



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



LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 14th, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

CB 7 Office – 229A East 204th Street, Bronx, NY 10458

- Meeting called to order at 6:30pm. – Attendance sheet on file – Quorum established.
- I. Kate Van Tassel of NYCEDC gave a power point presentation update on the Fordham Plaza Conceptual Design reflecting a Gateway to the district and its civic institutions. In a study conducted a year ago, it was revealed that this is one of the most populated districts in the entire city with immense amount of traffic and pedestrian problems. It attracts 80,000 people per day and of that amount approximately 1,000 pedestrian crossings occur during rush hour, with an equal amount using cross walks as those who j-walk.
- II. The proposed conditions would elevate the rating of the plaza's transportation hub by improving pedestrian safety and traffic flow, gain an additional 15,000 sq. ft. of public space. The project will be transferred to DOT and they are in the fundraising phase for capital funding. The project is projected to begin within 1-1 1/2 years from now and will take approximately 1 year to complete.
- III. Richard Geuther from City Planning gave a power point presentation on Residential Streetscape Text Amendment. The goal of the amendment is to strengthen front yard enhancement throughout the borough by implementing minimum planting requirements in R1 – R5 districts. Power point presentation is archived at the Community Board office.
- IV. Mark A. Chiffert, engineer for a proposed 14 story housing complex development at 2788 Grand Concourse gave a power point presentation showing the scope of the project which is on file at the Community Board office.
- V. Ozzie Brown gave an update on the Fordham Landing Waterfront and stated that a trolley tour is scheduled for February 6th with students from Columbia University Graduate School of Planning and Architecture and members of the Waterfront Subcommittee as well as board members.
- VI. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm