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Meet the Valedictorian & Salutatorian From Obama School of Social Justice



Valedictorian Brian Amparo, left, and Salutatorian Jose Sebastian Regalado Villa

Obama School of Justice High School Valedictorian Brian Amparo will graduate with a 98.26, Weighted GPA. Favorite teachers are 11th grade English teacher Mr. Fariello,11th grade History and Psychology Mr. Sussman. "They all put good effort into teaching and present themselves as great people to look up to."

Favorite courses are English, because dissecting literature can be pretty fun, Psychology because it allows me to learn more about the mind works (this applies to sociology as well of course), and Math, because it always blows my mind thinking about it.

"I've taken a sociology course at Westchester Community College that I thoroughly enjoyed due to just how much potential it has to change the world and revolutionize it and am a member of YPIE."

"I've decided to go to College of Mount Saint Vincent, as they offered me a financial aid package that covers everything and they're a 10 minute walk away from where I live, making commuting a breeze."

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Brian is a caregiver for his autistic brother. "I want to make sure I'm there for him and my family. Future plans? "I consistently find myself dreaming of becoming an animator or screenwriter, but don't be surprised if I end up becoming a

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Crestwood Community Fund Raises \$420K for Park Improvements in Memory of Annie & Allie



L-R-County Legislator James Nolan, Councilman Mike Breen, Mayor Mike Spano, Theresa McMahon, Katie Sullivan, Kristen McDermott, Rebecca Kerrigan, Councilman John Rubbo, Parks Commissioner Steve Sansone

By Dan Murphy

The Crestwood neighborhood in the City of Yonkers is a close-knit community, with many generations living in the same family homes they grew up in. One popular City park in Crestwood is Schultze Park and field, located at St. Eleanoras Lane. The park has been in need of an upgrade for some time.

When two of Crestwood's "Angels," Annie McMahon and Allie Sullivan, passed away in 2019, an effort began to remember them, but to also accomplish something meaningful in their memory

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That's when two Crestwood residents, Kristen McDermott and Rebecca Kerrigan, began the effort to raise money to help improve the park in the memory of Annie and Allie. They formed the Crestwood Community Fund in 2020, and last week presented a check for \$420,000 to Mayor Mike Spano and the City to help make needed upgrades to the park.

"Crestwood is a special community, and after the girls passed away, we wanted to do something in their memory. But we also wanted to see if we could raise funds to improve the park that so many of us have used," said co-founder Kristen McDermott. "We are transplants to Crestwood, but it is heartwarming to see a community come together like this," said Kerrigan.

After speaking to their Councilman Mike Breen, and City Parks Commissioner Steve Sansone, the fund raising began. In 2022, Allie and Anniea plunge for the park was held at Growler's in Tuckahoe that raised \$35k. And in June of 2022, a big fundraiser gala was held that raised \$185,000.

"The whole project was a gift to the Sullivan and McMahon families, who are always looking for way to help people," said McDermott. "We look forward to the future of Schultze Playground and feel so lucky that our (soon to be) new playground has two of the very best Angels watching over it and all those who get to enjoy it," said Kerrigan.

Was COVID an obstacle to getting this done? "Yes, but after COVID, people came out like lightening out of a bottle, looking for something to do," said McDermott.

"Even if you didn't have a connection to the family, this park is the heart of our community and the place to be. You still want a park to bring your kids to." Said Kerrigan.

Key features to the park improvements will be, first and foremost, a rubberized floor for the playground. A figure 8 pathway around the park and alleviating some of the summer heat with some shading are also on the list.

"We want to thank many people for making this happen. Several local schools, and The Ursuline School (where both Allie and Annie graduated from) all stepped up, and the families and friends of all the girls all came together to help achieve this goal. And we had donations from throughout Westchester and across the country to help us with this endeavor.," said McDermott.

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Pineda-Issac's Unpaid Tickets from City Car and Personal Car Costing Taxpayers Thousands

Violations in Yonkers as of 05/31/2023 unpaid:

No Front License Plate--14 Tickets-\$1365.00; \$2,170 total

Violations in City Vehicle Outside Yonkers:

Speeding in a school zone-two times-caught on video in NYC

-thousands of dollars in EZ Pass fines and unpaid tolls;

all violations and fines from City Car come back to City Hall.

If Pineda-Isaac doesn't pay, who picks up the tab?

By Dan Murphy

Yonkers City Councilwoman and Mayoral candidate Corazon Pineda-Isaac owes the City of Yonkers, and it taxpayers, more than \$2170.00 in unpaid traffic tickets and violations, accumulated over the past two years, in the City of Yonkers, from her personal vehicle.

In addition, Pineda-Isaac has wracked up thousands of dollars in tickets, violations and unpaid tolls from her travels outside of Yonkers, to New York City. Among those fines are speeding violations for traveling at an illegal rate of speed through a school zone.

The fines in the City of Yonkers, from her personal vehicle, include 14 violations, all in 2023, for not having a license plate on the front of her vehicle. Without penalties, they total \$1365.00. Other tickets and violations in Yonkers bring the total to \$2170.00.

Pineda-Isaac also has accumulated more than \$3000 in fines, parking tickets and speeding tickets with her City owned car. Violations include speeding through a school zone in the Bronx. NYC Cameras in a school zone cameras caught Pineda-Isaac traveling 36 in a 25mph zone on two occasions in 2023.

Other violations, include dozens of E-Z Pass violations on the NYS Thruway or the NYC Bridges and Tolls, and other fines and tickets in White Plains, New Rochelle and Yonkers. At one point, the City of Yonkers owed EZ Pass \$2 We wanted to find out what the proper procedure was when fines come into the City of Yonkers from parking violations bureaus in NYC and from EZ Pass. \$2109.00 just for Pineda-Isaac's vehicle.

City Councilwoman Shanae Williams, who does drive a city owned vehicle, explained, "if I get a ticket, I pay for it. I have a personal EZ Pass that I use and pay for. We also get notified by the City if there is a ticket issued for our city council car. On the rare occasion where it gets that far for me, I pay it. The tax-payers are paying for our vehicles, they shouldn't also have to pay for our fines and tickets."

