

## Add Community Board Recommendation

Recommendation to be submitted for:

### **639 Grand Street FRESH Cert (/projects/2025K0355), Non-ULURP**

A FRESH Certification to facilitate a new mixed use eleven-story, 53,000 square-foot development with 66 units and approximately 7,900 square feet of floor area for a FRESH food store, is being sought by a private applicant at 639 Grand Street in Williamsburg, Community District 1, Brooklyn.

#### **Was a Quorum Present at your hearing(s)?**

*A quorum requires the presence of 20% of appointed board members, and not fewer than seven members.*

☒ Yes ☐ No **03/10/2026 | Swinging Sixties Senior Center, 211 Ainslie Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211**

Conditional Favorable ▼

Votes In Favor

28

Votes Against

0

Abstain

0

Total Members

28

#### **Vote Location and Date for all actions**

Vote Location

211 Ainslie Street, Brooklyn

Vote Date

04/14/2026

Recommendation Comment for all actions.

Please see attached CB 1's recommendation, Land Use Report, and Vote Sheet.  
Thank you.

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## CB 1's Recommendation: 200 Kent Avenue Rezoning

(1) The applicant will follow through on its agreement to work with the appropriate council members to contribute to the beautification of the Grand Ferry Park. (2) There will be more than the minimum requirement for affordability. (3) The board requests a re-design of the bike parking in the Trader Joe's lot for better and safer access.

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### **200 Kent Avenue Rezoning (/projects/2024K0286) ULURP**

A zoning map amendment from M1-4 to M1-4A/R7X and zoning text amendment to map MIH (Appendix F) to facilitate the conversion and expansion of an existing non-residential 5-story building to a mixed-use 14-story, approximately 135,840 sf (143 DUs, 36 MIH) development, including 116,780 sf of residential floor area and 19,060 sf of commercial floor area, is being sought by 206 Kent LLC and 206 Kent Investor LLC at 200 Kent Avenue in Williamsburg, Community District 1, Brooklyn.

#### **Was a Quorum Present at your hearing(s)?**

*A quorum requires the presence of 20% of appointed board members, and not fewer than seven members.*

☒ Yes ☐ No **03/30/2026 | Swinging Sixties Senior Center, 211 Ainslie Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211**

#### **Would you like to submit a single recommendation for all actions?**

☒ Yes ☐ No, I will submit a recommendation for each action

Conditional Favorable

| Votes In Favor | Votes Against | Abstain | Total Members |
|----------------|---------------|---------|---------------|
| 28             | 0             | 0       | 28            |

#### **Vote Location and Date for all actions**

| Vote Location                    | Vote Date  |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| 211 Ainslie Street, Brooklyn, NY | 04/14/2026 |

Recommendation Comment for all actions.

Please see attached CB 1's recommendation, Land Use Report, and Vote Sheet.  
Thank you.

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April 14, 2026

## COMMITTEE REPORT

### By Laws, Attendance Procedures (Parliamentary), Service Delivery Committee

**TO:** Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

**FROM:** Mr. Austin Pferd, Committee Chair  
Ms. Sonia Iglesias, Committee Co-Chair

**RE:** By Laws Committee Report of March 23, 2026

The Committee met on the evening of March 23, 2026, at 6:00 PM at the CB1 District Office, 435 Graham Avenue (Corner of Frost Street), Brooklyn, NY 11211.

**Present:** Pferd, Chair; Chesler; Friedman; Heimlich; Peterson

**Absent:** Iglesias, Co-Chair; Espinal; Goldstein; Klagsbald; Mrowiec; Rabbi Niederman; Sabel

Five members were present; a quorum was not achieved.

Johana Pulgarin was present in her capacity as District Manager. Also present were Julia Amanda Foster, the author of amendment 1 on the agenda, and Meryl Laborde as non-committee full board members.

## AGENDA

### 1. Consider proposed amendment to V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS regarding minimum service requirements for nomination:

Amendment 1 sought to institute a requirement of one year of board service before nomination of candidacy for a seat on the executive committee.

The amendment proposed by Julia Amanda Foster was read by Austin Pferd and discussion was invited. Foster cited the most recent election and the need for candidates for office to know what's going on and that past events were a slap in the face. Steve Chesler expressed the importance of a candidate being familiar with the board and the board being familiar with them. Pferd expressed concern with an amendment built around a very specific past circumstance, pointed out that as worded, the amendment would not restrict the circumstance, and that the amendment was antidemocratic in that it would limit people's opportunity to seek office. Janice Peterson pointed out that it would be a democratic action if we voted to approve this requirement and that she thought it was good that a member could leave the board, return, and run for office. David Heimlich agreed with Peterson. Steve concurred with Pferd observation that it may be an amendment in search of a problem. It was asked of Foster to clarify whether further, more specific limitation was desired, which was wanted. However continued discussion indicated that more restrictive language may not pass committee, so the original working was left. Motion by Peterson, second by Rifka Friedman.

Motion passed 3-2.

2. **Consider proposed amendment to I. OFFICERS regarding committee chair input in committee membership:**

Amendment 2 sought to encourage cooperation between the Board Chair and committee chairs when considering committee makeup.

The amendment proposed by Chesler was read by Pferd and discussion was invited. Chesler discussed the occurrence of situations where there was a sense that appointing and removing members from committee was done in a biased and arbitrary fashion, citing concern that the needs of the community were not met if individuals with special expertise and willingness to serve on specific committees were not appointed. Heimlich focused on the non-enforceability of the amendment, asking what would happen if the chair did not consult? Scenarios were discussed of chairs being censured and committee chairs removed, Heimlich felt that the bylaw should be as written with the addition "we recommend...". Peterson spoke on the concentration of power in one person being too much and the need for people to learn to work with each other. Speaking as a committee chair, Peterson felt she had been overruled and disregarded in the past and that it was time to open this up. Meryl Laborde spoke and pointed out that the amendment wouldn't change anything and cited her personal experience as a neighborhood transportation activist not appointed to the transportation committee despite believing she had committee chair support and consultation with the board chair. Pferd spoke about the good faith assumption that a board chair would ordinarily work with committee chairs to effectively staff committees. Heimlich suggested that the amendment only apply to removal, not appointment of members, with the thought that absent or delinquent committee members were an issue this could help resolve. Johana Pulgarin expressed that it was currently normal practice for the current chair to meet with committee chairs and remove members when requested by committee chairs, in keeping with the assumption of good faith. Chesler wrapped it up with the statement that we are communicating expectations with this amendment. Motion by Chesler, second by Peterson.

Motion passed 4-1

3. **Old Business:**

No discussion

4. **New Business:**

Chesler- explore term limits for Executive Committee.

Peterson- executive committee needs more power share from Board Chair.

Pulgarin- Chair Fuller through proxies voted for hybrid meetings



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March 24, 2026

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

TO: CB#1 Board Members

FROM: Chairperson Dealice Fuller

RE: Executive Board Meeting Held on March 18, 2026

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The Executive Board met on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 5:30 PM.

**ATTENDANCE:** Present: Chair Fuller; Vice-Chair Weiser; Teague; Heimlich; Caponegro.

Absent: Barros; Iglesias.  
(A quorum was achieved)

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### 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Fuller opened the Meeting. and asked the committee members to review the agenda presentation requests list (See attached).

### 2. PREPARATION OF THE AGENDA FOR APRIL 14, 2026, COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD MEETING.

The Executive Board committee members reviewed the various requests received for the presentation. Chairperson Fuller asked for approval of the agenda and all present approved. Items # 1, 2, 6, 10 and 11 were tabled for May's meeting.

Mr. Bruzaitis received a request from the DOT to give a presentation regarding the Grand Street Bridge update. He felt that this item should be placed on the April 14, 2026, agenda. However, due to the number of agenda requests and other time-sensitive items, the Executive Board decided to table this item until May.

### 3. **ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:**

- 1) The Executive Board reviewed the following board member's request to be excused from being absent from the Combined Public Hearing & Board Meeting on January 13, 2026, and March 10, 2026.

January 13, 2026

- Jodie Love

March 10, 2026

- William Vega
- William Klagsbald
- Rabbi David Niederman
- Giovanni D'Amato
- Joel Gross
- Ward Dennis
- Miguelina Duran

The Executive Board made a motion to excuse the above Members. Motion made by Ms. Teague and Seconded by Mr. Caponegro

The vote was as follows: 5 "YES" 0 "NO", 0 "ABS". Fuller; Weiser; Teague; Heimlich; Caponegro.

Mr. Phillip Caponegro spoke about the possible closure of the Swinging Sixties Senior Center, located at 211 Ainslie Street, due to building renovations starting in June 2026.

Ms. Gina Barros held a Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12, 2026, due to the March 25, 2026, deadline for submitting the letter of comments on the Statement on the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027 (see attached), and the April 8, 2026, deadline for submitting the letter of comments on the District Needs Statement and the Citywide Statement of Needs for Fiscal Year 2027. Ms. Barros requested the Executive Board's approval to send these letters on time, with the understanding that they would be ratified by a vote of the full board on April 14, 2026. The Executive Board approved this request.

The Executive Board discussed about who will attend the door at Swinging Sixties Senior Center during the Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting.

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:40 pm.

**PRESENTATION REQUEST LOG - REQUESTS RECEIVED TO PRESENT AT THE CB #1's COMBINED & PUBLIC HEARING – 04/14/2026**

| #   | DATE RECEIVED | HOW       | REQUEST FROM                                                                                                         | PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | ITEM ON A CLOCK? | CLOCK DETAILS         |
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| 1.) | 01/27/26      | Via Email | Ki-Sang Yi, Revitalization Program Manager – Grand Street BID                                                        | <p>Over the past two months, the East Williamsburg Collaborative has been pounding the pavement community members and local businesses with our AveNYC surveys. As we look forward to the next steps of this project, we are hoping to get ahead of the agenda.</p> <p>Is there space available on the agenda for the 4/14 Public Hearing and Board Meeting to brief the community on the preliminary findings of our AveNYC District Needs Assessment?</p> <p>As with our prior presentations, a 15-minute slot would be most appreciated and we will ensure that you receive a copy of the presentation prior to the meeting. If there are any other details or questions I can address, please let me know.</p> | NO               |                       |
| 2.) | 03/09/26      | Via Email | <p>Shani L. Audain (she, her, hers), MBA, PMP®</p> <p>Community Affairs Liaison. LiveOnNY Foundation Scholarship</p> | I'd like to make a request to present at one of your upcoming board meetings. Please let me know if there is anything else needed to facilitate this request. Presentation of the annual report for your reference. It highlights the major strides we've made in this field and throughout our communities in New York, with the help of our amazing partners.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | NO               | Previously postponed. |

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| 3.) | 02/19/26 | Via Email | <p>Maria Cruz</p> <p>Office of the Brooklyn Borough Commissioner</p> <p>New York City Department of Transportation</p> | <p>Full Board Meeting Request (McGuinness Blvd.)</p> <p>request that NYCDOT be added to the agenda for the April 14, 2026, Full Board meeting to present on McGuinness Blvd.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | NO |  |
| 4.) | 02/26/26 | Via Email | <p>Mr. Arthur Dybanowski, Chair SLA Review &amp; DCA Committee</p>                                                     | <p>Mr. Dybanowski, Chair of the SLA Review &amp; DCA Committee is requesting that the applicant: AG Acquisition 1 LLC, located at 111 Gardner Avenue and 140 Stewart Avenue, be place on the agenda to present at our next Full Board meeting due to the large capacity venue (over 7,850 Patrons).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | NO |  |
| 5.) | 03/02/26 | Via Email | <p>John Field</p> <p>Building Studio Architects, LLP</p>                                                               | <p>144 Greenpoint Avenue - LPC-26-01803 - Revisions and updated presentation.</p> <p>The applicant is requesting the opportunity to update the Committee and the Board on their project at 144 Greenpoint Avenue.</p> <p>they have been working with the Landmarks Preservation Commission staff after Public Hearing to adjust the design to the Commissioner's comments and feedback. This has resulted in building which thay planned to present again at public meeting on March 10th for approval.</p> <p>Since the street wall has increased in height eliminating our 6th floor setback, the building is simpler, cleaner and more reflective of the historic tenements on the block – but LPC has just today requested thay return to CB1 for presentation. attach information the previously</p> | NO |  |

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|     |          |           |                                                                                 | reviewed and presented façade along with the revised version for presentation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |                                                           |
| 6.) | 03/04/26 | Via Email | Dustin Ridener<br><br>Special Projects Administrator – NYC Emergency Management | <p>Our team is excited to provide Flood Preparedness/Notify NYC presentations to you and your communities. These presentations will be geared around the hazards and preparations you can begin for the rainy season and discuss how you can be aware of these and all other hazards your community may face by using the Notify NYC program. These presentations will be running throughout March and June and are approximately 10-15 minutes in total. The best part of these presentations is that we can come to you!</p> <p>To request a presentation for your Community Board, please visit:<br/> <a href="https://forms.office.com/g/sbNpvkLBDz">https://forms.office.com/g/sbNpvkLBDz</a> and fill out the short questionnaire and we will work to schedule a presenter.</p> <p>We generally need approximately 2 weeks' notice to secure a presenter. Our presenters can be available in-person or virtually.</p> <p>We look forward to having a member of our team work closely with your community to discuss flood hazards. As always, we will be continuing to do specific presentation topics throughout the calendar year and will reach out periodically to introduce the next topic</p> | NO | They were on the agenda of 06-24-25 and they did not show |

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|     |          |           |                                                                                                  | and schedule. In June, we'll be discussing heat again!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |    |  |
| 7.) | 03/06/26 | Via Email | Margaret Kim, AIA<br>LEED AP<br><br>Senior Architect<br><br>RAND Engineering & Architecture, DPC | M250710 135 Broadway Brooklyn: I am reaching out on behalf of the Williamsburg Historical & Art Center and Yuko Nii Foundation (our clients) regarding the proposed restoration of the existing cast iron balustrades and the installation of a new ADA ramp. We are currently preparing the LPC drawings with supporting documents and would like to inquire about the upcoming CB1 public hearings scheduled for April 2026 as well as the next available hearing dates in May 2026. | NO |  |
| 8.) | 03/12/26 | Via email | David Barr, RA<br><br>Design Director, Opera Studio Architecture                                 | 122 and 144 Greenpoint Avenue. Our firm is the architect of record for a proposed development located<br><br>at 122 and 124 Greenpoint Avenue. This project has been filed with the<br><br>New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission under docket numbers<br><br>LPC-26-08566 and LPC-26-08337.<br><br>The proposal involves the consolidation of the two properties into a                                                                                                      | NO |  |

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|     |          |           |                                                                         | <p>single zoning lot and the construction of a new six-story mixed-use building with ground-floor retail and residential units above.</p> <p>The property at 124 Greenpoint Avenue contains a historic firehouse. The</p> <p>project proposes to retain the front portion of this building and undertake restoration and repair of the historic façade. A horizontally oriented rear addition is proposed, set back so that it is not visible from the public right-of-way. The property at 122 Greenpoint Avenue currently contains a one-story commercial structure, which is proposed to be demolished in its entirety. In its place, a new six-story building will be constructed. The design incorporates a setback at the fifth floor to maintain the predominant street wall along the eastern portion of the block.</p> |    |  |
| 9.) | 03/12/26 | Via Email | <p>Randall Toure</p> <p>Director, Community Affairs</p> <p>Riseboro</p> | <p>Montrose Meserole Project at 67 Meserole Street and 172 Montrose Avenue in Williamsburg: I am requesting a meeting with Community Board 1 in Brooklyn for a brief presentation on the proposed Montrose Meserole Project at 67 Meserole Street and 172 Montrose Avenue in Williamsburg. This project will be developed by RiseBoro and Slate Property Group and will produce 312 units of affordable multifamily housing across the two buildings. We recognize the importance of providing the Community Board with information about this socially</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | NO |  |

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|     |          |           |                                                                                                                     | significant development in Community Board 1 in Brooklyn and would like to make a presentation to the Land Use Committee or the appropriate committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |    |  |
| 10) | 03/12/26 | Via Email | <p>Marissa Yanni</p> <p>Community Affairs Liaison, Bureau of Public Affairs</p> <p>NYC Department of Sanitation</p> | <p>We would like to attend your April or May General Board meeting to make a brief presentation regarding the NYC Bin Mandate going into effect on June 1st, 2026.</p> <p>All property owners of 1 – 9 residential units must use a NYC Bin starting on June 1st.</p> <p>Official NYC Bins are available for pick-up at NYC Home Depot stores. Bins can also be ordered online for delivery using one of Home Depot's on-demand delivery partners.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | NO |  |
| 11) | 03/13/26 | Via Email | <p>Mr Lloyd Feng, Chair – Public Safety &amp; Human Services Committee</p>                                          | <p>Dear Executive Committee,</p> <p>I am writing to request that the Executive Committee formally invite the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) to present at April's Combined Board Meeting and Public Hearing. The purpose is for OME to introduce its office, staff, mission, and plans for engaging with our communities in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, and to answer questions from the board and residents.</p> <p>At last night's Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that OME staff may have limited familiarity with the work that community boards do and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. This raised a broader concern among committee members and the public</p> | NO |  |

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|  |  |  | <p>that OME's current approach to community engagement may not adequately account for the needs and dynamics of neighborhoods like ours beyond the issues that tend to make headlines.</p> <p>Community Board 1 serves a diverse and complex constituency, and meaningful engagement with our communities requires relationships with a wide range of stakeholders across linguistic, cultural, and organizational lines. We want to understand how OME defines its mandate, how it intends to work with — or alongside — community boards, and whether there are opportunities to shape that approach before their practices become entrenched.</p> <p>Inviting OME to present to the full board would be a constructive first step because it would give us the chance to ask direct questions, share our community's priorities, and establish a working relationship with their staff on clear terms.</p> |  |  |
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**CB1 Letter to Director Soliman RE Comments FY-2027**

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**From** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Date** Tue 3/24/2026 3:04 PM

**To** Uddin, Tania >

**Cc** Cine, Franck <>; Thomas, Tramell <>

 2 attachments (1 MB)

CB1 Letter to Director Sherif Soliman RE Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027 Letter of Comments.pdf; CB1 Letter to Director Sherif Soliman RE Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027 Letter of Comments - Copy.docx;

Dear Ms. Tania Uddin  
Mayor's Office of Management and Budget  
Community Board Unit  
255 Greenwich Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10007

Attached is the Letter of Comment from Brooklyn Community Board One. As you requested, the Letter is divided by Agency, and a Word Document copy is included for cutting and pasting to submit to the agencies.

The Mayor's Preliminary Budget FY 2027 released on February 16th, and the Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget FY 2027 released on March 6th, were reviewed and responded to at the Capital Budget Committee. The Capital Budget Committee met with a quorum on March 12. Members of the public who were present gave testimony.

The Executive Committee voted on March 18 to approve the Letter of Comment, acting with a quorum present. Due to receiving this Request at such late notice, however, it did not align with our Full Board Community Board Meeting scheduled for April 14. Please know it will be ratified at the full board meeting on April 14 when they vote to give approval.

Gina Barros  
Capital Budget Committee  
Brooklyn Community Board One



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March 23, 2026

Mr. Sherif Soliman  
Director  
Mayor's Office of Management and Budget  
Community Board Unit  
255 Greenwich Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10007

## Re: Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027/Letter of Comments

Dear Director Soliman,

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the communities of Williamsburg and Greenpoint, appreciates the opportunity to submit our comments on Mayor Zohran Mamdani's release of New York City's \$127 billion Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. We acknowledge that Mayor Mamdani's preliminary budget identified a \$12 billion deficit, which the administration reported was reduced to \$5.4 billion through agency-revised revenue projections and state support. Given these budget deficits, it is now more important than ever to establish communication with the Mayor's office, city council, and community agencies to collaboratively address our district's needs.

To give a direct response to this year's Register on the Statement of District Needs FY 2027 over what CB1 received in prior budget cycles, there was a meaningful improvement in agencies' responses. In previous years, a significant share of responses consisted of a single line — "the agency does not support and cannot accommodate" — with no further explanation. That placed the full burden of understanding the agency's position entirely on the community board, with nothing to work from. The responses in the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register are, in the aggregate, more substantive, and we acknowledge that.

However, we want more accountability and transparency. When an agency tells a community board to follow up, the response should say who to contact, where to reach them, and how. When

an agency claims a request has been completed, it should say what was done, when, and at what cost. This request provides conditions for an honest conversation.

We are calling on OMB and DCP to commit to the following six concrete, achievable requests:

1. When an agency tells a community board to "contact us directly," it must provide a named contact — not a general website or main phone line
2. Cost estimates for every request, whether supported or not
3. Documentation for every "already completed" designation — what was done, when, at what cost
4. Accountability for when an agency claims credit for something a community group did independently
5. Specific contact information for any response requiring follow-up—for the public's benefit, not just ours
6. Transparency about what guidance, if any, OMB gives agencies for writing responses — because right now we have no idea if any standard exists

Our District Needs Statement/Letter of Comments, as requested by OMB, is organized by Agency, with District Needs priorities that address the needs of our diverse community. CB1 submitted **82 total budget requests** across 18 agencies for FY 2027: **38 capital** and **44 expense** requests. The tables below analyze agency response patterns across seven distinct response categories identified in the Register.

Only 13% of CB1's requests received a clear, affirmative accommodation

A combined 38% of all requests were declined in some form.

29% were left in an indefinite "supported but unfunded" Limbo (category B) – formally acknowledged but with no funding commitment, timeline, or cost estimate.

### **Letter of Comments Divided by Agencies in Word**

#### **Department of Housing Preservation & Development**

Housing is a critical issue for our district, and we support efforts to fund truly affordable housing and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

Seven District Needs Requests Items were submitted. Two District Needs Requests Items received support, and five were completed.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide more housing for low-income households. Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households. Reinstatement funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

Agency Response: This request was completed

District Needs Request Item #3: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

**HPD Agency Response to the following District Needs Request Items (Expense) was that it was completed.**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense Budget) Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs. Increase Funding for Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce Homelessness.

District Needs Request Item #2: Other expense budget request for HPD  
Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will be available only to development parcels that use the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement and participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

District Needs Request Item #3: Reinstatement funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

District Needs Request Item #4: Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg has critical housing needs. The allocation of funds for affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern for CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 asks that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.**

### **Department of Housing Authority/NYCHA**

District Needs Request Item #1: Upgrade NYCHA community facilities and Open Space. Redevelop the NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aging and in need of upgrades to equipment and infrastructure.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate:**

(See Housing Authority Explanation in FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register for details.)

District Needs Request Item #2. Renovate NYCHA community facilities. Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. NYCHA can work with our partners to see if this is a possibility and provide a cost estimate.**

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

### **Parks and Open Space**

#### **Department of Parks and Recreation**

Parks and open spaces are a critical need for our district. We support funding for Expenses and Capital projects to expand and maintain our green areas.

Eighteenth District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Agency Response; Remediation and improvement to Bushwick Inlet Park are partially funded. Demolition of the CitiStorage building and Bayside fuel tanks has been completed, and construction of the Motiva site is expected to be complete in 2026.

District Needs Request Item #5: (Capital) Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.

Agency supports and can accommodate: The Agency has \$14.7 million in funding for the Capital Improvement to the Asphalt field at McCarren Park and will hold a community input meeting to inform the decision for the site by the end of this fiscal year.

13 received support, but cannot accommodate

((See Register of Community Board Budget Request for details.))

2 received **NO support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Forestry Services, including tree maintenance.

Explanation: Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the need for more frequent pruning or the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, have hanging branches, interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. (For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)**

At the Capital Budget Committee Meeting on March 12 and at the Community Board Public hearing, it was requested that more frequent tree pruning be implemented due to safety hazards. Many members of the public are asking to meet with the Agency representative and the elected official about this problem. Who do we contact?

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure/Department of Transportation**

Twenty District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: NYCD DOT is studying potential improvements to Grand Street and Metropolitan Avenue and will provide updates as more information becomes available.

District Needs Request Item #9: We agree and will accommodate investigating this request. We're exploring the possibility of a SIP here in the near future.

Twelve received **No Support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

When an agency tells a community board that its request receives no support, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Department of Environmental Protection**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage

discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

**Agency Response:** The agency did not support or stated it could accommodate.

Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

#### District Needs Request Items; 1-4 (**Expense**)

Request Item #1 Clean catch basins: Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris buildup, maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.

Request Item #2: Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding, increased groundwater levels from cloud-burst events, and rising sea levels.

Request Item #3: Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

Request Item #4: An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**The Department of Environmental Protection Agency Response to the Capital and Expense District Needs Request Items was that the Agency does not support or can accommodate them.**

Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

#### **Department of Sanitation**

District Needs Request Item #1: Provide or expand community composting programs.

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate  
Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain

#### **Department of Education**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Capital) The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year. Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the district's schools are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Site scheduled for IPDVS,

**District Needs Request Item #2:** The principal of PS 250 George Lindsay has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students, and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security

**Agency Response:** The Request has been completed. Site scheduled for IPDVS.

#### **Expense:**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Expense) Other capital budget request for DOE: Middle School Request IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditoriums, gymnasium, and nay classroom that doesn't have them.

Agency does not support or accommodate; **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Item #2:** Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material. Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

#### **Department of Youth and Community Development**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Provide, expand, or enhance after-school programs for elementary school students. (grades K-5)

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed. DYCD has begun a three year 20,000 seat expansion of the COMPASS afterschool program.

#### **Fire Department**

##### **Capital Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1** Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station  
A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of the closure of Engine 212 in 2003. The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increase in the need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

The agency supports, but cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** FDNY is supportive of this request; however, the priority remains the maintenance/upkeep of existing facilities. FDNY assesses operational needs on a regular basis and will accommodate needs as best able to within existing budget.

#### **Mayor's Office of Management and Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They need to be able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects.

**Explanation:** Charter-mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents with an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues

**Agency Response: The Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.**

At the Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12th, committee members and the public were outraged that this has been OMB's response for many years. This reveals a disconnect in recognizing the work of the Community Board District office.

We have highlighted the increased workload undertaken by the Community Board.

- The Liquor Licenses review committee has had to review each month between 40 and 70 new and renewed liquor licenses, including backyard use and outdoor dining. This includes a review of the outdoor dining applications and outdoor sheds. The Cannabis Committee has had to address the community's concern about the proliferation of illegal cannabis stores. Some are near playgrounds and schools. This has contributed to a sustained increase in community concerns about how noise and crowds affect quality of life.
- The ULURP committee has continually fought for increased true housing affordability in new and existing developments. These committee meetings needed to be scheduled and overseen for Public Comments.
- Also, due to the growing population in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, the number of people seeking assistance from the community board has increased. All the while, the Community Board District Office continues to be understaffed. Compared to city agencies with large staffs, the community board has a staff of three: the District Manager, Assistant District Manager, and Community Associate. They are expected to work on a flexible schedule, which sometimes extends to 10 p.m. due to full board and committee meetings. They have been expected to increase their work responsibilities, including taking on the creation of a new Cannabis Committee and improving outreach efforts for the District Needs submission process.
- At the Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) staff may have limited familiarity with the community board's work and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. We therefore want to understand how OME defines its mandates, how it intends to work alongside the community boards. We are inviting OME to present to the Capital Budget Committee. This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.
- At the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting on March 3rd, in accordance with the Open Meetings Law (OML), recommendations were made to allow for hybrid and virtual meetings. The Proposed Amendments #1 to the Resolution involved the State of New York, the Mayor of New York City, and the City Council providing increased

funding to the Community Boards to ensure they have the necessary technology, staffing, and resources to support fully virtual and private meetings. This would allow all members of the community to participate, including parents with young children, persons with disabilities, and those with mobility challenges. It would also allow meetings to continue during outbreaks of disease, shortened daylight hours, and other weather-related issues.

### **Department of Small Business Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

Although the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market is managed by EDC, SBS supports the Graham Ave BID (the market is within the boundaries) through the Small BID Grant. The events that the Market host including their recent holiday pop-up markets, help bring foot traffic to the district and to the market.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Expense) Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** In December 2025, DCP published the first-ever NYC Industrial Plan, outlining a framework for the future of the industrial sector and industrial areas in NYC. The plan lays out a series of goals, including ways to support modern, efficient freight movement by investing in Blue Highway and to help businesses adopt green technology.

District Needs Request Item #3: (Expense) Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study. Location: Broadway Corridor.

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

**Explanation:** This Fiscal Year, SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street Bids an Avenue NYC grant, which will enable them to conduct an in-depth Commercial District Needs Assessment study, opportunities for commercial revitalization in the district, and execute programs and services accordingly.

SBS accepts grant applications from all neighborhood organizations. SBS will continue to promote grant programs when available and encourage local community boards to share

CB1 raises a distinct but related concern about responses that characterize a request as "supported and accommodated" when the accommodation is initiated by a community-based organization rather than the agency itself.

**Tracking #201202726E (SBS — Broadway Corridor Economic Revitalization Study):** The agency response states that SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street BIDs an Avenue NYC grant enabling a Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) and commercial revitalization study — framing this as the agency accommodating CB1's request. But CB1 has direct knowledge of how this came about: the Graham and Grand Street BIDs independently identified this grant opportunity, applied for it on their own initiative, and approached CB1 to provide a letter of support. SBS did not proactively direct resources toward CB1's district in response to this budget request. The BIDs did.

Had the BIDs not been organized, attentive, and proactive, this request would almost certainly not have been "accommodated." CB1 cannot know how many other "supported" responses in the Register depend on similar circumstances — a well-organized nonprofit, an attentive community group, or a fortunate coincidence of timing — rather than on agency initiative.

This matters because the Register is supposed to reflect agency responsiveness to community board priorities, not community self-help that happens to align with an existing grant program. An agency claiming accommodation credit for work it did not initiate in response to a community board request is a form of institutional free-riding on community capacity. It also creates a deeply inequitable dynamic: districts with well-resourced BIDs and organized nonprofits will appear to have their needs "accommodated" at higher rates than districts that lack that organizational infrastructure — regardless of actual agency performance.

**CB1 demands that OMB and DCP develop clearer criteria for what constitutes genuine agency accommodation of a community board request, and that agency responses accurately distinguish between proactive agency action and the independent efforts of a community-based organization**

#### **Police Department**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras  
Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway).  
The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by vehicular traffic on its roadways and pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security through surveillance cameras would increase public safety.

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

Explanation Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific locations' requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.

District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense) Hire additional crossing guards

Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after-school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association.

**Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Explanation: Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working to fill vacancies to reach that headcount.**

**District Needs Request Item #2.** Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams).

Agency Supports but cannot accommodate.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

### **Transit Authority**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

**Explanation:** 1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

### **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense):** Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a Mental Health Crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse and abuse of drugs that has led to homelessness, domestic violence, and an increase in crime rates. More outreach and counseling are needed.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** DOHMH would be happy to discuss harm reduction outreach and programming within our existing framework

District Needs Request Item #2 (Expense): Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

**Explanation:** Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on CB1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See Preliminary Budget Register FY 2027 for more specific Agency Explanation.)

District Needs Request Item #3 and Item #4 (Expense):

District Needs Request Item #3 (Expense): Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects. 2. There needs to be a data collection form from local hospitals on those who have. Been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #5 (Expense):

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved co-existence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #6 (Expense):

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

Agency Response: This Request has been completed.  
(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

**The Department of Mental Health Agency's response to all the District Needs Requests Items was that the Request was Completed.**

**CB1 response:** When an agency tells CB1 that the request was completed and to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," " it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate they will follow up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 demands that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

**Department for the Aging**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Increase home-delivery meal capacity.

Explanation: Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially to provide these services to the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate.

Explanation: NYC Aging reviews the HDM program quarterly to determine whether the need is growing.

District Needs Request Item #2: Funding for a new senior center program

Explanation: Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve the South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints for senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area between Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate

**Explanation:** There will be an RFP for older Adult Centers in the FY 27 that might incorporate this need.

**Department of Homeless Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: Increase funding for Mental Health Programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the street.

**Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.**

Capital Budget Committee Response: Many members of the community have expressed concern about an increase in the homeless population living on the streets in South Williamsburg. This appears to be the result of drug addictions, and more homeless people moving in from other locations of the city or state. We therefore do not see how this program was completed.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it serves.

### **Brooklyn Public Library**

District Needs Request Item #1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs, Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community, it is the only computer they can use. For children, it offers a free selection of a variety of books and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate

**Explanation:** Brooklyn Public Library supports increased operational funding and looks forward to working with library advocates to ensure dependable, equitable access to library services, including extended hours, technology, and collections.

### **Department of Buildings.**

District Needs Request Item #1: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs). The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job. The agency supports and can accommodate. The DOB will use the existing budget to train and hire new staff.

**We have outlined the following Requests aimed at collaboration.** This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.

### **Request 1: "Contact the Agency Directly." Please Provide a Named Contact**

A significant number of agency responses in the FY 2027 Register include language along the following lines: "Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Explanation: PLEASE

CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION."

This response pattern appears across three agencies and 8 total requests: the Department of Environmental Protection (5 requests — Tracking #201202703C, #201202708E, #201202709E, #201202710E, #201202711E), the Department of Education (2 requests — Tracking #201202706E, #201202707E), and the MTA/NYC Transit Authority (1 request — Tracking #201202736C). In every case, the response declines the request without explanation and redirects the community board to contact the agency — without telling the community board who to contact, through what channel, or regarding what specific aspect of the request.

This creates a practical problem that is not trivial. Community boards are volunteer-run bodies with limited staff. "Contact the agency" without a name, title, email address, or phone number means sending a message into an institutional void and waiting — sometimes for months — for a response that may never come, or that routes through multiple offices before reaching anyone with relevant knowledge. The opportunity cost is real. Every month spent tracking down the right contact is a month not spent on advocacy, planning, or constituent service.

CB1 also notes the formatting of this response. The instruction to contact the agency "DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY" appears in all capital letters in the Register. Whether intentional or not, all-caps text conveys urgency. If the agency is signalling that the matter requires prompt follow-up on CB1's part, at the very least, it can tell us who to contact.

**CB1 requests that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request.** A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.

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## **Request 2: Include Cost Estimates for Supported and Unsupported Requests Alike**

A recurring frustration across CB1's capital and expense budget requests is the absence of cost estimates in agency responses. Whether an agency says it supports a request or cannot accommodate it, knowing what the request would actually cost is essential information — for the community board, for elected officials conducting oversight, and for the public.

The DOT responses in this Register are instructive. DOT received 20 CB1 requests — the largest share of any single agency — and accommodated only 2 (10%). Of the remaining 18, 12 used near-identical boilerplate language citing internal safety data assessment processes, and 6 directed CB1 to alternative pathways such as 311 submissions. Not one of the 18 non-accommodations included a cost estimate for the requested work, a timeline for when the corridor might be prioritized, or an explanation of where it stands in DOT's capital planning queue. CB1 cannot determine from these responses whether each street was individually evaluated or whether a blanket policy response was applied uniformly. Without cost information,

there is no basis for CB1 or elected officials to push back, advocate for prioritization, or understand the scale of investment that would be required.

Cost estimates serve multiple functions. They allow community boards to understand the relative scale of what they are asking for and to prioritize accordingly. They allow elected officials to assess whether the gap between a request and funding is a rounding error or a fundamental budget constraint. They allow the public to evaluate agency claims that something "cannot be accommodated" — a \$50,000 restroom repair and a \$50 million capital reconstruction are both "unfunded," but they carry very different implications for advocacy strategy.

Without cost estimates, the Register functions as a list of yes/no answers rather than a planning document. Community boards are left with no basis for understanding how agency budgets work, what it would actually take to move a request forward, or how to calibrate their asks in future cycles.

**CB1 requests that OMB require agencies to include a cost estimate — or a good-faith range — for every request they respond to, whether or not supported.** Where an agency genuinely does not have a cost estimate available, it should state that explicitly and provide a timeline for when one can be produced.

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### **Request 3: "Already Completed" Must Be Documented Specifically**

Sixteen of CB1's 82 FY 2027 requests — fully **20% of the total** — were marked "Already Completed" in the Register. CB1's analysis found that in **zero of those 16 cases** did the response specify what was completed, when, at what cost, or through what budget line or program. This is not an occasional oversight. It is a systemic pattern.

The distribution is striking: DOHMH marked **all six** of its expense responses as "Already Completed" — a 100% rate — with no documentation provided for any of them. HPD marked five requests as completed. In several cases, the responses appear to reference related programs as substitutes for the specific thing CB1 asked for, without confirming the specific request was addressed.

Two examples illustrate the core concern:

1. **Tracking #201202732C (HPD — Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund):** CB1 requested reinstatement of the Tenant Legal Fund, including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. The agency response indicates that this matter "has been completed" and references the Anti-Harassment Program, but does not specify what was completed, whether the \$2 million reinstatement was fully funded, or whether the anti-harassment provisions are currently operational. CB1 cannot verify the claim of completion based on the information provided.

2. **Tracking #201202739E (HPD — Tenant Legal Fund, expense side):** The same issue applies. The response references completion in terms that do not allow CB1 or the public to independently verify the claim.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. The public should not have to take an agency's word for it, particularly on requests tied to specific funding commitments made as part of major land use agreements — agreements that the affected community fought hard for and has a direct interest in seeing honored.

**CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it is meant to serve.

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#### **Request 4: Specific Contacts for All Follow-Up, Not General Referrals**

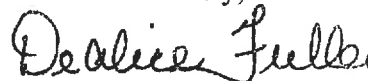
This demand extends the concern raised in Demand 1 beyond the "contact us directly" responses to the Register as a whole. Across multiple responses — including those that express support, note partial accommodation, or request follow-up — the Register directs community boards to general agency websites, main phone lines, or unnamed offices. This is not sufficient.

When an agency tells CB1 to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," or to "contact the relevant division," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate that they will be following up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 requests that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,



Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

cc: Tania Uddin, Mayor's Office of Management and Budget



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## Re: Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027/Letter of Comments

Dear Brooklyn Borough President Reynoso,

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the communities of Williamsburg and Greenpoint, appreciates the opportunity to submit our comments on Mayor Zohran Mamdani's release of New York City's \$127 billion Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. We acknowledge that Mayor Mamdani's preliminary budget identified a \$12 billion deficit, which the administration reported was reduced to \$5.4 billion through agency-revised revenue projections and state support. Given these budget deficits, it is now more important than ever to establish communication with the Mayor's office, city council, and community agencies to collaboratively address our district's needs.

To give a direct response to this year's Register on the Statement of District Needs FY 2027 over what CB1 received in prior budget cycles, there was a meaningful improvement in agencies' responses. In previous years, a significant share of responses consisted of a single line — "the agency does not support and cannot accommodate" — with no further explanation. That placed the full burden of understanding the agency's position entirely on the community board, with nothing to work from. The responses in the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register are, in the aggregate, more substantive, and we acknowledge that.

However, we want more accountability and transparency. When an agency tells a community board to follow up, the response should say who to contact, where to reach them, and how. When

an agency claims a request has been completed, it should say what was done, when, and at what cost. This request provides conditions for an honest conversation.

We are calling on OMB and DCP to commit to the following six concrete, achievable requests:

1. When an agency tells a community board to "contact us directly," it must provide a named contact — not a general website or main phone line
2. Cost estimates for every request, whether supported or not
3. Documentation for every "already completed" designation — what was done, when, at what cost
4. Accountability for when an agency claims credit for something a community group did independently
5. Specific contact information for any response requiring follow-up—for the public's benefit, not just ours
6. Transparency about what guidance, if any, OMB gives agencies for writing responses — because right now we have no idea if any standard exists

Our District Needs Statement/Letter of Comments, as requested by OMB, is organized by Agency, with District Needs priorities that address the needs of our diverse community. CB1 submitted **82 total budget requests** across 18 agencies for FY 2027: **38 capital** and **44 expense** requests. The tables below analyze agency response patterns across seven distinct response categories identified in the Register.

Only 13% of CB1's requests received a clear, affirmative accommodation  
A combined 38% of all requests were declined in some form.  
29% were left in an indefinite "supported but unfunded" Limbo (category B) – formally acknowledged but with no funding commitment, timeline, or cost estimate.

### **Letter of Comments Divided by Agencies in Word**

#### **Department of Housing Preservation & Development**

Housing is a critical issue for our district, and we support efforts to fund truly affordable housing and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

Seven District Needs Requests Items were submitted. Two District Needs Requests Items received support, and five were completed.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide more housing for low-income households. Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households. Reinstatement funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

Agency Response: This request was completed

District Needs Request Item #3: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

**HPD Agency Response to the following District Needs Request Items (Expense) was that it was completed.**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense Budget) Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs. Increase Funding for Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce Homelessness.

District Needs Request Item #2: Other expense budget request for HPD  
Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will be available only to development parcels that use the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement and participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

District Needs Request Item #3: Reinstatement funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

District Needs Request Item #4: Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg has critical housing needs. The allocation of funds for affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern for CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 asks that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.**

### **Department of Housing Authority/NYCHA**

District Needs Request Item #1: Upgrade NYCHA community facilities and Open Space. Redevelop the NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aging and in need of upgrades to equipment and infrastructure.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate:**  
(See Housing Authority Explanation in FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register for details.)

District Needs Request Item #2. Renovate NYCHA community facilities. Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. NYCHA can work with our partners to see if this is a possibility and provide a cost estimate.**

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

### **Parks and Open Space** **Department of Parks and Recreation**

Parks and open spaces are a critical need for our district. We support funding for Expenses and Capital projects to expand and maintain our green areas.

Eighteenth District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Agency Response; Remediation and improvement to Bushwick Inlet Park are partially funded. Demolition of the CitiStorage building and Bayside fuel tanks has been completed, and construction of the Motiva site is expected to be complete in 2026.

District Needs Request Item #5: (Capital) Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.

Agency supports and can accommodate: The Agency has \$14.7 million in funding for the Capital Improvement to the Asphalt field at McCarren Park and will hold a community input meeting to inform the decision for the site by the end of this fiscal year.

13 received support, but cannot accommodate  
((See Register of Community Board Budget Request for details.))

2 received **NO support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Forestry Services, including tree maintenance.

Explanation: Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the need for more frequent pruning or the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, have hanging branches, interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. (For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)**

At the Capital Budget Committee Meeting on March 12 and at the Community Board Public hearing, it was requested that more frequent tree pruning be implemented due to safety hazards. Many members of the public are asking to meet with the Agency representative and the elected official about this problem. Who do we contact?

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure/Department of Transportation**

Twenty District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: NYCD DOT is studying potential improvements to Grand Street and Metropolitan Avenue and will provide updates as more information becomes available.

District Needs Request Item #9: We agree and will accommodate investigating this request. We're exploring the possibility of a SIP here in the near future.

Twelve received **No Support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

When an agency tells a community board that its request receives no support, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Department of Environmental Protection**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage

discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

**Agency Response:** The agency did not support or stated it could accommodate. Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Items; 1-4 (Expense)**

Request Item #1 Clean catch basins: Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris buildup, maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.

Request Item #2: Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding, increased groundwater levels from cloud-burst events, and rising sea levels.

Request Item #3: Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

Request Item #4: An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**The Department of Environmental Protection Agency Response to the Capital and Expense District Needs Request Items was that the Agency does not support or can accommodate them.**

**Explanation in bold letters was, PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

**Department of Sanitation**

District Needs Request Item #1: Provide or expand community composting programs.

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate  
Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain

### **Department of Education**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Capital) The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year. Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the district's schools are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Site scheduled for IPDVS,

**District Needs Request Item #2:** The principal of PS 250 George Lindsay has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students, and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security

**Agency Response:** The Request has been completed. Site scheduled for IPDVS.

### **Expense:**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Expense) Other capital budget request for DOE: Middle School Request IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditoriums, gymnasium, and nay classroom that doesn't have them.

Agency does not support or accommodate; **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Item #2:** Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material. Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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### **Department of Youth and Community Development**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Provide, expand, or enhance after-school programs for elementary school students. (grades K-5)

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed. DYCD has begun a three year 20,000 seat expansion of the COMPASS afterschool program.

### **Fire Department**

#### **Capital Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1** Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station  
A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of the closure of Engine 212 in 2003. The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increase in the need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

The agency supports, but cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** FDNY is supportive of this request; however, the priority remains the maintenance/upkeep of existing facilities. FDNY assesses operational needs on a regular basis and will accommodate needs as best able to within existing budget.

### **Mayor's Office of Management and Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They need to be able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects.

**Explanation:** Charter-mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents with an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues

**Agency Response: The Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.**

At the Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12th, committee members and the public were outraged that this has been OMB's response for many years. This reveals a disconnect in recognizing the work of the Community Board District. office.

We have highlighted the increased workload undertaken by the Community Board.

- The Liquor Licenses review committee has had to review each month between 40 and 70 new and renewed liquor licenses, including backyard use and outdoor dining. This includes a review of the outdoor dining applications and outdoor sheds. The Cannabis Committee has had to address the community's concern about the proliferation of illegal cannabis stores. Some are near playgrounds and schools. This has contributed to a sustained increase in community concerns about how noise and crowds affect quality of life.
- The ULURP committee has continually fought for increased true housing affordability in new and existing developments. These committee meetings needed to be scheduled and overseen for Public Comments.
- Also, due to the growing population in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, the number of people seeking assistance from the community board has increased. All the while, the Community Board District Office continues to be understaffed. Compared to city agencies with large staffs, the community board has a staff of three: the District Manager, Assistant District Manager, and Community Associate. They are expected to work on a flexible schedule, which sometimes extends to 10 p.m. due to full board and committee meetings. They have been expected to increase their work responsibilities, including taking on the creation of a new Cannabis Committee and improving outreach efforts for the District Needs submission process.
- At the Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) staff may have limited familiarity with the community board's work and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. We therefore want to understand how OME defines its mandates, how it intends to work alongside the community boards. We are inviting OME to present to the Capital Budget Committee. This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.
- At the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting on March 3rd, in accordance with the Open Meetings Law (OML), recommendations were made to allow for hybrid and virtual meetings. The Proposed Amendments #1 to the Resolution involved the State of New York, the Mayor of New York City, and the City Council providing increased

funding to the Community Boards to ensure they have the necessary technology, staffing, and resources to support fully virtual and private meetings. This would allow all members of the community to participate, including parents with young children, persons with disabilities, and those with mobility challenges. It would also allow meetings to continue during outbreaks of disease, shortened daylight hours, and other weather-related issues.

### **Department of Small Business Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

Although the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market is managed by EDC, SBS supports the Graham Ave BID (the market is within the boundaries) through the Small BID Grant. The events that the Market host including their recent holiday pop-up markets, help bring foot traffic to the district and to the market.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Expense) Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** In December 2025, DCP published the first-ever NYC Industrial Plan, outlining a framework for the future of the industrial sector and industrial areas in NYC. The plan lays out a series of goals, including ways to support modern, efficient freight movement by investing in Blue Highway and to help businesses adopt green technology.

District Needs Request Item #3: (Expense) Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study. Location: Broadway Corridor.

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

**Explanation:** This Fiscal Year, SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street Bids an Avenue NYC grant, which will enable them to conduct an in-depth Commercial District Needs Assessment study, opportunities for commercial revitalization in the district, and execute programs and services accordingly.

SBS accepts grant applications from all neighborhood organizations. SBS will continue to promote grant programs when available and encourage local community boards to share

CB1 raises a distinct but related concern about responses that characterize a request as "supported and accommodated" when the accommodation is initiated by a community-based organization rather than the agency itself.

**Tracking #201202726E (SBS — Broadway Corridor Economic Revitalization Study):** The agency response states that SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street BIDs an Avenue NYC grant enabling a Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) and commercial revitalization study — framing this as the agency accommodating CB1's request. But CB1 has direct knowledge of how this came about: the Graham and Grand Street BIDs independently identified this grant opportunity, applied for it on their own initiative, and approached CB1 to provide a letter of support. SBS did not proactively direct resources toward CB1's district in response to this budget request. The BIDs did.

Had the BIDs not been organized, attentive, and proactive, this request would almost certainly not have been "accommodated." CB1 cannot know how many other "supported" responses in the Register depend on similar circumstances — a well-organized nonprofit, an attentive community group, or a fortunate coincidence of timing — rather than on agency initiative.

This matters because the Register is supposed to reflect agency responsiveness to community board priorities, not community self-help that happens to align with an existing grant program. An agency claiming accommodation credit for work it did not initiate in response to a community board request is a form of institutional free-riding on community capacity. It also creates a deeply inequitable dynamic: districts with well-resourced BIDs and organized nonprofits will appear to have their needs "accommodated" at higher rates than districts that lack that organizational infrastructure — regardless of actual agency performance.

**CB1 demands that OMB and DCP develop clearer criteria for what constitutes genuine agency accommodation of a community board request, and that agency responses accurately distinguish between proactive agency action and the independent efforts of a community-based organization**

#### **Police Department**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras  
Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway).  
The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by vehicular traffic on its roadways and pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security through surveillance cameras would increase public safety.

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

Explanation Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific locations' requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.

District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense) Hire additional crossing guards

Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after-school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association.

**Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Explanation: Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working to fill vacancies to reach that headcount.**

**District Needs Request Item #2.** Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams).

Agency Supports but cannot accommodate.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

### **Transit Authority**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

**Explanation:** 1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

### **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense):** Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a Mental Health Crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse and abuse of drugs that has led to homelessness, domestic violence, and an increase in crime rates. More outreach and counseling are needed.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** DOHMH would be happy to discuss harm reduction outreach and programming within our existing framework

District Needs Request Item #2 (Expense): Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

Explanation: Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on CB1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See Preliminary Budget Register FY 2027 for more specific Agency Explanation.)

District Needs Request Item #3 and Item #4 (Expense):

District Needs Request Item #3 (Expense): Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects. 2. There needs to be a data collection form from local hospitals on those who have. Been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #5 (Expense):

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved co-existence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #6 (Expense):

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

Agency Response: This Request has been completed.  
(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

**The Department of Mental Health Agency's response to all the District Needs Requests Items was that the Request was Completed.**

**CB1 response:** When an agency tells CB1 that the request was completed and to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," " it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate they will follow up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 demands that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

**Department for the Aging**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Increase home-delivery meal capacity.

Explanation: Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially to provide these services to the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate.

Explanation: NYC Aging reviews the HDM program quarterly to determine whether the need is growing.

District Needs Request Item #2: Funding for a new senior center program

Explanation: Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve the South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints for senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area between Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate

**Explanation:** There will be an RFP for older Adult Centers in the FY 27 that might incorporate this need.

**Department of Homeless Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: Increase funding for Mental Health Programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the street.

**Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.**

Capital Budget Committee Response: Many members of the community have expressed concern about an increase in the homeless population living on the streets in South Williamsburg. This appears to be the result of drug addictions, and more homeless people moving in from other locations of the city or state. We therefore do not see how this program was completed.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it serves.

**Brooklyn Public Library**

District Needs Request Item #1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs, Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community, it is the only computer they can use. For children, it offers a free selection of a variety of books and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate

**Explanation:** Brooklyn Public Library supports increased operational funding and looks forward to working with library advocates to ensure dependable, equitable access to library services, including extended hours, technology, and collections.

**Department of Buildings.**

District Needs Request Item #1: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs). The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job. The agency supports and can accommodate. The DOB will use the existing budget to train and hire new staff.

**We have outlined the following Requests aimed at collaboration.** This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.

**Request 1: "Contact the Agency Directly." Please Provide a Named Contact**

A significant number of agency responses in the FY 2027 Register include language along the following lines: "Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Explanation: PLEASE

CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION."

This response pattern appears across three agencies and 8 total requests: the Department of Environmental Protection (5 requests — Tracking #201202703C, #201202708E, #201202709E, #201202710E, #201202711E), the Department of Education (2 requests — Tracking #201202706E, #201202707E), and the MTA/NYC Transit Authority (1 request — Tracking #201202736C). In every case, the response declines the request without explanation and redirects the community board to contact the agency — without telling the community board who to contact, through what channel, or regarding what specific aspect of the request.

This creates a practical problem that is not trivial. Community boards are volunteer-run bodies with limited staff. "Contact the agency" without a name, title, email address, or phone number means sending a message into an institutional void and waiting — sometimes for months — for a response that may never come, or that routes through multiple offices before reaching anyone with relevant knowledge. The opportunity cost is real. Every month spent tracking down the right contact is a month not spent on advocacy, planning, or constituent service.

CB1 also notes the formatting of this response. The instruction to contact the agency "DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY" appears in all capital letters in the Register. Whether intentional or not, all-caps text conveys urgency. If the agency is signalling that the matter requires prompt follow-up on CB1's part, at the very least, it can tell us who to contact.

**CB1 requests that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request.** A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.

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## **Request 2: Include Cost Estimates for Supported and Unsupported Requests Alike**

A recurring frustration across CB1's capital and expense budget requests is the absence of cost estimates in agency responses. Whether an agency says it supports a request or cannot accommodate it, knowing what the request would actually cost is essential information — for the community board, for elected officials conducting oversight, and for the public.

The DOT responses in this Register are instructive. DOT received 20 CB1 requests — the largest share of any single agency — and accommodated only 2 (10%). Of the remaining 18, 12 used near-identical boilerplate language citing internal safety data assessment processes, and 6 directed CB1 to alternative pathways such as 311 submissions. Not one of the 18 non-accommodations included a cost estimate for the requested work, a timeline for when the corridor might be prioritized, or an explanation of where it stands in DOT's capital planning queue. CB1 cannot determine from these responses whether each street was individually evaluated or whether a blanket policy response was applied uniformly. Without cost information,

there is no basis for CB1 or elected officials to push back, advocate for prioritization, or understand the scale of investment that would be required.

Cost estimates serve multiple functions. They allow community boards to understand the relative scale of what they are asking for and to prioritize accordingly. They allow elected officials to assess whether the gap between a request and funding is a rounding error or a fundamental budget constraint. They allow the public to evaluate agency claims that something "cannot be accommodated" — a \$50,000 restroom repair and a \$50 million capital reconstruction are both "unfunded," but they carry very different implications for advocacy strategy.

Without cost estimates, the Register functions as a list of yes/no answers rather than a planning document. Community boards are left with no basis for understanding how agency budgets work, what it would actually take to move a request forward, or how to calibrate their asks in future cycles.

**CB1 requests that OMB require agencies to include a cost estimate — or a good-faith range — for every request they respond to, whether or not supported.** Where an agency genuinely does not have a cost estimate available, it should state that explicitly and provide a timeline for when one can be produced.

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### **Request 3: "Already Completed" Must Be Documented Specifically**

Sixteen of CB1's 82 FY 2027 requests — fully **20% of the total** — were marked "Already Completed" in the Register. CB1's analysis found that in **zero of those 16 cases** did the response specify what was completed, when, at what cost, or through what budget line or program. This is not an occasional oversight. It is a systemic pattern.

The distribution is striking: DOHMH marked **all six** of its expense responses as "Already Completed" — a 100% rate — with no documentation provided for any of them. HPD marked five requests as completed. In several cases, the responses appear to reference related programs as substitutes for the specific thing CB1 asked for, without confirming the specific request was addressed.

Two examples illustrate the core concern:

1. **Tracking #201202732C (HPD — Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund):** CB1 requested reinstatement of the Tenant Legal Fund, including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. The agency response indicates that this matter "has been completed" and references the Anti-Harassment Program, but does not specify what was completed, whether the \$2 million reinstatement was fully funded, or whether the anti-harassment provisions are currently operational. CB1 cannot verify the claim of completion based on the information provided.

2. **Tracking #201202739E (HPD — Tenant Legal Fund, expense side):** The same issue applies. The response references completion in terms that do not allow CB1 or the public to independently verify the claim.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. The public should not have to take an agency's word for it, particularly on requests tied to specific funding commitments made as part of major land use agreements — agreements that the affected community fought hard for and has a direct interest in seeing honored.

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#### **Request 4: Specific Contacts for All Follow-Up, Not General Referrals**

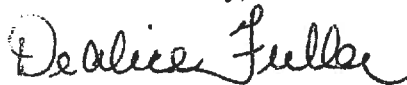
This demand extends the concern raised in Demand 1 beyond the "contact us directly" responses to the Register as a whole. Across multiple responses — including those that express support, note partial accommodation, or request follow-up — the Register directs community boards to general agency websites, main phone lines, or unnamed offices. This is not sufficient.

When an agency tells CB1 to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," or to "contact the relevant division," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate that they will be following up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

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Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,



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## Re: Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027/Letter of Comments

Dear Councilmember Gutierrez,

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the communities of Williamsburg and Greenpoint, appreciates the opportunity to submit our comments on Mayor Zohran Mamdani's release of New York City's \$127 billion Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. We acknowledge that Mayor Mamdani's preliminary budget identified a \$12 billion deficit, which the administration reported was reduced to \$5.4 billion through agency-revised revenue projections and state support. Given these budget deficits, it is now more important than ever to establish communication with the Mayor's office, city council, and community agencies to collaboratively address our district's needs.

To give a direct response to this year's Register on the Statement of District Needs FY 2027 over what CB1 received in prior budget cycles, there was a meaningful improvement in agencies' responses. In previous years, a significant share of responses consisted of a single line — "the agency does not support and cannot accommodate" — with no further explanation. That placed the full burden of understanding the agency's position entirely on the community board, with nothing to work from. The responses in the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register are, in the aggregate, more substantive, and we acknowledge that.

However, we want more accountability and transparency. When an agency tells a community board to follow up, the response should say who to contact, where to reach them, and how. When an agency claims a request has been completed, it should say what was done, when, and at what cost. This request provides conditions for an honest conversation.

We are calling on OMB and DCP to commit to the following six concrete, achievable requests:

1. When an agency tells a community board to "contact us directly," it must provide a named contact — not a general website or main phone line
2. Cost estimates for every request, whether supported or not
3. Documentation for every "already completed" designation — what was done, when, at what cost
4. Accountability for when an agency claims credit for something a community group did independently
5. Specific contact information for any response requiring follow-up—for the public's benefit, not just ours
6. Transparency about what guidance, if any, OMB gives agencies for writing responses — because right now we have no idea if any standard exists

Our District Needs Statement/Letter of Comments, as requested by OMB, is organized by Agency, with District Needs priorities that address the needs of our diverse community. CB1 submitted **82 total budget requests** across 18 agencies for FY 2027: **38 capital** and **44 expense** requests. The tables below analyze agency response patterns across seven distinct response categories identified in the Register.

Only 13% of CB1's requests received a clear, affirmative accommodation

A combined 38% of all requests were declined in some form.

29% were left in an indefinite "supported but unfunded" Limbo (category B) – formally acknowledged but with no funding commitment, timeline, or cost estimate.

### **Letter of Comments Divided by Agencies in Word**

#### **Department of Housing Preservation & Development**

Housing is a critical issue for our district, and we support efforts to fund truly affordable housing and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

Seven District Needs Requests Items were submitted. Two District Needs Requests Items received support, and five were completed.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide more housing for low-income households. Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households. Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million),

including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

Agency Response: This request was completed

District Needs Request Item #3: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

**HPD Agency Response to the following District Needs Request Items (Expense) was that it was completed.**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense Budget) Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs. Increase Funding for Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce Homelessness.

District Needs Request Item #2: Other expense budget request for HPD  
Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will be available only to development parcels that use the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement and participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

District Needs Request Item #3: Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

District Needs Request Item #4: Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg has critical housing needs. The allocation of funds for affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern for CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 asks that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.**

**Department of Housing Authority/NYCHA**

District Needs Request Item #1: Upgrade NYCHA community facilities and Open Space. Redevelop the NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aging and in need of upgrades to equipment and infrastructure.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate:**  
(See Housing Authority Explanation in FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register for details.)

District Needs Request Item #2. Renovate NYCHA community facilities. Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. NYCHA can work with our partners to see if this is a possibility and provide a cost estimate.**

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

**Parks and Open Space**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**

Parks and open spaces are a critical need for our district. We support funding for Expenses and Capital projects to expand and maintain our green areas.

Eighteenth District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Agency Response; Remediation and improvement to Bushwick Inlet Park are partially funded. Demolition of the CitiStorage building and Bayside fuel tanks has been completed, and construction of the Motiva site is expected to be complete in 2026.

District Needs Request Item #5: (Capital) Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.

Agency supports and can accommodate: The Agency has \$14.7 million in funding for the Capital Improvement to the Asphalt field at McCarren Park and will hold a community input meeting to inform the decision for the site by the end of this fiscal year.

13 received support, but cannot accommodate  
((See Register of Community Board Budget Request for details.))

2 received **NO support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Forestry Services, including tree maintenance.

Explanation: Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the need for more frequent pruning or the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, have hanging branches, interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. (For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)**

At the Capital Budget Committee Meeting on March 12 and at the Community Board Public hearing, it was requested that more frequent tree pruning be implemented due to safety hazards. Many members of the public are asking to meet with the Agency representative and the elected official about this problem. Who do we contact?

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure/Department of Transportation**

Twenty District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: NYCD DOT is studying potential improvements to Grand Street and Metropolitan Avenue and will provide updates as more information becomes available.

District Needs Request Item #9: We agree and will accommodate investigating this request. We're exploring the possibility of a SIP here in the near future.

Twelve received **No Support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

When an agency tells a community board that its request receives no support, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Department of Environmental Protection**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of

millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

**Agency Response:** The agency did not support or stated it could accommodate.  
Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

#### District Needs Request Items; 1-4 (Expense)

Request Item #1 Clean catch basins: Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris buildup, maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.

Request Item #2: Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding, increased groundwater levels from cloud-burst events, and rising sea levels.

Request Item #3: Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

Request Item #4: An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**The Department of Environmental Protection Agency Response to the Capital and Expense District Needs Request Items was that the Agency does not support or can accommodate them.**

**Explanation in bold letters was, PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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#### Department of Sanitation

District Needs Request Item #1: Provide or expand community composting programs.

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate  
Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain

### **Department of Education**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Capital) The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year. Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the district's schools are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Site scheduled for IPDVS,

**District Needs Request Item #2:** The principal of PS 250 George Lindsay has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students, and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security

**Agency Response:** The Request has been completed. Site scheduled for IPDVS.

### **Expense:**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Expense) Other capital budget request for DOE: Middle School Request IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditoriums, gymnasium, and nay classroom that doesn't have them.

Agency does not support or accommodate; **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Item #2:** Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material. Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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#### **Department of Youth and Community Development**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Provide, expand, or enhance after-school programs for elementary school students. (grades K-5)

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed. DYCD has begun a three year 20,000 seat expansion of the COMPASS afterschool program.

#### **Fire Department**

##### **Capital Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1** Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station  
A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of the closure of Engine 212 in 2003. The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increase in the need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

The agency supports, but cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** FDNY is supportive of this request; however, the priority remains the maintenance/upkeep of existing facilities. FDNY assesses operational needs on a regular basis and will accommodate needs as best able to within existing budget.

#### **Mayor's Office of Management and Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They need to be able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects.

**Explanation:** Charter-mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents with an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues

**Agency Response: The Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.**

At the Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12th, committee members and the public were outraged that this has been OMB's response for many years. This reveals a disconnect in recognizing the work of the Community Board District. office.

We have highlighted the increased workload undertaken by the Community Board.

- The Liquor Licenses review committee has had to review each month between 40 and 70 new and renewed liquor licenses, including backyard use and outdoor dining. This includes a review of the outdoor dining applications and outdoor sheds. The Cannabis Committee has had to address the community's concern about the proliferation of illegal cannabis stores. Some are near playgrounds and schools. This has contributed to a sustained increase in community concerns about how noise and crowds affect quality of life.
- The ULURP committee has continually fought for increased true housing affordability in new and existing developments. These committee meetings needed to be scheduled and overseen for Public Comments.
- Also, due to the growing population in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, the number of people seeking assistance from the community board has increased. All the while, the Community Board District Office continues to be understaffed. Compared to city agencies with large staffs, the community board has a staff of three: the District Manager, Assistant District Manager, and Community Associate. They are expected to work on a flexible schedule, which sometimes extends to 10 p.m. due to full board and committee meetings. They have been expected to increase their work responsibilities, including taking on the creation of a new Cannabis Committee and improving outreach efforts for the District Needs submission process.
- At the Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) staff may have limited familiarity with the community board's work and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. We therefore want to understand how OME defines its mandates, how it intends to work alongside the community boards. We are inviting OME to present to the Capital Budget Committee. This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.
- At the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting on March 3rd, in accordance with the Open Meetings Law (OML), recommendations were made to allow for hybrid and virtual meetings. The Proposed Amendments #1 to the Resolution involved the State of New York, the Mayor of New York City, and the City Council providing increased

funding to the Community Boards to ensure they have the necessary technology, staffing, and resources to support fully virtual and private meetings. This would allow all members of the community to participate, including parents with young children, persons with disabilities, and those with mobility challenges. It would also allow meetings to continue during outbreaks of disease, shortened daylight hours, and other weather-related issues.

### **Department of Small Business Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

Although the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market is managed by EDC, SBS supports the Graham Ave BID (the market is within the boundaries) through the Small BID Grant. The events that the Market host including their recent holiday pop-up markets, help bring foot traffic to the district and to the market.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Expense) Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** In December 2025, DCP published the first-ever NYC Industrial Plan, outlining a framework for the future of the industrial sector and industrial areas in NYC. The plan lays out a series of goals, including ways to support modern, efficient freight movement by investing in Blue Highway and to help businesses adopt green technology.

District Needs Request Item #3: (Expense) Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study. Location: Broadway Corridor.

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

**Explanation:** This Fiscal Year, SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street Bids an Avenue NYC grant, which will enable them to conduct an in-depth Commercial District Needs Assessment study, opportunities for commercial revitalization in the district, and execute programs and services accordingly.

SBS accepts grant applications from all neighborhood organizations. SBS will continue to promote grant programs when available and encourage local community boards to share

CB1 raises a distinct but related concern about responses that characterize a request as "supported and accommodated" when the accommodation is initiated by a community-based organization rather than the agency itself.

**Tracking #201202726E (SBS — Broadway Corridor Economic Revitalization Study):** The agency response states that SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street BIDs an Avenue NYC grant enabling a Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) and commercial revitalization study — framing this as the agency accommodating CB1's request. But CB1 has direct knowledge of how this came about: the Graham and Grand Street BIDs independently identified this grant opportunity, applied for it on their own initiative, and approached CB1 to provide a letter of support. SBS did not proactively direct resources toward CB1's district in response to this budget request. The BIDs did.

Had the BIDs not been organized, attentive, and proactive, this request would almost certainly not have been "accommodated." CB1 cannot know how many other "supported" responses in the Register depend on similar circumstances — a well-organized nonprofit, an attentive community group, or a fortunate coincidence of timing — rather than on agency initiative.

This matters because the Register is supposed to reflect agency responsiveness to community board priorities, not community self-help that happens to align with an existing grant program. An agency claiming accommodation credit for work it did not initiate in response to a community board request is a form of institutional free-riding on community capacity. It also creates a deeply inequitable dynamic: districts with well-resourced BIDs and organized nonprofits will appear to have their needs "accommodated" at higher rates than districts that lack that organizational infrastructure — regardless of actual agency performance.

**CB1 demands that OMB and DCP develop clearer criteria for what constitutes genuine agency accommodation of a community board request, and that agency responses accurately distinguish between proactive agency action and the independent efforts of a community-based organization**

#### **Police Department**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras  
Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway).  
The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by vehicular traffic on its roadways and pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security through surveillance cameras would increase public safety.

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

Explanation Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific locations' requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.

District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense) Hire additional crossing guards

Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after-school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association.

**Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Explanation: Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working to fill vacancies to reach that headcount.**

**District Needs Request Item #2.** Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams).

Agency Supports but cannot accommodate.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

### **Transit Authority**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

**Explanation:** 1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

### **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense):** Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a Mental Health Crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse and abuse of drugs that has led to homelessness, domestic violence, and an increase in crime rates. More outreach and counseling are needed.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** DOHMH would be happy to discuss harm reduction outreach and programming within our existing framework

District Needs Request Item #2 (Expense): Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

Explanation: Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on CB1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See Preliminary Budget Register FY 2027 for more specific Agency Explanation.)

District Needs Request Item #3 and Item #4 (Expense):

District Needs Request Item #3 (Expense): Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects. 2. There needs to be a data collection form from local hospitals on those who have. Been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #5 (Expense):

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved co-existence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #6 (Expense):

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

Agency Response: This Request has been completed.  
(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

**The Department of Mental Health Agency's response to all the District Needs Requests Items was that the Request was Completed.**

**CB1 response:** When an agency tells CB1 that the request was completed and to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate they will follow up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 demands that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

**Department for the Aging**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Increase home-delivery meal capacity.  
Explanation: Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially to provide these services to the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate.  
Explanation: NYC Aging reviews the HDM program quarterly to determine whether the need is growing.

District Needs Request Item #2: Funding for a new senior center program  
Explanation: Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve the South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints for senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area between Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate  
**Explanation:** There will be an RFP for older Adult Centers in the FY 27 that might incorporate this need.

**Department of Homeless Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: Increase funding for Mental Health Programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the street.

**Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.**

Capital Budget Committee Response: Many members of the community have expressed concern about an increase in the homeless population living on the streets in South Williamsburg. This appears to be the result of drug addictions, and more homeless people moving in from other locations of the city or state. We therefore do not see how this program was completed.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it serves.

**Brooklyn Public Library**

District Needs Request Item #1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs, Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community, it is the only computer they can use. For children, it offers a free selection of a variety of books and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate

**Explanation:** Brooklyn Public Library supports increased operational funding and looks forward to working with library advocates to ensure dependable, equitable access to library services, including extended hours, technology, and collections.

**Department of Buildings.**

District Needs Request Item #1: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs). The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job. The agency supports and can accommodate. The DOB will use the existing budget to train and hire new staff.

**We have outlined the following Requests aimed at collaboration.** This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.

**Request 1: "Contact the Agency Directly." Please Provide a Named Contact**

A significant number of agency responses in the FY 2027 Register include language along the following lines: "Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Explanation: PLEASE

CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION."

This response pattern appears across three agencies and 8 total requests: the Department of Environmental Protection (5 requests — Tracking #201202703C, #201202708E, #201202709E, #201202710E, #201202711E), the Department of Education (2 requests — Tracking #201202706E, #201202707E), and the MTA/NYC Transit Authority (1 request — Tracking #201202736C). In every case, the response declines the request without explanation and redirects the community board to contact the agency — without telling the community board who to contact, through what channel, or regarding what specific aspect of the request.

This creates a practical problem that is not trivial. Community boards are volunteer-run bodies with limited staff. "Contact the agency" without a name, title, email address, or phone number means sending a message into an institutional void and waiting — sometimes for months — for a response that may never come, or that routes through multiple offices before reaching anyone with relevant knowledge. The opportunity cost is real. Every month spent tracking down the right contact is a month not spent on advocacy, planning, or constituent service.

CB1 also notes the formatting of this response. The instruction to contact the agency "DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY" appears in all capital letters in the Register. Whether intentional or not, all-caps text conveys urgency. If the agency is signalling that the matter requires prompt follow-up on CB1's part, at the very least, it can tell us who to contact.

**CB1 requests that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

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## **Request 2: Include Cost Estimates for Supported and Unsupported Requests Alike**

A recurring frustration across CB1's capital and expense budget requests is the absence of cost estimates in agency responses. Whether an agency says it supports a request or cannot accommodate it, knowing what the request would actually cost is essential information — for the community board, for elected officials conducting oversight, and for the public.

The DOT responses in this Register are instructive. DOT received 20 CB1 requests — the largest share of any single agency — and accommodated only 2 (10%). Of the remaining 18, 12 used near-identical boilerplate language citing internal safety data assessment processes, and 6 directed CB1 to alternative pathways such as 311 submissions. Not one of the 18 non-accommodations included a cost estimate for the requested work, a timeline for when the corridor might be prioritized, or an explanation of where it stands in DOT's capital planning queue. CB1 cannot determine from these responses whether each street was individually evaluated or whether a blanket policy response was applied uniformly. Without cost information,

there is no basis for CB1 or elected officials to push back, advocate for prioritization, or understand the scale of investment that would be required.

Cost estimates serve multiple functions. They allow community boards to understand the relative scale of what they are asking for and to prioritize accordingly. They allow elected officials to assess whether the gap between a request and funding is a rounding error or a fundamental budget constraint. They allow the public to evaluate agency claims that something "cannot be accommodated" — a \$50,000 restroom repair and a \$50 million capital reconstruction are both "unfunded," but they carry very different implications for advocacy strategy.

