



**THE CITY OF NEW YORK
BOROUGH OF THE BRONX
COMMUNITY BOARD 7**



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TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chair:	Edgar Ramos
Meeting Date:	Thursday, September 3rd, 2020
Meeting Time:	6:30 PM
Meeting Location:	Via Zoom Video/Teleconference
Members (Check Those In Attendance)	✓ Edgar Ramos __ Yajaira Arias ✓ Erik Ascensio __ Kevin Davis ✓ Andrew Laiosa ✓ Lowell Green ✓ Cole Hawkins
Minutes done by:	Edgar Ramos

Minutes:

- I. Introductions**
- II. Review of previous minutes**
- III. Follow-up from previous month (If applicable)**
- IV. New Business**
 - a. Introduction of Bronx Borough MTA Government & Community Relations Assistant Director Charvey Gonzalez who will be the Community Board’s contact providing us with Updates, information, and assistance with transportation issues. Charvey Gonzalez told us the upcoming year with be challenging with budget problems due to lack of ridership and Federal Funding. There is a 16.2 Billion Dollar shortfall that needs to be addressed. Many parts of the 2024 Capitol Plan will be affected also. We will have to work together to reach our elected officials to make it work.**
 - b. DOT Updates concerning new Meter Rates in our area. Street paving has been done in many areas. Some line painting has commenced.**



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We hope to get an update from DOT for next month's meeting.

- c. **Khadim Niang from the Comptroller's Office brought forward n announcement of a plan that would provide bicycles to students, providing a safe way to commute to school. Improving bike lanes, and other improvements. We asked for more information in order to better understand all the features of the project.**
 - d. **Victor R. Saldaña, of the Cedar Avenue Block Association presented a petition for a Traffic Study for Cedar Avenue south of Fordham road, due to safety and Quality of life concerns. The current 2 Way Street configuration does not allow for safe traffic spacing, inability to safely complete School Bus and vehicle pickups. They believe making it a One Way would alleviate traffic at Fordham Road and provide and overall improvement of Quality of Life and Safety. The Committee agreed and coted on and approved a Letter of Support, now being passed on to Executive Committee. We suggested getting support from Community Board 5 also to further their fight.**
 - e. **We started a discussion of 2021 Community Board Budget request. The conversation was tabled to properly address with more time. Meeting to be scheduled and announced this month.**
- V. **Next meeting date: Thursday, October 1st, 2021**
 - VI. **Discussion on next agenda**
 - VII. **Adjournment**