

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Subject: Opportunity to comment on proposed New York City Department of Transportation rules relating to truck routes.

Date/Time: November 19, 2013 3:00pm

Location: Queens Borough Hall
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Room 213, Part 2
Kew Gardens, NY 11424

Contact: Dalila Hall
NYCDOT Queens Borough Commissioner
120-55 Queens Boulevard, 2nd Floor
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Proposed Rule Amendment

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of Transportation by Section 1043 of the New York City Charter and subdivision (a) of Section 2903 of the New York City Charter, and in accordance with the requirements of Section 1043 of the New York City Charter, NYCDOT proposes to amend subdivision (b) of Section 4-13 of Chapter 4 of Title 34 of the Official Compilation of the Rules of the City of New York, the Traffic Rules related to truck routes for the Borough of Queens. The proposed amendments were not included in the Agency's regulatory agenda because the need for them was not foreseen at the time the agenda was finalized.

Instructions

- Written comments regarding the proposed rules may be sent to Dalila Hall, NYCDOT Queens Borough Commissioner, 120-55 Queens Boulevard, 2nd Floor, Kew Gardens, NY 11424 on or before November 19, 2013 or may be submitted electronically to rules@dot.nyc.gov or to the NYC Rules web site at www.nyc.gov/nycrules.
- Individuals seeking to testify at the public hearing are requested to notify Queens Borough Commissioner Dalila Hall at the address stated above.
- Individuals who need a sign language interpreter or other accommodation for a disability at the hearing are asked to notify Queens Borough Commissioner Dalila Hall at the above address by November 12, 2013.

- Individuals interested in receiving comments may request them by writing to: New York City Department of Transportation, Record Access Office, 55 Water Street, 4th Floor, New York City, NY 10041.

STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

Pursuant to §§ 1043 and 2903 (a) of the New York City Charter, the Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to promulgate rules regarding the conduct of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the streets, squares, avenues, highways and parkways of the City as may be necessary.

Background

Based upon recommendations from a truck study conducted in 2007 and a Maspeth Bypass Study which included truck origin and destination data, community meetings and local business and trucking industry requests for truck route changes, the Department of Transportation proposes to amend provisions of Title 34, Section 4-13 of the Rules of the City of New York in order to establish a more consistent designation of truck routes in the Borough of Queens. Specifically, the proposed rule:

- Changes the designation of: 55th Drive, 56th Terrace, Flushing Avenue, Fresh Pond Road, Grand Avenue, Maspeth Avenue, and Page Place to Local Truck Routes.
- Dedicates parts of Flushing Avenue, Fresh Pond Road and Grand Avenue as Local Truck Routes.

New matter in the following rule is underlined, and deleted material is in brackets.

“Shall and “must” denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of section 4-13 of Chapter 4 of Title 34 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding, in alphabetical order, new entries for 55th Drive, 56th Terrace, Maspeth Avenue, and Page Place; and by deleting the entries for Flushing Avenue, Fresh Pond Road and Grand Avenue. The amendments read as follows:

