

**Attendees:**

Jane Swanson, Cornell Tech  
Diana Allegretti, Cornell Tech  
Dan Cooke, Cornell Tech

**Task Force Members:**

Jonathan Kalkin  
Judy Buck  
Joan Brooks  
Matthew Katz  
Luisa Lopez  
Sharon Pope-Marshall  
Rick O'Connor  
Daisy More

**Members of the Public:**

Kiyan Rajabi  
Lisa Fernandez  
Judy Berdy

**Presentations**

- **Diana Allegretti, Director of Capital Projects** – Gave an update on the Graduate Roosevelt Island Hotel Hotel and Verizon Center construction (presentation attached)
- **Dan Cooke, Senior Director of Operations** – Dan is new to Cornell Tech. Introduced himself and answered questions. (see questions below)
- **Kiyan Rajabi, former student and Startup Award Winner** – gave a presentation on his start-up, Revercare, and spoke about startup studio (see questions below)
- **Jane Swanson, Assistant Director, Government and Community Relations at Cornell Tech** – Spoke about health and wellness seminar, EYE on RI, Intergenerational Environmental Workshop, Remaking the City course with Professor Tapan Parikh, Community Conversations with Cornell Tech Faculty (presentation attached)

**Discussion/Questions**

- Is the wood at the exterior of the Verizon center in a frame? Will it Shrink? Will It change colors?
  - *No, just planks. Won't shrink. May change colors, which is part of the design*
- Is there a different operator for the conference center?
  - *No, Cornell will run and own it*
- Is the Verizon Center Hurricane proof?
  - *Yes. Tested with a jet engine.*
- Anything new for the café?
  - *Planning different menus, outdoor dining experiences, maybe a happy hour.*
- Who is responsible for what building?
  - *Regarding operations, Dan Cooke oversees the Bloomberg Center. Forest City operates Tata Innovation Center. The House is a joint venture of between Cornell Tech and Hudson Related and managed by Related;*
- Where does the waste go?

- *Hauler is Zeus who take garbage off campus by truck. We recycle, haven't started to compost yet;*
- Zeus dumpsters are ugly! Anywhere else to put them?
  - *Garbage is stored inside. But we're looking into it. Considering a different pickup time.*
- How about a recycling program when students graduate?
  - *We did that last year. Maybe we could coordinate more with different island organizations.*
- When Cornell first came, the idea was to dehydrate the garbage. Is that happening? Would that eliminate garbage trucks?
  - *No, we are trying to work that out. It may reduce the types of trucks.*
- Students in Prof. Tapan Parikh's course should go towards the northern island community, not have all events on campus
  - *First Open House will be on campus, all others will not*
- Dates for community conversations with professors?
  - *Not defined net*
- Would be nice to have more advance notice about events
  - *We'll work on updating the calendar*
- One Day University. Gets professors to lecture on history, theater etc. Have you heard of them?
  - *No, we will look into this;*
- Can you schedule art tours just for Islanders?
  - *We'll look into it;*
- Are there any big events we should know of in the Fall?
  - *Nothing notable at this time;*
- Who is the contact for learning more about Tata events?
  - *Not sure, staff turnover. We'll get back to you*
- A student gave a web literacy course in the senior center. Can something similar happen?
  - *He's not available this year, but he wrote a curriculum that could be passed on and we are looking to continue this course;*

#### **ReverCare Questions:**

- Is there a template for international usage?
  - *Not yet. Focusing on a smaller community model now*
- What would be the cost?
  - *So far, only pro bono. Not more than a couple hundred dollars a month.*
- Have you gotten feedback from insurance companies?
  - *We'd like this to be a supplement for those already with insurance. It's possible we can grow towards insurance companies and away from employers*
- How do you find caregivers?
  - *Creating a database of people who work across caregiving systems. Caregivers will be reviewed by crowdsourcing. System will get smarter as it goes on.*
- Are you including geriatrics specialists?
  - *Yes*
- Have you thought about focusing on personal care, not caregiving?
  - *It's possible to integrate smart home features with the app.*
- Can Revercare communicate with physicians?
  - *Not yet. Arming people with information to communicate with physicians.*