Human Services
September 9, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
Board Office

*** Minutes ***

Present: Jarquay Abdullah, Stephanie Arroyo, Elsie Encarnacion (Chair), Wendy Ferreira, Mahfuzur Rahman, Xavier Santiago, Issac Scott, Shawn Smith, Strashun Robin, Vincent Torres, Angel Mescain (staff)

Absent: Kamwa Jean-Pierre

Excused: Carlos Diaz

Guests: Wanda Rijo, Moray Joslin, Anne Wilson, Michele Calvo, Jcenn Meyer

1. Call to Order– Meeting called to order at 6:03pm. An adoption to accept the agenda was made by Robin Stashun and seconded by Xavier Santiago.

2. Announcements
Announcements were made by Robin Stashun about an upcoming senior event as well as a dog grooming event.

3. Presentations & Discussions
   a. A presentation was made by the New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM) discussing their work in substance use, including an upcoming Opioid Symposium hosted by NYAM on Friday September 20, 2019.
   b. A presentation was made by Anne Wilson from The Randall’s Island Park Alliance (RIPA) regarding concerns about the continued increase of shelter beds on Randalls Island. She presented some of her concerns to the committee and we will work with her and other committees; mainly Parks and Recreation and Public Safety and Transportation to address some of these issues. A site visit was also suggested in addition to requesting more information from the 25th precinct and 311 & 911 complaints on the island. We are also going to reach out to The Department of Homeless Services (DHS) to get more information regarding these concerns.
   c. The draft of the FY 2021 Statement of District Needs (SDN) and budget requests were reviewed by the committee and task were assigned to committee members as deliverables for our next meeting.

4. New Business

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6. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Mahfuzur Rahman and seconded by Robin Strashun.