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TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 12, 2016 @ 6:30 PM

- I) Attendance sheet on file
- II) Meeting started at 7:45pm
- III) Mr. Neile Weissman, George Washington Bridge Pedestrian / Bike Path:
 - A) Mr. Neile Weissman at completegeorge.org/esd is asking for a letter of support from CB7 to calling on the Port Authority to widen the current bicycle-pedestrian paths on the George Washington Bridge to comply with national standards as part of the upcoming re-cabling.
 - B) The current path is only 6.75' wide and is used by bikes as well as pedestrians. The PA will be replacing cables on the bridge so that the bridge can last additional 90 years. Per Mr. Weissman, this would be a good time for the pathway to be upgrade to include additional paths for cyclists and pedestrians. CB7 is in the middle of a bike route between NJ and upstate NY. The Chair asked for additional letters of support. The request will be placed on the Committee's June agenda for a committee vote

IV) NYC Commuter Benefits Law:

A) Any NYC employer with 20 or more full time employees (working 30 or more hours a week) must offer its' employees the ability to use pre-tax income to pay for monthly transportation costs. An informational flyer available

V) LinkNYC:

A) Ms. Ruth Fasoldt provided information about a new free NYC Wi-Fi Network called LinkNYC. This network is being placed where public phones used to be located. These Link structures are now in Manhattan and will be coming to the Grand Concourse in the 180th Street soon. A person will be able to charge their phones as well as call 911 and have free Wi-Fi. An informational flyer available

VI) Community Concern:

A) An area resident complained about slow services on the local #12 bus services on Fordham Road. Chair said she would contact MTA

VII) Transportation Alternatives:

- A) The Agency reminded everyone about "Boogie on Boulevard (Grand Concourse)" that starts May 29, 2016 at 162nd Street. There will be additional Sundays in June, July, and August.
- VIII) Meeting ended at 7:45pm.Next Meeting will be June 9, 2016.