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Target Closes in Harlem, Opens in Yonkers



rendering of Target Yonkers Cross County

By Dan Murphy

The news that Target is closing its Harlem NYC location on October 21 coincides with the opening of their Yonkers Super Store the following day. Target, the American retail corporation, announced a total of 9, of its 1,948 stores would close because of theft and crime at each location.

“We know that our stores serve an important role in their communities, but we can only be successful if the working and shopping environment is safe for all,” Target said in a statement.

But shoppers in Yonkers are welcoming the opening of Target at the Cross County Mall, on Oct. 22. The opening, at the former Sears location, gives the Cross County another important anchor tenant.

The 132,000-square-foot store is one of Targets largest stores, and the 40-lease agreement shows their commitment made to Yonkers “the first Target in Yonkers, will bring an “easy, affordable and convenient shopping experience” to the city, a spokesperson said, adding “In the coming weeks, Target will share details about how the shopping experience at its new store will be tailored to serve local guests.”

“Yonkers has hit the mark with Target’s plan for a new store at Cross County Center, their first ever in Yonkers,” said Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano said. “We are excited to get Yonkers back in business.”

“People feel safe in Yonkers, and businesses feel safe in Yonkers. It is good to see that Target has confidence in coming to Yonkers,” said Councilman Mike Breen.

Target has Westchester locations in Mount Kisco, White Plains and Mount Vernon.

Spano and Merante Debate at LWV Mayor’s Forum



Mayor Mike Spano and Councilman Anthony Merante with moderator Kathy Meany

By Dan Murphy

Mayor Mike Spano and Councilman Anthony Merante participated in an online forum hosted by the League of Women Voters Rivertowns on September 28. The one-hour forum can be viewed online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NoyAWxt4c7Q>

The forum was mostly a respectable exchange of views between the two, with Mayor Spano pointing out the successes in Yonkers during his 12 years, while Merante challenged Spano’s tenure with criticisms on crime, homelessness, mental illness, and migrants.

Spano gave a positive review of where the City of Yonkers is, while Merante painted a more challenging portrait of Yonkers moving ahead.

“Our city has come to a renaissance. We are the fastest growing big city in New York State. We have the highest big city graduation rate. We have built 12,000 units of housing and 22% of that is affordable. We have created open spaces and new parks. We are the safest city in the big 5. We went from a 17% graduation rate to 90%. We want people to come here,” said Spano.

Merante said, “I believe that we have crime related issues that statistics are not showing. Development has not been good for some communities. A lot of the problems are related to bail reform -which has hurt our ability to get kids to stay away from Gang Violence. Rents have gone through the roof, and I would ask you what has the development done for you?”

There were no heated moments in the debate, and thus no political knockout was achieved. Merante did challenge Spano on term limits, stating that Spano “supported term limits 12 years ago when you first became Mayor.”

But Spano turned the tables on Merante, pointing out that Merante supported term limits five years ago but opposed it four years ago. “We want to make sure people have a choice. We already have term limits; every four years the people decide. Let them make the decision,” said Spano.

Merante said that his decision to support term limits, “in 2018 I made a mistake of extending term limits to three terms. I didn’t know they would come back to extend it again. When someone is in power for that long a period -it’s too long. On day 1 I will work to change the law back to 2 terms.”

On Affordable Housing Spano said, “Yonkers has 40% of all the affordable housing in Westchester and we will continue to do our part, working

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Congressman Bowman Embarrasses Westchester: Pulls Fire Alarm in the Capitol-Gives Lamé Excuse



Congressman Jamaal Bowman caught on video pulling a fire alarm in the US Capitol Building



By Dan Murphy

Last week, Westchester Congressman Jamaal Bowman was caught on video in the US Capitol building pulling the fire alarm hours before the House voted to keep the government open for 45 days. The reaction to Bowman’s actions, which most believe was done to delay the House from voting, has included calls for censure, resignation, and disbelief in his explanations.

“Remember the old political story. A politician lies. He gets caught in a lie. He tries to cover it up. The cover-up causes more reputational and legal damage than the crime itself. Why do we persist with the cover-up even though it always makes things worse than just admitting our mistake?” writes Barry Davret.