Pineda-Isaac did pay for some of her older EZ Pass fines, but recent violations from 2022 and 2023 are unpaid. Included with the violation and ticket is an email from a City of Yonkers employee asking Pineda-Isaac to pay for her tickets and fines for Car #14, the internal name for Pineda-Isaac's car. In some cases, the Pineda-Isaac did pay for the fines from her city vehicle, but in most of the more than 100 pages of City Vehicle/Fines, tickets and violations info, most recent fines are not paid.

Recently, Pineda-Isaac has submitted legislation on the City Council to lower the speed limit in school zones in Yonkers. But the documents we obtained show that Pineda-Isaac was caught speeding in a school zone in the Bronx on two oc-

City Councilman John Rubbo called Pineda Isaac's behavior "irresponsible." "It is irresponsible for her to not only get the speeding tickets, but then not to pay them. That puts a financial burden on the taxpayers. As council members we are traveling all over the city, so we get a vehicle. But the people give us that vehicle and ask us to be responsible with it. What makes her believe that she can handle

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Political Agendas, Ethics, and Interference in Judicial Races in Westchester



"I am disheartened and angered by the attacks on Judge Charley Wood by WCLA Choice Matters. The reality is that Judge Wood is pro-choice. I urge women voting in the 9th judicial district to consider his excellent record on women's issues."

-Robi Schlaff, former Vice-Chair of the Westchester Democratic Party's Judicial Screening Committee

left; State Supreme Court Judge Charles Wood

By Dan Murphy

In December 2022, Hector LaSalle, the Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Department, was nominated by Governor Kathy Hochul to become the state's first Latino Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals. Immediately, New York Focus published an article entitled "Hochul Picks Hector LaSalle for Chief Judge. Progressives Fear Return to Conservative Era." That article was the first to articulate progressive opposition to Judge LaSalle, who ultimately became the first Chief Judge nominee to ever be rejected by the State Senate.

On April 5, 2023, New York Focus published an article that can be charitably called "unfavorable" against State Supreme Court Justice Charles Wood, who is running for re-election this year in the Ninth Judicial District. In the two months since that article ran, a newly formed progressive group called, "Citizens for a Democratic Judiciary" circulated a letter to the Westchester County Democratic Committee, calling for some nominee other than Wood. On June 1, the group issued a press release claiming that their letter was "signed by more than 1,000 local Democrats." Lohud then published a story on June 5, which started, "Many candidates have to collect 1,000 signatures to get on the ballot in New York.

That's how many people have signed a petition trying to keep state Supreme

Court Justice Charles Wood off it this year."

But it turns out that Citizens for a Democratic Judiciary didn't get anywhere near 1,000 online "signatures"—at least not valid ones. A quick review of the zip codes provided by signers, reveals that almost 1 in 5 of them live outside the 5 counties that comprise the Ninth Judicial District, including signers from Florida,

Yonkers Juneteenth Weekend 2023 Saturday June 17th-1pm





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A Night of Boxing in Yonkers to Feature Golden Gloves Champ Christella Cepada



BROTHER 2 BROTHER 914, INC presents Westchester's Finest Boxing Show, on Friday June 16th. 7-10 pm. at the Grand Roosevelt Ballroom located at 2 Hudson Street.

The show will feature five of Yonkers Outstanding Boxers, competing against Tri-State Area Contenders. The Main Event will feature YONKERS OWN 2014 Olympic Trails Bronze Medalist, 4 time Metro Champion, 3 time Golden Gloves and 2022 National Golden Gloves Champion, Christella Cepeda.

The Co- Main Event Yonkers own 3 time Junior Olympic, 4 time Metro Champion and 2016 Ringside Champion Luis Mejia.

There will be a total of 15 Bouts. Sponsors include Yonkers Fire Fighters Local 628 and Yonkers P.B.A.

Admission is \$50

Read our story below on Showtime Cepeda, who could be in the Olympics next year. https://yonkerstimes.com/christella-showtime-cepeda-brings-golden-glovesbelt-to-yonkers-are-the-olympics-next/





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Latimer Announces Free Bee Line Bus Fares Again This Summer



Westchester County Executive George Latimer is once again taking action to ease the burden on Westchester residents' wallets as he announces for the third time that Bee-Line Bus fares will be suspended from July 1 until September 4 during this summer. The fare suspension will also apply to the County's ParaTransit

Latimer said: "This is a move we are able to make on behalf of Westchester residents due to the strong, smart fiscal management my Administration has taken during our tenure. From cutting property taxes to ensuring our Public Safety Department is fully funded, this is another way we County government can improve the lives of the people we serve."

During the summer of 2022, the County offered its first free rides program and saw a dramatic increase in ridership. The system experienced a 37% increase in ridership during the three-month period of June, July and August, compared to the prior three-month period in March, April and May.

Department of Public Works/Transportation Commissioner Hugh Greechan said: "Westchester County is proud of our ability to provide this outstanding service to our residents fare-free for a limited time. We understand the impact it has on the budgets of our riders and looking forward to providing some relief."

The Bee-Line is Westchester County's bus system, serving over 27 million passengers annually with convenient service connecting residents to jobs, recreation, shopping and other regional transportation services. It is the second largest transit bus fleet in New York State, operated by the County's Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T).

Office for People with Disabilities Director Evan Latainer said: "County Executive Latimer is once again looking out for the constituents of Westchester County in providing cost savings when traveling on our ParaTransit system. By providing this free fare period it is again allowing our ridership to utilize Para-Transit free of charge for their transportation needs. We thank the County Executive for continuing to be there for our ridership."

Over 65% of all Westchester County residents are within walking distance of a Bee-Line bus route, making the bus both close and convenient. The system has over 3,300 bus stops and almost 60 routes. All Bee-Line buses are accessible, and designed with many accessibility features including "kneeling" buses, ramps and

Listen Up: What to know about Hearing Loss: St. John's Riverside Hosptal Webinar June 14



Hearing Loss Issues?

St. John's Riverside Hospital is hosting a webinar about "What to Know About Hearing Loss" on June 14th at 11am and featuring Michael Tom, MD and Chief of Otolarynology. You will learn about new remedies and procedures to help mitigate the effects for hearing loss.

RSVP today at https://form.jotform.com/231424705538152.



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What Idiot Would Destroy A Park?



