirmed this year, last year 1
    3. 11 robberies confirmed this year, last year 12
    4. 13 felony assaults confirmed this year, last year 15
    5. 7 burglaries confirmed, last year 2
    6. 36 grand larcenies confirmed, last year 27
    7. 6 auto grand larcenies confirmed, last year 10
  - iii. Spike in burglaries with regards to commercial vehicles
    1. tools and supplies getting stolen
  - iv. Scam using AirBNB rentals
    1. posting units as possible apartmental rentals sites/apps
    2. criminals asking would be rentors for deposits to hold units. Victims paying through Zelle or cash
    3. Offerings are usually too good to be true
    4. Several incidents regarding units in 3333 Broadway
  - v. Police Officer Stumer monitors smoke shops in our area. He is part of the crime prevention unit.
  - vi. The Sheriff's Office is the lead department but is understaffed to deal with the issue of regulating these illegal dispensaries.
  - vii. Issue regarding an illegal smoke shop on 148th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue - this inquiry will be referred to Sheriff's Department to look into.
- c. PSA6
  - i. Officer Sanchez / Det. Cheatham was not in attendance.
- d. DOT
  - i. Lyle Blackwood
    1. Pedestrian crossings - please report any issues to Lyle and copy Eutha.
    2. Plan for 120th Street was supposed to be sent to T. Kovaleff during the summer. Lyle will follow up.
    3. Questions about trash containers. Lyle will relay them to Sanitation if needed.
    4. Please provide a list of problem areas to Lyle
    5. Issues with puddling of water at 146th Street and Convent Avenue. It is a grading problem. Lyle will follow up.
    6. 135th Street and Broadway - heading southbound the street is caved in. Issues with the surfacing. Ms. Barksdale will send Lyle photos.
    7. Request to change 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue to one way. DOT has looked at it several times. They spoke to several stakeholders (school, bus depot, Verizon). This change would not be



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feasible due to possible increase in speeding, reconfiguration of traffic patterns, and impacting pick-up and drop-off for school buses.

- a. Currently, teachers and parents use the curb space to park. Impacting school buses and causing traffic problems.
8. Issues with car share spaces on 148th and Riverside Drive (per Victor's email). Lyle responded to Carolyn. She forwarded to Victor.
9. The Street Light/lamp is still out on 150th and Riverside Drive. Lyle will follow up with Carolyn.
10. Street grading issues should be sent to [lblackwood@dot.nyc.gov](mailto:lblackwood@dot.nyc.gov)
  - a. with specific location and pictures are helpful
11. Issues with catch basins should be sent to DEP

**V. Action Items: From the Previous Meeting**

**New Liquor License Applicants:**

- a. Reso re: Ten Twenty Club, Inc. located at 1020 Amsterdam Ave., NYC 10027;
- b. Reso re: The Bleu Room Restaurant and Lounge located at 1813 Amsterdam Ave, NYC 10031;
- c. Reso re: Cor Food and Beverage located at 3492 Broadway, NYC 10031;
- d. Reso re: Villa La Maravilla located at 3428 Broadway, NYC 10031;

*All of the new applications were NOT reviewed by the entire UTS committee because we did not have enough members in attendance. However, we did request feedback and input from the NYPD. We will forward our recommendations to the executive committee for review.*

**Renewal Liquor License Applicants:**

- e. Reso re: Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado located at 2841 Broadway, NYC 10027;
- f. Reso re: Parlay Café, Corp. located at 1780 Amsterdam Ave., NYC 10031;
- g. Reso re: Sugar Hill Café, Inc. located at 410 W. 145<sup>th</sup> Street, NYC 10031;  
Reso re: Bird In Hand NY located at 3569 Broadway, NYC 10031;
- h. Reso re: Beer Run 3604A located at 3604 Broadway, NYC 10031;

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**VI. Old Business**

- a. Illegal Smoke Shops
  - i. fines and summons being handed out by the Sheriff's Office and NYC Marshalls.
- b. Excessive loitering, double and triple parking on 145th Street Corridor



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**VII. New Business**

- a. speak to Eutha about asking the Deputy Sanitation Commissioner to look at issues at 146th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue to Amsterdam Avenue.
- b. What do we do regarding notification of new dispensary applications? So far we got notice of two dispensaries wanting to open in our district.

**VIII. Adjourn**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM
- b. The next committee meeting will be on Thursday, November 2nd, 2023 at 6:30 PM