Without cost estimates, the Register functions as a list of yes/no answers rather than a planning document. Community boards are left with no basis for understanding how agency budgets work, what it would actually take to move a request forward, or how to calibrate their asks in future cycles.

**CB1 requests that OMB require agencies to include a cost estimate — or a good-faith range — for every request they respond to, whether or not supported.** Where an agency genuinely does not have a cost estimate available, it should state that explicitly and provide a timeline for when one can be produced.

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### **Request 3: "Already Completed" Must Be Documented Specifically**

Sixteen of CB1's 82 FY 2027 requests — fully **20% of the total** — were marked "Already Completed" in the Register. CB1's analysis found that in **zero of those 16 cases** did the response specify what was completed, when, at what cost, or through what budget line or program. This is not an occasional oversight. It is a systemic pattern.

The distribution is striking: DOHMH marked **all six** of its expense responses as "Already Completed" — a 100% rate — with no documentation provided for any of them. HPD marked five requests as completed. In several cases, the responses appear to reference related programs as substitutes for the specific thing CB1 asked for, without confirming the specific request was addressed.

Two examples illustrate the core concern:

1. **Tracking #201202732C (HPD — Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund):** CB1 requested reinstatement of the Tenant Legal Fund, including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. The agency response indicates that this matter "has been completed" and references the Anti-Harassment Program, but does not specify what was completed, whether the \$2 million reinstatement was fully funded, or whether the anti-harassment provisions are currently operational. CB1 cannot verify the claim of completion based on the information provided.

2. **Tracking #201202739E (HPD — Tenant Legal Fund, expense side):** The same issue applies. The response references completion in terms that do not allow CB1 or the public to independently verify the claim.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. The public should not have to take an agency's word for it, particularly on requests tied to specific funding commitments made as part of major land use agreements — agreements that the affected community fought hard for and has a direct interest in seeing honored.

**CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it is meant to serve.

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#### **Request 4: Specific Contacts for All Follow-Up, Not General Referrals**

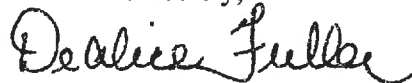
This demand extends the concern raised in Demand 1 beyond the "contact us directly" responses to the Register as a whole. Across multiple responses — including those that express support, note partial accommodation, or request follow-up — the Register directs community boards to general agency websites, main phone lines, or unnamed offices. This is not sufficient.

When an agency tells CB1 to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," or to "contact the relevant division," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate that they will be following up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 requests that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,



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## Re: Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027/Letter of Comments

Dear Councilmember Restler,

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the communities of Williamsburg and Greenpoint, appreciates the opportunity to submit our comments on Mayor Zohran Mamdani's release of New York City's \$127 billion Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. We acknowledge that Mayor Mamdani's preliminary budget identified a \$12 billion deficit, which the administration reported was reduced to \$5.4 billion through agency-revised revenue projections and state support. Given these budget deficits, it is now more important than ever to establish communication with the Mayor's office, city council, and community agencies to collaboratively address our district's needs.

To give a direct response to this year's Register on the Statement of District Needs FY 2027 over what CB1 received in prior budget cycles, there was a meaningful improvement in agencies' responses. In previous years, a significant share of responses consisted of a single line — "the agency does not support and cannot accommodate" — with no further explanation. That placed the full burden of understanding the agency's position entirely on the community board, with nothing to work from. The responses in the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register are, in the aggregate, more substantive, and we acknowledge that.

However, we want more accountability and transparency. When an agency tells a community board to follow up, the response should say who to contact, where to reach them, and how. When an agency claims a request has been completed, it should say what was done, when, and at what cost. This request provides conditions for an honest conversation.

We are calling on OMB and DCP to commit to the following six concrete, achievable requests:

1. When an agency tells a community board to "contact us directly," it must provide a named contact — not a general website or main phone line
2. Cost estimates for every request, whether supported or not
3. Documentation for every "already completed" designation — what was done, when, at what cost
4. Accountability for when an agency claims credit for something a community group did independently
5. Specific contact information for any response requiring follow-up—for the public's benefit, not just ours
6. Transparency about what guidance, if any, OMB gives agencies for writing responses — because right now we have no idea if any standard exists

Our District Needs Statement/Letter of Comments, as requested by OMB, is organized by Agency, with District Needs priorities that address the needs of our diverse community. CB1 submitted **82 total budget requests** across 18 agencies for FY 2027: **38 capital** and **44 expense** requests. The tables below analyze agency response patterns across seven distinct response categories identified in the Register.

Only 13% of CB1's requests received a clear, affirmative accommodation

A combined 38% of all requests were declined in some form.

29% were left in an indefinite "supported but unfunded" Limbo (category B) – formally acknowledged but with no funding commitment, timeline, or cost estimate.

### **Letter of Comments Divided by Agencies in Word**

#### **Department of Housing Preservation & Development**

Housing is a critical issue for our district, and we support efforts to fund truly affordable housing and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

Seven District Needs Requests Items were submitted. Two District Needs Requests Items received support, and five were completed.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide more housing for low-income households. Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households. Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million),

including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

Agency Response: This request was completed

District Needs Request Item #3: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

**HPD Agency Response to the following District Needs Request Items (Expense) was that it was completed.**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense Budget) Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs. Increase Funding for Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce Homelessness.

District Needs Request Item #2: Other expense budget request for HPD  
Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will be available only to development parcels that use the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement and participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

District Needs Request Item #3: Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

District Needs Request Item #4: Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg has critical housing needs. The allocation of funds for affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern for CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 asks that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.**

**Department of Housing Authority/NYCHA**

District Needs Request Item #1: Upgrade NYCHA community facilities and Open Space. Redevelop the NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aging and in need of upgrades to equipment and infrastructure.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate:**  
(See Housing Authority Explanation in FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register for details.)

District Needs Request Item #2. Renovate NYCHA community facilities. Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. NYCHA can work with our partners to see if this is a possibility and provide a cost estimate.**

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

**Parks and Open Space**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**

Parks and open spaces are a critical need for our district. We support funding for Expenses and Capital projects to expand and maintain our green areas.

Eighteenth District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Agency Response; Remediation and improvement to Bushwick Inlet Park are partially funded. Demolition of the CitiStorage building and Bayside fuel tanks has been completed, and construction of the Motiva site is expected to be complete in 2026.

District Needs Request Item #5: (Capital) Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.

Agency supports and can accommodate: The Agency has \$14.7 million in funding for the Capital Improvement to the Asphalt field at McCarren Park and will hold a community input meeting to inform the decision for the site by the end of this fiscal year.

13 received support, but cannot accommodate  
((See Register of Community Board Budget Request for details.))

2 received **NO support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Forestry Services, including tree maintenance.

Explanation: Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the need for more frequent pruning or the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, have hanging branches, interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. (For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)**

At the Capital Budget Committee Meeting on March 12 and at the Community Board Public hearing, it was requested that more frequent tree pruning be implemented due to safety hazards. Many members of the public are asking to meet with the Agency representative and the elected official about this problem. Who do we contact?

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure/Department of Transportation**

Twenty District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: NYCD DOT is studying potential improvements to Grand Street and Metropolitan Avenue and will provide updates as more information becomes available.

District Needs Request Item #9: We agree and will accommodate investigating this request. We're exploring the possibility of a SIP here in the near future.

Twelve received **No Support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

When an agency tells a community board that its request receives no support, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Department of Environmental Protection**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of

millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

**Agency Response:** The agency did not support or stated it could accommodate.  
Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

District Needs Request Items; 1-4 (**Expense**)

Request Item #1 Clean catch basins: Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris buildup, maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.

Request Item #2: Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding, increased groundwater levels from cloud-burst events, and rising sea levels.

Request Item #3: Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

Request Item #4: An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**The Department of Environmental Protection Agency Response to the Capital and Expense District Needs Request Items was that the Agency does not support or can accommodate them.**

Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

**Department of Sanitation**

District Needs Request Item #1: Provide or expand community composting programs.

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate  
Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain

### **Department of Education**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Capital) The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year. Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the district's schools are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Site scheduled for IPDVS,

**District Needs Request Item #2:** The principal of PS 250 George Lindsay has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students, and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security

**Agency Response:** The Request has been completed. Site scheduled for IPDVS.

### **Expense:**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Expense) Other capital budget request for DOE: Middle School Request IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditoriums, gymnasium, and nay classroom that doesn't have them.

Agency does not support or accommodate; **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Item #2:** Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material. Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

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#### **Department of Youth and Community Development**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Provide, expand, or enhance after-school programs for elementary school students. (grades K-5)

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed. DYCD has begun a three year 20,000 seat expansion of the COMPASS afterschool program.

#### **Fire Department**

##### **Capital Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1** Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station  
A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of the closure of Engine 212 in 2003. The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increase in the need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

The agency supports, but cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** FDNY is supportive of this request; however, the priority remains the maintenance/upkeep of existing facilities. FDNY assesses operational needs on a regular basis and will accommodate needs as best able to within existing budget.

#### **Mayor's Office of Management and Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They need to be able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects.

**Explanation:** Charter-mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents with an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues

**Agency Response: The Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.**

At the Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12th, committee members and the public were outraged that this has been OMB's response for many years. This reveals a disconnect in recognizing the work of the Community Board District. office.

We have highlighted the increased workload undertaken by the Community Board.

- The Liquor Licenses review committee has had to review each month between 40 and 70 new and renewed liquor licenses, including backyard use and outdoor dining. This includes a review of the outdoor dining applications and outdoor sheds. The Cannabis Committee has had to address the community's concern about the proliferation of illegal cannabis stores. Some are near playgrounds and schools. This has contributed to a sustained increase in community concerns about how noise and crowds affect quality of life.
- The ULURP committee has continually fought for increased true housing affordability in new and existing developments. These committee meetings needed to be scheduled and overseen for Public Comments.
- Also, due to the growing population in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, the number of people seeking assistance from the community board has increased. All the while, the Community Board District Office continues to be understaffed. Compared to city agencies with large staffs, the community board has a staff of three: the District Manager, Assistant District Manager, and Community Associate. They are expected to work on a flexible schedule, which sometimes extends to 10 p.m. due to full board and committee meetings. They have been expected to increase their work responsibilities, including taking on the creation of a new Cannabis Committee and improving outreach efforts for the District Needs submission process.
- At the Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) staff may have limited familiarity with the community board's work and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. We therefore want to understand how OME defines its mandates, how it intends to work alongside the community boards. We are inviting OME to present to the Capital Budget Committee. This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.
- At the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting on March 3rd, in accordance with the Open Meetings Law (OML), recommendations were made to allow for hybrid and virtual meetings. The Proposed Amendments #1 to the Resolution involved the State of New York, the Mayor of New York City, and the City Council providing increased

funding to the Community Boards to ensure they have the necessary technology, staffing, and resources to support fully virtual and private meetings. This would allow all members of the community to participate, including parents with young children, persons with disabilities, and those with mobility challenges. It would also allow meetings to continue during outbreaks of disease, shortened daylight hours, and other weather-related issues.

### **Department of Small Business Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

Although the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market is managed by EDC, SBS supports the Graham Ave BID (the market is within the boundaries) through the Small BID Grant. The events that the Market host including their recent holiday pop-up markets, help bring foot traffic to the district and to the market.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Expense) Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** In December 2025, DCP published the first-ever NYC Industrial Plan, outlining a framework for the future of the industrial sector and industrial areas in NYC. The plan lays out a series of goals, including ways to support modern, efficient freight movement by investing in Blue Highway and to help businesses adopt green technology.

District Needs Request Item #3: (Expense) Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study. Location: Broadway Corridor.

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

**Explanation:** This Fiscal Year, SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street Bids an Avenue NYC grant, which will enable them to conduct an in-depth Commercial District Needs Assessment study, opportunities for commercial revitalization in the district, and execute programs and services accordingly.

SBS accepts grant applications from all neighborhood organizations. SBS will continue to promote grant programs when available and encourage local community boards to share

CB1 raises a distinct but related concern about responses that characterize a request as "supported and accommodated" when the accommodation is initiated by a community-based organization rather than the agency itself.

**Tracking #201202726E (SBS — Broadway Corridor Economic Revitalization Study):** The agency response states that SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street BIDs an Avenue NYC grant enabling a Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) and commercial revitalization study — framing this as the agency accommodating CB1's request. But CB1 has direct knowledge of how this came about: the Graham and Grand Street BIDs independently identified this grant opportunity, applied for it on their own initiative, and approached CB1 to provide a letter of support. SBS did not proactively direct resources toward CB1's district in response to this budget request. The BIDs did.

Had the BIDs not been organized, attentive, and proactive, this request would almost certainly not have been "accommodated." CB1 cannot know how many other "supported" responses in the Register depend on similar circumstances — a well-organized nonprofit, an attentive community group, or a fortunate coincidence of timing — rather than on agency initiative.

This matters because the Register is supposed to reflect agency responsiveness to community board priorities, not community self-help that happens to align with an existing grant program. An agency claiming accommodation credit for work it did not initiate in response to a community board request is a form of institutional free-riding on community capacity. It also creates a deeply inequitable dynamic: districts with well-resourced BIDs and organized nonprofits will appear to have their needs "accommodated" at higher rates than districts that lack that organizational infrastructure — regardless of actual agency performance.

**CB1 demands that OMB and DCP develop clearer criteria for what constitutes genuine agency accommodation of a community board request, and that agency responses accurately distinguish between proactive agency action and the independent efforts of a community-based organization**

#### **Police Department**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras  
Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway).  
The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by vehicular traffic on its roadways and pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security through surveillance cameras would increase public safety.

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

Explanation Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific locations' requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.

District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense) Hire additional crossing guards

Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after-school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association.

**Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Explanation: Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working to fill vacancies to reach that headcount.**

**District Needs Request Item #2.** Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams).

Agency Supports but cannot accommodate.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

### **Transit Authority**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

**Explanation:** 1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

### **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense):** Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a Mental Health Crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse and abuse of drugs that has led to homelessness, domestic violence, and an increase in crime rates. More outreach and counseling are needed.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** DOHMH would be happy to discuss harm reduction outreach and programming within our existing framework

District Needs Request Item #2 (Expense): Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

Explanation: Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on CB1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See Preliminary Budget Register FY 2027 for more specific Agency Explanation.)

District Needs Request Item #3 and Item #4 (Expense):

District Needs Request Item #3 (Expense): Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects. 2. There needs to be a data collection form from local hospitals on those who have. Been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #5 (Expense):

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved co-existence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

Agency Response: This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #6 (Expense):

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

Agency Response: This Request has been completed.  
(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

**The Department of Mental Health Agency's response to all the District Needs Requests Items was that the Request was Completed.**

**CB1 response:** When an agency tells CB1 that the request was completed and to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," " it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate they will follow up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 demands that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

**Department for the Aging**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Increase home-delivery meal capacity.

Explanation: Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially to provide these services to the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate.

Explanation: NYC Aging reviews the HDM program quarterly to determine whether the need is growing.

District Needs Request Item #2: Funding for a new senior center program

Explanation: Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve the South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints for senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area between Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate

**Explanation:** There will be an RFP for older Adult Centers in the FY 27 that might incorporate this need.

**Department of Homeless Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: Increase funding for Mental Health Programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the street.

**Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.**

Capital Budget Committee Response: Many members of the community have expressed concern about an increase in the homeless population living on the streets in South Williamsburg. This appears to be the result of drug addictions, and more homeless people moving in from other locations of the city or state. We therefore do not see how this program was completed.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it serves.

**Brooklyn Public Library**

District Needs Request Item #1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs, Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community, it is the only computer they can use. For children, it offers a free selection of a variety of books and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate

**Explanation:** Brooklyn Public Library supports increased operational funding and looks forward to working with library advocates to ensure dependable, equitable access to library services, including extended hours, technology, and collections.

**Department of Buildings.**

District Needs Request Item #1: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs). The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job. The agency supports and can accommodate. The DOB will use the existing budget to train and hire new staff.

**We have outlined the following Requests aimed at collaboration.** This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.

**Request 1: "Contact the Agency Directly." Please Provide a Named Contact**

A significant number of agency responses in the FY 2027 Register include language along the following lines: "Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Explanation: PLEASE

CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION."

This response pattern appears across three agencies and 8 total requests: the Department of Environmental Protection (5 requests — Tracking #201202703C, #201202708E, #201202709E, #201202710E, #201202711E), the Department of Education (2 requests — Tracking #201202706E, #201202707E), and the MTA/NYC Transit Authority (1 request — Tracking #201202736C). In every case, the response declines the request without explanation and redirects the community board to contact the agency — without telling the community board who to contact, through what channel, or regarding what specific aspect of the request.

This creates a practical problem that is not trivial. Community boards are volunteer-run bodies with limited staff. "Contact the agency" without a name, title, email address, or phone number means sending a message into an institutional void and waiting — sometimes for months — for a response that may never come, or that routes through multiple offices before reaching anyone with relevant knowledge. The opportunity cost is real. Every month spent tracking down the right contact is a month not spent on advocacy, planning, or constituent service.

CB1 also notes the formatting of this response. The instruction to contact the agency "DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY" appears in all capital letters in the Register. Whether intentional or not, all-caps text conveys urgency. If the agency is signalling that the matter requires prompt follow-up on CB1's part, at the very least, it can tell us who to contact.

**CB1 requests that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request.** A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.

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## **Request 2: Include Cost Estimates for Supported and Unsupported Requests Alike**

A recurring frustration across CB1's capital and expense budget requests is the absence of cost estimates in agency responses. Whether an agency says it supports a request or cannot accommodate it, knowing what the request would actually cost is essential information — for the community board, for elected officials conducting oversight, and for the public.

The DOT responses in this Register are instructive. DOT received 20 CB1 requests — the largest share of any single agency — and accommodated only 2 (10%). Of the remaining 18, 12 used near-identical boilerplate language citing internal safety data assessment processes, and 6 directed CB1 to alternative pathways such as 311 submissions. Not one of the 18 non-accommodations included a cost estimate for the requested work, a timeline for when the corridor might be prioritized, or an explanation of where it stands in DOT's capital planning queue. CB1 cannot determine from these responses whether each street was individually evaluated or whether a blanket policy response was applied uniformly. Without cost information,

there is no basis for CB1 or elected officials to push back, advocate for prioritization, or understand the scale of investment that would be required.

Cost estimates serve multiple functions. They allow community boards to understand the relative scale of what they are asking for and to prioritize accordingly. They allow elected officials to assess whether the gap between a request and funding is a rounding error or a fundamental budget constraint. They allow the public to evaluate agency claims that something "cannot be accommodated" — a \$50,000 restroom repair and a \$50 million capital reconstruction are both "unfunded," but they carry very different implications for advocacy strategy.

Without cost estimates, the Register functions as a list of yes/no answers rather than a planning document. Community boards are left with no basis for understanding how agency budgets work, what it would actually take to move a request forward, or how to calibrate their asks in future cycles.

**CB1 requests that OMB require agencies to include a cost estimate — or a good-faith range — for every request they respond to, whether or not supported.** Where an agency genuinely does not have a cost estimate available, it should state that explicitly and provide a timeline for when one can be produced.

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### **Request 3: "Already Completed" Must Be Documented Specifically**

Sixteen of CB1's 82 FY 2027 requests — fully **20% of the total** — were marked "Already Completed" in the Register. CB1's analysis found that in **zero of those 16 cases** did the response specify what was completed, when, at what cost, or through what budget line or program. This is not an occasional oversight. It is a systemic pattern.

The distribution is striking: DOHMH marked **all six** of its expense responses as "Already Completed" — a 100% rate — with no documentation provided for any of them. HPD marked five requests as completed. In several cases, the responses appear to reference related programs as substitutes for the specific thing CB1 asked for, without confirming the specific request was addressed.

Two examples illustrate the core concern:

1. **Tracking #201202732C (HPD — Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund):** CB1 requested reinstatement of the Tenant Legal Fund, including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. The agency response indicates that this matter "has been completed" and references the Anti-Harassment Program, but does not specify what was completed, whether the \$2 million reinstatement was fully funded, or whether the anti-harassment provisions are currently operational. CB1 cannot verify the claim of completion based on the information provided.

2. **Tracking #201202739E (HPD — Tenant Legal Fund, expense side):** The same issue applies. The response references completion in terms that do not allow CB1 or the public to independently verify the claim.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. The public should not have to take an agency's word for it, particularly on requests tied to specific funding commitments made as part of major land use agreements — agreements that the affected community fought hard for and has a direct interest in seeing honored.

**CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it is meant to serve.

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#### **Request 4: Specific Contacts for All Follow-Up, Not General Referrals**

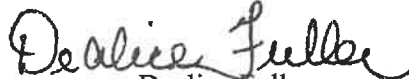
This demand extends the concern raised in Demand 1 beyond the "contact us directly" responses to the Register as a whole. Across multiple responses — including those that express support, note partial accommodation, or request follow-up — the Register directs community boards to general agency websites, main phone lines, or unnamed offices. This is not sufficient.

When an agency tells CB1 to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," or to "contact the relevant division," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate that they will be following up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 requests that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

  
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## Re: Statement on the Preliminary Budget (FY) 2027/Letter of Comments

Dear Mayor Mamdani

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the communities of Williamsburg and Greenpoint, appreciates the opportunity to submit our comments on Mayor Zohran Mamdani's release of New York City's \$127 billion Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2027. We acknowledge that Mayor Mamdani's preliminary budget identified a \$12 billion deficit, which the administration reported was reduced to \$5.4 billion through agency-revised revenue projections and state support. Given these budget deficits, it is now more important than ever to establish communication with the Mayor's office, city council, and community agencies to collaboratively address our district's needs.

To give a direct response to this year's Register on the Statement of District Needs FY 2027 over what CB1 received in prior budget cycles, there was a meaningful improvement in agencies' responses. In previous years, a significant share of responses consisted of a single line — "the agency does not support and cannot accommodate" — with no further explanation. That placed the full burden of understanding the agency's position entirely on the community board, with nothing to work from. The responses in the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register are, in the aggregate, more substantive, and we acknowledge that.

However, we want more accountability and transparency. When an agency tells a community board to follow up, the response should say who to contact, where to reach them, and how. When an agency claims a request has been completed, it should say what was done, when, and at what cost. This request provides conditions for an honest conversation.

We are calling on OMB and DCP to commit to the following six concrete, achievable requests:

1. When an agency tells a community board to "contact us directly," it must provide a named contact — not a general website or main phone line
2. Cost estimates for every request, whether supported or not
3. Documentation for every "already completed" designation — what was done, when, at what cost
4. Accountability for when an agency claims credit for something a community group did independently
5. Specific contact information for any response requiring follow-up—for the public's benefit, not just ours
6. Transparency about what guidance, if any, OMB gives agencies for writing responses — because right now we have no idea if any standard exists

Our District Needs Statement/Letter of Comments, as requested by OMB, is organized by Agency, with District Needs priorities that address the needs of our diverse community. CB1 submitted **82 total budget requests** across 18 agencies for FY 2027: **38 capital** and **44 expense** requests. The tables below analyze agency response patterns across seven distinct response categories identified in the Register.

Only 13% of CB1's requests received a clear, affirmative accommodation

A combined 38% of all requests were declined in some form.

29% were left in an indefinite "supported but unfunded" Limbo (category B) – formally acknowledged but with no funding commitment, timeline, or cost estimate.

### **Letter of Comments Divided by Agencies in Word**

#### **Department of Housing Preservation & Development**

Housing is a critical issue for our district, and we support efforts to fund truly affordable housing and implement programs to meet the many needs of our residents.

Seven District Needs Requests Items were submitted. Two District Needs Requests Items received support, and five were completed.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide more housing for low-income households. Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households. Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million),

including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

Agency Response: This request was completed

District Needs Request Item #3: (Capital) Provide more housing for medium-income households.

Agency Response: Thank you for this request. We agree that your district needs additional affordable housing. HPD will continue to use all available resources.

**HPD Agency Response to the following District Needs Request Items (Expense) was that it was completed.**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense Budget) Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs. Increase Funding for Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce Homelessness.

District Needs Request Item #2: Other expense budget request for HPD  
Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will be available only to development parcels that use the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement and participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

District Needs Request Item #3: Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

District Needs Request Item #4: Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg has critical housing needs. The allocation of funds for affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern for CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 asks that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.**

**Department of Housing Authority/NYCHA**

District Needs Request Item #1: Upgrade NYCHA community facilities and Open Space. Redevelop the NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aging and in need of upgrades to equipment and infrastructure.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate:**

(See Housing Authority Explanation in FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Register for details.)

District Needs Request Item #2. Renovate NYCHA community facilities. Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. NYCHA can work with our partners to see if this is a possibility and provide a cost estimate.**

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Parks and Open Space**

#### **Department of Parks and Recreation**

Parks and open spaces are a critical need for our district. We support funding for Expenses and Capital projects to expand and maintain our green areas.

Eighteenth District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: (Capital) Agency Response; Remediation and improvement to Bushwick Inlet Park are partially funded. Demolition of the CitiStorage building and Bayside fuel tanks has been completed, and construction of the Motiva site is expected to be complete in 2026.

District Needs Request Item #5: (Capital) Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.

Agency supports and can accommodate: The Agency has \$14.7 million in funding for the Capital Improvement to the Asphalt field at McCarren Park and will hold a community input meeting to inform the decision for the site by the end of this fiscal year.

13 received support, but cannot accommodate

((See Register of Community Board Budget Request for details.)

2 received **NO support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Forestry Services, including tree maintenance.

Explanation: Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the need for more frequent pruning or the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, have hanging branches, interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. (For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)**

At the Capital Budget Committee Meeting on March 12 and at the Community Board Public hearing, it was requested that more frequent tree pruning be implemented due to safety hazards. Many members of the public are asking to meet with the Agency representative and the elected official about this problem. Who do we contact?

**CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure/Department of Transportation**

Twenty District Needs Requests were submitted.

Two received support to accommodate:

District Needs Request Item #2: NYCD DOT is studying potential improvements to Grand Street and Metropolitan Avenue and will provide updates as more information becomes available.

District Needs Request Item #9: We agree and will accommodate investigating this request. We're exploring the possibility of a SIP here in the near future.

Twelve received **No Support** with no explanation as to why they could not be accommodated.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

When an agency tells a community board that its request receives no support, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 ask that OMB require agencies to document an explanation with specifics.**

#### **Department of Environmental Protection**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of

millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

**Agency Response:** The agency did not support or stated it could accommodate.  
Explanation in bold letters was, **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Items; 1-4 (Expense)**

Request Item #1 Clean catch basins: Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris buildup, maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.

Request Item #2: Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding, increased groundwater levels from cloud-burst events, and rising sea levels.

Request Item #3: Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

Request Item #4: An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**The Department of Environmental Protection Agency Response to the Capital and Expense District Needs Request Items was that the Agency does not support or can accommodate them.**

**Explanation in bold letters was, PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

**Department of Sanitation**

District Needs Request Item #1: Provide or expand community composting programs.

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate  
Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain

### **Department of Education**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Capital) The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year. Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the district's schools are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Site scheduled for IPDVS,

**District Needs Request Item #2:** The principal of PS 250 George Lindsay has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students, and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security

**Agency Response:** The Request has been completed. Site scheduled for IPDVS.

### **Expense:**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** (Expense) Other capital budget request for DOE: Middle School Request IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditoriums, gymnasium, and nay classroom that doesn't have them.

Agency does not support or accommodate; **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**District Needs Request Item #2:** Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material. Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. **PLEASE CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**CB1 demands that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request. A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.**

#### **Department of Youth and Community Development**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Provide, expand, or enhance after-school programs for elementary school students. (grades K-5)

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed. DYCD has begun a three year 20,000 seat expansion of the COMPASS afterschool program.

#### **Fire Department**

##### **Capital Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1** Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station  
A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of the closure of Engine 212 in 2003. The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increase in the need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

The agency supports, but cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** FDNY is supportive of this request; however, the priority remains the maintenance/upkeep of existing facilities. FDNY assesses operational needs on a regular basis and will accommodate needs as best able to within existing budget.

#### **Mayor's Office of Management and Budget**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They need to be able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects.

**Explanation:** Charter-mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents with an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues

**Agency Response: The Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2027 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.**

At the Capital Budget Committee meeting on March 12th, committee members and the public were outraged that this has been OMB's response for many years. This reveals a disconnect in recognizing the work of the Community Board District. office.

We have highlighted the increased workload undertaken by the Community Board.

- The Liquor Licenses review committee has had to review each month between 40 and 70 new and renewed liquor licenses, including backyard use and outdoor dining. This includes a review of the outdoor dining applications and outdoor sheds. The Cannabis Committee has had to address the community's concern about the proliferation of illegal cannabis stores. Some are near playgrounds and schools. This has contributed to a sustained increase in community concerns about how noise and crowds affect quality of life.
- The ULURP committee has continually fought for increased true housing affordability in new and existing developments. These committee meetings needed to be scheduled and overseen for Public Comments.
- Also, due to the growing population in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, the number of people seeking assistance from the community board has increased. All the while, the Community Board District Office continues to be understaffed. Compared to city agencies with large staffs, the community board has a staff of three: the District Manager, Assistant District Manager, and Community Associate. They are expected to work on a flexible schedule, which sometimes extends to 10 p.m. due to full board and committee meetings. They have been expected to increase their work responsibilities, including taking on the creation of a new Cannabis Committee and improving outreach efforts for the District Needs submission process.
- At the Capital Budget Committee meeting, it came to our attention that the Mayor's Office of Mass Engagement (OME) staff may have limited familiarity with the community board's work and the formal role we play in the city's civic infrastructure. We therefore want to understand how OME defines its mandates, how it intends to work alongside the community boards. We are inviting OME to present to the Capital Budget Committee. This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.
- At the Brooklyn Borough Board Meeting on March 3rd, in accordance with the Open Meetings Law (OML), recommendations were made to allow for hybrid and virtual meetings. The Proposed Amendments #1 to the Resolution involved the State of New York, the Mayor of New York City, and the City Council providing increased

funding to the Community Boards to ensure they have the necessary technology, staffing, and resources to support fully virtual and private meetings. This would allow all members of the community to participate, including parents with young children, persons with disabilities, and those with mobility challenges. It would also allow meetings to continue during outbreaks of disease, shortened daylight hours, and other weather-related issues.

### **Department of Small Business Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

Although the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market is managed by EDC, SBS supports the Graham Ave BID (the market is within the boundaries) through the Small BID Grant. The events that the Market host including their recent holiday pop-up markets, help bring foot traffic to the district and to the market.

District Needs Request Item #2: (Expense) Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** In December 2025, DCP published the first-ever NYC Industrial Plan, outlining a framework for the future of the industrial sector and industrial areas in NYC. The plan lays out a series of goals, including ways to support modern, efficient freight movement by investing in Blue Highway and to help businesses adopt green technology.

District Needs Request Item #3: (Expense) Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study. Location: Broadway Corridor.

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate.

**Explanation:** This Fiscal Year, SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street Bids an Avenue NYC grant, which will enable them to conduct an in-depth Commercial District Needs Assessment study, opportunities for commercial revitalization in the district, and execute programs and services accordingly.

SBS accepts grant applications from all neighborhood organizations. SBS will continue to promote grant programs when available and encourage local community boards to share

CB1 raises a distinct but related concern about responses that characterize a request as "supported and accommodated" when the accommodation is initiated by a community-based organization rather than the agency itself.

**Tracking #201202726E (SBS — Broadway Corridor Economic Revitalization Study):** The agency response states that SBS awarded the Graham and Grand Street BIDs an Avenue NYC grant enabling a Commercial District Needs Assessment (CDNA) and commercial revitalization study — framing this as the agency accommodating CB1's request. But CB1 has direct knowledge of how this came about: the Graham and Grand Street BIDs independently identified this grant opportunity, applied for it on their own initiative, and approached CB1 to provide a letter of support. SBS did not proactively direct resources toward CB1's district in response to this budget request. The BIDs did.

Had the BIDs not been organized, attentive, and proactive, this request would almost certainly not have been "accommodated." CB1 cannot know how many other "supported" responses in the Register depend on similar circumstances — a well-organized nonprofit, an attentive community group, or a fortunate coincidence of timing — rather than on agency initiative.

This matters because the Register is supposed to reflect agency responsiveness to community board priorities, not community self-help that happens to align with an existing grant program. An agency claiming accommodation credit for work it did not initiate in response to a community board request is a form of institutional free-riding on community capacity. It also creates a deeply inequitable dynamic: districts with well-resourced BIDs and organized nonprofits will appear to have their needs "accommodated" at higher rates than districts that lack that organizational infrastructure — regardless of actual agency performance.

**CB1 demands that OMB and DCP develop clearer criteria for what constitutes genuine agency accommodation of a community board request, and that agency responses accurately distinguish between proactive agency action and the independent efforts of a community-based organization**

#### **Police Department**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Capital) Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras  
Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway).  
The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by vehicular traffic on its roadways and pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security through surveillance cameras would increase public safety.

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

Explanation Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific locations' requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.

District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense) Hire additional crossing guards

Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after-school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association.

**Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Explanation: Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working to fill vacancies to reach that headcount.**

**District Needs Request Item #2.** Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams).

Agency Supports but cannot accommodate.

(For specifics, see Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2027.)

### **Transit Authority**

**District Needs Request Item #1:** Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

**Explanation:** 1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Agency Response:** Agency does not support and cannot accommodate.

**Explanation:** Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

### **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**

**District Needs Request Item #1 (Expense):** Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a Mental Health Crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse and abuse of drugs that has led to homelessness, domestic violence, and an increase in crime rates. More outreach and counseling are needed.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

**Explanation:** DOHMH would be happy to discuss harm reduction outreach and programming within our existing framework

District Needs Request Item #2 (Expense): Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

**Explanation:** Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on CB1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See Preliminary Budget Register FY 2027 for more specific Agency Explanation.)

District Needs Request Item #3 and Item #4 (Expense):

District Needs Request Item #3 (Expense): Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects. 2. There needs to be a data collection form from local hospitals on those who have. Been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #5 (Expense):

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved co-existence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

**Agency Response:** This request has already been completed.

(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

District Needs Request Item #6 (Expense):

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

Agency Response: This Request has been completed.  
(See details of Response in the Register of Community Board Budget Request FY 2027.)

**The Department of Mental Health Agency's response to all the District Needs Requests Items was that the Request was Completed.**

**CB1 response:** When an agency tells CB1 that the request was completed and to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," " it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate they will follow up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 demands that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

**Department for the Aging**

District Needs Request Item #1: (Expense) Increase home-delivery meal capacity.

Explanation: Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially to provide these services to the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate.

Explanation: NYC Aging reviews the HDM program quarterly to determine whether the need is growing.

District Needs Request Item #2: Funding for a new senior center program

Explanation: Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve the South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints for senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area between Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports and can accommodate

**Explanation:** There will be an RFP for older Adult Centers in the FY 27 that might incorporate this need.

**Department of Homeless Services**

District Needs Request Item #1: Increase funding for Mental Health Programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the street.

**Agency Response: This Request has already been completed.**

Capital Budget Committee Response: Many members of the community have expressed concern about an increase in the homeless population living on the streets in South Williamsburg. This appears to be the result of drug addictions, and more homeless people moving in from other locations of the city or state. We therefore do not see how this program was completed.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. **CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it serves.

**Brooklyn Public Library**

District Needs Request Item #1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs, Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community, it is the only computer they can use. For children, it offers a free selection of a variety of books and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Agency Response:** Agency supports but cannot accommodate

**Explanation:** Brooklyn Public Library supports increased operational funding and looks forward to working with library advocates to ensure dependable, equitable access to library services, including extended hours, technology, and collections.

**Department of Buildings.**

District Needs Request Item #1: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs). The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job. The agency supports and can accommodate. The DOB will use the existing budget to train and hire new staff.

**We have outlined the following Requests aimed at collaboration.** This will be a constructive first step of working together and for OMB to understand the reason we request to increase funding for the community boards.

**Request 1: "Contact the Agency Directly." Please Provide a Named Contact**

A significant number of agency responses in the FY 2027 Register include language along the following lines: "Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Explanation: PLEASE

CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY FOR MORE INFORMATION."

This response pattern appears across three agencies and 8 total requests: the Department of Environmental Protection (5 requests — Tracking #201202703C, #201202708E, #201202709E, #201202710E, #201202711E), the Department of Education (2 requests — Tracking #201202706E, #201202707E), and the MTA/NYC Transit Authority (1 request — Tracking #201202736C). In every case, the response declines the request without explanation and redirects the community board to contact the agency — without telling the community board who to contact, through what channel, or regarding what specific aspect of the request.

This creates a practical problem that is not trivial. Community boards are volunteer-run bodies with limited staff. "Contact the agency" without a name, title, email address, or phone number means sending a message into an institutional void and waiting — sometimes for months — for a response that may never come, or that routes through multiple offices before reaching anyone with relevant knowledge. The opportunity cost is real. Every month spent tracking down the right contact is a month not spent on advocacy, planning, or constituent service.

CB1 also notes the formatting of this response. The instruction to contact the agency "DIRECTLY AND PROMPTLY" appears in all capital letters in the Register. Whether intentional or not, all-caps text conveys urgency. If the agency is signalling that the matter requires prompt follow-up on CB1's part, at the very least, it can tell us who to contact.

**CB1 requests that OMB require all agency responses using this language to include a specific named contact: name, title, email, and phone number of the office or individual responsible for the subject matter of the request.** A general agency website or main phone line does not satisfy this requirement.

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## **Request 2: Include Cost Estimates for Supported and Unsupported Requests Alike**

A recurring frustration across CB1's capital and expense budget requests is the absence of cost estimates in agency responses. Whether an agency says it supports a request or cannot accommodate it, knowing what the request would actually cost is essential information — for the community board, for elected officials conducting oversight, and for the public.

The DOT responses in this Register are instructive. DOT received 20 CB1 requests — the largest share of any single agency — and accommodated only 2 (10%). Of the remaining 18, 12 used near-identical boilerplate language citing internal safety data assessment processes, and 6 directed CB1 to alternative pathways such as 311 submissions. Not one of the 18 non-accommodations included a cost estimate for the requested work, a timeline for when the corridor might be prioritized, or an explanation of where it stands in DOT's capital planning queue. CB1 cannot determine from these responses whether each street was individually evaluated or whether a blanket policy response was applied uniformly. Without cost information,

there is no basis for CB1 or elected officials to push back, advocate for prioritization, or understand the scale of investment that would be required.

Cost estimates serve multiple functions. They allow community boards to understand the relative scale of what they are asking for and to prioritize accordingly. They allow elected officials to assess whether the gap between a request and funding is a rounding error or a fundamental budget constraint. They allow the public to evaluate agency claims that something "cannot be accommodated" — a \$50,000 restroom repair and a \$50 million capital reconstruction are both "unfunded," but they carry very different implications for advocacy strategy.

Without cost estimates, the Register functions as a list of yes/no answers rather than a planning document. Community boards are left with no basis for understanding how agency budgets work, what it would actually take to move a request forward, or how to calibrate their asks in future cycles.

**CB1 requests that OMB require agencies to include a cost estimate — or a good-faith range — for every request they respond to, whether or not supported.** Where an agency genuinely does not have a cost estimate available, it should state that explicitly and provide a timeline for when one can be produced.

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### **Request 3: "Already Completed" Must Be Documented Specifically**

Sixteen of CB1's 82 FY 2027 requests — fully **20% of the total** — were marked "Already Completed" in the Register. CB1's analysis found that in **zero of those 16 cases** did the response specify what was completed, when, at what cost, or through what budget line or program. This is not an occasional oversight. It is a systemic pattern.

The distribution is striking: DOHMH marked **all six** of its expense responses as "Already Completed" — a 100% rate — with no documentation provided for any of them. HPD marked five requests as completed. In several cases, the responses appear to reference related programs as substitutes for the specific thing CB1 asked for, without confirming the specific request was addressed.

Two examples illustrate the core concern:

1. **Tracking #201202732C (HPD — Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund):** CB1 requested reinstatement of the Tenant Legal Fund, including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. The agency response indicates that this matter "has been completed" and references the Anti-Harassment Program, but does not specify what was completed, whether the \$2 million reinstatement was fully funded, or whether the anti-harassment provisions are currently operational. CB1 cannot verify the claim of completion based on the information provided.

2. **Tracking #201202739E (HPD — Tenant Legal Fund, expense side):** The same issue applies. The response references completion in terms that do not allow CB1 or the public to independently verify the claim.

When an agency tells a community board that its request has been completed, that statement should be verifiable. The public should not have to take an agency's word for it, particularly on requests tied to specific funding commitments made as part of major land use agreements — agreements that the affected community fought hard for and has a direct interest in seeing honored.

**CB1 demands that OMB require agencies to document any "completed" designation with specifics: what was funded, when, in what amount, and through what budget line or program.** Vague completion claims without supporting detail undermine the credibility of the Register and the trust of the communities it is meant to serve.

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#### **Request 4: Specific Contacts for All Follow-Up, Not General Referrals**

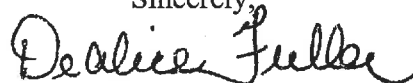
This demand extends the concern raised in Demand 1 beyond the "contact us directly" responses to the Register as a whole. Across multiple responses — including those that express support, note partial accommodation, or request follow-up — the Register directs community boards to general agency websites, main phone lines, or unnamed offices. This is not sufficient.

When an agency tells CB1 to "reach out to our office for more information," or to "submit a request through our standard process," or to "contact the relevant division," it must provide the name of that office, the correct division, the appropriate contact person or team, and the direct contact information. The same principle applies when agencies indicate that they will be following up with CB1 — those commitments should include a named point of contact on the agency side so CB1 can hold them accountable.

**CB1 requests that OMB establish a standard requiring all agency responses that involve follow-up action — whether by the community board or the agency — to include specific contact information: name, title, email, and direct phone number.** This is a basic administrative standard that any well-run institution should be able to meet.

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Sincerely,



Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

cc: Tania Uddin, Mayor's Office of Management and Budget



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April 14, 2026

## VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: First Vice-Chairman, Mr. Simon Weiser

RE: First Vice-Chairman, Simon Weiser's Evaluation of District Manager, Johana Pulgarin

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Please see attached the evaluation for District Manager, Johana Pulgarin from the month of February and March 2026.

The District Manager hosted the District Service Cabinet meeting on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 10:30 AM in Community Board #1's District Office at 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Which I was present for.

## ATTENDANCE:

Present: NYC Department of Transportation (DOT), Department of Design and Construction (DDC), NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH), NYC Department of Environmental protection (DEP), NYC Department of Social Services (DSS), NYC Parks, NYPD 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct, Councilmember Jennifer Gutierrez's Office.



# BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 1

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## MANAGERIAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

|                                        |           |                                        |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------------|
| NAME: JOHANA PULGARIN                  |           |                                        |
| TITLE AND ASSIGNMENT: DISTRICT MANAGER |           |                                        |
| RATING PERIOD                          |           | NAME OF SUPERVISOR<br><br>SIMON WEISER |
| 2/1/2026                               | 2/28/2026 |                                        |

| KEY RESPONSIBILITIES<br>(List in order of importance)                                                                                                                                                                              | PERFORMANCE EXPECTATION<br>(State how to be judged) | RAING FOR EACH RESPONSIBILITY                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1. <u>Quantity of work</u></b><br><br>Volume of work regularly produced by employee in relation to office standards; speed and consistency of output; efficiency in the use of time and resources.                              | 26-Jan                                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br><b>O VG G M U</b> |
| <b>2. <u>Quality of work</u></b><br><br>Extent to which work produced meets quality standards of accuracy, thoroughness and effectiveness                                                                                          | Observation/ Work output                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br><b>O VG G M U</b> |
| <b>3. <u>Job Skills and Knowledge of work-skills</u></b><br><br>Possessed by employee to execute job related work under standing of job duties and related work, extend of job information and understanding possessed by employee | Observation/ Work output                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br><b>O VG G M U</b> |
| <b>4. <u>Sense of Cooperation</u></b><br><br>Extent of ability to work toward objectives, shifting priorities when necessary, working harmoniously with co-workers, supervisors, and others                                        | Observation/ Work output                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br><b>O VG G M U</b> |

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OTHER FACTORS

Our DM is the right person to handle the District Office, She performs highly all hers and the Staff duties

OVERALL RATING

The Manager overall rating is

☒

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VEYRY GOOD

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PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (If needed)

SIGNIFICANT COMMENTS MADE BY THE MANAGER DURING EVALUATION PERIOD & DATE INTERVIEW

MANAGER'S SIGNATURE

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| 3/1/2026                               | 3/31/2026 |                                        |

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**OTHER FACTORS**

Our District Manager is an outstanding communicator who fosters collaboration across all levels. They listen attentively to staff, stakeholders, and community members, ensuring that everyone's voice is heard. This open communication has strengthened relationships and built a culture of trust and respect within our district. escalating, and their decisions are always well-informed and transparent.

**OVERALL RATING**

The Manager overall rating is

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**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD #1**  
**FOR THE MONTH ENDING AS OF MARCH 31, 2026**  
**RECONCILIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026**

| THE REGULAR BUDGET CODE 1000 |                                           |                      |                          |                     |                     |                    |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| CODE                         | DESCRIPTION                               | BUDGETED<br>AMOUNT   | CURRENT BUDGET<br>AMOUNT | SPENT               | ENCUMBRANCE         | BALANCE            |
| 100                          | SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS                    | \$ 695.00            | \$ 695.00                | \$ 496.31           | \$ -                | \$ 198.69          |
| 101                          | PRINTING SUPPLIES AND SERVICES            | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 105                          | AUTO SUPPLIES AND MATERIAL                | \$ 50.00             | \$ 50.00                 | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 50.00           |
| 106                          | AUTO FUEL SUPPLIES                        | \$ 700.00            | \$ 300.00                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 300.00          |
| 10F                          | INTRA-CITY AUTO FUEL SUPPLIES             | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 10X                          | INTRA-CITY STOREHOUSE                     | \$ 300.00            | \$ 300.00                | \$ 298.70           | \$ -                | \$ 1.30            |
| 110                          | FOOD AND FORAGE SUPPLIES                  | \$ 15.00             | \$ 34.00                 | \$ 33.96            | \$ -                | \$ 0.04            |
| 117                          | POSTAGE                                   | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 170                          | CLEANING SUPPLIES                         | \$ 300.00            | \$ 300.00                | \$ 147.94           | \$ -                | \$ 152.06          |
| 199                          | DATA PROCESSING SUPPLIES                  | \$ -                 | \$ 314.00                | \$ 217.99           | \$ 96.00            | \$ 0.01            |
| 302                          | TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT (PURCHASE)            | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 314                          | OFFICE FURNITURE                          | \$ 200.00            | \$ 160.00                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 160.00          |
| 315                          | OFFICE EQUIPMENT                          | \$ 500.00            | \$ 500.00                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 500.00          |
| 319                          | SECURITY EQUIPMENT                        | \$ 420.00            | \$ 389.00                | \$ 323.00           | \$ 66.00            | \$ -               |
| 332                          | PURCHASE OF DATA PROCESSING EQUIP.        | \$ 717.00            | \$ 2,221.00              | \$ 2,213.02         | \$ -                | \$ 7.98            |
| 337                          | BOOKS AND SUBSCRIPTION                    | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 402                          | TELEPHONE AND OTHER COMM. (RENTAL)        | \$ 608.00            | \$ 608.00                | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ 608.00          |
| 403                          | OFFICE SERVICES                           | \$ -                 | \$ 40.00                 | \$ 37.00            | \$ -                | \$ 3.00            |
| 412                          | RENTAL OF MISC. EQUIPMENT                 | \$ 2,000.00          | \$ 1,645.00              | \$ 1,052.54         | \$ 364.18           | \$ 228.28          |
| 417                          | ADVERTISING                               | \$ 500.00            | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 431                          | LEASING OF MISC. EQUIPMENT                | \$ 835.00            | \$ 384.00                | \$ 287.91           | \$ 95.97            | \$ 0.12            |
| 451                          | LOCAL TRAVEL AND INTRA CITY MEALS         | \$ 100.00            | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 499                          | OTHER EXPENDITURES-GENERAL                | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 602                          | TELECOMMUNICATION MAINTENANCE             | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 608                          | MAINTENANCE - GENERAL                     | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 612                          | OFFICE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE              | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 613                          | DATA PROCESSING MAINTENANCE               | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 615                          | PRINTING SERVICES - CONTRACTUAL           | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 622                          | TEMPORARY SERVICES                        | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 624                          | CLEANING SERVICES                         | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
| 684                          | PROFESSIONAL/COMPUTER SERVICES            | \$ -                 | \$ -                     | \$ -                | \$ -                | \$ -               |
|                              |                                           |                      |                          |                     |                     |                    |
|                              | <b>TOTAL OF REGULAR CODE</b>              | <b>\$ 7,940.00</b>   | <b>\$ 7,940.00</b>       | <b>\$ 5,108.37</b>  | <b>\$ 622.15</b>    | <b>\$ 2,209.48</b> |
|                              |                                           |                      |                          |                     |                     |                    |
| 40B-856                      | INTRA CITY TELEPHONE AND OTHER COMM.      | \$ 2,256.00          | \$ 2,256.00              | \$ 1,803.00         | \$ 453.00           | \$ -               |
| 414-4000                     | RENT                                      | \$ 103,400.00        | \$ 103,400.00            | \$ 65,731.50        | \$ 37,668.50        | \$ -               |
| 42C-856                      | INTRA-CITY HEAT, LIGHT AND POWER          | \$ 8,963.00          | \$ 8,963.00              | \$ 4,898.64         | \$ 4,064.36         | \$ -               |
|                              | <b>TOTAL OF INTRA-CITY AND RENT CODES</b> | <b>\$ 114,619.00</b> | <b>\$ 114,619.00</b>     | <b>\$ 72,433.14</b> | <b>\$ 42,185.86</b> | <b>\$ -</b>        |
|                              |                                           |                      |                          |                     |                     |                    |
|                              | <b>TOTAL ALL CODES</b>                    | <b>\$ 122,559.00</b> | <b>\$ 122,559.00</b>     | <b>\$ 77,541.51</b> | <b>\$ 42,808.01</b> | <b>\$ 2,209.48</b> |



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April 16, 2026

Jolene Lozewski, P.G., Project Manager  
NYSDEC, Division of Environmental Remediation  
625 Broadway  
Albany, NY 12233

## RE: 55 Eckford Street LLC - Brownfield Cleanup Program - Site No. C224168

Dear Ms. Lozewski,

On April 14, 2026, members of Brooklyn Community Board #1 voted unanimously to approve submitting this comment below regarding the Brownfield Cleanup Program located at 55 Eckford Street LLC, Site No. C224168, based on a recommendation from its Environmental Protection Committee:

The committee flagged this site cleanup program because the fact sheet notes:

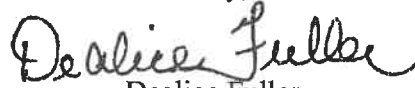
"...NYSDEC in consultation with the NYSDOH, has determined that the site poses a significant threat to public health or the environment. This decision is based on contaminants being found in groundwater and soil vapor at the site."

Therefore the board:

- Has strong concerns about onsite contamination migrating offsite to adjacent and nearby properties, especially residential properties and yards
- Requests the applicant ensure that trucks are staged and cleaned onsite
- Requests the applicant go above and beyond with controlling and mitigating dust
- Requests the applicant ensure that trucks follow designated truck routes approaching and leaving the site

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dealice Fuller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dealice" and the last name "Fuller" clearly distinguishable.

Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

cc: The Honorable Nydia Velazquez, Congresswoman  
The Honorable Kristen Gonzalez, Senator, District 59  
The Honorable Emily Gallagher, Assembly Member, District 50  
The Honorable Antonio Reynoso, Brooklyn Borough President  
The Honorable Lincoln Restler, Council Member, District 33  
Jane O'Connell, Regional Remediation Engineer, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation  
Benjamin Caligiuri, Public Health Specialist, NYS Department of Health



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Mr. Philip A. DeCicco  
Vice President and Deputy General Counsel  
National Grid  
One Metro Tech Center  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**RE: Requesting Information**

Dear Mr. DeCicco,

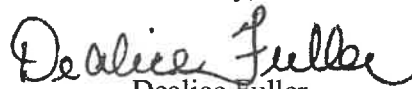
On April 14, 2026, members of Brooklyn Community Board #1 voted unanimously to send this letter, based on a recommendation from its Environmental Protection Committee:

In relation to National Grid's Long Term Plan and its Non-pipeline Alternatives program, which was presented by Gideon Banner, National Grid, Principal Analyst, Strategy & Policy, Distributed Energy Resources and discussed with members of the board's Environmental Protection Committee at their meeting on March 31, 2026 and members of the public, the board kindly requests the following detailed statistics on New York City natural gas distribution from National Grid to better understand the scope of the Non-pipeline Alternatives program:

- Total mileage of leak-prone pipes
- Total number of segments and customers
- Breakdowns by the six identified segments and for immediate-replacement
- Locations of current outreach projects
- How Non-pipeline alternatives are identified

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

  
Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

cc: The Honorable Nydia Velazquez, Congresswoman  
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April 16, 2026

Commissioner Tricia Shimamura  
Brooklyn Parks  
NYC Department of Parks & Recreation  
Litchfield Villa  
95 Prospect Park West  
Brooklyn, NY 11215

## RE: Timeline to expedite work on opening the Metropolitan Pool

Dear Commissioner Shimamura,

At its regular meeting held on April 15, 2026, Brooklyn Community Board No. 1, acting on a recommendation from its Parks & Waterfront Committee, voted to approve the sending of this letter.

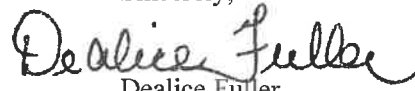
Community Board No. 1 conveys the following concerns and requests:

1. The community wants a new timeline to expedite work on opening the pool, Spring of 2028 opening is unacceptable
2. The community wants monthly updates on all construction work to the pool & sidewalk vault.
3. As the pool work moves forward, the community wants improvements made to the entire facility. (Equipment, Programing, Bathroom facilities)
4. When work is completed, we want regular scheduled air quality test preformed.
5. Request a walkthrough with the Parks Commissioner and Community Board 1 at the site Metropolitan Pool to see for ourselves what is going on

The vote was as follows: 26 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

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Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

Cc: Commissioner Martin Maher, NYC Parks  
Hon. Jennifer Gutierrez, Councilmember District 34  
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April 23, 2026

Honorable Jennifer Gutierrez  
34<sup>th</sup> District Council Member, New York City Council  
244 Union Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211

**RE: Street Co-Naming in honor of the LeBron Brothers (Intersection of Bushwick Avenue and Stagg Street)**

Dear Council Member Gutierrez,

At its regular meeting on the evening of April 14, 2026, Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 received a report from the Transportation Committee (attached). The Board Members subsequently voted to approve the issuance of this letter.

Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 supports the proposed street co-naming honoring The LeBron Brothers at the intersection of Bushwick Avenue and Stagg Street.

The vote was as follows: 27 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS".

Working for a Better Williamsburg-Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

cc: Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso  
NYC DOT Brooklyn Borough Commissioner Keith Bray



## **District Manager's Report**

**TO: All Board Members**

**FROM: Johana P. Pulgarin  
District Manager**

**RE: MARCH 10, 2026 –  
APRIL 14, 2026**

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1. Complaint Tally Sheet for March 2026
  2. District Service Cabinet Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2026
  3. Brooklyn Borough President's Office (BBPO) RE: Invitation to Brooklyn State of the Borough Address on April 16<sup>th</sup> for Community Board District Managers & Chairs – Event Will Take Place at the Brooklyn Museum, 200 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11238; Doors Open at 6:00 P.M., Program Begins at 7:00 P.M.
  4. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Car Share Program Update – Carshare Locations:
    - Renewals: 84 Broadway, 352 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 329 Grand Street, 233 Maujer Street, 76 Meserole Street, 247 Metropolitan Avenue, 231 Montrose Avenue, 205 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 55 Roebling Street, 326 Wythe Avenue, 313 Bedford Avenue, 280 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 171 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 92 Graham Avenue, 506 Grand Street, 110 Russell Street, 230 Franklin Street
    - Removals: 140 Metropolitan Avenue, 101 Bedford Avenue
  5. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Open Streets Locations Provisionally Approved In CB1 District (See Attached for Locations)
  6. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Sammy's Law Speed Reductions – The City Plans to Reduce Speed Limits in Select Areas Throughout CB1. The Following Areas Have Been Approved for a Reduction in Speed Limits:
    - On Driggs Avenue from Morgan Avenue to Eckford Street (15 mph)

- On Driggs Avenue from Meeker Avenue to Williamsburg Bridge (15 mph)
7. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Notification of Upcoming 15 MPH School-Zone Speed Limit Reductions At Eligible Locations (See Attached for Locations)
  8. NYC Department of Consumer & Worker Protection (DCWP) RE: Student Loan Resources Available at [nyc.gov/studentloans](https://nyc.gov/studentloans) – The Program Provides Free, Confidential, and Personalized Guidance Online, In Person, or By Phone, to Help New Yorkers Lower their Student Loan Payments
  9. NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) RE: It's Compost Giveback Season! Seasonal Giveback Sites Now in All Five Boroughs! (459 North Henry Street in Brooklyn, Wednesdays and Saturdays) Residents Interested in Getting Free, Finished Compost Must Register for a Specific Date at [nyc.gov/GetCompost](https://nyc.gov/GetCompost).
  10. NYC Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) RE: NYC Parks GreenThumb Outreach – Join the Annual Open Garden NYC on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7 – Hundreds of Community Gardens are Opening their Gates to the Public for a Weekend of Free Activities and Exploration (Locations of Community Gardens in Brooklyn Community Board 1 Attached)
  11. NYC Office of Emergency Management (OEM) RE: 2025-2026 School Year Cycle for The Commissioner for a Day Program is Starting – High School Students Across the City of New York Can Apply at [on.nyc.gov/nycemyouthcommissioner](https://on.nyc.gov/nycemyouthcommissioner) by April 19, 2026, Sunday, 11:59 P.M. EST! (Winner Will Meet With the Commissioner, Tour the NYCEM Headquarters, etc.)
  12. NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) RE: Resources & Highlights 3/24/26 – NYC Health Department Launches \$1 Million Media Campaign, “Ask Questions, Get Answers, Vaccinate”; NYC Health Department Now Accepting New Mobile Food Vending Waiting List Applications for U.S. Veterans and People with Disabilities; NYC Health Department Issues Health Advisory on First Mpox Clade I Case Detected in the City
  13. NYC Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) RE: NYC Parks Announces New Emergency Rule for Special Event Permitting During Summer 2026 to Ensure Efficient Deployment of Police Resources and Public Safety During the Busy Summer 2026 Season
  14. Con Edison RE: Enhanced Energy Affordability Program (EEAP) – Expansion of Con Edison's Program to Help New Yorkers in Need of Support So That Even More New Yorkers Can Save on their Energy Bills
  15. NYS Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) RE: Updated Incident Reporting Form Now Available to Report Concerns with Cannabis Products, Packaging, or Content; Potential Illegal Activity; Unethical Business Conduct; Unwanted Health Reactions After Using Cannabis (adverse events); General Complaints; Questions or Suggestions

16. NYC Transit Government and Community Relations (GCR) RE: Launch of New Best-In Class MTA App, Automated Camera Enforcement, and More!
17. NYC Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) RE: New Resource Recently Developed by NYC Parks' Forestry Team; Neighborhood Tree Planting Program Page is Live, with Maps of Parks' Tree Planting Implementation Goals Within a 9-Year Planting Cycle
18. NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) RE: Mayor Mamdani Launches Child Care Provider Permitting Portal, Birth Certificate Information, Helping Information on Mosquitoes & Ticks
19. NYC Administration for Children's Services (ACS) Division of Youth and Family Justice RE: Information About the Brooklyn Family Assessment Program (FAP) – Please Distribute Attached Brochures to Families with Youths Exhibiting Challenging Behaviors Who May Benefit from ACS/FAP's Services (Mentoring, Family Therapy and Respite Services)
20. New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) RE: Explore NYMTC's Recently Released Annual Report: *Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Transportation Innovation!*

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) RE: DSNY Proposed Implementation Dates for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones – Comment-By Date: 5/8/26, Hearing Dates: 5/8/26
2. NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) RE: Final Rules – Commissioner's Regulation 24RCNY – Chapter 8 – Cooling Towers – Rule Effective Date: 5/8/26
3. NYC Department of Buildings (DOB) RE: Proposed Rule – Amendment of Rules Relating to Sidewalk Sheds – Comment-By Date: 4/27/26, Hearing Dates: 4/27/26

### **CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATIONS IN CB1**

1. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Continuation of Rehabilitation of Williamsburg Bridge with Nighttime, Full Closure of the Brooklyn-bound and Manhattan-bound Outer Roadways, April 6<sup>th</sup> – April 17<sup>th</sup>, Monday – Friday, 9:00 P.M. – 5:00 A.M.
2. NYS Department of Transportation (DOT) Region 11 RE: NYSDOT Advisories for the NYC Region, 4/6/26 – 4/12/26
3. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Conducting Repairs on the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge Over Newtown Creek – Greenpoint Avenue Bridges Single Lane Closure Will Take Place on Either Eastbound or Westbound, Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, Between 11:00 P.M. – 5:00 A.M.

4. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Continuation of Structural Repairs of the Grand Street Bridge Over Newtown Creek – Full Bridge Closure Schedule Below:
  - Nights: Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 P.M. – 5:00 A.M.
  - Daytime: Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
5. NYCT Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) RE: Jamaica Subway Line Overcoat Project Update – The Work Will Move Down from the Lorimer Street Section of Track on Broadway Towards the Williamsburg Bridge Portal; Work is Expected to Begin On or About the Week of March 30<sup>th</sup>; Work is Expected to Last for About Two Weeks in Each Area of Work
6. NYCT Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) RE: Update on Service Changes to G Train:
  - No G Service Between Bedford-Nostrand Avenues and Court Square, April 13<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup>, Monday – Friday, 9:45 P.M. – 5:00 A.M.
  - No G Service Between Bedford-Nostrand Avenues and Court Square, April 17<sup>th</sup> – April 20<sup>th</sup>, Friday 9:45 P.M. – Monday 5:00 A.M.
7. NYC Department of Design & Construction (DDC) RE: Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps at Designed Locations (HWPR23KQ) – Partial Sidewalk, Parking & Driveway Access Restrictions, Monday, 3/23/26 – Friday, 4/24/26, from 7:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.; No Work on Sundays (See Attached for Locations)
8. NYC Department of Design & Construction (DDC) RE: Weekly Construction Bulletin for Simple Upgrades Pedestrian Ramps – Brooklyn and Queens (HWPR23KQ), 4/6/26 – 4/11/26 (See Attached)
9. NYCT Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) RE: Brooklyn Manhattan-bound J/M Skips Flushing Avenue, Lorimer Street, and Hewes Street from April 18<sup>th</sup> – April 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 3:45 A.M. – Sunday 10:00 P.M. Due to Structural Maintenance
10. NYC Department of Design & Construction (DDC) RE: Weekly Construction Bulletins for Simple Upgrades Pedestrian Ramps – Brooklyn and Queens (HWPR23KQ), 4/13/26 – 4/18/26 (See Attached)
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## COMPLAINT TALLY

MARCH 7, 2026, TO APRIL 8, 2026

| COMPLAINT TYPE       | TALLY | COMPLAINT TYPE         | TALLY |
|----------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| AIR                  |       | MTA                    |       |
| ANIMAL CONTROL       |       | NATIONAL GRID          |       |
| APPLICATION          | 16    | NOISE                  | 5     |
| ARCADE / RIDES       |       | OTHER                  | 3     |
| ASSISTANCE           | 13    | PARKING                | 25    |
| BASKET REQUEST       |       | PARKS DEPARTMENT       | 7     |
| BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT | 4     | PEST CONTROL           |       |
| BULK PICKUP          |       | PLATES                 |       |
| CATCH BASIN          | 2     | POLICE DEPARTMENT      | 9     |
| CAVE - IN            |       | POOLS                  |       |
| CODE ENFORCE         |       | POTHOLES               |       |
| COLLEGE              |       | PROTECTION             |       |
| CON-EDISON           |       | PRUNING                |       |
| CRIME                |       | PUBLIC ASSISTANCE      | 14    |
| DCA                  |       | REAL ESTATE            |       |
| DCAS                 |       | RECYCLING              |       |
| DCP                  |       | REFERRALS              |       |
| DEMO                 |       | REGULAR PICKUP         |       |
| DEP                  | 12    | RELOCATION             |       |
| DERELICT AUTO /BIKES |       | RENT CONTROL           |       |
| DOCUMENTS            |       | SANITATION             | 4     |
| DOS                  |       | SCHOOL / PS            |       |
| DOT                  | 12    | SCHOOL REGION          |       |
| DRUGS                |       | SEAL-UP                |       |
| EDUCATION            |       | SENIOR HOUSING         |       |
| ELEVATOR             |       | SERVICE                |       |
| ENFORCEMENT          | 18    | SEWER BACKUP           |       |
| EQUIPMENT            |       | SEWER BREAK            |       |
| FEDERAL              |       | SIDEWALK               | 1     |
| FIRE DEPARTMENT      | 1     | SIGNS                  |       |
| FOOD STAMPS          |       | SNOW REMOVAL           |       |
| GREEN STREET         |       | SOCIAL SERVICES        |       |
| HEALTH DEPARTMENT    | 4     | SPRAYING               |       |
| HEAT / HOT WATER     |       | STATE                  |       |
| HIGHWAYS             |       | STREETLIGHT            |       |
| HPD                  | 8     | TRAFFIC LIGHTS         |       |
| HRA                  |       | TREE REMOVAL           |       |
| HS                   |       | TREE REQUESTS          |       |
| HYDRANT              |       | TRENCH WORK (& DEP)    |       |
| INFO REQUEST         | 63    | UNSWEEP STREET LIGHTER |       |
| JHS                  |       | VERIZON / CABLE        |       |
| LEGAL                |       | WATER                  |       |
| LICENSE              | 29    |                        |       |
| LOTCLEANING          |       |                        |       |
| LOT CLEANING / BQE   |       |                        |       |
| MEDICAID             | 1     |                        |       |
| METERS               |       |                        |       |
|                      |       | TOTAL                  | 251   |



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## DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MEETING

MARCH 19, 2026

435 GRAHAM AVENUE

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### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

District Manager, Ms. Johana P. Pulgarin called the District Service Cabinet Meeting to order and noted the agenda which included a round robin session.

### ROUND ROBIN SESSION

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT):** Brooklyn Borough Commissioner's Office, Community Liaison Maria Cruz –

Ms. Cruz reported that she was working to confirm a date for a presentation regarding the Grand Street Bridge update. While April and May were initially considered, she noted that March was not feasible due to scheduling constraints.

District Manager Johana Pulgarin informed Ms. Cruz that April is no longer available for presentations. The Executive Board received twelve presentation requests for the April Full Board Meeting and reduced the number to six time-sensitive items. As a result, the Executive Board requested that DOT present at the May 12 Full Board Meeting instead of the Transportation Committee, in alignment with a request from Transportation Committee Chair Eric Bruzaitis.

Ms. Cruz agreed to proceed with the May 12 presentation date and confirmed that this delay would not impact on the project timeline. District Manager Pulgarin confirmed logistical details for the upcoming presentation.

Ms. Cruz also shared that DOT has compiled a pothole repair list for Community Board 1 and will distribute it to the Board.

### **Traffic Concerns: McGuinness Boulevard & Meeker Avenue**

First Vice Chair Weiser raised ongoing concerns regarding traffic congestion at the intersection of McGuinness Boulevard and Meeker Avenue. He explained that traffic merging into a single lane is causing backups that block the intersection and create persistent congestion.

Ms. Cruz requested clarification on potential solutions to relay to DOT engineers. Mr. Weiser stated that while he could not propose a technical solution, the current conditions are ineffective and require intervention.

District Manager Pulgarin recommended that the issue be raised during the upcoming McGuinness Boulevard presentation. She also questioned whether drivers running red lights may be contributing to the congestion.

PO Sierra of the 90th Precinct added that drivers blocking the intersection contributes significantly to the issue. He suggested that improved signal timing, implementation of “Don’t Block the Box” signage, and increased enforcement could help alleviate congestion, noting similar measures used in Long Island.

Ms. Cruz acknowledged the concerns and confirmed that she would compile and relay all feedback to DOT engineers for review and follow-up.

(Please see attached DOT Pothole Repair list in CB1)

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION:** Community Construction Liaison Delia Fabre –

Ms. Fabre reported that construction work at Wallabout Street and Lee Avenue is ongoing and expected to be completed by next week. Following completion, crews will move to Wallabout Street and Bedford Avenue to work on traffic lights and signals, and subsequently to Harrison Avenue and Union Avenue.

Ms. Fabre noted that exact dates are not yet available but expects the contractor to provide a weekly look-ahead schedule. Ms. Fabre also stated that she has a meeting scheduled with the contractor and will include additional details in her upcoming weekly bulletin.

### **Outstanding Issue: Catch Basin**

First Vice Chair Weiser expressed concern regarding a large catch basin, approximately six feet in height, that has remained at the site for over a year. He stated that its prolonged presence is unacceptable and creates a serious concern, particularly as it is blocking the sidewalk. He added that the contractor should be able to remove the catch basin.

Ms. Fabre explained that the equipment currently available is not suitable to remove the catch basin. She noted that the contractor has only one appropriate machine, which is currently being used on another project. She also stated that the DDC engineer present could address the issue directly with the contractor and confirmed that it would be raised again during the contractor meeting the following day to expedite progress.

District Manager Johana Pulgarin thanked Ms. Fabre for the update and emphasized that the catch basin issue has remained unresolved for too long and presents a safety hazard. She stated that it should not still be in place and requested a follow-up response. Ms. Fabre confirmed that she will follow up again with the contractor.

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE (DOHMH):** Community Liaison Afia McCausky – Ms. McCausky reported no updates.

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP):** Manhattan Borough Commissioner and Acting Borough Commissioner for Brooklyn North Martin Fatooh –

Commissioner Martin Fatooh presented the February complaint overview for Community Board. He reported that the top complaint category was construction noise before and after permitted hours, with a total of 89 complaints recorded.

Commissioner Fatooh noted an increase in complaints related to water main breaks. He clarified that this did not reflect an increase in actual water main failures, but rather a higher volume of service requests stemming from two significant incidents in the district. Both incidents were caused by private building plumbing issues that required DEP to shut down water mains to address leaks, temporarily affecting entire blocks.

The incidents occurred:

- North 8th Street between Kent Avenue and Wythe Avenue
- Middleton Street near John Wayne Elementary School

In both cases, DEP responded and restored service, though temporary disruptions occurred due to necessary shutdowns.

### **Complaint Breakdown (February)**

- Construction noise (before/after hours): 89
- Running hydrants: 30
- Noise complaints (alarms): 29
- Noise complaints (construction equipment): 24
- Leaking hydrants: 23
- Excessive water in basements/leaks: 14
- Defective hydrants: 9

Commissioner Fatooh emphasized that the water-related incidents were largely attributable to private property issues rather than failures within the public water system.

First Vice Chair Weiser requested clarification regarding “running hydrants” and basement water complaints.

Commissioner Martin Fatooh explained that running hydrants typically occur when hydrants are opened, damaged, or leaking such as when struck by a vehicle. In such cases, DEP responds promptly to stop the flow, often using clamps to address the issue. He also noted that there were 14 complaints related to excessive water in basements.

First Vice Chair Weiser further asked how DEP responds to these types of complaints.

Commissioner Fatooh explained that when the issue is internal to a property, the responsibility generally falls on the property owner to contact a licensed plumber. DEP may intervene in limited circumstances, particularly when there is a public safety concern, such as sewage backup or when no responsible party is available on-site. In such cases, DEP or the Fire Department may assist with emergency measures. He added that DEP may issue notices to property owners requiring corrective action when private plumbing issues affect public infrastructure. Commissioner Fatooh emphasized that the recent water main disruptions in Williamsburg and Greenpoint were caused by private property plumbing issues, which required DEP intervention and impacted surrounding residents.