By Eric W. Schoen

The city of Yonkers has been investing a lot of money in beautifying the many wonderful parks in town over the last few years. Redmond, Cook Field, what ever you want to call it has been undergoing major renovations this summer.

So what happens on Memorial Day weekend? Trespassers tore up the field on all terrain vehicles and dirt bikes and all these other electronic vehicles that are popular now. Tearing up extensive and expensive work to destroy a park we all enjoy

What possesses people to do something crazy like this destroying a park. City funds are hard to come by in the first place. To have crews work on the site only to have it dug up and have their work done over is a waste of time and money.

If you know of a person or persons responsible, please call the Police Department at 914-377-7900. We should make those that did the damage pay for it. But again I ask you what possesses someone to do damage like what occurred destroying a park in the middle of summer? Do people have no respect for anything? A simple park everyone can enjoy? Does the minority of people feel they have the right to destroy the park that the majority of people enjoy safely and without destruction? Who are the idiots involved. What do you think? Now unto other business of the day!

Recycling Machine tells you how to Recycle Paper, Plastics and other materials

Recycling numbers of paper, plastics and other recyclables leave a lot to be desired. There are numerous problems. People don't know what bin to put their recyclable item in. They don't know what is recyclable and what is not. People don't know if they can recycle items that have food waste on them like a paper plate with grease on it. And no where are the rules spelled out.

So now a company is coming out with a machine that you put the item you hope to recycle in and it will tell you whether it is recyclable or not and what bin to put it in. My guess is the machine is not cheap, but if over time it recycles a lot of what would normally go to landfills it probably will pay for itself.

Most recyclable items are marked but how often do we look at the items to see where it should be put in the recycling bins as we hurry to finish our meals.

The Race for President in 2024

Let me start out by saying I hope there are no debates or that the candidates decide not to participate. Debates if any should be without a studio audience which takes away from the whole debate. People come in supporting a candidate and the occasion turns into a shouting, clapping match. And the candidate with the loudest mouth and supporters wins.

We have to come up with a better system for debates in this country. Shouting matches accomplish nothing. And What do you expect with Donald Trump and Chris Christie in a debate?

I frankly can't believe that Christie has the nerve to run. He left as Governor of New Jersey with the lowest polling numbers of any governor in the state. Bridgegate, or 'Time.for Some Traffic Problems in Fort Lee' was his recipe. I know several people who got stuck for hours even though Christie claimed he did not know about the traffic mess. People went to jail because of it and many people think Christie was the mastermind behind the whole scheme.

Christie's 'hanging out' literally and figuratively at the beach in his private residence while beaches and parks were closed to the public due to budget woes on a holiday weekend was a rather stupid move.

With all due respect to Trump and Christie, Americans like a Presidential candidate who is in good physical shape. Same applies to Biden. That's why I think there will be another candidate who will jump in the race and win. People are so tired of the same candidates running over and over again Democrats and Republicans want change. It is going to be An interesting election year in 2024!

How Migrants Show Up at a Hotel

I was listening to County Executive George Latimer on WABC Radio over the weekend discussing the migrant crisis. Of all the public officials to comment on what is going on he and Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano have been the most realistic with the public.

Government has no role to play when it comes to housing migrants in your local hotels. County Executives and elected officials can go to court to fight placement of migrants, but hotel owners have every right to place migrants in their hotels without any intervention. It's like if you or I want a hotel we call the hotel and make a reservation. If a room is available we get it. If not we don't.

So the next time you hear some big mouth politician say he is going to stop migrants from coming into his county or community, ask him or her what power they have to do this. Other than talking to the hotel owner or chain officials if the hotel is part of a chain, there really is not much your elected officials or you can

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Yonkers Police Investigate Fatal Double Shooting on Morris Street

On May 31, Members of the Yonkers Police Department are presently investigating a shooting incident that occurred at about 8:20 PM this evening in the area of 55 Morris Street. Two victims sitting in a black sedan were shot at through the driver's window: the first victim, a 19-year-old male resident of Yonkers, was struck at least two times including once in the chest – First Responders rendered CPR and he was brought to a local area hospital where he died from his injuries; the second victim, an 18-year-old resident of Yonkers, was struck at least one time in the leg – he was brought to a local area trauma center in stable condition and is expected to recover.

Detectives are actively working the case in order to identify and apprehend the perpetrator(s). Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Yonkers Police Detective Division at (914) 377-7724 or submit a tip by texting the keyword YPD and the tip to CRIMES (274637).

NOTICE REQUIRED BY CPLR 316

Notice to WESTAIR REALTY, CORP., LAWRENCE MARTIN BELL, ROBIN BELL KALB, LEONARD OTIS BELL, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HAROLD K. BELL.,
MICHELLE ANN SILVERMAN, WENDY JOY SILVERMAN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HARRY SILVERMAN, LORRAINE LINARZ, MIRIAM WOLFSON AND THE
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MINNIE FEINBERG and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LEO
FEINBERG AND THE CITY OF YONKERS NEW YORK:

An action has been filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of

Westchester under Index No. 55337/2023 seeking a declaration pursuant to RPAPI. Article 15

that the Plaintiff The Zee Zee Goup LLC is the owner in fee simple of the strip of land described
on Schedule A hereto and that any persons claiming ownership be barred from all claim to an

interest in such proceed.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint is attached hereto.

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Plaintiff.

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THE ZEE ZEE GROUP LLC.

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Defendants.

To the above-named Defendants

You are bereby summaned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded herein.

Dated: January <u>10</u>, 2023

MARCUS, GOULD & SUSSMAN, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff

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COMPLAINT

WESTAIR REALTY CORP, LAWRENCE MARTIN BELL, ROBIN BELL KALB, LEONARD OTIS BELL, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HAROLD K. BELL, MICHELLE ANN SILVERMAN, WENDY JOY SILVERMAN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HARRY SILVERMAN, LORRAINE LINARZ, MIRIAM WOLFSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MINNIE FEINBERG and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LEO FEINBERG AND THE CITY OF YONKERS, NEW YORK,

Defendants.

