Housing Committee
September 3, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
Board Office

*** MINUTES ***

Present: Denilyn Arciaga, Henry Flores, Raja Flores, Kamwa Jean-Pierre, Xavier Santiago, Jeremiah Schlotman (Chair), NY Whitaker, Nilsa Orama (ex officio), Angel Mescain (staff), Marline Pierre (Staff)

Excused: John Green, Shawn Smith, Jenny Tromski, Candy Vives-Vasquez,

Absent: None

Guests: Bertram Barnes

1. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 6:36pm

  Adoption of Agenda — Motion to adopt the agenda by Henry Flores, second by Xavier Santiago, passed unanimously.

2. Informational Updates

3. Committee Discussions

   a. Committee discussion of rent laws changes: The committee reviewed the major changes to the rent laws after passage of the Housing Stability and Tenant Protection Act on June 14, 2019. The committee paid attention to the changes that Community Board 11 called for in its resolution on the rent laws passed in the spring. Changes that were highlighted were the elimination of deregulation of rent-stabilized apartments; the elimination of rent increases due to vacancy; preferential rent reform, the reform of individual apartment improvements and major capital improvements. The committee were referred to the overview of changes fact sheet issued by the Housing Justice for All coalition.

   b. Committee discussion to draft FY 2021 Statement of District Needs and Budget Requests: The committee reviewed the budget requests and relevant language from the Statement of District Needs. The committee suggested some changes and additions to the language in the housing sections of the Statement of District Needs.
4. Old Business: The NYCHA Housing Forum, which had been tentatively scheduled for September 2019, is being postponed to an undetermined future date. Once another date is selected, the committee will inform the community board.

5. New Business

6. Announcements

7. Adjournment

   Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm
   Motion to adjourn by Henry Flores, second by Denilyn Arciaga, passed unanimously.