District Manager Johana Pulgarin raised a prior complaint related to a fire on Kingsland Avenue, where a constituent experienced delays in shutting off water and later received a significantly high-water bill. She noted that the constituent attempted to appeal the charge and expressed concern about the fairness of the situation.

Commissioner Martin Fatooh stated that the matter may have been handled by the Bureau of Customer Service (BCS), which reviews billing-related cases. He requested that the details be shared so he can follow up.

District Manager Pulgarin confirmed that she will locate the prior correspondence and follow up on the unresolved issue.

Mr. Mayancela, from Councilmember Jennifer Gutierrez’s Office, raised a concern regarding tenants at 467 Keap Street. The building is mixed-use, with residential units located above a gym. Residents have reported excessive noise levels, particularly around 5:00 a.m.

Commissioner Martin Fatooh asked whether complaints had been submitted to DEP. Mr. Mayancela confirmed that they had but noted that inspections appear to have been conducted only from outside the building, rather than inside the affected apartments where the noise is experienced.

Commissioner Fatooh explained that DEP typically conducts exterior inspections as an initial method; however, in-apartment sound measurements can be arranged. He noted that residents would need to provide access and coordinate a scheduled time for DEP to conduct the assessment.

Mr. Mayancela added that multiple 311 complaints have also been filed and reiterated concerns that follow-up inspections have not been conducted inside the apartments. He clarified that the issue is specifically related to the gym at that location.

Commissioner Fatooh provided his contact information to facilitate coordination for an in-unit inspection and noted that, while inspectors manage a high volume of cases, DEP will make efforts to assist. He also clarified that the New York City Police Department may respond to certain types of noise complaints, such as neighbor-to-neighbor issues, while DEP handles commercial and external noise sources.

PO Dubois from 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct commented that the Q team has recently been trained in apartment sound measurement. One challenge is that New York City is naturally loud, so sometimes noise heard inside an apartment may not meet the threshold when measured from outside.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin raised another question. We have been receiving complaints from the north side about an individual who frequently screams outside. He lives in a nearby building, and Council Member Restler is already working on the issue. Residents are trying to find a solution, and they asked whether DEP could conduct sound measurements in this case. She understands there may be some separation in responsibilities here.

Commissioner Fatooh agreed, saying that is correct. DEP handles construction noise after hours and certain types of commercial noise, such as music from large venues. However, when it comes to neighbor-to-neighbor or domestic-type situations, those generally fall outside of DEP's scope.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin said that the concern being raised according to the constituent is that enforcement through the police has not been effective. The individual lives in the building but goes out to the piers and starts yelling sometimes making threatening statements. This situation has been ongoing and has even been reported in the news this past week. Residents are asking why more cannot be done.

PO Dubois from 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct understood the concern. It is not about avoiding responsibility, but DEP authority is limited in cases like this. If the individual is making direct threats to someone, that could be addressed as a criminal matter. However, if he is generally yelling, it becomes very difficult to enforce. Measuring that kind of noise is also challenging by the time inspectors arrive, the behavior often stops, especially if the individual notices law enforcement. PO Dubois also stated that it is a difficult situation, but there are still some options. He would suggest reaching out to the individual's family, if possible. There are also support services available. For example, the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and organizations like Safe Horizon can provide assistance and intervention.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin reported that the Department of Health has already been involved in addressing the situation.

Ms. McCausky from DOHMH stated that the DOHMH team recently responded. The individual appears to be experiencing mental health challenges. A referral for services has been made, and DOHMH continues to follow up. While the individual is willing to accept assistance, the situation remains complex. If necessary, DOHMH may transport the individual to a hospital; however, they are not able to hold him there indefinitely.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin noted that it is encouraging that the individual is open to receiving help. Ms. McCausky added that even after receiving care, individuals may choose to leave unless they are deemed a danger to themselves or others. As a result, the case requires ongoing monitoring and support, leading to continued back-and-forth engagement.

PO Dubois from 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct stated that this has become a long-term process. Even when all agencies fulfill their responsibilities, the individual may be released within a short period, sometimes within 72 hours.

Ms. McCausky from DOHMH further explained that the issue was initially reported in a park, where their team does not typically respond. However, after identifying the individual's home address, the team conducted a follow-up visit. The individual was home at the time and engaged in conversation. While the situation did not present as an immediate crisis, he was receptive to continued support. The priority moving forward is ensuring that the referral results in sustained care and active participation in services.

First Vice Chair Weiser thanked publicly to DEP for listening and addressing community concerns. CB1 appreciate your efforts.

(Please see attached CB1 complaints list provided by DEP)

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (DSS):** Brooklyn Borough Director Rey O. Carrero –

Mr. Carrero reported that the new commissioner, Erin Dalton, is currently implementing changes within the agency. As discussed at the previous meeting, DSS is continuing to evaluate how to address encampments, which remains a significant concern. At this time, he noted that there are no substantive updates to share.

Mr. Carrero explained that there have been recent changes among senior staff, and formal announcements will be made once those changes are finalized. In the interim, DSS continues to operate while adapting to these transitions. He emphasized that operations are currently in flux but are expected to stabilize in the near future. He encouraged members to submit any concerns or matters requiring follow-up and stated that he is available to respond directly or provide updates at subsequent meetings.

District Manager Johana Pulgarin thanked Mr. Carrero and inquired whether a report on the HOPE count, including details on the counting process, is available, and requested any updates.

Mr. Carrero stated that the count was conducted recently and that he has not yet received the results. He initially indicated that he would attempt to obtain HOPE count data specific to Community Board 1. However, he later clarified via email that DSS does not collect or release the count data directly, and that the information will be publicly released by the state once finalized.

### **Human Resources Administration (HRA) & Benefits Access Issues**

Mr. Mayancela from Jeniffer Gutierrez's Office said he wanted to highlight what seems to be a significant issue with Human Resources Administration (HRA). People are submitting applications for benefits, but they are being rejected even after completing the required steps. For instance, applicants upload documents through Human Resources Administration (HRA), yet the system indicates that nothing was submitted, despite participants having proof. We have been hearing consistent reports from local organizations and churches in our district, and it is also impacting seniors. Is the agency taking any internal steps to address this?

Mr. Carrero replied that at this point, when these issues arise, DSS tries to resolve them as quickly as possible. From what Mr. Mayancela is describing, it may partly relate to technical problems with the ACCESS HRA app. Since it is relatively new, there may still be occasional glitches, and improvements are ongoing. That said, unless your office is directly assisting with submissions, it can sometimes be difficult to verify whether all documents were properly filed, as individuals may unintentionally miss steps.

Mr. Mayancela said he understands, but it really does seem to be an issue with the application. He has encountered cases where individuals both uploaded and mailed their documents, even using expedited delivery, yet the submissions still were not acknowledged.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin shared that she recently met with a representative from the Mayor's Office, and they acknowledged there is a significant issue with documentation. They explained that many applicants are unclear about what documents are required when applying for SNAP benefits. The Mayor's Office is working on improving this and mentioned they would connect us with a team that can better guide constituents by clearly outlining what is needed in advance so they can prepare their documents before submitting applications. This concern was also mentioned during her conversation with the Mayor's Office, and they indicated it is something they are actively working to address.

Mr. Mayancela said that another concern is potential fraud, particularly cases where seniors' benefits are being taken away. He is not entirely sure of all the details, but it seems to be an additional issue.

### **EBT Fraud & Public Safety**

During the update from DSS, the NYPD provided this information to raise awareness about the recent increase in EBT fraud and suspected skimming incidents affecting the community, particularly seniors. The goal is to inform residents about how these scams occur, share prevention strategies, and encourage individuals to take precautions to protect their benefits, while also highlighting available reporting support and ongoing investigative efforts.

- The 90th Precinct is currently addressing a rise in EBT fraud and suspected card skimming in the area, with approximately 50–60 reported cases, many involving seniors.
- Fraud may involve merchants or devices capturing card information; however, no single source has been confirmed, and incidents may originate from multiple locations.
- Many cases do not meet the threshold for grand larceny, which makes enforcement and prosecution more complex.
- The issue has been escalated through NYPD leadership, and similar patterns are being reported in other precincts.
- The Financial Crimes Task Force is involved, but investigations are ongoing and often limited without clear evidence or patterns.

### **Prevention & Safety Guidance:**

- Do not hand your card to others, always swipe or insert it yourself.
- Cover your PIN when entering it and be cautious of any resistance when using card readers or ATMs.
- Avoid suspicious devices or machines; report anything unusual.
- Lock EBT or credit cards when not in use, if possible.
- Use credit cards instead of debit cards when available for stronger fraud protection.
- Be cautious of phone calls and emails requesting personal information do not engage and verify independently.
- Use certified mail when sending sensitive documents and be aware of “mailbox fishing” scams.

### **Support & Reporting:**

- The 90th Precinct is working with senior centers to assist with reporting, including in-home reporting for homebound individuals.
- Due to high case volume, response times may be limited, but efforts are ongoing.
- Victims may be eligible for reimbursement, though the process can be lengthy.

**NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT 90<sup>th</sup> PRECINCT:** Community Affairs Police Officer Kenneth Dubois, Community Affairs Police Officer Brach Sierra –

PO Dubois stated that the EBT theft issue is part of a larger pattern of card skimming and fraud that affects not only benefit cards but also debit and credit cards. He explained that, from an investigative standpoint, cases are difficult to consolidate into more serious charges unless enough incidents can be linked to the same actor or location. He also stated that the precinct is working with local partners to assist seniors in filing reports, including visiting senior centers and, where necessary, individuals’ homes. He noted that the volume of reports is high and that police resources are limited, making coordination essential. He further warned that scams increasingly involve fake calls and AI-assisted impersonation and advised residents to be skeptical of unsolicited calls claiming to be from banks, Social Security, or law enforcement.

PO Sierra stated that the precinct has been actively tracking EBT and card-skimming complaints and has raised the issue with supervisors and financial crimes investigators. He explained that

many seniors make the mistake of handing their cards to merchants, which increases the risk of skimming, and stressed that cards should never be given to someone else to swipe. He described common warning signs of skimming devices, including unusual resistance when swiping a card and the use of hidden cameras to capture PIN numbers. He also stated that “tap-to-pay” systems can be exploited through fraudulent stickers or altered readers; however, using a phone-based wallet can be safer, as it transmits randomized payment data. He noted that while there may be local suspicions regarding particular markets or merchants, the police cannot accuse a business without stronger proof. He further stated that EBT cards currently lack stronger protections, such as widespread chip or tap functionality, making them more vulnerable. PO Sierra emphasized that the overall message is preventive: protect the card, shield the PIN, lock cards when not in use, and exercise caution with all payment methods.

PO Sierra also stated that from March through Sunday the 22nd and into April 9, there will be food distributions and Passover-related activities, which are expected to increase traffic, gatherings, and neighborhood activity.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin then raised a more urgent concern regarding FedEx trucks on Kingsland Avenue and Jackson Street. She stated that two children, ages four and eight, were struck by a car in that area the previous day, and that she personally observed officers conducting enforcement for the stop signs while FedEx trucks remained double-parked obstructing traffic on the road. She emphasized that the double-parked trucks pose a serious safety hazard, particularly due to the presence of a nearby daycare, as they block visibility and turning movements. She also noted that this issue has been raised previously with the 94th Precinct and remains unresolved.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin also raised a second concern regarding a complaint received about Sanitation vehicles on Varick Street, stating that they continue to park in loading zones and block businesses, and that agency responses to date have been insufficient.

PO Sierra added that the precinct has previously had a productive working relationship with security at the FedEx Maspeth facility and will attempt to reconnect and coordinate with them again to address the issue collaboratively.

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION:** Associate Park Service Representative, Natalie Latibeaudiere –

Ms. Latibeaudiere reported no updates.

Mr. Mayancela from Jennifer Gutierrez’s Office raised a concern about the community garden that is opening at Roebling Street, saying it appeared that tree branches were down, possibly from a storm. He noted that the site was preparing for opening day and asked whether anyone was going there, signaling concern that the condition of the trees might affect readiness and safety.

Ms. Cruz from DOT responded that if the issue involved large branches, she could have Forestry/Streets come out, since the branches were too large for her team to handle directly. Her response indicated a willingness to coordinate follow-up through the appropriate city unit.

PO Dubois from 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct said before he leaves, he wanted to mention if the presents are able to reach out to local bars and restaurants, especially those hosting FIFA (World Soccer Cup) related events, please let 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct know so they can ensure a police presence in those areas. Also, from now through April 9, there will be multiple food distribution events, along with increased activity due to Passover. We expect higher foot traffic and celebrations, so we want the community to stay informed.

PO Dubois from 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct answered that at the moment, nothing is confirmed on our end He will need to check with his commanding officer and follow up. However, 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct is planning a large event at Rodney Park that will include giveaways.

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin asked to please share any flyers once they are available.

**COUNCILMEMBER JENNIFER GUTIERREZ'S OFFICE:** Director of Community Organizing Juan Mayancela –

Mr. Mayancela said that they are all aware of the ongoing issues near Rodney Park. Noting that the office is taking a community-based approach and working in working with partners and got 319 BID reviews.

Mr. Mayancela also highlighted collaboration with the North Brooklyn Parks Alliance and announced an upcoming street care event on South 4th Street near Rodney Park, scheduled for April 18 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Community members were encouraged to attend and support the effort.

District Manager Johana Pulgarin thanked all participants for their continued engagement and contributions to the community.

**COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1:** District Manager Johana P. Pulgarin –

District Manager Pulgarin thanked everyone for attending and concluded the meeting. District Manager advised all attendees that the next District Service Cabinet Meeting will be held on April 16, 2026.

**DOT POTHOLE REPAIR IN CB1 LIST:**

| CB | On Street                  | From Street                 | To Street              |
|----|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 01 | GREENPOINT AVENUE          | HUMBOLDT STREET             |                        |
| 01 | METROPOLITAN AVENUE        | LORIMER STREET              | UNION AVENUE           |
| 01 | BROADWAY                   | HEWES STREET                |                        |
| 01 | GRAND STREET               | LORIMER STREET              |                        |
| 01 | SKILLMAN AVENUE            | LORIMER STREET              | MEEKER AVENUE          |
| 01 | DRIGGS AVENUE              | SOUTH 3 STREET              |                        |
| 01 | AINSLIE STREET             | KEAP STREET                 | UNION AVENUE           |
| 01 | UNION AVENUE               | BAYARD STREET               | NORTH 11 STREET        |
| 01 | MCGUINNESS BOULEVARD       | NASSAU AVENUE               | NORMAN AVENUE          |
| 01 | DRIGGS AVENUE              | NORTH 8 STREET              |                        |
| 01 | MANHATTAN AVENUE           | BEND                        | NEWTON STREET          |
| 01 | BROADWAY                   | BROOKLYN QUEENS EXPRESSWAY  | MARCY AVENUE           |
|    | BROADWAY                   | DRIGGS AVENUE               | ROEBLING STREET        |
| 01 | SOUTH 8 STREET             | BERRY STREET                | WYTHE AVENUE           |
| 01 | DRIGGS AVENUE              | NORTH 6 STREET              | NORTH 7 STREET         |
| 01 | SOUTH 5 STREET             | HEWES STREET                | HOOPER STREET          |
|    | AVENUE U                   | CARMELA MRS C CASAMENTO WAY | EDWARD H ALLEVA CORNER |
| 01 | FREEMAN STREET             | MCGUINNESS BOULEVARD        |                        |
| 01 | GRAND STREET EXTENSION     | HAVEMEYER STREET            |                        |
| 01 | MEEKER AVENUE              | FROST STREET                | MANHATTAN AVENUE       |
| 01 | JOHNSON AVENUE             | PORTER AVENUE               | VARICK AVENUE          |
| 01 | UNION AVENUE               | HEWES STREET                | STAGG STREET           |
| 01 | RODNEY STREET              | AINSLIE STREET              | MEEKER AVENUE          |
| 01 | GRAND STREET               | LORIMER STREET              | UNION AVENUE           |
|    | BROADWAY                   | HEWES STREET                | HOOPER STREET          |
| 01 | HUMBOLDT STREET            | NORMAN AVENUE               |                        |
| 01 | METROPOLITAN AVENUE        | UNION AVENUE                |                        |
| 01 | THROOP AVENUE              | BARTLETT STREET             | WHIPPLE STREET         |
| 01 | BARTLETT STREET            | THROOP AVENUE               |                        |
| 01 | MORTON STREET              | BEDFORD AVENUE              | JULIANA PLACE          |
| 01 | DEVOE STREET               | GRAHAM AVENUE               | HUMBOLDT STREET        |
| 01 | SUTTON STREET              | DRIGGS AVENUE               | NASSAU AVENUE          |
| 01 | BQE WB ENTRANCE MEEKER AVE | GRAHAM AVENUE               |                        |
| 01 | MONITOR STREET             | GREENPOINT AVENUE           | NORMAN AVENUE          |
| 01 | BROADWAY                   | KEAP STREET                 | RODNEY STREET          |
| 01 | BROADWAY                   | MARCY AVENUE                |                        |
| 01 | BROOME STREET              | GRAHAM AVENUE               | MCGUINNESS BLVD SOUTH  |
| 01 | GRAND STREET               | RODNEY STREET               |                        |

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| 01 | BUSHWICK AVENUE  | AINSLIE STREET               | DEVOE STREET        |
| 01 | LOMBARDY STREET  | PORTER AVENUE                |                     |
|    | BUSHWICK AVENUE  | CONWAY STREET                | HIGHLAND BOULEVARD  |
| 01 | KENT AVENUE      | NORTH 5 STREET               |                     |
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| 01 | MANHATTAN AVENUE | CONSELYEA STREET             | SKILLMAN AVENUE     |
| 01 | MANHATTAN AVENUE | CONSELYEA STREET             | METROPOLITAN AVENUE |
| 01 | HARRISON AVENUE  | WALTON STREET                |                     |
|    | MEEKER AVENUE    | MONITOR STREET               | NORTH HENRY STREET  |

## **CB1 COMPLAINTS PROVIDED BY DEP**

|     |                                                |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|
| 1.  | 89 – Noise: Construction Before/ After Hour    |
| 2.  | 50 – Lead Kit Request                          |
| 3.  | 47 – Leak                                      |
| 4.  | 32 – Possible Water Main Break                 |
| 5.  | 30 – Hydrant Running                           |
| 6.  | 30- Hydrant Running Full                       |
| 7.  | 29 – Noise: Alarms                             |
| 8.  | 24 – Noise: Construction Equipment             |
| 9.  | 23 - Hydrant Leaking                           |
| 10. | 16 – Noise, Barking Dog                        |
| 11. | 14 – Excessive Water in Basement               |
| 12. | 10 – No water                                  |
| 13. | 9 – Hydrant Defective                          |
| 14. | 9 – Water Meter Broken/Leaking                 |
| 15. | 8 – Air: Odor/Fumes, vehicle idling            |
| 16. | 8 – Dirty Water                                |
| 17. | 8 – Manhole Cover Missing                      |
| 18. | 8 – Noise: air condition/ventilation equipment |
| 19. | 7 – SBU                                        |
| 20. | 6 – Catch Basin Clogged/Flooding               |
| 21. | 6 – Noise: Jack Hammering                      |
| 22. | 4 – Catch Basin Search                         |
| 23. | 4 – Noise: Manufacturing Noise                 |
| 24. | 4 – Water Meter Broken/Leaking                 |
| 25. | 3 – Chemical Odor                              |
| 26. | 3 – Hydrant Knocked over                       |
| 27. | 3 – low water pressure                         |
| 28. | 3 – Manhole Overflow                           |
| 29. | 3 – Noise: Private Carting                     |
| 30. | 3 – Street Flooding                            |



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ANTONIO REYNOSO**

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16  
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**Fw: NYCDOT Car Share Program**

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**From:** Cruz, Maria  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 10, 2026 11:42 AM  
**To:** BK01 (CB)  
**Cc:** Branch, Leroy  
**Subject:** NYCDOT Car Share Program

Good morning, Johana Pulgarin

Please see attached.

Sincerely,

Maria Cruz  
Office of the Brooklyn Borough Commissioner  
New York City Department of Transportation



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Ms. Johana Pulgarin  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211

February 13, 2026

Dear District Manager Pulgarin,

I am reaching out with an update on the Department of Transportation's (DOT) Carshare Program.

Carshare is a NYC DOT program that aims to encourage car sharing in NYC. The primary goal is to decrease overall car usage, which in turn enhances local air quality, alleviates congestion, reduces household transportation costs and improve mobility options for New Yorkers. Through Carshare, residents secure on-demand access to a shared fleet of vehicles, typically through a membership and hourly fee.

NYC DOT launched the Permanent Carshare Parking Program in the Spring of 2023. Currently, the program includes Zipcar with 257 on-street spaces and 53 municipal parking facility locations. Notably, Truqit, a former Carshare operator, has ceased all operations with New York State, with their spaces being returned to Alternate Side Parking regulations. Since the Program's inception, more than 370,000 trips have been taken from carshare spaces serving an average of 16 households per available vehicle per month.

The Carshare Program operates under a structured process whereby registered Carshare Organizations (CSOs) apply for site-specific permits, which are evaluated by NYC DOT based on a clear set of established criteria. The carshare locations listed below have successfully met these criteria and will provide dedicated curb space for carshare parking. The comprehensive list of Carshare sites within your Community Board, along with Borough and Community Board-specific data, is included below for your reference.

As always, my office is available to answer any questions that you may have and will work with the CSO applicants to provide additional informational materials and presentations upon request.

Sincerely,

Keith Bray  
Brooklyn Borough Commissioner

**Carshare Locations:**

| <b>Site Request</b> | <b>Address</b>                   | <b>On Street</b>             | <b>Side</b> |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Renewal             | 84 Broadway                      | Berry Street                 | W           |
| Renewal             | 352 South 5 <sup>th</sup> Street | South 5 <sup>th</sup> Street | W           |
| Renewal             | 329 Grand Street                 | Grand Street                 | E           |
| Renewal             | 233 Maujer Street                | Maujer Street                | W           |
| Renewal             | 76 Meserole Street               | Meserole Street              | E           |
| Renewal             | 247 Metropolitan Avenue          | Metropolitan Avenue          | E           |
| Renewal             | 231 Montrose Avenue              | Montrose Avenue              | W           |
| Renewal             | 205 North 4 <sup>th</sup> Street | North 5 <sup>th</sup> Street | E           |
| Renewal             | 55 Roebling Street               | North 8 <sup>th</sup> Street | S           |
| Renewal             | 326 Wythe Avenue                 | South 1 <sup>st</sup> Street | S           |
| Renewal             | 313 Bedford Avenue               | South 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street | W           |
| Renewal             | 280 South 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street | Hooper Street                | S           |
| Renewal             | 171 South 4 <sup>th</sup> Street | South 4 <sup>th</sup> Street | W           |
| Renewal             | 92 Graham Avenue                 | Graham Avenue                | E           |
| Renewal             | 506 Grand Street                 | Grand Street                 | E           |
| Renewal             | 110 Russell Street               | Russell Street               | E           |
| Renewal             | 230 Franklin Street              | Green Street                 | E           |
| Removal             | 140 Metropolitan Avenue          | Metropolitan Avenue          | E           |
| Removal             | 101 Bedford Avenue               | Bedford Avenue               | W           |

**2025 Carshare Statistics** (average per space/per month)

|          | <b>Average<br/>Trips</b> | <b>Average<br/>Households<br/>served</b> |
|----------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Brooklyn | 17                       | 14                                       |
| CB 1     | 16                       | 13                                       |



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**Re: Open Streets Locations**

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**From** Riquelme Beaufort, Emily

**Date** Thu 4/9/2026 12:20 PM

**To** BK01 (CB)

**Cc** Bray, Keith

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Good Afternoon - resending in corrected format.

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**From:** Riquelme Beaufort, Emily

**Sent:** Monday, April 6, 2026 3:58 PM

**To:** 'bk01@cb.nyc.gov'

**Cc:** Bray, Keith

**Subject:** Open Streets Locations

We are happy to inform you that an Open Streets location has been provisionally approved in your district. New York City's Open Streets program transforms streets into public space open to all. These transformations allow for a range of activities that promote economic development, support schools, facilitate pedestrian and bike mobility, and provide new ways for New Yorkers to enjoy cultural programming and build community.

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Thank you.

NYC – Department of Transportation

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March 20, 2026

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| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 4/15/2026  | 12/31/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Tuesday          | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Wednesday        | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Thursday         | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Friday           | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Saturday         | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |
| Sunday           | 12:00 AM   | 11:59 PM |



For more information about the program, visit the program's website at [nyc.gov/openstreets](http://nyc.gov/openstreets).

Thank you,

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| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 4/17/2026  | 12/27/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Tuesday          | N/A        | N/A      |
| Wednesday        | N/A        | N/A      |
| Thursday         | N/A        | N/A      |
| Friday           | 04:00 PM   | 11:59 PM |
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The Open Street is located on SHARON STREET from MORGAN AVENUE to OLIVE STREET and operates on the dates, days, and times listed in the tables below. It is a Limited Local Access type of Open Street. The Department of Transportation will work with Sharon Street Block Association, the agency's community partner, on the safe and successful execution of this Open Street location.

| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 4/15/2026  | 12/31/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | 08:00 AM   | 08:00 PM |
| Tuesday          | 08:00 AM   | 08:00 PM |
| Wednesday        | 08:00 AM   | 08:00 PM |
| Thursday         | 08:00 AM   | 08:00 PM |
| Friday           | 08:00 AM   | 08:00 PM |
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The Open Street is located on ROEBLING STREET from SOUTH 4 STREET to WILLIAMSBURG BRG EN S 4 ST and operates on the dates, days, and times listed in the tables below. It is a Limited Local Access type of Open Street. The Department of Transportation will work with El Puente de Williamsburg, the agency's community partner, on the safe and successful execution of this Open Street location.

| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 6/6/2026   | 10/31/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Tuesday          | N/A        | N/A      |
| Wednesday        | N/A        | N/A      |
| Thursday         | N/A        | N/A      |
| Friday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Saturday         | 11:00 AM   | 09:00 PM |
| Sunday           | N/A        | N/A      |



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| Start Date | End Date  |
|------------|-----------|
| 4/15/2026  | 6/30/2027 |

| Mon,Tue,Wed,Thu,Sun     | Opening Time | Closing Time |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Arrival                 | N/A          | N/A          |
| Dismissal               | N/A          | N/A          |
| Recess/Outdoor Learning | 01:00 PM     | 02:30 PM     |

For more information about the program, visit the program's website at [nyc.gov/openstreets](https://nyc.gov/openstreets).

Thank you,

Keith Bray  
Brooklyn Borough Commissioner



March 20, 2026

Johana Pulgarin  
District Manager, Brooklyn Community Board 1  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211

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| Start Date | End Date  |
|------------|-----------|
| 5/2/2026   | 7/19/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Tuesday          | N/A        | N/A      |
| Wednesday        | N/A        | N/A      |
| Thursday         | N/A        | N/A      |
| Friday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Saturday         | 10:00 AM   | 10:00 PM |
| Sunday           | 10:00 AM   | 10:00 PM |



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The Open Street is located on MASPETH AVENUE from HUMBOLDT STREET to WOODPOINT ROAD and operates on the dates, days, and times listed in the tables below. It is a Limited Local Access type of Open Street. The Department of Transportation will work with Friends of Cooper Park, the agency's community partner, on the safe and successful execution of this Open Street location.

| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 4/15/2026  | 12/31/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Tuesday          | N/A        | N/A      |
| Wednesday        | N/A        | N/A      |
| Thursday         | N/A        | N/A      |
| Friday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Saturday         | 07:00 AM   | 07:00 PM |
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The Open Street is located on LORIMER STREET from CALYER STREET to MESEROLE AVENUE and operates on the dates, days, and times listed in the tables below. It is a Full Closure: Schools type of Open Street. The Department of Transportation will work with PS 31 Samuel F Dupont, the agency's community partner, on the safe and successful execution of this Open Street location.

| Start Date | End Date  |
|------------|-----------|
| 4/15/2026  | 6/26/2026 |

| Mon,Tue,Wed,Thu,Fri     | Opening Time | Closing Time |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Arrival                 | N/A          | N/A          |
| Dismissal               | N/A          | N/A          |
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| Start Date | End Date   |
|------------|------------|
| 4/15/2026  | 12/31/2026 |

| Days of the Week | Start Time | End Time |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Monday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Tuesday          | N/A        | N/A      |
| Wednesday        | N/A        | N/A      |
| Thursday         | N/A        | N/A      |
| Friday           | N/A        | N/A      |
| Saturday         | 11:00 AM   | 12:00 AM |
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Thank you,

Keith Bray  
Brooklyn Borough Commissioner



Outlook

Fw: Sammy's Law Speed Reductions

**From:** Cruz, Maria  
**Sent:** Monday, March 30, 2026 5:37 PM  
**To:** BK01 (CB)  
**Cc:** Branch, Leroy  
**Subject:** Sammy's Law Speed Reductions

Good evening, District Manager Johana Pulgarin,

We write to inform you that the City plans to reduce speed limits in select areas throughout your district. Following the enactment of Sammy’s Law, the City of New York has the authority to reduce speed limits to 20 MPH on individual streets, and to 10 MPH on streets with additional traffic calming measures.

Reducing traffic speeds is a safety measure that both reduces the incidence of crashes and reduces the chances of a fatality when a crash happens; reduced speed limits are one of many tools that NYC DOT uses to achieve this goal. NYC DOT is reducing the speed limit at more than 800 locations by the end of 2026, focusing on schools, Open Streets, Shared Streets, and other areas.

The following areas in your district have been approved for a reduction in speed limits:

| On Street  | From Street | To Street           | Borough | CB | New Speed |
|------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|----|-----------|
| Driggs Ave | Morgan Ave  | Eckford St          | BK      | 1  | 15mph     |
| Driggs Ave | Meeker Ave  | Williamsburg Bridge | BK      | 1  | 15mph     |

From the date of this notification, your office will have 60 days to offer any comments to NYC DOT for the proposed location.

Sincerely,

Maria Cruz  
Office of the Brooklyn Borough Commissioner  
New York City Department of Transportation



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Thank you.

NYC – Department of Transportation

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## DOT Notification -Notification of Upcoming Speed Limit Reductions

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**From** Dowlatram, Chandine  
**Date** Thu 4/2/2026 7:15 AM  
**To** BK01 (CB)

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Good morning,

Please see the attached notification regarding proposed 15 MPH school-zone speed limit reductions at eligible locations within your district.

**Chandine Dowlatram**  
*Executive Assistant to the Brooklyn Borough Commissioner*  
Brooklyn Borough Commissioner's Office  
New York Department of Transportation



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Thank you.

NYC – Department of Transportation



April 2, 2026

Johana Pulgarin  
District Manager, Brooklyn Community Board 1  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211

Dear Johana Pulgarin,

We write to inform you that the City of New York plans to reduce speed limits in select areas throughout your district. Following the enactment of Sammy's Law, New York City Department of Transportation (NYC DOT) has the authority to reduce speed limits to 20 miles per hour on individual streets, 15 miles per hour next to schools, and to 10 miles per hour on streets with additional traffic calming measures.

Reducing traffic speeds is a safety measure that both reduces the incidence of crashes and reduces the chances of a fatality when a crash happens. Reduced speed limits are one of many tools that NYC DOT uses to achieve the goals of Vision Zero, a city initiative to eliminate all traffic deaths and serious injuries through data-driven engineering, enforcement and . NYC DOT will reduce the speed limit in select locations, focusing on schools, Open Streets, Shared Streets, and other areas, as well as new 'Regional Slow Zones' in each borough.

The following areas in your district have been approved for a reduction in speed limits:

- **Berry St, between N 14 St and Guernsey St** (Automotive High School)
- **Bushwick Ave, between Bushwick Court and Boerum St** (P.S. 147 Isaac Remsen; Young Women's Leadership School - Brooklyn)
- **Catherine St, between Powers St and Devoe St** (Saint Nicholas Elementary School)
- **Division Ave, between Clymer St and Lee Ave** (Yeshiva Bnos Ahavas Israel)
- **Driggs Ave, between Kingsland Ave and North Henry St** (P.S. 110 the Monitor)
- **Graham Ave, between Debevoise St and Moore St** (P.S. 257 John F. Hylan)
- **Hewes St, between Broadway and S 4 St** (Bnos Chayil)
- **Heyward St, between Harrison Ave and Marcy Ave** (Beginning with Children Charter School II; Bnos Yakov School for Girls; Juan Morel Campos Secondary School; K141 (D75) at I.S. 71)
- **Manhattan Ave, between Bayard St and Newton St** (Citizens of the World Charter School 1 - Williamsburg; M.S. 126 John Ericsson; Northside Charter High School)
- **Manhattan Ave, between Devoe St and Conselyea St** (P.S. 132 the Conselyea School)
- **Meserole St, between Waterbury St and Humboldt St** (M.S. 582; P.S. 196 Ten Eyck)
- **Varet St, between Graham Ave and Humboldt St** (P.S. 257 John F. Hylan)
- **Walton St, between Throop Ave and Harrison Ave** (I.S. 318 Eugenio Maria De Hostos)
- **Wilson St, between Division Ave and Bedford Ave** (Yeshiva Jesode Hatorah Wilson)



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Sincerely,

Keith Bray  
Brooklyn Borough Commissioner



Outlook

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**Fw: NYC DCWP's Student Loan Debt Resources**

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**From:** Revina, Reina (DCWP)  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 12, 2026 11:20 AM  
**To:** Revina, Reina (DCWP)  
**Cc:** Radecker, Hali (DCWP); Aldana, Miriam (DCWP)  
**Subject:** NYC DCWP's Student Loan Debt Resources

Dear Partner,

We are reaching out to share information about student loan resources available at [nyc.gov/studentloans](https://nyc.gov/studentloans). The program provides free, confidential, and personalized guidance online, in person, or by phone, to help New Yorkers lower their student loan payments. We highly encourage you to share the resources below to your constituents.

**Student Loans**

Federal student loan payments resumed in late 2024, and there is a sharp rise in borrowers falling into delinquency and default. Falling into default can cause severe credit damage and, eventually, can lead to a tax refund offsets and/or wage garnishment. In NYC, an estimated 274,000 residents may already have defaulted or seriously delinquent loans, underscoring the need for accessible and accurate guidance.

**Financial Empowerment Centers**

NYC Financial Empowerment Centers provide one-on-one financial counseling and coaching on savings, banking, credit and debt, including student loan debt. Services are available in-person and by phone.

**How New Yorkers Can Access Assistance***Online*

Eligibility: NYC residents or City of New York employees.

- For NYC residents: [nyc.gov/studentloans](https://nyc.gov/studentloans)
- For City employees: [nyc.gov/studentloans](https://nyc.gov/studentloans)

*In person or by phone*

Eligibility: Age 18+ and live or work in NYC.

- Book an appointment at [nyc.gov/TalkMoney](https://nyc.gov/TalkMoney)
- Call 311 and say "Financial Counseling"

Borrowers with federal Parent PLUS loans must take action by **March 31, 2026** to maintain access to affordable repayment options and Public Service Loan Forgiveness. Please direct your constituents to utilize the free resources above to get started.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions. We'd be happy to connect you with our team regarding this important initiative.

Thank you,  
Reina Revina

**Reina Revina**

Pronouns: she/her/hers

Legislative Analyst

New York City Department of Consumer and Worker Protection

**[nyc.gov/dcwp](https://nyc.gov/dcwp)**

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[Testimonials](#)[Repay Student Loans](#)[Save for College](#)[FAQs](#)[Member Login](#)[Sign Up](#)

# From student debt to college savings — NYC's got your back.

New York City residents now get free access to Summer, a platform that helps manage student debt and save for college.

[Sign Up](#)

# Real stories, real relief.

**\$53,000** forgiven

The ease of being guided through the process with the Summer site was very helpful. There is no feeling like seeing the words "Your student loans have been discharged."! After 20 years of student loan debt it is a wonderful feeling. Now I can afford to pay for the tuition for my own daughters (who are and soon will be in college)!

**Joshua G.**

Forgiveness and savings amounts may vary per person and are subject to eligibility, program availability, and approval. Not all individuals will qualify, and terms and conditions apply.

## We're here to help.

You shouldn't be penalized for getting the degree you need to succeed. We help you manage your loans and save for your kids' futures.

I have student loans

I'm planning for college

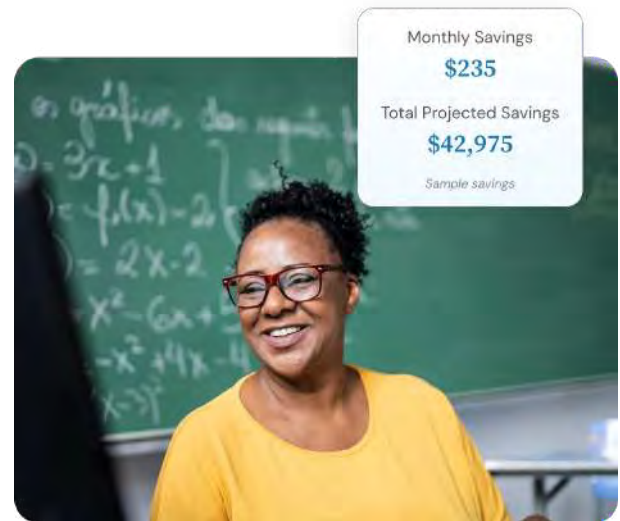
## REPAY STUDENT LOANS

# Manage what you owe

We match you to free federal and state programs designed to lower monthly payments and get you on the fastest path to payoff.

## What this can look like

- ✓ Reduced monthly payments
- ✓ Loan forgiveness or saved interest charges over time
- ✓ Suggestions on how to manage your debt and avoid default in the future



SAVE FOR COLLEGE

# Plan smarter for college

We help you estimate future college costs, understand how much aid you may be eligible for, and build a savings plan that works for your goals.

## What this can look like

- ✓ A clear savings target, tailored to your family
- ✓ An earlier, more realistic start to saving
- ✓ Thousands in projected savings from federal and state aid



## Be one of the first to get access.

Manage student debt and save for college for free. Sign up for the program's beta pilot today.

[Sign Up](#)



What is Summer? ▼

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Why did the City of New York decide to partner with Summer? ▼

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Is this really free for New York City residents? ▼

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Who's eligible? ▼

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Is NYC now paying off my student loan debt? ▼

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Does this mean my student loans are being forgiven? ▼

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Will this change my loan servicer, or will I need to contact my loan servicer to participate? ▼

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What if I've already applied for forgiveness or a repayment plan? ▼

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Do you support private loans? ▼

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I've missed payments or I'm in default—can you help? ▼

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Will this initiative be impacted by changes to student loan repayment programs at the Federal level? ▼

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Is my information safe? ▼

# Learn More



Summer

Outsmart Student Loan Scams

Your guide to top Do's and Don'ts

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How to Create Your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID

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How to Find and Contact Your Federal Student Loan Servicer

How to Find and Contact Your Federal Student Loan Servicer



The Recent Graduate's Guide to Student Loans

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New York, NY 10038

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## Fw: High Five! It's Compost Giveback Season!

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**From:** Customer Service (DSNY)  
**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2026 12:46 PM  
**Subject:** High Five! It's Compost Giveback Season!



# sanitation

## High Five! It's Compost Giveback Season!

### Seasonal Giveback Sites now in ALL FIVE BOROUGHES

The New York City Department of Sanitation is pleased to announce the start of compost giveback season, with the addition of a fourth and fifth seasonal giveback site. Seasonal giveback sites will operate in all five boroughs this year, and together with a robust series of pop-up events, thousands of city residents will be able to receive millions of pounds of free compost for their gardens.

The Department's Curbside Composting program serves residents in all five boroughs, making it the largest – and easiest – curbside composting program in the nation. To comply with NYC regulations requiring compostable material be separated from the trash, many residents simply set out their food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard waste in a marked bin for collection on their weekly recycling day. Rather than shipping this material hundreds of miles away to break down in landfills and emit methane, the Department of Sanitation put this material to beneficial use by creating finished compost for gardens or renewable energy.

Residents interested in getting free, finished compost must register for a specific date at [nyc.gov/GetCompost](https://nyc.gov/GetCompost). NOTE: Dates open for registration **two weeks** before each giveback event. The seasonal sites are open from April until the end of September.

The seasonal sites, offering residents up to 10 bags of compost, are open April through September and are located at:

**Brooklyn**

459 N. Henry Street

Wednesdays and Saturdays

**Bronx**

570 Zerega Avenue

Wednesdays and Saturdays

**Manhattan**

2442 1st Avenue

Wednesdays and Saturdays

**Queens East**

235-69 Hillside Avenue

Saturdays only

**Queens West**

77-28 19th Avenue

Wednesdays and Saturdays

**Staten Island**

600 West Service Road

Wednesdays and Saturdays

The full list of pop-up events, offering residents up to two bags of compost, may be found at [nyc.gov/GetCompost](https://nyc.gov/GetCompost).

These bags of finished compost – certified by the US Composting Council Seal of Testing Assurance program – are made from food and yard waste at DSNY's Staten Island Compost Facility. Last year, the Department gave back more than 8,000,000 pounds of compost to residents, nonprofits and community gardens – all made from previously collected food scraps, food soiled paper, and yard waste.



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## Fw: NYC Parks GreenThumb Outreach - Brooklyn Community Board 1

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**From:** Najjar, Dan (Parks)

**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2026 12:49 PM

**To:** BK01 (CB)

**Cc:** Munoz, Alex (Parks)

**Subject:** NYC Parks GreenThumb Outreach - Brooklyn Community Board 1

Hello Brooklyn Community Board 1 Members,

My name is Dan Najjar, I'm working with [NYC Parks GreenThumb](#), the community garden program of the Parks Department, and I'm reaching out to you on behalf of Alex Munoz, Assistant Director of Community Engagement for GreenThumb, who is CCed. We wanted to discuss the community gardens in your Community Board district; your district has the 9th most gardens of any district in New York City with a total of 20, so we'd like to work with you to get more of your community interested in the program. Each of our community gardens is managed and maintained by dedicated volunteers and many are looking to recruit new members.

Coming up on June 6th and 7th, we have [Open Garden NYC : NYC Parks](#), where we expect more than 100 community gardens to participate with free public events, and we'd love the chance to connect community gardens with potential partners and stakeholders to further activate the gardens.

Attached you'll also find an updated map of all the gardens within your district that GreenThumb supports, along with their assigned GreenThumb Community Engagement Coordinator. Please feel free to use these as you see fit, and if you have any requested changes, let me know.

Thank you, and we hope to hear from you soon!

-Dan Najjar

# Join a Community Garden in Brooklyn Community Board District 1

## Garden Jurisdiction

- NYC Parks
- Other

0 0.25 0.5 1 Mile



Prepared by: NYC Parks GreenThumb  
March 18th, 2026  
Data Source: NYC Parks GIS, March 2026  
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**Contact NYC Parks GreenThumb for more information about joining or connecting directly with a garden:**

Angel Tobar  
Community Engagement Coordinator

Valery Zorrilla  
Community Engagement Coordinator

### Follow GreenThumb on:

Facebook: [GreenThumbNYC](#)  
Instagram: [@GreenThumbNYC](#)  
YouTube: [@GreenThumbNYC](#)  
Twitter: [@NYCGreenThumb](#)

Updated: March 2026



# Join a Community Garden in Brooklyn Community Board 1

## COMMUNITY GARDENS

### CONTACT: ANGEL

- |                                              |                             |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) Java Street Community Garden              | 59 Java Street (DPR)        |
| 2) 61 Franklin Street Garden                 | 61 Franklin Street (DPR)    |
| 3) Lentol Garden                             | 478 Graham Avenue (DPR)     |
| 4) Green Dome                                | 229 North 12th Street (DPR) |
| 5) George Washington Carver Community Garden | 110 Walton Street (DPR)     |

### CONTACT: VALERY

- |                                                                |                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 6) Red Shed Community Garden                                   | 264 Skillman Avenue (DPR)  |
| 7) Northside Community Garden                                  | 599 Driggs Avenue (BQLT)   |
| 8) Grand Street Community Garden                               | 239 Grand Street (DPR)     |
| 9) Berry Street Garden                                         | 303 Berry Street (DPR)     |
| 10) Olive Street Garden                                        | 25 Olive Street (DPR)      |
| 11) Powers Street Garden                                       | 278 Powers Street (DPR)    |
| 12) El Puente: Espiritu Tierra Community Garden - Earth Spirit | 207 South 2nd Street (DPR) |
| 13) Ten Eyck Garden                                            | 17 Ten Eyck Street (DPR)   |
| 14) Keap Fourth Community Garden                               | 347 Keap Street (DPR)      |
| 15) Scholes Street Children's Garden                           | 134 Scholes Street (NYRP)  |
| 16) Hooper Grove                                               | 375 South 5th Street (DPR) |
| 17) La Casita Verde Community Garden                           | 451 Bedford Avenue (DPR)   |
| 18) Sunshine Community Garden                                  | 101 McKibbin Street (DPR)  |
| 19) Nos Cuidamos Community Garden                              | 104 Moore Street (DPR)     |
| 20) Bushwick Garden - Bushwick Houses                          | 50 Humboldt street (NYCHA) |

#### About NYC Parks GreenThumb:

NYC Parks GreenThumb supports over 550 community gardens and 20,000 gardeners by providing gardening space, materials and supplies, and technical assistance at no cost. GreenThumb hosts innovative gardening workshops, trainings and conferences.

For more information, visit [nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb](http://nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb)



# NYC Parks

Official Website of the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation

## Open Garden NYC

June 6-7, 2026



### Email Updates

Subscribe to receive regular Nature and Outdoors updates

Email Address

Join NYC Parks GreenThumb for the Annual Open Garden NYC on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7 (rain or shine)! Hundreds of community gardens are opening their gates to the public for a weekend of free activities and exploration.

Our [GreenThumb community gardens \(https://greenthumb.nycgovparks.org/\)](https://greenthumb.nycgovparks.org/) are volunteer-run green spaces where people can come together around growing food and community. Gardens across the city are seeking new members to plant produce and flowers, host events, maintain community spaces, and contribute extra hands for garden projects. Beginners and experienced gardeners are welcome! Open Garden NYC is a great way to meet the garden group members and explore your neighborhood community garden.

If your community garden would like to participate, please fill out the [Event Request Approval Form \(https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=x2\\_1MoFflk6pWxXaZIE777vlgzjC\\_gFHh0eUoNhEMEdURUxERFY5S01POFYyVTRNVVM1NkdKWENZNyQIQCN0PWcu\)](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=x2_1MoFflk6pWxXaZIE777vlgzjC_gFHh0eUoNhEMEdURUxERFY5S01POFYyVTRNVVM1NkdKWENZNyQIQCN0PWcu) and be sure to answer the Open Garden NYC question to register your event. Your group can participate for a few hours on a single day or both days. We are encouraging all garden groups who are planning to take part in Open Garden NYC to host a free special activity. Activities can include garden tours, arts and crafts, musical performances, volunteer projects, and much more.

[Visit GreenThumb Community Gardens page for more information \(/greenthumb\)](https://greenthumb.nycgovparks.org/)

### Open Garden NYC Events

To FILTER events, use the menu on the right-hand side. No events to view from April 3, 2026

Sorry! There are no upcoming events in this category. Please check this page again later.

### Related Information

#### Event Registration

Learn how to create an account and register for programs. [Learn more \(/programs/manage-your-programs-account\)](/programs/manage-your-programs-account).

#### Events by Email

Get information on upcoming events directly in your inbox by signing up for our [Email Newsletters \(/newsletters/subscribe\)](/newsletters/subscribe).

#### Event Permits

Planning an event and considering hosting it in a park? Make sure to read our [Planning an Event \(/sub\\_permits\\_and\\_applications/planning\\_an\\_event.html\)](/sub_permits_and_applications/planning_an_event.html) page.



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**Fw: 2025-2026 Commissioner for a Day**

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**From:** Community Boards  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2026 3:26 PM  
**To:** Community Boards  
**Subject:** RE: 2025-2026 Commissioner for a Day

Another flyer for you to share.

Dustin Ridener, MPA  
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Commissioner for a Day flyer is attached. Please feel free to share widely!

Dustin Ridener, MPA  
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**From:** Dustin Ridener  
**Sent:** Friday, March 13, 2026 12:52 PM  
**To:** Community Boards  
**Subject:** 2025-2026 Commissioner for a Day

Dear Community Board Partners,

The 2025-2026 school year cycle for The Commissioner for a Day program is starting.

This program encourages high school students across the City of New York to think about and write an essay as part of their application to become the Commissioner for a Day. The winner will meet with the Commissioner, tour the NYCEM headquarters, engage with subject matter experts in a panel discussion and give a speech at our John D. Solomon Fellowship graduation event. This is just one of the programs we do to encourage preparedness in our school aged children.

Attached is the application for the program. Please feel free to share this information to students and educators in your Community for an in-depth look at how New York City manages emergency events!

If you have any questions about the Commissioner for a Day or other children's programming, please feel free to contact me directly!

Best,

Dustin Ridener  
Special Projects Administrator

BECOME NYC'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
***COMMISSIONER***  
***FOR A DAY***



**AUDIENCE:**

Open to NYC High School Students

**QUESTIONS?**

Email: [readyny@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:readyny@oem.nyc.gov)

**WHAT STUDENTS DO:**

Write a short essay responding to a post by John D. Solomon on emergency preparedness.

**KEY OPPORTUNITY FOR THE WINNER:**

- Meet Commissioner Christina Farrell
- Tour NYCEM HQ in Brooklyn
- Participate in a panel discussion
- Give a speech at the John D. Solomon Fellowship graduation event

**HOW TO APPLY:**

[on.nyc.gov/nycemyouthcommissioner](https://on.nyc.gov/nycemyouthcommissioner)

**DEADLINE:**

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**From:** Afia McCausky

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2026 1:12 PM

**Subject:** NYC Health Department Resources and Highlights 3/24

## **LATEST NEWS FROM THE NYC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

### **NYC Health Department Launches \$1 Million Media Campaign, “Ask Questions, Get Answers, Vaccinate”**

Campaign Aims to Address Vaccination Delays and Disparities, Encouraging Parents to Seek Reliable Information from Doctors to Protect Children From Preventable Diseases  
New Data Reveals On-Time Childhood Vaccine Rates Remain Low with Ongoing Vaccination Disparities.

Please find more vaccination information below:

[Childhood Vaccination Data Explorer](#)

[You can get general vaccination and access to vaccinations by visiting our website](#)

[More information on vaccination requirements for school and day care](#)

[Learn about New York States school vaccination requirements](#)

### **NYC Health Department Now Accepting New Mobile Food Vending Waiting List Applications for U.S. Veterans and People with Disabilities**

City Expands Equitable Access to Legal Street Food Vending, Opening Applications for 300 U.S. Veterans and People With Disabilities to Join the Waiting List for a Supervisory License

Please find more food vendors information below:

[Mobile Food Vendors](#)

[Food Protection for Mobile Vendors](#)

**New York City Health Department Issues Health Advisory on First Mpox Clade I Case Detected in the City**

Risk to the Public Remains Low. No Additional Known Cases of Mpox Clade I in the Five Boroughs

Please find more mpox information below :

[Mpox: Vaccination](#)

[Mpox: Resources](#)

We encourage everyone to follow our social channels for the latest!



Best,

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*Afia (Frimpong) McCausky  
Community Liaison - Brooklyn North & South  
NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene  
Office of External Affairs*

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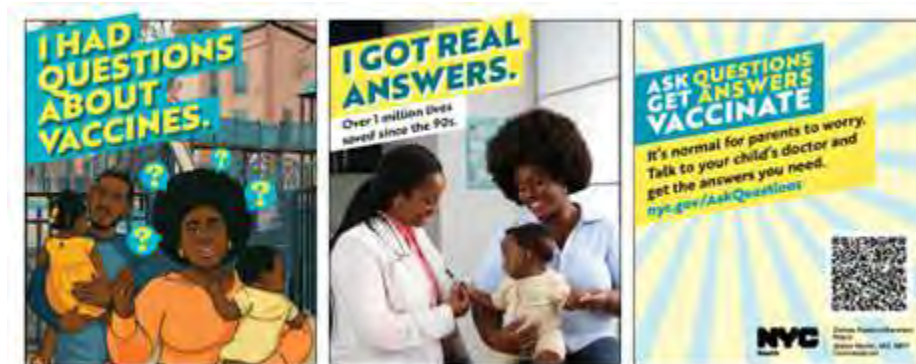
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# NYC Health Department Launches \$1 Million Media Campaign, "Ask Questions, Get Answers, Vaccinate"

*Campaign Aims to Address Vaccination Delays and Disparities, Encouraging Parents to Seek Reliable Information From Doctors to Protect Children From Preventable Diseases*

*New Data Reveals On-Time Childhood Vaccine Rates Remain Low with Ongoing Vaccination Disparities*

**March 9, 2026** — Today, the NYC Health Department launched a media campaign encouraging parents and caregivers to protect their children from preventable diseases by vaccinating their kids. The campaign reassures New York City families that it is normal to have questions about vaccines and urges them to seek reliable information from their child's doctor. Since 1994, childhood vaccination in the U.S. has prevented over 508 illnesses and 32 million hospitalizations, and saved 1.1 million lives.



This campaign comes when on-time vaccination among the youngest New Yorkers continues to be low. Current data shows approximately one-in-three two-year-olds in NYC have not received all doses of seven recommended vaccines. By the time they start kindergarten, more than 90 percent of children in NYC have received the vaccines required for school, but delays in early childhood vaccination leave younger children susceptible to preventable diseases at ages when they may be most likely to experience severe complications.

"The truth about childhood vaccines is that they save 4 million lives per year by presenting safe and viable solutions to some of the most severe public health issues," said **NYC Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services Dr. Helen Arteaga**. "As misinformation becomes more widespread, it is imperative that we urge families to ask their physicians for answers about the safety and efficacy of vaccines that's based on science, not politics. This campaign is our commitment to ensuring parents have the information necessary to protect the health and safety of one of New York's most at-risk populations--our children."

"Vaccines have saved millions of lives and are one of the greatest public health achievements in history," said **NYC Health Commissioner Dr. Alister Martin**. "It is deeply concerning to see low vaccination coverage among our youngest and most vulnerable children, especially as attacks on vaccination by the federal government sow confusion for parents nationwide. As the city's doctor, I strongly encourage New York City parents to protect their kids from highly infectious preventable diseases that can cause serious illness, long term health complications, and even death. Like many health matters, it is understandable to have questions about immunizations, and I recommend parents talk with their child's doctor for trusted guidance."

"At a time when widespread misinformation is causing confusion and distrust for families, it's critical that parents know that they can turn to professionals for clear, evidence-based guidance," said **Council Member Lynn Schulman, Chair of the Health Committee**. "Vaccines are one of the most powerful tools we have to protect children and keep our communities healthy. I fully support and applaud the New York City Health Department for investing in outreach that meets families where they are and addresses the disparities in vaccinations rates we continue to see across our city. Every child in New York deserves to be protected from preventable diseases!"

The NYC Health Department is investing \$1 million into a 4-week campaign, "Ask Questions, Get Answers, Vaccinate." Ads will be placed across television, radio, print news, LinkNYC kiosks, and transportation hubs, focusing on neighborhoods with low vaccination rates. Health care providers across New York City who are a part of the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program, a federally-funded initiative that ensures children can access necessary vaccines free of cost, will also be provided posters and handouts to share with families. In addition, to further support parents and caregivers, the NYC Health Department launched a new webpage to accompany the campaign. The webpage provides detailed answers to common questions about vaccines and includes links to other trusted vaccination resources.

## Vaccination Coverage Data

Updated twice each year, the NYC Childhood Vaccination Data Explorer provides estimated percentages of New York City children who have received recommended vaccines and breaks down the data by race and ethnicity, borough, and ZIP code.

According to the most recent data available, the NYC Childhood Vaccine Data Explorer shows that, as of December 31, 2025:

- 61 percent of 2-year-olds received all doses of 7 recommended vaccines, called the combined 7-vaccine series.
- 89 percent of 2-year-olds received at least one dose of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine.

While coverage has remained relatively steady over the past five years, high rates of vaccination are needed to protect our communities, including children too young to be vaccinated and people who have

compromised immune systems. The data also show striking differences by neighborhood and race and ethnicity for New York City's children, including:

- Staten Island and Brooklyn have the lowest vaccination coverage (50 and 52 percent respectively, for the combined 7-vaccine series).
- Non-Hispanic Asian children have the highest vaccination coverage (86 percent for the combined 7-vaccine series).
- Non-Hispanic White children have the lowest vaccination coverage (46 percent for the combined 7-vaccine series).

These data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received and as population estimates change.

## Vaccination Recommendations

As the federal administration weakens vaccination recommendations, the NYC Health Department recommends New Yorkers and their health care providers follow the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) 2026 childhood and adolescent immunization schedules. There is no new data that supports the recent changes to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's immunization schedules. By contrast, the AAP childhood and adolescent immunization schedules continue to recommend immunizations based on rigorous research and the specific disease risks and health care delivery context in the U.S.

All New York City children must receive certain vaccinations, including DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis), poliovirus, MMR (measles, mumps, rubella), varicella (chickenpox), hepatitis B, Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b), and PCV (pneumococcus) to attend school, day care, and summer camp in NYC. Vaccination against flu is also required to attend day care in NYC. Health care providers should discuss with parents the importance of vaccinating their children on time to ensure the best protection against serious preventable illness.

Families who plan to travel should also contact their child's provider to make sure their child has all necessary vaccinations, which may include early or extra doses of a vaccine. Most primary care providers offer childhood vaccines at low to no cost, including NYC Health + Hospitals. The NYC Health Department Immunization Clinic also offers low to no cost vaccination for people ages 4 years and older. New Yorkers can use the NYC Health Map to find locations where they can receive a wide range of vaccines.

## Vaccination Records

The information in the Childhood Vaccination Data Explorer comes from the NYC Health Department's Citywide Immunization Registry, which contains immunization records for NYC residents, including all children ages 18 and younger. While the webpage features data from the last 5 years, data since 2017 are available for download. New Yorkers can access vaccine records for themselves and their children at My Vaccine Record.

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# NYC Health Department Now Accepting New Mobile Food Vending Waiting List Applications for U.S. Veterans and People With Disabilities

*City Expands Equitable Access to Legal Street Food Vending, Opening Applications for 300 U.S. Veterans and People With Disabilities to Join the Waiting List for a Supervisory License*

**March 13, 2026** — The NYC Health Department today announced the acceptance of applications to join the mobile food vending waiting list for supervisory licenses for U.S. military veterans and people with disabilities. As the first reopening of a supervisory license waiting list since the program launched in 2023, this opportunity expands access to mobile food vending permits while maintaining strong public health standards.

"Street vendor reform is long overdue in NYC, and this is a step in the right direction. The Mamdani administration is proud to support our disabled and veteran street vendors to help ensure they are given a fair shot when it comes to running their own food trucks and providing for themselves and their families," said **New York City Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services Dr. Helen Arteaga**.

"Street food vendors are essential to New York City's culture and small business economy," said **NYC Health Commissioner Dr. Alister Martin**. "Opening the supervisory license waiting list to more U.S. veterans and people with disabilities ensures that these communities have a clear pathway into the legal food vending system while we continue to uphold food safety protections for New Yorkers."

"Veterans deserve tangible pathways to economic opportunity," said **NYC Department of Veterans' Services Commissioner Yesenia Mata**. "For veterans interested in mobile food vending, this reopening creates a clear route into a regulated industry that can support financial stability and independence, while opening the door for more veterans to pursue entrepreneurship here in New York City."

"Street vendors are the smallest of small businesses and a defining part of New York City's economy, neighborhoods, and culture," said **NYC Department of Small Business Services Commissioner Kenny Minaya**. "Reopening the license waitlist for the first time since 2023 marks an important step forward, and SBS is excited to help spread the word so eligible military veterans and people with disabilities can take advantage of this opportunity. I want to thank Mayor Mamdani and Commissioner

Martin and look forward to building on this progress through SBS's new Office of Street Vendor Services to ensure vendors have the support they need to succeed in every borough.

“Too often, people with disabilities face barriers to employment and entrepreneurship,” said **Nisha Agarwal, Commissioner of the NYC Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities**. “Opening the supervisory license waiting list helps expand fair access to opportunity and supports the right of New Yorkers with disabilities to participate fully in the city’s economy. We look forward to continuing to work with our partners to ensure pathways like mobile food vending are accessible and inclusive.”

“Since 2023, DSNY has been the lead agency enforcing street vending regulations, and we have done so with a focus on cleanliness, pedestrian access, and fairness for all businesses. The recent street vending reform laws mean that more people can participate in these smallest small businesses while maintaining appropriate oversight and safety for our communities, and we look forward to working with advocates and our agency partners to get vending expanded the right way,” said **Javier Lojan, Acting Commissioner, NYC Department of Sanitation**.

“Veterans and people with disabilities often face unnecessary barriers to obtain legal street vending licenses,” said **Council Member Lynn Schulman, Chair of the Health Committee**. “Opening the waiting list for 300 additional supervisory licenses for these groups is an important step toward a more equitable system that expands opportunity for communities that have too often been left behind.”

“New York City is finally on a pathway toward a balanced street vending system,” said **NYC Council Member Pierina Sanchez**. “From the Council’s override of the mayoral veto on my bill, which will expand access to more than 10,000 vending licenses over the coming years—to the NYC Health Department reopening the mobile food vending waiting list for veterans and people with disabilities pursuant to Local Law 18 of 2021, we are beginning to correct decades of exclusion. For far too long, hardworking vendors were forced into the shadows by an outdated system. Expanding access to licenses is an important step toward dignity, order, and opportunity. I look forward to continuing to work with the NYC Health Department to fully implement Local Law 54 of 2026 starting this summer.”

Over 5,800 food vendors have permits to operate in New York City, including about 120 permits issued for veterans and people with disabilities. The supervisory license program was launched in 2023 to implement Local Law 18 of 2021, which changed how mobile food vendors obtain a year-round permit and increased the number of available permits. To apply for these new permits, the vendor must have a supervisory license. The supervisory license is offered only to a person on a waiting list. To join a waiting list, the vendor must have a mobile food vending license, which is a type of license allowing a person to work on any food vending unit with a permit.

Approximately 1,300 food vendors have supervisory licenses in New York City, which allows them to apply for a permit at any time, including about 100 with supervisory licenses for U.S. veterans and people with disabilities. Beginning on July 1, the NYC Health Department will issue 2,200 supervisory licenses each year for five years under recently enacted local laws. With the opening of applications today, an additional 300 veterans and people with disabilities will be able to join the waiting list for a supervisory license.

## How to Apply

Applications to join the mobile food vending waiting list for supervisory licenses are now open to U.S. veterans with a service-related disability, individuals with documented disabilities who meet eligibility criteria, and U.S. veterans without a disability.

To apply to join the waiting list for a supervisory license, applicants may visit NYC Health: Mobile Food Vendors, or call 311 to request an application. To join the waiting list, the applicant must be at least 18 years old and hold a current, valid mobile food vendor license, which is different from a supervisory license.

There is no waiting list to obtain a mobile food vendor license. To get one, you must submit a license application, pay the required fee (U.S. veterans are exempt from the fee), and complete the Food Protection Course for Mobile Food Vendors.

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# New York City Health Department Issues Health Advisory on First Mpox Clade I Case Detected in the City

*Risk to the Public Remains Low**No Additional Known Cases of Mpox Clade I in the Five Boroughs*

**March 13, 2026** — The New York City Health Department today issued a Health Advisory to health care providers about a travel-related mpox clade I case detected in New York City. This is the first known mpox clade I case in New York City. The person who tested positive for mpox clade I recently traveled internationally.

“There is no known local transmission of mpox clade I in New York City and the risk remains low for New Yorkers,” said **NYC Health Commissioner Dr. Alister Martin**. “The NYC Health Department recommends that New Yorkers who are at risk for mpox receive and complete the two-dose vaccine series that works to prevent mpox.”

## Mpox Vaccine

Vaccination reduces your risk of getting mpox and can reduce symptoms if you do get it. People at risk for mpox should get 2 doses of the JYNNEOS vaccine if they have not already done so to maximize protection. The second dose should be administered at least 28 days after the first dose. If you’ve already had mpox, you do not need to get vaccinated.

## Who Should Get Vaccinated

Talk to your provider about vaccination if:

- You have sex with men and identify as male, trans, nonbinary, genderqueer or gender non-conforming.
- You are planning to visit a country where clade I mpox virus is spreading and you anticipate sex with a new partner while traveling, regardless of your sexual orientation or gender identity.

- You consider yourself to be at risk for mpox through sex or other intimate contact now or in the future. Learn more about how mpox spreads.

If you have recently been in close contact with someone you think has mpox, you should get the vaccine as soon as possible and no later than 14 days after the exposure.

To find a vaccination site, visit the NYC Health Map or call 311.

For more information about mpox, including prevention, symptoms, diagnosis, and care, visit NYC Health: Mpox.

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**Fw: NYC PARKS ANNOUNCES NEW EMERGENCY RULE FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMITTING DURING SUMMER 2026**

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**To:** Government Relations (Parks)  
**Subject:** Fw: NYC PARKS ANNOUNCES NEW EMERGENCY RULE FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMITTING DURING SUMMER 2026

Good morning,

As mandated by the City Administrative Procedural Act (CAPA) – please see the attached Parks emergency rule change. The press release with can be found below.



NYC Parks

**Tricia Shimamura**

Commissioner, NYC Parks

**Press Release**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

March 25, 2026; No. 11

**NYC PARKS ANNOUNCES NEW EMERGENCY RULE FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMITTING DURING SUMMER 2026**

*Due to volume of events associated with FIFA World Cup and the U.S. 250th anniversary, certain new Parks permit applications may be denied between June 11 and July 19, 2026*

NYC Parks today announced that it has enacted an emergency rule related to special event permitting, to ensure efficient deployment of police resources and public safety during the busy summer 2026 season.

Each year, Parks issues permits for large-scale special events occurring in parks and other properties that may include the continued use of a particular site over several days; the construction of stages and other structures; the vending of food, apparel, and other goods; the use of amplified sound; and the performance of music. To ensure public safety for many of these events, particularly those that anticipate large crowds, members of the NYPD must be on site.

This year, New York City will be hosting events associated with the FIFA World Cup from June 11 through July 19, which also overlaps with planned celebrations for the United States' 250th anniversary from July 1 through July 9. The events associated with the FIFA World Cup and the United States' 250th anniversary will require significant realignment and deployment of city personnel. To more effectively deploy city resources and control overtime costs, the Parks Department may deny certain permit applications for new events between June 11, 2026, and July 19, 2026.

Parks has adopted an emergency rule to authorize the denial of permit applications for special events on property under Parks jurisdiction during this period if:

- (i) the event was not held in the 2025 calendar year;
- (ii) the event is not a demonstration; and
- (iii) the Commissioner determines, in consultation with NYPD, that the agencies do not have sufficient resources to ensure public safety and welfare at and around such events.

Events that previously received permits in calendar year 2025, demonstrations, smaller events that do not require a police presence, and events proposed on dates prior to June 11, 2026 or after July 19, 2026 are not affected by this rule.

Parks' authority for these rules is found in Sections 389, 533(a)(9), and I 043 of the New York City Charter.

The emergency rule will be available for review at [rules.cityofnewyork.us](https://rules.cityofnewyork.us) and can be downloaded [here](#).

## **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

### **NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

#### **Revision of New York City Department of Parks & Recreation's Rules**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN** the Commissioner of the Department of Parks & Recreation ("the Department") by Sections 389 and 533(a)(9) of the New York City Charter and in accordance with the emergency procedures set forth in Section 1043(i) of the New York City Charter, the Department hereby revises Chapter 2 to Title 56 of the Official Compilation of the Rules of the City of New York to add a new section 2-08(c)(7). This rule will take effect immediately.

#### **Statement of Basis and Purpose of Emergency Rule**

Each year the Department issues permits to special events occurring in parks and other properties under the jurisdiction of the Department which may include the use of a particular park over several days, the erection of structures, the vending of food, apparel and other goods, the use of amplified sound, and the performance of music. To ensure the safety and proper order for many of these events, particularly those that anticipate large crowds, members of the New York City Police Department ("NYPD") must be on-site. This diverts resources from regular assignments and increases overtime costs to the City. These events also divert NYPD from core crime fighting, public safety and counter-terrorism duties.

This year, New York City will be hosting events associated with the FIFA World Cup from June 11, 2026 through July 19, 2026, which overlaps with planned celebrations for the United States 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary from July 1, 2026 through July 9, 2026. The events associated with the FIFA World Cup and the United States 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary will require significant realignment and deployment of NYPD personnel, which will further divert resources from regular assignments or require the scheduling of NYPD overtime.

To more effectively deploy police resources and control overtime costs, the NYPD has recommended that the Department deny certain permit applications for new events between June 11, 2026 and July 19, 2026. In response to this recommendation, the Department is adopting this rule to authorize the Department to deny permit applications for special events on property under the Department's jurisdiction during this period if: (i) the event was not held in the 2025 calendar year; (ii) the event is not a demonstration; and (iii) the Commissioner determines, in consultation with NYPD, that the agencies do not have sufficient resources to ensure public safety and welfare at and around such event. Events that received permits in calendar year 2025, demonstrations, smaller events that do not require a police presence, and events proposed on dates prior to June 11, 2026 or after July 19, 2026 are not affected by this rule.

The Department's authority for these rules is found in Sections 389, 533(a)(9), and 1043 of the New York City Charter.

New material is underlined.

[Deleted material is in brackets.]

“Shall” and “must” denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this Department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

**Section 1. Subdivision (c) of section 2-08 of chapter 2 of Title 56 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:**

- (c) Upon application, the Commissioner may deny a permit if:
- (1) the location sought is not suitable because of landscaping, planting, or other environmental conditions reasonably likely to be harmed by the proposed event;
  - (2) the location sought is not suitable because it is a specialized area including, but not limited to, a zoo, swimming pool, or skating rink, or because the proposed event is of such nature or duration that it cannot reasonably be accommodated in that location;
  - (3) the date and time requested have previously been allotted by permit;
  - (4) within the preceding two years, the applicant has been granted a permit and did, on that prior occasion, knowingly violate a material term or condition of the permit, or any law, ordinance, statute or regulation relating to use of the parks;
  - (5) the event would interfere unreasonably with the enjoyment of the park by other users;
- [or]
- (6) with respect to events on the Great Lawn, the conditions for events contained in subdivision (t) of this section are not complied with[.]; or
  - (7) with respect to an event proposed to occur between June 11, 2026 and July 19, 2026:
    - (A) the event was not held in the calendar year 2025;
    - (B) the event is not a demonstration; and
    - (C) the Commissioner determines, in consultation with the Police Commissioner and other relevant agencies, that sufficient resources to ensure public safety and welfare at or around the event are not available.

REQUIRED FINDING PURSUANT TO NEW YORK CITY CHARTER SECTION 1043(i)(1)

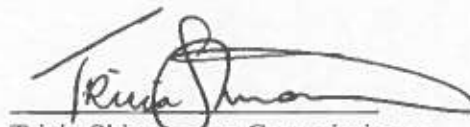
IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the immediate effectiveness of this rule, which allows the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (the "Department") to deny certain special event permits between June 11, 2026 and July 19, 2026, is necessary to aid the New York City Police Department ("NYPD") in effectively deploying police resources.

To ensure the safety and proper order of public events throughout the City of New York, members of the NYPD must often be on-site at certain special events held in locations under the Department's jurisdiction. This diverts resources from regular assignments and increases overtime costs to the City. This year, New York City will be hosting events associated with the FIFA World Cup from June 11, 2026 through July 19, 2026, which also overlaps with planned celebrations for the United States 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary from July 1, 2026 through July 9, 2026. The events associated with the FIFA World Cup and United States 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary will require significant realignment and deployment of NYPD personnel, which will further divert resources from regular assignments and from crime fighting, public safety, and counter-terrorism duties.

The Department has already begun receiving applications for new events proposed to be held between June 11, 2026 and July 19, 2026 on property under the Department's jurisdiction. This emergency rule is necessary to immediately allow the Department to deny permit applications for new events that are not demonstrations from June 11, 2026 to July 19, 2026, when the Commissioner determines in consultation with NYPD that their agencies do not have sufficient resources to ensure public safety and order at such events. Delaying implementation of this rule pending non-emergency rulemaking would obligate the Department to allow certain new non-demonstration events during this period, which would require an unacceptable diversion of NYPD resources and foreseeably cause an unnecessary risk to the safety of New Yorkers.

