

## Traffic and Transportation Committee Meeting 9.11.17

**Attendees:** Gerard Dengel, Mary Anderson, Yosef Kalinsky, Robin Cruz, Richard Lewis

**Excused:** Yahaira Alonzo, Deborah Nabavian

**Absent:** James Berlin, Anita Barberis

**Public:** Bhavin Patel ( DOT), Matt Lorenz ( DOT), Evan Meyers, Pat Hinterstern, PO Lawhorne, PO Polster, Raysa Ramirez, Samantha Bonnet, Alan Sash, Steven Schneider, Joseph Negron, Lyle Blackwood, Diana Douglas

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- Call to order at 7:16pm
- Tabled item related to US Post Office designated parking on Nagle and Broadway
- DOT Traffic Study - One-Way Street designation of Near Wash and Lube Car Wash on Broadway and 219th/220th Streets
  - In May 17' CB12M asked DOT to do a comprehensive traffic study of the area adjacent to Broadway and 9th Avenue and 220th/219th Streets.
  - Of the four corners 219th and Broadway has the slowest moving traffic, difficulty navigating both right and left turns onto Broadway
  - In terms of crashes, corner of 219th and Broadway had 27 crashes between 2010-2014
  - Proposal
    - 219th - one way going east. 220th going west. This way the busses dropping off students can open on the right side of the street and allows for traffic to move in one direction
    - Close left turn from Broadway onto 219th ( now it is going the wrong direction) and blocks ability to make left from 219th onto Broadway ( not many cars are making that turn now)
    - Lengthen time of left turn signal from Broadway onto 220th and make a designated left turn lane
    - Parking Regulations:
      - 6 spots opposite car wash become 'no standing' 7am-7pm - to allow cars to queue up while waiting to enter the car wash/oil service. + one spot on corner adjacent to the car wash at 220th and Broadway
      - Designate 11 spots to DOE teachers during the day
  - Comments after presentation
    - Richard - in the CB12 resolution we requested speed humps on 219th and 220th - to slow down the proposed one-way traffic
      - Lyle - will get back to you by end of the week if these streets meet the criteria for speed humps
      - Steven Schneider (engineer on behalf of Car Wash) - opposes making this a one-way street, it'll create additional back-up onto Broadway from cars waiting for the lube. He also "blamed the school" for the traffic on the street.
      - Alan Sash ( attorney on behalf of the car wash) - opposes this plan, predicts that we will be back in 6 months, since this proposal takes a bad situation and makes it worse, and he will "respectfully say I told you so."

- Maria Luna - we should not have made that commercial space into a school, but it is there and will stay. It is not safe for children to be next to all these fumes.
- Steven Schneider - suggests to keep two-way traffic but remove parking opposite the school for drop off of children
- Suggestion made by community member to install angle parking to increase more spots on a potential one-way street.
- DOT - if resolution passes, work wouldn't take place until the summer, they don't work in a school area until summer.
- Gerard - that being the case - let's not pass any resolutions tonight, let us all digest this long conversation tonight and continue next month
- Budget Priorities
  - Review the budget and be prepared to vote next month
- New Business
  - Item taken off-line to speak directly with Lyle
  - Rezoning - meeting this Thursday about rezoning, one item is traffic and transit. If looking to add 14,000 residents, need to look at subway stations all the way down to 159th Street, not just in Inwood.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm