

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



# RUBEN DIAZ, JR., BOROUGH PRESIDENTPAUL FOSTER, CHAIRMANFERNANDO P. TIRADO, DISTRICT MANAGERTRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE<br/>MEETING MINUTES<br/>Thursday, April 12, 2012 @ 6:30 PM

#### I. Gates Place Request:

- A. Lynn Pyle of the Knox's Place Neighborhood Association and an advisor of the Cove (located on Gates Place) presented a petition with 146 signatures requesting that Gates Place be changed from a two-way street to a one-way street with traffic to go North from West Mosholu Parkway North to West Gun Hill Road. The reason for the change is that a one-way street would make it easier for residents to get a street permit for a summer play street and / or a block party. Gates Place is a short street with no commercial business. The Committee is in favor of the request. In addition, the Committee would like DOT to look at placing a crosswalk and light at Gates Place and West Gun Hill Road as there is an entrance to Van Courtland Park at this intersection but no crosswalk or light. Residents cross here to get into the park.
- II. Fordham Road and Bainbridge Ave Request:
  - A. Marisol Flores Rivera, a community resident, and St. Barnabas Hospital's Community Affairs Office are asking that CB7 ask DOT to look into the possibility of putting in a left turn only light at the intersection of Bainbridge Ave and Fordham Road. Ms. Rivera's aunt, Carmen Losada Ahmed, who was also an employee of St. Barnabas Hospital, was killed at this intersection in April 2011 when a livery cab making a left hand turn jumped the curb. The Committee is in favor of DOT doing a study of this intersection.
- III. MTA responded to the Committee's December letter about conditions at the 205<sup>th</sup> Station of the D subway line. A copy of the letter given to all Board members. No other person sent a copy of the letter has replied.
- IV. Budget item requests:
  - A. The conditions of the center median strips on the Grand Concourse (East 197 Street to Mosholu Parkway) have continued to be an area of concern. In response to photos sent to DOT of broken grates, cracked sidewalks and dead and dying trees on the medians, DOT has reply that these areas need the combined efforts of DOT, Parks and MTA to correct these conditions. The DM will work to get the three agencies to do a walk thru of the area. (Tracking Code 107201004C)
  - B. The Committee would like zebra stripping be place on the Mosholu Parkway traffic lanes closes to the center median (both west and south traffic lanes) to allow for a more uniform flow of traffic as well as allow for a left hand turning lane as needed.
  - C. The Committee would like to see work continue to be done on making Coles Lane a pedestrian street with ADA accessibility as this street is part of the improvement of Fordham Road. (Tracking Code 107201207C)
  - D. The Committee would like to see Improvement of the Eastern Opening of the Williamsbridge Oval Park entrance at Holt Place. (Tracking Code 10720107C)



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E. The Committee would like to see the conversion of Oliver Place between Marion Ave and Decatur Ave into a Step Street. (Tracking Code 107201202C)

V. Project updates:

A. Muni-Meter Parking is now in our community; Work has begun on the street entrances of the D subway stops at Fordham Road.

### NEXT MEETING ON THE COMMITTEE WILL BE MAY 17, 2012 <u>\*\*PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE\*\*</u>