Plaintiff, THE ZEE ZEE GROUP LLC, by its attorneys, Marcus, Gould & Sussman,

LLP, complaining of the Defendants, alleges:

Plaintiff, with offices at 3145 Albany Crescent, Bronx, New York 10463, is the

owner of real estate known as 189 Scott Avenue, Yonkers, New York, known on the Tax Map of

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1889, as Map Number 904. A survey of the Premises prepared by All County Land Surveyor, P.C., dated April 2, 2021 is attached at Exhibit "B."

- 2. The City of Yonkers had acquired the Promises as the result of a real estate tax foreclosure proceeding filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester as Index No. 3643-14 (the "Tax Foreclosure"). A deed resulting from that proceeding dated May 3, 2018 to the City of Yonkers and recorded May 11, 2018 as Control No. 581293254, Exhibit "C", purported to vest title in The City of Yonkers, which in turn conveyed
- Upon information and belief, the actual last owner of record of the Premises was
 Defendant WESTAIR REALTY CORP. ("Westair"), having acquired the Premises from
 Marianne Steffen by deed dated September 13, 1955 and recorded October 7, 1055 in Liber
 5513, page 161.
- 4. Upon information and belief, the individual Defendants are the heirs of Harold K.
 Bell, the heirs of Harry Silverman, the heirs of Minnie Feinberg and the heirs of Leo Feinberg
 who were, upon information and belief, the shareholders of Defendant Westair which
 corporation was dissolved at some point in the 1980's and its assets, including the Premises
 would have been distributed to its shareholders.
- 5. Westair also had owned property adjoining the Premises, known as Lots 162, 163, 188 and 189 on Map 904 and, by deed dated June 6, 1984, Harold K. Bell, Harry Silverman, Minnie Feinberg and Minnie Feinberg and John Schleimer as Trustees under the Trust under the Last Will and Testament of Leo Feinberg conveyed those lots to 77 Bronx River Road Owners Inc., a cooperative corporation in a conversion in which some or all of them were "sponsors" of the conversion.

Join in the Festivities for Yonkers Pride Weekend A Celebration of Equality, Acceptance and Joy

For the 6th year in a row, Yonkers Pride is welcoming everyone to join in the celebrations of love and acceptance with an extraordinary lineup of events from Thursday, June 8 through Saturday, June 10. This year the festivities begin with Yonkers Pride's first-ever Mini Ball on Thursday, June 8, and continue with the annual Flag Raising with Yonkers LGBTQIA+ Advisory Board and Mayor Mike Spano on Friday, June 9. The main event is the Yonkers Pride Festival taking place on Saturday, June 10, showcasing celebrity entertainment, including headliner Aquaria of RuPaul's Drag Race.

This year's judges will be Icon Hall of Famer Luna Khan, Icon Father Stan Elle, Legendary Father Julian De La Blanca, Legendary God Mother Veronika Mugler, and Sydney Xtravaganza. The event's Commentator is NY Overseer Neko Lanvin, and beats are by DJ Ultraviolet. Tickets for the Mini Ball are \$20 via Eventbrite and \$25 at the door.

This event is proudly sponsored by Great Point Studios, Majority Leader Tasha Diaz, New York-Presbyterian Westchester, RXR Realty/Sawyer Place, Webster Bank. "I am honored to be this year's Festival Chair and am excited to celebrate Pride Month with the diverse and vibrant LGBTQ+ community we have here in Yonkers," said Angel Castro, Chair of Yonkers Pride. "With Aquaria headlining the festival and the collaboration with House of De La Blanca for the Mini Ball, we are aiming for an extraordinary celebration that truly represents the spirit of pride and inclusivity."

In an effort to create an inclusive and memorable celebration, Yonkers Pride will once again host the annual LGBTQ+ Flag Raising ceremony at City Hall's Unity Fountain. "The Yonkers Pride Festival is a day to celebrate love and the individuality of who we are," said Mayor Spano. "Yonkers' greatest strength continues to be our diversity, and what better way to demonstrate that than by our LGBTQIA+ neighbors, friends, and allies coming together for this festive event. We invite all to join us."

Festival Event Schedule:

LGBTQ+ Flag Raising Ceremony

Jun 09, 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

The Unity Fountain at City Hall, 40 S Broadway, Yonkers, NY 10701

Yonkers Pride Festival

Jun 10, 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Downtown Yonkers, Main St, Yonkers, NY, USA

For more information on Yonkers Pride, visit https://www.yonkerspride.org/.

- 6. Upon information and belief, none of the Defendants was named or served in the Tax Foreolosure and thus title to the Premises to The City of Yonkers in 2018 as hereinabove described may have been defective.
- 7. The property subject to the Tax Foreclosure for Tax Lot Section 6, Block 6250 Lot 28 was incorrectly described therein as a 7-foot strip of land but that strip had been previously conveyed by Westair to Charles Catteneo by deed dated November 15, 1955 and recorded December 20, 1955 in Liber 5538, page 32.
- 7. Plaintiff seeks a declaration pursuant to Real Property Actions and Proceeding Law Article 15 that it is in fact the owner of the Premises and that the reason for its exclusion from the several deeds and from the Tax Forcelosure proceeding, including the deed to Plaintiff was a mistake or error going back to the conveyances described herein.
- 8. Upon information and belief, Defendant Westair, the last record owner of record or its shareholders, the heirs of the individual Defendants, have no interest in or valid claim to ownership of the Premises and no basis upon which to claim or assert ownership and they will not be damaged in any way by a judgment granting ownership of the Premises to Plaintiff.
- No personal claim is made against any Defendant unless such Defendant shall serve an answer to this Complaint asserting a claim adverse to the claims of Plaintiff as set forth
- Upon information and belief, no unknown other party has any interest in the

 Promises.
- Plaintiffs are entitled to a judgment and declaration pursuant to RPAPL Article 15
 that they are the fee owners of the Premises and that it be decreed that Plaintiff is vested with

title to the Premises in fee simple, free and clear of any liens or other interests of any other parties hereto.

12. None of the individual Defendants nor to Plaintiff's knowledge and belief, any other person or party has ever claimed ownership of the Premises.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff request judgment as follows:

That Plaintiff be declared the owner in fee simple of the Premises free of any liens, claims or interests of the Defendants and every person claiming ownership under them and any other person or party and that such persons be barred from all claim to an estate or interest in the property described herein as the Premises and with the legal metes and bounds description contained in Exhibit "D" and that this Court grant such other, further and different relief as it deems just and proper, together with the costs and disbussements of this action.

