

Minutes of the 2023 Annual Meeting Myrtle Avenue Brooklyn Partnership October 25, 2023

- 1. Amanda Zenteno welcomed everyone to the meeting and began the formal presentation with an introduction of Frances Bronet.
- 2. Frances Bronet introduced the Annual Meeting Agenda
 - a. Special note was made of the recent changes in leadership with Amanda Zenteno hired as the new Executive Director.
- 3. Frances asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the 2022 Annual Meeting
 - a. Amanda Neville made the motion; Elissa Olin seconded
 - b. Motion passed with an abstention from the Comptroller's office
- 4. Frances asked for a motion to approve the slate of Board candidates.
 - a. The slate included for Class A (owners of real property)--John Dew, Bernell Grier, Lawrence Hoy, Diane Huey, Mutale Kenyata, Yvonne Johnson, Valarie Tavaras, Michael Weiss; for Class B (tenants of a commercial lease) Michaelle Blisset Williams, Amanda Neville, Elissa Olin, Gerry Rooney, Carol Thomas; and for Class C (tenants of a residential lease) Samantha Johnson.
 - b. Elissa Olin made the motion; Amanda Neville seconded
 - c. Motion passed
- 5. Mike Wiess spoke of the finances of MABP, based on the budget passed by the board on 6/15/23 for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2023.
 - a. He indicated that roughly half of the expected revenue for the organization would come from the BID assessment (\$575,000), roughly one-quarter would come from grants (\$377,750), and a slice of \$100,000 would come from the final payout of the draw-down of the MARP fund.
 - b. On the projected expenses side, the BID service of Sanitation (\$276,462) is one of the larger expenditures, with the smallest slice of expenses going towards planning & advocacy (\$16,346).
 - c. Elissa Olin asked a question about the possibility of an assessment increase. Amanda Zenteno indicated that an assessment increase is not needed at the moment, but that the organization may consider it for future years.
- 6. John Dew opened the floor for discussion.
 - a. A merchant raised a question about storefront and neighborhood security;
 - b. Amanda Zenteno announced that a meeting with the 88th Precinct of the NYPD was planned for the following week with Captain Goodchild to discuss business-facing concerns.
- 7. John Dew asked for a motion to close the meeting.
 - a. Amanda Neville made the motion; Elissa Olin seconded
 - b. The formal portion of the meeting was closed. After the formal portion of the meeting, Amanda Zenteno gave a presentation on the highlights of the fiscal year 2023 (which ended June 30, 2023) and introduced MABP Staff.