Bowman’s explanation to the security video footage was unbelievable to most.

“Today, as I was rushing to make a vote, I came to a door that is usually open for votes but today would not open. I am embarrassed to admit that I activated the fire alarm, mistakenly thinking it would open the door. I regret this and sincerely apologize for any confusion this caused.”

“But I want to be very clear, this was not me, in any way, trying to delay any vote. It was the exact opposite — I was trying urgently to get to a vote, which I ultimately did and joined my colleagues in a bipartisan effort to keep our government open,” stated Bowman.

Ironically, at the exact time that house democrats were trying to delay the vote, Bowman “accidentally” pulled the fire alarm. Some in the media have reported that Bowman took down 2 signs that stood in the doorway that said Emergency Exit Only and Push Until Alarm Sounds.

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Application to Open Marijuana Dispensary in Yonkers Under Review -748 Yonkers Avenue

By Dan Murphy

The NYS Office of Cannabis Management, OCM, has released a notice of application by Nucleus Dispensary Inc. to open a Cannabis Dispensary at 748 Yonkers Avenue. OCM recently sent a notice a notification of adult-use retail dispensary license application to the City.

While the final application and approval to open has not yet been granted, the applicant does have a OCM CAURD license, which permits the application to legally sell marijuana and marijuana based products, Lic #- 2022-000848. But the license does not include a location to open and sell. The address must be negotiated with the property owner, and board or council must review the application before and work can begin to open.

This would be the first Marijuana dispensary in Westchester County. Other applications are moving forward in Mount Vernon and Peekskill.

Another roadblock to opening is State Supreme Court Judge Kevin Bryant, who has frozen all projects before the NYS OCM from proceeding until a lawsuit filed by NY Veterans against the process by which OCM issues licenses is resolved. The Judges order is now 7 weeks old.

Assuming that the Judge re-opens the process of approving licenses and locations, the Yonkers City Council would have to review the application from Nucleus Dispensary. After getting input, the council could decide to approve the location, or they could reject it, or not vote on the matter at all.

It appears that other local governments that have reviewed licenses to open in their community, all have either approved or not taken a vote, allowing the business to open. There have been negotiations between the applicant and local government, and that could happen in Yonkers.

The 948 Yonkers Avenue location is the site of a closed bar, Duo Lounge. The bar closed after complaints of late night violence. The bar sits between a mini-mart, with some on site parking, and Flower Funeral Home, with a large amount of on-site parking

Support for a marijuana dispensary in Yonkers is close to 50-50, but many residents who do support it don’t want it next to their home or business.

So the council may have to determine the outcome, or whether to negotiate for another location. Most people had guessed that Central Park Avenue would be a better location.

We are also not sure what the vote would be on the council for a dispensary. It could be as close as 4-3 either way.

But if the council were to reject the application and location, it then goes back to the OCM for a final decision. The OCM could override the decision of the council, but that legal bridge has never been crossed yet. All applications have been negotiated and accepted by local governments, so far.

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Family Fun Day at Untermyer Gardens Oct. 8

Mayor Spano & DPW Announce Flood Debris Removal Plan



Family Fun Day
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Sunday, October 8, 2023
1:00-4:00 PM

1:00 – Magic Show with Sara Crasson and Bamberg the Bear (\$5 children, \$10 adults)
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CURBSIDE FLOOD DEBRIS PICK-UP APPOINTMENTS
DPW in cooperation with Westchester County DEF will provide curbside pickup services FROM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, UNTIL FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH for residents to dispose of their flood-damaged items.

Residents are advised to separate their flood debris from their regular garbage and recycling, and to also place them on the curb. This special collection will occur in the afternoon after the morning garbage collection.

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Curbside Flood Debris Pick-Up Appointments can be made by calling Mayor's Help Line at 914-377-HELP (4357)

Mayor Mike Spano along with the City of Yonkers Department of Public Works (DPW) today announced a flood debris removal plan for residents affected by the historic storm that caused widespread flooding and damage in the city on September 29, 2023.

