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### COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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## TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

### MEETING MINUTES

#### Thursday, September 13, 2012

- I. Update on MTA projects in CB7:
  - A. BX 34 Bus Service:
    - a. Weekend Service is scheduled to begin January 2013
  - B. Select Bus Service on Webster Ave Meeting:
    1. NYC DOT has scheduled the next meeting for Thursday September 27, 2012 from 3:00 pm to 5:00pm. Location has not been selected yet.
  - C. Kingsbridge Road elevator installation project:
    1. Project started March 2012. Currently there are two staircase closed at the south mezzanine (near underpass) to protect customers from the demolition of the two elevator pits. These stairs should be reopened on Friday September 14, 2012. The bus pad installation along the Grand Concourse, north of Kingsbridge Road will begin in early October.
- II. Update on DOT projects in CB7:
  - A. Gun Hill Road Project:
    1. There will be a meeting in October to discuss final recommendation. Over the summer, the street directions were changed as approved by the Board.
  - B. Grand Concourse at Mosholu Parkway Project:
    1. Project will need to be phased in so as not to impact the community. DOT is currently looking at different portions of the project and how to schedule phases of the work. DOT will get back within 2 weeks with update.
  - C. Status of Making Villa Ave a One Way Street Study:
    1. Still pending-should have update in 2 weeks.
  - D. Status of Making Gates Place a One Way Street Study:
    1. Date still being gathered-completion of the study is expected early November.
  - E. Status of Putting in a Crosswalk at Gates Place and Gun Hill Road Study:
    1. This is a signal study. Study should be completed in October. Count was done over summer and data is currently being analyzed.
  - F. Status of Putting in a Left Turn Only Lane at Fordham Road and Bainbridge:
    1. This is a signal study. DOT will check with Signal Division on status. DOT should have an update in two weeks.
  - G. Status of Holt Place:
    1. DOT and Parks need to talk about improvements. DOT will refurbish all the roadway narrowing markings along Reservoir Oval. DOT would like CB7 to set-up a meeting with the Friends of Williamsbridge Oval to discuss additional (pedestrian) improvements. DOT would like a daytime meeting so all the right DOT people can be present. The DM and Chair of the Committee will work toward having a daytime meeting with DOT and Parks present as well as having the Friends of Williamsbridge Oval invited.
- III. Other DOT concerns:
  - A. During the beginning of September, DOT changed the alternate-side of the street parking signs on the west side of Wayne Ave to No Parking from 7am to 7pm Monday-Friday. The Community Board nor the neighborhood was informed of the change. The Community Board has learned that



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Montefiore requested the change. The Chair of the Community Board, wrote a letter to DOT expressing the community's frustration over the changes as well as the Community Board's disappointment on not being informed that a study for a change took place and then that the sign change went up without official notification.

IV. Web site additions:

- A. The chair will ask the DM to put the Bronx's locations of the Metro Bus/Van on the web site as well as post them in the office. The locations in the Bronx:
1. Scott Towers-3400 Paul Avenue - On the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month from 1pm to 3pm
  2. Fordham Road and Grand Concourse - On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month from 12pm to 2pm
  3. Fordham Plaza - Intersection of Fordham Rd, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave & Webster Ave- on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month from 2:30 pm to 4pm.
    - a. At these sites a person can get their Metro card refilled as well as apply for a reduced fare card. Photos if needed for an application can be taken at the site. Additional information at [www.mta.info/metrocards/mms.htm](http://www.mta.info/metrocards/mms.htm)
- B. The chair would like the web site to list the street sites that have been named in memory of community residents. Additional work needs to be done on this project.

V. Library Lane:

- A. The Committee is pleased that DOT and DDC are looking at improving conditions at Library Lane (Coles Lane). The Committee is concerned that the issue of a new pedestrian crosswalk from Library Lane across East Kingsbridge Road to the new Bronx's Library is not included in the outstanding drawing for the improving Library Lane. Due to the need of a prompt reply the Committee will ask that the Chair of the Community Board approved a letter of support with remarks.

VI. Committee Meeting Schedule:

- A. The Committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at the Community Board Office located at 229-A East 204<sup>th</sup> Street at 6:30pm.
- B. October 11, 2012 - The Committee will not meet but will attend the Community Board's meeting for the community on the Armory project. Meeting will be held at Monroe College located at 2501 Jerome Ave at 6:30 pm.
- C. November 8, 2012
- D. December 13, 2012
- E. January 10, 2013
- F. February 14, 2013 - No meeting (Happy Valentine's Day)
- G. March 14, 2013
- H. April 11, 2013
- I. May 9, 2013
- J. June 14, 2013

VII. Meeting adjourned