Dated: White Plains, New York January 10, 2023

> MARCUS, GOULD & SUSSMAN, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff

By: Kendeth J. Gould 222 Bloomingdale Road White Plains, NY 10605 (914) 683-0090

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> Tille Number: ALORT-25537W Fage 1

SCHEDULE A DESCRIPTION Amended 4/8/21

ALL that certain plot piece or parcet of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Yorkers, County of Westchester and State of New York, and known and designated as part of Lot Number 184 on a certain map entitled, "Map Number 2 Supreme Court, Valentine V. Brady and others for partition sale of that part of the Hyatt Farm and Cedar Lot near Woodlewin in the City of Yorkers", made by H.H. Spindler, Struvayor and filled in the Office of the Clerk of Westchester County, Division of Land Records, on June 14, 1889, as Map Number 904.

Westenester County, Division of Land Records, on June SAID parcel being more particularly described as follows:

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Premises known as 189 Scott Avenue, Yonkers, NY.

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"Councilman Mike Breen and Parks Commissioner Steve Sansone have been great partners. Councilman Breen made sure we got the attention of the City and made sure we were heard. Sansone was amazing and exciting to work with."

"I'm so happy that we were able to expedite the improvements to this park for the community. The people who donated wanted to see this get done. It is a true public private partnership, and they know exactly what they need and want in their new park," said Breen. The group is hoping that the City can break ground this fall with an opening date of Spring 2024. "Crestwood is a very special community, in a great city. It took a village, and help from the 3rd largest city in NY state, to make this dream come true," said Kerrigan.



Feel the rhythm of the Hudson beneath your kayak, discover what fish make their home in the river, picnic in a park looking out at the Palisades and more. It's Yonkers' second annual Summer Kick-Off Riverfront Festival on Saturday, June 24, noon – 5:00 pm, with a rain date of Sunday, June 25. The free event—including food—takes place on the Hudson at Habirshaw Park, 35 Alexander Street. No preregistration needed: visitors sign up for activities on site. More info at yprc.org.

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Obama HS Salutatorian Jose Sebastian Regalado Villa will graduate with a 97.16 GPA. His favorite teachers are Mr. Sussman, History, and Rachel Pagano, English. "The classes are interesting and it helps me to get more involved."

Favorite Subject? English 12-with Pagano. "She makes it fun to get enganged with her topics. She has a passion."

Jose came to Yonkers, and America, two years ago from Ecuador. "The situation was bad politically and economically. We wanted to follow the American Dream. There were great adjustments but also great opportunities that I have taken advantage of."

"My teachers and my friends at school have helped me. They have helped me to do my best. My friends have good grades and it rubs off on me to do the same."

Jose is co-captian of the Obama Varsity Soccer Team and volunteers with Lifting Up Westchester with "getting supplies for the homeless."

Jose will be attending Columbia University in the fall. He received a full scholarship and will be living on campus. He will major in Psychology. "I'm looking forward to a new experience, and being in the city and getting the full college experience."

"Important people in my life have struggled with mental issues. I want to be there for people that need someone."

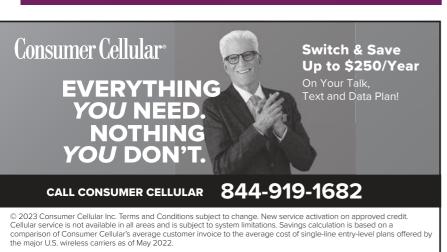
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do to stop the migrants from coming into town.

Briefs: A vending machine that features emergency equipment like naloxone available for sale to stop drug overdoses? A grandfather selling marijuana for the government to boost his pension. A pizza graffiti artist decorating pizzerias in Yonkers and Westchester secretly in the middle of the night. And the pizzeria owners are not complaining. Doors on New York Subway platforms that prevent patrons from getting pushed on the tracks. Now that's long overdue!

Listen to Eric Schoen on the Westchester Rising Radio Show Thursday's from 10-11 a.m. On WVOX 1460 AM, go to WVOX.com and click the arrow to listen to the live stream or download the WVOX app from the App Store free of charge. Reach him at thistooisyonkers@aol.com.







On This Day in Yonkers History...



New York State Suffrage and National Women's Republican leader Henrietta Livermore of Yonkers

By Mary Hoar, City of Yonkers Historian, President Emerita Yonkers Historical Society, recipient of the 2004 Key to History, Member of the Yonkers Landmarks Preservation Board, and President Untermyer Performing Arts Council

Monday, June 12th

June 12, 1940: Because of an inability to find additional room, a two-shift schedule at Saunders Trades School became imminent, a move the Yonkers Advisory Board for Vocational and Extension Education recommended as the very last resort. After reviewing the situation, the Board stated the "likelihood proper space be provided now seems remote." The Board of Ed hoped WPA labor could be used to revamp the Elks Building for the Administrative offices occupying School Ten, but it was too late at this point.

June 12, 1945: After months of discussion and negotiation, Celanese Corporation finally told Mayor Curtiss Frank they weren't buying twenty-two acres of the Grassy Sprain golf course to build a million-dollar research laboratory. When first proposed, area residents objected and Celanese had said they wouldn't build if neighbors objected.

Tuesday, June 13th

June 13, 1943: The family of late US Senator Thomas Ewing of Ohio, presented a replica of the life-size bust of the late Mr. Ewing to Ohio University; the original graced their family home on Palisade Avenue for years. Ewing was first graduate of Ohio University and the first to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in the Northwest Territory, he also raised the young man later known as Civil War General William Tecumseh Sherman!

June 13, 1945: After missing the 1944 edition because of the paper shortage, the Saunders yearbook "Technicraft" was the largest ever, partially because it included the Class of 1944 who sacrificed their yearbook for the war effort. Not only was it was dedicated to Machine Shop Teacher John Hodgart, it was a memorial to Captain Gustave Laffel, a former Saunders PE teacher and the first Yonkers teacher killed in action.

