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To: CB2 Transportation Committee Members

From: Tom Mituzas, Interim Acting Chairperson, Transportation Committee Reilly Owens, Vice Chair, Transportation Committee

Re: NOTICE OF TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024, TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING – IN PERSON

The next meeting of CB2s Transportation Committee is scheduled for:

**** DATE: **TUESDAY**, MARCH 5, 2024

***** TIME: <u>6:00 P.M.</u>

LOCATION: Community Board 2 Office (IN PERSON MEETING) 43-22 50th Street, Suite 2B Woodside, New York 11377

Teleconference on Zoom – View Only

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84294797331?pwd=bGIRL2ljK0haSUQ5ZU5rOTNMcWp6QT09

AGENDA

Public Comments - Comments by Community Members (1 Minute) up to ten minutes

UPDATE BY 108TH POLICE PRECINCT ON TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

- Discussion on license plates of motorized vehicles missing and /or illegally presented.
- Discussion of illegal sidewalk parking.

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

• Discussion of Residential Parking.

DOT – DISTRICT WIDE

• Discussion on long-term metered parking throughout the CB 2 District.

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REQUEST UPDATES FROM DOT

• <u>Blissville</u>

The Blissville community has long sought a comprehensive review of our Streets in the Blissville section of Long Island City that would consider the safety of all roadway users of all ages and abilities: including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation riders and motorists. Specific items include but not limited to:

- Corner of 35th, Starr and Van Dam install a proper sidewalk with curbs and pedestrian accessible ramps. Ensure daylighting at this intersection. As of today, it is just dirt and broken up asphalt.
- Reconsideration of request to install "No thru truck traffic signage" on 35th and 37th. There are only 4 streets in Blissville that are designated as truck routes (1) review avenue (2) Greenpoint Avenue (3) Borden Avenue and (4) Van Dam. All other streets should only have truck traffic for local deliveries yet trucks travel through these streets on a daily basis to other destinations. DOT-581076-X9W1.
- DOT-581065-J1R6 we are pleased to see the newly painted lines at Greenpoint and Starr however cars and trucks just park over these lines negating their purpose. May we amend our request to install bollards or an actual bulbout like we've seen done in neighboring communities. DOT-581065-J1R DOT-614185-D189.
- A study is needed at the 12-lane intersection at the base of the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge. Review/VanDam/Greenpoint. Very dangerous Area.
- Green Asphalt Seeking a follow up from DOT on NYC DOT's use of Green Asphalt Co LLC located at 37-98 Railroad Avenue in the Blissville section of Long Island City that has been charged by the NY State Department of Environmental Conservation on January 11, 2024 with a violation of New York State Air Pollution Control Law.

Court Square

• Crescent Street request to change the diagonal markings and expand the sidewalk. case number DOT-516190-R6K9. Request update.

Sunnyside

- Request for DOT to present data and findings of the impact of the conversion of 39th Avenue to a bike boulevard (from 45th to 50th Street) on safety, residents, businesses, vehicular traffic (trucks, cars), especially at the corner of 50th Street (right turn) Request for DOT to revisit the closing of 39th Avenue from 45th to 50th Street.
- Request for a Feasibility Study for Safety Improvements at 43rd Street and Laurel Hill Blvd at the entrance to the Kosciuszko Bridge Pedestrian and Bike Pathway. (CB 2 Sent Letter to DOT on September 7, 2022)

Woodside

- Request to DOT for a One-Way Street conversion on 51st Avenue Between 65th Place and 61st Street. Provide an update. (DOT-464313-T7R8) Open and being evaluated, please provide an update.
 - 51st Avenue between 65th Place and 61st Street was reversed 63 Street to NB operation from 50th avenue to Laurel Hill Blvd and converted 65th Street to one-way NB from 48th Avenue to Laurel Hill Blvd., both changes have helped curtail the cut through traffic that was using 51s Avenue and at this point unless the CB or residents feel there is another issue, we don't have any future plans for additional changes.
 - 50th Avenue between 69th Street and 65th Place. We were waiting on the Queens Bus network redesign since that would remove the Q18 bus from 50th Avenue and most likely negate the need for a conversion.
- Request for a Feasibility Study for Safety Improvements on Broadway and 37th Avenue and on 63rd Street to 69th Street near the BQE Exit (DOT-565073-X3Q1) Study still active requesting update. DOT reported some LPI's installed 65th Street and Broadway, existing one at 37th Avenue
- 60th Street and 37th Avenue (Existing Study Open (DOT-577572-V1S1) DOT reported still active.

Long Island City

- Request for Quality of Life sign, no overnight parking on Center Boulevard between 50th and 47th Avenue.
- Center Blvd north of 47th Road transfer of property from State to City. Please continue to provide update. 47th Road and N Basin Road. Paving stones collapsing in intersection at Center Blvd. north of 47th Road. Provide update.
- Request for a one-way conversion on 31st Place between 47th Avenue and 48th Avenue (DOT-497662-R8J2). (APPROVED) Provide Implementation date? Letter of support requested from CB 2 on 10/4/2023. CB 2 Letter submitted (DOT621806-L7V9)
- 51st Avenue Pedestrian Bridge (also known as the 21st Avenue Pedestrian Foot Bridge) Request an update on a letter from DOT to send to CB 2 to close this project. DOT Tracking number needed.
- Request for the Redesign of Vernon Mall on Borden Avenue, Vernon Boulevard, Jackson Avenue, and the Northern Boundary of 51st Avenue (Letter sent to DOT) Tracking number requested.
- Request for New York City DOT Proposals Include Seniors, the Disabled and those with Different Physical Disabilities and Needs (Letter sent to DOT) DOT 599194-D6Q7, please provide an update.

Old Business:

New Business:

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- CC: Hon. Grace Meng, US Congress Hon. Nydia Velazquez, US Congress

Hon. Michael Gianaris, NYS Senate Hon. Kristen Gonzalez, NYS Senate Hon. Jessica Ramos, NYS Senate Hon. Jessica Gonzalez-Rojas, NYS Assembly Hon. Steven Raga, NYS Assembly Hon. Juan Ardila, NYS Assembly Hon. Zohran Mamdani, NYS Assembly Hon. Julie Won, NYC Council Hon. Shekar Krishman, NYC Council Member Hon. Robert Holden, NYC Council Hon. Donovan Richards, Queens Borough President Nicole Garcia, Queens Borough DOT Jason Banrey, DOT Joseph Patti, DOT 108th Precinct Captain Tony Wong, 108th Precinct Thomas Bayer, NYS Department of Transportation Meagan Molina, MTA Daniel Randell, MTA Lucille Songhai, MTA

March 5, 2024, Transportation Committee Meeting Agenda