LOCAL TRUCK ROUTE NETWORK

<p>Astoria Blvd. (North and South) Atlantic Avenue</p> <p>Baisley Boulevard</p> <p>Beach Channel Drive</p> <p>Borden Avenue Braddock Avenue Bradley Avenue Bridge Plaza Broadway Brooklyn-Queens Expressway</p> <p>Central Avenue Clearview Expressway Clintonville Street</p> <p>College Point Avenue Cooper Avenue</p> <p>Crescent Street Cross Bay Boulevard Cross Island Pkwy. Service Rds.</p> <p>Cypress Avenue Ditmars Boulevard Ditmars Boulevard Dunkirk Street Farmers Boulevard</p> <p>Flushing Avenue</p> <p>Francis Lewis Boulevard</p> <p>Fresh Pond Road</p> <p>Grand Avenue</p> <p>Grand Avenue</p>	<p>8th Street to Northern Boulevard Kings County Line to Van Wyck Expressway Rockaway Boulevard to Merrick Boulevard Marine Pkwy Bridge to Nassau County Line 2nd Street to Greenpoint Avenue Hillside Avenue to Jamaica Avenue Greenpoint Avenue to Van Dam Street Queensboro Bridge to Jackson Avenue Vernon Boulevard to Queens Boulevard Kings County Line to Astoria Boulevard (North and South) Myrtle Avenue to Cooper Avenue Throgs Neck Bridge to Hillside Avenue Cross Island Parkway South Service Road to 7th Avenue Long Island Expressway to 14th Avenue Kings County Line to Woodhaven Boulevard 41st Avenue to Bridge Plaza Liberty Avenue to Beach Channel Drive Whitestone Expressway to Francis Lewis Boulevard Flushing Avenue to Cooper Avenue 49th Street to Hazen Street 81st Street to 23rd Avenue Liberty Avenue to Linden Boulevard Liberty Avenue to North and South Conduit Avenue Kings County Line to [Grand Avenue] <u>Rust Street</u></p> <p>Cross Island Parkway Service Roads to Springfield Boulevard [Flushing Avenue] <u>Metropolitan Avenue</u> to Myrtle Avenue</p> <p>Kings County Line to Long Island Expressway Kings County Line to [<u>Queens Boulevard</u>] <u>Rust Street and Borden Avenue to Queens Boulevard</u></p>
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Greenpoint Avenue	Van Dam Street to Queens Boulevard
Guy R. Brewer Boulevard	Liberty Avenue to North and South Conduit Avenue
Hazen Street	20th Avenue to Astoria Boulevard
Hempstead Avenue	Jamaica Avenue to Nassau County Line
Hillside Avenue	Myrtle Avenue to Nassau County Line
Hoyt Ave. (North and South)	Astoria Boulevard to 21st Street
Jackson Avenue	Borden Avenue to Northern Boulevard
Jamaica Avenue	Merrick Boulevard to Nassau County Line
Junction Boulevard	32nd Avenue to Queens Boulevard
Kissena Boulevard	Main Street to Parsons Boulevard
Laurel Hill Boulevard	Review Avenue to 54th Avenue
Liberty Avenue	Van Wyck Expressway to Farmers Boulevard
Linden Boulevard	Kings County Line to North and South Conduit Avenue, and Newburg Street to Farmers Boulevard
Linden Place	Whitestone Expressway to Northern Boulevard
Long Island Expressway	Queens Midtown Tunnel to Nassau County Line
Main Avenue	Vernon Boulevard to Astoria Boulevard
Main Street	Northern Boulevard to Queens Boulevard
Maurice Avenue	L.I.E. to 56th Terrace
Maspeth Avenue	49th Street to 48th Street
<u>Maspeth Avenue</u>	<u>Page Place to Maurice Avenue</u>
Merrick Boulevard	Hillside Avenue to Nassau County Line
Metropolitan Avenue	Kings County Line to Hillside Avenue
Myrtle Avenue	Kings County Line to Hillside Avenue
North and South Conduit Avenue (Sunrise Highway)	Linden Boulevard to Nassau County Line
Northern Boulevard	Jackson Avenue to Nassau County Line
<u>Page Place</u>	<u>Grand Avenue to Maspeth Avenue</u>
Parsons Boulevard	Kissena Boulevard to Union Turnpike
Queens Boulevard	Jackson Avenue to Hillside Avenue
Review Avenue	Borden Avenue to Laurel Hill Boulevard
Rockaway Boulevard	Atlantic Avenue to Nassau County Line
Roosevelt Avenue	Queens Boulevard to Main Street
Rust Street	58th Street to Flushing Avenue
Rust Street	56th Terrace to 58th Street
Springfield Boulevard	Jamaica Avenue to North and South Conduit Avenue
Steinway Street	Northern Blvd. to Astoria Blvd. North
Steinway Street	Astoria Blvd. North to 19th Avenue
Sutphin Boulevard	94th Avenue to Liberty Avenue
Thomson Avenue	Jackson Avenue to Queens Boulevard

Union Turnpike
Van Dam Street
Van Wyck Expressway

Vernon Boulevard
Whitestone Expressway
Willets Point Boulevard
Woodhaven Boulevard
8th Street
14th Road
14th Avenue

