Meeting called by: Cathy Fahey, Chair  Date: 11-26-18  Time: 5:30PM

Committee Members
Present: Fahey, Chair ☒ Doesschate ☒ Balarin ☒ Farrell ☒ Johnson ☒

Invitees/Speakers
1) Chris Spencer, Department of Planning

Council Members
Present:

Minutes

Agenda Item: Ordinance 33.91.18

The Chair announced the Committee would first consider public comment.

Points of Discussion:
- Public commenter states that planning board voted on 500ft from the nearest boundary line of a lot with a Household Living use, a Group Living use, a Religious Institution or a School for Blood Plasma Centers.
- Chris Spencer recommended 250ft to Common Council.
- Blood Plasma rejects 75% of donates and can reject a donator for whatever reason.
- There are conditions that need pharmaceuticals that use blood plasma.
- CSL has over 100 sites, over 12 (9 in construction) in New York.
- Chris Spencer states that the individuals who donate are already in our community.
- Council Member Johnson believes that 1,000ft from schools and church should be the expectation for these types of businesses.
- Council Member Balarin believes we need to be consistent with the Feet of the types of business; otherwise, it seems we are being harsh with one type of business (Methadone and Marijuana dispensaries) and not others (Blood Plasma).
- Council Member Doesschate states if Ordinance passes as is, she would be uncomfortable with information and concerns provided.
- Council Member Farrell looks at this the same way as paying to get an organ and not comfortable with Blood Plasma in the City.
- Council Member O’Brien states the outside Blood Plasma queuing is not appropriate.
- Council Member Hoey knows the importance of Blood Plasma and the profit side bothers him. Hoey believes it should be 5,000ft.
- Council Member Anane states it should be 1,000ft.
- CSL employs 50 employees (6 Nurses, 2 Doctors, 3–4 Manager, and 30+ staff) for each site.
- Council Member Fahey believes that we should be looking at Blood Plasma holistically and uncomfortable with providing payment/gift cards for blood plasma donations.
- Fahey requested the Planning Department to look at blood plasma and donor collection.
- Committee decided to table Ordinance 33.91.18.