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**Traffic and Transportation Committee Public Hearing
Police & Public Safety
Report**

DATE: October 4, 2023

TIME: 7:00 PM

IN PERSON: No

VIRTUAL: Yes

SPEAKER: Yes

Committee Members Present

Frank Morano, *Chairman of the Board*

Danny Venuto, *Chair, Traffic & Transportation*

Owen Reiter, *Chair, Police & Public Safety*

Robert DiGennaro

John Felicetti

Anthony Rapacciuolo

Committee Members Absent

James Pistilli

Board Members Present

Jerome Goldman

Staff

Stacey Wertheim, *Community Coordinator*

Susan LaForgia, *Community Coordinator*

Guests

Victoria Carstensen, DOT Staten Island Deputy Commissioner

Gregory Haas, NYC DOT

Koi Gjelij, NYC DOT

Denise Pacheco, Rep. Assembly Member Michael Reilly

Carol Donovan, President, Richmondtown-Clarke Ave Civic Assoc.

Public Contact

None

Agenda

NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) presented "**Morley Triangle Improvements**". The goal of this project is to improve travel times and prevent back-ups on Rockland Avenue, Richmond Road, and Morley Avenue during peak travel hours.

Proposal:

Create a counterclockwise triangle:

- Convert Richmond Road one-way northwest bound between Morley and Rockland Avenues
- Convert Richmond Road one-way southwest bound between Rockland and Morley Avenues
- Revise signal operations
- Provide pushbuttons for pedestrians.

Goals:

- Reduce congestion and queues on the southbound approach of Rockland Avenue.
- Enhance safety and operations by minimizing vehicular and pedestrian conflicts.
- Will monitor for induced demand” at Morley Triangle.
- Will also monitor the effect at Richmond Road, Amboy Road, Richmond Road, and New Dorp Lane.
- Install concrete islands and new crosswalks (2025).

**Full Presentation on file at the Community Board office.*

Discussion

- Traffic is always backed up from Manor/Meisner past Richmond Road at Rockland Avenue. This plan will not alleviate that.
- Vehicles will be weaving from lane to lane to get to their desired turning lane. This will be difficult in standing traffic.

Whereas the NYC Department of Transportation presented plans for the *Morley Triangle Improvements* to the CB3 Traffic & Transportation Committee and

Whereas a Motion was put forth to support DOT’s improvements for the Morley Triangle;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the CB3 Traffic & Transportation Committee does not object to DOT’s Morley Triangle improvements.

Vote: In favor 6; Opposed 0; Abstentions 0

Morano Y; Venuto Y; Reiter Y; DiGennaro Y; Felicetti Y; Rapacciuolo Y
Motion Passes

Old Business

None

New Business

- At the intersection of Arthur Kill Road and Richmond Avenue, it is difficult to make the left onto Richmond Avenue (northbound.) The buses leaving the depot are in the way of southbound traffic. There is a left-turn lane but no left-turn signal. The same problem exists with northbound traffic and buses blocking the intersection. Victoria said the intersection needs to be studied following the bus depot construction. She will investigate.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Danny Venuto".

Danny Venuto, Chair