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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES Thursday, October 14th, 2010 @ 6:30 PM

- I. Update on ongoing issues
 - A. East Gun Hill Road study update: A Walking Tour of area will be held soon.
 - B. Bike Matters: A letter will be sent to DOT expressing concern that bikes (parts and old bikes) are being chained up at the parking lot at Fordham and Jerome. Bike rack was cleaned out over the summer. Also, the Committee is asking for a definition of what is an abandoned bike.
 - C. Speed Bump: A letter was sent to DOT asking for information on speed bumps (See reverse side).
 - D. Status of lights at the Oval: A few lights are now working but most are still dark. Friends of the Oval have been working with Parks Department to get lights repaired. Committee will write a letter to DOT asking; Why so long to repair lights, When will all the park lights be in working order, What steps are being taken that will prevent such a lengthy repair of dark lights.
- II. New Business
 - A. Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2012
 - 1. The Committee decided to remove the following items that were requested in the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request:
 - i. The installation of a Neck-Down on the Southeast Corner of Jerome and East Gun Hill Road- This item should be in place by spring of 2011.
 - ii. Fund Green Street Enhancements on the Center Medians of the Grand Concourse from East 192 Street to Mosholu Parkway-There is a long term project to redo the whole length of Grand Course. Due to location of D subway line some medians can have only limited work done. The Committee will look into other ways to improve median on the block of Grand Concourse from Van Cortland South to Mosholu Parkway.
 - iii. Repair the Retaining Wall between Parkview Terrace and Jerome Ave: Project is under review.
 - iv. Redesign Coles Lane as a Pedestrian Street with ADA Accessibility: A ramp will be put in place.
 - v. Install Historic Street Lighting on Kingsbridge Road from Grand Concourse to Sedgwick Ave=Will talk with local City Council person to see if they will fund.
 - vi. Install Muni-Meters in the Jerome Gun Hill Bid Area: City wide project is underway to install Muni-Meters
- III. The Committee is requesting the following items for Budget for Fiscal Year 2012
 - A. Olive Place should be made into a Step Street. It cannot become a formal street or a park.
 - B. Construct missing sidewalk and upgrade the substandard existing section of sidewalk on Reservoir Oval East from Holt Place to Reservoir Place.
- IV. Adjournment



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Notice regarding criteria for speed bumps on roadways November 8th, 2010

As a result of a number of inquiries regarding speed bumps, the following is being sent to all board members at the request of the committee chair.

Speed reducers (bumps) are devices used to lower the speed of motor vehicles along specific street segments. Speed reducers may be either3" high (local streets without a school) or 4" high (near school locations), and are accompanied by appropriate warning signs and roadway markings.

Speed bumps will only be considered on streets that are NOT truck routes, bus routes or snow emergency routes. We will evaluate the feasibility on any street less than 45' wide.

Once our office receives a request from either 311, elected officials/community boards and/or the general public, we submit the request into a database (Speed Reducer Tracking System) and if all above criteria are met, a field investigation begins.

During field investigations a speed summary is conducted and constructability and physical roadway characteristics are evaluated.

After approximately 14 weeks a final determination is made and the requester is informed of the results of the feasibility study. Feasible locations will then be scheduled for installation.