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## **BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 9 RESOLUTION IMPROVE STREETScape QUALITY OF LIFE ON WASHINGTON AVENUE BETWEEN EMPIRE BOULEVARD AND EASTERN PARKWAY**

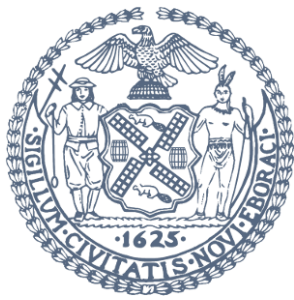
**SUMMARY:** A proposal to add traffic regulating elements and/or elements to improve streetscape quality of life on Washington Avenue between Empire Boulevard and Eastern Parkway.

At the March 26, 2024, General Board meeting of Brooklyn Community Board 9, the Board adopted the following resolution:

### **WHEREAS**

1. Brooklyn Community District 9 contains diverse neighborhoods connected by our shared values for family safety; recognizing that residents and visitors to the Botanic Garden and other esteemed park spaces have a right to safety, accessibility, and ease of access.
2. Improved and sustained connections to our prized local features, including the Botanic Garden will increase the quality of life for both residents and visitors.
3. There have been 262 traffic collisions in the last ten years along the corridor, resulting in 347 serious injuries and 2 deaths, both of which were non-motorists, and the proposed street limits are proximate to multiple DOT priority corridors.
4. There are multiple locations along the corridor with no marked crossings for pedestrians, including at The Brooklyn Museum, President Street, Carroll Street, and Montgomery Street; multiple locations with no curb cuts including Dr. Ronald McNair Park walks, President Street, Carroll Street, and Montgomery Street, and multiple locations where cross-walk paint has been degraded by vehicle traffic and is not slated to be repainted in the coming year.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Brooklyn Community Board 9 urges the New York City Department of Transportation (NYC-DOT) to consider implementing the following components, given in priority order, based on the below locations and descriptions of their use:



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1. A Traffic light or stop sign at the intersection of Washington and Montgomery Streets, with pedestrian-leading interval-based crossing, according to the NYC-DOT Design guidelines (Ref. DOT-518902-M0W9, DOT-505979-J1Y1, DOT-604374-R6B4, DOT-604308-D7Z1, DOT-604369-Y9B1, DOT-587121-H6J4, DOT-535273-Y9F2)
2. Speed cameras equipped with automatic ticket writing functionality, surveilling vehicle traffic in both directions along Washington Street at Empire Boulevard and/or Crown Street (Ref. DOT-611433-J4X3, DOT-575428-X4Z1, DOT-577524-D9Q9)
3. Crosswalks at the following locations, to be accompanied by the appropriate signage, clearances, and accessibility requirements (curb cuts, slopes, cants, and drains) according to NYC-DOT Design Guidelines (Ref. DOT-611435-C7M9, DOT-616410-C2D7)
  - a. The Southern Crossing Between Dr. Ronald McNair Park and the Brooklyn Museum at the Eastern Parkway East-bound Local Lane
  - b. The Northern Crossing at President through the intersection of Classon Ave to the Western side of Washington Ave
  - c. Crossings at both sides of Carroll Street at Washington Ave
  - d. Crossings at both sides of Montgomery Street at Washington Ave
4. Lastly, and lowest priority - Repainting or new paint at degraded marked crossing along the corridor.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that for each item listed above, Community Board Nine respectfully requests that for any study conducted according to the policies and protocols of NYC-DOT, such results be shared with the Board, regardless of the outcome of NYC-DOT's decision. Such documents requested include, but are not limited to, traffic control studies, intersection control data, transportation and mobility analyses, and correspondence with other agency stakeholders such as the Metropolitan Transportation Agency (MTA), and the Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) if applicable.

**ADOPTED: 3/26/2024**