



The City of New York

Manhattan Community Board 1

Anthony Notaro, Jr. CHAIRPERSON | Lucian Reynolds DISTRICT MANAGER

June 28, 2019

Ed Pincar
Manhattan Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation

Dear Commissioner Pincar,

Recently, the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) announced the initiation of a traffic study for the Financial District within Community District 1. We applaud this action since Community Board 1 (CB1) has long advocated for this and has been successful in securing the inclusion of \$500,000 in DOT's budget for this study.

The study should help to analyze how our unique streetscape is utilized, the interaction of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and then help us to explore options for improvement. The critical step in this process is defining the scope of this study; that is where CB1 must insist that we be an integral part of defining the scope of study. Not only have we staunchly fought for this study but it is critical that all stakeholders be involved and that the scope not be so narrow as to have unintended consequences.

The funding will have to be spent wisely to maximize results. We must get it right at the start and that begins with scoping of which CB1 will have a critical perspective. We look forward to continuing this discussion with DOT at the upcoming CB1 Transportation Committee meeting and beyond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anthony Notaro, Jr.".

Anthony Notaro, Jr.
Chairperson