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COMMUNITY BOARD 7

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TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Chair:	Edgar Ramos
Meeting Date:	December 05, 2024
Meeting Time:	6:30PM
Meeting Location:	<u>The Bedford's Community Room</u> 211 East 203rd Street, Bronx, NY 10458
Members In Attendance:	 ✓ Edgar Ramos _ Lowell Green ✓ Stephen Bogart Lebow ✓ Andrew Laiosa ✓ Leslie Harrison _ Jasmin Clavasquin
Minutes done by:	Edgar Ramos
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- Minutes:
- I. Meeting Started at 6:40
- II. Guidelines & Code of Conduct for the meeting were read
- III. Introductions/Attendance Quorum was met
- IV. Review of Previous Minutes tabled to the following meeting
- V. No Follow-up from Previous Month
- VI. New Business
 - A. Department of Design and Construction (DDC) Presentation: Project ID# HWXP136D-Reconstruction of Grand Concourse, Phase 5 Presentation: <u>https://bit.ly/4goxbYN</u>
 - **1.** Project will start from Fordham Road to 198th Street on the Grand Concourse.
 - **2.** Work has started this year and will continue to 2027, and DDC will work with the community to limit the impact on the neighborhood.
 - **3.** Project will be done to improve the work on pedestrian, traffic and bike safety and the sewers on Kingsbridge Road.



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- **4.** There will be extended crosswalks and raised bike lanes and changes to the access from local to express lanes for more safety.
- **5.** Curbs at cross streets will also be changed to improve pedestrian safety where drivers will have to reduce speed to turn safely.
- 6. DDC plans to make themselves available to the community for any concerns and notify neighbors of any changes in water service or parking, and temporary changes of bus stops or traffic changes while the work is being completed. The work is being planned in sections to lessen the impact to the community. Further information will be sent out to the community through bulletins and newsletters.
- 7. Suggestions from the committee were made to better protect bike lanes and bike riders by installing possible bollards. Suggestions were also made to improve parking and ghost plate enforcement.
- 8. The committee notified DDC to be aware of the hypodermic needles and encampments situation at Poe Park and Kingsbridge Road for their workers to be safe.
- **9.** The committee hopes the bike lanes and potted plants will eliminate the tractor trailer parking on the Grand Concourse. There was also a suggestion for better lighting along the Grand Concourse.
- **10.** DDC are invited to the General Board meeting and they will have information cards with updates. They were notified to coordinate with the Kingsbridge Merchant Association.

B. Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Update

1. No MTA representatives were at the meeting, but MTA will be hosting webinars to discuss congestion pricing.

C. Department of Transportation (DOT) Update



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- 1. No DOT representatives at the meeting, but there will be two new Loading Zones on 205th Street and one on North Street between Jerome and Davidson.
- 2. The committee asked if there can be enforcement and data on the Loading Zones
- VII. Next Meeting Date: January 2, 2025
- VIII. Discussion on Next Agenda None suggested
 - IX. Adjournment Meeting adjourned