

Uniform Service & Transportation

Committee Meeting

Thursday September 7, 2022 @ 6:30 P.M.

Visual Zoom Meeting

CO-Chairs: Hon. Carolyn Thompson, Hon. Patricia Watler-Johnson, Hon. Ted Kovaleff

Absent Members: Hon. Georgette Morgan-Thomas, Hon. Solomon Prophete

Public Member: Alicia Barkdale

The Meeting was called to attention at 6:39 P.M. without a quorum.

26th Pct. Deputy Ins. Sarubbi attended the meeting and stated that the Chief of patrol has created a Task Force to step up process to reduce crime. This information will inform families about wearing jewelry and other that can be snatched.

Dep. Ins. Sarubbi also stated that anyone who is expecting deliveries should look into having a lock box installed in there building to keep thieves from removing parcels.

Deputy Ins. Sarubbi stated that the 26th pt. has confiscated over 75 bikes, this is a problem all over the city. Hon. Edwin Torrez referred to commercial parking in the area, Dep. Ins. Sarubbi responded stating that her officers are handling the situation, as well as all 311 calls which also goes to every precinct.

Det. Harper stated that the 26th precinct National Night Out was a great success, the precinct gave out tablets, book bags and everyone had a great time.

30th Pct. Officer Espinal and Officer Mendez were both present.

Officer Espinal gave the stats: GLA 12-7 increase by 15%, Murder 0-0, Rape 2-0, Robberies 7-17,

Grand Larceny 18-23 Felony Assault 9-13, overall there a 142 increase.

30th precinct National Night Out was a success, 25 bikes were given out, toys was given to those who did not win a bike.

The 30th precinct will have a Book Bag giveaway in three (3) different location on September 6, 2022, due the rain the Officer will reach out to the community and have them come to the precinct to pick up the school bags.

Ms. Sanchez from 695 St. Nicholas Avenue came before the committee to thank us for the help we were able in getting rip of a bench that that was a very big proble.

DOT Lyle Blackwood: Mr. Blackwood stated that milling and Surfacing will return uptown, if anyone knows of a location that need it done please out to DOT or the community board.

Mr. Blackwood also stated that a raised crosswalk will be placed at 150 St. Nicholas Place and also around the city.

Hon. Ted Kovaleff also inquire about 120 street Riverside – Broadway. This has been ongoing for the last 10 years. Mr. Blackwood responded that DOT has not addressed this issue.

Det. Harper reported that there is a sink hole located at 126 Old Broadway, DOT will send out a team to access the area.

Ms. Barksdale stated that the traffic along 135th Broadway is a big problem, there is double parking due to parents picking up their children. It was suggested that if the school could place a monitor to keep the children inside until their parents arrive it might ease the traffic. Officer Mendez stated that they have already had a meeting with the principle regarding this issue.

Hon. Patricia Watler-Johnson has raised the question about Alternate side street parking whereas in some communities there is only 1 day a week instead of 2 days a week. Hon. Carolyn Thompson stated that it is not that easy to change signs and any change of signs come under the heading of Sanitation.

A resident spoke on the construction along 110 street and wanted to know if a speed hump could be installed. However, that stretch is a bus route and no speed hump can be installed. The question was asked if a speed camera has been installed at that location. DOT will have a team come out and look at the location.

Mr. Wilson Diaz came to the committee with a complaint regarding parking garages. He stated that he had gone to several garages to park his electric bike and they continue to refuse him and they have signs that state they do except bikes. Mr. Diaz was referred to Dept. of Buildings to inquire if the garages has a right to refuse him and why.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Thompson,

Chair of Uniform Service