Yonkers' Flood Debris Removal Plan includes the following:
 Ø DPW in cooperation with Westchester County Department of Environment Services (DEF), will provide curbside pickup services from Tuesday, October 3rd, until Friday, October 6th, for residents to dispose of their flood-damaged items.
 Ø Residents are advised to separate their flood debris from their regular garbage and recycling, and to also place them on the curb. This special collection will occur in the afternoon after the morning garbage collection.
 Ø Curbside flood debris pick-up appointments can be made by calling the Mayor's Help Line at 914-377-HELP (4357). Accepted items include: white goods (appliances), organics, construction debris, etc.

"As the mayor, I want to assure our residents that we are doing everything we can to help them recover from the devastating flood that hit our city on September 29th. We have mobilized our public works, fire, and emergency management teams to pump out water, clear debris, and restore services as quickly as possible," said Mayor Mike Spano. "I would like to express my gratitude to County Executive Latimer for his leadership and collaboration in helping the residents of Yonkers cope with the aftermath of the devastating storm."

The Fire Department, the Office of Emergency Management, and other agencies have been assisting residents to pump out water from homes on an emergency basis. The Department of Public Works will continue to work to restore normal operations in the city. For more information about the flood debris removal plan, please call (914) 377-HELP (4357).

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Four Contested State Senate Supreme Court Judge Seats on the Ballot in Westchester November 7

By Dan Murphy

On Nov. 7, Westchester voters will be electing four State Supreme Court Justices in the 9th Judicial District of NY, which includes Westchester, Rockland, Orange, Putnam and Dutchess counties. With the recent attention placed on the judiciary and the impact it has on our everyday lives, it is important for voters to make an informed decision when they step into the ballot box.

Democrats have two incumbent State Supreme Court Judges from Westchester running for reelection this year: Judge Charley Wood and Judge Fran Connolly. Both have 18 years of judicial experience, both on the bench and as attorneys.

Judge Charley Wood has served as a NYS Supreme Court Justice for the last 14 years. Prior to that was a Yonkers City Court Judge. He has presided over Criminal Jury Trials in Westchester, Dutchess & Nassau counties, as well as Civil Trials in Westchester, Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, Nassau & Suffolk counties.

“It has been my greatest professional achievement – serving the people of the 9th JD – and I would be honored to be able to continue to serve in this capacity,” said Judge Wood, who serves as the Chair of the Gender Fairness Committee for the 9th JD.

Judge Wood grew up in Yonkers, where his parents worked as public-school teachers. “I respect the attorneys and litigants that appear before me, and I am courteous to them, as well as jurors, court reporters, court officers, and court clerks. A judge needs to be part of the solution in a courtroom, not necessarily the center of attention. If you really want to know, ask around. Find a friend that works in the Westchester County Courthouse, or Yonkers City Court, or Dutchess Supreme Court, and ask them about me, my reputation in the courthouse, and their own personal interactions with me. That’s how you know whether to re-elect a judge.”

Justice Fran Connolly has 17 years of judicial experience. She currently serves as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department, considered the busiest intermediate appellate court in our nation and covers ten counties: Westchester, Rockland, Orange, Dutchess, Putnam, Suffolk, Nassau, Queens, Kings (Brooklyn), and Richmond (Staten Island). The Second Department hears about half the appeals in New York State and is the court of last resort for most litigants. The Court hears appeals on a wide variety of issues, and Justice Connolly has decided over 5,000 appeals and authored numerous published opinions.

In October of 2021, after completing a rigorous screening process, Justice Connolly was one of seven candidates nominated by the Commission on Judicial Nomination to fill a vacancy on the New York State Court of Appeals, the highest court in New York State.

Justice Connolly served her community in many ways over the years. She was an elected member of the Ossining Town Council for five years, from 2000 to 2005, with three of those years serving as Deputy Town Supervisor.

The two other democratic State Supreme Court candidates are:

Judge Rolf M. Thorsen has 15 years of judicial experience. He is currently serving as an Acting Justice of the Supreme Court for the Ninth Judicial District. In November 2014, Judge Thorsen was elected as County Court Judge for the County of Rockland. Prior to his election to the County Judge, Thorsen served as a Clarkstown Town Justice.

Judge Larry Schwartz was elected as a County Court Judge in 2016 and currently serves as a Rockland County Court Judge and Acting Supreme Court Justice. He is a former Public Defender and Assistant District Attorney.

Republicans have also nominated four candidates for State Supreme Court. They are: John Sarcone, Judge Karen Ostberg, Judge Susan Sullivan, John Ciampoli.

Westchester resident John Sarcone ran for State Supreme Court last year. He has more than 20 years of legal experience, including serving as Town Attorney in Eastchester, and Regional Administrator, NE & Caribbean Region, from 2018-2021.

Judge Karen Ostberg is the Town Justice of Minisink and sits as a CAP Judge at the Orange County Jail. She has 37 years of legal experience including her past positions as City Attorney, Prosecutor, and in the Court of Appeals, has earned her the reputation of being fair and impartial. Judge Ostberg lives in Orange County

Judge Susan Sullivan is the 1st Woman Judge serving in her hometown, the Town of LaGrange, and has previous served as acting Poughkeepsie City Court Judge, Town of Union Vale Justice, Town of Patterson Justice and Associate Justice, Village of Wappingers. She has over 25 years of legal experience as a Judge and attorney.

John Ciampoli also ran for State Supreme Court last year and has 35 years of legal experience.

State Supreme Court candidates are elected to 14-year terms. Early voting begins on October 29 and Election Day is November 8.

Congressman Bowman: You’re Not in High School Anymore



By Eric Wolf Schoen

Question of the Day. Do you know the difference between a switch on the wall that is clearly marked ‘fire alarm’ or a button you push clearly marked to open a closed door or push bars used for security purposes to let you out of a building and keep strangers from coming into a building?

Well, our Congressman Jamaal Bowman clearly does not. Either that or he pulled the fire alarm switch to evacuate a federal building to delay a House of Representatives bill from being voted on. Like in High School when we would pull the alarm in the middle of a big test to share answers with our fellow students. Or pull the fire alarm at the end of the day to get out of school early.

What we all can agree on is that pulling a fire alarm when there is no fire is dangerous. It scares the people in the building. They may run out of the building and actually hurt each other. People panic. The climate in Washington in the various buildings is tense as it is. A false fire alarm makes an already difficult situation worse. Resources to come investigate what is going on must be used and are very costly. And god forbid there really was a fire in a close by building, resources would be delayed by the investigation of the fire that doesn’t exist.

And don’t you think that a Congressman who was a former High School Principal should know what it means when there is an alarm on the wall that is clearly marked , ‘Fire Alarm.’ Let’s go over the details and see what you think.

Our saga starts in the Cannon Office Building. A building that is used for offices for Congressman. The House of Representatives was having a difficult time passing a government spending bill. Democrats wanted more time than Republicans wanted to give them to review the bill. A vote was called and members of Congress had to report to vote.

Enter Congressman Jamaal Bowman. He wanted to go and vote, was running late and came upon a door to exit the Cannon office building that had specific instructions how to use it if it was closed. Apparently the door is open during most hours but at this time it was closed. Congressman Bowman saw a bright red alarm. Clearly marked with the words Fire Alarm. Right on the doors that were closed were signs that give explicit details on how to open the door if it is closed.

The instructions said, ‘ Emergency Exit only. Push until alarm sounds 3 seconds. Door will unlock in 30 seconds.’ So what do you do if you want to get out and there is no fire in sight. That’s an easy question. That was the situation. But what did Bowman do? He pulled the fire alarm setting all the procedures in motion as if there truly was a fire.

By the way, how did they know it was Bowman who pulled the alarm? There is a sophisticated camera system by the door that snapped Bowman’s picture. House security examined it and knew right away who it was.

Since there was no fire and the Democrats were trying to gain extra time to read the budget resolution, Bowman was accused of pulling the alarm to give them more time. Illegal. Unethical. Beneath the behavior of a Congressman. Or in most of the country a High School Student.

Interfering with the Legislative process. Interrupting official proceedings of the House Republicans to keep the government running. Crimes worthy of everything from censure to expulsion. Doesn’t it remind you of the activities of January 6 when mobs tried to stop the Vice President from certifying the Presidential Election. Many of the folks who participated that day are in jail. For what he did, should Congressman Jamaal Bowman be jailed? Should he be expelled from the House of Representatives. Lose his committee assignments? Lose his seniority?

As House Speaker Kevin McCarthy said, ‘The House Ethics Committee should look into this as it is serious. This should not go without punishment. This is an embarrassment. You are elected to be a Member of Congress. You pulled a fire alarm hours before a government shut down trying to dictate that the government would shut down. When you think of how other people are treated when they want to come in and change the course of what was happening in Congress. Why should Bowman be treated any differently. ‘

Representative Nicole Maliotakis drafted a resolution to expel Bowman from Congress over this incident. Even former President Trump weighed in. ‘Bowman should be prosecuted and imprisoned for dangerously pulling and setting off a mainframe alarm system.

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Bowman's office said it was an accident. 'He was trying to get to a door. He thought a fire alarm would open the door and he pulled the fire alarm to open the door by accident. He was just trying to get to his vote and the door that's usually open wasn't open it was closed. This was not the Congressman, in any way, trying to delay any vote.' Enough of the lies Jamaal.

But the most serious, disgusting remarks to come out of a press release from Bowman are, 'Republicans need to instead focus their energy on the Nazi members of their party before anything else.' Bowman denied that those were his words. It was on his stationary. Simply disgraceful. The Jewish community, particularly AIPAC is very unhappy with his positions on Israel. His 'Nazi' reference didn't improve his relationship with the Jewish community.

So where does this all go. The House will do their various investigations. A felony was clearly committed here. The Congressman could be censured, disciplined or expelled. I say censured and disciplined at a minimum but expelling the Congressman must seriously be looked at. He should be treated the same way as the January 6 protestors. Because what he did was just as bad even worse than what the protestors did that day.

Bowman does not belong in Congress. With actions like pulling fire alarms He is an embarrassment to the institution. The residents of his district will get screwed when it comes to funding from Washington for projects in the district. There is a rumor that County Executive George Latimer is considering, depending on Congressional lines a run for Bowman's seat. Latimer would make an excellent candidate.

Congressman Bowman. You're not in High School anymore!

Briefs: People wrote in such beautiful memories of the Roosevelt Hotel. It's sad that it is not the elegant hotel it once was.

There is talk of a marijuana dispensary on Yonkers Avenue at the old Duo Tapas Bar location. The neighbors don't deserve it. We have enough streets in Yonkers that reek of the smell of marijuana. Yonkers doesn't need one more. I don't know about you but I'm tired of the smell. Put the dispensary in a place out of the way with parking and away from schools. And the State has to do something to regulate where marijuana can be smoked.

Reach Eric Schoen at thistooisyonkers@aol.com, follow him on Twitter (X) @ericyonkers or friend him on Facebook Eric Schoen...just look for him in the picture with Joan Rivers!



1932 photo of child silent film star Miriam Batista, taken by photographer Murray Korman

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, October 9th

October 9, 1942: The Civil Part of City Court was installed in its own quarters in City Hall, a move hailed by City Manager William Walsh as the realization of a 40-year-old plan marking the separation of the Civil and Criminal parts of the court.

October 9, 1943: Yonkers Unity Week and Mrs. Harold Weidner brought two Baltimore natives together at the Jewish Community Center! While escorting Henry Frank on a tour of the Center, Mrs. Weidner came across the Center's Executive Director, Isidore Beierfeld. As she began to introduce them, the newcomer gasped, "Isidore!" Beierfeld exclaimed "Mr. Frank!" Two had not seen each other for 25 years; Beierfeld had been a member of the Progressive Club at the Jewish Education Alliance, led at the time by Henry Frank. Frank was at the Center because his daughter Susan was performing with the Sarah Lawrence dance group.

Tuesday, October 10th

October 10, 1913: Building Inspector Bartley granted a permit to the Carlton Motion Picture Laboratory Company to build a two-story high studio at 537 Riverdale Avenue.

October 10, 1916: The automobile speed limit in Yonkers was raised from 10 to 15 miles an hour after City Judge Joseph Beall ruled our 10-mile limit violated with state law.