Therefore, this rule must take effect immediately in accordance with New York City Charter Section 1043(i). Pursuant to Section 1043(i)(2) of the Charter, the emergency rule will remain in effect for not more than 120 days while the Department prepares a permanent rule.

March 18, 2026



Tricia Shimamura, Commissioner  
New York City Department of Parks and Recreation

APPROVED:



Zohran Kwame Mamdani  
Mayor



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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Now Available: Updated Incident Reporting Form**

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Good afternoon,

As of April 1, the Office has updated its **Incident Reporting Form** to better serve the public and stakeholders across New York State. This updated form provides a **centralized way to report concerns, ask questions, and share feedback** related to cannabis.

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### **What Can Be Reported:**

The Incident Reporting Form can now be used to report:

- Concerns with cannabis products, packaging, or content
- Potential illegal activity
- Unethical business conduct
- Unwanted health reactions after using cannabis (adverse events)
- General complaints
- Questions or suggestions

**Please Note:** Only submit new incidents using the updated form. Previously submitted reports do not need to be resubmitted.

### **Submit an Incident Report:**

If you have a concern, question, or experience to share, you can submit it directly through the form below.

### **Report an Incident**

This form helps the Office monitor the market, respond to issues, and improve the safety and integrity of New York's cannabis industry.

Thank you,  
NYS Office of Cannabis Management

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# GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Thank you for tuning in to this month's NYCT update,

We are excited to share that the MTA will be visiting community boards along the IBX's path in Brooklyn and Queens in 2026 to share project updates, answer questions, and hear feedback. Please check your local community board calendar for up-to-date scheduling information. Additional public engagement opportunities will be posted [here](#) throughout the year.

**[ACE Route Expansion](#)**

The MTA [announced](#) two more bus routes will now be equipped with Automated Camera Enforcement (ACE). The 60-day warning period on the Q60 and B12 bus routes in Queens and Brooklyn have begun on Monday March 16. Vehicles improperly using busways and bus lanes, blocking bus stops, or illegally double parked will receive warning notices in the mail for an initial period of 60 days followed by summonses thereafter. Summonses start at \$50 and escalate to \$250 for repeat violators.

### Customers Count Survey

Be sure to check out our April Newsletter to sign up for the Customers Count Spring 2026 Survey and join our opt-in research panel. Keep an eye out—the signup [link](#) will be live starting April 13-May 3rd.

In the meantime, you can use our evergreen feedback survey to share your experience on any of our transit modes—Subway, Local Bus, Express Bus, Access-A-Ride, Long Island Rail Road, or Metro-North Railroad—and sign up for future research opportunities using the link below.

[https://nymta.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1S8VydNsb0gyC6G](https://nymta.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1S8VydNsb0gyC6G)

### Access-A- Ride (AAR) Updates

Booking an Access-A-Ride trip has never been easier with the new and improved [MY AAR](#) webpage and app. Our AAR agents remain available to book trips every day from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., but MY AAR is the fastest and most convenient way to book a trip, request an advanced taxi authorization to certain locations, or create a subscription. [Learn more about how to book a trip](#) using my AAR.

The AAR OMNY ID card serves as your customer identification and displays your AAR ID number, photo, and Personal Care Attendant (PCA) status, if applicable. Once funds are added to the AAR OMNY ID card, you can take AAR trips without using cash — the fare will be automatically deducted from your card balance at the end of each trip. This removes the need to carry exact change. Cash payment is still accepted and will be used by default if your AAR OMNY ID card has a low or negative balance.

AAR vehicles do not have OMNY readers on board, so you will not need to tap your card when traveling. For instructions on adding funds, please watch our [tutorial video](#). The AAR OMNY ID card also provides four free bus and/or subway trips. To activate this zero-fare benefit, call AAR at 877-337-2017 and select prompt 4 to speak with the Eligibility Unit.

Access-A-Ride (AAR) is a shared-ride paratransit service provided for eligible individuals with disabilities, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The ADA requires the provision of accessible transportation such as paratransit service. However, requests for a specific type of vehicle or provider do not have to be accommodated, except where accessibility is required.

The term “accessibility is required” refers to when a customer needs a vehicle that has the following accessible feature/s:

- Vehicle lift or ramp
- Handrail on vehicles with steps
- Securement system for mobility aids or devices

AAR provides the service and vehicle type needed to meet these accessibility requirements. However, it does not guarantee a particular vehicle type, provider, or service style beyond what is required to ensure safe and accessible transportation.

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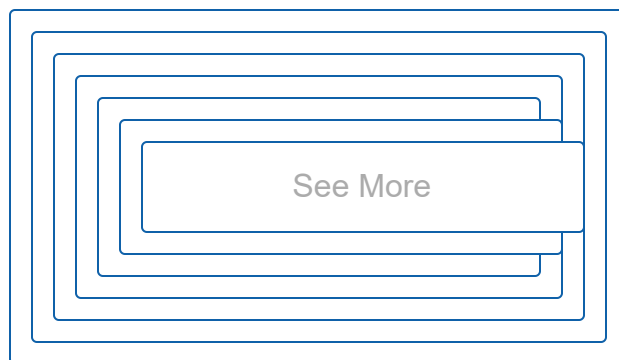
## **Governor Hochul Announces Launch of New, Best-In-Class MTA App for New York City Subway and Bus Customers**

Dramatically Transforms User Experience; Provides More Accurate Real-Time Data Including Arrival Times, Transfer Information and Service Changes.

[\*\*View MTA App Promo Video\*\*](#)

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) has launched an all-new mobile app exclusively for New York City subway and bus riders- built to deliver an effortless experience navigating the largest public transit network in North America. The new MTA App also features live in-app customer support that can answer rider questions as well as direct customers to other MTA services.

To get the redesigned app, customers can download or update the existing MTA App through the Apple App Store (iOS) or Google Play Store (Android). The app is available in English and Spanish.



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## **Mets Fans Arrive at Citi Field in Amazin' Fashion for Home Opener**



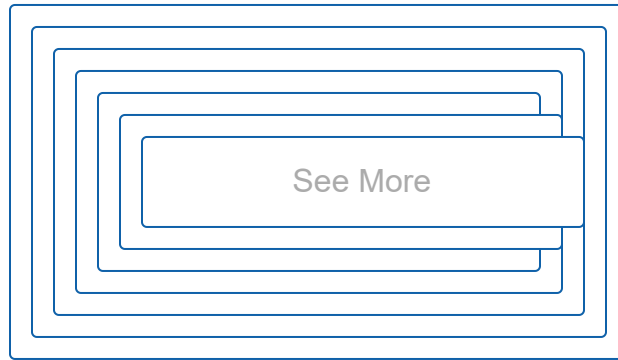
***Hundreds of Mets Fans Ride Vintage Redbird 7 Trains to Citi Field***

See [Photos](#) and [Video](#) of Nostalgia Train Ride

***Mets Fans Taking LIRR to Game Save \$5.00 by Using 'Take the Train to the Game' Promotion***

The New York Mets opened their 2026 season in Queens on Thursday March 26, hosting the Pittsburgh Pirates. Thousands of Mets fans filled the transit system on their way to Citi Field, and a lucky few thousand rode in style on a train synonymous with the team.

The Redbirds rode the rails again. After returning from a seven-year hiatus for last year's home opener, fans got the opportunity to take the classic Redbird trains to Mets- Willets Point Station.



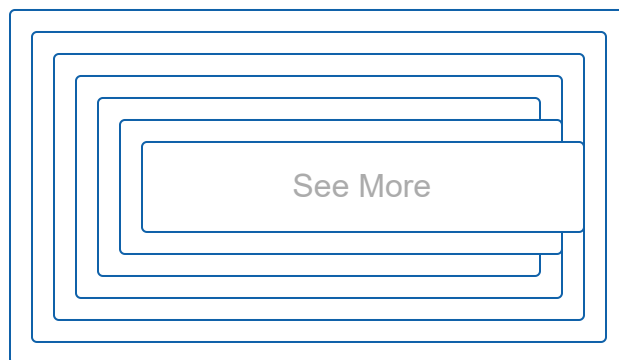
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### ***MTA Celebrates St. Patrick's Day with Special Subway Signage at Grand Central - 42 ST***



See [Photos](#) and [Videos](#) of Subway Decals, Stickers and Digital Signage

The MTA celebrated St. Patrick's Day in the transit system with crews placing green shamrock-shaped decals at the Grand Central- 42 St Station. Customer service Agents also handed out stickers to riders at the Grand Central- 42 St and 59 St stations, and the 68 St- Hunter College station on March 17.



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## **PHOTOS: MTA Leadership Celebrates National Transit Employee Appreciation Day**



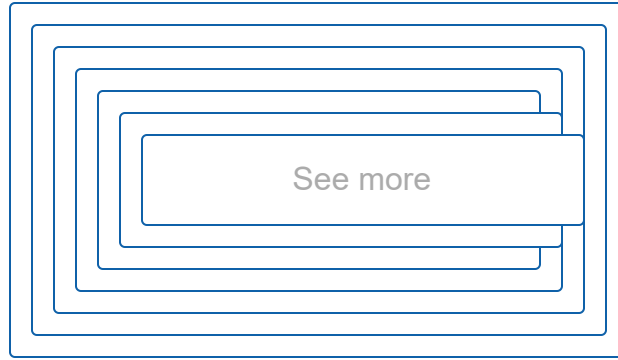
***Agency Presidents Pay Tribute to Transit Workers by Joining Them in the Field***

See [Photos](#) of MTA Leaders with Employees

See [Video](#) of MTA Leaders with Employees

In honor of National Transit Employee Appreciation Day, Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) leadership spent time with transit workers in the field throughout the Authority's service region to demonstrate the importance of recognizing the essential service that

transit workers deliver every day to get riders to their destination safely and efficiently.



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## **MTA Expands Successful Convo Program for Live ASL Interpretation at Subway, Metro- North, and LIRR Stations**

***Pilot Transforms How Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Riders Use the Transit System***

***Convo Now Available at All 30 Customer Service Centers Throughout the Subway System***

***Service Improves Communication and Enhances Personal Connections Between Users and MTA Staff***

**[See Video of the Convo Pilot](#)**

The MTA announced the expansion of a pilot program to connect people who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing with an instant and on-demand American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter while using the transit system. Convo is a mobile smartphone and web-based application that allows users to scan a QR code, connect with a live interpreter and chat with an MTA employee about service changes, payment, or anything regarding their journey.



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## **ICYMI: Governor Hochul Announces MTA Seeking Companies to Build 2,390 Subway Cars, the Largest Subway Order Ever**

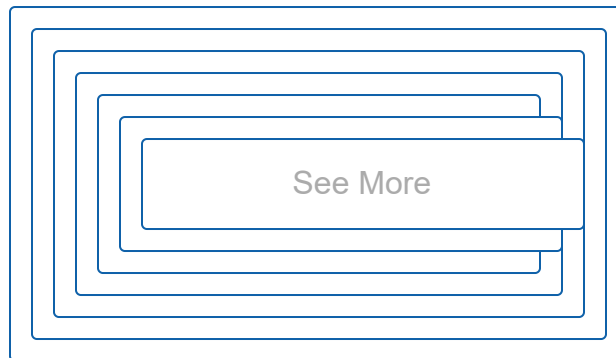
***New Cars Made Possible by Governor Hochul Fully Funding MTA's Funding MTA's 2025-2029 Capital Plan***

***MTA Capital Plan Includes the Largest Investment in New Subway and Railroad Cars Ever***

***New Cars Will Replace Fleets on the 1,3 and 6 Lines; If Options Are Exercised Would Replace All Cars on the 2, 4, and 5 Lines.***

Governor Kathy Hochul announced that the MTA is seeking proposals from rail car manufacturers for its largest subway car contract in history with a base order of 1,140 subway cars to replace the R62 and R62A fleets operating on the 1,3,6 lines, and if an option to purchase the additional 1,250 cars is exercised, to replace the R142 and R142A cars on the 2,4,5 lines.

In total, the contract includes 2,390 new subway cars- more cars than the Chicago Transit Authority subway fleet and Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority's combined. The new cars, model R262, will be funded by the MTA's 2025-29 Capital Plan, which received a historic \$68 billion in funding from Governor Hochul and the State Legislature in the FY26 Enacted State Budget. This Capital Plan represents the largest investment in new rolling stock in the history of the MTA. The purchase also includes funds made available through the 2020- 2024 Capital Plan, which is supported by congestion pricing revenues.



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## Neighborhood Tree Planting Program

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**From** Salig, Mary (Parks)

**Date** Mon 4/6/2026 10:16 AM

**To** BK01 (CB)

Good morning CB1,

Sharing a resource recently developed by our Forestry team. New street trees are planted on a cyclical basis—prioritizing the most heat-vulnerable neighborhoods first. Parks does not take requests for new street trees; alternatively, each neighborhood will be inspected and planted sequentially. NYC Parks' Neighborhood Tree Planting program aims to plant the entire city on a 9-year cycle. The [Neighborhood Tree Planting Program page](#) is live, with maps of Parks' tree planting implementation goals within a 9-year planting cycle. Note that these maps represent the approximate areas we intend to plant during each phase.

I hope that this is helpful to anyone with tree planting related questions or requests.

As always, please let me know if you have questions or concerns.

Best,

Mary

**Mary Salig-Husain (she/her/hers)**

Park Administrator

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**Fw: NYC Health Department Resources and Highlights**

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**From:** Afia McCausky

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 8, 2026 10:46 AM

**Subject:** NYC Health Department Resources and Highlights

## LATEST NEWS AND RESOURCES FROM THE NYC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### NEWS

[Mayor Mamdani Launches Child Care Provider Permitting Portal](#) - Mayor Zohran Kwame Mamdani announced the launch of a new [child care center provider permitting portal](#), replacing a fragmented and outdated system with a streamlined, fully online process that makes it simpler and easier to open child care centers across New York City.

### RESOURCES

Travel and vacation season is just around the corner. To avoid any travel delays or issues, be sure to have travel-related documents like birth certificates that are critical for passport or government issued IDs like driver's licenses applications and renewals. Remember to always plan ahead!

Please find birth certificates information below:

[Birth Certificates - NYC Health](#)

[How to Order](#)

[Birth Certificates: Corrections](#)

[Fees and Processing Times](#)

Mosquito season in NYC has officially started in April 2026. As the warmer months approach, we'd like to share information on how to address your property to keep them free and clear of standing water which are breeding conditions for mosquitos. Remember to also wear protection while outdoors such as loose long sleeve shirts and pants and use insect repellent.

Please find Mosquitoes information below:

[Mosquitoes - NYC Health](#)

[Mosquito Control - NYC Health](#)

[Standing Water - NYC311](#)

Additionally, the NYC Health Department would like to share some helping information on ticks and tick prevention

[Ticks - NYC Health](#)

We encourage everyone to follow our social channels for the latest!



Best,

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*Afia (Frimpong) McCausky  
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# Mayor Mamdani Launches Child Care Provider Permitting Portal

April 7, 2026

**NEW YORK** — Today, Mayor Zohran Kwame Mamdani announced the launch of a new [child care center provider permitting portal](#), replacing a fragmented and outdated system with a streamlined, fully online process that makes it simpler and easier to open child care centers across New York City.

The new portal consolidates application requirements, simplifies communication with the Health Department and provides real-time updates on application status — removing barriers that have long made it difficult for providers to open their doors. Developed in close collaboration with child care providers, the system is a key step toward delivering universal child care for both families and the providers who serve them.

“Until now, opening a child care center meant navigating a disjointed maze of paperwork and appointments. Today, we’re cutting through that red tape. We’re making it easier to open new child care centers, expand access to care and support the providers who are essential to this work — all while prioritizing the protections that keep our kids safe,” said **Mayor Zohran Kwame Mamdani**. “Our child care providers are our first partners in the work to roll out universal child care – common-sense tools like this prioritize their needs, making our city’s child care system stronger for all.”

"The health and safety of our youngest New Yorkers starts with ensuring child care providers have the support they need to succeed," said **NYC Health Commissioner Dr. Alister Martin**. "With this new, modern digital portal, we are removing administrative hurdles that can delay the opening of high-quality centers. Getting more kids into free, safe, regulated environments faster will enable more New York City families to thrive."

"New York City's efforts to use technology to drive meaningful change should always center around the New Yorkers using these services," said **New York City Chief Technology Officer and Office of Technology and Innovation (OTI) Commissioner Lisa Gelobter**. "Today's announcement is a direct result of the City engaging with the voices and experiences of our child care providers to deliver the simplified permitting solution they deserve. Through this modernized portal, our providers will be empowered to spend more time focusing on what matters most: caring for our kids."

Previously, applicants were required to submit documents to the NYC Health Department, often via dispersed emails, with no clear way to track progress, coordinate inspections or receive timely updates.

The new system allows applicants to:

- Complete applications and upload documents online, eliminating the need for multiple paper forms and email attachments.
- Centralize communication with the Health Department, reducing the need for separate emails and phone calls.
- Schedule required inspections with a single online interface.
- Track application status and next steps in real time.

The portal was developed in direct response to provider feedback and tested by child care providers across the city. The administration will continue to refine and expand the platform based on ongoing input from providers.

Today's announcement builds on the Mamdani administration's broader commitment to universal child care. With support from Governor Kathy Hochul, the City will launch an initial 2,000 2-K seats this fall. Earlier this month, Mayor Mamdani announced more than 1,000 new 3-K seats in high-demand neighborhoods and access to free 2-K programs in four communities across the city. The City will continue growing 3-K capacity for fall 2026 through partnerships with community- and home-based providers.

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## Birth Certificates

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### VitalChek: Only Authorized Online Vendor

For the fastest service, order certified copies online through VitalChek, which is the only vendor authorized by the Health Department to process birth certificate orders.

There are unauthorized vendors charging customers high fees for help getting a birth certificate. If you ordered a certificate through an unauthorized vendor and would like to file a complaint, visit the NYC Department of Consumer Protection or **call 311**.

The NYC Health Department issues birth certificates for all people who are born in New York City (The Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island). We do not issue certificates for Nassau, Suffolk or other counties in New York State.

To order or correct a marriage certificate, visit the Office of the City Clerk.

You can order a birth certificate online, by mail or in person. You cannot order by email. We recommend ordering online through VitalChek, which is the fastest way to receive your certificate.

You may apply for a New York City birth certificate if:

- You were born in New York City
- You are listed on the birth certificate (as parent or registrant/child)
- You are 18 or older

If you were born outside of New York City, including elsewhere in New York State, the CDC has information on how you can order a certificate.

For more information on applying, see Birth and Death Records: How to Apply

Each certificate costs \$15, and may have an additional processing fee. For more information on fees, see Birth and Death Records: Fees.

There are two types of birth certificates:

- **Short Form:** The short form is the most commonly requested certificate. It can be used for most domestic purposes. This form includes your child's first and last name, place of birth, date of birth, sex at birth and mother and father's first and last names.
- **Long Form:** The long form includes additional information and is generally used for international purposes, such as dual citizenship, international adoption, international marriage, time of birth and apostille certificates.

The following application is required for all orders of both short and long forms:

- Premium Birth Certificate Application (PDF)  
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If you are an **attorney** requesting a birth certificate on a behalf of a client, see the Attorney Request section below to learn how to submit a request.

If you are a **nonprofit organization** requesting a birth certificate, see Nonprofit Organization Request section below to learn how to submit a request.

If you are requesting a **birth certificate of a deceased person**, use this form:

- Application to Request an NYC Birth Certificate of a Deceased Person (PDF)
  - You will automatically receive a Long Form Birth Certificate with a Letter of Exemplification. These documents are required for obtaining an apostille.

If you are unable to schedule an appointment and have an emergency request related to travel, health care coverage, government services, military, housing or employment, **call 311** or email [nycdohvr@health.nyc.gov](mailto:nycdohvr@health.nyc.gov). In your email, include current photo ID and documents showing that you have an emergency, such as a paid plane ticket, letter from an employer with a job start date, or letter from a government agency with an appointment date. You will receive an email confirming whether your in-person emergency appointment to purchase the birth certificate is approved.

## New and Expectant Parents

Parents receive a free birth certificate for newborns about four weeks after birth. Your baby's birth certificate will be based on information you provide at the hospital when you deliver. It will be automatically mailed to the parents listed on the certificate.

At the hospital, you will be asked to fill out a Mother/Parent Worksheet (PDF). You can complete this ahead of time and bring it to the hospital or give it to your midwife. The worksheet collects important information and helps your baby get a Social Security Card. Note: The worksheet must be filled out in English, but you can view the worksheet in other languages below.

Be careful when you fill out your baby's full name and your mailing address. Correcting a birth certificate can cost money or even require a trip to court. A mistake in the mailing address can delay delivery.

Married parents, regardless of sex, have the right to have both their names on their child's birth certificate. Some hospitals require proof of marriage. Check with the hospital to find out if you need to bring a copy of your marriage license with you.

An Acknowledgment of Parentage is a document that unmarried parents must both sign voluntarily to establish the child's legal father/parent.

Certified copies of an Acknowledgment of Parentage are free of charge. Complete the New York State Acknowledgment of Parentage application and submit by mail or in person.

For questions about certificates for newborns (born within the past 30 days), call 646-632-6563 or email [birth@health.nyc.gov](mailto:birth@health.nyc.gov).

## Resources for Expecting Parents

- Pregnancy
- Doula Care
- View the Mother/Parent Worksheet (PDF) in other languages:  
Español (Spanish) | Русский (Russian) | 繁體中文 (Chinese, Traditional) | 简体中文 (Chinese, Simplified) | বাংলা (Bengali) | Kreyòl ayisyen (Haitian Creole) | Français (French) | 한국어 (Korean) | Italiano (Italian) | العربية (Arabic) | Polski (Polish) | יידיש (Yiddish) | اردو (Urdu) | 日本語 (Japanese)

## Baby Name

There is no fee to add a child's given name to a birth certificate if you submit the application within 60 days of birth.

You may add a given name and submit corrections if you find missing or incorrect information at the hospital. There is no fee for changes made by the hospital if sent within 12 months of birth.

Once the baby is named, it is official. Changing a baby's name may require you to go to court and pay applicable fees. Visit the certificate corrections page for more details.

## Types of Birth Certificates and Requests

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**Chat:** For more help ordering a certificate, you can chat online with an operator by clicking the "Chat With Us" button at Birth and Death Records: Ordering, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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# Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes are most active in New York City from April through October. During this time, they seek to lay their eggs in slow-moving or standing water.

A range of factors influence mosquito populations, including the impacts of climate change. Warmer average temperatures have led to earlier springs, hotter summers, and milder winters. Precipitation has also increased. These changes allow mosquitoes to expand into new areas, reproduce more quickly, and stay active for longer periods of the year.

## Diseases Spread by Mosquitoes

Most mosquitoes you see in the city do not carry disease. Only a few mosquito species in New York City may carry and spread West Nile virus to people and animals.

Diseases spread by mosquitoes in areas outside the city include:

- Zika virus
- Chikungunya
- Dengue fever
- Malaria
- NYS: Eastern equine encephalitis

## Mosquito Surveillance

During the summer, the Health Department places traps throughout the city to collect adult mosquitoes. Weekly testing helps track West Nile virus and detect the presence of other potential viruses, such as eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, LaCrosse encephalitis, and Jamestown Canyon viruses.

West Nile virus has been detected in mosquitoes in NYC every year since 1999. In 2025, mosquitoes in NYC tested positive for Jamestown Canyon virus for the first time.

Learn more about how New York City monitors the mosquito population.

## Prevention

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## Daily Tips

## Mosquito Bite Treatment

## Protect Your Home

## Travel

# Additional Resources

- [Fight the Bite: Protect Yourself Against Mosquitoes Brochure \(PDF\)](#)  
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# Ticks

Ticks are most active in spring, summer and fall. They can be found in cooler areas where trees, brush, leaf litter and tall grasses provide cover and shade from the sun. Ticks avoid heat and direct sunlight. Ticks feed on blood and will wait for a person or animal to walk by to grab onto. They will then crawl onto the person or animal and search for a suitable spot on the body to attach and feed.

Most NYC residents diagnosed with a tick-borne disease are infected when visiting grassy, wooded areas in upstate New York, Long Island, and surrounding states. However, several types of ticks have been found in New York City. Some of them have tested positive for the germs that cause Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases.

A range of factors influence tick populations, including weather and available food for hosts, such as acorns for mice. Climate change is leading to warmer average temperatures resulting in longer warm seasons. Earlier springs, hotter summers and shorter, milder winters provide conditions that influence the number of ticks and where they are found. More ticks in more areas, may lead to more people and animals being bitten and infected with a tick-borne disease.

[View maps of U.S. counties that have reported infected ticks.](#)

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## Types of ticks found in NYC

## Prevent Tick Bites

Use these tips to prevent tick bites:

### Clothing

### Repellent

### Pets

### In Your Yard

## Check for Ticks

Check for ticks on yourself, children, and pets when returning indoors from tick-infested areas. Your chance of getting sick from a bite is lower if you remove the tick quickly.

Look for ticks in:

- All joint areas
- The belly button
- Behind ears
- Behind knees
- Between the legs
- Around the waist
- In the hairline
- In other skin folds

You should shower within two hours of coming indoors to wash off any crawling ticks and to make it easier to find any attached ticks.

## Remove a Tick

If a tick is crawling on you, remove the tick and dispose of it. For disposal, you can flush it down the toilet or put it in alcohol, a sealed bag/container, or wrap it tightly in tape before throwing it in the trash.

If the tick is attached (or stuck) on your skin, watch this video on how to remove ticks and follow these steps:

- Using pointed-tip tweezers, grab the tick at the point where it is closest to the skin (this is the head of the tick). Do not grab the body of the tick, as that can cause the mouth parts to break off and remain in the skin, leading to an infection.
- Gently pull up on the tick with slow, even pressure to ease out the mouth parts.

- Do not handle the tick with bare hands.
- Do not squash or squeeze the tick.
- After removing the tick, wash your hands and whatever parts of your skin the tick touched with soap and water or rubbing alcohol.
- Do not use petroleum jelly (Vaseline®), nail polish remover or heat to remove the tick. These methods can increase the risk of infection.
- Contact your health care provider immediately if you develop fever, aches and pains or a rash.

## Testing Ticks for Diseases

Testing ticks for diseases is not recommended because:

- If you have been infected, you may develop symptoms before results are available.
- A tick that tests positive for a tick-borne disease may not have been attached long enough to infect you.
- Even if the tick tests negative, it is possible you were unknowingly bitten by a different tick that might have infected you.

If you think you were bitten by a tick or are experiencing symptoms, contact your doctor.

### Resources for Educators

## Additional Resources

- Tick and Tick-borne Disease Surveillance Summary, NYC, 2023 (PDF)
- University of Rhode Island: Tick Encounter Resource Center
- Northeast Regional Center for Excellence in Vector-Borne Diseases
- City Health Information: Preventing, Diagnosing, and Managing Tickborne Diseases (PDF, July 2022)

Print copies of the below materials may be requested by **calling 311**.

- New York City Tick ID and Removal Wallet Card (PDF)  
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- All About Ticks: A Workbook for Kids and Their Parents (PDF) Other Languages: Español
- Tick-borne Disease Diagnostic Reference: Poster for Providers (PDF)
- Ticks taking over? Take back your yard (PDF)  
Other Languages: Español



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**Fw: ACS/PINS program**

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**From:** Fraser, Sonia (ACS)  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 9, 2026 12:51 PM  
**To:** BK01 (CB)  
**Subject:** ACS/PINS program

Good afternoon,

My name is Sonia Fraser and I am reaching out on behalf of the NYC/Administration for Children's Services, Family Assessment Program (FAP) to provide information about the FAP program.

ACS/FAP provides support to families with children ages 9 and up who are struggling to deal with everyday challenges such as defiance, being disrespectful, skipping school, using drugs or alcohol, or associating with negative peers. ACS/FAP connects families with mentoring, family therapy, and other essential services to address challenging behaviors and foster stronger relationships within families. ACS/FAP also helps families access the court system to obtain a missing PINS warrant when a youth is missing from home.

Please review the attached brochures and distribute them to families with youths exhibiting challenging behaviors who may benefit from our services (mentoring, family therapy and respite services).

If you have any questions, please contact me.

**Thank you,**

**Sonia Fraser, MSW | FAP Liaison**

**Division of Youth and Family Justice**

**Brooklyn Family Assessment Program (FAP)**



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## Cómo obtener más información

Las ubicaciones del Family Assessment Program (Programa de Evaluación Familiar) están abiertas de lunes a viernes, de 9:00 a. m. a 5:00 p. m.  
Preguntas por correo electrónico:  
[FAPinquiry@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:FAPinquiry@acs.nyc.gov)

Para las familias que residen en **Manhattan**:  
Manhattan Family Court  
60 Lafayette Street, 2nd floor  
New York, NY 10013  
(212) 341-0012

Para las familias que residen en **Brooklyn**:  
345 Adams Street, 8th floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 260-8550

Para las familias que residen en **Queens**:  
Queens Family Court, 4th floor  
151-20 Jamaica Avenue,  
Jamaica, NY 11433  
(718) 725-3244

Para las familias que residen en **Bronx**:  
Family Resource Center  
260 East 161st Street, Sublevel  
Bronx, NY 10451  
(718) 664-1800

Para las familias que residen en **Staten Island**:  
350 St. Mark's Place, 5th floor  
Staten Island, NY 10301  
(718) 720-0418

## El Family Assessment Program



Ayudar a los adolescentes y a sus familias a superar los desafíos diarios

División de Jóvenes y Justicia de Familia

**NYC Children**

## ¿Qué es FAP?



***El Family Assessment Program (Programa de Evaluación Familiar, FAP) de la Administración de Servicios para Niños de la Ciudad de Nueva York da apoyo a las familias que tienen dificultades para superar los desafíos diarios.***

***FAP es una primera parada necesaria para las familias que buscan acceso a los tribunales de familia a través del sistema de Persons In Need of Supervision (Personas con necesidad de supervisión, PINS).***

## ¿Qué es el Family Assessment Program?

A veces las familias se sienten abrumadas por las situaciones estresantes. Ser padres es un trabajo duro; es difícil dar apoyo con regularidad y ayudar a sus hijos mientras se encarga de sus propias necesidades. Tampoco es siempre fácil ser un adolescente. Encontrar una manera de equilibrar todo en la vida como la escuela, los amigos, la familia, las tareas y el trabajo, puede ser agotador y estresante.

El Family Assessment Program (Programa de Evaluación Familiar, FAP) de la Administración de Servicios para Niños de la Ciudad de Nueva York da apoyo a las familias que tienen dificultades para superar los desafíos diarios. FAP es un programa de recuperación: un programa que intenta ayudar a resolver problemas familiares sin necesidad de ir a un tribunal. A través de la evaluación, la asesoría

individualizada la consejería y remisión a una variedad de servicios comunitarios y basados en casa, FAP trabaja para reforzar las familias y reducir el conflicto.

Recibir servicios de recuperación de FAP es totalmente voluntario. FAP es una primera parada necesaria para las familias que buscan acceso a los tribunales de familia a través del sistema de Persons In Need of Supervision (Personas con necesidad de supervisión, PINS). La familia debe participar en FAP antes de que se pueda presentar una petición de PINS. Es una manera de obtener acceso a muchos servicios que dan apoyo continuo a las familias en sus comunidades. FAP no ayudará a una familia a presentar una petición de PINS en un tribunal de familia a menos que se hayan agotado otras alternativas.

## ¿Qué puede esperar de FAP?

Cuando las familias llegan por primera vez al Family Assessment Program, el personal de FAP las saluda y les presenta el programa. Si la familia decide participar, un trabajador social experto en resolución de crisis familiares los entrevista.

El trabajador social asignado hablará con cada familia para entender las circunstancias que los llevaron a FAP, y para identificar las opciones

más útiles y prácticas de resolver los problemas de la familia. El trabajador social hará preguntas sobre las preocupaciones, las fortalezas y las circunstancias de la familia. Con base en esta conversación, el trabajador social identificará las opciones más útiles y prácticas de resolver los problemas de la familia.

## ¿Se adapta FAP a mi familia?

FAP ayuda a las familias con menores de hasta 18 años de edad y que están teniendo problemas para relacionarse entre ellos.

Las familias pueden obtener ayuda de FAP cuando un joven:

- Se está ausentando de la escuela sin permiso o está teniendo dificultades con los profesores o las clases.
- No está en casa o se escapa de casa constantemente.
- Está tomando drogas o alcohol.

- Se relaciona con compañeros que son una influencia negativa.
- Tiene dificultades con enfermedades mentales.
- Presenta un comportamiento desafiante o peligroso.

Cualquier familia puede obtener ayuda de FAP. NO es necesario que tengan un caso abierto de la Administration for Children's Services (Administración de Servicios para Niños, ACS) para obtener ayuda de FAP.



# Help for You and Your Teen

**The Family Assessment Program (FAP)** helps families resolve conflicts and address challenges with adolescents **without court involvement.**

**FAP offers voluntary, supportive, and confidential services** to help families work through difficult times, build stronger relationships, and prevent crises before they happen. FAP services are free!

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## Who We Serve

Families with teens and preteens who are struggling with:

- **Not going to school**
- **Family conflict or communication breakdowns**
- **Running away or staying out overnight**
- **Behavior challenges**
- **Substance use or negative peer influence**



# Help for You and Your Teen

## Get connected to services:

The Family Assessment Program partners with trusted, evidence-based providers to meet each family's unique

- **Crisis Intervention:** Services geared to stabilize the current situation and help you manage any crisis.
- **Mentoring:** One-on-one mentoring for your teen focused on self-esteem, healthy choices, and goal setting; may include **Fair Futures** coaching for long-term support.
- **Family Therapy:** Therapy focused on communication and behavior change to strengthen your family. Services can be of varying intensities depending on what your family needs. If anyone is struggling with a particular concern such as substance abuse or mental health, we have a program that can address those needs.
- **Respite:** If your family needs space to address the issues you are facing, we have a 30-day, voluntary family-based respite program. Youth are placed in a trained respite home to reduce conflict and help families focus on change.
- **Prosocial & Recreational Programs:** Sometimes youth need positive outlets to help them stay out of trouble. Our FAP offices can help you locate services in your neighborhoods.
- **Aren't sure what you need?:** Don't worry. Our FAP staff are experts in what services are out there and helping families get connected.

## You may also contact us and get help for:

- **PINS (Persons in Need of Supervision):** Families considering filing a PINS petition in Family Court must first work with FAP to explore supportive alternatives.
- **Raising the Lower Age (RTLA):** For teens and preteens, FAP provides assessment and services as a differential response to ensure families receive help, not criminalization.

## 3 Ways to Access FAP Services

- 1 **Website:**  
■ [nyc.gov/fap](https://nyc.gov/fap)

- 2 **QR Code:**



- 3 **FAP office  
directly:**

### MANHATTAN

Manhattan Family Court  
60 Lafayette Street,  
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New York, NY 10013  
212-341-0012

### BROOKLYN

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Brooklyn, NY 11201  
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5th Floor  
Staten Island, NY  
10301  
718-720-0418

# ***¿Tiene un preadolescente o adolescente problemático?***

¿Su hijo está faltando a la escuela, es irrespetuoso en casa y exhibe otros comportamientos negativos?

Haga una cita  
y traiga sus  
problemas al  
**Programa de  
Evaluación  
Familiar**

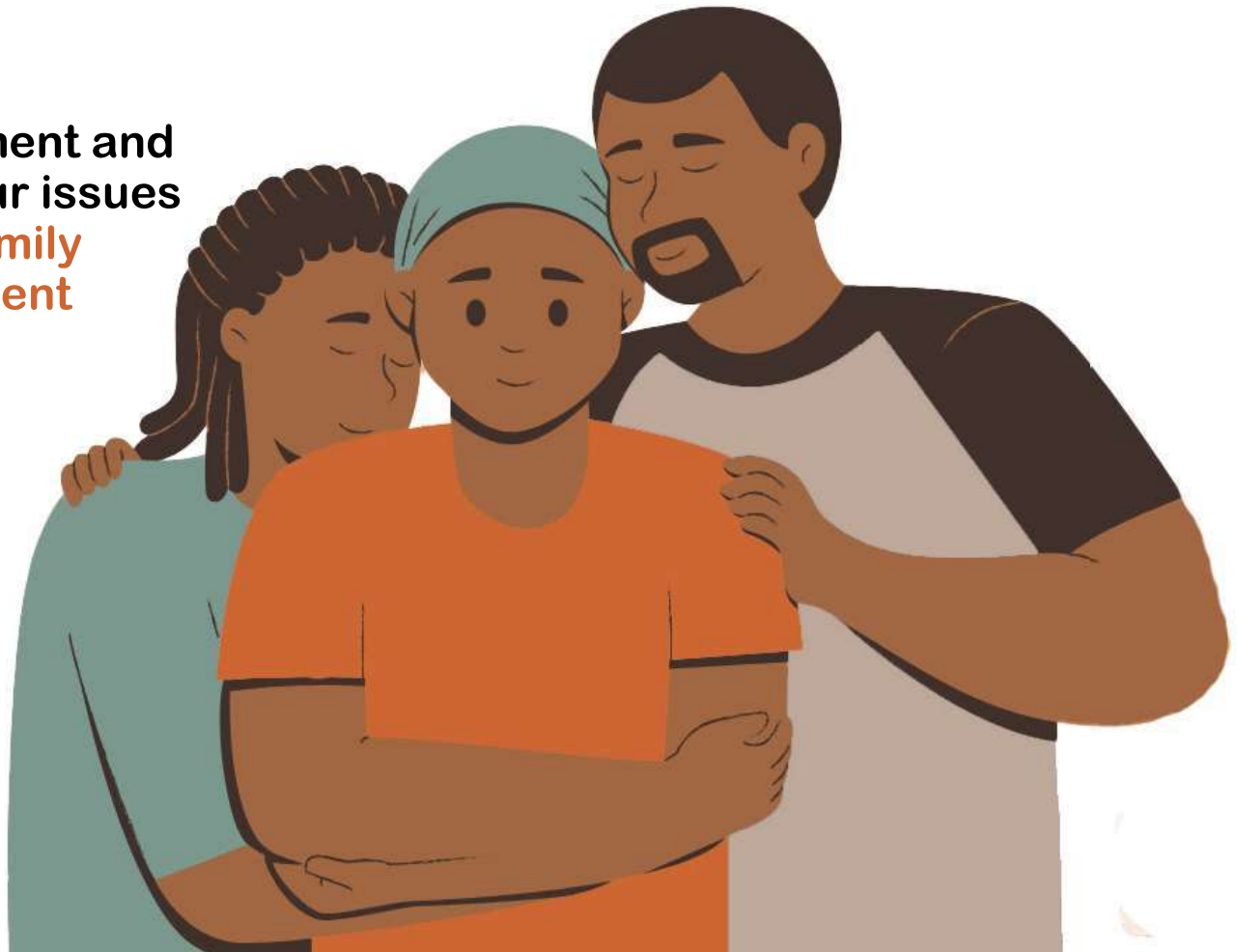


Use el código QR para hacer una cita.  
345 Adams St., 8th Fl. Brooklyn NY, 11201  
(718) 260-8550/08

# ***Do you have a troubled pre-teen or teen?***

Is your child cutting school, disrespectful at home  
and exhibiting other negative behaviors?

Make an  
appointment and  
bring your issues  
to the **Family  
Assessment  
Program**



Use the QR code for an appointment.  
345 Adams Street Brooklyn NY, 11201 8th Fl  
(718) 260-8550/08



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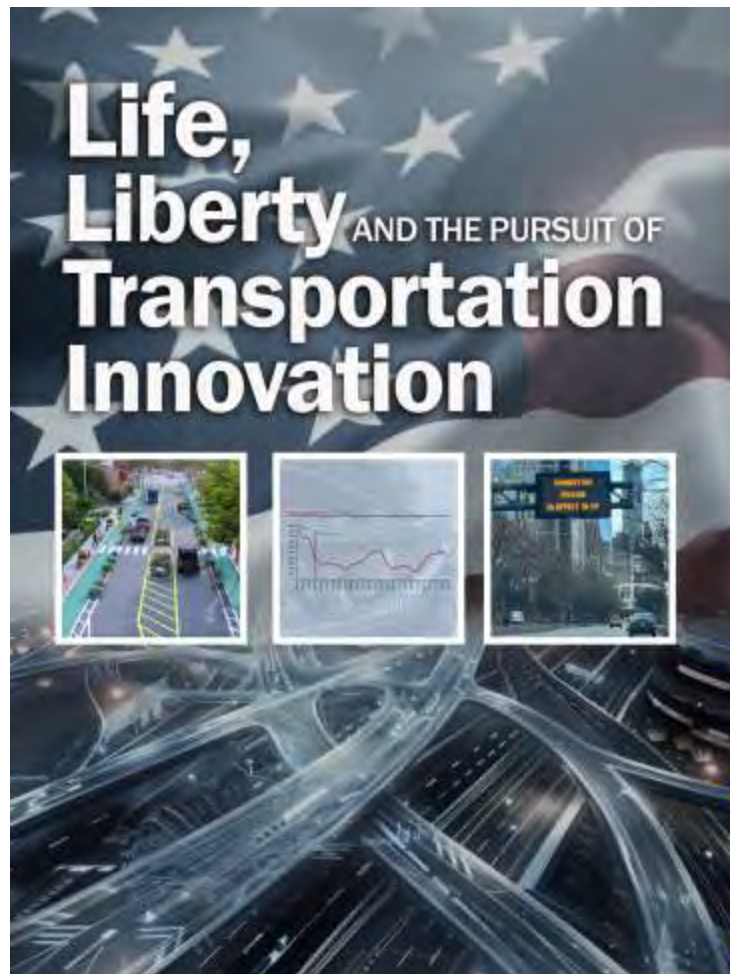
Dear NYMTC members, stakeholders, and all interested in transportation planning in New York City, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley,

We invite you to explore the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council's recently released annual report: [\*\*Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Transportation Innovation\*\*](#), which highlights the many activities and accomplishments of our Council over the past year.

Inside, you'll find updates on our work across the region, including project highlights from each of NYMTC's nine member agencies that demonstrate our continued collaboration in driving transportation planning forward in the NYMTC planning area.

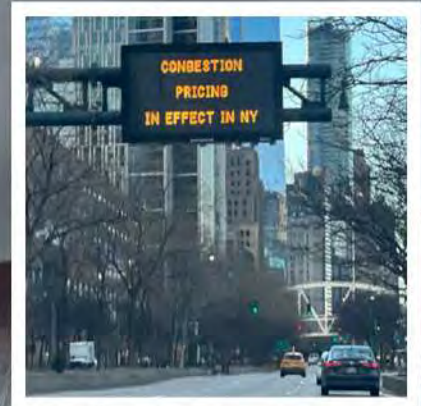
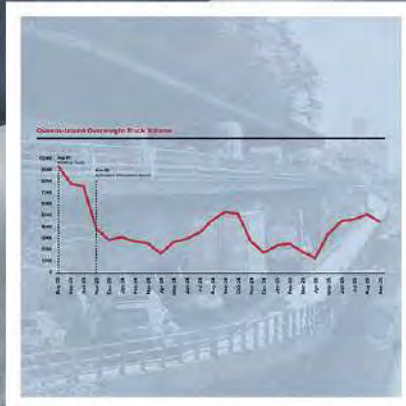
This year's report also recognizes the nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday, reflecting on how transportation innovation in our region has evolved since our humble beginnings. From historic milestones to today's forward-thinking initiatives, the report showcases the progression of efforts to continually build a more connected, resilient, and innovative transportation network.

Enjoy!

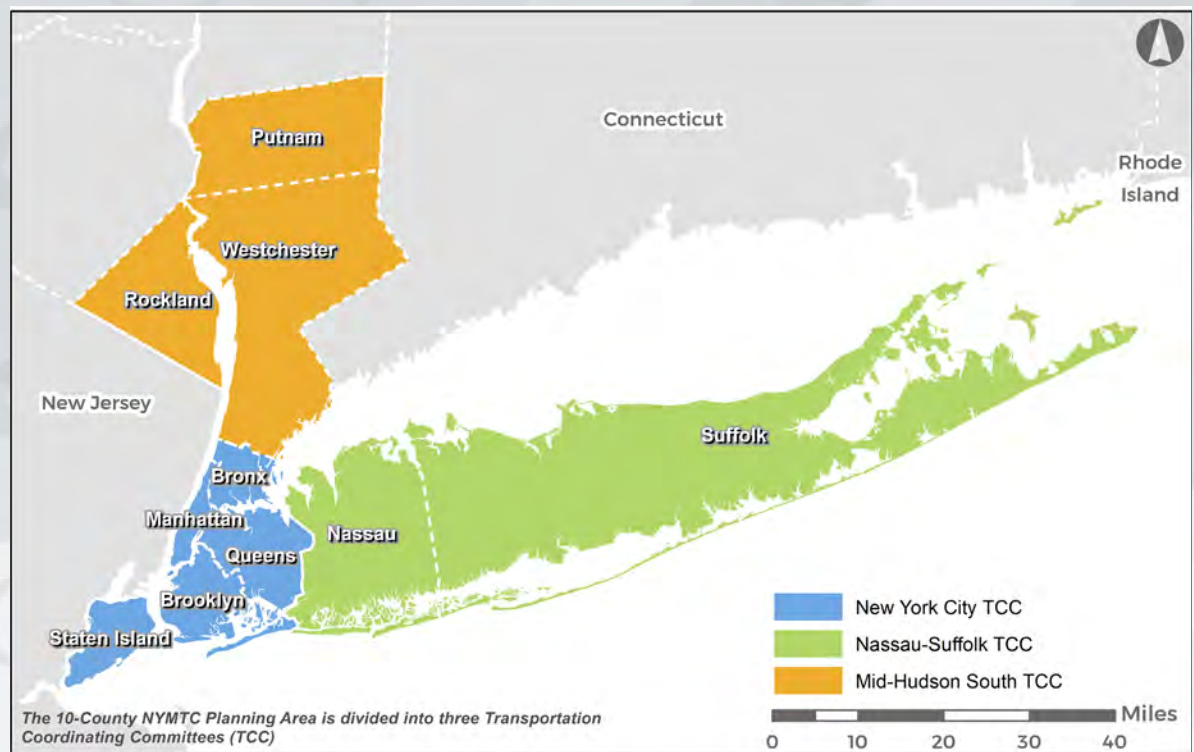




# Life, Liberty AND THE PURSUIT OF Transportation Innovation



## About the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC)



The New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for New York City, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley. In this role, NYMTC leads a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive regional planning process to guide the use of federal transportation funds and address the long-term transportation and infrastructure needs of the region.

Working in partnership with its member agencies, NYMTC develops plans and programs that support a safe, efficient, and reliable transportation system for people and goods throughout the NYMTC planning area.

### Our Vision

The members of NYMTC recognize that mobility—the ability for people and goods to move safely, efficiently, and reliably to, from, and between destinations—is essential to quality of life and economic vitality. Mobility must serve people of all abilities who live in, work in, or visit our region.

NYMTC aspires to ensure that transportation systems provide sustainable, healthy, and equitable access for everyone. Thus, federal investments must be made efficiently and strategically, so that the region is prepared to meet both current and future transportation challenges.

Through the metropolitan transportation planning process and the development of this plan, NYMTC advances a shared vision of a transportation system that supports these goals.

## Our Mission

NYMTC's mission is to support regional transportation planning that positions the region to secure and effectively use federal transportation funding in pursuit of shared goals among its member agencies. As a regional forum for collaboration, NYMTC facilitates informed decision-making by providing sound technical analysis, data, and forecasts that guide coordinated planning efforts.

Our planning is led by the following principles:

- Consider the needs of all transportation system users throughout the planning process.
- Make the most effective use of federal transportation funds and leverage local resources where practicable.
- Monitor system performance to inform priorities for investments and improvements.
- Support multi-agency coordination to better integrate the region's independently operated transportation systems.
- Engage the public and community stakeholders in meaningful ways.
- Leverage technological advancements to enhance the performance and resilience of the transportation system.



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#### MARIE THERESE DOMINGUEZ

COMMISSIONER  
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
NYMTC CO-CHAIR

### COMMISSIONER’S MESSAGE

DEAR COLLEAGUES:

Marking the 250th year of our nation’s history offers a timely opportunity to acknowledge the pivotal role New York’s transportation network has played in the state’s long-term success, helping to establish it as a national leader in transportation innovation. Historically, the foundation for many modern roads was established by Native American trails and paths, while natural waterways promoted early trade for both indigenous communities and European settlers. In the early 19th century, the monumental Erie Canal project connected the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean, cementing New York City’s status as a global port. New York subsequently became an essential hub for railroads, spurring westward expansion and industrial growth. The 20th century brought further changes with the rise of cars and establishment of the Interstate Highway System in 1956, which significantly improved nationwide mobility and forever changed the way we think about travel.

Today, our priorities have evolved to accommodate a new vision for transportation excellence. There is a strong emphasis on ensuring that our work aligns with community vision, with ongoing investments in multimodal options designed to help every traveler reach their destination efficiently. Governor Kathy Hochul recognizes that creating a modern statewide transportation network isn’t just about building infrastructure – it’s about building smart infrastructure that connects communities, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and enhances safety and affordability for New Yorkers.

NYMTC is integral to this work in the New York metropolitan area, supporting ten metropolitan counties and playing an essential role in reflecting the region’s goals for a reliable transportation network that meets the diverse needs of its residents both today and into the future. As Council Chair of NYMTC, I deeply understand the value of collaboration between NYMTC’s member agencies. Our partnership ensures that this region, home to over thirteen million people and over 65 percent of the state’s population, will continue to thrive.

Against this backdrop, the New York State Department of Transportation has delivered significant progress in modernizing transportation infrastructure over the first four years of our historic \$34.3 billion Capital Plan. Since 2022, NYSDOT has replaced 18 bridges and rehabilitated or maintained more than 3,100 in the New York metropolitan area – an investment of roughly \$2.7 billion – and in 2026 alone, NYSDOT will invest over \$1.6 billion to further address the region’s needs. Additionally, NYSDOT has preserved more than 1,850 lane miles of pavement across the region over the duration of this Capital Plan and will invest nearly \$204 million throughout 2026, helping to extend the life of roadways that serve millions of trips daily. Just last year, NYSDOT filled over 1.3 million potholes statewide, delivering immediate safety and quality of life improvements for drivers. Recognizing both the scale of need and age of New York’s transportation infrastructure, Governor Hochul recently committed an additional \$600 million to accelerate nearly 250 pavement renewal projects statewide next year – many in the New York metropolitan

region - enabling NYSDOT to address deteriorating road conditions sooner and reduce the need for more costly repairs in the future.

At the same time, NYSDOT continues to look beyond today's needs and plan for the decades ahead. In June, the Department released the first draft of our Transportation Master Plan 2050, outlining a community-centered vision for a multimodal transportation network that reflects local priorities while advancing statewide goals. That commitment came to life with the completion of the third and final phase of the \$1.7 billion Hunts Point Access Improvement Project in the South Bronx in November. This transformative project improves life for South Bronx residents by reconnecting neighborhoods, improving mobility and air quality, removing 13,000 trucks driving on neighborhood roads daily, and streamlining access to one of the nation's most vital food

distribution centers. We will continue our efforts in the South Bronx with our initiative to Reimagine the Cross Bronx Expressway Planning and Linkages Study, a community-driven effort to re-envision transportation from the Harlem River to the Hutchinson River Parkway, made possible through a \$35 million investment from Governor Hochul. Through collaboration with our partners and the community, NYSDOT is ensuring that our investments meet the diverse needs of this region's residents.

As we look toward the next 250 years of our nation's history, it is clear that NYMTC will remain a leader in transportation excellence for the New York metropolitan area, bringing partners together, aligning investments with community goals, and helping to build a transportation network that is safer, more resilient, and ready for the future.

*Marie Flannery Dominy*



"The diverse agencies governing transportation in and around this "City that never sleeps" need an organization to lead this demanding coordination. NYMTC has expertly fulfilled that role."

#### MIKE FLYNN

NYMTC ROTATING CO-CHAIR AND  
NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONER

#### DEAR COLLEAGUES:

As I begin my first months as New York City's new transportation commissioner, I am also thrilled and honored to join NYMTC as its Co-Chair.

As a transportation professional who got his start at NYC DOT more than two decades ago, I am keenly aware of how getting big things done often requires interagency cooperation and collaboration, sometimes across geographical jurisdictions. That kind of work is not

easy, and the diverse agencies governing transportation in and around this "City that never sleeps" need an organization to lead this demanding coordination. NYMTC has expertly fulfilled that role-throughout its more than 40-year history.

In my own most recent role prior to returning to government, directing complex projects at TYLin, I saw the benefits of that interagency collaboration in action on a range of projects, but one stands out. Working with the legendary "Gridlock" Sam Schwartz, I witnessed the historic



effort to have New York become the first jurisdiction in the country—indeed, in this hemisphere—to institute a system of central business district tolling, known as congestion pricing.

One year in, as you will read elsewhere in this report, congestion pricing has been an unmitigated success: we have seen decreases in traffic, pollution and noise – as well as one of the safest-ever years for injuries and fatalities on New York City’s streets.

None of the ill effects of congestion pricing that were predicted by some have materialized. Indeed, only positive benefits have cascaded across the region. Manhattan’s core continues to experience economic growth, including Broadway’s biggest season on record, while the feared regional “spillover effects” --increased traffic across Long Island, the Bronx and New Jersey -- never came to pass. I know that planners, traffic operations professionals and policy experts at NYC DOT worked closely with the MTA in what is now recognized internationally as a policy triumph. Simply, NYMTC helped forge many of the valuable connections that made congestion pricing possible.

But NYMTC’s successes are also visible at a more granular level. Over the past year, working with New York State DOT and funded in part through the NYMTC-administered Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), NYC DOT has delivered targeted upgrades and new pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure near Van Cortlandt Park in

the Bronx, which will transform safety and access in this part of the city. Together with the future build-out of the Harlem River Greenway, these investments will support safer, more accessible connections to the Putnam Trail and, in time, provide pedestrians and cyclists with a continuous greenway stretching from Randall’s Island north to Putnam County. Located within an area designated by NYMTC as a Community Development Emphasis Area (CDEA) in Moving Forward 2055, these improvements are also pro-housing: residents of the soon-to-open 339-unit development at 160 Van Cortlandt Park South will benefit from safer, more reliable connections across all modes of travel. Projects like these illustrate how we can -- and must -- deliver on Mayor Zohran Mamdani’s pledge to build safe infrastructure for both the future of New York City as well as its present.

Finally, I want to acknowledge and thank Commissioner Ydanis Rodriguez, whom I succeed both at NYC DOT and as Co-Chair of NYMTC. Commissioner Rodriguez brought such passion and energy to this work, including leading efforts like the Harlem River Greenway, delivering investment to communities that had been too often overlooked by transportation planners in the past. I hope to do that impressive legacy justice in the years ahead.

*Mike El*



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**ADAM S. LEVINE**

NYMTC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### DEAR COLLEAGUES

Just a block from NYMTC’s central office, an unassuming cast-iron fence encircles Bowling Green—New York City’s oldest park and a welcome place of respite for workers and visitors in the Financial District. Officially listed on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places, the 255-year-old Bowling Green Fence is a powerful reminder of the city’s Revolutionary War history. Erected under British rule in 1771, the fence was famously altered by colonists 250 years ago, who removed its British crown finials in an act of defiance against King George III. Today, it remains one of lower Manhattan’s most significant Revolutionary-era landmarks, alongside Federal Hall, St. Paul’s Chapel, and Fraunces Tavern—sites that each played a role in shaping an ambitious and ever-evolving nation.

That same pioneering spirit continues to define our region, particularly through its strong legacy of transportation innovation. From the Montauk Lighthouse being the state’s first beacon and the Clermont steamboat being the first commercially successful ferry service to Charles Lindbergh’s transatlantic flight, Grumman’s Apollo Lunar Module—built entirely on Long Island and the first true spacecraft—to New York’s parkway and Thruway systems that became the national blueprint for America’s interconnected highway system, the NYMTC region has long been at the forefront of progress. A timeline

highlighting many of these groundbreaking achievements appears on pages 21-22 of this report, courtesy of our friends at the New York Transit Museum.

Since America’s founding 250 years ago, the nation’s vitality and innovative spirit are rooted in the shared belief that a better future is always within reach. Nowhere is this more evident than in the advanced transportation initiatives recently delivered by NYMTC members. In just the past several years, we have seen significant improvements in transit accessibility through the MTA’s 2025-2029 Capital Plan, which aims to make over 60 stations ADA-accessible and modernize an additional 78 subway elevators. Innovative tools such as NaviLens are making navigation easier for people with visual impairments. Major infrastructure efforts, including the Gateway Program and its Hudson Tunnel Project, are moving forward, adding nine miles of new passenger rail track connecting New York and New Jersey. New York City DOT has introduced the nation’s first Weigh-in-Motion technology to automatically detect overweight vehicles, reducing premature wear on critical infrastructure. Meanwhile, the Department of City Planning’s UPWP-funded Jamaica Neighborhood Study, which helped form its recently approved Jamaica Neighborhood Plan, will deliver nearly 12,000 new homes, including 4,000 permanently affordable units, in a long-constrained, transit-accessible community.

In our suburban communities, great strides are being made to re-examine transit services, with the goal of making them fit better with the existing needs of their residents. In Westchester, capital improvements are in store for the White Plains Transportation Center. Station rehabilitation and ADA improvements are planned for numerous Metro North locations. A major resurfacing project along Route 303 and Route 304 in Rockland County is documented in our TIP.

And there is much more on the horizon. Planned studies will address chronic congestion at the Oakdale Merge in Suffolk County. Nassau County is investing in a new fleet of buses powered by alternative fuels. A bold, net-zero-emissions plan for the new Midtown Bus Terminal is advancing for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

Together, these projects represent just a sampling of the hundreds of investments documented in NYMTC's 2026–2030 Transportation Improvement Program. Each, in its own way, supports the transformative changes required to serve the region's steady and often significant growth in population, employment, labor force, and households, as projected in NYMTC's 2055 Socioeconomic and Demographic Forecasts. As stewards of the nation's largest transportation network, NYMTC and its members remain committed to leaving the next generation with a legacy of continued innovation.

The public, our forefathers, and our progeny should expect nothing less.

*Adrian S. Levine*



## How NYMTC Works

NYMTC's members and staff work together in partnership to develop and adopt the planning products and analyses that fulfill federally mandated requirements for the regional planning process:

### Planning Products

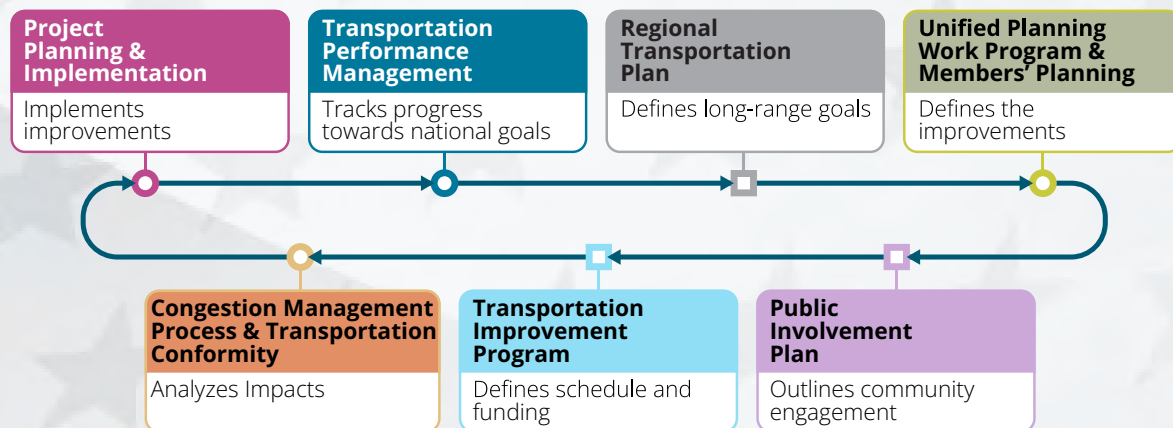
- **Regional Transportation Plan (Plan)**  
NYMTC's federally required long-range plan establishes regional goals and objectives, and forecasts transportation needs and resources, over a minimum twenty-year planning horizon.
- **Unified Planning Work Program**  
Our UPWP identifies the planning studies and activities to be carried out each program year using federal funding.
- **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**  
Federal funding eligibility for transportation improvement projects that will strengthen and enhance the transportation system are the focus of NYMTC's TIP.
- **Public Involvement Plan**  
Strategies to better involve the region's residents and employers in

the transportation planning process include public meetings, webinars, email blasts, pop-up events, and in-person speaking opportunities which are continually updated to address evolving needs of the region.

### Planning Analyses

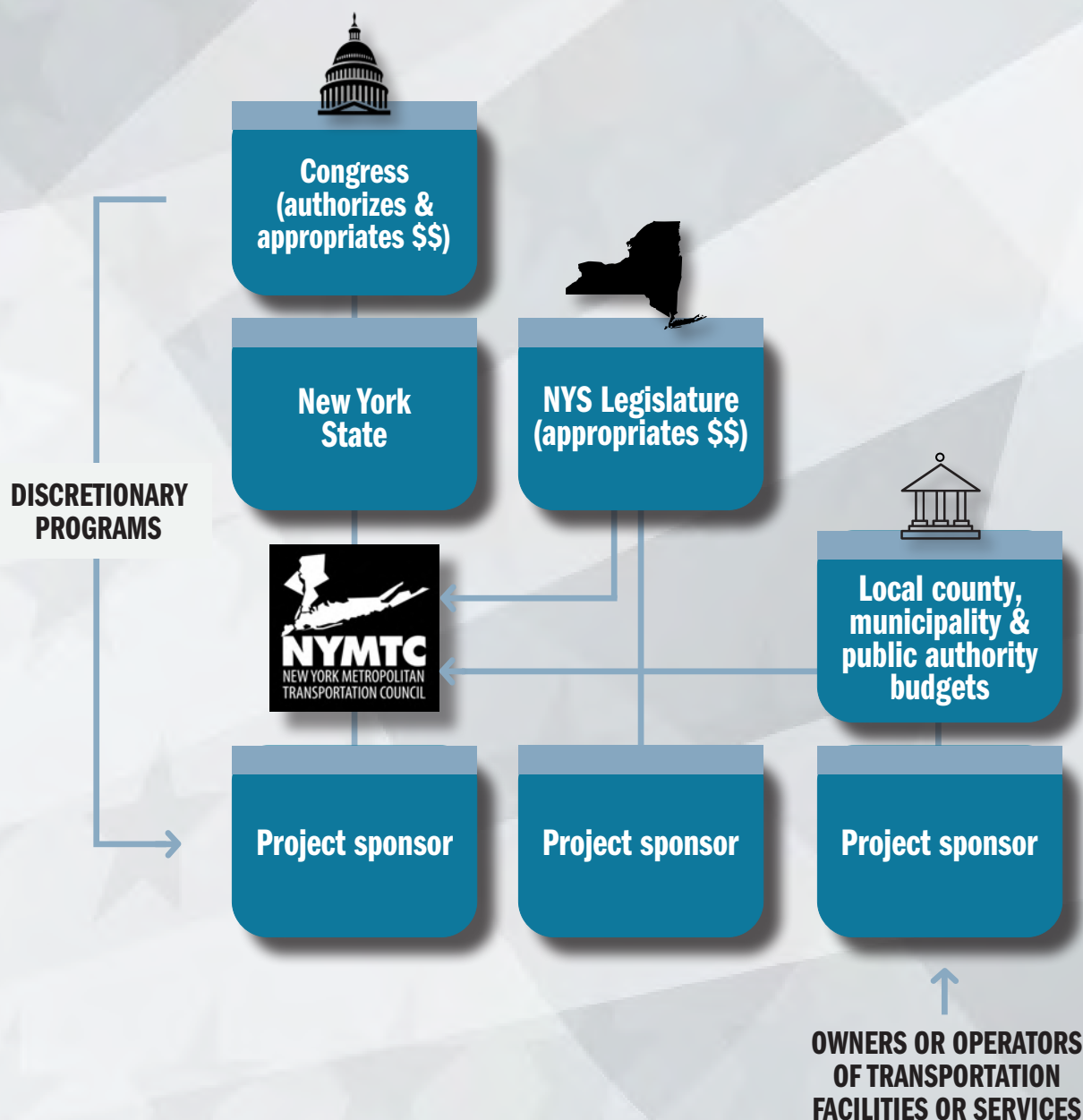
- **Congestion Management Process:**  
NYMTC's CMP defines and measures transportation system congestion through an objective set of performance measures.
- **Transportation Conformity:**  
Conformity ensures that federally funded and approved highway and transit projects are consistent with state air quality goals established in the State Implementation Plan. (SIP).

### The Regional Transportation Planning Process



## How NYMTC Serves the Region:

Transportation funding authorized and appropriated by Congress is apportioned to New York State and suballocated to metropolitan regions throughout the state. NYMTC is responsible for planning and decision-making related to the use of these funds in New York City, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley. NYMTC also identifies state and local matching funds, which in many cases helps leverage federal investments.



## Federal Funding for the Region

One of NYMTC's core responsibilities is planning for and making decisions about the use of federal transportation funds. The primary mechanism for authorizing use of these funds is through NYMTC's Transportation Improvement Program or TIP. The TIP is a five-year, fiscally constrained program of transportation products which runs from October 1st through September 30th. Once projects are

included in the TIP, federal funds may be obligated, meaning the federal government formally commits funding to those individual projects. Our current Program - the FFY 2026-2030 TIP - was adopted during NYMTC's September 2025 Council Meeting.

Projects included in the TIP cover a wide array of transportation needs, including transit, roadways and

### Proposed FFYs 2026-30 TIP: Program by Fund Source

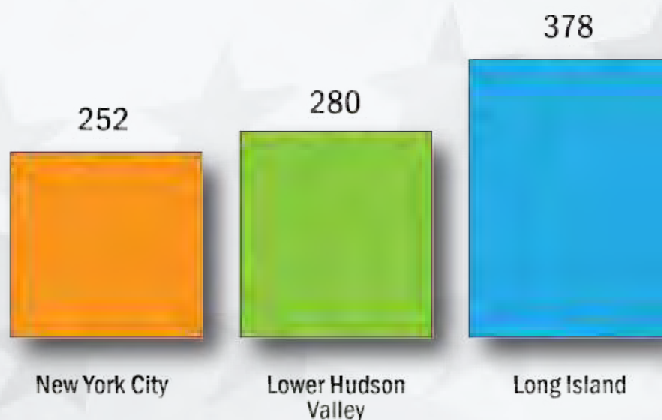
(in millions of Year of Expenditure \$)



NYMTC Total: \$39.1 Billion

### Proposed FFYs 2026-30 TIP: Number of Projects

910 Projects



bridges, bicycles and pedestrian paths, safety, and systems and demand management projects, and more.

NYMTC's FFY 2026-2030 TIP contains just over 900 projects throughout NYMTC's planning area, with \$39 billion identified for these projects. Roughly 58% of these funds -- \$22.8 billion -- are federal, with the balance coming from state and local sources. Most federal funding programs require a local match to federal funds used for projects -- usually 20%. However, the federal funds in NYMTC's TIP are highly leveraged with these other resources in pursuit of a very ambitious program of projects, one of the largest in the country.

During FFY 2025, NYMTC and its members played an active role in moving the TIP into implementation while seeking to maximize newly available discretionary funding resources. Some of the many notable accomplishments due to these efforts resulted in the inclusion of the following TIP projects last year:

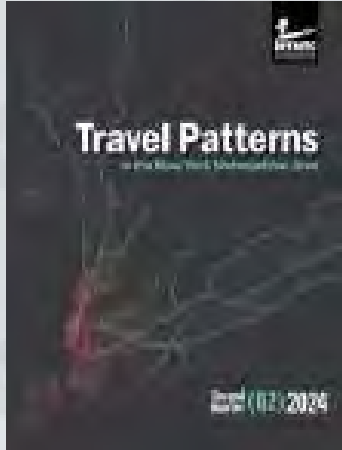
- Construction of the Putnam Bikeway in Putnam County.
- NYS Route 347 Corridor Reconstruction project in Suffolk County.
- New Rochelle Transit Center Redesign in Westchester County.
- Replacements of MTA Metro-North Railroad infrastructures systemwide throughout the Lower Hudson Valley.
- Construction of approximately 12-mile segment of the Long Island Greenway Suffolk County.
- Integrated Data Systems and Artificial Intelligence Video Analytic Pilot systemwide in New York City..
- Asphalt pavement resurfacing of NY 27 from Queens/Nassau County

border to the Nassau/Suffolk line in Nassau County.

- Rehabilitation of Morrison Avenue-Soundview Station, Pelham Line in Bronx County.
- Purchase of over a dozen buses for replacement of the Transport of Rockland fleet for Rockland County.
- Oakdale Merge in Suffolk County
- NYS Route 22 bridge replacement over Taconic-Armonk connector (Route 68) in Westchester County
- Resurfacing project along Route 303 and Route 304 in Rockland County
- Asphalt pavement resurfacing on I495 from the Queens to Nassau line and from the Nassau to Suffolk line in Nassau County
- Southern State Parkway Interchange Reconstruction at Exit 13 and at the Southern State/Meadowbrook Parkways' interchange in Nassau County.
- Rehabilitation of five bridges on the Cross Bronx Expressway in Bronx County
- Funding towards the next phases of the Interborough Express; the Second Ave Subway and the Hudson Tunnel Project in New York City

## NYMTC Research and Studies

NYMTC released these research reports and studies during 2025:



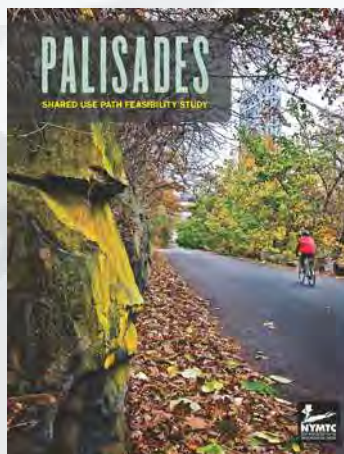
### 2024 Travel Patterns Report

The Travel Patterns Report summarized, annually and by each quarter of the year, the average weekday ridership on buses, rail, subways, and ferries along with the vehicular traffic crossing waterway bridges in the NYMTC planning area.



### 2023 Hub Bound Travel Data

This report, released in March 2025, presented a detailed analysis of travel to and from the Manhattan Central Business District (CBD) both by person and by vehicle during 2023.



### Palisades Shared Use Path Study

Completed in June 2025, the Palisades Shared Use Path Study determined the feasibility of a 20-mile shared use path extending from the George Washington to the Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridges.



## Transportation Conformity for Plan 2055 and FFY 2026-2030 TIP

The Transportation Conformity Determination is conducted to ensure that transportation projects and programs conform to the motor vehicle emissions budgets set by the State Implementation



Plan (SIP) for Air Quality.

## Regional Waste Movement Study

NYMTC's Regional Waste Movement Study, completed in May 2025, examined the needs/opportunities associated with the movement of municipal solid waste and construction and demolition debris across several states.



# Major Transportation Actions Adopted in 2025

All documents are available on [NYMTC.org](https://nyc.gov/nymtc.org)



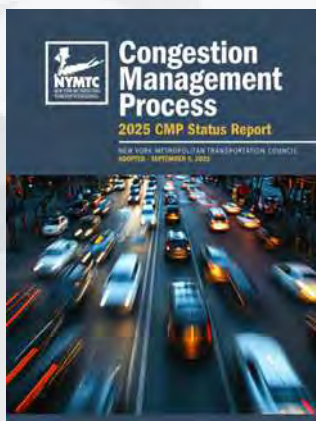
## **Moving Forward 2055: The Next Regional Transportation Plan**

The FFY 2026-2055 Regional Transportation Plan, *Moving Forward 2055*, was adopted during NYMTC's September 5, 2025, Council Meeting. As a blueprint that guides federal funding of investments in the NYMTC planning area, the Plan is developed collaboratively with NYMTC member agencies, stakeholders and the public, and is based on their vision for the region. Developed every four years, it covers all modes of surface transportation including highways, streets, public transportation, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, goods movement and special needs transportation. It also addresses operations and management of the transportation system, safety, security, and regional finances.



