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Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 7, 2010 @ 6:00 pm
Community Board 11 Office
1664 Park Avenue (bet. 117th / 118th Street)
New York, NY 10035

Present: David Giordano, Frances Mastrota, Keith Massey, Hector Nazario, Debbie Quinones, Frank Brija, Cora Shelton, Richard Toussaint and Russel Shuler

Absent: Bob McCullough

Guests: Sonia Rodriguez and Aden Brija

1. **Opening remarks:** – Committee Chair Frances Mastrota called the meeting to order. Adoption of Agenda, Review of draft of September’s meeting, and quorum established.
2. **Discussions:**
There was no presentation or discussion of Mr. Thomas Luongo’s Holiday Lighting Fundraising proposal due to the fact that Mr. Luongo did not show.
3. **Reviewed of Capital Budget Priorities (2012)**
 1. Rebuild and repair parts of the East River Esplanade between 125th and 96th Streets.
 2. Complete the development of phase “A” 125th – 132nd Street on the East River Esplanade
 3. Install hi-intensity lighting at all public parks in Community District Eleven.
 4. Build a comfort station with a bathroom in the Harlem River Park
 5. Expand Thomas Jefferson Park Recreation Center to accommodate increased usage.
 6. Rehabilitate historic /landmark Bell Tower in Marcus Garvey Park.
4. **The Expense Budget Priorities (2012)**
Ranks the same at 15 & 23:
#15 - Hire additional Park Rangers or PED Officers for Harlem River Park, Thomas Jefferson and Marcus Garvey Parks.
#23 – Hire additional Summer Playground Recreational Assistants to work in Community Board Eleven Parks and Playgrounds.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. A motion was made by Richard Toussaint to set the above priorities before the Board
Seconded by Frank Brija and approved unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Russel Shuler that Mr. Thomas Luongo be invited back to the
Parks Committee in November to make his presentation. Seconded by Keith Massey and
approved unanimously.

4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Community Gardens Resolution – tabled
- b. East River Plaza Greening – tabled
- c. Randall’s Island Foot Bridge – meeting to be set by DOT for the week of 10-25-10

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Richard Toussaint distributed information on Composting Restrooms – tabled

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting finish @ 7:05