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Public Safety & Transportation Committee

January 7, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

Bonifacio Senior Center, 7 East 116th Street

*** MINUTES ***

Present: Jose Altamirano, Marissa Mack, Jeffrey Monteiro, Robert Perkins, Yolanda Brown, Judith Febbraro, Amie Kiros-Petrucci, Dawn Sanders

Excused: Diane Collier, Jonathan Winstone

Absent: Jarquay Abdullah

Guests: Carlos Diaz; Robert Gordon; Leslie Colon; Myra Colon; Dimandja Utshudi, DANY; Adomako; P.O.Gibbons, 23rd Precinct

1. Call to Order – Adoption of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

2. Informational updates

- a. NYPD- 25th Precinct reported their 28-day numbers for the month in comparison to last year. The precinct also reported that there was an incident of a hate crime in the district when there was graffiti with a hate/racist message on at the end of the 103rd Street walk bridge on the island side.
- b. DANY- Mr. Utshudi reported that DANY will no longer be prosecuting offenses for marijuana possession and that the office has seen a decrease in arrests and court cases as a result of this initiative.

3. Presentations & Discussions

- a. Street Renaming request in honor of Pedro “Pete” Velez

Carlos Diaz presented on the legacy of Pedro Velez. He was a pioneer of stickball in East Harlem who was known for taking youth off the streets and keeping them active during some of the roughest years of East Harlem. He mentored countless youth which went on to be productive citizens across the United States. He was an employee of the post office and set an example of hard work and dignity. The committee will take a vote next month on their request.

- b. Youth Gang Violence Forum Discussion

The committee discussed the particulars of the forum from possible locations and partnerships. The committee chair was going to have a meeting with the chairs of the Public Safety and Transportation and Youth committees, since it is a joint effort, to set a date and set a concrete plan.

4. Old Business

5. New Business

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8 pm