

The City of New York

Queens Community Board 11

Serving the Communities of Auburndale, Bayside, Douglaston, Hollis Hills Little Neck and Oakland Gardens

Paul DiBenedetto Chairperson / Joseph Marziliano District Manager

To: All Board Members

From: Victor Dadras, Committee Chair

Date: December 18, 2024

Re: Various Transportation/Traffic Issues and Requests

On Tuesday, December 10, 2024, the CB11 Transportation Committee met to discuss several traffic issues and requests.

Committee Members

Victor Dadras, 1st Vice Chair and Committee Chair Henry Euler, 2nd Vice Chair* Fleur Martino* Christina Scherer* Mina Youn Ralph Ruiz* Joan Garippa Jena Lanzetta*

CB11 Staff

Joseph Marziliano, District Manager Jane Bentivenga, Community Coordinator* Christina Coutinho, Community Associate*

*Via Zoom

Mr. Dadras called the meeting to order and stated the Committee will be reviewing several requests regarding traffic safety and issues. Two of the issues listed on the agenda dated November 21, 2024 will be tabled until the next Transportation Committee meeting. Ms. Bonnie Skala Kiladitis, who has requested two street co-namings, was not able to attend the meeting this evening. She will attend the next meeting these items are scheduled for.

The following items were discussed and voted on at this meeting:

- Request to remove the 15-minute free parking zoning on Bell Blvd. within the Business Improvement District (BID), from Noah Sheroff of the Bayside BID. This request was put in by the BID due to being taken advantage of in excess of the 15 minutes. **The request was approved by the Committee.**
- Speed reducer study on 192 Street from 46th Avenue to Francis Lewis Blvd. This request was made by a resident. This request has also been noted by the Auburndale Improvement Association. **The request was approved by the Committee**.
- Stop sign request by a resident at 46 Avenue and 202 Street due to speeding. This request was approved by the Committee.
- Traffic calming request by Joby Jacob on Bell Blvd from 82 Ave to Grand Central Parkway overpass. This request was approved by the Committee.
- All-Way Stop sign request at 43 Ave and 214th Place from Board Member Mario Ferazzoli. **This request was approved by the Committee.**
- Traffic study request for 209 Street between Union Turnpike and 82 Avenue from neighbors of the block after experiencing a bad car crash jumping the curb. They also submitted a video of the accident. **The request was approved by the Committee.**
- Speed bump in front of PS 94 from a concerned parent. The Committee found that the school needed to sign onto this request and, therefore, **the request was denied by the Committee.**

District Manager Marziliano provided an update in New Business that the construction work on westbound Horace Harding Expressway at Oceania Street (which is currently down to a single lane of through traffic) will continue as per State DOT until December 20th. This delay is due to more utilities being located underground than was indicated on maps provided to the contractor. Mr. Marziliano asked State DOT if the project is not finished by December 20th, to have a work embargo placed until January 2, 2025, as to not impede with the holiday season. Ms. Garippa noted that the maps provided by the City to the State should be accurate. Ms. Martino asked what the current state of traffic is there now. Mr. Marziliano stated that the parking lane and one driving lane have been taken away, reducing all traffic to a single through-lane.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted December 18, 2024 Joseph Marziliano District Manager