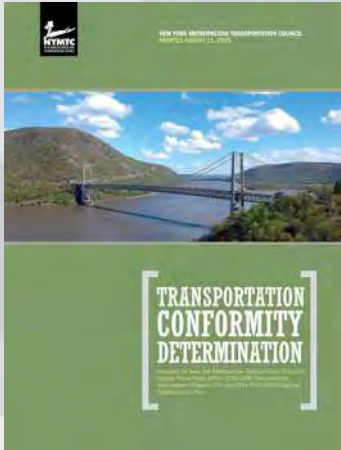
## **FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

The 2026-2030 TIP, also adopted September 5, 2025, defines over 900 transportation products that are slated to receive more than \$39 billion in federal, state, and local funding. These projects will strengthen and enhance bridges, highways, transit services, bikeways and walkways, and are derived from, and consistent with, NYMTC's Regional Transportation Plan.



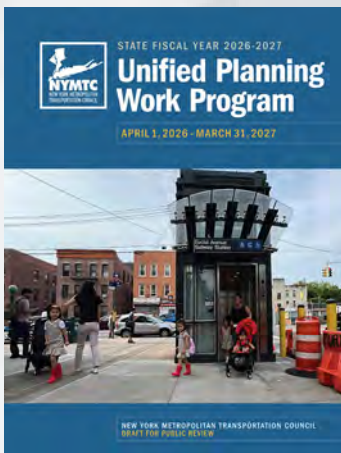
## **NYMTC's 2025 Congestion Management Process (CMP) Status Report**

This report forecasts congestion on the region's roadways and evaluates congestion-reducing strategies, and is also a federally required product that assists NYMTC's members in enhancing the regional planning processes. The report is updated every four years in conjunction with the Plan and was adopted September 2025.



## Transportation Conformity Determination

Transportation Conformity ensures full coordination between transportation planning and air quality planning and is conducted annually. Its purpose is to confirm that the Regional Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program projects will not slow or impede the state's air quality goals. As part of the process, NYMTC estimates future vehicle emissions from RTP and TIP projects, compares those estimates to emission budgets set by the State Implementation Plan (SIP), and confirms that projected emissions are below these budgets.



## Unified Planning Work Program

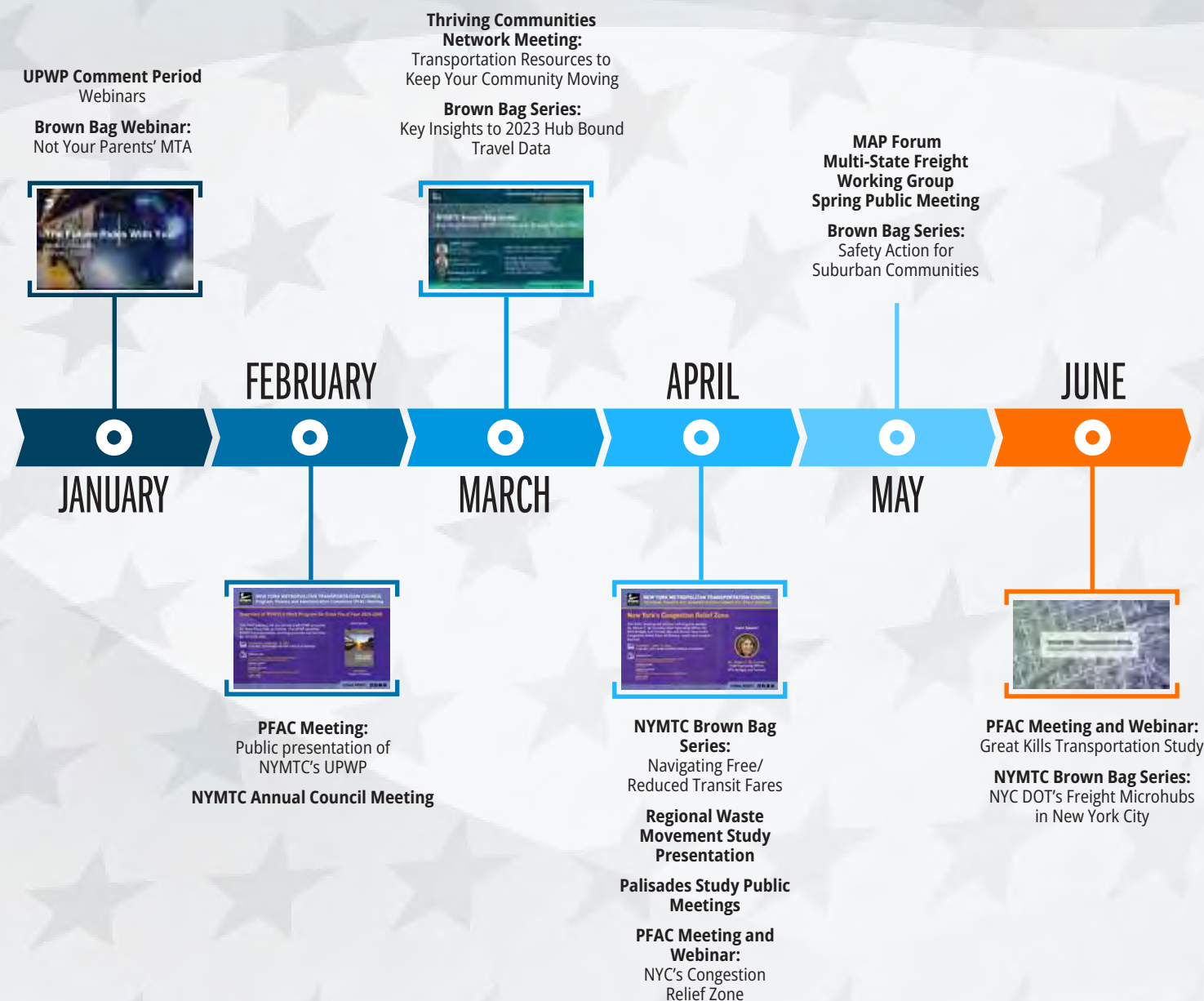
The Unified Planning Work Program, or UPWP, describes how NYMTC will use federal transportation planning funds for transportation planning activities, as well as other non-UPWP funded transportation-related planning activities. It represents NYMTC's annual budget and is a type of grant application for its members. During NYMTC's February 2025 Council Meeting, the 2025-2026 UPWP was adopted unanimously by NYMTC members.

## NYMTC Public Outreach in 2025

**P**ublic involvement is a vital part of the transportation planning process, leading to better decisions by incorporating additional facts, community values, and diverse perspectives. NYMTC offers opportunities year-round for people of all backgrounds to learn about and participate in transportation planning through webinars, workshops, public comment periods, email updates, pop-up

events, press releases, social media, our website, and more.

NYMTC's public meetings and speaking engagements are an important part of this outreach. Meetings held in 2025 are documented below. Stay informed and take part in NYMTC's public involvement program by emailing [NYMTC.Web@dot.ny.gov](mailto:NYMTC.Web@dot.ny.gov) and be added to our distribution list.





**Nassau/Suffolk  
Transportation  
Coordinating Committee  
Meeting**

**New York City  
Transportation  
Coordinating Committee  
Meeting**

**Mid-Hudson South  
Transportation  
Coordinating Committee  
Meeting**



**NYMTC Council Meeting  
NYMTC Brown Bag  
Webinar:  
9-11 Memorial  
Fellowship Program**



**PFAC Meeting and  
Webinar  
U.S. Route 9 Complete  
Streets**

**NYMTC Brown Bag  
Webinar:  
PANYNJ EWR  
Station Access**



**AUGUST**

**OCTOBER**

**DECEMBER**

**JULY**

**SEPTEMBER**

**NOVEMBER**

**PFAC Meeting  
and Webinar:  
Adoption  
Recommendations for  
Major Transportation  
Action**

**Regional Waste  
Presentation  
for ITE Conference**

**NYMTC Brown Bag  
Webinar:  
Safe Fleet Transition Plan**

**City and State  
Transportation Summit's  
"Driving Progress" Panel**

**NYMTC Brown Bag Webinar:  
NYC DOT's Weigh-in-Motion  
Program**

## NYMTC'S Public Outreach

### Specialty Program Activities in 2025

#### Brown Bag Series



In 2025, NYMTC's Brown Bag series continued its mission to provide informative webinars on vital transportation efforts and projects that are rebuilding a safer, cleaner, and more accessible transportation infrastructure in our region. The year kicked off with a webinar from the MTA's chief accessibility officer who discussed the MTA's mandate to make 95% of subway stations accessible by 2055. From there we continued with topics of interest to

all New Yorkers, including the NYMTC's latest Hub Bound Report, followed by an April session on reduced and free transit fares. In May, we highlighted NYMTC's Safety Action Plan for Suburban Communities, followed by a session on microhubs in New York City. In the fall, we highlighted NYMTC's 9-11 Memorial Fellowship Program scholars' work, the Department of Citywide Administrative Services' safe fleet transition plan, the Port Authority's new station access at Newark Liberty International Airport and finished with the New York City Department of Transportation's Weigh-in-Motion technology being used on the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway.

NYMTC continued to secure education credits for these events through the American Institute of Certified Planners, which resulted in greater attendance from participants across the country.

#### NYMTC's 9-11 Memorial Fellowship Program



In September 2025, NYMTC announced that six graduate students from schools across New York and New Jersey had been selected as recipients of its 2025-26 9-11 Memorial Fellowship Program. Through the fellowship program, the students commit 12 months to conducting advanced transportation research and planning projects under the guidance of a mentor from NYMTC or a NYMTC member agency. The annual program, which challenges students to develop creative solutions to difficult problems, honors the memory of three NYMTC employees who lost their lives during the September 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center: Ignatius Adanga, Charles Lesperance, and See Wong Shum.

For their involvement, each graduate student receives financial support of up to \$35,000 over 12 months.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of NYMTC's 9-11 Memorial Fellowship Program. Past transportation research projects conducted by NYMTC fellows can be found on our website's Memorial Archive.

NYMTC administers the program in collaboration with Rutgers University's Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation.

## Community Planning Workshop Program

NYMTC continued forging its Community Planning Workshops Program (CPWP) ahead in 2025, a transportation planning initiative that helps local officials, government staff, and the public evaluate existing transportation conditions and identify approaches



toward improvement. The CPWP is based on goals identified in NYMTC's Regional Transportation Plan, Moving Forward 2055, which seeks to ensure a safe, efficient transportation system is serving today's population and plans for its anticipated growth. In the past year, NYMTC worked with the Inc. Villages of Lynbrook and Great

Neck (Nassau County), the Inc. Village of Haverstraw (Rockland County) and the Mt. Vernon/Pelham area (Westchester County). The program focuses on enhancing pedestrian safety, promoting walkability, and improving bicycle access, and prepares recommendations to secure federal funding for these projects for local community leaders.

## Thriving Communities Network (TCN)

The Thriving Communities Network (TCN) is NYMTC's initiative to support community-based organizations (CBOs) serving traditionally underrepresented areas in the NYMTC planning region: New York City, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley. Through TCN, CBOs are equipped with the knowledge and the tools to:



- Participate effectively in local and regional transportation planning for their communities
- Identify and apply for funding to implement on-the-ground transportation projects in the communities they serve.

CBOs in the NYMTC planning area that are active in supporting traditionally underrepresented communities in the NYMTC planning area and

are interested in getting involved in transportation and community planning processes, including funding opportunities for transportation projects, can join the TCN. Through the Network, CBOs gain access to: Community Planning and Funding Resources, Best Practices and Case Studies, Networking Opportunities, Grant Alerts and Toolkits, and Notices about Other Relevant NYMTC Activities. Check out NYMTC's TCN page for more information.

# U.S. Transportation Innovation Originating in the NYMTC Region

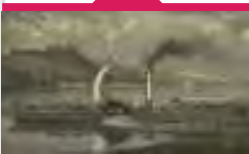
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## THE MONTAUK LIGHTHOUSE

becomes one of the first federal public works projects in the nation, and the first lighthouse in New York State. (1)

**FIRST COMMERCIAL SUCCESSFUL FERRY SERVICE** from Robert Fulton's steamboat, Clermont, begins operation between New York City and Albany (1.1).

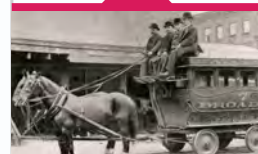


1811

1827

**FIRST REGULAR OMNIBUS SERVICE**, called the "Accommodation," begins operation from Bowling Green to Bleeker Street for a shilling fare.

**FIRST HORSE-DRAWN STREETCAR LINE** in the world begins running on iron rails from Lower Manhattan to Union Square to Harlem. (2)



1832

1868



**FIRST ELEVATED TRAIN SYSTEM**, both cable-powered and steam-powered, begins operation between Dey and Greenwich Streets and the Hudson River Railroad Terminal on 29th Street and Ninth Avenue. (3)

1921



**THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY** becomes the first interstate transportation agency approved by Congress. (11)

**THE HOLLAND TUNNEL** becomes the world's first mechanically ventilated underwater tunnel for cars, a groundbreaking engineering feat which pioneered safety with its exhaust-removing system and influenced all future underwater vehicular tunnels.

1927

1927



**LINDBERGH** takes the first solo transatlantic flight when he flies the Spirit of St. Louis from Roosevelt Field in Nassau County to Paris, France. (10)

**THE TRIBOROUGH BRIDGE AND TUNNEL AUTHORITY (TBTA)** is created and embodies a model where infrastructure funding supports the broader network.

1933

1954



**THE NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY** begins operation, a superhighway that ultimately links Buffalo to New York City and serves as foundational role in connecting the state and in modernizing cashless tolling, better traffic flow and safety.(9)

As an integral part of the Northeast megaregion's transportation network, numerous transportation innovations have developed in the NYMTC area. Here are a few that stand out:

1869

ALFRED ELY BEACH PATENTED AND USED THE FIRST TUNNELING SHIELD in the US and opened the first pneumatically powered underground passenger railway (1870-73).

THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE – the longest suspension bridge in the world at the time and the only way to reach Long Island without a boat, opens to the public. (4)



1883

1905

THE NATION'S FIRST GASOLINE-POWERED BUS FLEET begins regular operation in New York City.

THE LONG ISLAND MOTOR PARKWAY becomes the first limited access highway designed for automobiles. (5)



1908

1921

FIRST SUCCESSFUL TROLLEYBUS LINE begins operation in New York City.

1960

FIRST PUBLIC TAKEOVER OF A COMMUTER RAILROAD when New York State purchased the Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) from the Pennsylvania Railroad (PRR), a landmark event marking a shift towards public control of essential urban transit services.

THE LUNAR MODULE, manufactured by Long Island-based Grumman Aerospace, lands American astronauts safely on the moon. (6)



1969

1990s

NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT becomes the first public agency in the world to have a bus fleet that is 100 percent accessible to customers who use wheelchairs (7)



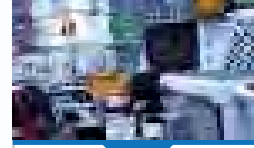
FOR THE FIRST TIME, MULTIPLE STATES – NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY AND PENNSYLVANIA – agree to use the same EZ-Pass device for their toll systems.



1990s

2025

NEW YORK CITY launches North America's first major congestion pricing program. (8)

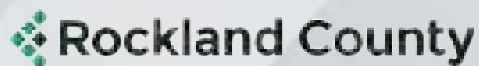


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## NYMTC MEMBER INITIATIVES 2025

Many NYMTC member projects and initiatives result from their participation in NYMTC. The following highlight a few of the many realized in 2025:



## ROCKLAND COUNTY

### WEST WASHINGTON AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT



The West Washington Avenue Bridge, which carries County Route 30 over the Pascack Brook in the Town of Orangetown, had outlived its useful service life and required replacement. The roadway approaches were short radius curves on steep grades that were difficult to navigate during adverse weather conditions. The channel alignment of Pascack Brook in relation to West Washington Avenue in the vicinity of the bridge resulted in frequent embankment erosion during high water conditions and roadway flooding during extreme storm events.

The project replaced the bridge with a new structure having improved hydraulic capacity, alignment, and scour resistance. The new structure was located upstream of the existing bridge so that traffic could be accommodated on the existing bridge during construction. The stream channel was adjusted to improve its alignment with the structure and eliminate or minimize the potential for roadway embankment and bridge foundation scour. The bridge was designed to accommodate all legal loads. The project realigned the approach roadways between Old Pascack Road and Highland Avenue to improve horizontal and vertical curves and drainage systems.

Five right-of-way acquisitions were required including acquisition of a section of Pascack Brook Town Park which is north of the existing roadway and upon which the new bridge and road alignment was constructed.

Construction began in April of 2024 and was completed in November of 2025.

## SUFFERN LANE AT HAMMOND ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



This project in the Town of Haverstraw involved constructing a single-lane, four leg roundabout to replace two signalized intersections at Letchworth Village Road/Thiells Mt. Ivy Road and Suffern Lane/Hammond Road. The project combined the two signal-controlled “T” intersections into one intersection by realigning Thiells Mt. Ivy Road.

Work associated with this project included partial- and full-depth pavement replacement, new curbing, sidewalk, retaining wall, a closed

drainage system with outfalls to the Minisceongo Creek, landscaping and various street-scape improvements. Necessary major utility relocations involving gas, water, overhead electric, and overhead telecommunications facilities were also performed for this project.

Two right-of-way acquisitions were required, including acquisition of New York State-owned property upon which a detention pond was constructed.

Construction began in March 2024 and was completed in June of 2025.

## TRANSPORT OF ROCKLAND (TOR) WEEKEND FERRY CONNECTION



Rockland County’s TOR bus service introduced the TOR Weekend Ferry Connection to coordinate with Metro-North’s Haverstraw-Ossining Summer Weekend Ferry Pilot Program. The free service provides vital bus transit for ferry passengers to explore Rockland beyond the landing and allows Rockland residents to easily access the ferry to Westchester and connect to Metro-North Hudson Line trains to Manhattan at Ossining.

Operating the past two summers, the service meets all arriving and departing weekend ferries at the Haverstraw Ferry Landing, offering 25 trips daily between 9 am and 10 pm. The route travels from the Village of Haverstraw to West Haverstraw to serve the Garner Arts Center, then travels south to Rockland Lake State Park, downtown Nyack, and the Palisades Center Mall, where passengers can easily transfer to other services and TOR routes. The bus makes the same stops traveling north back to the ferry. In 2025, three extra evening bus trips were added for return service after ferry hours end, enabling connections to the Hudson Link bus to access later Hudson Line trains at Tarrytown.



## PUTNAM COUNTY

### SPROUT BROOK ROAD OVER CANOPUS CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT



Sprout Brook Road over Canopus Creek Bridge Replacement, located in the Town of Philipstown, was initiated by Putnam County due to the deterioration of the bridge. The purpose of this project was to improve the hydraulic opening and structural condition of the existing bridge as well as improve the geometry of the adjoining intersection. The existing bridge was misaligned with the stream channel and discharge from local drainage was eroding the downstream bank. The existing bridge was narrower than the approach road-

way and the geometry of the adjoining intersection of Winston Lane with Sprout Brook Road was also a safety concern.

The project replaced the existing bridge with a new structure. The new structure is a 28 ft span 3-sided pre-cast concrete rigid frame which was aligned with the stream. The bridge roadway section consists of two 10 ft travel lanes and two 5 ft shoulders, resulting in a rail-to-rail width of 30 ft. The existing abutments and wingwalls were completely removed to accommodate the new substructure. New galvanized steel bridge three-rail with brush curb and box beam approach rail was installed along the reconstructed area.

### REHABILITATION OF MAYBROOK BIKEWAY II PHASE A BRIDGE



Putnam County has completed the project referred to as the Rehabilitation of Maybrook Bikeway II Phase A Bridge 5. The project involved the construction of the final section of the Maybrook Bikeway over the East Branch Croton River. Due to the need for structural repairs to "Bridge 5" that were found during bikeway construction, the segment over the bridge wasn't completed. The project involved new concrete substructure sections at the west bridge abutment, replacement of bridge bearings, construction of a paved path at grade and installation prefabricated bridge decking to connect the approach pathway sections between Allview Avenue and Peaceable Hill Road over the East Branch Croton River in the Village of Brewster.

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“This bridge-construction project was a major undertaking for Putnam County, knitting together our recreational trails and connecting residents and visitors alike with the Empire State Trail’s major arterial,” said County Executive Kevin M. Byrne. “We are grateful to Congressman Lawler and Assemblyman Slater for their work to secure the funding that made this crucial extension possible.”



## WESTCHESTER COUNTY

### COMPLETE STREETS PROJECTS



The Westchester County Department of Planning is utilizing UPWP funding to support the prioritization of Complete Streets projects in the following ways:

1) Establish and implement the Westchester County Complete Streets Municipal Assistance Program. The County has appropriated 15 million dollars of Capital funding to provide up to 50% funding to County municipalities for design and construction of Complete Streets

projects. To date, the County has developed program guidelines, created an online application, held pre-application meetings with over 20 municipalities, and is currently conducting a review of the applications, including collecting and analysis crash and travel data.

2) The County has procured a consultant and is about to launch a study of the roads under its control for potential Complete Streets upgrades, and to rank and prioritize corridors and segments for Complete Streets improvements. These will be considered as future construction projects.

Westchester County Executive Ken Jenkins said, “We are thrilled to have been able to allocate \$15 million dollars in funding in our Capital Budget to implement the Complete Streets Municipal Assistance Program. Complete Streets is an approach to planning, designing and building streets that prioritizes the needs of all road users, including the most vulnerable, like pedestrians and cyclists. Complete Streets projects often require a collaboration

between various stakeholders including local governments and transportation agencies, and we are confident that by providing the opportunity for municipalities to apply for this funding, we will create more vibrant and walkable communities throughout Westchester.”

## FOOD ACCESS STUDY

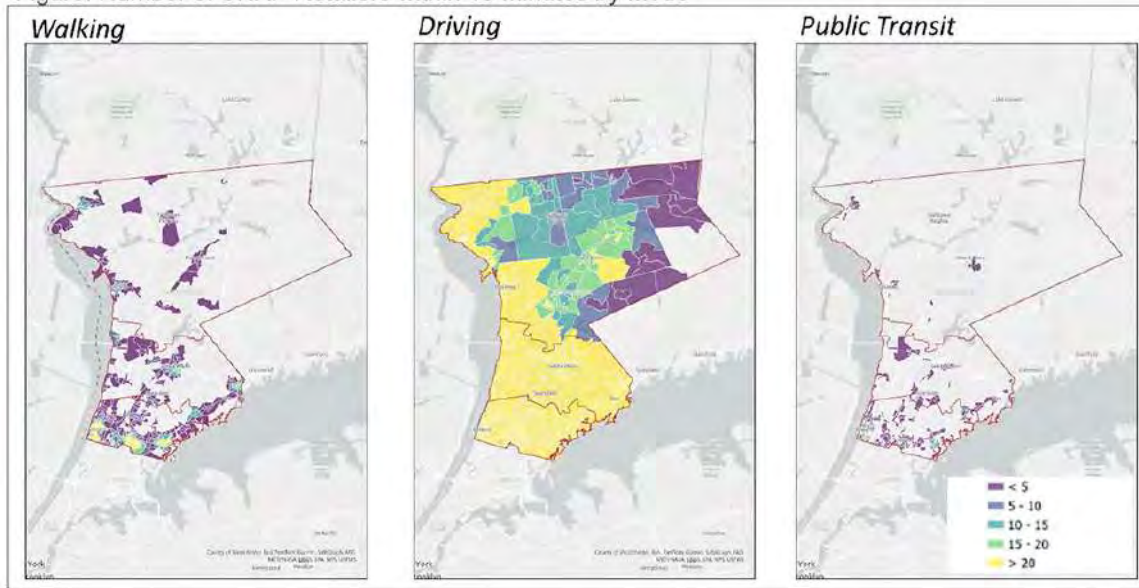


The Food Access study identified strategies to increase Westchester County resident ability to travel to affordable, high-quality food. The study team identified obstacles to food access by conducting a community survey that received 451 responses, and through data analysis focused on: mapping and classified types of food stores, demographic analysis, and a transportation network analysis that mapped resident travel times by mode to the nearest food store and density of food stores.

The team conducted a more detailed analysis of a study area within Yonkers, which included an onsite analysis of access a several good stores and discussions with local stakeholders.

Based on the findings of the survey and data analysis and discussions with stakeholders the study team made a series of recommendations for improving food access in Westchester County to be explored by the County, the State, Municipalities and community organizations.

Figure: Number of SNAP Retailers within 15 minutes by Mode



“By centering both community feedback and rigorous data analysis, this study highlights the real challenges residents face in reaching affordable, high-quality food,” said Blanca P. Lopez, Commissioner of Planning. “The recommendations reflect not only where gaps exist, but how government and community partners can work together to improve food access across Westchester County.”



## METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### CONGESTION PRICING BEGINS



On January 5, 2025, the nation's first urban congestion pricing program was activated in New York City. Since then, it has been reducing gridlock in Manhattan's Congestion Relief Zone (CRZ) below 60th Street by charging motorists to enter the zone. Revenue from congestion pricing is on track to reach the forecasted \$500 million in 2025, allowing the MTA to advance \$15 billion in critical capital improvements to mass transit on its subway, bus, Long Island Rail Road, and Metro-North Railroad systems.

Congestion pricing has been successful in reducing traffic, speeding up the flow of traffic, and cutting down delays, not just in the congestion relief zone but throughout the region. As of the end of October 2025, the number of vehicles entering the zone was down by 11 percent since congestion pricing started. Every day, 71,000 fewer vehicles entered the zone, and since the program started, 21.6 million fewer vehicles have entered the zone compared to before tolling began.

"Congestion relief is a massive success and validation of the initiative keeps pouring in. The program is achieving all of its goals in terms of traffic reduction, increased travel

speeds, safety, noise reduction and more. And not only is Congestion Relief delivering all the projected benefits – and more – it’s also proving that New York State government can effectively execute major, ambitious initiatives that improve the quality of life in ways New Yorkers notice and appreciate.” – Janno Lieber, MTA Chair and CEO.

“The start of congestion pricing is a historic moment for the New York region, the nation, and MTA Bridges and Tunnels, who has shepherded the program since the beginning and will oversee its tolling operations. Congestion pricing will not only benefit mass transit users, but less congestion means safer streets for both pedestrians and motorists – aligning with our own efforts of moving traffic safely and efficiently on our nine iconic crossings.”  
– Cathy Sheridan, MTA Bridges and Tunnels President

“In addition to all of the benefits New Yorkers are already feeling on our streets, Congestion Relief is delivering accessibility at 25 subway and railroad stations, modern subway signals for AC and BDFM riders, new subway and rail cars, and countless other essential projects for our public transit system. The new MTA is hard at work advancing these projects better, faster, and cheaper.” - Jamie Torres-Springer, MTA Construction & Development President

In addition to these important benefits, the revenue collected through congestion pricing enables the MTA to invest in transit improvements throughout the MTA network, such as:

- Continuing vital expansion projects by awarding the Second Avenue Subway Phase 2 tunnel boring and construction management contract.
- Modernizing the bus fleet by purchasing 265 battery-electric, 177 standard-electric, and 18 articulated-electric buses, which have zero tailpipe emissions, quieter operations, and lower fuel/maintenance costs.
- Replacing aging rail fleet by purchasing new generation M-9A commuter rail cars and R211 subway cars, which have modern amenities, enhanced accessibility, and improve the customer experience.
- Replacing 56 elevators, platform components, and renewing stations at various NYCT locations, as well as the LIRR Babylon Station platforms.
- Repairing and upgrading infrastructure components such as line equipment and structures, tunnel lighting, paint and steel, and electrical/mechanical equipment.
- Continuing to make Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) upgrades throughout the system with 6 NYCT locations and 2 LIRR locations.

## INTERBOROUGH EXPRESS DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW



In August 2025, Governor Hochul announced the commencement of the design phase of the Interborough Express (IBX), the next step in the development of this transformative transit project. The MTA Board authorized the selection of the design team for this exciting project phase. In October 2025, the New York SEQRA environmental review process began for the IBX project. These steps represent major milestones for the IBX project, which will connect historically underserved communities in Brooklyn and Queens to the subway, bus, and Long Island Rail Road,

while significantly reducing travel times between Brooklyn and Queens, with an end-to-end run time of 32 minutes along the 14-mile corridor.

“Building the Interborough Express will transform New York, connecting communities like never before, shortening commutes and unleashing the full potential of Brooklyn and Queens. The IBX is the sort of project that future generations will describe as a no-brainer, and thanks to funding we secured for the MTA’s Capital Plan, we’re not just talking about it, we’re getting it done.” – Governor Kathy Hochul

“The Interborough Express will transform mobility in New York’s two largest boroughs with fast, reliable, frequent public transit. I look forward to getting the design process underway and continuing the MTA’s track record of completing projects better, faster, and cheaper than ever before.” – Jamie Torres-Springer, MTA Construction and Development President

## SECOND AVENUE SUBWAY PHASE 2 TUNNELING WORK BEGINS



In August 2025, the MTA Board approved the tunnel-boring contract for Phase 2 of the Second Avenue Subway (SAS), which will extend the Q train from 96 Street to 125 Street and deliver new transit access to East Harlem residents. This new tunnel will extend from 116 Street to 125 Street. Crews under this contract will also excavate space for the future 125 Street Station, and in a cost-containment measure that saves the MTA \$500 million, will outfit the tunnel along the route that was built in the 1970s to accommodate the future 116 Street Station.

SAS Phase 2 will create three new accessible stations in the heart of East Harlem at 106 Street, 116 Street, and 125 Street, and offer one-seat rides to the Upper East Side, West Midtown and Coney Island, shortening travel times by up to 20 minutes. This expansion is estimated to serve an additional 110,000 daily riders and result in increased multimodal transit connectivity at the 125 Street station at Park Avenue with connections to the 4,5,6 lines, Metro-North and the M60 Select Bus Service to LaGuardia Airport, allowing for convenient transfers to other subway and commuter rail lines, facilitating smoother, faster transportation across the city and metropolitan region.

The work to bore the new tunnel, between 35 and 120 feet below Second Avenue, is expected to take place using 750-ton machines equipped with 22-foot diamond-studded drill heads. Early work will commence in late 2025, with heavy civil construction starting in early 2026 and the tunnel boring itself expected to begin in 2027.

“It’s been a century since the people of East Harlem were promised the new subway they deserve, and we are finally getting it done. East Harlem is one of the most transit-reliant neighborhoods in New York, but every day, tens of thousands of commuters lack subway access. The Second Avenue Subway will change everything; it will shorten commutes for over 100,000 daily riders and make East Harlem more vibrant than ever. Awarding this contract means that the time for promises to this community is over and the time for building is here - next stop, 125 Street!” – Governor Kathy Hochul

“This is a meaningful step forward not only for the project but everyone in East Harlem and Central Harlem. Locals have waited almost 100 long years for their promised subway extension. Thanks to investments from Governor Hochul and our partners in Washington, today the new MTA is moving forward with the largest tunneling contract in agency history, but – more important – with a project that pencils at the lowest cost per rider of any heavy rail project in America.” – Janno Lieber, MTA Chair and CEO

More than 70,000 jobs, including union-wage construction jobs, will result from the project. A 20 percent local hiring goal for the project will generate good-paying job opportunities for hundreds of East Harlem residents.

## CLIMATE RESILIENCE: UPDATE TO ROADMAP



In October 2025, the MTA released an update to its Climate Resilience Roadmap, outlining the agency’s strategic priorities in mitigating the effects of extreme weather events and climate change on transit infrastructure across the service area. The update details the progress the MTA has made since the report was released in April 2024, including more than \$1.5 billion in funding to protect the subway system from flooding and Metro-North’s Hudson line from storm surge

and sea level rise that was secured as part of the 2025-2029 Capital Plan.

“Transit is the antidote to climate change, but the system can’t work well if it’s constantly getting pounded by severe storms and torrential rain. Working with Governor Hochul and the City, we must continue to harden our infrastructure to withstand the effects of increasingly extreme weather events.” – Janno Lieber, MTA Chair and CEO

“We are taking action to protect our infrastructure and the New Yorkers that rely on it from the impacts of climate change. This roadmap update highlights the progress we’ve made even in the last eighteen months and lays out the path forward in partnership with the City of New York and other stakeholders.” – Jamie Torres-Springer, MTA Construction and Development President

## PROTECTIVE PLATFORM EDGE BARRIERS AT MTA STATIONS



In July 2025, Governor Kathy Hochul announced that the MTA had installed protective platform edge barriers at 56 subway stations. Midway through 2025, the MTA was on track to deliver on Governor Hochul's 2025 State of the State directive to install barriers at more than 100 subway stations by the end of the year to protect subway riders. Recent customer surveys have shown that 59% of riders wanted the installation of protective platform barriers throughout

the system. A majority of respondents have also noted that they believe the presence of platform barriers in the station makes them feel safer and believe the barriers will protect against falls onto the tracks. Platform barriers are built and installed using in-house New York City Transit (NYCT) labor with in-house machinery in a NYCT facility resulting in lower costs and a faster installation timeline.

"New Yorkers' safety will always be my number one priority, and customers need to both feel and be secure every time they ride the subway. At my direction, the MTA has ramped up the installation of protective platform barriers, building on their efforts to brighten stations with LED lighting and equip every subway car with security cameras. Transit crime is down in 2025, and these efforts will make the subway system safer for everyone." Governor Kathy Hochul

"Under Governor Hochul's leadership, we're making investments to ensure that our system not only is safe but — equally important — feels safe to riders. With new platform barriers, MTA's thousands of new security cameras, increased deployments from the NYPD, and 10 percent less crime before COVID, it's no wonder customer satisfaction has risen dramatically this year." – Janno Lieber, MTA Chair and CEO



## NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### VAN CORTLANDT PARK SOUTH & BAILEY AVE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

A project in the Bronx connecting pedestrians to Van Cortlandt Park and the Putnam Trail is substantially complete. The project required realigning and rebuilding expressway ramps and expanding pedestrian and bicycle space to naturally slow vehicles and provide a safe path to the park and its many amenities.



Some partial markings and signage are missing, as well as a possible gate relocation at the very north of the project and entrance to Van Cortlandt Park. The project will be fully complete in the Spring.



## NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING

### ZONING FOR ACCESSIBILITY INITIATIVE



In April 2025, the Chair of the Department of City Planning, the President of MTA Construction and Development, local leaders and advocates joined together in Queens to celebrate the opening of the first elevator project to be funded under the Zoning for Accessibility (ZFA) initiative. Through the ZFA program, a developer improves access to a public transit station in exchange for an increase in their building's density. This new entrance, which included both a large new elevator and a light-filled 10-foot-

wide staircase, opened on the north side of the Queensboro Plaza (7,N,W) subway station, making the station fully accessible in both directions. Additionally, the new apartment building included over 400 new homes, approximately 120 of them affordable.

The Department of City Planning is considering refining this zoning text to improve the process and allow for more improvements throughout the system. This work will continue through 2026.

“This is a huge win for transit riders, and further proof that Zoning for Accessibility will continue to deliver results for New Yorkers,” said Department of City Planning Director and City Planning Commission Chair Dan Garodnick. “In partnership with the MTA, the City Planning Commission has approved a project that will deliver not only a new elevator and new entryway for transit riders, which is paid for by private developers, but also 400 new homes – 120 of them affordable – across the street. This is the first time these zoning rules have been applied outside Manhattan, and we expect more to come.”

### THE JAMAICA NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN



The New York City Council approved NYC DCP’s Jamaica Neighborhood Plan in October 2025. The plan is expected to create nearly 12,000 new homes, 4,000 of which will be permanently affordable, in this transit-accessible neighborhood. The plan also opens the door to new commercial and industrial space, unlocking economic opportunities for residents and businesses and creating 7,000 new permanent jobs. This project was consistent with the Department’s focus on transit-oriented development, as Jamaica is served by four subway lines, several bus lines,

the JFK AirTrain and a major Long Island Rail Road hub. Significant transportation-related efforts included improving the public realm and pedestrian safety, planning for cyclists and upgrading the Archer Avenue Bus Terminal.

“Anyone who has spent time in Jamaica knows that it’s one of the city’s most bustling hubs, but for too long, outdated zoning held it back. Thanks to today’s vote, that will change; Jamaica will see new homes, jobs, and investments that improve life for everyone who lives, works, and spends time there,” said DCP Director and CPC Chair Garodnick. “Thank you to Mayor Adams, Speaker Adams, Chairs Salamanca and Riley, Councilmember Gennaro, and Councilmember Williams, with special appreciation for her leadership and support of this community-driven plan that will help Jamaica become an even stronger and more vibrant neighborhood.”



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## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Hudson Valley Region – Region 8

#### \$48M IN PAVING ACROSS WESTCHESTER COUNTY



NYSDOT Hudson Valley Region completed \$48M in paving across 55 lane miles in Westchester County during the 2025 Construction season, including resurfacing State Route 9A from Route 133 to Maiden Lane in the Towns of Cortlandt and Ossining and Interstate 287 from Westchester Avenue to Route 1 in the Towns of Harrison and Rye.

Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez said, “With this project to improve Interstate 287, commuters in Westchester County can look forward to smoother rides and safer roadways as they go about their daily journeys – all of which contribute to a better quality of life and make the Hudson Valley an even better place to work or visit.”

#### PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE BRIDGE OVER THE NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY



NYSDOT Hudson Valley Region completed a \$13.9M project along Route 9 in the Village of Tarrytown in Westchester County. The project constructed a new 270-foot pedestrian/bicycle bridge over the New York State Thruway, to enhance safety and improve traffic.

“This new shared use path along the Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge will further enhance what is already an iconic Hudson Valley recreational attraction and provide new connections for

thousands of annual visitors to safely enjoy the splendors of the region,” said Commissioner Dominguez.



## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Long Island – Region 10

#### INTERSTATE 495 (LONG ISLAND EXPRESSWAY)/CROOKED HILL ROAD INTERCHANGE



This operation improvements project, located in the Towns of Islip and Smithtown in Suffolk County, Long Island, included several upgrades to ease traffic flow, provided direct access between Crooked Hill Road (CR 13) and Long Island Expressway (LIE), and enhanced overall traffic operations. The project

improved motorist access to the nearby shopping center and industrial parks and provided ease of access for the future major developments within the area. In addition, as a result of this project, some traffic has been diverted away from heavily traveled Commack Road which serves vehicles and trucks along local residential and commercial areas and to the nearby shopping center and thus improving travel conditions on Commack Road and on the LIE South Service Road. Construction of this \$27.24 million project began in Summer 2022 and was completed in Fall 2024.

New York Governor Kathy Hochul said, “The transformation of the Exit 53 interchange will make the commute to and from work easier for thousands of motorists who travel these roadways every day and also improve access to many of Long Island’s most popular stores, restaurants, schools and parks, which will boost our economy, reduce stress and improve quality of life.”

Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez added, “DOT is laser focused on enhancing safety and improving quality of life across New York State and this transformative project in central Suffolk County is another demonstration of that commitment. Governor Kathy Hochul’s commitment to transformative infrastructure that addresses community needed – like streamlining travel through one of Long Island’s busiest areas by reconfiguring the Exit 53 interchange with new ramps to Crooked Hill Road – will make it easier and slightly less stressful, to work, play, shop and recreate in this wonderful community.”

Prior to project construction, motorist did not have direct access to Crooked Hill Road from the LIE and lacked routing options to access businesses and services from the LIE which resulted in congestions at the LIE service roads and Commack Road, Crooked Hill Road and Wicks Road intersections. The LIE handles an average of 120,000 vehicles per day and another 58,000 vehicles per day on its service roads. The nearby Sagtikos State Parkway handles approximately 90,000 vehicles daily. In addition, this project area handles a heavy truck volume on a daily basis due to its proximity to the nearby industrial area.

## NEW YORK STATE ROUTE 347 RECONSTRUCTION GIBBS POND ROAD TO HALLOCK ROAD



New York State Route 347 Reconstruction Gibbs Pond Road to Hallock Road was initiated to improve overall highway safety and mobility, enhance the environment and improve the visual character of the roadway. This project includes a continuous third-travel lane in each direction, a raised planted median, upgraded drainage, a shared-use path on the south side of NYS Route 347, a continuous sidewalk on the north side of NYS Route 347, high-visibility crosswalks, enhanced bus stops and Greenway rest stops

This project is part of a 15-mile-long NYS Route 347 corridor reconstruction.



**Department of  
Transportation**

## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION New York City – Region 11

### HUNTS POINT INTERSTATE ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS



Completion of the \$1.7 billion Hunts Point Access Improvement Project marks a major milestone for the South Bronx. The project reconnects neighborhoods, removes thousands of trucks from local streets, improves access to the Hunts Point Market, and expands recreational opportunities and greenspace. It rebuilt and widened the Bruckner Expressway from 141st Street to Edgewater Road, adding new ramps that improve connections to Sheridan Boulevard, Edgewater Road, and Leggett Avenue. These upgrades eliminate bottlenecks and provide direct truck access to the Hunts Point Peninsula, reducing congestion on highways and local roads.

The project also enhances safety with upgraded intersections, lighting, signals, and pedestrian features. Community benefits include a new 111-space parking lot with EV charging

stations, the Bryant Avenue Pedestrian Bridge, and 1.5 miles of shared-use pathways—reconnecting neighborhoods and improving access to the Bronx River waterfront while supporting local economic vitality.



New York State Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez said, “Governor Kathy Hochul is making historic transportation infrastructure investments in the South Bronx that are moving people and goods more efficiently, enhancing public safety, improving health outcomes and quality of life and in doing so, fundamentally connecting and strengthening the entire Hunts Point community. New York State is leading the nation in transformative infrastructure investments to connect communities, and this project does exactly that — getting

trucks off of neighborhood roads, creating pedestrian connections so residents can safely access Concrete and Starlite Parks and the Bronx River, creating jobs and fundamentally laying the groundwork for more investment in the South Bronx. Working with the community, DOT under Governor Kathy Hochul is investing in infrastructure solutions that make a positive and meaningful difference in the lives of Bronxites.”

Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson said, “The Hunts Point Access Improvement Project marks a new chapter for the South Bronx. With the completion of this transformative initiative, our residents will now gain access to new green spaces, better air quality, the Bronx River waterfront, and opportunities to reconnect with neighborhoods that were once divided. I would like to thank Governor Kathy Hochul for her dedication to addressing the environmental injustices that have profoundly impacted our communities. Through her leadership and partnership, we are making sure our residents have access to safe streets, open spaces, and a healthier future.”



## SUFFOLK COUNTY

### VILLAGE OF AMITYVILLE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION STUDY:



The Active Transportation Study for Downtown Amityville was completed in the summer of 2025. This study, conducted by a consultant team led by GPI, will serve as a cornerstone in the effort to revitalize downtown Amityville into a vibrant, accessible and community-focused destination, providing a clear roadmap for enhancing walkability and bikeability through practical and actionable recommendations with conceptual designs of proposed roadway treatments and modifications in the downtown area.

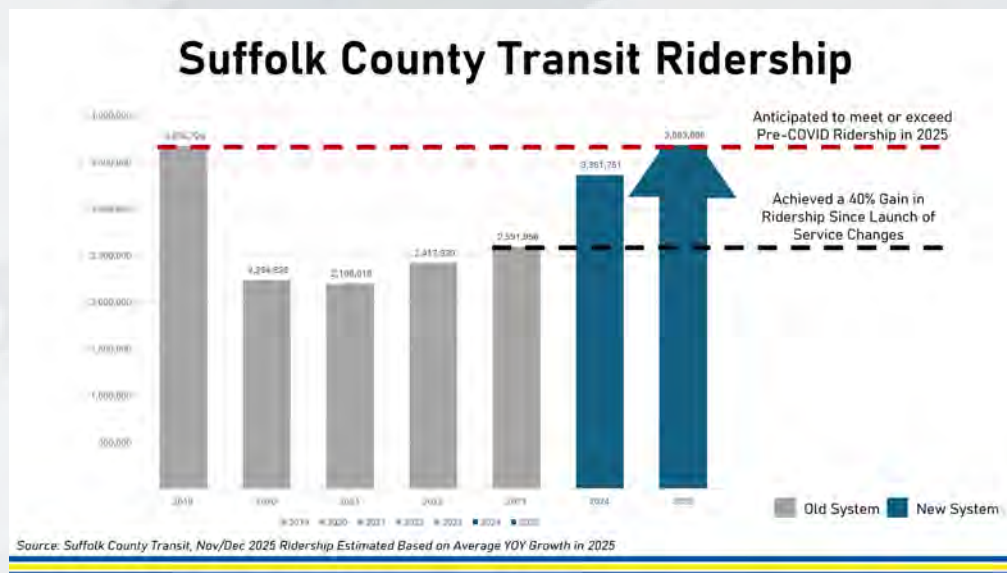
Suffolk County worked closely with the Village of Amityville throughout this study, holding day and nighttime walk

audits, discussions with key stakeholders, and public meetings throughout the process to identify critical areas for improvement. Recommendations range from safer crosswalks and expanded sidewalk access to traffic-calming measures and multi-modal pathways for bicyclists and pedestrians. The Active Transportation Study was made possible through a grant obtained by the Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning's Downtown/Transit Oriented Development (D/TOD) unit.

"The findings of the Active Transportation Study will serve as a valuable tool as we continue our efforts to revitalize and enhance our downtown district. By identifying both opportunities and challenges related to pedestrian safety, connectivity, and infrastructure, this study provides us with a clear roadmap for making strategic improvements that will benefit residents, visitors, and local businesses alike," wrote Amityville Mayor Michael O'Neill.

### SUFFOLK COUNTY TRANSIT IMPLEMENTATION AND ROLLOUT PLAN:

The Suffolk County Transit system posted a second consecutive year of strong ridership growth, with a 10% increase over 2024 numbers, as the County continued to make progress under the UPWP-funded Suffolk County Transit Implementation and Rollout Plan. 2025 marked the first full year of system-wide real-time bus tracking for riders, an improvement recommended by the Rollout Plan, and saw increased utilization of trip planning apps like Transit.



Ongoing system reliability monitoring and continuous route and performance improvements, as well as the installation of a new, more accurate, more user-friendly Automated Vehicle Locator (AVL) System by GMV Synchronatics is expected in 2026. Buses will now display current location and upcoming stops to riders on digital screens onboard buses.

"I am a strong supporter of public transportation. We need better public transportation options in Suffolk County for our residents, businesses and visitors," said Suffolk County Executive Ed Romaine. "The successful implementation of Suffolk County Transit's revised service plan demonstrates that the public responds to improved service frequency, reliability and connectivity. When additional resources are allocated to support public transportation in Suffolk County, ridership growth and congestion relief will certainly follow."





## PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY



In May 2025, the Port Authority broke ground on the Dyer Avenue deck-overs, marking the first stage in construction of the new Midtown Bus Terminal. The once-in-a-century project will be completed in two phases: Phase One, including new ramps and the storage and staging facility, will be completed by 2030. Phase Two, including the new main terminal and green space, will be completed by 2035. The project plan — including the permanent closure of a portion of 41st Street between Eighth and Ninth avenues, a central main entrance, more street-facing retail, a soaring multi-story indoor atrium and new public open space — will enhance the commuter experience at the world's busiest bus terminal and become a centerpiece for the community.

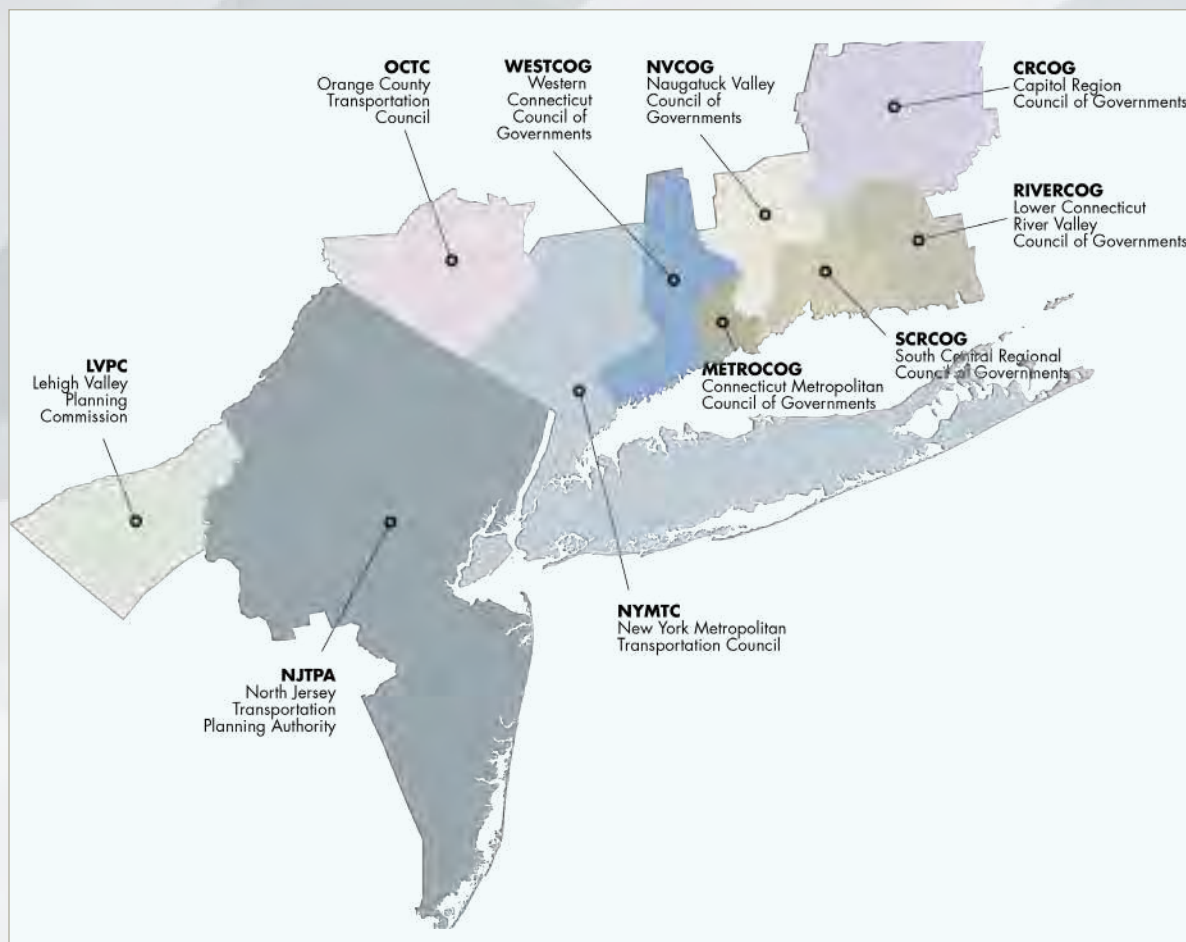
Financing for the first phase of the project will include Port Authority capital funding and a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan through the U.S. Department of Transportation. Future phases will also use Port Authority capital for a significant portion of the cost, funding from air/development rights for potential new commercial towers above the new bus terminal and New York City's contribution of PILOTs generated by the Port Authority's development efforts.



“The groundbreaking for the first stage of a new Midtown Bus Terminal is a momentous accomplishment that moved forward after years of delay by focusing on two key propositions — improving the lives of hundreds of thousands of daily commuters and providing real benefits to a community burdened by an architectural eyesore and a deluge of bus traffic,” said Port Authority of New Jersey and New York Executive Director Rick Cotton. “By focusing on benefits both to commuters and the surrounding community, we are now moving forward with a project that enjoys unprecedented support at every level of government on both sides of the river. And at last, we are on our way to creating a gateway that our region deserves.”



## Multi-State Collaboration through the MAP Forum



As the nature of collaborative planning relationships has evolved in the region, NYMTC and other metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and Councils of Governments (COGs) in the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut-Pennsylvania metropolitan region formalized agreements to enhance multi-state collaboration through the Metropolitan Area Planning (MAP) Forum.

The MAP Forum collectively works to better coordinate plans and programs through regular communication and information exchange between partnering MPOs. To the extent practicable, the consortium works together to coordinate and harmonize the transportation planning processes of all MPOs and COGs involved.



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**Fw: DSNY Proposed Implementation Dates for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones**

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**From:** Comments, Rule (DSNY)

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 7, 2026 12:02 PM

**To:** Comments, Rule (DSNY)

**Subject:** DSNY Proposed Implementation Dates for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones

Please be advised that this e-mail is being sent to you in accordance with the Citywide Administrative Procedure Act ("CAPA"). Amendments to CAPA require that every City agency publishing a proposed rule or an emergency rule in the *City Record* transmit that rule by e-mail to the following: the Speaker of the City Council; the Office of Legislative Documents of the City Council; each member of the City Council; every community board; the news media and civic organizations. In order to comment on the attached rule, you must follow the instructions found in the notice.

**New York City Department of Sanitation**  
**Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Rules**

**What are we proposing?** The Department of Sanitation (DSNY or the Department) is proposing to amend its rules regarding its program for the collection of commercial waste to include the implementation schedule for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones (CWZ).

**When and where is the hearing?** DSNY will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule. The public hearing will take place via Microsoft Teams at 10:00AM on Friday, May 8, 2026 using the following link:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/25995452089903?p=Kkhd0pdljAzoGDIHxY>

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**How do I comment on the proposed rules?** Anyone can comment on the proposed rules by:

- **Website.** You can submit comments to the DSNY through the NYC rules Web site at <http://rules.cityofnewyork.us>.
- **Email.** You can email written comments to [nycrules@dsny.nyc.gov](mailto:nycrules@dsny.nyc.gov).
- **Mail.** You can mail written comments to DSNY, 125 Worth Street, Room 710, New York, NY 10013.
- **By speaking at the hearing.** Anyone who wants to comment on the proposed rule at the public hearing must sign up to speak. You can sign up before the hearing by emailing [abadea@dsny.nyc.gov](mailto:abadea@dsny.nyc.gov) by Thursday, May 7, 2026 at 5:00 P.M. While you will be given the opportunity during the hearing to indicate that you would like to provide comments, we prefer that you signup in advance. You can speak for up to three minutes. Please note that

the hearing is for accepting oral testimony only and is not held in a “Question and Answer” format.

**Is there a deadline to submit comments?** The deadline for submitting written comments is Friday, May 8, 2026.

**What if I need assistance to participate in the hearing?** You must tell the Bureau of Legal Affairs if you need a reasonable accommodation of a disability at the hearing. You must tell us if you need a sign language interpreter. You can tell us by email at [eluna@dsny.nyc.gov](mailto:eluna@dsny.nyc.gov) or by mail at the address given above. You may also tell us or by telephone at 646-885-4996. Advance notice is requested to allow sufficient time to arrange the accommodation. Please tell us by Friday, May 1, 2026.

**Can I review the comments made on the proposed rules?** You can review the comments made online on the proposed rules by going to the website at <http://rules.cityofnewyork.us/>. A few days after the hearing, copies of all comments submitted online, copies of all written comments, and a summary of oral comments concerning the proposed rule will be available to the public at 125 Worth Street, Room 710, New York, NY 10013 and on DSNY’s website.

**What authorizes DSNY to make this rule?** Section 753 and Section 1043(g) of the New York City Charter and Title 16-B of the New York City Administrative Code authorize DSNY to make this proposed rule. This proposed rule was included in DSNY’s regulatory agenda for this Fiscal Year.

**Where can I find the DSNY’s rules?** DSNY’s rules are in Title 16 of the Rules of the City of New York.

**What laws govern the rulemaking process?** DSNY must meet the requirements of Section 1043 of the New York City Charter when creating or changing rules. This notice is made according to the requirements of Section 1043.

### **Statement of Basis and Purpose of Proposed Rule**

In 2019, New York City enacted Local Law 199 requiring the establishment of a new program for the collection of commercial waste. The program, known as the Commercial Waste Zones (CWZ) program, is a safe, efficient, and competitive collection system designed to provide high-quality service to New York City businesses while advancing the City's waste diversion and sustainability goals. Pursuant to Local Law 199, codified in Title 16-B of the New York City Administrative Code, the geographic area of New York City has been divided into 20 CWZs. Pursuant to a request for proposals process, three private carters providing commercial waste collection services were selected by the Department to serve businesses within each CWZ, and five carters were selected to provide citywide containerized commercial waste collection services to businesses that use dumpsters and compactors. The selected carters are referred to as "awardees." The resulting contracts with the awardees include standards for pricing, customer service, safety, environmental health, and requirements to promote the City's commitment to recycling and sustainability.

Local Law 199 requires the Department to issue rules setting forth an implementation start date and a final implementation date for each CWZ established. See Ad. Code § 16-1002(e)(3). Different implementation start and end dates may be established for different CWZs. The Department previously set the implementation start and end dates for the first eight CWZs: Queens Central, Bronx East, Bronx West, Queens Northeast, Brooklyn South, Lower Manhattan, Midtown South, and Staten Island. This rule sets the implementation start date and final implementation date for the next two zones: Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan. Subsequent rules will set the implementation dates for the remaining ten zones.

DSNY's authority for these rules is found in Section 753 and Section 1043(g) of the New York City Charter and Title 16-B of the New York City Administrative Code.

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“Shall” and “must” denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section 1. Subdivision b of section 20-02 of Title 16 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(b) Awardees for one or more of the commercial waste zones set forth in subdivision (a) of this section and for citywide containerized service are authorized to commence service in the awarded zones on the following implementation start and final implementation dates:

| <b>Zone name</b>       | <b>Implementation start date</b> | <b>Final implementation date</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Queens Central         | September 3, 2024                | January 2, 2025                  |
| Bronx East             | October 1, 2025                  | November 30, 2025                |
| Bronx West             | October 1, 2025                  | November 30, 2025                |
| Queens Northeast       | January 1, 2026                  | February 28, 2026                |
| Brooklyn South         | January 1, 2026                  | February 28, 2026                |
| Lower Manhattan        | April 1, 2026                    | May 31, 2026                     |
| Midtown South          | July 1, 2026                     | August 31, 2026                  |
| Staten Island          | July 1, 2026                     | August 31, 2026                  |
| <u>Brooklyn North</u>  | <u>October 1, 2026</u>           | <u>November 30, 2026</u>         |
| <u>Upper Manhattan</u> | <u>October 1, 2026</u>           | <u>November 30, 2026</u>         |

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**CERTIFICATION / ANALYSIS  
PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1043(d)**

**RULE TITLE:** Implementation Dates for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** DSNY-57

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Sanitation

I certify that this office has analyzed the proposed rule referenced above as required by Section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the proposed rule referenced above:

- (i) Is understandable and written in plain language for the discrete regulated community or communities;
- (ii) Minimizes compliance costs for the discrete regulated community or communities consistent with achieving the stated purpose of the rule; and
- (iii) Does not provide a cure period because it does not establish a violation, modification of a violation, or modification of the penalties associated with a violation.

/s/ Francisco X. Navarro  
Mayor's Office of Operations

April 1, 2026  
Date

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
CHARTER §1043(d)**

**RULE TITLE:** Implementation Dates for the Brooklyn North and Upper Manhattan Commercial Waste Zones

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** 26 RG 021

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Sanitation

I certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed rule as required by section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the above-referenced proposed rule:

- (i) is drafted so as to accomplish the purpose of the authorizing provisions of law;
- (ii) is not in conflict with other applicable rules;
- (iii) to the extent practicable and appropriate, is narrowly drawn to achieve its stated purpose; and
- (iv) to the extent practicable and appropriate, contains a statement of basis and purpose that provides a clear explanation of the rule and the requirements imposed by the rule.

/s/ Steven Goulden  
Senior Counsel

Date: 4/1/2026



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**Fw: Final Rules-Commissioner's Regulation 24RCNY - Chapter 8 - Cooling Towers**

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**From:** Afia McCausky

**Sent:** Thursday, April 9, 2026 10:26 AM

**Subject:** Final Rules-Commissioner's Regulation 24RCNY - Chapter 8 - Cooling Towers

Good morning Community Partner,

The attached final rule to amend Chapter 8 ("*Cooling Towers*") of the Title 24 of the of the Rules of the City of New York, was approved by Commissioner, Dr. Martin and was published in the City Record yesterday **April 8, 2026**.

This rule will be effective **May 8, 2026**.

Link to the City Record publication of this rule: [City Record – 4/8/26](#) (page 1464), and on-line: [The City Record Online \(CROL\)](#).

This rule is also available on the Department's website: [Official Notices - NYC Health](#), and on NYC Rules site: [Adopted Rules](#).

Best,

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*Afia (Frimpong) McCausky  
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**NEW YORK CITY  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE**

**Notice of Adoption of Amendments to the Rules of the City of New York**

In compliance with section 1043(b) of the New York City Charter (“Charter”) and pursuant to the authority granted to the New York City Board of Health (“Board of Health”) by section 558 of the Charter, a notice of public hearing and opportunity to comment on proposed amendments to Chapter 8 (*Cooling Towers*) of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York (“Chapter 8” of the “RCNY”) was published in the City Record on February 16, 2026 and a public hearing was held on March 16, 2026. Five members of the public provided testimony at the hearing, and 200 written comments were submitted on the proposed rule.

At the hearing, three of the testimonies were in support of the proposed rule, while two of the speakers were generally supportive of public health measures to reduce the risk of Legionnaires’ disease infections but expressed concerns about the added costs and time that will be required due to the increase in the frequency of cooling tower sample testing.

Most of the written comments (170) were letters of support for the proposed amendments signed by Harlem community members collected through the efforts of the Harlem Legionnaires Task Force. Of the remaining 30 submitted comments, many expressed concerns about the potential financial and logistical burdens the rule might place on property owners and managers. Some questioned the effectiveness of increasing the frequency of monitoring and testing, though several comments on this issue failed to note that monthly testing of cooling towers is only required during times of year when the towers are in use.

Many of the comments asked for clarification of various aspects of the proposed rules. The Department will issue written guidance setting forth additional clarification and will hold Q&A sessions prior to the implementation of the rule. The Department has made the following changes to the amendments based on comments received from the public:

- Section 8-05(f)(2): In response to concerns that dip slides would no longer be accepted, the Department clarified that the requirement that a bacteriological indicator must be analyzed by a laboratory accredited by the New York State Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) applies only to bacteriological indicators performed by HPC (heterotrophic plate count). Dip slides, which are processed and interpreted outside of laboratories, are not affected by the rule amendment.
- Section 8-05(f)(3): The Department adjusted language from “no less frequently than” to “at least as frequently as” to match the language of LL159, and deleted the word “calendar” as a descriptor of “month,” to clarify the primacy of pacing sampling every 31 days and to reduce the likelihood of either oversampling or allowing too long a period to elapse between sampling.
- Section 8-05, Table 8-2: The Department removed the reference to “manual” monitoring and added language regarding bacteriological indicators to improve clarity regarding the monitoring and testing requirements applicable to particular scenarios and conditions.
- Section 8-09: The Department adjusted the description of the penalty for violation of 24 RCNY §8-06(b)(2) in the table to align with changes to the text of 24 RCNY §8-06(b)(2).

**Statement of Basis and Purpose**

Section 17-194.1 of the NYC Administrative Code governs cooling tower operation and maintenance, and the Department’s rules promulgated pursuant to Section 17-194.1 are located in Chapter 8 (§§ 8-01 to 8-09) of Title 24 of the RCNY.

The Department is amending the penalty schedule set forth in Section 8-09 to conform to changes made pursuant to Local Law 76 of 2019 (“LL76”), which amended Administrative Code section 17-194.1. LL76 requires owners of buildings with cooling towers to report the date on which *Legionella* sample testing was conducted to the Department within 5 days of conducting such testing. Section 17-194.1 also requires that owners provide inspection and testing records to the Department immediately upon request.

The Department also amends Chapter 8 to conform it to changes made pursuant to Local Law 159 of 2025 (“LL159”). LL 159 requires an increase in the frequency of *Legionella* culture testing inspections of cooling towers to as frequently as every month during periods when such towers are in use.

The Department’s amendments also conform the rule to New York State *Legionella* protection regulations, which require all *Legionella* culture analyses to be performed by a laboratory certified by the New York State Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) (10 NYCRR Subpart 4-1.5). The amendments also clarify requirements for record retention and production.

Specifically, the amendments:

- Amend Sections 8-02, 8-04, and 8-05 to remove references to “immediate” and “immediately” and to add specific time periods where none were included, to improve clarity.
- Amend Section 8-02 to revise the definition of ANSI/ASHRAE 188 to remove direct reference to the sections and publication year, and instead reference “the latest edition” to allow future versions to be considered without requiring a new rulemaking each time.
- Amend Section 8-02 to update the definitions of “cooling tower,” “cooling tower system,” “maintenance program and plan,” “qualified person,” “system shutdown” and “system startup,” and to add definitions of “cooling tower system components,” “commissioning,” “decommissioning,” “installation,” “operation” and “operation period” for clarification purposes.
- Amend Section 8-03 to require the preparer of the maintenance program and plan (MPP) for a cooling tower to annually certify the MPP, and to create a valve schedule as part of the MPP.
- Amend Sections 8-03, 8-04, 8-05 and 8-06 to reference the amended Section 8-07(a) for record retention and production requirements.
- Amend Section 8-05 to require the inclusion of operating configurations that result in low flow or no flow to a cooling tower risk management assessment.
- Amend Section 8-05 to require that fill water for the commissioning or startup of a cooling tower be obtained from a municipal water supply.
- Amend Section 8-05 to require that a *Legionella* sample test be conducted by a laboratory certified by the New York State Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (“ELAP”) and to clarify the recordkeeping requirements relating to the *Legionella* sample test.
- Amend section 8-05 to require that *Legionella* culture testing be conducted at least every month during cooling tower system operation.
- Amend the corrective actions schedule set forth in Section 8-05 to reflect a single requirement that any results greater than or equal to 10,000 CFU/ml trigger a requirement for monitoring of the water treatment program.
- Amend Section 8-06 to add additional requirements for cooling tower commissioning, startup and shutdown processes.
- Amend Section 8-07(a) to clarify requirements for record retention and require production of records to the Department at the time of inspection.
- Amend Section 8-08 to conform to standardization of modification provisions recently implemented in the Health Code.
- Amend the penalty schedule set forth in Section 8-09 to increase the existing monetary penalties for failure to comply with any of the requirements presented in Chapter 8 and to add new monetary penalties for improper water treatment when a cooling tower is operational, failure to report the

date of a *Legionella* sample test, failure to report such a test date within 5 days, and failure to report cooling tower operation, startup and shutdown dates.

### **Statutory Authority**

These amendments are made pursuant to sections 555, 556 and 1043 of the Charter and section 17-194.1 of the Administrative Code. Section 555(b)(2) of the Charter authorizes the Commissioner to impose any penalty prescribed for noncompliance with any law enforceable by the Department under the Charter, or for noncompliance with any related lawful notice, order or regulation pursuant thereto. Section 556 of the Charter authorizes the Department to regulate all matters pertaining to the health of the City. Section 1043 of the Charter grants the Department rulemaking authority. Section 17-194.1 of the Administrative Code requires owners of buildings with cooling towers to maintain, clean and disinfect such cooling towers and authorizes the Department to adopt rules to implement these requirements.

The proposed rules are as follows:

Underlined text is new.

Deleted text is in [brackets].

Ellipses (\*\*\*\*) indicate unamended text.

“Shall” and “must” indicate mandatory actions in the Department’s rules and have been used and are intended to be used interchangeably, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section 1. The definition of “Idling” set forth in section 8-02 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is REPEALED.

§ 2. The definition of “Immediate or immediately” set forth in section 8-02 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is REPEALED.

§ 3. The definitions of “ANSI/ASHRAE,” “cooling tower,” “cooling tower system,” “maintenance program and plan,” “qualified person,” “system shutdown,” and “system startup” set forth in section 8-02 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York are amended to read as follows:

**"ANSI/ASHRAE [188-2015] 188"** means [sections 5, 6 and 7.2] the latest edition of ANSI/ASHRAE Standard [188-2015] 188 Legionellosis: Risk Management for Building Water Systems, a publication issued by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI)/American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE)[, final approval date of June 26, 2015, at pages 4 – 8].

**“Cooling tower” (CT or “Cooling tower equipment”)** means [a cooling tower, evaporative condenser or fluid cooler that is part of a recirculated water system incorporated into a building’s cooling, industrial process, refrigeration, or energy production system] any device using recirculating water where such water is exposed to air for evaporative cooling, radiant cooling, or air cleaning or scrubbing.

**“Cooling tower system” (“CTS” or “system”)** means [one] a single or [more] multiple cooling towers, which may share some or all superstructure components, and all of the [recirculating water system components,] process instruments and appurtenances through which water flows or with which water has contact [key parts consisting of biocide, anti-scaling and anti-corrosion chemical applicators, valves, pumps, the tower superstructure, condensers and heat exchangers and other related components. The cooling tower system may comprise multiple cooling towers that share some or all superstructure components.], including all cooling tower system components.

**"Maintenance program and plan"** or **"plan"** means a written set of measures describing monitoring, cleaning, disinfection and all other activities for the prevention and control of *Legionella* growth in a cooling tower system, that is in accordance with section 5, 6 and 7.2 of ANSI/ASHRAE [188-2015] 188 and with the manufacturer's instructions, and is developed by a qualified person.

**"Qualified person"** means a New York State licensed and registered professional engineer; a certified industrial hygienist; a certified water technologist with training and experience developing management plans and performing inspections in accordance with current standard industry protocols including, but not limited to ANSI/ASHRAE [188-2015] 188; or an environmental consultant who has at least two (2) years of operational experience in water management planning and operation.

**"System shutdown" (or "shutdown")** means [shutting off or closing and draining the cooling tower system when cooling is no longer needed] the process of suspending the operation of a given cooling tower system by fully draining any water from all components of the cooling tower system in accordance with requirements of this Chapter.

**"System start[-]up" (or "startup")** means [commissioning a new system, or putting the cooling tower system into operation after system shutdown or idling] the process of putting one or more cooling tower(s) or component(s) of a cooling tower system into operation in accordance with requirements of this Chapter.

§ 4. Section 8-02 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to add definitions of the terms "cooling tower system components," "commissioning," "decommissioning," "installation," "operation," and "operation period" to read as follows:

**"Cooling tower system components" ("CTS components" or "components")** means all of the individual devices, parts, or units in the cooling tower system that interact with the recirculating water that flows to the cooling tower. Any mechanical part or equipment that has a wet surface during water circulation is a component. These include, but are not limited to all cooling tower equipment, chillers, water-cooled condensers, heat exchangers and other heat transfer devices, circulation pumps, treatment devices, chemical controllers, metering pumps, filtration devices, process control measurement location(s) and related equipment, and all associated piping and fittings.

**"Commissioning"** means performing the system startup for a newly installed cooling tower system or cooling tower equipment or for the first time. This may include filling the equipment or system with water and recirculating the water.

**"Decommissioning"** means the removal or permanent discontinuation of use of a cooling tower system or cooling tower equipment. Decommissioning includes removal of all water, permanent disconnection of water supply to the cooling tower system, and permanent disconnection of the power supply for the cooling tower equipment.

**"Installation"** means the physical connection of cooling tower equipment to a water supply and a power supply by piping and plumbing work.

**"Operation" (or "operating")** means the condition that exists after a cooling tower or cooling tower system has been filled or partially filled with water. Cooling towers with non-continuous use,

including seasonal or on demand use, are in operation, independent of whether the system is actively providing thermal/heat exchange as long as water is present in the cooling tower system.

**“Operation period”** means the time period for operation of a cooling tower system based on its planned use. Operation periods must be reported at time of registration, in a manner specified by the Department, which shall include, at a minimum, annual (year-round), seasonal (summer operation), seasonal (winter operation), or on demand (a cooling tower does not run continuously but is put into operation only when needed).

