



# THE CITY OF NEW YORK

## BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

### COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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## TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

### Thursday, November 8, 2012 @ 6:30 PM

- I) **Gun Hill Road Project:** At the October 17, 2012 public meeting, DOT made the following comments;
- A) Street direction changes have been put in place
  - B) Muni-meters have been installed
  - C) The neck-down (raised concrete curb area) at Jerome Ave and East Gun Hill Road will be an in-house project. Work scheduled for Spring 2013
  - D) The proposed crosswalk at Perry Ave and Reservoir Place has a slope/level problem. DOT engineers are looking at the area
  - E) DOT is proposing that a 50 feet "No standing here to corner" zone be placed on the north side of East Gun Hill Road at Bainbridge Ave to aid in the flow of traffic
  - F) DOT is proposing to prohibit parking 7am-9am Monday to Friday between Webster Ave and Jerome Ave along the north curb of East Gun Hill Road. This move would add to the flow of traffic. Currently cars have to move from 8:30 am to 9 am Monday to Friday for street cleaning. There are issues with this proposal. Car owners would have to get up very early to move cars. No place for cars to move to. Suggestion from Committee-move current time to 8:00 am-9 am
  - G) DOT is proposing to prohibit parking from 4pm-7pm Monday to Friday between Jerome Ave to Webster Ave along the south curb of East Gun Hill Road. The community as well as Montefiore is against this idea
  - H) As a result of a question, DOT will look into why there is no parking allowed on the west side of Reservoir Place
- II) **Wayne Avenue:** As a result of community concerns over a street signage change request by Montefiore, the Chair of CB7, Paul Foster, and DOT did a site visit of the area. DOT is now considering changes for the area
- III) **2856 Webster Avenue:** Mr. Vincent Scordley, an owner of a Laundromat at this location, e-mailed CB7 with a request that a loading zone be located on Webster Ave north of the entrance to the Pioneer Supermarket parking lot. The Laundromat is located next to the Pioneer Supermarket. The Committee Chair took a walk of the area. At 2856 Webster Ave there are signs that state: "No Standing 8am-3pm Monday –Friday expect trucks loading and unloading". The area north of the Pioneer parking lot entrance is a bus stop with a bus shelter. The buses on Webster Ave are articulating buses and they need room to load and unload passengers. The request was forwarded to DOT



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IV) **River Plaza Center:** Kingsbridge Associates has made a request to DOT regarding sidewalk and street parking use at River Plaza Center (i.e. Target) located at Kingsbridge Road/West 225<sup>th</sup> St. This request include:

- A) Changing the parking rules from 40-82 West 225th St. to "No Parking or Standing any time"
- B) Placing backless benches in several locations
- C) Installing a bike corral shelter

Since a change in parking was requested, DOT asked for CB7 input. The Chair contacted Mr. Tony Edwards, Community Liaison for City Council Member Ydanis Rodriguez who represents this area. Mr. Edwards was concerned about the removal of parking for the community. Mr. Edwards stated that a number of livery service vehicles line up for customers leaving the Target store-he felt that this might be a police enforcement issues. Members of the Committee suggested that perhaps a taxi zone could be established. Also, concern was expressed for people with disabilities needing access to the cub. Additional, the Committee was concerned if this group was speaking for all the tenants at River Plaza Center. The Chair was informed that a representative from Kingsbridge Associates would be present at the November 29<sup>th</sup> Land Use Committee. No one from the organization was present at the Traffic and Transportation meeting. The Chair will attend the Land Use Meeting and raise the Committee's concerns. The Chair will inform DOT that it cannot give any input at this time.