Wednesday, June 14th

June 14, 1923: Henrietta Livermore of Yonkers won a major victory when her resolutions calling for the Republican State Executive Committee to provide equal representation for women passed "without question" at their annual meeting. Livermore resigned as Chairman of the State Women's Executive Committee, anticipating her election to the new position of Vice-Chairman of the State Committee.

June 14, 1945: Lawrence Tierney of Bronx River Road, Chief of the NYC Aqueduct Police Force, sent word from Hollywood his son Larry, who played the title role in the movie Dillinger, was offered a feature role in the RKO film "Deadline at Dawn," with Paul Lukas and Susan Hayward. His brother Gerard, later known professionally as Scott Brady, moved to California after his discharge from the US Navy in 1946. Gerard also appeared in movies, television and on stage.

Thursday, June 15th

June 15, 1923: While at a meeting in Buffalo, Yonkers Fire Chief James Mulcahey received news his nephew had been arrested for turning in false alarms! After Mulcahey got over his shock, he said the law would "have to take its course," then added, "I'd wallop him myself if I had caught him."

June 15, 1943: The Yonkers Women's Army Corps recruiting campaign was kicked off with a bang! An Army trailer filled with WACs arrived in Getty Square; the women not only gave information and answered questions, they interviewed women and enlisted them on the spot.

Friday, June 16th

June 16, 1931: A delegation of Riverdale residents presented a petition at City Hall asking Yonkers annex Riverdale to Yonkers and Riverdale and Yonkers residents had "many things in common."

June 16, 1935: Nineth Ward Alderman William Slater upgraded his battle against the "nudism" of New York City women on their way to Tibbetts Brook Park wearing shorts he considered inappropriate for the streets of McLean Heights and Lincoln Park; he filmed the women on his "McLean Avenue battlefront" and gave the evidence to police. Five women were given summonses as spectators and photographers watched.

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LEGAL NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED WATER RENT INCREASES

I, Thomas Meier, Commissioner of the Department of Public Works in the City of Yonkers, do hereby call a public hearing on the proposed scale of water rent on Thursday, June 15, 2023, in the Law Library, Rm. 300, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, at 5:30 p.m.

The Proposed Scale of Water Rents is available for inspection by the public until June 15, 2023 at: The Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 40 S. Broadway, Yonkers NY 10701.

> THOMAS MEIER, COMMISSIONER DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Dated: June 1, 2023

PROPOSED SCALE OF WATER RENTS

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
First 1 Million cubic feet (per 100 cubic feet)	\$4.51	\$4.69
Over 1 Million cubic feet (per 100 cubic feet)	\$4.51	\$4.69
Minimum Semi-Annual Charge	\$113.33	\$117.86

LEGAL NOTICE

The ordinance, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on May 26, 2023, and approved by the Mayor on June 1, 2023, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such ordinance may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the CITY OF YON-KERS, in the County of Westchester, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Vincent E. Spano

City Clerk

City of Yonkers, New York

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO.18 - 2023

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, NEW YORK, AUTHO-RIZING THE PAYMENT OF VARIOUS TAX CERTIORARI JUDGMENTS, COMPROMISED CLAIMS AND SETTLED CLAIMS APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL DURING FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, STATING THE ESTI-MATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$15,000,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF SAID CITY IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

The bonds are authorized to finance various tax certiorari judgments, compromised claims and settled claims against the City.

The period of probable usefulness is a minimum five (5) years and maximum twenty (20) years, dependent on the total amount of tax certiorari claims paid in a single fiscal year.

The amount of obligations to be issued is \$15,000,000.

A complete copy of the Bond Ordinance summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the Clerk of the City at City Hall, in Yonkers, New York.

Dated: June 7, 2023 Yonkers, New York

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Miscellaneous

CORPORATION NOTICE CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the Mayor of the City of Yonkers, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 5:30pm, Mayor's Reception Room, 2nd floor, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York, to hear all interested parties and citizens regarding the adoption of the following Local Law, to wit:

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING article IX of the charter of the City of Yonkers in relation to sewer rents

Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed local law, may be obtained at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York and on the City's Website.

MIKE SPANO, Mayor Date: June 7, 2023

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Saturday, June 17th

June 17, 1933: A Federal Grand Jury started the task of investigating how Max Greenberg, the murdered New Jersey beer baron, got a Yonkers gun permit

June 17, 1935: New York press photographers attended Judge Martin Fay's court to witness hearings for the five women who received summonses for wearing shorts on the streets of Yonkers. He sternly lectured four of the women and told them "...to wear what people in Yonkers wear if you want to walk through our streets." Fay then discharged them with a warning after Slater did not sign a formal complaint; the Alderman believed the court appearance would teach the women a lesson. The fifth girl called Slater the night before and told him she would lose her job if she missed a day. Slater's movies were not shown in court.

Sunday, June 18th

June 18, 1935: Although Ninth Ward Alderman William Slater again took up the banner for decency in female hiking wear, the Common Council refused to pass a resolution proposed by Alderman William Slater. He wanted the Corporation Counsel to draft a law "regulating the dress and attire of persons appearing on the streets in scanty costumes that offend the sense of propriety of the average normal person." Much to the relief of Corporation Counsel Leonard McAneny, the Council's action relieved him of the duty of deciding what women in Yonkers could wear on our streets.

June 18, 1936: Although the Federal Government allocated enough money to run all collegiate centers in NY State, the fate of Yonkers College still was in question. The Board of Regents had some reservations, purportedly caused by a lack of facilities at the center... and the claim of private colleges the collegiate centers deprived them of students.

Questions or comments? Email YonkersHistory1646@gmail.com. For information on the Yonkers Historical Society, Sherwood House and upcoming events, please visit our website www.yonkershistoricalsociety.org, call 914-961-8940 or email info@yonkershistoricalsociety.org.

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the responsibility of running the 3rd largest City in New York?

At the DMV in Yonkers, Valdez said, "that is a big problem in Yonkers, getting tickets. If she can skate off free, why can't I? "

Most of the DMV customers did not know Pineda-Isaac was running for Mayor of Yonkers. But when told so, one man said, "Clean up your own backyard before you go knocking on your neighbor's door."

Councilwoman Williams, who is running for County Legislator on June 27, added that "we have to determine what mileage was for council uses and what was for personal use. And we are supposed to pay for the person miles.'