§ 5. The introductory paragraph of section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

For each cooling tower system the owner must have a maintenance program and plan prepared by a qualified person in accordance with [sections 5, 6 and 7.2 of] professional or industry bodies with expertise in cooling tower regulations and guidance, such as ANSI/ASHRAE [188-2015] 188, the manufacturer’s instructions, and the requirements of this Chapter. [The plan must be kept current and amended by a responsible or qualified person as needed to reflect any changes in the management and maintenance team, system design, operation or system control requirements for the cooling tower system.] The plan must be [kept in the building where a cooling tower or cooling tower system is located, or in an adjacent building or structure on the same campus, complex, lot, mall or on-site central engineering division, and must be made available to the Department for inspection upon and at the time of a request] retained and produced in accordance with subdivision (a) of section 8-07. At a minimum, the plan must include and describe:

§ 6. Subdivision (a) of section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(a) *Management and maintenance team*. Identification, including names and contact information (mail and email addresses and telephone numbers) and description of the function of each person on the cooling tower system management and maintenance team in a manner specified by the Department, including:

§ 7. Paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(2) Operating configurations and conditions that may [occur after periods of extended inactivity lasting more than three (3) days, including idling or] result in low [circulation while not being fully drained] flow or no flow in any part of the cooling tower system.

§ 8. Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(2) Specific, detailed seasonal and temporary shutdown and [start-up] startup procedures.

§ 9. Subdivision (d) of section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to add a paragraph (4) to read as follows:

(4) A valve schedule for each operating configuration and condition including, at a minimum, any times when cooling tower component(s) are brought online.

§ 10. Section 8-03 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to add a subdivision (e) to read as follows:

(e) *Plan preparer certification.* The maintenance program and plan must be annually certified by a qualified person, in a manner specified by the Department, who must attest that the program and plan (1) meets the requirements of this Chapter, §28-317.3 and §17-194.1 of the New York City Administrative Code, and all applicable requirements of the New York City Health Code and (2) reflects any changes made to the management and maintenance team, system design, operation or system control requirements for the cooling tower system.

§ 11. Section 8-04 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to add an introductory paragraph to read as follows:

All records required pursuant to this section must be retained and produced in accordance with subdivision (a) of section 8-07.

§ 12. Paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of section 8-04 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(5) Any system anomalies or problems must be recorded on the checklist and reported to the management and maintenance team for [immediate] corrective action to be completed within 24 hours.

§ 13. Paragraph (4) of subdivision (f) of section 8-04 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(4) A Legionella culture sample must be collected in accordance with §8-05(f)(3) within 3 to [45] 31 days after the hyperhalogenation required by paragraph (1) of this subdivision. Sample results must be interpreted, and corrective actions implemented, in accordance with the result levels indicated in Table 8-1 of this Chapter.

§ 14. Paragraph (5) of subdivision (f) of section 8-04 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(5) An owner must submit a declaration of summertime hyperhalogenation within 30 days of completion of the hyperhalogenation required by paragraph (1) of this subdivision through the NYC Cooling Tower Registration Portal. The declaration must include the cooling tower system ID; the hyperhalogenation protocol performed, including the name and quantity of biocides and chemicals applied; dose and contact time; effective pH range of biocides; pH and halogen residual monitoring results during hyperhalogenation; service date and name and qualifications of the person who applied the biocide. [The declaration must be kept with required cooling tower records in accordance with §8-07(a).]

§ 15. The introductory paragraph of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

Prior to changing an existing chemical treatment system or introducing a new chemical treatment agent, cooling tower design, installation, operation, and maintenance must be evaluated by a qualified person to ensure compatibility between the chemicals and the cooling tower system's materials, and to minimize microbial growth and the release of aerosols. The evaluation must describe the optimum level of chemicals to achieve the desired result in a manner which can be used as a system performance

measure. All records required pursuant to this section must be retained and produced in accordance with subdivision (a) of section 8-07.

§ 16. Subdivision (b) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(b) *Recirculating system.* A cooling tower system must [be operated and programmed to] continually recirculate the water when it is in operation. Any period of no circulation lasting three (3) days or more in any part of the cooling tower system requires that applicable risk management procedures described in [irrespective of the building's cooling demand of the system, unless ]the maintenance program and plan [specifies in detail how the intended water treatment schedule will be ]be carried out and documented to achieve[, and how] effective biofilm and microorganism control[ will be achieved when the whole or a part of the system is idle during the scheduled chemical injection].

§ 17. Subdivision (e) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(e) *[Makeup] Fill/makeup water.* Fill water for commissioning or startup of a cooling tower system must be obtained from a municipal water supply. For makeup water, [Owners] owners may use municipal water or [using] water derived from a [rainwater capture or recycling water systems as a source of cooling tower system makeup water] nonpotable water source. If water from a nonpotable water source is used, the owner must [install a drift eliminator and test and treat water in accordance with a specific] submit an alternative water source [water ]plan. This plan is a separate document in addition to the maintenance program and plan required by §8-03 of this Chapter and must be approved by the Department. The alternative water source plan must identify each nonpotable water source and include provisions for adequate design of the treatment and control components and on-going evaluation to eliminate any risk to public health.

§ 18. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(B) *Continuous, automated and/or remote measurements.* When continuous, automated and/or remote measurements and recordings are used, the management program and plan must show how effective measurements of system process [control] controls are being monitored. [Automated measurements must be properly recorded and results made immediately available to responsible and qualified persons and to Department inspectors when requested.]

§ 19. Paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(2) *Minimum weekly biological process control indicators.* A bacteriological indicator to estimate microbial content of recirculating water must be collected and interpreted in accordance with Table 8-2 at least once each week while the cooling tower system is operating. Indicators must be taken at times and from water sampling points, as detailed in the maintenance program and plan, that will be representative of water microbial content. Indicators may be taken at any time from constant chemical treatment systems. Indicators from systems that use intermittent biocide applications must be taken before biocide application and reflect normal cooling tower operating conditions. If indicator is performed by HPC, it

must be analyzed by a laboratory accredited by the New York State Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP).

§ 20. Paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(3) *Legionella* samples. *Legionella* culture testing must be conducted [no less] at least as frequently [than] as every [90 days] month, with no more than 31 days between sample events, during cooling tower system operation. A *Legionella* sample must be analyzed by a [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ELITE Program certified laboratory, by the New York State Department of Health Wadsworth Center or other] laboratory [approved by the Department] accredited by the New York State Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP). The results of such a test must be recorded in a final analytical report from the laboratory that includes a copy of the signed chain of custody and the laboratory's ELAP certification number. Test results of all *Legionella* species at or above the magnitude of level 4 as indicated in Table 8-1 must be reported to the Department within 24 hours of receiving the test results. Test results of all *Legionella* species must be evaluated by the qualified persons and the management and maintenance team to ensure *Legionella* control. Additional emergency *Legionella* sampling must be conducted if any of the following occur:

- (A) Power failure of sufficient duration to allow for growth of bacteria;
- (B) Loss of biocide treatment sufficient to allow for growth of bacteria;
- (C) Failure of conductivity controls to maintain proper cycles of concentration;
- (D) At the request of the Department upon a determination that one or more cases of legionellosis is or may be associated with the cooling tower, based on epidemiological data or laboratory testing[.];
- [(E) Any time two consecutive bacteriological indicator sample results are above Level 4 as indicated in Table 8-2;] or
- [(F)](E) Any other conditions specified by the Department.

§ 21. Paragraph (5) of subdivision (f) of section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(5) *Water quality corrective actions.* The maintenance program and plan must identify the procedures, responsible parties, required response time(s) and notification protocol for corrective actions and must include, at a minimum, corrective actions that must be implemented according to the result levels in Table 8-1 and Table 8-2. For hyperhalogenating, as indicated in Table 8-1, dose the cooling tower water system with 5 to 10 ppm Free Halogen Residual for at least 1 hour. The hyperhalogenation must be carried out with the appropriate pH level for effective disinfection. The disinfectant and pH level must be documented in the corrective action procedures.

§ 22. Table 8-1 set forth in section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

**Table 8-1. Corrective actions required for *Legionella* culture results.**

| Level | <i>Legionella</i> Culture Result <sup>[1]</sup> | Process Triggered by <i>Legionella</i> Culture Results                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | <10 CFU/ml                                      | [Maintain] <u>If not detected, maintain</u> water chemistry and biocide levels.<br><br><u>If <i>Legionella</i> is detected but &lt; 10 CFU/ml, review water treatment program and adjust water chemistry and biocide levels, if needed.</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2     | ≥10 CFU/ml to <100 CFU/ml                       | Initiate [immediate] disinfection by increasing biocide concentration or using a different biocide within 24 hours; review treatment program; and retest water within 3 - 7 days. Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3     | ≥ 100 CFU/ml to <1,000 CFU/ml                   | Initiate [immediate] disinfection by increasing biocide concentration or using a different biocide [(]within 24 hours[)], reviewing treatment program, performing visual inspection to evaluate need to perform cleaning and further disinfection. Retest water within 3 - 7 days. Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached.                                                                                                                                     |
| 4     | ≥ 1,000 CFU/ml                                  | Initiate [immediate] disinfection by increasing biocides within 24 hours. Within 48 hours perform full remediation of the tower by hyperhalogenating <sup>[2]</sup> , draining, cleaning, and flushing. Review treatment program, retest water within 3 - 7 days. Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached. For <i>Legionella</i> results at this level, notify <u>the</u> Department within 24 hours of receiving test [result] <u>results</u> . <sup>[3]</sup> |

[1. Performed by a CDC ELITE Laboratory, or NYSDOH Wadsworth Laboratory, or another laboratory approved by the Department.

Combine all species of *Legionella* detected.

2. At a minimum, dose the cooling water system with 5 to 10 ppm Free Halogen Residual for at least 1 hour; pH 7.0 to 7.6.

3. In a manner as specified on the Department's website.]

§ 23. Table 8-2 set forth in section 8-05 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

**Table 8-2. Corrective actions required for bacteriological indicator results.**

| Level | Heterotrophic Plate Count <sup>[1]</sup> and Dip Slide Result | Process Triggered by Test Results                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | <10,000 CFU/ml                                                | Maintain water chemistry and biocide levels.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 2     | ≥10,000 CFU/ml [to <100,000 CFU/ml]                           | [Initiate immediate disinfection by increasing biocide concentration or using a different biocide within 24 hours,] <u>The management and maintenance team must initiate monitoring of disinfectant residual three times per day until water treatment achieves target biocide residuals for a minimum of 24 hours. If this is not achieved within three days, collect a Legionella sample and continue to adjust water treatment program.</u><br><br><u>Conduct a quality control review of the water treatment program and make modifications to dosing, chemicals and biocides, bleed off or other process controls to achieve bacteriological control.</u> [retest] <u>Retest water [within 3 - 7 days] for bacteriological indicators 48 hours after achieving target biocide residual.</u> Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached. |
| [3]   | [≥100,000 CFU/ml to <1,000,000 CFU/ml]                        | [Initiate immediate disinfection by increasing biocide concentration or using a different biocide within 24 hours, reviewing treatment program, performing visual inspection to evaluate need to perform cleaning and further disinfection. Retest water within 3 - 7 days. Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached.]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| [4]   | [≥1,000,000 CFU/ml]                                           | [Initiate immediate disinfection by increasing biocides within 24 hours. Within 48 hours perform remediation of the tower by hyperhalogenating <sup>2</sup> , cleaning, and flushing. Review treatment program, retest water within 3 - 7 days. Subsequent test results must be interpreted in accordance with this Table until level 1 is reached.]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

[1. Performed by an appropriately accredited Laboratory (e.g. NELAP, AALA

2. At a minimum, dose the cooling water system with 5 to 10 ppm Free Halogen Residual for at least 1 hour; pH 7.0 to 7.6.]

§ 24. The title of Section 8-06 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

§8-06 System shutdown and [start-up] startup; commissioning and decommissioning cooling towers.

§ 25. Section 8-06 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

All records required pursuant to this section must be retained and produced in accordance with subdivision (a) of section 8-07.

(a) *Full system shutdown.* Procedures to shut down a cooling tower system must be supervised by a qualified person and conform to the manufacturers' recommendations. When shut down, the cooling tower system must be completely drained of all water from anywhere in the cooling tower system and be protected from offline contamination. The owner of a cooling tower must notify the Department electronically, in a manner specified by the Department, within 5 days of any cooling tower system shutdown.

(b) *[Full system] System startup.* A startup includes a systematic and progressive process of putting any part of a cooling tower system into operation. At a minimum, before cooling tower system [start-up] startup, an owner must clean and disinfect a cooling tower that has been shut down [or idle for more than five days, in accordance with §17-194.1 of the Administrative Code. Cleaning and disinfection must be done no later than] within the 15 days before [the first seasonal use of such tower] operation. Cleaning and disinfection are also required prior to operation after any period of no circulation lasting 5 days or more in any part of the cooling tower system in accordance with §17-194.1 of the Administrative Code. The owner of a cooling tower must notify the Department electronically, in a manner specified by the Department, within 5 days of any cooling tower system startup. The maintenance program and plan must include detailed [seasonal and idle period] startup procedures that are supervised by a qualified person and [that] include, at a minimum:

(1) [Either fully] Identification of the detergents, dispersants, and compatible biocides to be used and the circulation times for the [clean and disinfect, drain to waste and disinfect, or sufficiently hyperhalogenate the recirculated water before startup] cleaning and disinfection; and

(2) [Before the startup of a cooling tower system after an extended shutdown of five or more days,] Procedures to collect samples for *Legionella* culture within 3 to 14 days of startup and take actions required by Table 8-1 when results are received; and

(3) [Before seasonal startup of a system that has been fully shut down, perform] Performance of a pre-startup inspection by a qualified person[.]; and

(4) Once there is water in any part of the cooling tower system, the system is in operation. Procedures to recirculate the water in the cooling tower in accordance with §8-05(b) once startup cleaning and disinfection are done; and

(5) Established adjustments to water treatment program to accommodate added system volume and cooling load if additional cooling tower component(s) are brought online or operating configuration is changed during operation.

(c) *[Commissioning] Installation and commissioning of new cooling towers.* Installation occurs when a physical connection of cooling tower equipment is made to a water supply and power supply. Newly installed cooling tower systems must be [cleaned and disinfected prior to operation according to this section and the maintenance program and plan, and be] registered with the Department of Buildings cooling tower registration system in accordance with § 28-317.3 of the Administrative Code. Newly commissioned cooling towers must be cleaned and disinfected prior to operation according to this section and the maintenance program and plan. Once cleaning and disinfection are complete, the cooling tower system is in operation and must comply with the requirements of this Chapter, including for process control measures and water treatment.

(d) *Removal or permanently discontinuing use and decommissioning of cooling towers.* The owner of a cooling tower must notify the Department of Buildings of decommissioning electronically within 30 days

after removing or permanently discontinuing use of a cooling tower in accordance with § 28-317.3.1 of the Administrative Code. Such notice must include a statement that the cooling tower has been drained and sanitized in accordance with this section. Decommissioning includes removal of all water, permanent disconnection of water supply to the cooling tower system, and permanent disconnection of the power supply for the cooling tower equipment. If the cooling tower equipment has not been physically removed, a sign or plate must be posted that is conspicuously visible and constructed of a durable, weather resistant material indicating that the cooling tower equipment is not registered with NYC and must not be filled with water or put into operation.

(e) Operation Period. The owner of a cooling tower must notify the Department electronically, in a manner specified by the Department, of the operation period as defined in § 8-02.

§ 26. The title of section 8-07 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

§8-07 [Records] Administrative Requirements.

§ 27. Subdivision (a) of section 8-07 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(a) [Records] Record retention and production. An owner must keep [for at least three (3) years in the building where a cooling tower is located or in an adjacent building or structure on the same campus, complex, lot, mall or on-site central engineering division a record] records of any maintenance, inspection, deficiency, corrective action, water treatment, test result, cleaning or disinfection performed on [the] any cooling tower. Such records include but are not limited to maintenance program and plans, and all checklists, reports, notes, documentations, declarations, evaluations, measurements, test results and notices explicitly required by the provisions of this chapter. Such records must be retained and produced as follows:

(1) Retention period. The owner must keep records for each cooling tower for at least 3 years.

(2) Provision upon request.

(A) The owner must provide all records required by this chapter to the Department for inspection upon request.

(B) Failure to provide required records to the Department upon request shall be considered prima facie evidence that such required records do not exist and that the corresponding requirements were not satisfied.

(3) Electronic records. If records are kept electronically, any such record requested by the Department at the time of inspection must be displayed on a digital device (e.g., computer or tablet) provided by the owner. Copies of such electronic records must be available in a format that is used by the Department and is generally commercially available, such as PDF, and must be submitted to the Department in a manner specified by the Department upon request.

§ 28. Section 8-08 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

§8-08 Modification by Department.

[The Commissioner or designee may grant a modification when] When the Department determines that strict application of any provision of this Chapter presents practical difficulties [or unusual hardships.

The] the Commissioner or their designee in a specific instance may modify the application of such provision consistent with the general purpose of this Chapter [and in compliance with Administrative Code §17-194.1] and upon such conditions as[, in his or her opinion, are necessary to protect the health or safety of the public] the Department deems necessary to protect life and health. Failure to comply with the terms of the modification may result in enforcement by the Department. The denial of a request for modification by the Commissioner shall be deemed a final agency determination.

§ 29. The table set forth in section 8-09 of chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

| Section of Law          | Description                                                                                                                                     | Penalty:<br>First<br>violation | Repeat<br>violation(s) |
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| 24 RCNY §8-03           | No maintenance program and plan                                                                                                                 | [\$1000]<br><u>\$2000</u>      | [\$2000] <u>\$4000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-03           | Maintenance program and plan incomplete [or not on premises]                                                                                    | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>          | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| <u>24 RCNY §8-03(e)</u> | <u>Failure to produce annual plan preparer certification of maintenance program and plan</u>                                                    | <u>\$2000</u>                  | <u>\$4000</u>          |
| 24 RCNY §8-04(a)        | Routine monitoring not conducted, documented at least once a week when tower is in use                                                          | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>          | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY§8-04(b)         | Compliance inspections not conducted, documented at least once every 90 days when the tower is in use                                           | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>          | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-04(c)        | Routine maintenance according to maintenance program and plan not conducted or documented                                                       | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>          | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY§8-04(d)         | Twice yearly or other required cleaning not conducted or documented                                                                             | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>          | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-04(e)        | Aerosol control does not meet manufacturer's design specifications or drift loss reduction requirements in new or existing towers when required | [\$1000]<br><u>\$2000</u>      | [\$2000] <u>\$4000</u> |

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| 24 RCNY §8-04(f)    | Failure to submit declaration of a hyperhalogenation performed at least once each year between July 1 and August 31                                                  | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| [24 RCNY§8-05(a)]   | [Daily automatic or approved alternative water treatment plan not provided]                                                                                          | [\$500]                | [\$1000]               |
| 24 RCNY§8-05        | <u>Improper water treatment when the cooling tower system is in operation</u>                                                                                        | <u>\$1000</u>          | <u>\$2000</u>          |
| [24 RCNY§8-05(b)]   | [Cooling water system not continually recirculated and no acceptable alternative]                                                                                    | [\$500]                | [\$1000]               |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(c)(1) | Use of an unqualified biocide applicator <u>or technician</u>                                                                                                        | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(c)(2) | Use of an unregistered biocide product                                                                                                                               | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(c)(3) | No records of all chemicals and biocides added                                                                                                                       | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(c)(4) | Sufficient quantities and combinations of chemicals not added as specified in the maintenance program and plan                                                       | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| [24 RCNY §8-05(d)]  | [Using unacceptable alternative non-chemical water treatment device]                                                                                                 | [\$500]                | [\$1000]               |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(e)    | Use of [captured rainwater or recycled water] <u>nonpotable water source</u> as makeup water not in accordance with <u>an</u> approved alternative water source plan | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> | [\$2000] <u>\$4000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(f)(1) | Minimum daily water quality measurements not taken or recorded                                                                                                       | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(f)(2) | Failure to collect, analyze or record weekly biological process control indicators                                                                                   | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |

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| 24 RCNY §8-05(f)(3) | Legionella samples not collected or analyzed, or results not recorded or reported to the Department as required                                                                                                                        | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> | [\$2000] <u>\$4000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(f)(4) | Failure to monitor and sample from representative locations and times                                                                                                                                                                  | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-05(f)(5) | Required corrective actions not taken based on bacteriological results                                                                                                                                                                 | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> | [\$2000] <u>\$4000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(a)    | Improper or inadequate shutdown procedures                                                                                                                                                                                             | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(a)    | Failure to report shutdown date within 5 days                                                                                                                                                                                          | <u>\$500</u>           | <u>\$1000</u>          |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(b)    | Failure to report startup date within 5 days                                                                                                                                                                                           | <u>\$500</u>           | <u>\$1000</u>          |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(b)(1) | Improper or inadequate [start-up] <u>startup</u> procedures                                                                                                                                                                            | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(b)(2) | Legionella samples not collected, analyzed [before] <u>within 3 to 14 days of system startup</u> [start-up]                                                                                                                            | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(c)    | New cooling tower not or inadequately cleaned and disinfected prior to operating                                                                                                                                                       | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-06(e)    | Failure to report operation period to the Department                                                                                                                                                                                   | <u>\$500</u>           | <u>\$1000</u>          |
| 24 RCNY §8-07(a)    | Failure to [document] <u>retain records of all maintenance, inspections, deficiencies, corrective actions, water treatment, [tests] test results, cleaning, and disinfection [in accordance with the maintenance program and plan]</u> | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-07(a)    | Failure to retain records for at least 3 years                                                                                                                                                                                         | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u>  | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |

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| 24 RCNY §8-07(a)              | Required records not kept at the cooling tower premises                                               | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u> | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-07[d](a)(2)        | [Records not made immediately available] <u>Failure to provide records</u> to Department upon request | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u> | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| 24 RCNY §8-07(c)              | Department of Buildings Cooling Tower Registration Number not posted as required                      | [\$500] <u>\$1000</u> | [\$1000] <u>\$2000</u> |
| <u>Admin Code 17-194.1(f)</u> | <u>Failure to report <i>Legionella</i> sample test date within 5 days</u>                             | <u>\$500</u>          | <u>\$1000</u>          |
| <u>Admin Code 17-194.1(f)</u> | <u>Failure to report <i>Legionella</i> sample test date</u>                                           | <u>\$1000</u>         | <u>\$2000</u>          |
| State Sanitary Code Part 4    | Miscellaneous provisions                                                                              | \$250                 | \$250                  |



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**From:** Andrea Maggio (Buildings)

**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2026 3:30 PM

**Subject:** Proposed Rule - Amendment of Rules relating to Sidewalk Sheds

Proposed Rule - Amendment of Rules relating to Sidewalk Sheds will have a public hearing remotely via Microsoft Teams on Monday 4/27/26 at 11 a.m. The Proposed Rule will be published in the City Record on Friday 3/27/26.

Thank you,  
Andrea

Andrea Maggio  
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NYC Department of Buildings

## NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

### **Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Rules**

**What are we proposing?** The Department of Buildings (DOB) is proposing to add a new section 102-07 to Subchapter B of Chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York regarding sidewalk shed permit renewal requirements, fees and penalties.

**When and where is the hearing?** DOB will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule online. The public hearing will take place at 11am on 4/27/26.

- **Join through Internet – Desktop app:**

To join the hearing via your browser either click on the following URL link or copy and paste it into your browser's address bar. Then follow the prompts to either continue using the browser or download/open the Teams desktop app.

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/e58290d2-0547-4483-a343-36de73a33e71@32f56fc7-5f81-4e22-a95b-15da66513bef>

Enter your name when prompted and click the **“Join now”** button. If you don't have computer audio or prefer to phone in for audio, select **“Phone audio”** under **“Other join options”** then click the **“Join now”** button. You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins. If you are using phone audio then follow the dial-in instructions when prompted.

If you have low bandwidth or inconsistent Internet connection, we suggest you use the Phone audio option for the hearing. This will reduce the possibility of dropped audio and stutters.

- **Join through Internet - Smartphone app:**

To join using the Microsoft Teams app on your smartphone, click on the following URL link from your phone to automatically open the Teams app. Note that the Microsoft Teams app must already be installed on your smartphone. It is available for free both in the Apple Store and Google Play.

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/e58290d2-0547-4483-a343-36de73a33e71@32f56fc7-5f81-4e22-a95b-15da66513bef>

When prompted select “Join meeting”. Type your name and then select “Join meeting” again. You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The above links are used to register for the hearing. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email that will include a link to join the hearing. If you should run into technical difficulties when using the above links to register or you do not receive the registration confirmation email with your link to join the hearing, please use one of the following alternative methods to join the hearing. You should receive the confirmation email within a short time of registering. Please check your junk email

folder too if you do not see the email in your inbox. Best practice is to register for the hearing prior to the actual hearing date.

Alternatively, open the Teams app and select “Join a meeting”. Signing in with an account is not required. Type your name, the following Meeting ID and Passcode, then select “Join meeting”.

Meeting ID: 230 125 250 768 17

Passcode: Hh6MG6dE (Code is case sensitive)

- Join via phone only:

To join the meeting only by phone, use the following information to connect:

Phone: 646-893-7101

Phone Conference ID: 804 634 172#

You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins.

**How do I comment on the proposed rules?** Anyone can comment on the proposed rules by:

- **Website.** You can submit comments to the DOB through the NYC rules website at <http://rules.cityofnewyork.us>.
- **Email.** You can email comments to [dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov).
- **Mail.** You can mail comments to the New York City Department of Buildings, Office of the General Counsel, 280 Broadway, 7th floor, New York, NY 10007.
- **Speaking at the hearing.** Anyone who wants to comment on the proposed rule at the public hearing must sign up to speak. You can sign up by emailing [dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov) by 4/20/26 and including your name and affiliation. While you will be given the opportunity during the hearing to indicate that you would like to provide comments, we prefer that you sign up in advance. You can speak for up to three minutes. Please note that the hearing is for accepting oral testimony only and is not held in a “Question and Answer” format.

**Is there a deadline to submit comments?** Yes, you must submit comments by 4/27/26.

**What if I need assistance to participate in the hearing?** You must tell the Office of the General Counsel if you need a reasonable accommodation of a disability at the hearing. You can tell us by email at [dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov). Advance notice is requested to allow sufficient time to arrange the accommodation. You must tell us by 4/13/26.

This location has the following accessibility option(s) available: Simultaneous transcription for people who are hearing impaired, and audio only access for those who are visually impaired.

**Can I review the comments made on the proposed rules?** You can review the comments made online on the proposed rules by going to the website at <http://rules.cityofnewyork.us/>. Copies of all comments submitted online, copies of all written comments and a summary of oral comments concerning the proposed rule will be available to the public at the Office of the General Counsel and may be requested by email at [dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov).

**What authorizes DOB to make this rule?** Sections 643 and 1043(a) of the City Charter, Articles 112 and 220 of Title 28 of the New York City Administrative Code and section 106.8.3 of the New York City Building Code authorize DOB to make this proposed rule. The rule was included in the regulatory agenda for this Fiscal Year.

**Where can I find DOB's rules?** DOB's rules are in Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York.

**What rules govern the rulemaking process?** DOB must meet the requirements of Section 1043 of the City Charter when creating or changing rules. This notice is made according to the requirements of Section 1043(b) of the City Charter.

## **STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE OF RULE**

On April 17, 2025, five local laws were approved by the mayor after being passed by the New York City Council. These five local laws are the basis of the “Get Sheds Down” initiative which seeks to remove older, outdated, and unnecessary sidewalk sheds from city sidewalks and buildings. Local Laws 48 (“LL48”) and 51 (“LL51”) of 2025, which became effective January 12, 2026, add penalties for sheds that remain in place where no active work is occurring and for failure to complete façade repairs in a timely manner.

Specifically, LL48 amended the New York City Administrative Code (Admin Code) and the New York City Building Code (Building Code) to establish penalties pertaining to sidewalk sheds in the public right-of-way. It also added language limiting sidewalk shed permits to a period of 90 days. LL48 added Article 220 to Title 28 of the Admin Code requiring building owners to conduct work to address the conditions for which a sidewalk shed permit is issued. If a building owner does not perform the necessary work during the permit period, they may be liable for penalties. This rule outlines the procedures for determining if work has been performed and for the assessment of penalties as required by Article 220.

LL51 amended Article 220 to establish a range of penalties that apply when an initial permit for the erection of a sidewalk shed in the public right-of-way is issued on or after January 12, 2026, and façade repairs are not commenced and completed in a timely manner as determined by the

Department. This rule establishes the procedures for assessing these penalties as directed in Article 220 of the Admin Code.

This rule proposes to establish civil penalties for the following:

- failure to perform work since prior permit issuance,
- failure to file acceptable progress report at permit renewal,
- failure to file complete construction documents for façade repairs,
- failure to file a complete permit application for façade repairs, and
- failure to complete permitted façade repair work.

The rule also proposes to include waiver and challenge processes for the civil penalties, including a fee to request such waiver.

Additionally, in accordance with the LL48 and LL51 requirements, this rule proposes to set out the following:

- the timing to perform work to address the condition for which the sidewalk shed permit was issued,
- the responsibilities of the registered design professional, including report requirements,
- the requirements for physical examinations, and
- the requirement for a work progress log.

Lastly, the rule proposes a process for extension requests for the milestones set out in section 28-220.2.1 of the Admin Code, as added by LL51, including fees to request such extensions.

The Department of Buildings' authority for these rules is found in sections 643 and 1043 of the New York City Charter, Articles 112 and 220 of Title 28 of the New York City Administrative Code and section 106.8.3 of the New York City Building Code.

New material is underlined.

[Deleted material is in brackets.]

Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate unamended text.

“Shall” and “must” denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section 1. Section 101-03 of subchapter A of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding the following entries at the end of the table set forth in that section:

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| <u>Filing fee for an extension request for time to submit complete construction documents regarding repair of a façade condition pursuant to section 102-07 of</u> | <u>\$410</u> |
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| <u>the rules of the Department.</u>                                                                                                                                                         |                |
| <u>Filing fee for an extension request for time to submit a complete permit application for the repair of a façade condition pursuant to section 102-07 of the rules of the Department.</u> | <u>\$465</u>   |
| <u>Filing fee for an extension request for time to complete the repair of a façade within a two-year period pursuant to section 102-07 of the rules of the Department.</u>                  | <u>\$1,425</u> |
| <u>Filing fee for a progress report required for sidewalk shed permit renewal.</u>                                                                                                          | <u>\$90</u>    |
| <u>Filing fee for a request for a civil penalty waiver regarding a penalty issued pursuant to section 102-07 of the rules of the Department.</u>                                            | <u>\$290</u>   |

§2. Subchapter B of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new section 102-07 to read as follows:

**§102-07 Sidewalk shed permit renewal requirements and penalties.**

**(a) Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings.

**Acceptable report.** A report of a physical examination filed by a Registered Design Professional that meets the requirements of section 106.8.3 of the Building Code and this section, as determined by the Department.

**Physical examination.** An initial examination conducted by a Registered Design Professional, or a subsequent examination conducted by a Registered Design Professional or their designee, consisting of an in-person visual inspection to review the area of the premises with which the sidewalk shed is associated.

**Registered Design Professional (“RDP”).** A Professional Engineer or a Registered Architect as defined in section 28-101.5 of the Administrative Code and 101-07 of the Department’s rules. The RDP must be in good standing with the New York State Education Department and the Department.

**Report of physical examination (“Report”).** An initial or subsequent written report filed with the Department by an RDP that clearly documents the conditions observed during the physical

examination; areas that need repair, maintenance, or engineering monitoring such as immediate stabilization to protect the public; and any other requirements mandated by this section.

**Underlying repair work (repair work).** The repair work to correct the condition for which the sidewalk shed is required.

**(b) Requirement to perform work to address the condition for which a permit was issued for a sidewalk shed in the public right-of-way.** Beginning with the second renewal of a sidewalk shed permit issued after January 12, 2026, regardless of when the initial sidewalk shed permit was issued, and for every renewal thereafter, work must be performed during the permit period to address the condition for which the sidewalk shed permit was issued. Failure to do so may result in penalties being imposed as set out in subdivision (g) of this section.

**Exception:** Penalties do not apply to one- or two-family homes or to sidewalk sheds that are installed in connection with new building, enlargement, or demolition work for which a permit has been issued.

**(c) Report requirement.** An application for the renewal of a sidewalk shed permit must be accompanied by a report conforming to the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of this section indicating the work that was performed since the last permit renewal, the work currently being performed, and an estimate of the time needed to complete the work.

**Exception:** Reports are not required for sidewalk sheds associated with one- or two-family homes or for sidewalk sheds that are installed in connection with new building, enlargement, or demolition work for which a permit has been issued.

**(d) Responsibilities of the RDP.**

- (1) An RDP must conduct physical examinations and file reports in accordance with this section and section 106.8.3 of the Building Code.
- (2) An RDP must maintain records of inspections for at least six (6) years and must make such records available to the Department upon request.
- (3) An RDP must maintain insurance coverage as set forth in paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of section 101-07 of the Department's rules. Copies of such insurance policies must be made available to the Department upon request.

**(e) Work progress log.** The permit holder for the repair work, or where there is no permit holder, the contractor causing the work to be performed, is responsible for maintaining a log documenting the progress of repair work. The log must be updated a minimum of once per week. The log must be made available upon request to the Department and to the RDP responsible for preparing the report required by paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of this section. The log must contain, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) Date when the sidewalk shed was installed.
- (2) Date when repair work started.

- (3) A summary of the progress of each trade and/or work type requiring the sidewalk shed to be in place, including future planned work and the approximate percentage of overall completion.
- (4) The specific location (floor(s) and elevation(s)) of where the work was completed or in progress.
- (5) A summary of repair work that occurred in the past week.
- (6) Modifications to the originally installed sidewalk shed, including any removals or additional installations. Include the approximate linear footage and the dates of the modifications, if required.

**(f) Physical examinations.**

- (1) Periodic inspection requirements. In order to maintain a building and its appurtenances in a safe condition, and in accordance with section 106.8.3 of the Building Code, a physical examination of all components of a building associated with a sidewalk shed must be conducted.
- (2) Inspection procedures.
  - (i) Initial inspections. The owner of a building or structure that is associated with a sidewalk shed must have a physical examination of such building or structure. The inspection must be performed by an RDP prior to the date that the associated sidewalk shed permit is to be renewed. The RDP must file a report as described in paragraph (3) of this subdivision with the Department along with the sidewalk shed permit renewal application.
  - (ii) Before performing a physical examination of a building or structure associated with a sidewalk shed, the RDP retained by or on behalf of the owner must review all available previous reports, applications for repairs, and any other relevant information.
  - (iii) The RDP must utilize a professional standard of care to assess the condition of the building and surrounding elements, structure or buildings that impact stability and safety.
  - (iv) The RDP may amend the scope of subsequent physical examinations and adjust the work progress schedule stated in the initial or prior reports as needed.
  - (v) During the physical examination, photographs meeting the requirements of clause (G) of subparagraph (v) of paragraph (3) of this subdivision must be taken.
  - (vi) If an inspection reveals an unsafe condition that had not been previously reported to the Department, the RDP must immediately notify the Department and the owner of the property. The RDP must identify the location of any unsafe condition, advise the owner on the appropriate protective measures to be taken, and include the recommended type and location of public protection in the notification to the Department. The owner of the building must immediately commence repairs or reinforcements and any other appropriate measures, such as cordoning off areas that may be dangerous, erecting fences, adding or adjusting sidewalk sheds and safety netting, shoring, and bracing as may be required to secure

the safety of the public and to make the compromised building or structure safe.

(3) Report requirements.

- (i) Prior to renewal of the sidewalk shed permit, the owners of buildings and structures with an associated sidewalk shed must hire an RDP to file acceptable initial and subsequent reports of physical examination. The report must clearly document conditions noted and work progress made since the issuance of the last permit and state that the inspection was performed and completed in accordance with this section.
- (ii) The RDP retained by or on behalf of the owner must review logs kept by the permit holder for the repair work, or where there is no permit holder, the contractor causing the work to be performed, as provided in subdivision (e) of this section.
- (iii) Technical information must be provided in such format as the Department requires. Additional information may be provided. All items in subparagraph (v) of this paragraph must be listed in the report. If a requirement is not applicable, this must be indicated on the report in the corresponding text box.
- (iv) The initial report must include a detailed schedule of the anticipated progress of the underlying repair work causing the sidewalk shed to be required. This schedule must include significant milestones and the expected progress of work to be completed at each ninety (90)-day permit renewal point for the duration of the job.
- (v) All initial and subsequent reports must include a summary of findings and recommendations, a concise statement of the scope of the physical examination and findings, if applicable, the conclusions and recommendations. The report must also include, but not be limited to:
  - (A) A list and description of the work permits required to accomplish the repair work and a plot plan showing the general scope of work. If no work permits will be required, the reason must be indicated and 8 1/2" x 11" schematically sketched elevations or annotated photographs, and typical sections and details as necessary to generally describe the repair work.
  - (B) If work has not been performed since the last renewal of the permit due to financial hardship, inability to access a neighboring property or issues with acquiring necessary materials, the RDP must provide the reason and confirmation that no hazards to the public or property exist, and may provide documentation in support of the above applicable reason, that the Department may accept for purposes of renewing the permit.
  - (C) A general description of work completed from initial issuance of the sidewalk shed permit up to the date of submission of the report.
  - (D) A detailed description of work that is currently in progress.
  - (E) A detailed description of repair work performed on the building since the last sidewalk shed permit renewal.
  - (F) The anticipated repair work completion date.

- (G) A description of the building, including the number of stories, height, plan dimensions age and type of exterior wall construction, specifying all materials present.
- (H) All photographs must be color, clearly legible, and high resolution. Digital photos must be a minimum of 800 x 600 pixels. Photographs must be arranged into a PDF no larger than 11" x 17". The following photos must be submitted:
  - 1. Elevation photos. Color photographs of all elevations for all reports.
  - 2. Representative condition photos. Color photographs of each type of condition to be repaired must be clearly labeled with a description.
- (I) The seal and signature of the RDP.
- (4) Report filing requirements.
  - (i) The report must be filed along with a filing fee as specified in section 101-03 of the rules of the Department.
  - (ii) Failure to file an acceptable report may result in civil penalties per paragraph (2) of subdivision (g) of this section.

**(g) Civil penalties.**

- (1) Failure to perform work since prior permit issuance. An owner who fails to make progress on the repair work without reasonable justification as reported to the Department per clause (B) of subparagraph (v) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of this section will be liable for penalties in accordance with section 28-220.1 of the Administrative Code. These penalties will accrue on a monthly (30 day) basis, beginning with the date of noncompliance and continuing until the filing of an acceptable progress report.
- (2) Failure to file an acceptable progress report at permit renewal. An owner who fails to file, at the time of renewing their sidewalk shed permit, an acceptable report per the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of this section may be liable for a violation and penalties in the amount of \$2,500.
- (3) Failure to file complete construction documents for façade repairs. An owner who fails to file complete construction documents within five (5) months of the issuance of the initial shed permit in accordance with section 28-220.2.1(1) of the Administrative Code will be liable for a one-time penalty according to the schedule below unless an extension request is filed in accordance with subdivision (h) of this section.
- (4) Failure to file a complete permit application for façade repairs. An owner who fails to file a complete permit application within eight (8) months of the issuance of the initial shed permit in accordance with section 28-220.2.1(2) of the Administrative Code will be liable for a one-time penalty according to the schedule below unless an extension request is filed in accordance with subdivision (h) of this section.
- (5) Failure to complete permitted façade repair work. An owner who fails to complete permitted work within two (2) years of the issuance of the initial shed permit in accordance with section 28-220.2.1(3) of the Administrative Code will be liable for

a one-time penalty according to the schedule below unless an extension request is filed in accordance with subdivision (h) of this section.

| <u>Category</u>                                                        | <u>Penalty amount</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Failure to file complete construction documents for repair work</u> | <u>\$5,000</u>        |
| <u>Failure to file a complete permit application for repair work</u>   | <u>\$10,000</u>       |
| <u>Failure to complete repair work</u>                                 | <u>\$20,000</u>       |

**(h) Extension requests.**

- (1) If, due to the scope of the repairs, the building owner and/or their RDP determines any or all of the milestones in section 28-220.2.1 of the Administrative Code cannot be met, the RDP must file an acceptable extension request with the Department, along with a filing fee as specified in section 101-03 of the rules of the Department.
  - (i) The earliest an owner or RDP can submit an extension request is sixty (60) days prior to the first milestone deadline and no later than twenty (20) days in advance of the associated milestone deadline.
  - (ii) An extension request must be filed for each milestone whether each request is filed separately or more than one request is filed at the same time.
  - (iii) For the five (5)-month and eight (8)-month milestones described below, the Commissioner may grant extensions in up to ninety (90)-day increments to meet the milestones.
  - (iv) For the two (2)-year milestone described below, the Commissioner may grant a single extension of a longer period of time.
- (2) The RDP must include the following supporting information and documents, where applicable, to justify the request for an extension if it is anticipated the construction documents for repair work will not be able to be submitted to the Department within five (5) months of the issuance of an initial permit for the sidewalk shed:
  - (i) A brief description of the reason the milestone cannot be met,
  - (ii) Progress repair drawings,
  - (iii) A narrative of the scope of the necessary work where repair drawings are not yet developed,
  - (iv) Anticipated project schedule timeline through completed repair work and anticipated month and year of completion,
  - (v) A contract indicating the scope of repairs, if applicable,
  - (vi) A summary of all applicable permit requirements necessary to complete the repair work,
  - (vii) A fee as specified in the rules of the Department, and
  - (viii) Any other relevant documentation explaining why the timeline in question cannot be met.
- (3) The RDP must include the following supporting information and documents, where applicable, to justify the request for an extension if complete construction documents are filed with the Department and are under plan examination review, but it is anticipated the permit will not be able to be obtained within eight (8) months of the issuance of an initial permit for the sidewalk shed:
  - (i) A brief description of the reason the milestone cannot be met,

- (ii) Anticipated project schedule/timeline through completed repair work and anticipated month and year of completion,
- (iii) A contract indicating the scope of repairs, if applicable,
- (iv) A summary of all applicable permit requirements necessary to complete the repair work;
- (v) A fee as specified in the rules of the Department, and
- (vi) Any other relevant documentation explaining why the timeline in question cannot be met.
- (4) The RDP must include the following supporting documents to justify the request for an extension if a permit for the repair work has been obtained, but work is not anticipated to be complete within two (2) years of the issuance of an initial permit for the sidewalk shed:
  - (i) A brief description of the reason the milestone cannot be met,
  - (ii) Anticipated project schedule through completed repair work and anticipated month and year of completion,
  - (iii) A contract indicating the scope of repairs and a timeline to complete the repairs,
  - (iv) A summary of all applicable permit requirements necessary to complete the repair work;
  - (v) A fee as specified in the rules of the Department, and
  - (vi) Any other relevant documentation explaining why the timeline in question cannot be met.
- (5) If the request is not accepted and objections are issued by the Department, a revised request addressing the objections must be filed within fourteen (14) days of the date of the issuance of the objections. If the revised request is not filed within fourteen (14) days of the notice of objections or the request is not accepted after two (2) such notices, the request will be denied and a new extension request may be made in accordance with this subdivision along with the associated fee as specified in the rules of the Department.
- (6) If the request is denied and a new extension request is not filed and accepted in accordance with this subdivision, the building owner may be subject to the associated penalties specified in subdivision (g) of this section.

**(i) Challenge of civil penalty.**

- (1) An owner may challenge the imposition of any civil penalty authorized pursuant to subdivision (g) of this section. Such challenge must be made in writing, in a form and manner set forth on the Department's website at [nyc.gov/buildings](http://nyc.gov/buildings), within thirty (30) days from the date of service of the violation.
- (2) The basis for such a challenge must be one of the following:
  - (i) Proof of work performed during the time period being assessed has been submitted to and accepted by the Department.
  - (ii) An acceptable report documenting work performed during the time period being assessed has been submitted to and accepted by the Department.

- (iii) Complete construction documents to repair the façade of such building have been filed with the Department within five (5) months of the issuance of the initial permit for the erection of a sidewalk shed in the public right-of-way.
- (iv) A complete permit application for the repair of a façade has been diligently pursued within eight (8) months of the issuance of the initial permit for the erection of a sidewalk shed in the public right-of-way.
- (v) Permitted work to repair a façade has been completed within two (2) years of the issuance of an initial permit for the erection of a sidewalk shed in the public right-of-way.
- (vi) An extension request has been submitted to and granted by the Department in accordance with subdivision (h) of this section.

**(j) Full or partial penalty waivers; eligibility and evidentiary requirements.** Owners may request a waiver of penalties assessed for a violation of Article 220 of Title 28 of the Administrative Code, or rules enforced by the Department. Requests must be made through the Department's website, submitted with the filing fee, and must meet eligibility and evidentiary requirements as follows:

- (1) A new owner requesting a waiver due to change in ownership must submit proof of a recorded deed showing evidence of transfer of ownership to the current owner after penalties were incurred, as well as any other documentation requested by the Department, and only in one of the following circumstances:
  - (i) A new owner of a government-owned property requesting a waiver due to change in ownership must submit official documentation from the government entity affirming that the premises was entirely owned by the government entity during the period for which a waiver is requested.
  - (ii) A new owner who receives a notice of violation for failure to comply with the requirements of this section or Article 220 of Title 28 of the Administrative Code that was issued to the property after the transfer of ownership must submit a recorded deed showing the date that the property was acquired or transferred. The waiver period will be from the date of the deed to the date of the violation issuance.
- (2) An owner may be granted a waiver of penalties upon submission of a copy of an order signed by a bankruptcy judge.

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**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
CHARTER §1043(d)**

**RULE TITLE:** Amendment of Rules Relating to Sidewalk Sheds

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** 2026 RG 008

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Buildings

I certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed rule as required by section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the above-referenced proposed rule:

- (i) is drafted so as to accomplish the purpose of the authorizing provisions of law;
- (ii) is not in conflict with other applicable rules;
- (iii) to the extent practicable and appropriate, is narrowly drawn to achieve its stated purpose; and
- (iv) to the extent practicable and appropriate, contains a statement of basis and purpose that provides a clear explanation of the rule and the requirements imposed by the rule.

/s/ STEVEN GOULDEN  
Senior Counsel

Date: February 26, 2026

**NEW YORK CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE OF OPERATIONS  
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NEW YORK, NY 10007  
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**CERTIFICATION / ANALYSIS  
PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1043(d)**

**RULE TITLE:** Amendment of Rules Relating to Sidewalk Sheds

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** DOB-211

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Buildings

I certify that this office has analyzed the proposed rule referenced above as required by Section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the proposed rule referenced above:

- (i) Is understandable and written in plain language for the discrete regulated community or communities;
- (ii) Minimizes compliance costs for the discrete regulated community or communities consistent with achieving the stated purpose of the rule; and
- (iii) Does not provide a cure period because the violation cannot be corrected or undone.

/s/ Francisco X. Navarro  
Mayor's Office of Operations

February 27, 2026  
Date



Outlook

**Fw: [EXTERNAL] NYCDOT: Williamsburg Bridge - Nighttime full closure of Outer Roadways until April 17th**

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WBB Outer Roadways Full closure until 4.17 & Truck detour.pdf;



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Dear Stakeholder,

The NYCDOT will continue the rehabilitation of Williamsburg Bridge with nighttime, full closure of the Brooklyn-bound and Manhattan-bound Outer Roadways on weeknights from April 6th to April 17th. **Trucks must use the Manhattan Bridge as an alternate.** Truck detours for Brooklyn-bound direction (from Essex Street/Delancey Street and Clinton Street/Delancey Street) and Manhattan-bound direction (from S. 4th Street/Flushing Ave. and Route 278 Exit 29/Flushing Ave.) are attached.





Mike Flynn, Commissioner

## Williamsburg Bridge

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CB 3 - Manhattan

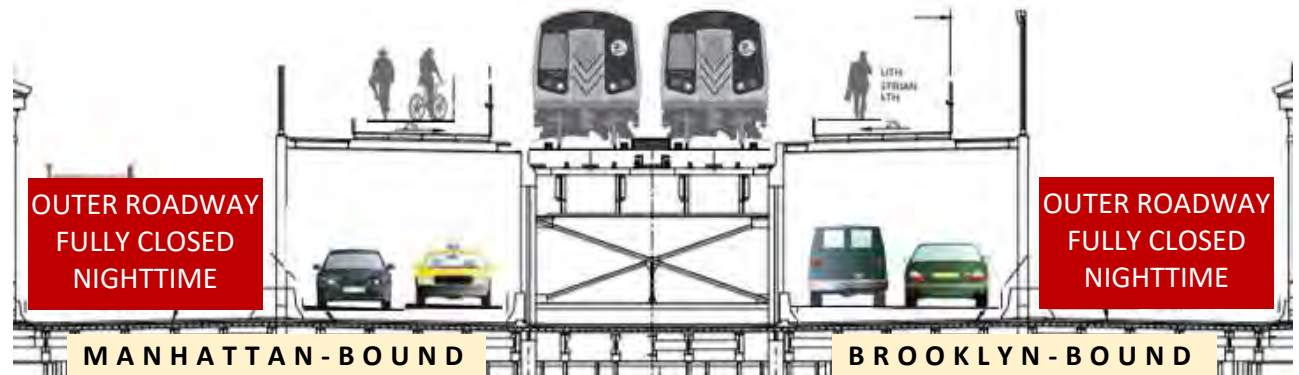
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# IMPORTANT NOTICE

The NYCDOT will continue the rehabilitation of Williamsburg Bridge with nighttime full closure of the Brooklyn-bound and Manhattan-bound Outer Roadways on weeknights from April 6<sup>th</sup> to April 17<sup>th</sup>. **Trucks must use the Manhattan Bridge as an alternate.** Brooklyn-bound detours (from Essex Street/Delancey Street and Clinton Street/Delancey Street) and Manhattan-bound detours (from S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Flushing Ave. and Route 278 Exit 29/Flushing Ave.) are included on the following pages.



### Brooklyn-bound & Manhattan-bound Outer Roadways

**NIGHTTIME**

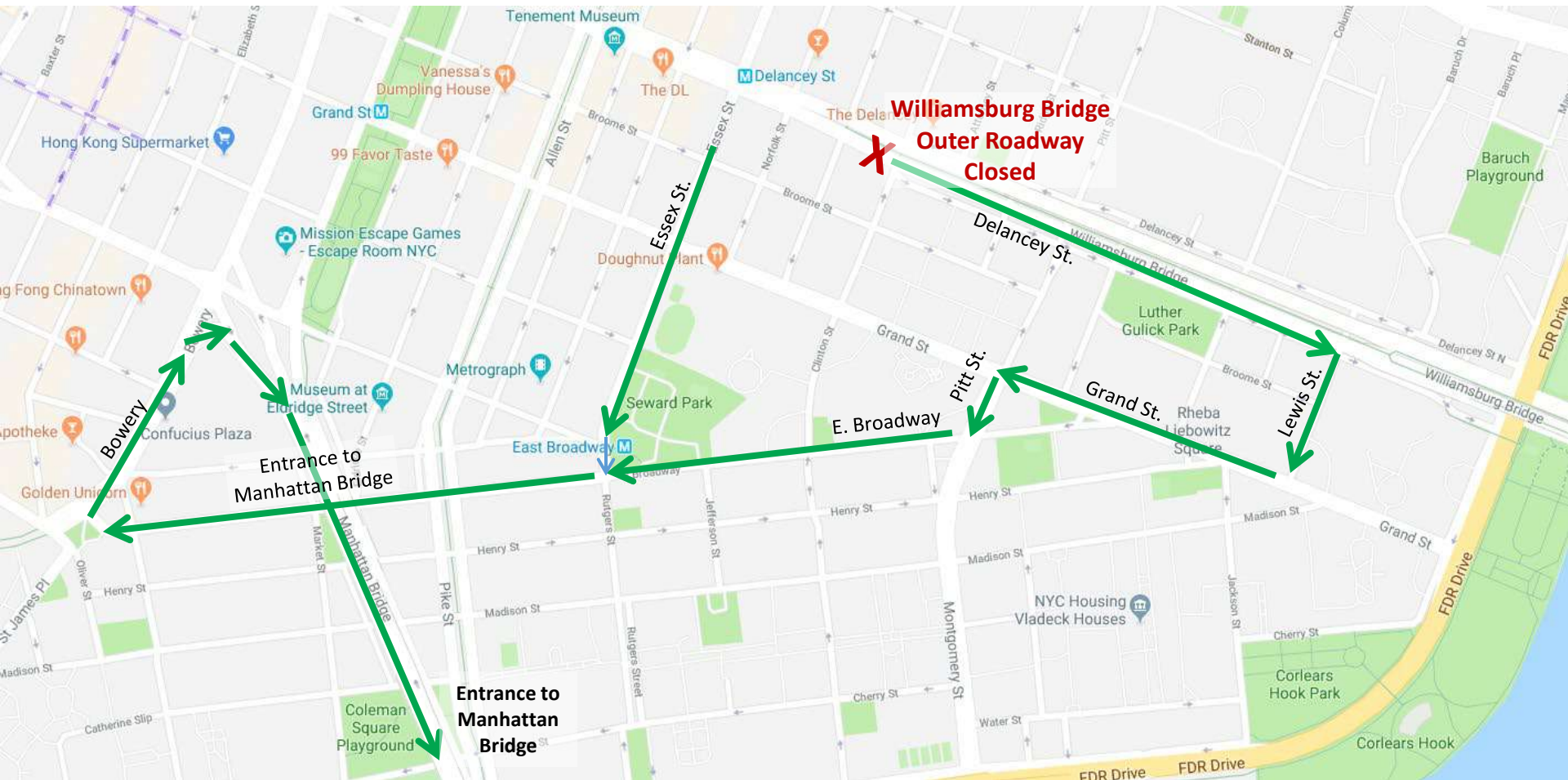
**Fully Closed – April 6<sup>th</sup> to April 17<sup>th</sup>**

*(See truck detours attached)*

Monday to Friday from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the following morning

For questions or concerns, please reach out to our Community Liaison, Anita Navalurkar at 347.647.0876 or [WBB9Rehab@gmail.com](mailto:WBB9Rehab@gmail.com). For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.

# Brooklyn-bound Truck Detour to the Manhattan Bridge



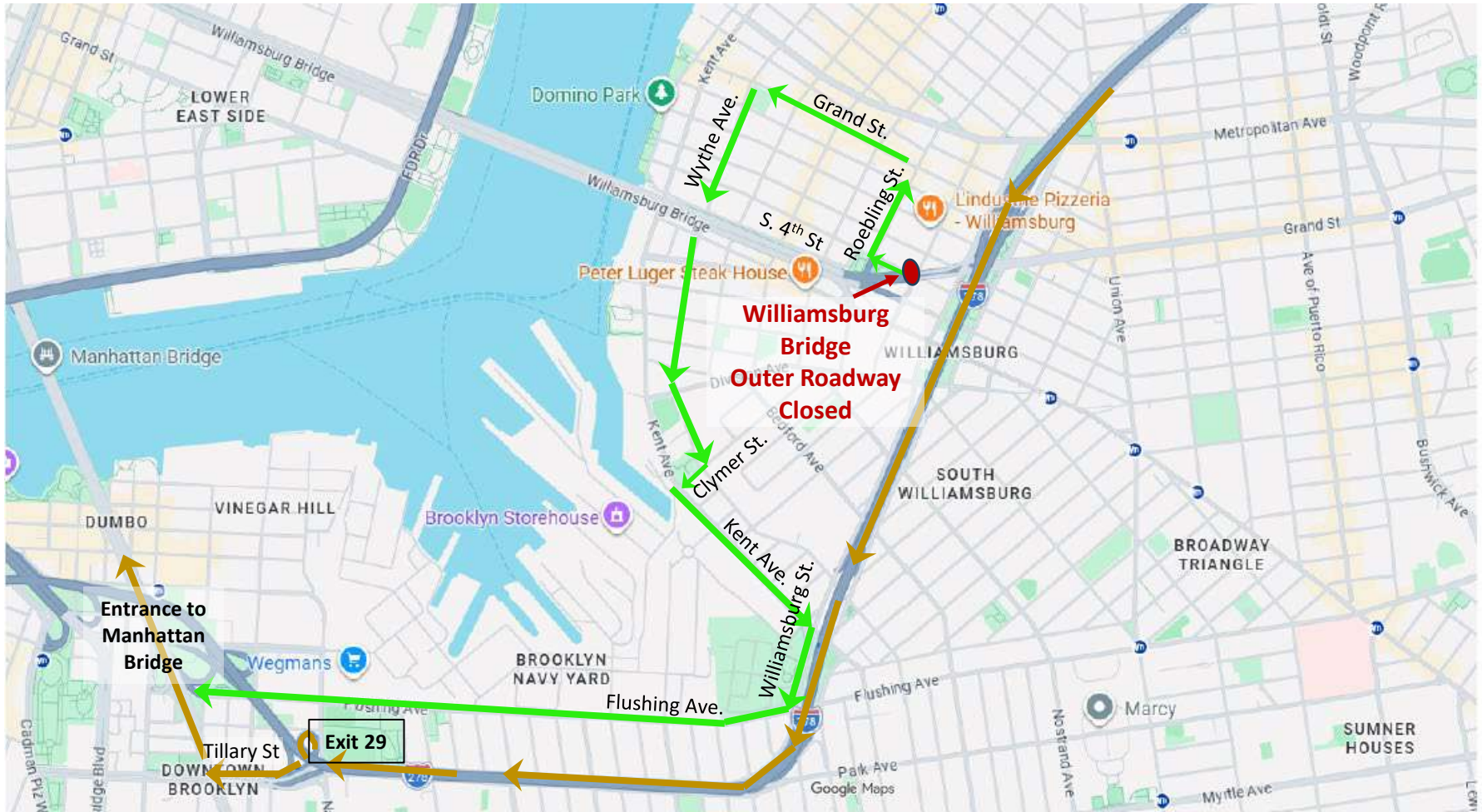
## Brooklyn-bound Truck Detour to Manhattan Bridge:

1. Continue on Delancey St.
2. Turn right on Lewis St.
3. Turn right on Grand St.
4. Turn left on Pitt St.
5. Turn right on E. Broadway
6. Turn right on Bowery
7. Turn right for the entrance to the Manhattan Bridge

## Brooklyn-bound Truck Detour to Manhattan Bridge:

1. Turn right on Essex Street
5. Turn right on E. Broadway
6. Turn right on Bowery
7. Turn right for the entrance to the Manhattan Bridge

# Manhattan-bound Truck Detour to the Manhattan Bridge



## Manhattan-bound Truck Detour to Manhattan Bridge From local streets:

1. Turn right on S. 4th St
2. Turn right on Roebling St
3. Turn left on Grand St
4. Turn left on Wythe Ave.
5. Turn right on Clymer St
6. Turn left on Kent Ave.
7. Turn right on Williamsburg St.
8. Turn right on Flushing Ave
9. Turn right onto Manhattan Bridge

## Manhattan-bound Truck Detour to Manhattan Bridge From Westbound BQE (278):

1. Take Exit 29 to Tillary Street
2. Turn right to the Manhattan Bridge



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Greetings,

Attached is the NYSDOT Region 11 Advisory for the week of April 6, 2026, through April 12, 2026, as well as the NYCDOT, MTA and PANYNJ Advisories.

This advisory includes updated notifications for this weekend, April 3 through April 6, 2026.

NYSDOT Region 11 wishes everyone safe travels this weekend and in the week ahead.

Regards,

**New York State Department of Transportation, NYC Region**

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RELEASE: IMMEDIATE 4/3/2026

STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
REGION 11

\*\*\*\*\* TRAFFIC ADVISORY \*\*\*\*\*

All lane closures listed are expected to be in place, **WEATHER PERMITTING:**

**Bronx**

**Bronx River Parkway**

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Painting)**

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- One lane closed N/B between East 236<sup>th</sup> Street and Mt. Vernon Avenue from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- One lane closed S/B between Mt. Vernon Avenue and East 236<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 - 4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between East 177<sup>th</sup> Street and Boston Road from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions between Bruckner Expressway and Exit 2E from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 12:01 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 12:01 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions between Bruckner Expressway and Exit 2E from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

4/7/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Two lanes closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- Two lanes closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**

4/10/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- Two lanes closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- Two lanes closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 1:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed SN/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Painting)**

4/11/2026 – 4/12/2026

- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- Two lanes closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 2:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed N/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- Two lanes closed S/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 2:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. **(Bridge Painting)**
- One lane closed SN/B at 174<sup>th</sup> Street from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **(Bridge Painting)**

4/11/2026 – 4/12/2026

- Right lane closed N/B between Cross Bronx Expressway and Boston Road from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- Right lane closed S/B between Boston Road and Cross Bronx Expressway from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Bronx (continued)

### Bruckner Expressway

4/8/2026 – 4/9/2026

- Two lanes closed S/B at Huntington Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

4/10/2026

- Two lanes closed N/B at Huntington Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

### Cross Bronx Expressway

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed S/B from Olmstead Avenue to Virginia Avenue from 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- Two lanes closed S/B from Olmstead Avenue to Virginia Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.
- One lane closed S/B from Olmstead Avenue to Virginia Avenue from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- One lane closed N/B from Jesup Avenue to Townsend Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- Two lanes closed N/B from Jesup Avenue to Townsend Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.
- One lane closed N/B from Jesup Avenue to Townsend Avenue from 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

4/9/2026

- Right shoulder closed S/B near Bronx River Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (**Sidewalk / Grass Area**)

### Cross Bronx Expressway Extension

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026 (**NEW THIS WEEK**)

- Left lane closed Both Directions from Brinsmade Avenue to Calhoun Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note:** Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.

### Major Deegan Expressway

#### Traffic Pattern:

- **The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists of long-term, left travel lane closure on the northbound Major Deegan Expressway (I-87) vicinity of Exit 3 (East 138<sup>th</sup> Street/Madison Avenue Bridge) and a right travel lane closure on the southbound Major Deegan Expressway (I-87) vicinity of Exit 3 (East 138<sup>th</sup> Street/ Madison Avenue Bridge) through approximately fall of 2026.**

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- Center lane closed N/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- Center lane closed S/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

4/6/2026

- Right lane closed N/B ramp to Grand Concourse (Exit 3) from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Center lane closed N/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
- Center lane closed S/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026 (**NEW THIS WEEK**)

- Left lane closed Both Directions between David Michael Ruddle Street and West 238<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Note:** Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026 (**NEW THIS WEEK**)

- Left lane closed Both Directions between David Michael Ruddle Street and West 238<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note:** Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.

4/10/2026 – 4/11/2026

- Center lane closed N/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- Center lane closed S/B in the vicinity of East 138<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

### Throgs Neck Expressway

4/7/2026 – 4/8/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions Service Road from Fairmount Avenue to Phillip Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Bruckner Boulevard

4/6/2026 – 4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between St. Ann's Avenue and Bryant Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Brooklyn

### Belt Parkway

4/6/20260

- Right lane closed W/B at 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/7/20260

- One lane closed Both Directions between Sheepshead Bay Road and East 21<sup>st</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4/9/20260

- One lane closed Both Directions between Ocean Avenue and East 14<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Brooklyn Queens Expressway

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Metropolitan Avenue and Long Island Expressway from 10:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

4/4/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Metropolitan Avenue and Adams Street Exit ramp from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

- One lane closed Both Directions between Adams Street Exit ramp to Atlantic Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

- One lane closed Both Directions between Atlantic Avenue and Gowanus Expressway from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

4/4/2026

- Right lane closed W/B from Sackett Street to Rapelye Street from 12:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Remove brick facing with no anchor slots cleaning, Lead paint removal, Installation of support brackets.**

- Right lane closed W/B from Kane Street to Degraw Street from 12:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Lead paint removal, Installation of support brackets, Sealing brick crack work, Tuck Pointing.**

4/6/2026 – 4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between South 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Broadway from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Metropolitan Avenue and Long Island Expressway from 10:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

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**Note: Lead paint removal, Installation of support brackets, Sealing brick crack work, Tuck Pointing.**

4/7/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Metropolitan Avenue and Adams Street Exit ramp from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

- One lane closed Both Directions between Adams Street Exit ramp to Atlantic Avenue from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

- One lane closed Both Directions between Atlantic Avenue and Gowanus Expressway from 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

4/9/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions from Gowanus Expressway to Grand Central Parkway from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Slow Moving Vehicle – Sweeping Operations.**

4/10/2026

- Right lane closed W/B at Adams Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Brooklyn (continued)

### Gowanus Expressway

4/6/2026

- Right lane closed W/B at 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed W/B Service Road between 79<sup>th</sup> Street and 86<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **(Conduit Excavation)**

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed W/B from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

4/8/2026 – 4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between 68<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Jackie Robinson Parkway

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed W/B between Bulwer Place and Crosby Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

### Ocean Parkway

4/3/2026 – 4/5/2026

- Partial lane closed W/B from Prospect Street to Sherman Street from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Note: Tuck pointing, Expansion joint replacement.**

### Prospect Expressway

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Seeley Street and Prospect Park West from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane and shoulder closed W/B from Caton Avenue to Park Circle from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Crack sealing, Support bracket, Spall repair, Mechanical cleaning, Lead removal on railing.**

### Bay Ridge Avenue

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Shore Road and Pedestrian Walkaway from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Gatling Place

4/6/2026

- Partial lane closed W/B at 80<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Meeker Avenue

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Left lane closed S/B between Morgan Avenue and Sutton Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

### Navy Street

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Concord Street and Tillary Street from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Ocean Avenue

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Shore Parkway East and Shore Parkway West from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed W/B at 79<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **(Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement)**

## Manhattan

### **Franklin D. Roosevelt Drive**

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions from South Street to 90<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Slow Moving Vehicle – Sweeping Operations.**

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One or two lanes closed Both Directions from East 36<sup>th</sup> Street to East 34<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

### **Henry Hudson Parkway**

4/7/2026 – 4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions from West 129<sup>th</sup> Street to Westchester Line from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Slow Moving Vehicle – Sweeping Operations.**

### **Trans-Manhattan Expressway / I-95**

4/6/2026 - 4/7/2026

- Right lane closed N/B between St Nicholas Avenue and Amsterdam Avenue from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.

### **West Street/Route 9A**

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- Right lane closed S/B from West 45<sup>th</sup> Street to Chambers Street from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

## Queens

### Belt Parkway

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near South Conduit Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(One Direction at a time)**

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at 150<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at John F. Kennedy Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**
- One lane closed Both Directions at Nassau Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### Brooklyn Queens Expressway

#### **Traffic Pattern:**

- **The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the westbound Brooklyn-Queens Expressway (I-278) will be reduced to two lanes for approximately half a mile between the Queens Boulevard on-ramp and Exit 35 (Long Island Expressway), in Queens through December, 2026. The right lane closure is necessary to facilitate the ongoing project to rehabilitate the viaduct over Laurel Hill Boulevard between 47th and 58th Streets. All entrance and exit ramps will remain open during this closure.**

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Queens Boulevard and Long Island Expressway from 10:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.  
**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Queens Boulevard and Long Island Expressway from 10:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.  
**Note: Drainage Cleaning.**

### Clearview Expressway

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions from 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Pavement Striping)**

4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**
- One lane closed Both Directions at Northern Boulevard from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**
- One lane closed Both Directions at Rocky Hill Road from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Cross Island Parkway

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near Grand Central Parkway from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(One Direction at a time)**

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near Hempstead Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(One Direction at a time)**

## Queens (continued)

### Grand Central Parkway

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the Exit 10E ramp from eastbound Grand Central Parkway to the eastbound Long Island Expressway (Interstate 495) in Queens will be closed to traffic from 12 a.m. to 5 a.m. daily on Monday, January 5, 2026, through Friday, April 24, 2026, to facilitate an ongoing construction project. Please note, inclement weather could cause these closures to be rescheduled.
  - o To access the eastbound Long Island Expressway during these closures, motorists should take Exit 10W (I-495 West) and follow the detour signage.

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions between Daniels Street and 150<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

4/6/2026

- Left lane closed W/B Service Road from 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Union Turnpike from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Pavement Striping)**

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed E/B from Roosevelt Avenue to 63<sup>rd</sup> Road from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- One lane closed W/B from 63<sup>rd</sup> Road to Roosevelt Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed W/B between Parsons Boulevard and Main Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Sign Panel Replacement.**

- One lane closed W/B between Roosevelt Avenue and 47<sup>th</sup> Street from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Sign Panel Replacement.**

4/7/2026

- One lane closed E/B at Smedley Street from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4/8/2026

- One lane closed W/B at Smedley Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/8/2026

- Left lane closed E/B at 62<sup>nd</sup> Road from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Jackie Robinson Parkway

4/7/2026

- Right lane closed E/B near Cypress Hill Street (Exit 3) from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/7/2026 - 4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near 86<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(One Direction at a time)**

### Laurelton Parkway

4/9/2026

- Right lane closed N/B at 128<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## Queens (continued)

### Long Island Expressway

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the Exit 22A ramp from the eastbound Long Island Expressway (Interstate 495) to the eastbound Grand Central Parkway in Queens will be closed to traffic from 12 a.m. to 5 a.m. daily on Monday, January 5, 2026, through Friday, April 24, 2026, to facilitate an ongoing construction project. Please note, inclement weather could force these closures to be rescheduled.
  - To access the eastbound Grand Central Parkway during these closures, motorists should continue along the eastbound Long Island Expressway (I-495), take Exit 22B, and follow the detour signage.

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Clearview Expressway and Springfield Boulevard from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.  
**Note:** Restoration of Slopes for Noise Barrier Walls, Installation of Center Median Barriers.

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at 84<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Bridge Washing.
- One lane closed Both Directions at Mazeau Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Bridge Washing.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Clearview Expressway and Springfield Boulevard from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Backfill at Bioretention Pond, Installation of Retaining Wall Precast Barriers, Installation of ITS and Electrical Conduits, Installation of Guidrails.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed W/B between 82<sup>nd</sup> Street and 80<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed E/B between Cross Island Parkway and Douglaston Parkway from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.  
**Note:** Sign Panel Replacement.

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between 194<sup>th</sup> Street and 196<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Bridge Washing)
- One lane closed Both Directions at Francis Lewis Boulevard from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Bridge Washing)

4/7/2026 – 4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near Meadow Lake Bridge from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (One Direction at a time)

4/8/2026

- Right lane closed W/B between 69<sup>th</sup> Street and Hamilton Place from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/9/2026

- Right lane closed W/B between Grand Avenue and Maurice Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Brooklyn Queens Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Bridge Washing.

### Nassau Expressway

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed Both Directions between Rockaway Boulevard and Farmers Boulevard from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note:** Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed E/B from Lefferts Boulevard to 150<sup>th</sup> Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Queens (continued)

### Van Wyck Expressway

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation is advising motorists that the on-ramp at Atlantic Avenue from the northbound service road to the northbound Van Wyck Expressway in Queens is closed through Tuesday, April 14, 2026.
  - To access the northbound Van Wyck Expressway, motorists should follow signage and use the on-ramp past Hillside Avenue.
- This ramp closure is necessary to facilitate construction of the retaining wall on the Van Wyck Expressway as part of NYSDOT's Van Wyck Expressway Capacity and Access Improvements Project (Contract 3).

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the Rockaway Boulevard entrance ramp from the southbound Van Wyck Expressway Service Road to the southbound Van Wyck Expressway in Queens will close to traffic through Thursday morning, April 30, 2026, to facilitate an ongoing construction project.
  - To access southbound Van Wyck Expressway, motorists should cross over the Van Wyck Expressway at Rockaway Boulevard, proceed north to Linden Boulevard, cross over the Van Wyck Expressway at Linden Boulevard, and use the entrance ramp from the southbound Van Wyck Expressway Service Road at Linden Boulevard.

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that Exit 5 from the northbound Van Wyck Expressway to Atlantic Avenue is permanently closed. This closure is needed to facilitate the widening of the Van Wyck Expressway as part of NYSDOT's Van Wyck Expressway Capacity and Access Improvements to JFK Airport project.
  - Motorists should use Exit 4 (Liberty Avenue), located approximately one-half mile south of Exit 5, as a new route to Atlantic Avenue.