October 10, 1952: President Harry Truman made a campaign stop in Yonkers; approximately 8,000 people gathered in Larkin Plaza to hear him speak in support of Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate for President.

Wednesday, October 11th

October 11, 1934: The Yonkers Board of Education discussed using part of School Six for the College of the City of New York's state supported emergency college to offer a freshman year courses. CCNY and state officials paying for the classes, stated they were ready to open the college as soon as Yonkers selected its location.

October 11, 1942: Vera Robinson of Pondfield Road West and Ravine Avenue's Chief Petty Officer Bert Rothing, USN, shared the honor of being the first people to donate their bumpers to the "Bumpers for Victory" drive in Larkin Plaza.

Thursday, October 12th

October 12, 1946: Yonkers hometown hero General Joseph Stilwell passed away after stomach cancer surgery; on active duty at the Presidio (San Francisco), he commanded the Sixth Army, the administrative unit command of Army units in the western US.

After cremation, his ashes were scattered on the Pacific Ocean and a cenotaph (empty monument) was placed in his memory in the West Point Cemetery. While alive, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal with one Oak Cluster, the Legion of Merit degree of Commander and the Bronze Star. He was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge as he lay dying; five months earlier on May 3rd, Stilwell and General Frank Merrill led two platoons of marines to end the Battle of Alcatraz.

Friday, October 13th

October 13, 1894: Two important golf tournaments were held at the St. Andrews of Yonkers-on-the-Hudson Golf Course, the first United States Open tournament for professional golfers and the first National Amateur Golf tournament. Willie Dunn, Biarritz golf teacher, won the professional competition and received \$100 and a gold medal for his efforts. L. B. Stoddard of Saint Andrew's won the amateur tournament.

October 13, 1976: President Gerald Ford visited Mayor Angelo Martinelli at Yonkers City Hall; while there he signed the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Amendments of 1976, while hundreds of school children and adults cheered. Besides our esteemed Mayor, other New York dignitaries witnessing the bill signing were Yonkers own Governor Malcolm Wilson, Senators Jacob Javits and William Buckley and several Councilmembers.

Saturday, October 14th

October 14, 1864: Abraham Lincoln wrote a letter to Provost General James Fry about an issue with the Civil War draft after the issue was brought to his attention; this letter now is in the rare autograph collection at St. Joseph's Seminary and College!

October 14, 1926: Corporation Counsel Arthur Hume, addressing the Council of Yonkers Civic Organizations, called the plan to link the Hutchinson Valley sewage system with the Bronx Valley system emptying into the Hudson off Yonkers, "a scheme to make Yonkers a dumping ground for the rest of Westchester County."

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: THE CITY OF YONKERS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 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 – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of Marketin Hila/110 Ravine Realty LLC, owner, on premises known as 110 Ravine Avenue, Block: 2118, Lot: 39, Zone: A (B29521) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1H-4V45sMcWs0_3rOyDixjXc_ttlYGnZq?usp=share_link

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) *****PUBLIC SCOPING SESSION FOR THIS PROPERTY SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 16, 2023 at the RIVERFRONT LIBRARY – 6:00PM***** https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1H-uwlmInZ67Pdqnxin47LX7kkvY8uwUh?usp=share_link

5818 – Area Variance – William Null, Esq. of Cuddy & Feder LLP, on behalf of UB Tanglewood LLC, owner, on premises known as 2248 aka 2270 Central Park Avenue, Block: 4800, Lot: 60, Zone: BR (B32155) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kfspSJjpCbe9uAOtY_sNZ_PQ3dPgh7Lm?usp=sharing

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: BA (B22026) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h3FBZlCdBqsNnUILEZxutFeFSJ9xC8fj?usp=sharing

5821 – Area Variance – Warren Post, on behalf of AIS LLC, owner, on premises known as 664 Saw Mill River Road, Block: 3116, Lot: 39, Zone: CM (B31328) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1o8brlAzjdMkMkGf9SlgyHn_pfxwTQh3F?usp=sharing