15th Avenue
19th Avenue
20th Avenue
20th Avenue

21st Street
23rd Avenue

24th Avenue
29th Street
39th Street
41st Avenue
43rd Street
47th Street
48th Street
48th Street

49th Street
49th Street
53rd Avenue
54th Avenue
54th Street
55th Avenue
55th Drive

55th Street
56th Drive
56th Road
56th Road
56th Terrace
57th Place
58th Road
58th Street

Myrtle Avenue to Nassau County Line
Queens Boulevard to Greenpoint Avenue
Whitestone Expressway to John F.
Kennedy International Airport
Borden Avenue to 8th Street
Whitestone Bridge to Astoria Boulevard
Roosevelt Avenue to Northern Boulevard
Liberty Avenue to Queens Boulevard
Astoria Boulevard to Vernon Boulevard
College Point Boulevard to 110th Street
Cross Island Parkway Service Road to
Whitestone Expressway and College Point
Boulevard to 110th Street
College Point Boulevard to 110th Street
Steinway Street to 81st Street
21st Street to Hazen Street
Whitestone Expressway to College Point
Boulevard
Borden Avenue to 20th Avenue
Astoria Boulevard South to Ditmars
Boulevard
21st Street to 29th Street
24th Avenue to Astoria Boulevard
Queens Boulevard to Northern Boulevard
21st Street to Crescent Street
53rd Avenue to 54th Avenue
Grand Avenue to 58th Road
Long Island Expressway to 55th Avenue
Maspeth Avenue to 58th Road and 55th
Avenue to 56th Road
Ditmars Boulevard to Astoria Boulevard
Maspeth Avenue to 56th Road
43rd Street to 48th Street
Laurel Hill Boulevard to 43rd Street
Flushing Avenue to Grand Avenue
48th Street to 58th Street
Maurice Avenue to 58th Street
Flushing Avenue to Grand Avenue

56th Road to 58th Street
Laurel Hill Boulevard to 56th Drive
56th Drive to 56th Terrace
58th Street to Rust Street
Maspeth Avenue to Rust Street
47th Street to 48th Street
Queens Boulevard to Maspeth Avenue

62nd Drive
69th Street

94th Avenue

94th Street
108th Street
110th Street
126th Street
154th Street

168th Street
213th Street

Junction Boulevard to Queens Boulevard
Long Island Expressway to Metropolitan
Ave.

Van Wyck Expressway to Sutphin
Boulevard

La Guardia Airport to 32nd Avenue

Astoria Boulevard to Queens Boulevard

14th Avenue to 15th Avenue

Northern Boulevard to Roosevelt Avenue

Cross Island Parkway North Service Road
to 10th Avenue

Merrick Boulevard to Hillside Avenue

Hempstead Avenue to Jamaica Avenue

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**CERTIFICATION / ANALYSIS
PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1043(d)**

RULE TITLE: Changes to truck routes in Queens

REFERENCE NUMBER: DOT-17

RULEMAKING AGENCY: Department of Transportation

I certify that this office has analyzed the proposed rule referenced above as required by Section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the proposed rule referenced above:

- (i) Is understandable and written in plain language for the discrete regulated community or communities;
- (ii) Minimizes compliance costs for the discrete regulated community or communities consistent with achieving the stated purpose of the rule; and
- (iii) Does not provide a cure period because it does not establish a violation, modification of a violation, or modification of the penalties associated with a violation.

/s/ Amy Bishop
Mayor's Office of Operations

September 25, 2013
Date

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
CHARTER §1043(d)**

RULE TITLE: Amendment of Queens Truck Routes

REFERENCE NUMBER: 2013 RG 080

RULEMAKING AGENCY: Department of Transportation

I certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed rule as required by section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the above-referenced proposed rule:

- (i) is drafted so as to accomplish the purpose of the authorizing provisions of law;
- (ii) is not in conflict with other applicable rules;
- (iii) to the extent practicable and appropriate, is narrowly drawn to achieve its stated purpose; and
- (iv) to the extent practicable and appropriate, contains a statement of basis and purpose that provides a clear explanation of the rule and the requirements imposed by the rule.

/s/ STEVEN GOULDEN
2013
Acting Corporation Counsel

Date: September 25,