One Yonkers democrat who was aware of the campaign for Mayor, called it Hypocritical for her "(Pineda-Isaac) to attack the Mayor and his family, but she isn;t paying her parking tickets? Why didn't someone pay the fines for her?"

"Another joked, what happens if you don't pay your parking tickets? You run for Mayor" On a more serious note, one Yonkers resident asked, "I understand that it is wrong for her not to pay her parking tickets and it hurts her politically. But if she doesn't pay them-what happens then?"





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Syracuse, Schenectady, Long Island, and at least 3 boroughs of New York City.

Jennifer Oelkers, who is the campaign manager for both Justice Wood and Justice Fran Connolly, who is also running for reelection, said, "This number reflects a very small minority of Westchester Democrats who either have been duped with false information into opposing Judge Wood, or who want activist judges who will ignore the law. Since March, they have regurgitated the same false attacks on a judge who has earned a stellar reputation with people who have actually met him and appeared in court before him."

The effort to cast doubt on Judge Wood as a Democratic candidate seeking reelection this year has come in the form of numerous emails from the political action committee for the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion, WCLA-Choice Matters.

The emails cast doubt about Judge Wood's views on abortion, but WCLA, nor its President Catherine Lederer-Plaskett, have found any decision by Judge Wood related to choice or abortion rights, and in fact Choice Matters, of which Lederer-Plaskett is also President, found Judge Wood pro choice.

According to his colleagues and Democratic friends, "Judge Wood has always been pro-choice."

Here are some facts: In 2009, Judge Wood ran as a republican for State Supreme Court in the 9th Judicial District. During that campaign, WCLA labeled Wood anti-choice without interviewing him or finding out directly his personal views. So the claim that Wood was not pro-choice in 2009, is False; There is no proof, or statement, or comment to prove it.

But an old photo of Wood driving a motorcycle to law school in New York City gives us anecdotal proof that Wood has always been pro-choice. One sticker on his motorcycle is for NARAL, the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws, NARAL, now called pro-choice America. After becoming a registered Democrat during President Trump's administration.

Robi Schlaff, former Vice-Chair of the Westchester Democratic Party's Judicial Screening Committee said, "I am disheartened and angered by the attacks on Judge Charley Wood by WCLA Choice Matters. The reality is that Judge Wood is pro-choice and as Chair of the 9th Judicial District Gender Fairness Committee, brought the leading international abortion rights lawyer to present to our committee. He is the number one judge on fairness and gender equity in the court system. I urge women voting in the 9th judicial district to consider his excellent record on women's issues."

Yonkers Democratic Chair Tom Meier said, "Judge Wood has always been pro-choice. He has been labeled to the contrary by other groups in an effort to discredit him. They want a preferred candidate that they have in mind. But we don't blindly endorse incumbents. Judge Wood has been screened by the county democratic judicial committee, and was found well qualified. Judge Wood has served the people honorably on the court for the 14 years and will do so for the next 14 years."

The genesis of the progressive opposition to Judge Wood is somewhat revealing. Lederer-Plaskett and Powell both have ties to Judge Veronica Hummel, who was appointed in July, 2020 by Governor Cuomo, to the Court of Claims. Hummel's last-minute appointment avoided a contested Democratic convention and gave the nomination to Alexandra Murphy, daughter of then Chief Judge Janet DiFiore, a close Cuomo ally.

Hummel, despite taking that appointment, went back to running for Supreme Court, in 2022 and 2023. In 2022, Hummel sought the nomination, but Democrats nominated 7 new candidates from Westchester, all of whom won. In 2023, Hummel ran to unseat either Wood or Connolly, despite having 15 years less judicial experience and less party support. She withdrew from the race in April, after she was not among the 10 candidates recommended by the Westchester County Democratic Judicial Screening Committee.

One reason why Hummel withdrew her name is that she was accused of violating judicial ethics when she tried to galvanize opposition to Wood. Rising has obtained a copy of an email addressed by Veronica Hummel to Robi Schlaff, head of the Westchester County Office for Women in April, in which she made no mention of her own qualifications, but rather stated: "Similar with Janet Difiore (sic) the party is debating giving a former Republican recently turned democratic (sic) the democratic nomination – Charley Wood. There has been quite a bit of push back by prochoice (sic) organization and journalists but the issue is undecided." Hummel then offered to forward articles to Schlaff, who immediately forwarded the email to Wood, with whom she has served on the court's Committee on Gender Fairness for 15 years.

Wood then referred Hummel to the Commission on Judicial Conduct (CJC) for what appears to be a clear violation of judicial ethics. New York's Code of Judicial Conduct requires a judge to maintain the dignity appropriate to judicial office and act "in a manner consistent with the impartiality, integrity, an independence of the judiciary." It also prohibits a judge or candidate for judicial office from "publicly endorsing or publicly opposing (other than by running against) another candidate for public office." Also, Opinion 12-129 of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics states that each candidate should "take steps to make every effort to avoid misleading the public with mere speculation or innuendo."

Retired Supreme Court Justice and Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, Jeffrey Cohen was the author of one of the decisions that was used against LaSalle in his Court of Appeals nomination. He described the experience of watching LaSalle come under fire over a decision: "The issue in that case had nothing to do with abortion. The issue was a subpenoa. What the progressives did to Judge LaSalle then, and what they're doing to Judge Wood now, goes against everything that we hold dear about the judiciary—that the judges decide cases honestly and competently, without fear or favor. It begs the question of why non-attorney progressive activists should have a role in the process of selecting judges. They would be the first to cry foul if right wing Republican activists were doing the same, but now that they had success once, they're adopting a playbook that guarantees a politicized judiciary. Nobody, left, right, or center, should want that."

All of this leaves Westchester County Democratic Chair Suzanne Berger with concerns about judicial races in the future. "We have two highly regarded incumbents running for reelection this year, and excellent candidates coming in the next few years. I expect that the candidates we nominate will win their election and become judges. As an attorney, having a competent and experienced judiciary is important to me. As the County Chair, having a diverse group of judges representing Democratic values and high ethical standards is important to me. The best way to accomplish both is for Westchester Democrats to advocate positively for the candidates they want to support, not to tear down the ones that they don't. If we do so, issues like arose this year will not be a problem."

