DRAFT MINUTES PENDING APPROVAL

CB8 Traffic and Transportation Committee Meeting June 21, 2018 Board Office 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100 Bronx, NY 10471

Committee Members Present:

Sylvia Alexander, Eric Dinowitz, Margaret Donato, Diomarys Escaño, Daniella Fuchs, David Gellman, Myra Joyce, Dan Padernacht, Georgia Santiago, Laura Spalter, Herb Young

Committee Members Absent:

Eric Bell

Guests: Martin Zelnik, Renee Havens, Kathy Valyi, Darisa Alcantara, C. Rivera, Jr., K. Brohier, J. Sproull, John Lee, David Bart, Margaret Della, D. Burke, Nivardo Lopez, Commissioner, Bronx DOT

Chair Padernacht called the meeting to order at 7:38.

1. Nivardo Lopez presented information on the enhanced crosswalks at Heath Ave and Summit Place

Enhanced crossing is dependent upon pedestrian traffic. There is not enough pedestrian traffic to warrant a stop sign, but crosswalks, signs, and improvement of visibility with 15 feet of daylighting at the northeast corner of Summit and Heath will be implemented. Ramps will be upgraded to ADA standards. Work should begin in July.

2. Discussion of NYC DOT policy regarding re-paving of private streets.

- Streets that are mapped and titled to NYC are eligible to be resurfaced.
- Non-titled city streets will get pothole and wear and tear repairs.
- The "paving season" goes from the end of March to the end of October.

Marty Zelnick spoke about Sigma Place. Part of the street is owned by city and the other part is private. Mr. Zelnick stated that potholes have not been filled there. Daniella Fuchs asked what Nivardo recommends about doing something about street repairs.

Steps to turn a private street over to the City.

Community Board must pass a resolution to turn the street back to city. The request then goes to the Borough President. It is a lengthy process. Once it becomes mapped, the city can do work on it.

Threshold requirements - gray area. Law dept determines eligibility.

T&T committee will come back to this issue in the fall.

Fieldston is only section that has truly private streets.

Laura Spalter spoke about street flooding at 252nd and 249th Streets. There are no catch basins. Nivardo said there are no sewers.

4. Old business:

Step streets:

Garbage, weeds and refuse often end up on step streets. DOT is responsible for the shoulders of the step street, DSNY is responsible for the steps part. A solution is being sought to centralize maintenance of step streets.

Kathryn Brohier spoke about the bus stop in front of Land and Sea restaurant and continues to request the bus stop be moved. DOT has a bus stop unit and they are waiting for a response from the MTA. Mr. Lopez will get back to us about the MTA response.

Eric Dinowitz asked about accessible ramps at intersections along Broadway. Mr. Lopez responded that the pedestrian ramp unit is moving up the Broadway corridor.

Paving priority list will be going out in a couple of weeks. David Gellman will email Dan a list of streets for repaving.

Meeting was adjourned 9:00pm

Dan Padernacht Chair Traffic and Transportation Committee

Submitted by Myra Joyce