5823 – Area Variance – Zarin & Steinmetz LLP, on behalf of CPD NY Energy Corp, owner, on premises known as 1250 Nepperhan Avenue, Block: 3182, Lot: 2, Zone: I (B32100) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16KK7VQdcakUwvDXKM98DB4TaFVrwwecG?usp=sharing

5826 – Area Variance – Stephen Veneruso, Esq., on behalf of 1270 Saw Mill Associates LLC, owner, on premises known as 1270 Saw Mill River Road, Block: 3270, Lot: 220, Zone: CM (B32288) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_-38xILKNDY3aRGWldjFRB6NspZE1U6?usp=sharing

5828 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of JSJ Lawrence Realty Corp, owner, on premises known as 23 Lawrence Street, Block: 122, Lot: 32, Zone: A (B30161) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1C7zj3irUHMTUipfAPsXDbnHv-cgx6sdf?usp=sharing

5829 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of Alba Developers Inc., owner, on premises known as 173 Linden Street, Block: 477, Lot: 38, Zone: M (B21173) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QUk9ksqWVXq-t4O0q9bscrkPQutJ1Gv?usp=sharing

NEW HEARINGS

5830 – Area Variance & Improvement to a Non-Conforming Use – Theodore G. Rieper, R.A., on behalf of Yumi Chen, owner, on premises known as 13 Randolph Street, Block: 119, Lot: 27, Zone: BR (B29946) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1wVme_xqCrB3OLyxOtwFR_auVaChddTdd?usp=sharing

5831 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of 43 New Ave LLC, owner, on premises known as 44 New Avenue, Block: 6250, Lot: 51, Zone: M (B32519) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xyvLIG4p-m39Yqs1AZGR3DSYoh7UuTfl?usp=sharing

5832 – Area Variance – Marisa Kaufman, owner, on behalf of herself, on premises known as 20 aka 16 Wiltshire Place, Block: 5608, Lot: 6, Zone: S-50 (B29329) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1s8YIbjqX10ycLMrMMw3x6UQbKbYM48Kt?usp=sharing

5833 –Use Variance – Cuddy & Feder LLP, on behalf of 326 Riverdale Owners LLC, owner, on premises known as 330 Riverdale Avenue, Block: 157, Lot: 10, Zone: A (B31183) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/18YJCCxBXNCifSNK_sCzYaURo9-1al3d3?usp=sharing

5834 – Area Variance – James G. Dibbini, Esq., on behalf of Stephen Johnson, owner, on premises known as 444 Park Hill Avenue, Block: 101, Lot: 73, Zone: T (B32712) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PtC88LxZQQFGudjdf8CMq3M8SDbe0GVd?usp=sharing

5835 – Area Variance – Andrew Romano, Esq., on behalf of Jesus Rebutti, owner, on premises known as 39 Spruce Street, Block: 438, Lot: 24, Zone: M (B31070) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1JdnYDJZbCMxRqiuMBCesmhf7FFE36y6O?usp=sharing

5836 – Use & Area Variance – Mastrogiacomo Engineering PC, on behalf of My Main Man LLC, owner, on premises known as 47 High Street aka 102 Park Avenue, Block: 2167, Lot: 1.3, Zone: MG (B32874) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KcvFoSwZw6ljqBkVUcJQsWyXq4z4Pn-x?usp=sharing

5837 – Use Variance – Joseph Fernandez, R.A., on behalf of B & N Apex Corp, owner, on premises known as 1051 Yonkers Avenue, Block: 6328, Lot: 49.54, Zone: B (B33009) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1UPIHVZ3cWgVUC9z_S753PsscJgnTnRYI?usp=sharing

5838 – Use Variance – Shahin Badaly, P.E., on behalf of 222 Lake Partners LLC, owner, on premises known as 222 Lake Avenue, Block: 2179, Lot: 1, Zone: A&I (B32787) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ckpicpipRFStOnVZI18vQjNIPcnXIRs3?usp=sharing

5839 – Area Variance - Kristen Motel, Esq., on behalf of ASkone LLC, lessee, on premises known as 743 Central Park Avenue, Block: 5081, Lot: 21.32, Zone: BR (B33098) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d2qauAwlwgUGud2MVscNBSzA7eOFC-dk?usp=sharing

5840 – Use Variance - Regina P. Murray, on behalf of Irene Wasiczko, owner, on premises known as 59 Virginia Place, Block: 3403, Lot: 48, Zone: S-60 (B33145) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nfdP49AVDNAd9poDICTgmKGEKkCXH0dQ?usp=sharing

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Notice of formation of GLOW N GLAMOUR LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the Sec of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/14/2023. Office location, County of Westchester. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to:, c/o Faisal Butt - 117 Wickes Ave., Yonkers, NY 10701. Purpose: any lawful act.

