

Important Resolution Notice

For October 2016 ONLY

Due to a lack of a quorum at the General Meeting on October 26th, 2016 as defined by Article 10.07 Section (2) of the board's bylaws all proposed resolutions on that agenda were approved at the Executive Committee on November 21st, 2016. This action was later ratified at the next General Meeting on November 22nd, 2016 as required by Article 12.01 Section (4) of the board's bylaws.*

** Bylaws of COMMUNITY BOARD #12, MANHATAN as amended on March 22nd, 2016*



Community Board 12 - Manhattan Washington Heights & Inwood

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November 30, 2016

Hon. Thomas F. Prendergast
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer
Metropolitan Transit Authority
130 Livingston Street
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Chairman Prendergast:

At the Executive Meeting, Monday, November 21, 2016 Community Board 12-Manhattan passed the following resolution with a vote of (12)In Favor, (0)Opposed, (0)Abstain, (1)Not voting requesting the NYC/MTA conduct more community outreach and traffic studies, especially looking at improving/changing traffic light signals, before implementing any change to Bx6 bus route. This Executive Committee action was ratified at the November 22, 2016 Community Board 12, Manhattan General Meeting.

Whereas, the MTA presented planned service changes to Bx6 to Community Board 12, Manhattan, which they expect to launch in spring 2017, and

Whereas, the MTA reported that Bx6 bus service is slow, often taking up to 56 minutes to travel 5 miles during rush hours, and

Whereas, according to the MTA and DOT such changes will improve speed, safety and customer satisfaction, and

Whereas, the introduction of Select Bus Service will take service away from the local bus service, and

Whereas, ridership of the Bx6 has increased by more than 1 million in the last 5 years, and

Whereas, Bx6 also services residents in CB12,M, where ridership has increased by more than 250 thousand riders between W.155th Street and Riverside and Yankee Stadium in the last 5 years, and

Whereas, most of the riders of Bx6 are senior citizens, and any changes to Bx6 will have an adverse effect on residents of CB12, M, especially in the winter, therefore,

Be it resolved, CB12, M, approves the proposed changes to Bx6 bus route as presented by the MTA, and, only with the following changes:

- A) SBS Service be limited to the Bronx portion of the Bx6 route
- B) Local Bx6 Service be retained as is in Manhattan the current schedule,
- C) A mechanism be created for local riders from Manhattan to transfer to and from SBS Service in the Bronx

Be it further resolved, CB12, M proposes that the MTA conduct more community outreach and traffic studies, especially looking at improving/changing traffic light signals, before implementing any change to Bx6 bus route.

Sincerely,



Shahabuddeen A. Ally, Esq.
Chairperson

Cc: Hon. Bill de Blasio, Mayor
Hon. Letitia James, Public Advocate
Hon. Scott Stringer, Comptroller
Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President
Hon. Charles B. Rangel, Congressman
Hon. Adriano Espaillat, State Senator
Hon. Bill Perkins, State Senator
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Hon. Polly Trottenberg
Commissioner
Department of Transportation
55 Water Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10041

Dear Commissioner Trottenberg:

At the Executive Meeting, Monday, November 21, 2016 Community Board 12-Manhattan passed the following resolution with a vote of (12)In Favor, (0)Opposed, (0)Abstain, requests that the New York City Department of Transportation provide "No Standing Anytime" signs to replace the existing "No Parking Anytime" signs located on Audubon Avenue between 190th and 192nd Street in order to provide safe and unobstructed entry to and exit from Isabella Geriatric Center. This Executive Committee action was ratified at the November 22, 2016 Community Board 12, Manhattan General Meeting.

Whereas, Isabella Geriatric Center, a not-for-profit provider of services for more than 140 years in northern Manhattan, provides health care to older adults in a variety of settings on its campus, and,

Whereas, The Isabella campus includes a 705 bed nursing home providing short-term rehabilitation, ventilator dependent care, dementia care and long term care - which involves more than 1,500 admissions each year, and,

Whereas, The campus also includes 78 senior housing apartments, an Adult Day Health Care Program with a capacity of 45 community residents a day, the Institute for Older Adults with an average daily attendance of 50 - 75 community residents per day, and,

Whereas, Isabella receives 50 to 60 Ambulance, Ambulette and Access-a-Ride visits per day to provide transport of nursing home residents and Adult Day Health Care clients to and from the hospital and home all of which need unobstructed and safe access to the property, and,

Whereas, The Isabella campus is very busy each day with thousands of individuals entering and leaving the campus including more than 1,000 employees on three shifts, 400 to 500 visitors and contractors and more than 100 frail nursing home residents and program clients, most of whom have mobility challenges - all with a need for safe and unobstructed access to the Isabella campus, and,

Whereas, Isabella receives an average of 25 deliveries by truck of vital products such as food, medical supplies, medications and housekeeping supplies between the hours of 5:00 am to 4:00 pm, and,

Whereas, The existing "No Parking Anytime" signs have been proven insufficient to prevent parking that obstructs necessary visibility and impedes access to the campus resulting in the frequent and dangerous unloading of deliveries in the middle of Audubon Avenue; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, Community Board 12, Manhattan requests that the New York City Department of Transportation provide "No Standing Anytime" signs to replace the existing "No Parking Anytime" signs located on Audubon Avenue between 190th and 192nd Street in order to provide safe and unobstructed entry to and exit from Isabella Geriatric Center; and,

Be it further resolved, Community Board 12, Manhattan requests that the New York City Police Department make special efforts to enforce the restrictions appropriate to a "No Standing Anytime" zone to assure an unobstructed entry to and exit from the Isabella campus that will preserve the safety of the frail elderly and provide ease of access to visitors, contractors and delivery vehicles.

Sincerely,



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