#### Traffic Pattern:

- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the S/B Van Wyck Expressway ramp to Atlantic Avenue (Exit 5) is closed and has been converted to an on-ramp to the S/B Van Wyck Expressway from the Service Road. This traffic pattern will be in place until further notice. Motorists should proceed with caution and drive safely.
- The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is advising motorists that the S/B Van Wyck Expressway Service Road ramp from Atlantic Avenue is closed. This ramp is Permanently closed.

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed N/B from Roosevelt Avenue to Northern Boulevard from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- Two lanes closed N/B from Roosevelt Avenue to Northern Boulevard from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- Left lane closed N/B Service Road from Liberty Avenue to 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- **All lanes closed N/B ramp from Liberty Avenue from 11:59 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. (Detour in Place)**

4/3/2026 – 4/30/2026

- **All lanes closed S/B ramp from Rockaway Boulevard (24 hour closure - Detour in Place)**
- **All lanes closed N/B ramp from Archer Avenue (24 hour closure - Detour in Place)**

4/3/2026 – 6/30/2026

- Left lane closed N/B Service Road from 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Liberty Avenue (**24 hour closure**) (**Two Travel Lanes Open**)
- Left lane closed N/B Service Road from 130<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Rockaway Boulevard (**24 hour closure**) (**Two Travel Lanes Open**)
- Left lane closed S/B ramp to North Conduit Avenue (Exit 1W) (**24 hour closure**)

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed S/B from Hoover Avenue to 89<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- One lane closed S/B from Atlantic Avenue to 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Right lane closed S/B ramp from Nassau Expressway Overpass to Exit 1E (E/B Belt Parkway) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- One lane closed N/B from Foch Boulevard to Atlantic Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Right lane closed N/B from Jamaica Avenue to Main Street exit ramp from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Left lane closed S/B Service Road from Atlantic Avenue to 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Left lane closed N/B Service Road from Liberty Avenue to 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **All lanes closed N/B ramp from Liberty Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. (Detour in Place)**

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- Left lane closed N/B Service Road from Liberty Avenue to 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (**Bridge Washing**)
- One lane closed Both Directions at Foch Boulevard from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (**Bridge Washing**)

## Queens (continued)

### Van Wyck Expressway (continued)

4/9/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Left lane closed S/B from North Conduit Avenue to Nassau Expressway Overpass from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Two lane closed S/B from North Conduit Avenue to Nassau Expressway Overpass from 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.
- Left lane closed S/B from North Conduit Avenue to Nassau Expressway Overpass from 4:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

4/10/2026

- Right lane closed Both Directions at Union Turnpike from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/10/2026 – 4/11/2026

- Left lane closed S/B from Foch Boulevard to E/B Belt Parkway ramp from 11:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
- Two lane closed S/B from Foch Boulevard to E/B Belt Parkway ramp from 11:59 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- Left lane closed S/B from Foch Boulevard to E/B Belt Parkway ramp from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- **All lanes closed N/B ramp from Liberty Avenue from 11:59 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. (Detour in Place)**

### Whitestone Expressway

4/7/2026 – 4/8/2026

- Left lane closed Both Directions Service Road from 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Pavement Striping.**

### Astoria Boulevard

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- Left lane closed E/B ramp to Northern Boulevard and N/B Whitestone Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Horace Harding Expressway

4/3/2026 – 4/4/2026

- One lane closed E/B between Clearview Expressway and Springfield Boulevard from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Milling and Pavement operations.**

4/6/2026 – 4/8/2026

- One lane closed W/B between Springfield Boulevard and Clearview Expressway from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

**Note: Milling and Paving Operations.**

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Springfield Boulevard and Clearview Expressway from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Note: Installation of Guiderails.**

### Laurel Hill Boulevard

4/9/2026

- Right lane closed W/B between 54<sup>th</sup> Road and 56<sup>th</sup> Road from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between 49<sup>th</sup> Street and 47<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**
- One lane closed Both Directions between 60<sup>th</sup> Street and 64<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### Little Neck Parkway

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### North Conduit Avenue

4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Van Wyck Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### Queens Boulevard

4/6/2026 - 4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions near Long Island Expressway from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(One Direction at a time)**

## Queens (continued)

### South Conduit Avenue

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Van Wyck Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at 150<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### Springfield Boulevard

4/6/2026 – 4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### Utopia Parkway

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### 43<sup>rd</sup> Street

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### 48<sup>th</sup> Street

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### 80<sup>th</sup> Street

4/6/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

### 94<sup>th</sup> Street

4/10/2026 – 4/11/2026

- Two lanes closed Both Directions at Grand Central Parkway from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. **(Milling and Paving Operations)**

**Note: Between Ditmars Boulevard and LaGuardia Road.**

### 150<sup>th</sup> Street

4/6/2026 – 4/11/2026

- One lane closed S/B from 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

### 188<sup>th</sup> Street

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions at Long Island Expressway from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **(Bridge Washing)**

## Staten Island

### Korean War Veterans Memorial Parkway

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026 **(NEW THIS WEEK)**

- Shoulder closed Both Directions between Genesee Avenue and Annadale Road from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**
- Shoulder closed Both Directions between Boscombe Avenue entrance ramp and Tyrellan Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Sign Structure Repairs / Replacement.**

4/8/2026 **(NEW THIS WEEK)**

- Left lane closed W/B between Annadale Road and Huguenot Avenue Exit from 9:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m.  
**Note: Pavement Restoration.**

4/9/2026 – 4/12/2026 **(NEW THIS WEEK)**

- Left lane closed W/B between Annadale Road and Huguenot Avenue Exit from 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m.  
**Note: Pavement Restoration.**

### Staten Island Expressway

4/4/2026 – 4/5/2026

- Right lane closed Service Road W/B from Richmond Road to Clove Road from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Installing support brackets, Sealing brick crack work, Expansion joint replacement work, Tuck pointing, Overhaed patching.**

4/6/2026 – 4/10/2026

- Right lane closed Service Road W/B from Richmond Road to Clove Road from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Protective Sealer.**
- Right lane closed Service Road E/B from Clove Road to Richmond Road from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Remove brick facing with no anchor slots cleaning.**
- Left lane and shoulder closed Service Road E/B from Ocean Terrace to Emerson Drive from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Support brackets, Crack Sealing, Spall repair, Applying caulk in expansion joints, Tuck Pointing.**

4/7/2026 – 4/11/2026 **(NEW THIS WEEK)**

- One or two lanes closed Both Directions from Richmond Avenue to Victory Boulevard from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

4/10/2026

- One lane closed E/B between Hylan Boulevard and Fingerboard Road from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### West Shore Expressway

4/6/2026

- Right shoulder closed S/B at Arden Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

4/7/2026

- Right shoulder closed S/B at Meredith Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Arthur Kill Road

4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between West Service Road and Huguenot Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Forest Avenue

4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Gulf Avenue and Goethals Road North from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Manor Road

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Gannon Avenue South and Gannon Avenue North from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Note: Bridge Washing.**

## Staten Island (continued)

### Mosel Avenue

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Narrow Road North and Narrow Road South from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Renwick Avenue

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Little Clove Road and Milford Drive from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Richmond Road

4/9/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Narrow Road North and Narrow Road South from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Rossville Avenue

4/10/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Veterans Road East and Veterans Road West from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### Slosson Avenue

4/7/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Reon Avenue and Lortel Avenue from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

### South Avenue

4/8/2026

- One lane closed Both Directions between Glen Street and Goethals Road North from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Note: Bridge Washing.**

# NYCDOT Weekend Construction

## PRELIMINARY

### WEEKEND TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Friday April 3, 2026 to Sunday April 5, 2026

As part of its citywide traffic improvement program, the New York City Department of Transportation has compiled a list of areas where Street construction or Street events will impede the normal flow of traffic this weekend.

#### MANHATTAN

**East 3rd Street between Avenue B and Avenue C:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**East 13th Street between Avenue C and Avenue D:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 4/4/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**West 13th Street between 6th Avenue and 5th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/12/26 for hoisting mechanical equipment.

**West 18th Street between 6th Avenue and 5th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/12/26 for hoisting mechanical equipment.

**West 19th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 6am to 11:59am Saturday and Sunday through 4/12/26 for building inspection from boom truck.

**East 20th Street between Gramercy Park East and 3rd Avenue:** This street will be closed from 7am to 1pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 for building inspection from boom truck.

**East 20th Street Service Road between Avenue C and 20th Street Loop:** This street will be closed from 7am to 4pm Friday through 4/10/26 for SANDRESPC-East Side Coastal Resiliency.

**West 37th Street between 9th Avenue and Lincoln Tunnel Entrance:** This street will be closed from 5am to 3pm Saturday and Sunday, 1am to 10am Saturday and Sunday (while lifting over PANY/NJ roadway) through 4/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**West 37th Street between 10th Avenue and 9th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 11pm to 5am weeknights through 6/7/26 for dyer deck over initial crane setup and steel deliveries.

**East 38th Street between FDR Service Road and 1st Avenue:** This street will be closed from 5am to 3pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**West 38th Street between 10th Avenue and 9th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 11pm to 5am weeknights through 6/7/26 for dyer deck over initial crane setup and steel deliveries.

**East 44th Street between 2nd Avenue and 1st Avenue:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**East 47 Street between Madison Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9pm to 6am nightly through 6/7/26 for Grand Central Train Shed project.

**East 47 Street between Vanderbilt Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9pm to 6am nightly through 6/7/26 for Grand Central Train Shed project.

**East 48 Street between Madison Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9pm to 6am nightly through 6/7/26 for Grand Central Train Shed project.

**West 49th Street between 12th Avenue and 11th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 12:01am Saturday to 11:59pm Monday through 4/27/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**West 50th Street between 12th Avenue and 11th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 12:01am Saturday to 11:59pm Monday through 4/27/26 to facilitate crane operation.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### MANHATTAN (continued)

**West 52 Street between Broadway and 8 Avenue:** This street will be closed 12am to 7am nightly through 5/23/26 to replace leak prone gas main to upgrade TEH system.

**West 54th Street between 9 Avenue and 8 Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9:30am to 4pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 4pm Saturday through 4/18/26 for installation of electrical conduit for system reliability.

**West 64 Street between Broadway and Central Park West:** This street will be closed from 9:30am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 7/1/26 for system upgrade.

**West 67th Street between Central Park West and Columbus Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/7/26 for building inspection from boom truck.

**West 75th Street between West End Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/3/26 for use of knuckle boom to lift furniture.

**East 77th Street between Madison Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/24/26 to place knuckle boom to lift steel and materials.

**East 82nd Street between Lexington Avenue and 3rd Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 for conduit installation for new service/service upgrade and enlarging structures.

**West 84 Street between Columbus Avenue and Amsterdam Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 8/30/26 for system upgrade.

**East 87th Street between Lexington Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/19/26 for building inspection from boom truck.

**East 87th Street between Park Avenue and Madison Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 for building inspection from boom truck.

**East 88th Street between 5th Avenue and Madison Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 for hoisting household/artwork.

**Avenue D between East 12th Street and East 13th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/4/26 for associated closure.

**West 143rd Street between Malcolm X Boulevard and Harlem River Drive (5th Avenue):** This street will be closed from 9am to 6pm daily, and/or 10pm to 6am nightly through 4/5/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Pinehurst between West 185th Street and West 187th Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Broadway between West 47th Street and West 48th Street:** This street will be closed from 11:59pm to 7am weeknights through 4/30/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Downing Street between Bedford Street and 6th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/1/26 for use of knuckle boom to hoist dunnage building materials and structural steel/container.

**White Street between West Broadway and 6 Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/26/26 for new gas services for customers located at 14 White Street.

**West Broadway between Canal Street and Grand Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 1pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 for knuckle boom placement to deliver glass balcony.

**Leonard Street between Church Street and West Broadway:** This street will be closed from 10am to 10pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/19/26 for installation of conduit for system reinforcement.

**Thomas Street between West Broadway and Church Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for NYCDDC contract HWP19CLWM to install street catch basin.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### MANHATTAN (continued)

**Thompson Street between West Houston Street and Bleecker Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 4pm Friday through 4/8/26 for painting mural.

**Thompson Street between 6th Avenue and Grand Street:** This street will be closed 24/7 through 6/1/26 for sewer relocation work and drilling.

**Park Avenue between East 128 Street and East 129 Street:** This street will be fully closed 24/7 through 6/21/26 to erect the gantries for the Park Avenue Viaduct-northbound.

**Park Avenue between East 129 Street and East 130 Street:** This street will be fully closed 24/7 through 6/21/26 to erect the gantries for the Park Avenue Viaduct-northbound.

**Park Avenue between East 130 Street and East 131 Street:** This street will be fully closed 24/7 through 6/21/26 to erect the gantries for the Park Avenue Viaduct-northbound.

**Perry Street between Greenwich Street and Washington Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 6/1/26 for crane, concrete pumping and steel erection work.

**Perry Street between Washington Street and Greenwich Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday, and 9am to 5pm Saturday through 4/28/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Jane Street between Joe Dimaggio Highway and Washington Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 4/18/26 for booming and pumping operations for new building construction.

**Wooster Street between Grand Street and Broome Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/9/26 for concrete pump truck pump and boom.

**Stanton Street between Bowery and Chrystie Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Friday through 4/8/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Broome Street between Chrystie Street and Bowery:** This street will be closed from 9am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 4/4/26 for concrete pump for new building foundation and superstructure.

**Baruch Drive between Delancey Street South and Delancey Street North:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 4/10/26 for SANDRESPC-East Side Coastal Resiliency.

**Rivington Street between Orchard Street and Ludlow Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/7/26 to reinforce existing telco infrastructure.

**Rivington Street between Freeman Alley and Bowery:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 for installation of conduit for system reinforcement.

**Rivington Street between Freeman Alley and Chrystie Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/5/26 for installation of conduit for system reinforcement.

**Jones Street between Bleecker Street and West 4 Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/3/26 for new water installation.

**Charlton Street between Varick Street and Avenue of the Americas:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/5/26 for facade inspection.

**Clarkson Street between Hudson Street and Varick Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Rector Street between Trinity Place and Broadway:** This street will be closed 24/7 through 4/30/26 for DDC reconstruction project utility installation.

**Morris Street between Trinity Place and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 4/30/26 for DDC reconstruction project utility installation.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### MANHATTAN (continued)

**Ann Street between Broadway and Nassau Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday, 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/30/26 for use of knuckle boom, and concrete pump operations.

**Nassau Street between Beekman Street and Spruce Street:** This street will be closed from 7pm to 6am weeknights, 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/3/26 for associated closure.

**Spruce Street between Nassau Street and William Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/3/26 for associated closure.

**Spruce Street between William Street and Gold Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/3/26 for removal of site fence and striping the roadway.

**Spruce Street between Park Row and Nassau Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/3/26 for associated closure.

**Commerce Street between Barrow Street and Bend:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/7/26 for relay sewer service.

**Wall Street between William Street and Hanover Street:** This street will be closed from 6am to 10am Monday to Friday through 4/18/26 for utilizing the gantry rigging system to deliver material.

**Chambers Street between River Terrace and Intersection:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 4pm Saturday through 4/23/26 for water main work.

**Chambers Street between River Terrace and North End Avenue:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 4pm Saturday through 4/23/26 for water main work.

**River Terrace between Chambers Street and Warren Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 4pm Saturday through 4/23/26 for water main work.

**Bridge Street between Broad Street and Whitehall Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/10/26 for use of knuckle boom and concrete pump for building alteration.

**Battery Park Underpass:** As of Sunday March 15th, 2026, through Friday April 10th, 2026, the Northbound and Southbound Battery Park Underpass will be closed weekly (not at the same time) from 10pm to 5am for continuing work on flood mitigation construction activities on Battery Park Underpass, as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges. Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours.

**Riverside Drive (Northbound Service Road) between West 152nd Street and West 153rd Street:** This street will be closed 24/7 through 4/1/26 for NYCDOT contract HBM1165 Rehab Riverside Drive Viaduct.

**Harlem River Ramp between 2nd Avenue and Southbound and 2nd Avenue Northbound:** This street will be closed from 7am to 11pm Monday to Friday through 4/5/26 for installation of new 13k feeders across Harlem River.

**FDR Drive between Montgomery Street and East 15 Street:** Single-lane northbound and/or southbound will be closed Monday to Thursday from 10pm to 5am next morning, Saturday from 12:01am to 9am, and Sunday from 1am to 11am. Double-lane will be closed Tuesday to Friday from 1am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 7am, and Sunday from 1am to 7am. These closures are necessary to facilitate median reconstruction and will continue through August 15, 2026.

**FDR Drive Southbound between Jackson Street and Cherry Street:** Single-lane will be closed Friday from 11pm to 7am next morning, and Sunday from 11pm to 10am next morning. Double-lane will be closed Tuesday to Friday from 1am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 7am. These closures are necessary to facilitate East Side Coastal Resiliency Project and will continue through September 11, 2026.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### BRONX

**East 142nd Street between Wales Avenue and Southern Boulevard:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturday through 4/18/26 for concrete pump.

**Cauldwell Avenue between East 149th Street and Westchester Avenue:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm Friday, and 5am to 9pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Cauldwell Avenue between Westchester Avenue and East 156th Street:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm Friday, and 5am to 9pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Gerard Avenue between East 150th Street and East 151st Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/23/26 for installation of pre-cast panels, special operations (ie; concrete).

**East 165th Street between Longfellow Avenue and Whitlock Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturday through 4/9/26 for concrete pump operations.

**East 179th Street between Devoe Avenue and Bronx Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm Friday, and 5am to 9pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/5/26 for mainline track repairs.

**West 262nd Street between Husley Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday through 4/30/26 for use of concrete pumps, boom trucks and knuckle booms.

**Whitlock Avenue between East 165th Street and Aldus Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturday through 4/9/26 for concrete pump operations.

**Washington Avenue between East 167th Street and East 168th Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/9/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Kingsbridge Terrace between Heath Avenue and West Kingsbridge Road:** This street will be closed from 9am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 5/20/26 for concrete pump and booming operations.

**Inwood Avenue between West 169th Street and Clarke Place West:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday when school is in session and 9am to 4pm Friday when school is not in session, Saturday 8am to 4pm through 4/23/26 for use of concrete pumps, boom trucks and knuckle boom.

**Shakespeare Avenue between West 169th Street and West 170th Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday, 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/17/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Eastburn Avenue between East 173rd Street and East 174th Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday (when school is in session), 9am to 4pm (when school is not in session), 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/11/26 to place crane to erect new building.

**Eastburn Avenue between East 173rd Street and East 174th Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/4/26 for concrete pouring, booming.

**Park Avenue between East 178th Street and East Tremont Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday, and Sunday 9am to 6pm through 4/20/26 for booming and pumping.

**Wade Square between Oak Tree Place and Quarry Road:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday through 4/27/26 for booming and concrete pour.

**Anthony Avenue between East 175 Street and Prospect Place:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturdays and/or 9am to 6pm Sundays through 4/26/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Ryer Avenue between East Burnside Avenue and East 180th Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday and Sunday through 4/19/26 for use of boom, pump and crane operations for new building construction.

**Walton Avenue between Mount Hope Place and East 177 Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/1/26 to lift and remove materials from roof top with knuckle boom.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### BRONX (continued)

**Mount Hope Place between Jerome Avenue and Walton Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/28/26 for booming and pouring concrete.

**Maran Place between Bronx Park East and White Plains Road:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday through 5/26/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Morris Avenue between East 196 Street and East Kingsbridge Road:** This street will be closed from 10am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/30/26 for boom truck delivery.

**Creston Avenue between East 196th Street East Kingsbridge Road:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/28/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Bedford Park Boulevard between Grand Concourse and Valentine Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/21/26 for new building debris removal and concrete pumping.

**Villa Avenue between East 205th Street and Van Cortlandt Avenue East:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/23/26 for electric major service/equipment; backhoe, dump truck.

**Putnam Avenue between Van Cortlandt Park South and West 239th Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Saturday through 6/29/26 for boom/pump operations for foundation and superstructure phases related to new building construction.

**Saxon Avenue between Sedgwick Avenue and Van Cortlandt Park South:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday through 5/6/26 for use of boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**De Reimer Avenue between Erskine Place Bassett Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/30/26 for drainage-tie in.

**Bassett Avenue between Loomis Street and Intersection:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/6/26 for sewer and water connections for contract# CBX001-Penn Station access.

**Bassett Avenue between Loomis Street and Morris Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/6/26 for sewer and water connections for contract# CBX001-Penn Station access.

**Bassett Avenue between Morris Park Avenue and Intersection:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/6/26 for sewer and water connections for contract# CBX001-Penn Station access.

**Bassett Avenue between Morris Park Avenue and Wilkinson Avenue:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/6/26 for sewer and water connections for contract# CBX001-Penn Station access.

**Cruger Avenue between Sagamore Street and Bronxdale Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday through 4/20/26 for MTA contract C-35311 work zone and MPT-6.

**Vyse Avenue between Freeman Street and Jennings Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/14/26 for use of boom and knuckle boom to work on major alteration.

**Freeman Street between Vyse Avenue and Hoe Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete pump and booming operations.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### BROOKLYN

**2nd Street between Dead End and Bond Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**South 2nd Street between Kent Avenue and White Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/2/26 for boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**16 Street between 5 Avenue and 6 Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/7/26 for delivery and rebar.

**East 23 Street between Avenue V and Avenue W:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/10/26 for manlift on roadway for facade work.

**West 28 Street between Mermaid Avenue and Surf Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/22/26 for new water service installation.

**40th Street between 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/25/26 for boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**54 Street between 1 Avenue and 2 Avenue:** This street will be fully closed 24/7 through 4/23/26 for gas installation/jack and bore activities.

**88th Street between 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for use of boom truck to lift steel.

**East 92nd Street between Avenue D and Krier Place:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/9/26 for installing feeder conduit to station.

**East 92nd Street between Ditmas Avenue and LIRR Bay Ridge Division:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for installation of electrical manholes and conduit.

**East 92nd Street between LIRR Bay Ridge Division and Avenue D:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for installation of electrical manholes and conduit.

**Fort Hamilton Parkway Bridge between 83rd Street and 81st Street:** This street will be closed from 10pm to 5am Monday to Friday through 4/3/26 for installation of gas main.

**Willoughby Avenue between Taaffe Place and Kent Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday, and/or 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Emerson Place between Myrtle Avenue and Willoughby Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday through 7/1/26 for amendment-knuckle boom and crane operations for superstructure phase.

**Emerson Place between Myrtle Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/12/26 for boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**Wyckoff Avenue between Gates Avenue and Myrtle Avenue:** This street will be closed from 10pm to 6am nightly through 4/19/26 for MTA contract Job# R-50804 for concession and billboards.

**Gates Avenue and Wyckoff Avenue and Myrtle Avenue:** This street will be closed from 10pm to 6am nightly through 4/19/26 for MTA contract Job# R-50804 for concession and billboards.

**Montague Street between Hicks Street and Henry Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/3/26 for use of knuckle boom to remove sidewalk shed and materials.

**Hicks Street between Montague Street and Remsen Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/3/26 for use of knuckle boom to remove sidewalk shed and materials.

**Remsen Street between Hicks Street and Henry Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/3/26 for use of knuckle boom to remove sidewalk shed and materials.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### BROOKLYN (continued)

**North Henry Street between Norman Avenue and Meserole Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday, 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 7/1/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Williamsburg Street East between Bedford Avenue and Lee Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/5/26 for use of boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**Walworth Street between Flushing Avenue and Park Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Irving Avenue between Palmetto Street and Woodbine Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday when school is in session and 9am to 4pm Friday when school is not in session through 5/22/26 for major gas installation.

**Woodbine Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/29/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Palmetto Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/29/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Moffat Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/1/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Decatur Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/1/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Chauncey Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/1/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Pilling Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/1/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Melrose Street between Broadway and Bushwick Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm weekdays through 4/7/26 for new water and sewer work, road plated after each shift.

**Putnam Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/29/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Union Street between Blake Avenue and Sutter Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday (without a letter) of 9am to 4pm Friday (with a letter) through 4/12/26 for use of boom truck.

**Madison Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/29/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Cornella Street between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway:** This street will be closed from 6am to 4pm weekdays through 5/29/26 for mainline track repairs.

**Linden Boulevard South Service Road between Lincoln Avenue and Eldert lane:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 6/6/26 for gas installation.

**Hinsdale Street between Blake Avenue and Sutter Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 5/4/26 to install retail service.

**Cook Street between Manhattan Avenue and Graham Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/7/26 for boom and knuckle boom to work on major alteration.

**Fleet Place between Willoughby Street and Myrtle Avenue:** This street will be closed from 7am to 7pm Sunday through 4/5/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Fleet Place between Fair Street and Willoughby Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/26/26 for use of boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### BROOKLYN (continued)

**Downing Street between Putnam Avenue and Fulton Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 7/1/26 for boom, knuckle boom and concrete pump to work on new building.

**Rockwell Place between Fulton Street and Lafayette Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/22/26 for concrete pumps and boom trucks.

**Vermont Street between Fulton Street and Atlantic Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete pump and booming operations.

**New Jersey Avenue between Fulton Street and Atlantic Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete pump and booming operations.

**Fort Greene Place between Fulton Street and Dekalb Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday through 4/20/26 for regrade.

**Maspeth Avenue between Kingsland Avenue and Olive Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 6/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Maspeth Avenue between Olive Street and Debevoise Street:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 6/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Olive Street between Maspeth Avenue and Orient Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 6/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Olive Street between Maspeth Avenue and Intersection:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 6/12/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Fulton Street between Hale Avenue and Norwood Avenue:** This street will be closed 24/7 through 4/29/26 for utility work.

**Lincoln Place between Nostrand Avenue and Rogers Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 7/1/26 for concrete pump, boom and knuckle boom to work on new building.

**Sackett Street between Nevins Street and 3rd Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for foundation work and concrete operation.

**DeGraw Street between Nevins Street and 3rd Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for concrete pumps and knuckle boom.

**Nevins Street between Butler Street and Douglass Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/9/26 for trenching to install conduit for service to 186.

**Frost Street between Union Avenue and Lorimer Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/30/26 for delivery/unloading of materials for building construction.

**Glenmore Avenue between Christopher Avenue and Mother Gaston Boulevard:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/29/26 for booming and pumping for new building operations.

**Christopher Avenue between Glenmore Avenue and Liberty Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 6/29/26 for booming and pumping for new building operations.

**Christopher Avenue between Livonia Avenue and Riverdale Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, and 7am to 6pm Saturday through 6/20/26 for boom/pump operations.

**Ocean Parkway (northbound service road) between Brighton Beach Avenue and Ocean View Avenue:** This street will be closed from 8am to 6pm Saturday, and 9am to 6pm Sunday through 4/12/26 for hoisting communication equipment.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### QUEENS

**24th Avenue between 216th Street and 217th Street:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/30/26 for Con ed vault installation-crane.

**44th Avenue between 58th Street and 59th Place:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 4/25/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**54 Street between 1 Avenue and 2 Avenue:** This street will be closed from 10pm to 6am Monday to Friday, and 8am to 4pm Saturday through 4/1/26 for major gas installation.

**62nd Drive between 97th Street and Junction Boulevard:** This street will be closed from 10pm to 5am Friday to Monday through 4/27/26 to facilitate crane operation/installation of heavy-duty netting to 3 sides of the overpass.

**69th Road between Queens Boulevard and Gerard Place:** This street will be closed from 5am Saturday to 8pm Sunday through 4/12/26 for associated closure.

**Beach Channel Drive Eastbound between Beach 79th Street and Beach 75th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Beach Channel Drive Eastbound and Westbound between Beach 79th Street and Beach 75th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Intersection of Beach Channel Drive Eastbound and Beach 79th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Intersection of Beach Channel Drive Eastbound and Beach 80th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Beach Channel Drive Eastbound between Beach 80th Street and Beach 79th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Beach Channel Drive Eastbound and Westbound between Beach 84th Street and Beach 80th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/30/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 41 Street and Beach 38 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 44 Street and Beach 41 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 47 Street and Beach 44 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 4/8/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 47 Street and Beach 54 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/7/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 56 Street/56 Place and Beach 54 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/7/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 86 Street and Beach 84 Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 87th Street and Beach 86th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 88th Street and Beach 87th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 90th Street and Beach 88th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

## NYCDOT Weekend Construction (continued)

### QUEENS (continued)

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 91st Street and Beach 90th Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 92nd Street and Beach 91st Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Rockaway Freeway Eastbound between Beach 94th Street and Beach 92nd Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday through 6/14/26 for concrete restoration on the track of the Rockaway Viaduct line.

**Cody Avenue between Wyckoff Avenue and Cypress Avenue:** This street will be closed from 9am to 4pm Friday through 5/13/26 to facilitate crane operation.

**Grand Central Parkway at Long Island Expressway Interchange:** Single-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 10am to 2pm, Monday to Thursday from 10pm to 5am next morning, Friday from 10pm to 7am next morning, Saturday from 10am to 3pm and from 10pm to 3pm next day. Double-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am. Single-lane westbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 10am to 3pm, Monday to Thursday from 10pm to 5am next morning, Friday from 10pm to 6am next morning, Saturday from 10am to 3pm and from 10pm to 3pm next day. Double-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 12:01am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am. These closures are necessary to facilitate Safety and Mobility Improvements and will continue through April 23, 2026.

**Grand Central Parkway Eastbound between Roosevelt Avenue and 54 Avenue:** Eastbound mainline will be closed for 15 minutes at a time, Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am through April 23, 2026, to facilitate sign structure removal and installation. Mainline shoulder lanes will be closed 24/7 along the project limit to replace sections with traversable curbs and guiderail.

**Belmont Park Bridge over Cross Island Parkway:** As of Saturday February 1st, to Sunday February 28th, 2026, the Northbound Cross Island Parkway right shoulder will remain closed with lane shifts 24/7 for approximately 12 weeks. One 12-foot lane will remain open for two-way traffic, with flaggers at both ends of the work zone. All ramps will remain open. These closures are necessary for continued repairs on the Belmont Park south Ramp over the Cross Island Parkway as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

### STATEN ISLAND

**Front Street between Wave Street and Hannah Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 6/20/26 for new Stapleton Waterfront Southern Infrastructure.

**Front Street/Murray Hubert Avenue between Thompson Street and Bay Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through 6/20/26 for new Stapleton Waterfront Southern Infrastructure.

## NYCDOT Weekly Construction

### WEEKLY TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Saturday April 4, 2026 to Friday April 10, 2026

The City of New York's Department of Transportation issued a traffic alert for this week providing the locations of road construction and events where lane and street closings will affect the flow of traffic. Lane closings may also occur due to circumstances beyond our control. Major road, lane and street closings for the coming week are as follows:

#### EAST RIVER BRIDGE CROSSINGS

**Williamsburg Bridge:** As of Monday March 9th, 2026, the Brooklyn-bound Outer Roadway will be fully closed from 9pm Monday to 5am Friday through April 3, 2026. Trucks must use Manhattan Bridge as an alternate route. These closures are necessary for the rehabilitation of Williamsburg Bridge as permitted by NYCDOT.

#### MANHATTAN

**Battery Park Underpass:** As of Sunday March 15th, 2026, through Friday April 10th, 2026, the Northbound and Southbound Battery Park Underpass will be closed weekly (not at the same time) from 10pm to 5am for continuing work on flood mitigation construction activities on Battery Park Underpass, as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges. Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours.

**Northbound West Street (Route 9A/12th Avenue) between West 30th and West 34th Street:** Two out of five northbound lanes will be closed nightly from 11pm Sunday to 5am Monday morning, Saturday from 1am to 8am, and Sunday from 2am to 11am from March 30, 2026, to October 15, 2026, to facilitate the High Line Western Rail Yards Reconstruction Project.

**Park Avenue Tunnel at 34th Street and Park Avenue:** As of Monday March 9th, through Friday April 3rd, 2026, the Eastbound and Southbound lanes will be closed from 7am to 3pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 9pm Saturday and Sunday. Lane closures will remain in effect on East 34th eastbound in conjunction with the southbound lane shift currently in effect on Park Avenue. The southbound Park Avenue parking lane will remain a travel lane between East 35th Street and East 33rd Street to accommodate construction. Traffic Enforcement Agents will be on site to facilitate the flow of traffic around work zone. A designated walkway will be maintained at East 34th Street allowing passage when crossing Park Avenue. The Park Avenue Tunnel will remain closed. These closures are necessary for the construction operations at the intersection of Park Avenue and East 34th Street, as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**FDR Drive between Montgomery Street and East 15 Street:** Single-lane northbound and/or southbound will be closed Monday to Thursday from 10 pm to 5 am next morning, Saturday from 12:01 am to 9 am, and Sunday from 1 am to 11 am. Double-lane will be closed Tuesday to Friday from 1 am to 5 am, Saturday from 1 am to 7 am, and Sunday from 1 am to 7 am. These closures are necessary to facilitate median reconstruction and will continue through August 15, 2026.

**FDR East 57th Street between 53rd Street and 62nd Street:** Single lane closed in each direction from 11pm Monday night to 4am Friday morning from March 2nd, 2026, to May 29th, 2026. Two lanes in each direction will be maintained at all times. This work is necessary for preventive maintenance on ventilation and access systems, as permitted by NYCDOT-Bridges.

**FDR East 84th Street between 73rd Street and 90th Street:** Single lane closed in each direction from 11pm Monday night to 4am Friday morning from February 2nd, 2026, to April 30th, 2026. Two lanes in each direction will be maintained at all times. This work is necessary for preventive maintenance on ventilation and access systems, as permitted by NYCDOT-Bridges.

**FDR Drive Southbound between Jackson Street and Cherry Street:** Single-lane will be closed Friday from 11pm to 7am next morning, and Sunday from 11pm to 10am next morning. Double-lane will be closed Tuesday to Friday from 1am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 7am. These closures are necessary to facilitate East Side Coastal Resiliency Project and will continue through September 11, 2026.

#### MANHATTAN/BRONX

**University Heights Bridge over the Harlem River (207th Street):** As of Monday March 2nd, 2026, through Friday March 27th, 2026, a full bridge closure will take place two lanes in each direction from 1am to 5am early morning. This closure is necessary to facilitate continued operational testing of the University Heights Bridge (207th Street) over Harlem River as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

## NYCDOT Weekly Construction (continued)

### BRONX/MANHATTAN

**Broadway Bridge over the Harlem River:** As of Monday March 30th, 2026, to Friday April 10th, 2026, a single lane will be closed from 7am to 3pm, and a double lane will be closed from 10am to 2pm. These closures are in addition to the current Manhattan-bound right lane and adjacent sidewalk closures. At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times. These closures are necessary for the continued structural steel repairs on the Broadway Bridge as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

### BRONX

**Hutchinson River Parkway Bridge over the Hutchinson River:** As of Monday March 16th, 2026, and intermittently through Friday April 10th, 2026, a full bridge closure will take place in either northbound or southbound direction of the bridge (not at the same time) weeknights from 11pm to 5am. Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours. The closures are necessary to conduct structural repairs on the Hutchinson River Parkway Bridge as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**Shore Road Bridge over the Hutchinson River:** As of Monday March 30th, 2026, and intermittently through Friday April 24th, 2026, single lane closures will take place during daytime hours northbound from 7am to 9am, northbound and southbound from 9am to 1pm, and nighttime northbound and southbound from 10pm to 7am. One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times. These closures are necessary to facilitate continued routine maintenance, structure and under-deck repairs of the Shore Road Bridge over the Hutchinson River as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**Cross Bronx Expressway (I-95) between Arthur Avenue and Clay Avenue:** Single-lane will be closed in both directions Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am and double-lane will be closed from 1am to 5am, except holidays. These closures are to facilitate rehabilitation of the bridges overpassing Webster Avenue, Metro-North Railroad, and Third Avenue and will continue through December 14, 2026.

### BROOKLYN

**Brooklyn Bridge:** Beginning Thursday night, the eastbound left lane will be closed from 10pm to 5am through April 24, 2026, for replacing deteriorated timber strings and walkway planks at multiple locations on Brooklyn side span and staging equipment.

**Union Street Bridge over the Gowanus Canal:** As of Monday March 30th, 2026, and intermittently through Friday April 24th, 2026, the bridge will be fully closed to cyclists, motorists and pedestrians from 11pm to 5am weeknights, and 7am to 2pm weekends. An extended closure may be required based on field conditions as work progresses. These closures are necessary for conducting repairs on the Union Street Bridge over Gowanus Canal as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**Third Street Bridge over the Gowanus Canal:** As of Monday March 9th, and intermittently through Friday April 3rd, 2026, the bridge will be fully closed between 11pm to 5am Monday to Friday. The bridge will re-open after work hours. These closures are necessary to conduct the continued repairs on the 3rd Street Bridge over Gowanus Canal.

**Ninth Street Bridge over Gowanus Canal:** As per Monday March 23rd, 2026, and intermittently through Friday April 17th, 2026, a full bridge closure will be necessary on weeknights from 11pm to 5am and on weekends from 7am to 2pm. All vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians will be diverted to adjacent bridges over the Gowanus Canal. The bridge will reopen after hours. This closure is necessary for the conducting repairs on the Ninth Street Bridge over Gowanus Canal as permitted by NYCDOT.

### BROOKLYN/QUEENS

**Grand Street Bridge over Newtown Creek:** As of Sunday March 22nd, 2026, and intermittently through Thursday April 2nd, 2026, a full bridge closure will take place nights from 11pm to 5am Sunday to Thursday, and daytime from 7am to 2pm Saturday for continued structural repairs of the Grand Street Bridge over Newtown Creek. The bridge will be fully closed to traffic during working hours. Metropolitan Avenue may be used as an alternate route. Bridge will reopen after work hours.

**Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newton Creek:** As of Monday March 30th, 2026, and intermittently through April 24th, 2026, a single lane will be closed on either Eastbound or Westbound direction (not at the same time) from 11pm to 5am Monday to Friday. During repairs, the bike lanes will be open on both directions. One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times. Traffic will be restored to its original configuration after work hours. These closures are necessary for conducting repairs on Greenpoint Avenue Bridge, as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

## NYCDOT Weekly Construction (continued)

### BROOKLYN/QUEENS (continued)

**Pulaski Bridge over Newtown Creek:** As of Thursday March 12, 2026, and intermittently through Friday April 10th a single lane in each direction northbound and southbound (not at the same time) will be closed weeknights between 11pm and 5am. At least one lane in each direction will be maintained at all times. Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours. Three Queens bound lanes (northbound) will be closed and single right lane Brooklyn bound (southbound) will be closed in each direction northbound and southbound weeknights from 11pm to 5am weekdays March 4th, 2026, to Friday July 31st, 2026. These closures are necessary to install brake rehabbed and install warning gate boxes and brakes on the Pulaski Bridge as permitted by NYSDOT Bridges.

### QUEENS

**130 Avenue Bridge over Belt Parkway:** As of Monday March 30th, 2026, through Friday April 24th, 2026, the south sidewalk will be closed to pedestrians. The newly reconstructed north sidewalk of the bridge will be open. Lane closure on 130th Avenue will remain necessary Monday to Friday from 7am to 7pm, Saturday 8am to 6pm, and Sunday from 9am to 6pm. One lane in each direction will be maintained. Traffic lanes will return to normal configuration after work hours. This work is necessary for the continued rehabilitation work of the south sidewalk of the 130 Avenue Bridge over the Belt Parkway as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**Grand Central Parkway at Long Island Expressway Interchange:** Single-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 10am to 2pm, Monday to Thursday from 10pm to 5am next morning, Friday from 10pm to 7am next morning, Saturday from 10am to 3pm and from 10pm to 3pm next day. Double-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am. Single-lane westbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 10am to 3pm, Monday to Thursday from 10pm to 5am next morning, Friday from 10pm to 6am next morning, Saturday from 10am to 3pm and from 10pm to 3pm next day. Double-lane eastbound will be closed Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 12:01am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am. These closures are necessary to facilitate Safety and Mobility Improvements and will continue through April 23, 2026.

**Grand Central Parkway Eastbound between Roosevelt Avenue and 54 Avenue:** Eastbound mainline will be closed for 15 minutes at a time, Monday to Friday from 12:01am to 5am, Saturday from 1am to 6am, and Sunday from 1am to 9am through April 23, 2026, to facilitate sign structure removal and installation. Mainline shoulder lane will be closed 24/7 along the project limit to replace sections with traversable curbs and guiderail.

**Hillside Avenue Bridge over Cross Island Parkway:** Single-lane closures in either direction on the Cross Island Parkway will take place Monday March 30th, to Friday April 24th, 2026, weekdays from 9am to 7pm Monday to Friday, and Weekends Saturday from 8am to 6pm, Sunday 9am to 6pm. At least one lane in each direction will be maintained at all times. Northern sidewalk will be open to pedestrians and southern sidewalk will be closed. Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours. These closures are necessary to continue the rehabilitation of the southern half of Hillside Avenue Bridge as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

**Springfield Boulevard Bridge over Belt Southern Parkway between North Conduit Avenue and South Conduit Avenue:** Single-lane and double lane closures will take place Monday March 30th to Friday April 24th, 2026, from 10pm to 5am weeknights (single-lane closure), and from 1am to 5am (double-lane closure), for the continued rehabilitation of the eastern sidewalk of the Springfield Boulevard Bridge. One lane in each direction will be maintained. Traffic lanes will return to normal configuration after work hours. These closures are necessary for the continued rehabilitation of the Eastern sidewalk of the Springfield Boulevard Bridge over Belt Southern Parkway between North and South Conduit Avenues as permitted by NYCDOT Bridges.

### MANHATTAN/QUEENS

**Roosevelt Island Bridge Rehabilitation Project:** As of Monday March 2nd, 2026, to Thursday April 2nd, 2026, a double and single lane closure will take place from Northern Boulevard to Long Island Expressway Monday from 11:59pm to 5am southbound, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 11pm to 5am southbound, and Friday from 11:59pm to 6am southbound. In addition, one northbound lane on the Van Wyck Expressway will also be closed to proceed with steel repair work as part of the NYCDOT Roosevelt Avenue Bridge rehabilitation project. Two northbound and one southbound lane will remain open during these closures. Bridges.

### STATEN ISLAND

**Front Street between Wave Street and Hannah Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through June 20, 2026 for new Stapleton Waterfront Southern Infrastructure.

**Front Street/Murray Hubert Avenue between Thompson Street and Bay Street:** This street will be closed from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday through June 20, 2026 for new Stapleton Waterfront Southern Infrastructure.

# TBTA

## TBTA WEEKLY TRAVEL ADVISORY

### BRONX WHITESTONE BRIDGE (MTA)

#### Daytime:

- Monday – Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM:
  - o Northbound and Southbound - Intermittent Single Lane Closures

#### Nighttime:

- Monday – Sunday 10:00 PM - 5:00 AM:
  - o Northbound and Southbound - Intermittent Single and Double Lane Closures

#### Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):

No Lane Closures

### CROSS BAY BRIDGE (MTA)

#### Daytime:

- Monday– Friday 6:00 AM – 3:30 PM:
  - o Southbound – Single Lane Closure
- Monday– Friday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM:
  - o Northbound – Single Lane Closure

#### Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):

No Lane Closures

### HENRY HUDSON BRIDGE (MTA)

#### Daytime:

- Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM:
  - o Northbound (Bronx Bound) – Single Lane Closure
- Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM:
  - o Northbound (Bronx Bound) – Double Lane Closures
- Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM:
  - o Southbound (Manhattan Bound) – Single Lane Closure

#### Nighttime:

- Monday – Friday 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM:
  - o Northbound (Bronx Bound) and Southbound (Manhattan Bound) – Single/Double Lane Closures (as needed)

#### Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):

No Lane Closures

## **TBTA (continued)**

### **HUGH L. CAREY TUNNEL (MTA)**

#### **Nighttime:**

- Sunday– Thursday 11:00 PM – 5:00 AM:
  - Full Tube Closures

#### **Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):**

- Sunday 11:00 PM – Monday 5:00 AM:
  - Manhattan Bound Esst Tube – Full Closure

### **MARINE PARKWAY BRIDGE (MTA)**

#### **Daytime:**

- Monday– Friday 6:00 AM – 3:30 PM:
  - Southbound – Single Lane Closure
- Monday– Friday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM:
  - Northbound – Single Lane Closure

#### **Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):**

No Lane Closures

### **QUEENS MIDTOWN TUNNEL (MTA)**

#### **Nighttime:**

- Daily Night-time - Single Lane Closures (One Lane in Each Tube)

#### **Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):**

No Lane Closures

## **TBTA (continued)**

### **ROBERT F. KENNEDY BRIDGE (MTA)**

#### **Daytime:**

#### **Bronx Span:**

#### **Queens Span:**

- Monday – Friday (as needed):
  - o ERSS Southbound 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM - Single Lane Closure
  - o ERSS Northbound 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM - Single Lane Closure

#### **Manhattan Span:**

#### **Harlem River Drive / FDR Drive:**

#### **Nighttime:**

#### **Bronx Span:**

- Monday – Thursday BKTS – Nighttime Lane Closures (As Needed)
  - o Both Directions – Single Lane Closure 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM
  - o Both Directions – Double Lane Closure 10:00 PM – 5:00 AM
  - o Both Directions – Triple Lane Closure 1:00 AM – 5:00 AM

#### **Queens Span:**

- Monday – Thursday 8:00 PM – 7:00 AM:
  - o ERSS South Bound Direction – Single Lane Closure 8 PM – 7 AM
  - o ERSS North Bound – Single Lane Closure 8 PM – 5 AM
  - o ERSS North & South Bound Directions – Double Lane Closures 10:00 PM – 5:00 AM
  - o ERSS North & South Bound Directions – Triple Closures (As Needed) 1 AM – 5 AM
- Friday 9:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:
  - o ERSS North & South Bound Directions – Single Lane Closure 9 PM – 7 AM
  - o ERSS North & South Bound Directions – Double Lane Closures 11 PM – 7 AM
  - o ERSS North & South Bound Directions – Triple Closures (As Needed) 1 AM – 5 AM
- Monday – Thursday (as needed):
  - o Southbound Queens Approach – Single Lane Closure 8:00 PM – 7:00 AM
  - o Southbound Queens Approach – Triple Lane Closure 12:00 AM – 5:00 AM

#### **Manhattan Span:**

- Right shoulder closure off bound Manhattan Plaza after ORT gantry

#### **Harlem River Drive / FDR Drive:**

- Monday – Thursday 9:00 PM – 3:00 AM
  - o Shoulder & Gore Area Closed with Lanes Shift in Place at FDR Ramp Merge with Southbound FDR
  - o Northbound and Southbound FDR – Single Lane closures (as needed)

#### **FDR/125<sup>th</sup> St Approach ramps:**

- Miscellaneous:

#### **Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):**

No Lane Closures

## **TBTA (continued)**

### **THROGS NECK BRIDGE (MTA)**

#### **Daytime:**

- Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM:
  - o Southbound – Single Lane Closure
- Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM:
  - o Northbound – Single Lane Closure

#### **Nighttime:**

- Sunday – Friday 10:00 PM – 5:00 AM:
  - o Northbound and Southbound (On Select Nights) – Single and Double Lane Closures

#### **Weekend (4/3/26 - 4/6/26):**

No Lane Closures

### **VERRAZZANO NARROWS BRIDGE (MTA)**

#### **Daytime:**

- Monday – Thursday 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM:  
Friday 10:00 AM -3:00 PM:
  - o Upper and Lower Level Eastbound (Brooklyn Bound) – Single Lane Closure
- Monday – Thursday 5:30 AM - 3:00 PM:  
Friday 5:00 AM – 1:00 PM:
  - o Upper and Lower Level Westbound (Staten Island Bound) – Single Lane Closure
- Saturday and Sunday 7:00 AM - 11:00 PM:
  - o Upper and Lower Levels Eastbound (Brooklyn Bound) and Westbound (Staten Island Bound) – Single Lane Closure

#### **Nighttime:**

- Monday – Thursday 10:00 PM – 5:00 AM:  
Friday 10:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:  
Saturday 11:00 PM – Sunday 7:00 AM:  
Sunday 11:00 PM – Monday 5:00 AM:
  - o Upper or Lower Level Eastbound (Brooklyn Bound) – Single Lane/Full Level Closure
- Monday - Thursday 10:00 PM – 5:30 AM:  
Friday 10:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:  
Saturday 11:00 PM – Sunday 7:00 AM:
  - o Upper or Lower Level Westbound (Staten Island Bound) – Single Lane/Full Level Closure
- Monday – Thursday 10:00 PM – 5:30 AM  
Friday 10:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:  
Saturday 11:00 PM – Sunday 7:00 AM:
  - o Belt Parkway Eastbound Ramp (Brooklyn Bound) – Single Lane Closure

#### **Miscellaneous:**

#### **Weekend (4/3/2026 - 4/6/2026):**

- Friday 11:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:
  - o Upper Level East Bound (Brooklyn Bound) – Full Lane Closure
- Friday 11:00 PM – Saturday 7:00 AM:
  - o Upper Level West Bound (Staten Island Bound) – Full Lane Closure

## **Port Authority NY/NJ**

### **GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE (PA)**

Port Authority NY/NJ: scheduled roadwork on George Washington Bridge Upper Level westbound ramp to Center Avenue (Fort Lee) will be closed through July. Cars/Buses use Exit 73 for Local Streets. Trucks follow posted detours, Continuous Monday thru Friday July 31st, 2026 11:59 PM All lanes closed.

Port Authority NY/NJ: scheduled roadwork on George Washington Bridge Lower Level eastbound ramp to Center Avenue (Fort Lee) will be closed through thru Wednesday September 30th, 2026, Sunday thru Saturday, 10:00 PM thru 11:59 PM All lanes closed.

Port Authority NY/NJ: scheduled roadwork on Bruce Reynolds Blvd westbound between Lemoine Avenue (Fort Lee) and Center Avenue (Fort Lee) will be closed through September., Continuous Monday January 12th, 2026 10:00 PM thru Wednesday September 30th, 2026 11:59 PM All lanes closed.

### **JOHN F. KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (PA)**

Port Authority NY/NJ: scheduled roadwork on Van Wyck Expressway southbound ramp to Exit C - Federal Circle (New York), Wednesday March 18th, 2026 thru Wednesday April 8th, 2026, Sunday thru Saturday, 12:00 AM thru 11:59 PM All lanes closed.

Port Authority NY/NJ: roadwork on Terminal 7 Arrivals westbound (New York), Monday March 30th, 2026 thru Saturday April 4th, 2026, Monday thru Friday, 11:59 PM thru 05:00 AM All lanes closed.



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**Fw: NYCDOT- Greenpoint Ave Bridge Lanes closure 3.30.26 to 4.24.26**

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**From:** Cortaza, Maritza  
**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2026 2:57 PM  
**To:** Cortaza, Maritza  
**Subject:** NYCDOT- Greenpoint Ave Bridge Lanes closure 3.30.26 to 4.24.26

Dear Stakeholder,

On **Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**, and intermittently through **Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, the NYCDOT Division of Bridges will be conducting repairs on the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newtown Creek. Single lane closure will take place on either eastbound or westbound (not at the same time) **between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.** During repairs, the bike lanes will be open on both directions.

*One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times.*

Subject to weather conditions.

Please see notice attached.

Best Regards,

**Maritza Cortaza**  
Community Coordinator | Division of Bridges  
New York City Department of Transportation  
Monday /Thursday WFH days



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Michael Flynn, Commissioner

## Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newton Creek

Community Board No. 1k, 2Q

Brooklyn, Queens

March –April 2026

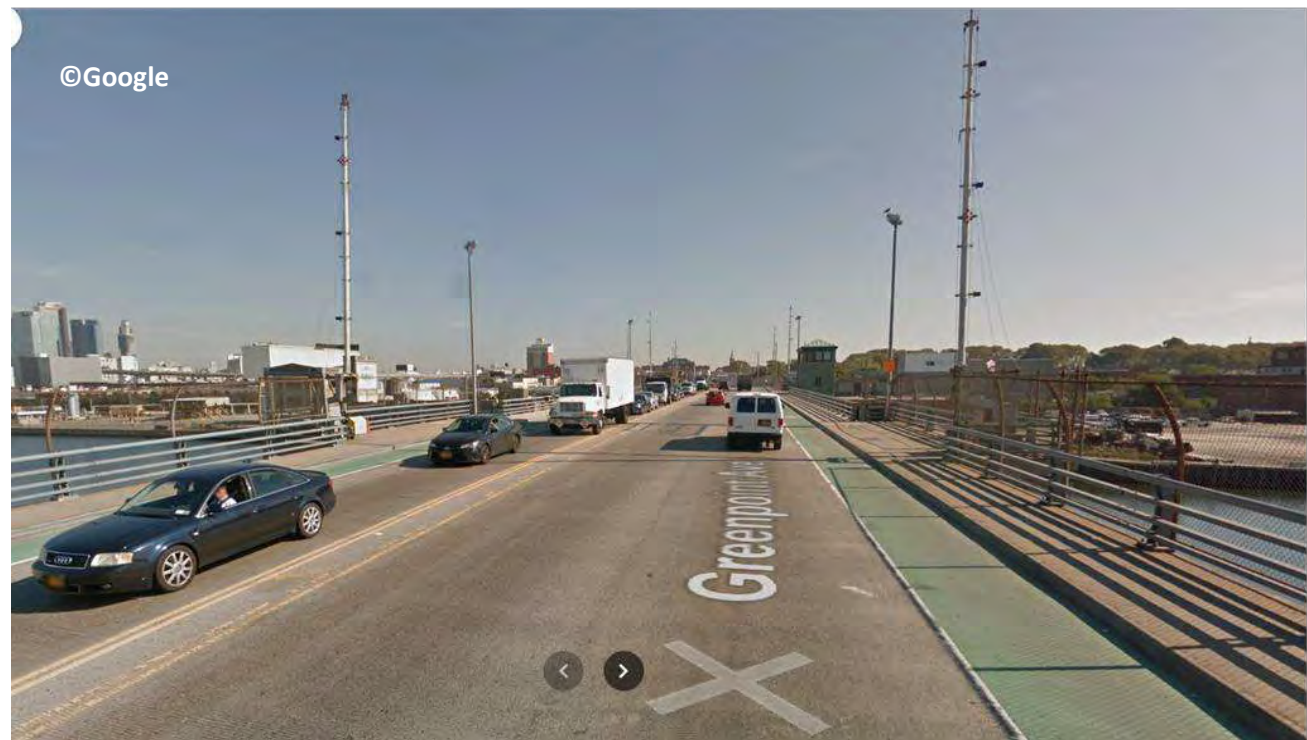


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# Important Notice

On **Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**, and **intermittently through Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, the NYCDOT Division of Bridges will be conducting repairs on the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newtown Creek. Single lane closure will take place on either eastbound or westbound (not at the same time) **between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.** During repairs, the bike lanes will be open on both directions.

*One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times.*



**Eastbound and Westbound Lane Closure**

**March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday to Friday**

**11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.**

**Weeknights**

*Traffic will be restored to its original configuration after work hours.*

For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.



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**Fw: NYCDOT: Extended- Grand Street Bridge Overnight Full Closure Important Notice 4.12.2026**

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**From:** McKenzie, Chery  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 9, 2026 4:30 PM  
**To:** McKenzie, Chery  
**Subject:** NYCDOT: Extended- Grand Street Bridge Overnight Full Closure Important Notice 4.12.2026

Dear Stakeholder:

On **Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**, and intermittently through **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the NYCDOT Division of Bridges will continue structural repairs of the Grand Street Bridge over Newtown Creek. **Overnight full bridge closure will be necessary as per schedule below.**

**The bridge will be fully closed to traffic during work hours. Metropolitan Avenue may be used as an alternate route**

Please see attached notice.

**Chery Mckenzie**  
Community Affairs Program Manager | Division of Bridges  
New York City Department of Transportation  
Tuesday /Friday WFH days





Mike Flynn, Commissioner

## Grand Street Bridge Over Newtown Creek

Community Board No. 1k & 5Q

Brooklyn, Queens

April - May 2026



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**Extended**

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### Full Bridge Closure

**Nights**

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.**

**Daytime**

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Bridge will reopen after work hours**

For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries dial 311.



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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Jamaica Subway Line Overcoat Project Update**

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**From:** Flynn, Megan  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2026 9:59 AM  
**To:** Flynn, Megan  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Jamaica Subway Line Overcoat Project Update

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Dear Community Stakeholder,

MTA is conducting a project to paint the Jamaica subway line's overhead structure. MTA's contractor Ahern will be completing the Williamsburg section of this project. The work will move down from the Lorimer Street section of track on Broadway towards the Williamsburg Burdge portal. Work is expected to begin on or about the week of March 30th. Work is expected to last for about two weeks in each area of work.

The scope of the work includes abrasive blasting as a surface preparation method, followed by the application of a new coating system that will prevent corrosion, improve appearance and extend the lifespan of the structure. Abrasive blasting is a noise generating activity. A construction noise mitigation plan will be posted at the jobsite

In addition, during the painting process multiple paints will be used and may create a strong odor upon application. This odor is temporary until the paint solidifies. All paints are reviewed by the MTA office of System Safety prior to their use and have ensured that they are handled safely and in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local regulations.

Work will be happening 7 days a week with normal work hours of 7:00am-7:00pm. Night shifts will only be in operation for decking installation on the structure, but this is not expected to be as noisy as daily painting activity.

Work will not affect subway operations for any extended period and in work areas. The parking lane will be occupied but will not affect regular traffic lanes.

Thank you for your patience while we perform this important work to improve the safety and longevity of our infrastructure.

Please find attached more information about the project you can feel free to share.

If you have any issues you can call the project hotline number at: 516-618-0570

**Megan Flynn**

Assistant Director, Government & Community Relations

New York City Transit

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## Community Briefing

### Jamaica Avenue Line Overcoating Project

#### What's Happening?

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MTA Construction & Development (C&D) is conducting a major infrastructure improvement project on the **Jamaica Avenue Line** (B Division – BMT), including the **East New York Leads and Loops**, in the **Borough of Brooklyn**.

The project involves:

- Removal of lead-based paint, dirt, grease, and other contaminants from structural steel in accordance with SSPC-SP10 (Society for Protective Coatings) and NACE International Standard Near-White Metal Blast Cleaning.
- Containment and disposal of all lead paint debris in accordance with SSPC Guide 6 and all applicable environmental regulations.
- Painting of all structural steel and associated enclosures within the project limits, except those located within passenger areas.

#### Why Lead Safety is a Priority?

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Many elevated transit structures were originally coated with **lead-based paint**. To protect public health, workers, and the environment, MTA follows **strict safety protocols** based on:

- **NYCT Policy Instruction 10.33.1 – Lead Particulate Management**
- **EPA, OSHA, NYSDEC, and NYC regulations**
- **AMPP (Association for Materials Protection and Performance)** guidelines, formerly known as SSPC

#### How We're Keeping You Safe

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- **Class 1A Containment:** The most stringent containment system recommended by AMPP is used to prevent dust and debris from escaping.
- **Certified Professionals:** All contractors and oversight staff are trained and certified in lead safety (AMPP C-3/C-5).
- **Independent Oversight:** A full-time environmental consultant monitors all paint removal activities and ensures compliance with safety plans.
- **Daily Cleaning:** Work areas are cleaned throughout the day using HEPA-filtered vacuums to prevent buildup of lead-containing debris.
- **OSS Approval:** The Office of System Safety (OSS) must approve all work plans and issues a Placard for Lead Disturbance, which is posted at the site.
- **Unannounced Inspections:** OSS inspectors conduct random site visits to ensure all safety protocols are followed.



**TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS ALONG THE JAMAICA (  ) SUBWAY LINE IN BROOKLYN**

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and our contractor Ahern Painting Contractors, Inc. are conducting a project to paint the Jamaica subway line's overhead structure throughout its Brooklyn portion, from Broadway Junction to the Williamsburg Bridge portal in Williamsburg.

The scope of work includes abrasive blasting as a surface preparation method, followed by the application of a new coating system that will prevent corrosion, improve appearance, and extend the usable lifespan of the structure.

This procedure will take place within a containment system that is the most stringent system recommended by the Association for Materials Protection and Performance (AMPP). The MTA has hired an environmental consultant that will be on site full time to monitor the paint removal activities to ensure requirements of the paint removal specifications and AMPP Guidelines are adhered to at all times.

Abrasive blasting operations are noise-generating activities. The New York City noise code will be followed and a construction noise mitigation plan will be conspicuously posted at the job site. In addition, during the painting process multiple paints will be used, which may create a strong odor upon application. This odor will be temporary until the paint solidifies. All paints have been reviewed by the MTA Office of System Safety prior to their use and have ensured that they are handled safely and in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local regulations.

We will be working on this project 7 days a week, with normal work hours of 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. On average, we will be in front of each area of work for approximately two weeks. Night shifts will only be in operation for decking installation on the structure, but this is not expected to be as noisy as the daily painting activity.

This work will not affect subway operations for any extended period. In work areas, we will be occupying the parking lane but will not affect regular traffic lanes.

We thank you for your patience while we perform this important work to improve the safety and longevity of our infrastructure.

Project hotline number (to be posted at each work area segment): 516-618-0570



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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Planned-Part Suspension: G Train Weeknights April 13-April 15 and April 20-24, Weekend April 17-20**

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**From:** Flynn, Megan  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2026 10:50 AM  
**To:** Flynn, Megan  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Planned-Part Suspension: G Train Weeknights April 13-April 15 and April 20-24, Weekend April 17-20

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Dear Community Stakeholder:

Sharing an update on service changes to the **G** train occurring overnight on **weeknights** of **April 13th-April 15<sup>th</sup>** and **April 20th-April 24<sup>th</sup>**, as well as the **weekend** of **April 17<sup>th</sup> -April 20<sup>th</sup>** in support of track maintenance.

**Weeknight: April 13-15, Monday to Wednesday and April 20-24, Monday to Friday, 9:45pm to 5:00am**

- There will be no **G** service between **Bedford-Nostrand Avs** and **Court Sq.**
- **G** service will run between **Church Av** and **Bedford-Nostrand Avs**, the last stop.
- Free B98 shuttle buses will make stops between **Bedford-Nostrand Avs** and **Court Sq.**

**Weekend: April 17-20, Friday 9:45pm to Monday 5:00am**

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As always please consult the MTA website or the MyMTA app for the latest service information and alternative service options. Customers can also sign up for the MTA's [customer real-time email and text alert system](#), or call 511 for service-related information. To stay up-to-date on weekend service, customers can sign up for our [MTA Weekender](#) newsletter.

**Megan Flynn**



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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] HWPR23KQ - Ped Ramp - Partial Sidewalk-Parking-Driveway Restrictions Advisory Effective - 03-19-2026**

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 2 attachments (379 KB)

HWPR23KQ - Ped Ramp - Partial Sidewalk-Parking-Driveway Restrictions Advisory Effective - 03-19-2026 Page 2 QUEENS.pdf;  
HWPR23KQ - Ped Ramp - Partial Sidewalk-Parking-Driveway Restrictions Advisory Effective - 03-19-2026 Page 1 Brooklyn.pdf;

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**From:** Ehsan Gholamzadeh

**Sent:** Thursday, March 19, 2026 11:34 AM

**To:** Ehsan Gholamzadeh

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] HWPR23KQ - Ped Ramp - Partial Sidewalk-Parking-Driveway Restrictions Advisory Effective - 03-19-2026

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Good morning,

As a reminder, please find attached Partial Sidewalk, Parking & Driveway Access Restriction Advisories which are effective, Monday 03-23-2026 through Friday, 04-24-2026, from 7:00am to 4:00pm (Sundays not included). This project is a movable operation and will not affect everyone simultaneously.

To avoid any inconvenience with your vehicle, please observe all signage posted and barrels staged 24hrs in advance by the Contractor. Please note, due to weather and/or field conditions it may become necessary to change work operations, dates, and/or work locations.

The Field Office is not handling any in-person appointments or meetings, at this time. Please call or email only.

Best Regards,

**Ehsan Gholamzadeh**

Community Construction Liaison (CCL)

Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps



# COMMUNITY ADVISORY

**PROJECT NAME:** Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps at Designated Locations

**PROJECT#:** HWPR23KQ

**BOROUGH:** BROOKLYN

**ADVISORY ISSUED:** 03/19/2026

## Partial Sidewalk, Parking & Driveway Access Restrictions

**Monday, 03/23/2026 to Friday, 04/24/2026  
from 7:00am - 4:00pm No Work On Sundays  
At the following locations:**

|                                                  |                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| HENDRIX ST & NEW LOTS AVE WEST LEG (SE CORNER)   | ORIENT AVE & OLIVE ST (SW/NE/NW/SE CORNER)    |
| LINWOOD ST & LINDEN BLVD (NE CORNER)             | MORGAN AVE & MASPETH AVE (SW CORNER)          |
| LINWOOD ST & DUMONT AVE (NW/SE CORNER)           | MORGAN AVE & SHARON ST (SW/NW CORNER)         |
| COZINE AVE & JEROME ST (SW/SE/NW/NE CORNER)      | ORIENT AVE & METROPOLITAN AVE (NW/NE CORNER)  |
| COZINE AVE & BARBEY ST (SW/NW CORNER)            | POWER ST & OLIVE ST (SE/NW/NE CORNER)         |
| COZINE AVE & HENDRIX ST (SW/SE/NW/NE CORNER)     | POWER ST AND JUDGE ST (SW/NE/SE CORNER)       |
| COZINE AVE & VAN SICLEN AVE (SW CORNER)          | POWER ST & HUMBOLDT ST (NE CORNER)            |
| COZINE AVE & NEW JERSEY AVE (NE/NW/SE/SW CORNER) | WALTON ST & WALLABOUT ST (NW/SE/NE CORNER)    |
| COZINE AVE & GEORGIA AVE (NW/NE/SW/SE CORNER)    | LEE AVE & MIDDLETON ST (SW/NE/NW/SE CORNER)   |
| WORTMAN AVE & JEROME ST (SW/NW CORNER)           | LEE AVE & KEAP ST (NE/SE CORNER)              |
| WORTMAN AVE & NEW JERSEY AVE (NE/SE CORNER)      | LEE AVE & WILLIAMSBURG ST EAST (NE/SE CORNER) |
| WORTMAN AVE & WARWICK ST (SW CORNER)             | WILLIAMSBURG ST WEST & BEDFORD AVE (SW/NW)    |
| WORTMAN AVE & BARBEY ST (SW CORNER)              | WILLIAMSBURG ST WEST & WYTHE AVE (NW/NE/SE)   |
| SHEFFIELD AVE & RIVERDALE AVE (NE/NW CORNER)     | BERRY ST & METROPOLITAN AVE (NE/SW CORNER)    |
| SHEFFIELD AVE & DUMONT AVE (NE/SE CORNER)        | BERRY ST & NORTH 4TH ST (NE/SW/SE CORNER)     |
| SHEFFIELD AVE & BLAKE AVE (NW CORNER)            | KENT AVE & NORTH 5TH ST (NE CORNER)           |
| SHEFFIELD AVE & SUTTER AVE (SW/NE/NW/SE CORNER)  | BERRY ST & NORTH 5TH ST (NE CORNER)           |
| SHEFFIELD AVE & BELMONT AVE (SW CORNER)          | BERRY ST & NORTH 8TH ST (NW/SE CORNER)        |
| MORGAN AVE & DEVOE ST (SW/NE/NW CORNER)          | BEDFORD AVE & NORTH 11TH ST (NE CORNER)       |
| MORGAN AVE & MAUJER ST (SW/NW CORNER)            | WYTHE AVE & NORTH 12TH ST (SE CORNER)         |
| MORGAN AVE & METROPOLITAN AVE (SW/NE/NW CORNER)  | KENT AVE & NORTH 12TH ST (NW CORNER)          |

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PLEASE NOTE: Due to unforeseen conditions  
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necessary to change some scheduled work  
locations and operations.



# COMMUNITY ADVISORY

**PROJECT NAME:** Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps at Designated Locations

**PROJECT#:** HWPR23KQ

**BOROUGH:** QUEENS

**ADVISORY ISSUED:** 03/19/2026

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68TH DR & GRAND CENTRAL PKWY (SW CORNER)  
68TH DR & 108TH ST (SW/NE CORNER)  
70TH AVE & METROPOLITAN AVE (NW CORNER)  
95TH AVE & 129TH ST (SE CORNER)  
95TH AVE & 134TH ST (NE CORNER)  
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162ND AVE & 86TH ST (SE CORNER)

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] HWPR23KQ - Simple Upgrades Ped Ramps - Weekly Construction Bulletins - 04-06-2026 - 04-11-2026**

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**From:** Ehsan Gholamzadeh

**Sent:** Friday, April 3, 2026 1:20 PM

**To:** Ehsan Gholamzadeh

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] HWPR23KQ - Simple Upgrades Ped Ramps - Weekly Construction Bulletins - 04-06-2026 - 04-11-2026

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Good afternoon,

Please see the attached Weekly Construction Bulletin for Project HWPR23KQ Simple Upgrades Ped Ramps – Brooklyn and Queens; effective 04/06/2026 - 04/11/2026. This project is a movable operation and will not affect everyone simultaneously.

To avoid any inconvenience with your vehicle, please observe all signage posted and barrels staged 24hrs in advance by the Contractor. Please note, due to weather and/or field conditions it may become necessary to change work operations, dates, and/or work locations.

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Best Regards,

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Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps

NYC-DDC Project ID # HWPR23KQ

# WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

04/06/26 - 04/11/26

## Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps at Designated Locations

**PROJECT#:HWPR23KQ**

**BOROUGH:BROOKLYN**

**DATEISSUED:04/03/2026**

The following is an anticipated work schedule for the upcoming week. However, due to unforeseen field and weather conditions, it may become necessary to change some scheduled work locations, operations and dates.

| DATE              | WORK HOURS      | LOCATIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | OPERATIONS                                                                                                                     |
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| 04/06/26-04/11/26 | 7:00 am-3:30 pm | HENDRIX ST & NEW LOTS AVE WEST LEG (SE CORNER)<br>COZINE AVE & JEROME ST (NE CORNER)<br>COZINE AVE & BARBEY ST (SW CORNER)<br>COZINE AVE & HENDRIX ST (SW/NW/NE CORNER)<br>COZINE AVE & NEW JERSEY AVE (SE CORNER)<br>COZINE AVE & GEORGIA AVE (NW/NE CORNER)<br>WORTMAN AVE & JEROME ST (SW/NW CORNER)<br>WORTMAN AVE & NEW JERSEY AVE (NE/SE CORNER)<br>WORTMAN AVE & WARWICK ST (SW CORNER)<br>SHEFFIELD AVE & RIVERDALE AVE (NW CORNER)<br>SHEFFIELD AVE & DUMONT AVE (NE/SE CORNER)<br>SHEFFIELD AVE & BLAKE AVE (NW CORNER)<br>SHEFFIELD AVE & SUTTER AVE (NW/SE CORNER)<br>SHEFFIELD AVE & BELMONT AVE (SW/SE CORNER)<br>MORGAN AVE & DEVOE ST (SW/NE/NW CORNER)<br>MORGAN AVE & MAUJER ST (SW/NW CORNER)<br>MORGAN AVE & METROPOLITAN AVE (SW/NE/NW CORNER)<br>ORIENT AVE & OLIVE ST (SW/NE/NW/SE CORNER)<br>MORGAN AVE & MASPETH AVE (SW CORNER)<br>MORGAN AVE & SHARON ST (SW/NW CORNER)<br>ORIENT AVE & METROPOLITAN AVE (NW/NE CORNER)<br>POWER ST & OLIVE ST (SE/NW/NE CORNER)<br>POWER ST AND JUDGE ST (SW/NE/SE CORNER)<br>POWER ST & HUMBOLDT ST (NE CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & METROPOLITAN AVE (NE/SW CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 4TH ST (NE/SW/SE CORNER)<br>KENT AVE & NORTH 5TH ST (NE CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 5TH ST (NE CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 8TH ST (NW/SE/SW CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 9TH ST (SE CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 10 ST (NW CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 11TH ST (NW/SE/NE CORNER)<br>BERRY ST & NORTH 12TH ST (NE/SW/SE CORNER)<br>BEDFORD AVE & NORTH 11TH ST (NE/SW/NW/SE CORNER)<br>WYTHE AVE & NORTH 12TH ST (SE/NW/NE CORNER)<br>KENT AVE & NORTH 12TH ST (NW CORNER) | Sawcut, excavate, material disposal, install curb & forms, compact subgrade, restore concrete sidewalk, & asphalt restoration. |

**WATER SHUT-OFF NOTIFICATIONS:** In addition to a 72-hour Advisory, a prior 24-hour notification will be distributed / posted to any / all affected locations(s).

