

1 **Transportation Planning Committee**

Item #: 22

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3 Margaret Forgione
4 Manhattan Borough Commissioner
5 New York City Department of Transportation
6 55 Water Street, 9th Floor
7 New York, New York 10041
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9 **Re: Street resurfacing and Pedestrian ramps repairs**

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11 Dear Commissioner Forgione:

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13 Manhattan Community Board 4 (CB4) requests the following street and sidewalk repairs.
14 A number of residents had requested that W. 40th Street between Eighth and Ninth
15 Avenues to be resurfaced as soon as possible. At the time CB4 understood that the work
16 would be done this spring, but apparently this street is not included in the 2012
17 spring/summer schedule.

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- 19 • Please add this street resurfacing to your schedule to be completed as soon as
20 possible and let us know of the confirmed schedule.
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 - 22 • Additionally we request that the south sidewalk of W. 40th Street be inspected as
23 soon as feasible. It is dangerous to walk from Ninth Avenue and the eastern
24 boundary of the parking garage because of deep and large cracks. We have also
25 noted that there are illegal curb cuts in front of the garage.
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27 CB4 understands that along the future installation of the Eighth and Ninth Avenues Bike
28 lanes the avenues will be resurfaced and the pedestrian ramps on the avenue will be
29 repaired and upgraded with truncated domes. However, the side streets crossing are not
30 part of the project.

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- 32 • Please find enclosed the list of pedestrian street crossings and pedestrian ramps
33 connection to the street surface that are in bad need of repair along the future
34 lanes.
 - 35 • We have noted that beside a handful of exceptions, none of the ramps are
36 equipped with truncated domes that are required for low vision pedestrians. Our
37 neighborhood is home to a high concentration of seniors and all pedestrian ramps
38 on the streets and on the avenue along the bike path should be equipped with
39 them.
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41 We appreciate any efforts on the DOT's part to complete this upgrade at the same time as
42 the bike lane installations. Please confirm our understandings and let us know of the
43 schedule.

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45 Sincerely
46 CJ/CB/JM

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Attachment: Pedestrian Ramps and Crossings adjacent to the new bike lanes in need of repairs (x)

Avenue	East Side or West Side	Street	North Ramp	South Ramp	Pedestrian Crossing
9	East	47	x	x	
9	East	46		x	x
9	East	45	x	x	
9	East	44		x	
9	East	43	x		
9	East	42	x	x	x
9	East	41			x
9	East	40	x		x
9	East	39		x	x
9	East	38		x	x
9	East	37	x	x	x
9	East	36	x	x	x
9	East	35	x		x
9	East	49	x		
9	East	50	x	x	x
9	East	51	x	x	x
9	East	55	x		
8	West	55		x	
8	West	51			x
8	West	50		x	x
8	West	49			x
8	West	48	x	NO RAMP!	x
8	West	45		x	
8	West	42	x		x
8	West	41			x
8	West	39	x	x	x
8	West	38	x	x	x
8	West	37		x	x
8	West	36	x		x
8	West	35		x	x

Please note that none of the ramps except for 5 are properly equipped with TRUNCATED DOME DETECTABLE WARNING SYSTEMS as required by ADA

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