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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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FERNANDO P. TIRADO, DISTRICT MANAGER

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION MEETING MINUTES Thursday, November 10th, 2011 @ 6:30 PM

- I) Guests Present & Reports:
 - A) Jacqueline Carter, Community and Government Relations for MTA:
 - 1) She informed the Committee that the six (6) street stairways on the Fordham Road stop of the D line will be worked on.
 - 2) The bid will be opened on November 23th and the contract duration is 10 months. Once a contractor is selected, MTA and the contractor will walk the site and talk with the merchants to insure that business will get their deliveries as well as staying open during construction.
 - B) In response to submitted questions, Ms. Carter provided the following answers:
 - 1) The BX34 Bus should be running about every 12-15 minutes during the hours of 3:00-5:00 pm (M-F). However, the area along Valentine Ave has a number of schools and the presence of school busses as well as parents picking-up children can cause city buses to back up and slow down.
 - 2) The BX1 Bus at 231 St. and Broadway on a Friday night at 11:00 pm is schedule to run 4 times an hour. If a driver is out sick, one of the runs will not be made. The bus time scheduled card will be checked to see if arrival times are correct.
 - 3) There are cameras at the Bedford Park 204th St. D entrance/exit which are aimed at the gate and high wheels. No funds to upgrade equipment. Ms. Carter said perhaps the Community Board could ask local state elected official for funds to upgrade equipment. There are no cameras at the Mosholu Parkway entrance /exit by Tracy Towers on the #4 line
 - 4) Ms. Carter and the contractor that remodeled the #4 Mosholu Subway Station will have a site visit to see what additional work is needed to restore the park land around the subway. This land was damaged during construction.
 - 5) There is no set feet allowance needed for a bus stop. A regular bus is 40 feet long and it needs 60 feet. An articulating bus is 80 feet long and it needs 100 -120 feet. Bus shelters and benches can be requested from DOT.
- II) Report on East Gun Hill Road Congestion Corridor Study:
 - A) DOT has finished the study and has made a number of recommendations after listening to community input and a study of the area.
 - B) Signal times will be improved and countdown signal for pedestrians will be added. Improved curb areas will be added at Jerome and Reservoir Place /Perry Ave corners. Crosswalks and traffic lanes will be repainted.
 - C) In an effort to improve traffic flow, DOT is recommending that Perry, Hull and Decatur Avenues as well as Putnam Place and a portion of East 211th Street that are north of Gun Hill become one way streets. The CB will need to hold a public hearing so that residents and business in that area can express their views.
 - D) On November 3, 2011, representatives from the Parks Department, Con Ed, DOT, and Sanitation as well as the District Manager of CB7 and the Chairs of the Environmental and



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Sanitation and Traffic and Transportation Committees met to look at the broken sidewalk area at Bainbridge and Mosholu Parkway.

- 1) Con Ed will drain the area under the manhole cover as well as the water collected in the street ruts.
- 2) DOT will see if it can fill in these road ruts before winter. Con Ed will check the area under the manhole cover for water periodically.
- 3) The Committee accepted the revised 205th Street "D" station condition letter. The letter will be presented at the November General Board Meeting.

III) Meeting Adjourned