**NO PARKING SIGNS:** Will be distributed / posted 72 hours prior to the temporary elimination of street parking. Please observe posted parking regulations in construction areas.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Ehsan Gholamzadeh, the Community Construction Liaison at (347) 867-8413 or HWPR23KQCCL@GMAIL.COM

# WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

04/06/26 - 04/11/26

## Rehabilitation of Pedestrian Ramps at Designated Locations

**PROJECT#: HWPR23KQ**

**BOROUGH: QUEENS**

**DATE ISSUED: 04/03/2026**

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Planned-Stops Skipped: J/M train April 18th-April 19th**

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**From:** Flynn, Megan  
**Sent:** Friday, April 3, 2026 2:53 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Megan  
**Cc:** DePalma, Luke  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Planned-Stops Skipped: J/M train April 18th-April 19th

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Dear Community Stakeholder,

Due to structural maintenance, in **Brooklyn Manhattan-bound J/M skips Flushing Av, Lorimer St, and Hewes St, from April 18th-19th Saturday 3:45am to Sunday 10:00pm.**

For service to these stations, take the **J** or **M** to **Delancey St-Essex St** and transfer to a **Crescent St-bound J** or **Middle Village-bound M**.

For service from these stations, take the **J** or **M** to **Myrtle Av** and transfer to a **Manhattan-bound J** or **M**.

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**Megan Flynn**

Assistant Director, Government & Community Relations

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NYC-DDC Project ID # HWPR23KQ

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04/13/26 - 04/18/26

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**BOROUGH:** BROOKLYN

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**From:** [BK01 \(CB\)](#)  
**To:** [Castrillon, Luis](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXTERNAL] Open air music venues  
**Date:** Monday, March 16, 2026 10:08:09 AM

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Send board members, Sla Committee and licenses and respond back.

Also tag.

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**From:** tamsen <> **Sent:** Sunday, March 15, 2026 2:35 PM  
**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; BK04@cb.nyc.gov (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Open air music venues

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Hello,

I am a tenant at Troutman Street and understand that there may be a community board meeting on April 14, 2026 that will provide the opportunity for the neighborhood to speak out about the noise produced by the numerous open air venues. And in particular Avant Garder/Pacha reopening.

I wrote CB04 in **2018** to complain about this issue in regards to Mirage and Elsewhere, only to see even MORE clubs open. Things had gotten so back that one Sunday morning at 6am, my husband and I walked down in our pajamas to identify which venue was the offender, to find out that it was at 1896 Studios on Johnson. Yes, we were awoken to thumping music from that Indoor venue on Johnson, all the way to Troutman street.

So thank you for allowing us to provide feedback on how these music venues are unconstrained and unapologetic about noise pollution, or being neighborly (let's not even start with trash and puke after weekend events)

Best,  
Tamsen Young

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**[EXTERNAL] Community Request for stipulations to AG1 Acquisition LLC (Pacha NYC) liquor license**

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**From** Gabrielle Bradley <>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 1:36 PM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; bk04@cb.nyc.gov <bk04@cb.nyc.gov>; nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com

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Hello,

My name is Gabrielle Bradley, I live at Jefferson Street, only 1100 feet from the former Avant Gardner/Mirage site (see attached map). The residents of this building, as well as several neighboring buildings as close as 700 feet away (map also attached), have significant concerns in granting a liquor license to the new owners in creating "Pacha NYC", particularly if there were to be no stipulations and conditions to the permit, such as:

- Hours of operation
- Permitted hours for outdoor amplified sound
- Community approved Traffic and Safety Plans
- Plan to mitigate light pollution (lasers, large Times-Square style LED screens)
- Number of full-capacity days, and/or days with extended hours per year
- Consequences for non-compliance (ie. withdrawal of the license)

1. **NYC Noise Guidelines prevent outdoor amplified sound after 10pm**, please see page 6: <https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dep/downloads/pdf/air/noise/noise-code-guide-summary.pdf>

- There are no other outdoor venues allowed to have sound in NYC until 4am, to say nothing of sunrise, or 24 hours, which has been suggested.
- Without clear conditions for the liquor permit, there is nothing to prevent 24/7 sound past sunrise.
- 311 calls have been largely ineffective. If there are no noise restrictions as a condition of a liquor permit, there is nothing to prevent noise from escalating to an unbearable level in the

local community.

- Calls to the DEP and NYPD have been similarly ineffective. City agencies monitor noise violations during business hours, not the late night/early morning hours of concern.
- No audio study has been made public, though this was alluded to in the CB1 SLA meeting in February. This should be a precondition prior to the issuance of any license. It should be a condition of the license that sound limits are honored, and if not, that the license may be revoked at ANY time.
- Any sound metering should take place at the nearest residential buildings for real results, in addition to the metering the street outside the building.
- It is simply not possible to contain bass frequency waves in an open air venue at any hour, certainly not after 10pm when sound travels further in the night. If the applicant wishes to host events past this time, the venue should be enclosed.
- The applicant must demonstrate they are successfully able to contain sound before 10pm, before any approval of a later hour is considered.
- A citywide noise curfew of 10pm exists to preserve the well-being of all who live in the communities- no entity should be granted an exception to this.

## **2. New owners require a new application with fresh evaluation, NOT a transfer of license.**

- CB1 granted a liquor license previously without any input from residents of CB4 just across Flushing Ave, who have been living with the noise, traffic, and light pollution since its inception. CB1 publicly stated they were unaware of any residential proximity at the time they approved the prior permits.
- The Mirage previously utilized a series of temporary occupancy and liquor permits, any outdoor use should be considered as temporary rather than permanent ( as the new applicant suggested).

## **3. Pacha NYC has already sold an estimated 16,000 tickets for June events, before any approvals for occupancy or liquor permits have been granted**

- There is a demonstrable history of non-compliance at this venue, with no meaningful enforcement or consequences
- AG almost never closed at 4:30am. The times they did outweigh the times they didn't by far, as neighbors we can attest to this.
- The prior applicants had several deaths and paid 275K in penalties, there's no reason to believe new operators won't be just as bad or worse. For a venue that can bring in millions, fines are not a significant deterrent or consequence to force compliance.
- The Avant Gardner bankruptcy is allowing the new owners and their financiers to "settle" the debts of our community's workers and their vendors by paying pennies on the dollar, while reaping the benefits of a supposed transfer of license. It is not in support or the interest of the New York communities that foreign billionaires are able to reap any supposed existing licensing at a venue that left hundreds of local workers and vendors unpaid.
- There was no phone number for complaints, nor any community liaison, which was a stipulation of Avant Gardner being allowed to remain in operation per public SLA filings.
- There was no community visibility into the results of required quarterly meetings with police community affairs, nor notice of each event in advance, unless the 90th precinct can say otherwise for the past owners.

## **4. Unclear plans for the 2027 season**

- It is unclear if the operational plan for this summer will be the same in perpetuity. If a license is granted, it must be for the specific layout and conditional hours of operation in 2026, and not allow infinite expansion and construction into 2027.

## **5. Unsustainable traffic impact to a small neighborhood**

- An 8000 capacity venue is really a 10,000 person capacity venue, if not more, with entry/exit throughout the night. The Mirage has a history of doing an "early show" and a "late show", and there's no reason they couldn't squeeze 3 shows into 24 hours. So this could be 20,000-30,000 people coming off the Jefferson L train stop, every weekend, or every day, if they choose to program it so.
- Without clear stipulations on the number of large scale events, and total daily capacity as a condition for a liquor permit, there would be no reason why the new owners could not program to the maximum capacity every day and night henceforth.
- The maps AG/Pacha have provided are not accurate, the closest residential building is 700', our building is 1100', see attached diagrams. A few of these buildings are "loft law" buildings with hundreds of residents, though they may not show as residentially zoned due to this. Known residential buildings are circled in green on the attachments.
- At the CB1 SLA meeting in February the applicant said they wouldn't operate at full capacity every night. There needs to be clear population stipulations that are a revocable condition of the permit, as well as the number of days per year that full capacity events are allowed, including "early" and "late" shows doubling the volume of attendees to the neighborhood.
- Public urination, intoxication, disorderly conduct, litter, and double parking are already rampant in a community with an extremely high concentration of nightlife venues clustered around the Jefferson L train stop; adding a 10,000 person outdoor amphitheater will not help mitigate this.

## **6. The applicant's relationship with the former licensee and present conduct undermines their credibility.**

- Pacha's brand history is not that of a neighborhood-conscious operator; it is a globally recognized mega-club enterprise built around maximum volume, maximum capacity, and maximum revenue--values that are fundamentally at odds with the residential community that surround this venue. This Board should understand clearly what kind of organization it would be licensing: Not a local business seeking to participate in its community, but an institutional, Dubai-funded billion-dollar nightlife brand with the legal resources, political connections, and financial depth to outlast any regulatory challenges mounted against it.
- Additionally, Axar's deal to shift operations to Five Holdings (parent company) was characterized in court filings as having been 'negotiated in secret' with the bankruptcy court itself only learning of the arrangement after it was leaked to the press--illustrating a pattern of opacity that residents of this area are now being asked to simply accept & trust will not continue. (source: [BKMAG](#))

## **6. The applicant is clearly attempting to circumvent the public comment process**

- On multiple dates, AG1 has rescheduled their public presentation, frustrating those who wish to comment.
- AG1 had successfully moved their State Liquor Authority (SLA) license hearings to April 7th, AHEAD of the public community board hearing on April 14th, in a clear violation of SLA policy and protocols. It was only after this was brought directly to the attention of CB1 that their SLA hearing was rescheduled for the following month.
- Our elected representatives, the State Liquor Authority, and Community Boards must adhere to the established protocols allowing community and public comment on licensing businesses with the potential to dramatically transform and degrade their home and residential neighbors. Attempts to circumvent the public comment process should not be tolerated, whether by the applicant, or at any other level of governance.

Thank you for your attention and consideration for the local residents that will be impacted.

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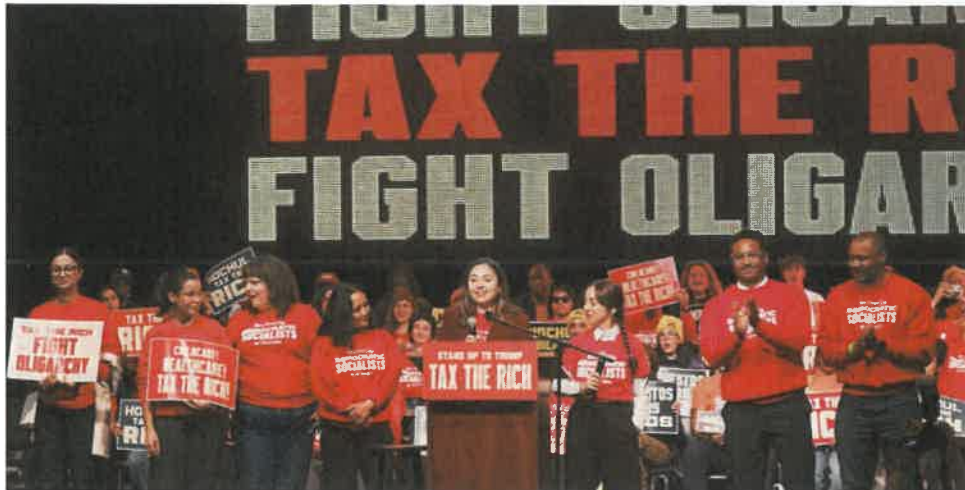


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## Board Report | April 2026

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### ***Senator Kristen Gonzalez Rallies With US Senator Bernie Sanders to Tax the Rich!***



New Yorkers deserve a state that invests in our communities and builds a city that puts the needs of the working-class above the 1%. Senator Gonzalez introduced legislation (S9189A) that would allow New York City to raise taxes on the wealthiest corporations and fund essential public services. The bill would allow NYC to raise \$1.75 billion and help to close the City's budget gap left by Mayor Adams. This legislation is included in the Senate's One House budget and Senator Gonzalez is continuing to fight for it to be included in the final budget.

Last month, Kristen spoke at Tax the Rich Rallies in Albany, Lower Manhattan, and joined US Senator Bernie Sanders in the Bronx to call on Governor Hochul to tax the rich and include her bill in the State's budget.

Last year, corporations saw over \$3.4 trillion in profits, meanwhile New Yorkers are struggling to afford to stay in the city they call home. Tesla paid no Federal corporate income taxes last year, and while Trump's tax cuts will give \$12 billion back to the wealthiest New Yorkers, 1 million people in the state are at risk of losing their healthcare and 200,000 could lose their SNAP benefits. As the City faces a budget deficit, we need to raise revenue so we can invest in education, housing, food access, healthcare and build the city we deserve.

### **North Brookly Street Safety Showcase**



Last Month, Senator Gonzalez joined community members for the North Brooklyn Safety Street Showcase. This annual event provides a space for community residents to learn more about the community led projects to improve street safety and enhance pedestrian spaces. The Senator enjoyed connecting with many local leaders including PS110 Safe Streets Committee, Berry Open Streets, and Make McGuinness Safe.

The Senator is working alongside community members, on an ambitious design that prioritizes the creation of vibrant public spaces and a roadway that truly serves the neighborhood. We must ensure that DOTs proposed road diet is comprehensive and addresses the specific safety issues that have been raised by residents.

Senator Gonzalez champions a design with fully protected cycling lanes, measures to reduce vehicle speeds, improved pedestrian safety, hardened daylighting, new crosswalks, loading zones, and green infrastructure to address flooding risk.

### **Senator Gonzalez Calls for the Passage of NY4ALL**

No one should fear deportation while going to school, going to the doctor, or seeking basic government services. As violence against immigrant communities intensifies, Senator Gonzalez joined the New York Immigration Coalition and Make the Road NY for a press conference last month to demand the passage of the NY For All Act. There, mass detentions and deportations the cornerstone of its violent agenda. They are acting unlawfully, stripping permanent residents, threatening sanctuary cities and community spaces like schools and churches where everyone deserves to feel safe. They are targeting families, children, people who have committed no crimes. Senator Gonzalez co-sponsors S141, and the NY4All Act (S2235A) to protect immigrant New Yorkers.



### **Senator Kristen Gonzalez Stands Up For Trans Youth and Fights for Gender-Affirming Care**

Both NYU Langone and Mount Sinai hospital systems caved to the Trump Administration and canceled gender-affirming care for people under 19 years old, endangering trans and gender expansive youth across NYC. Senator Gonzalez is standing up for trans rights by demanding NYU Langone and all hospital systems reinstate this essential healthcare. She has also introduced legislation, S7924A, to establish an \$8 million Gender-Affirming Care Fund to support providers offering gender-affirming services. This fund will



help ensure continuity of care for transgender New Yorkers and stabilize access to care as hospitals face increasing political and financial pressure to reduce or eliminate services.

Senator Kristen Gonzalez said, “The decision to capitulate to the Trump Administration puts young people in need of life saving care at risk... To win a city where all New Yorkers have a dignified life, we must continue to fight for our trans neighbors, defend their right to gender affirming care, and push our state legislature to fund this healthcare.”

In the immediate aftermath of this decision, Senator Gonzalez joined Assemblymember Jessica González-Rojas, and Councilmembers Tiffany Cabán, Chi Ossé, and Virginia Maloney in circulating a letter demanding that NYU Langone reverse the discontinuation of their Youth Gender-Affirming Care Program, and 73 NY legislators signed on.

### **Senator Gonzalez Rallies with Sunrise Movement at Con Edison Plant in Manhattan**



Senator Gonzalez joined the Sunrise Movement on March 15th for their press conference at the Con Edison East River Generating Station calling on Con Edison to lower their utility rates. She spoke about the inextricable link between the energy crisis that New York faces and the state's need to meet the moment in building renewable energy. More and more New Yorkers are having to choose between putting food on their tables and keeping their lights on.

### **Senator Kristen Gonzalez Defends New York's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act**

As the Governor considers rollbacks to the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), Senator Gonzalez has defended its integrity and is calling for more action to meet our climate goals. She introduced the Public Power Democracy Act (S8610) to create transparency in the New York Power Authority (NYPA) and continues to advocate for the urgency with which New York must address the climate crisis.



She joined numerous climate organizations including: the Renewable Heat Now campaign, Alliance for a Green Economy (AGREE), New Yorkers for Clean Power, Sane Energy Project, Sierra Club Atlantic Chapter, Food and Water Watch, NYPIRG, New York Communities for Change, EarthJustice, Third Act Upstate, 350 Brooklyn, Climate Parents, Environmental Advocates, Citizen Action, NYLCV, Climate Reality Project, WE ACT, Mothers Out Front, Communities for Local Power, & FrackAction.

Senator Gonzalez has advocated for the transition off of a fossil fuel-reliant grid, for the sake of New York's climate goals and affordability agenda. She recently penned an op-ed with Assembly member Emily Gallagher on the direct link between the increased costs of utilities and New York's dependence on gas infrastructure. Read about how "Lowering energy bills starts with getting New York off fossil fuels" here. The Senator was also quoted in Inside Climate News: "The reason that we're seeing our utility prices increase is our reliance on fossil fuels. When I ask for the maximum build-out of renewables ... it is because I understand that that is what will eventually drive down costs."

### **Senator Gonzalez Hosts Healthcare Resource Fair in Greenpoint**



Last month, Senator Gonzalez partnered with the NYS Department of Health, NYC Department of Mental Health & Hygiene, and various community organizations for a Healthcare Resource Fair, at the Polish & Slavic Center in Greenpoint. This was an opportunity for community members to get free flu shots, and hear directly from health care providers and organizations about the services and resources available to them.

**Senator Gonzalez Introduces Legislation to Regulate AI Chatbots and Protect Young People From Unsafe Features**

On Wednesday, February 25, 2026 the New York State Senate Committee on Internet & Technology, Chaired by State Senator Kristen Gonzalez, passed a package of legislation to regulate AI chatbots. The bills include legislation to protect minors from unsafe features in chatbots (S9051) and to prevent AI from impersonating certain licensed professionals, including mental healthcare workers (S7263). The Committee passed these bills at the first meeting of the legislative session as priorities to urgently address growing concerns about the effects of AI Chatbots, especially on minors and in mental health settings. These bills were among 11 that passed in the Committee's first meeting.



The Senator's bill to protect young people from unsafe chatbot features was drafted in partnership with Attorney General Letitia James and Common Sense Media. Upon the bill's introduction, Senator Gonzalez said, "Companion chatbots are endangering our youth. The longer we wait to regulate these applications, the more kids are left vulnerable to exploitation. We must protect children from the risks associated with these chatbots. I am proud to be partnering with Attorney General James to keep kids safe from dangerous uses of AI chatbots, and I urge the legislature to join me in passing these protections."

**Senator Gonzalez Advocates for Universal Childcare**

Last month, Senator Gonzalez stood with families, United Auto Workers Local 9A, United Neighborhood Houses, Jews for Racial and Economic Justice, Chinese American Planning Council, NYC-DSA, Small Business Majority, and more to demand universal and permanent childcare. New York is making strides in childcare funding, and establishing initiatives to put working families first, but there's still so much work to do.



She emphasized the significance of investing in this new generation of New Yorkers, and the need to do so by increasing funding for the workforce and taxing the rich.

### **City & State Higher Education Summit**

Senator Gonzalez joined City & State's Higher Education Summit for a panel on "STEM, Technology & AI Innovation Across New York's Higher Education System." The Senator discussed the role of AI in the modern day workforce, and what she's working on in the legislature to address the risks of using this new technology for decision-making, as well as how to properly educate the public on both the uses and dangers of AI. She was joined by spokespeople from the Office of the State Comptroller, NYS High Education Services Corporation, IBM, and the Executive Leadership Institute.



### **Senator Gonzalez Hosts the National Association of Social Workers for their Lobby Day**

Last month, Senator Gonzalez joined the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) lobby day, to advocate for her bill, The Oversight of Technology in Mental Health Care Act (S8484). The use of AI in therapy is dangerous. There have been too many instances of chatbots giving unhealthy advice that have led to tragic instances. The Senator stood with social workers to advocate for better recruitment and retention efforts as demand for the field continues. The lobby day also called for the passage of: a bill to strengthen school-based mental health services and expand access to school social workers (S376), an expansion of student loan forgiveness programs (S1113), and the establish a paid MSW field placement pilot program (S7894).

### **Senator Gonzalez Joins Mayor Mamdani, Workers Justice Project, and Los Deliverista Unidos for Iftar in Williamsburg**

In celebration of Ramadan, and to honor the hardworking deliveristas who continue to serve NYC while fasting, Senator Gonzalez joined Mayor Mamdani, the Workers Justice Project, and Los Deliveristas Unidos, for Iftar earlier this month. The Senator expressed her gratitude, respect, and commitment to fighting for workers' justice, including livable wages and safe conditions, to the Muslim deliveristas in attendance.



**Senator Kristen Gonzalez Joins 150 UAW Members and Leaders Advocating for Key Priorities to be Included in the State Budget**

Senator Gonzalez joined UAW Region 9 Director Jimmy Lakeman, UAW Region 9A Director Brandon Mancilla, dozens of State Assemblymembers and Senators, and members and leaders of UAW Region 9 and 9A for their lobby day calling for the inclusion of priority legislation in the State Budget. This included tax the rich initiatives like the Senator's bill, S9189A, the Corporate Fair Share Act, to increase the corporate tax rate in NYC.



**Meeker Ave Plume Community Advisory Group**

On Wednesday, April 8th, the Meeker Ave Plume Community Advisory Group met for their monthly meeting for an update from EPA. The Meeker Avenue Plume covers several areas in Greenpoint and east Williamsburg that were polluted by dry cleaning and metalworking businesses decades ago. The Plume was discovered in 2007, and after investigations and action by the State, the EPA added the Meeker Avenue Plume site to the Superfund program's National Priorities List in March 2022. The department is now providing federal resources to clean up the contaminated

soil and groundwater. The EPA did 3 rounds of testing in March of 2026 for a total of 18 properties tested and a total of 259 prosperities to date. EPA is offering free testing and free mitigation for any properties that request it.

Senator Gonzalez is working with the CAG to bring legislation to establish "Right to Test" and "Right to Know." Senator Gonzalez believes that property owners should not be able to block crucial environmental testing for basement and ground floor units. Tenants also deserve full transparency regarding the results.

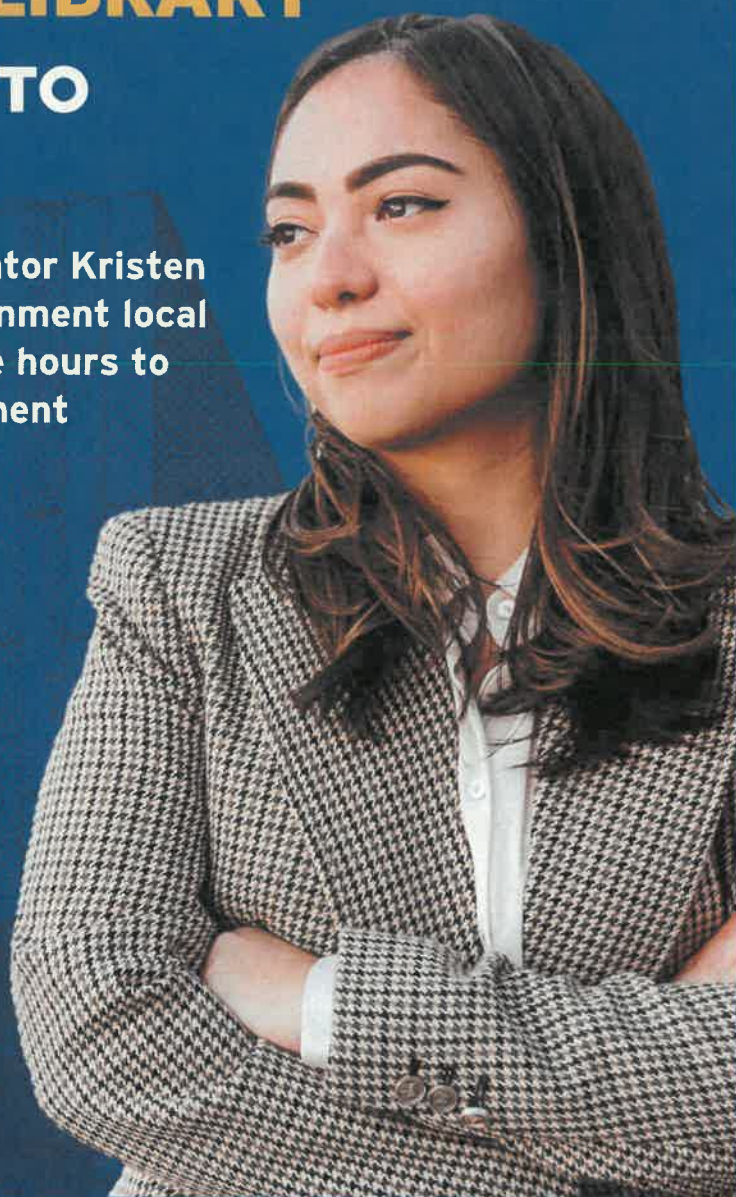
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## Velázquez E-Update

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### **U.S. War in Iran**

President Trump has launched a war in Iran that has cost the lives of [American soldiers](#) and driven up [fuel prices](#) at home. The attacks were launched without Congressional approval, a move that defies the U.S. Constitution and is likely [unconstitutional](#), according to scholars and experts. In March, Rep. Velázquez warned that “strikes on Iran are dragging us into another endless conflict.” The Congresswoman quickly called on Congress to reassert its constitutional authority by passing Rep. Khanna and Rep. Massie’s War Powers Resolution to put a stop to U.S. military action against Iran. Later in the month, the Congresswoman continued speaking out against the war, [arguing](#) that the additional \$200 billion in funding [requested](#) by the Department of Defense should be spent “on the American people, not more death and destruction overseas.”

### **Introducing a Cuba War Powers Resolution**

Rep. Velázquez introduced H.J.Res.153 - To direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Republic of Cuba that have not been authorized by Congress. The Congresswoman introduced this legislation in response to a military blockade that collapsed the country’s electrical grid and left as many as [10 million](#) without power. While Cuba faces a [humanitarian crisis](#), President Trump has stated that he can “do anything I want with it.” The combination of the military blockade and the President’s statements prove “that Congress must reassert its constitutional authority and stop another disastrous war before

it's too late" Rep. Velázquez argued as she introduced the resolution. The resolution would return stability to Cuba by permanently ending the military blockade and preventing future hostilities.

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**Democratic lawmaker tries to prevent Trump from launching military offensive in Cuba without congressional approval**



### **Funding Critical Safety Projects in the District**

Over the past year, Rep. Velázquez has fought to secure Community Project Funding for two projects to improve security lighting at New York City Housing Authority developments. In March, the Congresswoman was proud to present checks to fund these projects at Ravenswood Houses and Borinquen Plaza II.

At Ravenswood Houses, the Congresswoman secured \$3.15 million to upgrade diesel floodlights with clean and modern exterior lighting fixtures. For years, residents have been forced to breathe in diesel fumes that negatively impact their respiratory health and are especially dangerous for those with preexisting respiratory conditions, children, and seniors. Additionally, the new lighting will improve visibility in dimly lit areas, helping to deter crime. As she presented the check, Rep. Velázquez [said](#) that she was proud to deliver "a real solution... that will make Ravenswood safer and healthier for families."

The Congresswoman also secured \$2 million for Borinquen Plaza II to install new security lighting across the development. This investment will help create well-lit public spaces that decrease crime, enhance visibility, and help residents feel safer as they walk through their neighborhood. The security lighting projects at Ravenswood and Borinquen Plaza II "reflect what I hear from residents across the district: Safety is a top priority, and better lighting is one of the most effective ways to address it," Rep. Velázquez said as she delivered the check to Borinquen Plaza II.



## Supporting Small Business Innovation

In March, the U.S. House of Representatives passed S. 3971 - the Small Business Innovation and Economic Security Act, which reauthorizes the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs. These programs are key in fueling technological innovation by America's small business. As Ranking Member of the Committee on Small Business, Rep. Velázquez has consistently advocated for the SBIR and STTR programs to "provide entrepreneurs with the resources they need to transform bold ideas into technology that will fuel our economy, strengthen supply chains, and safeguard our future." After successfully advocating for passage of this legislation on the House floor, the Congresswoman and her colleagues on the Small Business and Science, Space, and Technology Committees celebrated this "critical win for the small businesses that drive American innovation."

## Puerto Rico Ferry Price Hikes

The Puerto Rico Ferry route between Ceiba and the Island Municipalities of Vieques and Culebra which is the only reliable means of transportation in the area. Puerto Rico's Integrated Transportation Authority (PRITA) has proposed price hikes that would raise fares from \$4.00 or 4.50 to \$22.50, an increase of 400%. This change represents a serious challenge for Puerto Ricans who travel to these islands frequently for work, business, or to visit family. Residents have also documented concerns about the impact on tourism and disaster aid as higher fares make getting to the islands more challenging. In increasing fares so drastically, Puerto Rico's Integrated Transportation Authority appears to be violating federal regulations associated with grants and awards received from the Federal Transit Authority (FTA). Rep. Velázquez is leading the call for the FTA to investigate the implementation of the fare increases and keep these key transportation route affordable to all Puerto Ricans. In March, the Congresswoman led her colleagues in a letter to the FTA calling for quick action on this issue.

## Passover Food Distribution

To mark the celebration of Passover, Congresswoman Velázquez joined fellow public officials in visiting a food distribution site and discussing constituent services needs in the community. The Congresswoman wishes a happy and meaningful Passover to constituents.



## Celebrating Ramadan

Rep. Velázquez was honored to join the many New Yorkers celebrating the holy month of Ramadan at a civic engagement dinner hosted by the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group (BAAG). BAAG works to ensure that community voices are heard in the civic process. The Congresswoman discussed opportunities to represent the community in Congress and wished all those observing a reflective and renewing month.



## Legislative Activity

### Bills Sponsored by Rep. Velázquez:

- **H.J.Res.153 – To direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Republic of Cuba that have not been authorized by Congress** – This War Powers Resolution would direct the President to remove the United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against Cuba unless Congress explicitly authorizes the use of military force.
- **H.R.7855 – The Guarantee Access to Arts and Music Education Act of 2026** – This bill would allow for federal funds granted to local educational agencies to be used to improve access to music and arts education for disadvantaged and low-income students.
- **H.Res.1108 – Expressing support for designation of March 2026 as Music in Our Schools Month** – This resolution calls on Congress to recognize the importance of music to the Nation's culture, the history of music education in schools, identifies the unequitable access to music

education across the country, and highlights the documented benefits of music education on students learning outcomes.

**Bills Co-sponsored by Rep. Velázquez:**

- **H.R. 7829 – Disaster Aid Without Delay Act of 2026** – This bill would prevent the Secretary of Homeland Security from placing an arbitrary monetary threshold that conditions, delays, or requires additional approval for the use of disaster relief funds made available to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- **H.R. 8055 – Extending WIC for New Moms Act** – This bill would expand eligibility for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) programs from 6-12 months to 24 months during the postpartum and breast-feeding periods.
- **H.R. 8085 – Ultra-Millionaire Tax Act of 2026** – This bill would impose a 2% annual tax on households whose net worth is above \$50 million and a 3% annual tax on households with net worth above \$1 billion. Additionally, the bill provides additional funding to the Internal Revenue Service to support anti-evasion measures.
- **H.R. 8103 – Prevent and Unconstitutional War in Cuba Act** – This bill would prevent the President from using any funds appropriated by Congress for the Federal Government to be used for military force against Cuba.
- **H.R. 8158 – Reproductive Healthcare Leave Act** – This bill would require that employers provide paid leave time to allow employees to address symptoms related to reproductive health conditions and for reproductive health care procedures.

For a full list of legislation co-sponsored by Rep. Velázquez, click [here](#).

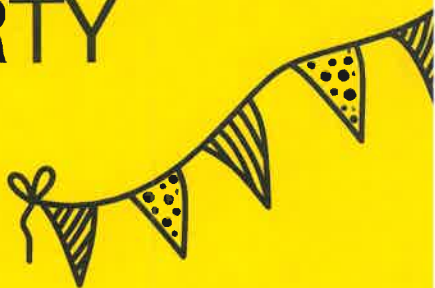
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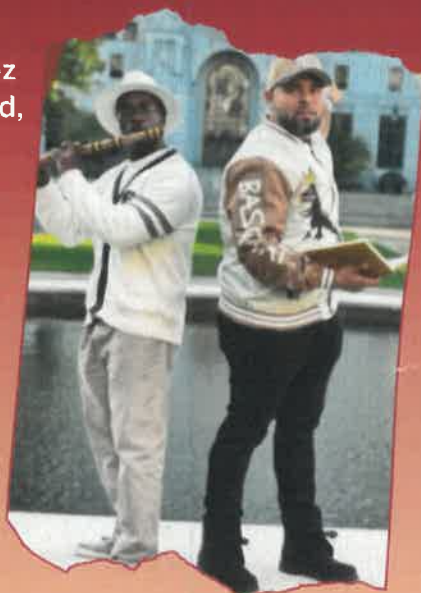
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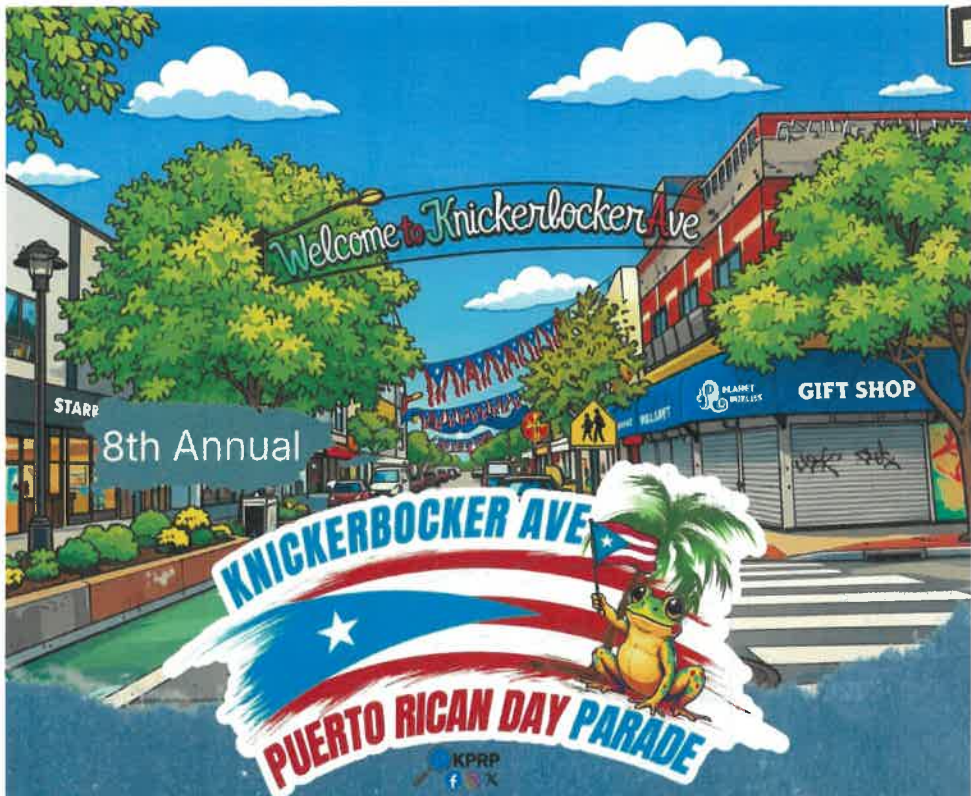


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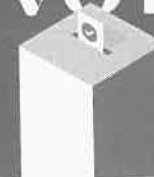
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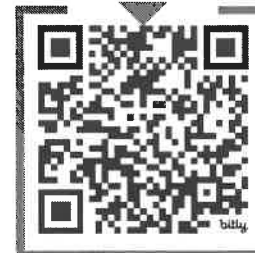


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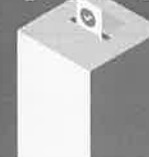
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NYC Parks

## **Community Board 1 Monthly Parks Update – April 2026**

### **McCarren Park Asphalt Field Community Input Meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**

We want your input! Please join NYC Parks for a virtual meeting to share your ideas and vision for the redesign of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field. This project was funded by Mayor Zohran Mamdani, Borough President Antonio Reynoso, and Council Member Lincoln Restler.

Register [here](#).

### **Happenings at the McCarren Play Center by Center Manager Harold Benjamin**

- Partnering with the 94<sup>th</sup> Precinct, the McCarren Play Center started an annual flag football game. The game consisted of our high school flag football team against the 94th precincts' team for bragging rights as the best team in Greenpoint/Williamsburg. Next year will be bigger and better!
- McCarren Play Center staff reshaped and reinvented a small garden within the center space with the goal of creating an additional program for youth who may not be interested in sports, giving them another meaningful option to engage at McCarren. The garden has grown into something we're truly proud of, and it has come a long way since its inception.
- We continue to work to address broken equipment to repair as soon as possible.
- Event summaries:
  - On Thursday April 9th we had our middle school 3v3 basketball tournament. We had a total of 10 teams competing for the championship trophies.
  - On Friday April 10th with our high school flag football team against the 94th precinct youth flag football team.
  - Finally, McCarren's Egg Hunt Extravaganza brought in 150 patrons.

Events upcoming with details: We will facilitate an 11 and under 3v3 basketball tournament and coordinate a Tots Mother's Day event in the upcoming weeks. Please visit the Play Center for more details and to get involved!

### **Vital Parks for all and the Vital Parks Explorer**

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## **Partnerships for Parks volunteer projects – Outreach Coordinator**

Curtis Sherrod is your Partnerships for Parks Outreach Coordinator for park properties within Brooklyn Community Board 1. Please contact Curtis at 646.984.6536 (cell) or [curtis.sherrod@parks.nyc.gov](mailto:curtis.sherrod@parks.nyc.gov).

### **CB1 currently has the following projects under construction:**

- Box Street Park –Remediation work is anticipated to begin summer-2026.
- Bushwick Inlet Park: Motiva –construction began March 11, 2024, and will be complete spring 2026.

### **We have several projects awaiting construction start:**

- American Playground – this project is in the design phase. Construction is anticipated to begin spring 2027 and be complete spring 2028.
- McCarren Park natural turf softball fields –construction anticipated to begin fall 2026 and be complete fall 2027.
- McCarren Park: MPPA – public input meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. This project will include a DEP green infrastructure storm water retention project.
- McCarren Park: Union Avenue – DEP will implement green infrastructure storm water retention. The project is in design and anticipated to be completed in fall 2026.
- Roebling – awaiting public input meeting.

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**[EXTERNAL] Pacha NYC**

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From Tamara Ochoa <

Date Tue 4/14/2026 5:38 PM

To BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; BK04 (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>

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Hello,

I am writing in reference to the liquor license application by Pacha NYC since I cannot attend today's meeting. I am a resident of 476 Jefferson Street since 2013, where I live with my husband and 2-year-old daughter. Our building is only 1100 feet from the former Avant Gardner/Mirage site, and we were significantly impacted previously by the loud music, bright lights, and huge crowds, particularly in warmer months. I have significant concerns in granting a liquor license to the new owners in creating "Pacha NYC", particularly without any conditions to the permit. Below are some concerns with suggestions on how problems could be mitigated.

Excessive noise after 10pm

- there should be strict DEP enforcement of existing noise codes, following these regulations: <https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dep/downloads/pdf/air/noise/noise-code-guide-summary.pdf>

Effect on the residential community

- while the immediate surroundings are generally industrial, there are residential buildings like ours just a few blocks away that will be affected by the large crowds, noise, light pollution, littering, and potential crime that a 10,000 capacity venue will bring. The nearest subway stop is Jefferson L, which is two blocks away from us, so there will be a huge increase in foot traffic near our building, which is now relatively very quiet. There should be an increase in trash collection, trash cans, patrolling by police, and other safety measures to ensure the safety of the residential community.

Operating restrictions should be stronger

- Operating restrictions should be stronger not weaker than they were when the original AG opened, since the area is more residential now. Pacha NYC is midway between Forest Hills (which is similar capacity yet more residential, and strict curfews) and Under the K Bridge (open air, fewer residents, but still strict rules). Like those venues, there should be strict rules on noise and operating hours. The effect on the Jefferson L neighborhood will be massive and other bars may want to stay open similar hours to pull in business of the crowds that will frequent Pacha NYC. This would hopefully be avoided if there are stronger operating restrictions.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter,

Tamara Ochoa

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**[EXTERNAL] Community board 1 Avant Gardiner/Pacha**

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**From** Amy Kreiling

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 5:39 PM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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To whom it may concern,

As a 25 year resident of North Bushwick i would like to urge you to deny the liquor license. There should not be any outdoor venue with alcohol and music. The neighborhood is already overrun with excessive noise and intoxicated individuals as it is. There are pop up events outside (that leave trash and debris) all through the summer. The existing outside amplified music needs to be curbed. You can't add to the noise.

Other local businesses and residents are left to clean up afterwards. It's going to increase vandalism, trash, noise and lower property values.

The neighbor hood is already dense with bars, cabarets, and music venues. It's enough with the noise, public urinating and vomiting. It will put further pressure on law enforcement. This is a business that this neighborhood does not need.

8000 people is a ridiculous number and having an outside venue- there are already plenty of these. There is not enough parking or public transit infrastructure to accomodate another 1500 let alone 8K!

Amy Kreiling  
Thames St.

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**[EXTERNAL] Support for Avant Gardner / Pacha Venue License Renewal – Community Input**

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From Larissa Burka <>

Date Tue 4/14/2026 5:35 PM

To BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; BK04 (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my support for the reopening and continued operation of the Avant Gardner / Pacha venue in Bushwick.

I understand that Community Board 1 is currently reviewing the liquor license and operating conditions for this site. While I respect that some residents have concerns, I believe it is important that the full range of community perspectives be considered—especially those of us who value the cultural, economic, and social contributions this venue brings to the neighborhood.

This location has historically operated as a large-scale music venue and is situated in an industrial area, where this type of use is appropriate and expected. The reopening would not introduce a new use, but rather restore a longstanding one that contributes to New York City's global reputation as a hub for music, arts, and nightlife.

Many of the concerns raised—such as noise, traffic, and crowd management—are valid considerations for any large venue. However, these are operational issues that can and should be addressed through reasonable, enforceable conditions, rather than being used to prevent the venue from operating altogether. Modern venues like Avant Gardner have the capacity to implement sound mitigation, controlled egress, security staffing, and transportation planning to minimize neighborhood impact.

Additionally, nightlife is a vital part of the city's economy. Venues like this support local jobs, artists, and small businesses, while also drawing visitors to the area. Removing or restricting these spaces contributes to the ongoing decline of New York City's cultural infrastructure.

Bushwick, in particular, has long been a center for creative expression and nightlife. Maintaining spaces like this ensures that the neighborhood continues to reflect that identity, rather than losing it entirely.

I encourage the board to take a balanced approach—one that allows the venue to operate while holding it accountable to clear and fair standards. Eliminating or overly restricting this venue would not only impact the business itself, but also the broader community that benefits from its presence.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Larissa Burka

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**[EXTERNAL] Pacha hearing comment**

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From Sasha1880 >

Date Tue 4/14/2026 5:22 PM

To BK04 (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>; BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a lifelong New Yorker and an active participant in this city's nightlife culture. I have watched this story unfold before.

I was there when the Meatpacking District lost APT, The Cooler and Baktun — two irreplaceable venues — not to something better, but to a Tesla dealership. The investor class arrived, the community was pushed out, and the neighborhood's soul was replaced with a showroom floor. I am emailing today because Bushwick is next, and the stakes are just as high.

Five Holdings is a Dubai-based corporation reportedly eyeing an IPO at a \$3 billion valuation. With that context, I ask this body to consider who this venue is actually being built for. As of April 13th, the cheapest ticket to enter this club was \$110. In a neighborhood where the poverty rate stands at 19.5% — higher than the citywide average of 18.2% (NYU Furman Center, 2023) — that price point is not an oversight. It is a statement about who is welcome.

Flying in international DJs and employing a handful of local (perhaps) security staff does nothing to build community wealth or neighborhood identity. It extracts. It performs. And when the returns slow down, it leaves. (I direct your attention to the credit issued to people who were bilked out of the former clubs tickets when they went belly-up and how these credits for drinks, not tickets, expire in 3 years. )

I am not here to simply oppose this venue. I am here to demand accountability with specific, achievable conditions before any opening:

1. Regular free community events — with no corporate sponsorship. Five Holdings itself is the corporate sponsor. That conflict should not be laundered through the appearance of goodwill programming.
2. A Bushwick resident discount. Show a ZIP code ID, pay \$25 entry. It is not complicated. It is a baseline gesture of respect to the people who built this neighborhood and who will live next to this venue long after the investors have moved on.

This city belongs to its residents first. I urge this body to hold Five Holdings to that standard.

Respectfully,  
Alex Acosta

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**[EXTERNAL] Avent Gardner/Pacha license concerns**

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From Spenser T Nottage <> Date Tue 4/14/2026

5:14 PM

To BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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Hello!

I am a resident in bushwick, living in the same apartment with my wife that we've been in for 10 years. We now have a 3 year old daughter and numerous neighbors in the same building with children. When Avent Gardner originally opened it was immensely disruptive. Mass floods of drunk and disorderly people peeing on the street at 4am, they had originally positioned their lighting equipment to flood our windows with light all weekend, resonant bass and noise until 6am some nights.

We are not opposed to the venue operating, but only within reasonable hours. Their proposed request staying open all hours is extremely concerning. These types of investors will simply pay fines, and destroy what limited neighborhood we have left. Please insure that if approved, their license comes only with strict adherence to noise ordinances, and community feedback is actually enforceable.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Spenser, Laura and River in 476 Jefferson street

**Spenser Timothy Nottage**

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**[EXTERNAL] Community Request for stipulations to AG1 Acquisition LLC liquor license**

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**From** Nina Ibarra <>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 5:01 PM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; BK04 (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>; nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com  
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I am writing as a long-standing resident of 476 Jefferson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11237 — located approximately 500 feet from the proposed Pacha NYC venue on Troutman Street. I have lived in this neighborhood since 2008 and am deeply invested in its continued growth. It is precisely because of that commitment that I must strongly urge this board to oppose the issuance of an unconditional liquor license to Pacha NYC.

A venue with a capacity of up to 8,000 people will have an undeniable and lasting impact on the surrounding residential community. Approving this license without enforceable conditions would be a disservice to the families, longtime residents, and small businesses who call this neighborhood home. At minimum, any license granted must include:

- Defined Hours of Operation
- A comprehensive Traffic and Safety Management Plan
- Clear, enforceable consequences for non-compliance

Beyond the license itself, I urge the board to take action on the following:

- Mandatory increased NYPD presence during peak club hours
- Strict enforcement of noise and traffic violations, including commercial vehicles — buses, vans, and similar — operating in violation of local laws or suspected of facilitating illegal activity
- Immediate citation of food vendors operating without proper permits in the vicinity of the venue

This is a residential neighborhood. Families live here. People walk their children and their dogs on these streets in the early morning hours — the same hours this club will be emptying thousands of patrons onto our blocks. We welcome responsible development. We will not accept development that treats our community as an afterthought.

I respectfully ask this board to stand with its residents and demand meaningful conditions before any license is approved.

Respectfully,  
Nina Melendez Ibarra

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**Re: [EXTERNAL] Local Resident: Support for Pacha reopening the old Avant Gardner site**

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**From** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 4:29 PM

**To** Brian Konash <>; BK04@cb.nyc.gov (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>

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**From:** Brian Konash <>

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 4:24 PM

**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; BK04@cb.nyc.gov (CB) <BK04@cb.nyc.gov>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Local Resident: Support for Pacha reopening the old Avant Gardner site

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I'm a NYC resident for the last 27 years, living in Bushwick the last 5 years.

I am writing-in to support Pacha reopening the old Avant Gardner site as a large concert venue with late hours. That site is unique on the US East Coast for its experience and for the artists who perform there. It is in an M3 heavy-industrial zoned area, and in an established nightlife district. Loud noises are supposed to happen there. The site has been a large concert venue since 2015. Please do not allow NIMBY's to kill large concert venues in NYC just because they *deliberately* moved into a cheap industrial-zoned area and suddenly they have complaints about the noise.

Best Regards,

Brian Konash  
Eldert Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11237

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Bushwick Daily press inquiry — tonight's public hearing and Pacha New York application**

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**From:** Alec Meeker <>

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 3:16 PM

**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Bushwick Daily press inquiry — tonight's public hearing and Pacha New York application

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Dear Community Board 1 staff,

My name is Alec Meeker and I'm a contributor at Bushwick Daily. We will be covering tonight's combined public hearing and board meeting, with particular focus on the AG Acquisition 1 LLC / FIVE International Hotel Management presentation regarding the proposed Pacha New York venue at 111 Gardner Avenue and 140 Stewart Avenue.

I wanted to reach out ahead of the meeting with a few questions:

1. Has the board or the SLA Review & DCA Committee received a significant volume of public comments or inquiries ahead of tonight's hearing regarding the Pacha New York application? If so, can you characterize the general nature of those comments?
2. Are Chairperson Dealice Fuller or SLA Committee Chair Arthur Dybanowski available for a brief interview before or after tonight's meeting?
3. Given the scale of this application — a 7,850+ capacity cabaret venue with outdoor amplified music — does the board anticipate a larger-than-usual public turnout tonight?
4. Are there any specific conditions or stipulations the SLA committee has discussed recommending to the State Liquor Authority for this application?

We appreciate CB1's work serving our community and want to make sure our coverage accurately reflects the board's process. I can be reached at 8144643709 or by reply email.

Thank you,  
Alec

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Alec Meeker

April 6, 2026

Chair of Community Board 1  
Brooklyn Community Board 1  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211

**RE:** Letter of Support — ST NA-0524-26-02196-02216, AG Acquisition 1 LLC and Five International Hotel Management Limited (DIFC) as Mgr.

Dear Chair Fan and Commissioners,

My name is Shlomo Birnbaum, and I am the CEO of Ample Hills Creamery, a Brooklyn-born ice cream brand with deep roots in this borough. I am writing to express my strong and enthusiastic support for FIVE Pacha's application to transfer the existing liquor license at 111 Gardner Avenue & 140 Stewart Avenue in Brooklyn.

As a North Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce member and a Brooklyn business owner, I feel well-positioned to speak to both the opportunity and the responsibility that comes with operating at this scale. The Brooklyn Mirage is an iconic venue — and its full potential has always depended on how responsibly it is managed. FIVE Pacha is the right team to realize that potential, and the ripple effects of a well-run operation at this venue will be felt across Brooklyn, including here in North Brooklyn.

I should note that my support for FIVE Pacha is not simply based on their plans — it is also informed by personal experience with the brand. I have had the privilege of visiting Pacha venues around the world, and without exception, the experience has been world-class. The attention to detail, the professionalism of their operation, and the way they engage with the communities they operate in has always stood out to me. That global track record is a meaningful part of why I am confident they will bring something genuinely special to Brooklyn.

After learning of the Pacha team's commitments, I am genuinely confident that they understand what is required to operate here responsibly. Their investment in an advanced directional sound system with sound barriers, a shuttle bus program to reduce street congestion, a Smart Gates capacity management system, expanded security staffing — including a retired NYPD Lieutenant with strong community ties — which reflects the kind of thoughtful, proactive planning that this community has long needed from this venue. It is worth noting that the venue sits within an M3 Manufacturing & Mixed Use district, with no residential properties within a two block radius — which means their sound commitments are not only meaningful, they are highly achievable.

The economic impact is equally significant. FIVE Pacha is projecting over 450 jobs at full operational capacity, many of which are expected to be filled by local residents. As a

small business owner who has seen firsthand how anchoring employers can strengthen a neighborhood, I take that seriously. Their commitment to prioritizing local vendors for food and other operational needs will further extend that economic benefit to the businesses around them.

As a Brooklyn business owner, I have a direct stake in how this borough is perceived on a global stage. Brooklyn has long been synonymous with creativity, culture, and authenticity — but our reputation as a world-class destination for music and nightlife has taken real hits in recent years. FIVE Pacha operating here is not just a venue opening — it is a signal to the world that Brooklyn is back. That kind of cultural gravity benefits every business in this borough, and I believe we should be doing everything we can to support it.

I also want to speak to their sustainability commitments not as a talking point, but as a fellow operator. In my experience visiting Pacha venues around the world, their environmental and community investment practices are not performative — they are baked into how they run their business. Operators who take sustainability seriously tend to take everything seriously. It reflects a management culture that thinks long-term, and that is exactly the kind of operator this venue needs.

Finally, I want to be direct about something: an empty, inactive venue of this scale in Brooklyn is not a neutral outcome — it is a bad one. It is unsafe, it is economically dead weight, and it forfeits every improvement that FIVE Pacha has committed to making. Approving this transfer is not a risk — it is what unlocks every safeguard, every job, and every community investment on the table. The SLA has the opportunity to be the catalyst for something genuinely positive here. I urge you to take it.

Sincerely,

**Shlomo Birnbaum**  
CEO, Ample Hills Creamery

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**Re: [EXTERNAL] Concerns about Avant Gardner / Pacha nightclub in Bushwick**

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**From:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 7:01 AM  
**To:** Guan, Jimmy [CB] <>  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXTERNAL] Concerns about Avant Gardner / Pacha nightclub in Bushwick

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**From:** Amy Wiggins <>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2026 7:29 PM  
**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Concerns about Avant Gardner / Pacha nightclub in Bushwick

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Hi, my name is Amy and I'm a Bushwick resident who has lived at 449 Troutman Street since 2009. I may not be able to get off from work early enough to attend the Community Board 1 public hearing on Tuesday, so I am voicing my concerns via email ahead of the hearing. I like living in Bushwick... I feel safe here and am raising my two kids here. We go to the public schools in the neighborhood (New Life #2 and PS 376), the parks, the restaurants, the bars, and yes the music venues as well. I don't mind having venues in the neighborhood... Brooklyn Made on Troutman Street was well-built and managed and I'm happy they're reopening, and I occasionally go to shows at Knockdown Center as well. Where music venues cause problems for residents is when the sound volume is too loud at night — when it's 10pm and I can hear the lyrics from every track that's playing at whatever venue is popping off. When I'm in bed and I can feel the bass in my room. This makes it hard for residents to sleep at night, especially babies and children. This is my singular request: IF Pacha nightclub is built, **please** put rules in place to ensure that the sound from the venue does not travel past Flushing Avenue where there are tons of large residential buildings and townhomes. Bushwick has a lot of longtime residents who can't live with more venues that don't care about if their kids can go to sleep at night. We live here, and have for a long time, and care about staying here. Not opposed to music venues, but they do need to be built with the right sound barriers in place so they don't degrade the quality of life of local residents.

Thanks for hearing me out.

-Amy Wiggins-Fernandez

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] re: Avant Gardner / Pacha New York**

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**From** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 3:27 PM

**Bcc** LicensesBK01 (CB) <LicensesBK01@cb.nyc.gov>;

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**From:** Ebru Yildiz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 3:24 PM  
**To:** bk04; BK01 (CB); nightlifeneighbors  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] re: Avant Gardner / Pacha New York

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Hello,

I am a photographer and co-owner of a photography studio/rental production space at 75 Stewart Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11237. We have the 4th floor corner unit that is directly facing where they are planning on operating this venue and we are only a couple of blocks away. We will be directly impacted by their operations and the sound emitting from that venue. There should be conditions to their license. With the sound coming from that venue, there is no way we can operate our business and rent out our studio to other productions like we are now.

The crucial elements for me and I am sure for the rest of the residents in this building:

- **outdoor sound limits and operating hours.** the hours should be capped and they should not be granted special operating hours, they should be upheld to standard regulation that the rest nyc businesses are required to uphold. There should be a limit to the outside sound.
- **litter** it is already a really dirty neighborhood as it is, I can't possibly imagine the strain 8000+ venue is going to put on this neighborhood.
- **parking** it is already so hard to get a parking spot, since it is a commercial aread
- **crowd management**
- **public intoxication**

- ***traffic***
- ***strain on public transportation***

Thanks,

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**Ebru YILDIZ** (*she/her*)

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Avant Gardner/Pacha license**

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**From:** Ehren Shorday <>

**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2026 4:51 PM

**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; bk04@cb.nyc.gov <bk04@cb.nyc.gov>; nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com <nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Avant Gardner/Pacha license

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To who it may concern,

I am writing to express my opposition to granting any license to the operators of the former Brooklyn Mirage, now Pacha and Avant Gardner, for their proposed venue at 140 Stewart Ave. I understand they are looking for a 24hr license, and this will directly harm me.

I have been living in my loft at Stewart Ave, only a few blocks away, since 2007. In 2015 the Brooklyn Mirage opened their venue blocks away from me. For almost a decade I struggled through sleepless nights due to pounding constant bass that LITERALLY vibrated my entire apartment all hours of the night multiple days a week. On any given day, usually 5 or more nights a week, extremely loud techno music from the venue would begin at 9 or 10 pm, and continue non-stop until SUNRISE. This had a profound effect on my quality of life. Sleep is nearly impossible. It affected my performance at my job. My partner had to move out, ruining our relationship. There is no way to get peace at night while the music is playing, and there is a steady stream of extremely loud and intoxicated concert goers that flood the streets below my apartment, creating not just noise but also an unsafe environment. The streets between the Jefferson stop and the venue are littered with trash and drug paraphernalia on show nights. It is dangerous and disgusting.

Avant Gardner is not a good neighbor. They are not doing good things for the community, or the city. They have a track record of violations and negative impact.

I am in the unfortunate position to live with a direct line of site into the venue, so my case is worst than most, possibly any. I am not exaggerating when I say that they literally vibrate my apartment all night long with bass. However, the noise created from this venue also travels for blocks, and can be heard all the way up Wyckoff Ave., where many other people live.

Unfortunately I can not afford to leave. As an artist living and working in this community, I spent years fighting for loft law in my unit, and I have been a protected occupant here since 2017. I do not have an option to find other accommodations. And I should not have to.

I have filed countless noise complaints to no avail. I have documented the noise levels, to no avail. I have reached out to the office of nightlife for mediation with the venues operators. For years I went through a cycle of them engaging with me through MEND during the season, saying they would do something, and then dropping off once the season was done. There has never been a solution and I was completely strung along. This last year, while the venue has been closed, has been the first peace I have had in almost a decade, and the neighborhood did not collapse. Nor did the nightlife scene in Bushwick. I would ask you to help keep it that way.

While I am asking that you do not allow this venue to exist at all, I am not naive about the fact that it will likely open back up, despite my and others objections. However, I would implore you to impose regulations with teeth if you choose to grant licensing. 24 hours of techno is worse than unnecessary, it is destructive to the lives of community members. There is no need to a 24hr license. Please at least limit them to normal venue hours. They do already have a massive indoor venue for shows where they can make all the noise they want all night without sending sound pollution into the streets. This 8000+ person outdoor venue does not need to exist here, but if it does, please make it work with the community, not against it.

Thank you

Ehren Shorday

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**Fw: [EXTERNAL] Community Request for stipulations to AG1 Acquisition LLC (Pacha NYC) liquor license**

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**From** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 3:07 PM

**Cc** LicensesBK01 (CB) <LicensesBK01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Bcc**

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**From:** Gabrielle Bradley <>

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 1:36 PM

**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>; bk04@cb.nyc.gov <bk04@cb.nyc.gov>; nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com

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Hello,

My name is Gabrielle Bradley, I live at 476 Jefferson Street, only 1100 feet from the former Avant Gardner/Mirage site (see attached map). The residents of this building, as well as several neighboring buildings as close as 700 feet away (map also attached), have significant concerns in granting a liquor license to the new owners in creating "Pacha NYC", particularly if there were to be no stipulations and conditions to the permit, such as:

- Hours of operation
- Permitted hours for outdoor amplified sound
- Community approved Traffic and Safety Plans

- Plan to mitigate light pollution (lasers, large Times-Square style LED screens)
- Number of full-capacity days, and/or days with extended hours per year
- Consequences for non-compliance (ie. withdrawal of the license)

1. **NYC Noise Guidelines prevent outdoor amplified sound after 10pm**, please see page

6: <https://www.nyc.gov/assets/dep/downloads/pdf/air/noise/noise-code-guide-summary.pdf>

- There are no other outdoor venues allowed to have sound in NYC until 4am, to say nothing of sunrise, or 24 hours, which has been suggested.
- Without clear conditions for the liquor permit, there is nothing to prevent 24/7 sound past sunrise.
- 311 calls have been largely ineffective. If there are no noise restrictions as a condition of a liquor permit, there is nothing to prevent noise from escalating to an unbearable level in the local community.
- Calls to the DEP and NYPD have been similarly ineffective. City agencies monitor noise violations during business hours, not the late night/early morning hours of concern.
- No audio study has been made public, though this was alluded to in the CB1 SLA meeting in February. This should be a precondition prior to the issuance of any license. It should be a condition of the license that sound limits are honored, and if not, that the license may be revoked at ANY time.
- Any sound metering should take place at the nearest residential buildings for real results, in addition to the metering the street outside the building.
- It is simply not possible to contain bass frequency waves in an open air venue at any hour, certainly not after 10pm when sound travels further in the night. If the applicant wishes to host events past this time, the venue should be enclosed.
- The applicant must demonstrate they are successfully able to contain sound before 10pm, before any approval of a later hour is considered.
- A citywide noise curfew of 10pm exists to preserve the well-being of all who live in the communities- no entity should be granted an exception to this.

2. **New owners require a new application with fresh evaluation, NOT a transfer of license.**

- CB1 granted a liquor license previously without any input from residents of CB4 just across Flushing Ave, who have been living with the noise, traffic, and light pollution since its inception. CB1 publicly stated they were unaware of any residential proximity at the time they approved the prior permits.
- The Mirage previously utilized a series of temporary occupancy and liquor permits, any outdoor use should be considered as temporary rather than permanent ( as the new applicant suggested).

3. **Pacha NYC has already sold an estimated 16,000 tickets for June events, before any approvals for occupancy or liquor permits have been granted**

- There is a demonstrable history of non-compliance at this venue, with no meaningful enforcement or consequences
- AG almost never closed at 4:30am. The times they did outweigh the times they didn't by far, as neighbors we can attest to this.

- The prior applicants had several deaths and paid 275K in penalties, there's no reason to believe new operators won't be just as bad or worse. For a venue that can bring in millions, fines are not a significant deterrent or consequence to force compliance.
- The Avant Gardner bankruptcy is allowing the new owners and their financiers to "settle" the debts of our community's workers and their vendors by paying pennies on the dollar, while reaping the benefits of a supposed transfer of license. It is not in support or the interest of the New York communities that foreign billionaires are able to reap any supposed existing licensing at a venue that left hundreds of local workers and vendors unpaid.
- There was no phone number for complaints, nor any community liaison, which was a stipulation of Avant Gardner being allowed to remain in operation per public SLA filings.
- There was no community visibility into the results of required quarterly meetings with police community affairs, nor notice of each event in advance, unless the 90th precinct can say otherwise for the past owners.

#### **4. Unclear plans for the 2027 season**

- It is unclear if the operational plan for this summer will be the same in perpetuity. If a license is granted, it must be for the specific layout and conditional hours of operation in 2026, and not allow infinite expansion and construction into 2027.

#### **5. Unsustainable traffic impact to a small neighborhood**

- An 8000 capacity venue is really a 10,000 person capacity venue, if not more, with entry/exit throughout the night. The Mirage has a history of doing an "early show" and a "late show", and there's no reason they couldn't squeeze 3 shows into 24 hours. So this could be 20,000-30,000 people coming off the Jefferson L train stop, every weekend, or every day, if they choose to program it so.
- Without clear stipulations on the number of large scale events, and total daily capacity as a condition for a liquor permit, there would be no reason why the new owners could not program to the maximum capacity every day and night henceforth.
- The maps AG/Pacha have provided are not accurate, the closest residential building is 700', our building is 1100', see attached diagrams. A few of these buildings are "loft law" buildings with hundreds of residents, though they may not show as residentially zoned due to this. Known residential buildings are circled in green on the attachments.
- At the CB1 SLA meeting in February the applicant said they wouldn't operate at full capacity every night. There needs to be clear population stipulations that are a revocable condition of the permit, as well as the number of days per year that full capacity events are allowed, including "early" and "late" shows doubling the volume of attendees to the neighborhood.
- Public urination, intoxication, disorderly conduct, litter, and double parking are already rampant in a community with an extremely high concentration of nightlife venues clustered around the Jefferson L train stop; adding a 10,000 person outdoor amphitheater will not help mitigate this.

#### **6. The applicant's relationship with the former licensee and present conduct undermines their credibility.**

- Pacha's brand history is not that of a neighborhood-conscious operator; it is a globally recognized mega-club enterprise built around maximum volume, maximum capacity, and

maximum revenue--values that are fundamentally at odds with the residential community that surround this venue. This Board should understand clearly what kind of organization it would be licensing: Not a local business seeking to participate in its community, but an institutional, Dubai-funded billion-dollar nightlife brand with the legal resources, political connections, and financial depth to outlast any regulatory challenges mounted against it.

- Additionally, Axar's deal to shift operations to Five Holdings (parent company) was characterized in court filings as having been 'negotiated in secret' with the bankruptcy court itself only learning of the arrangement after it was leaked to the press--illustrating a pattern of opacity that residents of this area are now being asked to simply accept & trust will not continue. (source: [BKMAG](#))

## **6. The applicant is clearly attempting to circumvent the public comment process**

- On multiple dates, AG1 has rescheduled their public presentation, frustrating those who wish to comment.
- AG1 had successfully moved their State Liquor Authority (SLA) license hearings to April 7th, AHEAD of the public community board hearing on April 14th, in a clear violation of SLA policy and protocols. It was only after this was brought directly to the attention of CB1 that their SLA hearing was rescheduled for the following month.
- Our elected representatives, the State Liquor Authority, and Community Boards must adhere to the established protocols allowing community and public comment on licensing businesses with the potential to dramatically transform and degrade their home and residential neighbors. Attempts to circumvent the public comment process should not be tolerated, whether by the applicant, or at any other level of governance.

Thank you for your attention and consideration for the local residents that will be impacted.

Gabrielle Bradley  
Jefferson Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11237

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Re: [EXTERNAL] Letter of Support – Pacha New York

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**From:** Haley Ballard <>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 3:29 PM  
**To:** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Letter of Support – Pacha New York

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Hello Community Board,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Haley Ballard, and I am a Brooklyn resident writing to express my strong support for the opening of Pacha New York in Bushwick.

Nightlife, the arts, and live music are deeply woven into the cultural fabric of New York City, and they are a major part of what makes Brooklyn such a vibrant place to live. The proposed location, previously home to The Brooklyn Mirage, one of the most significant large-scale event spaces in the borough — is situated in an industrial area already well-suited for this type of venue. Approving Pacha New York would not represent a change to the neighborhood's character; it would be a continuation of its established use.

Since The Brooklyn Mirage closed, there has been a noticeable gap in the local nightlife ecosystem. Larger anchor venues like this play an important role in supporting the broader scene; drawing visitors to the area and generating foot traffic that benefits smaller venues, local bars, restaurants, and businesses throughout Brooklyn.

A venue of this caliber also brings meaningful economic benefits to the community: jobs for local residents, revenue for nearby businesses, and visibility for Brooklyn as a cultural destination.

I urge the Board to support the opening of Pacha New York, and to stand with the many residents, artists, and music lovers who believe that a thriving nightlife scene is essential to what makes this city great.

Thank you sincerely for your time and consideration.

Warmly,  
Haley Ballard

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**Re: [EXTERNAL] Avant Gardner / Pacha - Objection From An Area Business Owner**

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**From** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

**Date** Tue 4/14/2026 3:24 PM

**To**

Kindly be advised that your email has been forwarded to the Board Members and the SLA Review & DCA Committee.

Thank you.

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**From:** mitchell king <>

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026 3:02 PM

**To:** nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com <nightlifeneighbors@gmail.com>; bk04@cb.nyc.gov <bk04@cb.nyc.gov>; BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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Good day -

I own a small business on Stewart Avenue, just two blocks away from Avant Gardner. I can easily see it from my window and have daily watched the demolition of the previous building over the last few weeks.

My objection to this venue includes the following: outdoor amplified music that is in violation of NYC noise ordinances and the negative impact inflicted on residential and commercial residents.

My business is a commercial photography studio. I host my clients for photo and video shoots that often run into evenings and frequently on weekends. The amount of sound that will be generated from this open air venue will be perilous to my business as my clients rely on a peaceful atmosphere in which to work. If they have to hear loud music from this venue during their shoots they will stop working with my studio and find another location. My business will be forced to close.

My building is full of many other tenants - both commercial and residential - that will experience the same problems.

I pay market rate rent in Bushwick for commercial real estate and the price is very expensive. It is absurd that I, my clients and my neighbors should be expected to shoulder the very real burdens that this venue will create.

The venue is a completely self-serving endeavor that gives nothing positive back to the community from which it asks to sacrifice so much.

This area may be an industrial area but that does not change the fact that people - hardworking NYC residents - live here and work here 24 hours a day. Their continued ability to do so should not be disrupted by an open air venue with amplified outdoor music that can be heard blocks away throughout the neighborhood.

Thanks,  
Mitchell King

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[EXTERNAL] Opposition to tree planting in front of Penn Street Brooklyn NY 11211

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From Leibish Weiss <

> **Date** Sun 4/12/2026 2:57 PM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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To whom this may concern.

I hereby submit my opposition in the strongest possible terms to the planting of any trees in front of my home at Penn Street Brooklyn NY 11211.

There are family members who have severe allergies to plants and trees. The trees in front of our house could be detrimental to their health and even life threatening.

Please let me know that you cancelled the order for this tree being planted so that my family members will feel relieved and not be anxious about this extremely important matter.

Thank You  
Leibish Weiss

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[EXTERNAL] FW: Opposition to tree planting in front of Penn Street Brooklyn NY 11211

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From Shirah Distributors - Shia <  
> **Date** Sun 4/12/2026 3:15 PM  
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**From**  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 12, 2026 2:57 PM  
**To:** 'bk01@cb.nyc.gov' <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>  
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Thank You  
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**[EXTERNAL] 639 Grand St**

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**From** Walter Sipser <>

**Date** Thu 4/2/2026 1:21 PM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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Good morning,

I'm a long term resident of Community Board 1 and writing to express concern about the certification to develop a new mixed use eleven-story building at 639 Grand St. I attended the committee meeting on March 30th and was astonished to hear the spokesperson for the developer describe the project as "bringing a supermarket to the neighborhood" with a fairly long description of how the proposed supermarket will be laid out, frozen food section, fresh produce, etc., making it seem that the ten or eleven floors of essentially luxury apartments to be built on on top of the supermarket was almost an after thought.

There was in fact, already a highly-used supermarket, now demolished, at that location which served the long term residents of the community for many years. Flanked currently by three other more expensive supermarkets it seems likely that the developer will have some difficulty finding a suitable replacement but by that time there will be an eleven story luxury building built and that's clearly the goal.

I realize that there may be little the public can do to impact the development of this project in a neighborhood where luxury buildings are being built seemingly on every block. But its come to my understanding that this particular project is for some reason not subject to the Land Use review procedure. I'm wondering if the community board knows or can find out why.

Thank you so much for your time and for all the work you do.

Sincerely,  
Walter Sipser

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**[EXTERNAL] Help Create the Bedford Slip Plaza**

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**From** Ximena Garnica <>

**Date** Mon 4/13/2026 6:46 AM

**To** BK01 (CB) <bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

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Dear Brooklyn Community Board 1,

I am writing to urge you to consider a Bedford Slip redesign as a protected, public plaza. As pedestrian volume increases and North Brooklyn public space remains limited, it is vital to improve the safety of our neighborhood.

The intersection of Bedford, Lorimer, and Nassau is a poorly designed result of the Williamsburg grid and Greenpoint grid overlap in the 1880's. It's time to reapproach this bustling walkway as a more thoughtful, proactive public space. This would allow for a more protected pedestrian space, reduce crash opportunities, and support small local businesses.

Making this entryway to Greenpoint safer, accessible, and welcoming, is a transit necessity.

Sincerely,

Ximena Garnica

Grand St Brooklyn, NY 11249