



MINUTES
Ad Hoc LADBS Policies Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 4 PM-5 PM

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Stella Grey, Committee Vice Chair, called meeting to order at 4:02PM.

10 Present: Leslie Weisberg, Robin Greenberg, Cathy Wayne, Stephanie Savage, Bobby Kwan, Maureen Levinson, Bob Schlesinger, Barbara Dawson, Gail Sroloff, Michael Schweitzer;

1 Absent: Shawn Bayliss.

2. **Motion:** Approve February 17, 2021 Ad Hoc LADBS Policies Committee meeting Agenda.

Moved by Cathy Wayne; **seconded** by Leslie Weisberg; **10/0/0 passed.**

3. **General Public Comments**

Bobby Kwan suggested to discuss enforcement of past and current violations such as illegally installed work.

Gail Sroloff suggested to address lack of verification of the permitted scope by LADBS.

Bob Schlesinger provided updates regarding the current planning regulations.

4. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Election of the Chair

Motion: to elect Stephany Savage **Moved** by Stella Grey; **seconded** ___ **10/0/0 passed.**

5. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Per Robin Greenberg, Barbara Dawson, Bobby Kwan, Maureen Levinson and Michael Schweitzer will be seated as members of this committee at the next Board meeting.

6. **Discussion:**

- Bob Schlesinger suggested that the committee meets by weekly.
- Maureen Levison suggested to review how LADBS processes complaints regarding securement of vacant lots and event houses operating from single family residences
- Cathy Wayne stated that various departments within LADBS do not coordinate during project review and approval process and that the code is a subject to interpretation and is not applied uniformly by checkers
- Stephanie Savage emphasized interconnection between various issues on the current list and suggested that every member should take a lead.
- Michael Schweitzer mentioned that scope of permits is often understated and that LADBS and the City are missing revenues from taxes and fee based on value of projects. He and Stephanie will take a lead on these items.
- Bob Schlesinger mentioned that he is working with DCP on completion bonds and that bonds required for haul routes have never been used.

- Linda Whitford suggested to write a letter re lost revenues to the Mayor's budget committee while they are reviewing the proposed city budget. Michael Schweitzer will take a lead.
- Bobby Kwan will work on figuring out why enforcement by LADBS is so inadequate which also leads to the loss of revenues.
- Cathy Wayne will take a lead on erroneous extension of vested rights
- Stella Grey will take a lead on plan check and permit expiration, haul routes and liaison to LADBS
- Leslie Weinberg will take a lead on construction czar position and on possible conflict of interest with deputy inspectors
- Stephanie Savage will take a lead on correcting hillside referral forms and missed improvements and entitlements
- Stephanie mentioned how owner-builder requirements are not enforced
- Leslie Weinberg and Gail Sroloff will take a lead on lack of enforcement that resulted in Hadid's project

7. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 4 PM