The real problem that many in the Westchester legal community take offense at is the attempt to blur the lines between an independent judiciary and one political issue.

The second concern is the attempt to discredit Judge Wood's views on abortion by falsifying his record or what his view has been, for more than 30 years.

On the matter of switching political parties, we defer to NYS Democratic Chair Jay Jacobs who said "I come from the suburbs. Lots of people registered as Republicans when they grew up, because you couldn't get a job as a lifeguard at the beach if you weren't a Republican," Jacobs said. "How a person acts in their political life, that I think is more determinative as to whether or not they truly are in principle, and in values, Democrats."

So who will decide whether Judge Wood gets the democratic nomination? A Judicial Convention will be held this summer, with democratic party representation from Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess, and Orange Counites to determine who is on the ballot in November.

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Letter to the Editor:

Parents Always Be Looking Out for Your Children:

May 25 marks the 40th annual National Missing Children's Day in the United States. The day is meant to draw attention to child safety and recognize people who strive to reunite missing children with their parents. It was established by President Ronald Regan in 1983 and coincides with International Missing Children's Day, first commemorated in 2001.

May 25 was chosen in honor of Etan Patz, who was 6 when he was abducted while walking to his school bus stop on that date in 1979. Pedro Hernandez, a clerk at a neighborhood bodega, was convicted of murder and kidnapping in connection with the case nearly four decades later, in 2017

I think you provide the public a service when you publish the names and photos of missing young Westchester residents. While it must be traumatic for the family, hopefully somebody can recognize your information and help bring that child back to her parents.

I also think that he publication of those missing children from Westchester helps publicize what a real problem this is, and hopefully is a wakeup call to parents everywhere.

Christina Maxwell Lewisboro, NY

YONKERS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

THE CITY OF YONKERS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023 AT 6:00 PM, WILL BE HELD IN YONKERS CITY HALL, 40 SOUTH BROADWAY, 4TH FLOOR (building is handicapped accessible). PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION AND UPDATES WWW.YONKERSNY.GOV.

OPEN CONTINUED HEARINGS

5790 – Area Variance – James Veneruso, Esq., on behalf of Mehranco Limited Liability Co.,

owner, on premises known as 1999 Central Park Avenue, Block: 4385, Lot: 42.43, Zone: BR (B30132) (Adjourned to Nov. 2023)

5797 – Area Variance – Shahin Badaly, P.E., on behalf of Marketin Hila/110 Ravine Realty LLC, owner, on premises known as 110 Ravine Avenue, Block: 2118, Lot: 39, Zone: A

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 $\#\,5809\,-\,Area\,Variance\,-\,Neil\,J.\,Alexander,\,Esq.,$ on behalf of City of Yonkers, owner, and Lemor

Development Group & Empire Development Capital Holdings, LLC, contract vendees, on premises known as 273 Glenwood Avenue, Block: 2172, Lots: 29-41, 43 & 44, Zone: A (B32120)

 $\#\,5810-$ Use & Area Variance - David S. Steinmetz, Esq. & Jacob E. Amir, Esq., on behalf of TCP

Realty LLC, owners, on premises known as 143-151 Woodworth Avenue, Block: 2102, Lots: 4, 5, 11,

39 & 41, Zone: C (B32117)

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5811 – Area Variance – Daniel Richmond, Esq. & Jacob E. Amir, Esq., on behalf of Warburton

5812 – Use Variance – Junisa A. Fondeur, owner, on behalf of herself, on premises

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5816 - Use Variance - John J. Phelan, Esq., on behalf of Croton Terrace Enterprises Inc.,

5818 – Area Variance – William Null, Esq. of Cuddy & Feder LLP, on behalf of UB Tanglewood LLC,

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5819 – Improvement & Intensification to a Non- Conforming Use & Area Variance - Andrew

Romano, Esq., on behalf of Leticia Narceda-Tan, owner, on premises known as 24 Greenvale Avenue, Block: 2475, Lot: 114, Zone: S-50 (B32233)

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5820 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of Mountain Portfolio Owner NY LLC, owner, on premises known as 380 Riverdale Avenue, Block: 130, Lot: 1, Zone:

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5821 – Area Variance – Warren Post, on behalf of AIS LLC, owner, on premises known as 664 Saw

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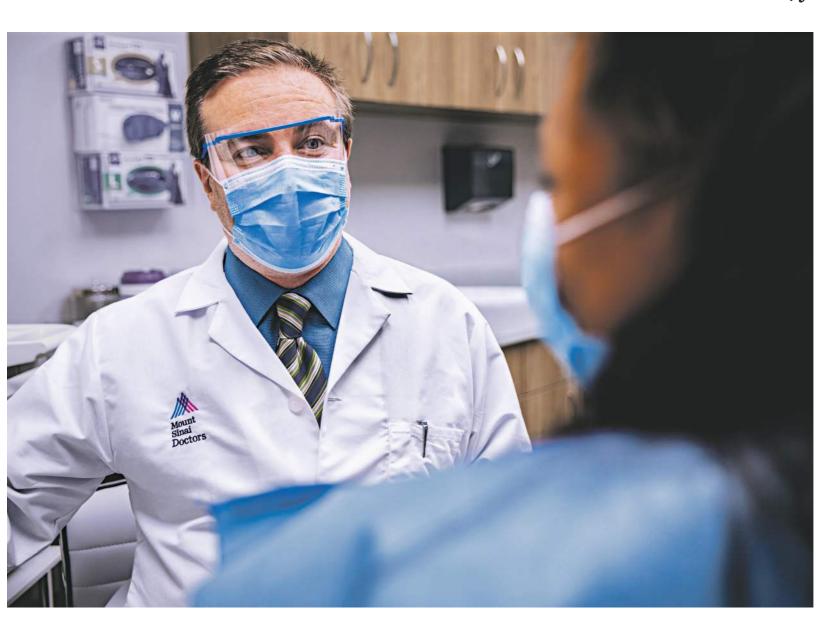
5822 – Request for Extension of Time - Housing Action Council, Inc., on behalf of 81 Elliott Avenue Housing Development Fund Corporation, owner, on premises known as 81 Elliott

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