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October 14, 1940: The Grand Jury investigation of Yonkers’ municipal affairs moved nearer a climax. Deputy Tax Commissioner Joseph Lenox, Deputy Superintendent of School Buildings and Maintenance Alfred Corbin, WPA Foreman Joseph McMahon who worked on School Five, and R. P. Nugent of Gazette Press were questioned on the purchase of materials and equipment for School Five. A major part of the questioning covered the installation of allegedly substandard heating equipment at the school. The Grand Jury also investigated reported attempts to license pinball machines in Yonkers.

Sunday, October 15th

October 15, 1926: An angry group of Yonkers citizens led by Mayor Walsh appeared before the Westchester County Sanitation Commission to protest the new Hutchinson River Valley sewer to empty into the Hudson at Yonkers. The mayor bluntly told the commission if they did not abandon the plan, the citizens of Yonkers would bring a lawsuit to stop the county from “turning Yonkers into a cesspool.”

October 15, 1926: Former Yonkers resident Reverend Joseph Breslin, Vice Rector of the American College in Rome, was promoted to Monsignor by Pope Pius XI. Breslin was the son of the long time Superintendent of St. Joseph’s Seminary and lived on Seminary Avenue. He attended St. Joseph’s School on Ashburton Avenue and Fordham. The good father served in WWI with distinction, Chaplain for the 23rd Infantry and was decorated for his services during the flu epidemic on the transport General Grant.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPE AND PUBLIC SCOPING SESSION

The City of Yonkers Zoning Board of Appeals (“ZBA”), as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, has determined that the proposed development at 143-151 Woodworth Avenue (Section:2, Block: 2102, Lots: 4, 5, 7, 11, 39 and 41) may have a significant adverse impact on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (“DEIS”) must be prepared. The Draft Scope for the DEIS is available on-line at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Fs6UG2BN4vrGEN8spjeMnaV_pTcT1Vx?usp=sharing and at Yonkers Department of Housing and Building, 5th floor, 87 Nepperhan Avenue AND Yonkers Department of Planning and Development, 3rd floor, Room 320, 87 Nepperhan Ave, Yonkers, NY 10701. A public scoping session on the Draft Scope will be held on October 16, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Yonkers Riverfront Public Library at One Larkin Center Yonkers, NY 10701. All of those interested will be given an opportunity to be heard with a time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker. The ZBA will accept written comments on the Draft Scope until 4 pm October 27, 2023. Written comment can be submitted by mail to 87 Nepperhan Ave., 5th Floor Yonkers, NY 10701 or by email at ZBAPublic@YonkersNY.gov.

TCP Realty, LLC (the "Applicant") proposes an approximately 815,850 square foot mixed-use development. Two 32-story residential buildings would be constructed containing 672 residential units with 10% of the units designated for affordable housing (the "Proposed Project") on the existing approximately 1.35-acre property, comprised of five tax parcels. The residential units would be a combination of studio, one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments. The Proposed Project will also include ground floor commercial space, a four-level garage with parking spaces for 702 vehicles including valet parking, landscape areas, and amenities for residents, including an outdoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, roof garden, gym, sauna, lounge, library, game room, kids’ room, and party room. To facilitate the Proposed Project, the Applicant has applied to the City of Yonkers Zoning Board of Appeals for approval of use and area variances. The Proposed Project will also require site plan approval from the City of Yonkers Planning Board. The Proposed Project, together with the required variances and site plan approval, constitute the "Proposed Action."

Notice of Formation of Hanyst RX Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 9/2/23. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 35 Florence Street, Yonkers, NY 10704. Purpose: Pharmacy Consulting





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