

**Community Board 9  
890 Nostrand Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11225**

**Minutes of the  
Housing Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, December 9, 2015**

**Attendance:**

**Committee Members:** Carmen L. Martinez (Committee Chair); Beverly Newsome (Committee Co-Chair); Eve-lyn Williams – CB9; Patricia Moses – CB9; Hector Robertson – CB9; Diane Sheppard – Committee Resident Member

**Community Residents:** Neil Morancie; Paula Jones; Jay Rasin-Waters

**Absent Members:** Unella Rhone-Perry – CB9; Kenya Sollas – CB9; Donna Mossman – Committee Resident Member (Excused); Vivia Morgan-Frett – Community Resident; Cameron Page – Community Resident

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Meeting called to order by Carmen L. Martinez at 6:50PM

Mr. Jay Rasin-Waters, a community resident and homeowner, attended the Housing Committee meeting to request assistance concerning a Warning Letter he received from the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) in connection with the replacement of the windows of his landmarked home without proper permit. The windows also do not meet LPC's guidelines and the property has therefore been deemed in violation of the Landmarks Law. The property was landmarked in 1979.

Although Mr. Rasin-Waters provided before and after photos of the property and gave a verbal presentation to the Committee of his rationale for preferring the double-hung windows he installed in lieu of the LPC approved windows, he did not provide written documentation nor enough information for the Housing Committee to make a determination on the matter and make recommendation to the full board on his behalf. Mr. Rasin-Waters will therefore be invited to return to the Housing Committee's January meeting to make a full presentation and provide necessary documents and materials in order for the committee to be able to vote on this matter.

Beverly Newsome suggested that the Housing Committee work on a presentation about Affordable Housing to be presented to the full board and the community at one the general meetings. After much discussion about the need for understanding and defining Affordable Housing, the Committee concluded that the priority issues for the coming year will be: Affordable Housing, the Housing Lottery System, and 421-a Tax Abatement.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carmen L. Martinez  
Chairperson

December 21, 2015