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DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, April 21, 2021  
Time: 10:00am  
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A G E N D A

NYPD

- 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct:
  - Top Collision prone location: **We actually only have one for the 28 day period, and that is going to be W 41st St and 11th Avenue.**
  - Top three major crimes: **Right now the only number that we are up is in grand larceny it's 34 verses 15; felony assault 13 and 13 for the 28 day period**
- Midtown South Precinct:
  - Public safety report on West 36 Street and relocated temporary Shelter on West 40<sup>th</sup> Street: **Hotels on W 36th Street one has moved so far so we've gotten less complaints on 36 street not as many coming from W 48 Street. The Marriott actually had let us know this week that the current one left on W 36<sup>th</sup> Street might be relocating by July 1 because they'd like to reopen their hotel fully.**
  - **Follow up:** Increase in drug use at McCaffrey playground. DPR request for collaboration with MTS Precinct.: **So far we've been increasing our coverage there between us and narcotics for the month of April so far we've made a three narcotics related arrest right on W 43rd Street in between 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, so we're continuing to work on that block.**
  - **Follow Up:** NYPD Parking in Bus Stop: **The bus stop has been clear since the last board meeting.**

- Top Collision prone location: **9<sup>th</sup> Ave/W 37<sup>th</sup> St; 9<sup>th</sup> Ave/W 38<sup>th</sup> St; 9<sup>th</sup> Ave/W 39<sup>th</sup> Street. In the last two months there have been pedestrians struck at these locations and as a result all traffic efforts are being concentrated on Ninth Avenue**
- Top three major crimes: **Up in most of the major crimes. Robberies 25 vs 5; felony assaults with 31 verse seven and grand larceny is where 87 verse 30.**

## **FDNY/EMS**

- Fire\Service Stat Report for CB4 for the last 30 days: **For the month of March there were 28 structural fires here today that's January through March there had been 78. 9 structural fires, year to date 71 totaling the amount of fires in the month of March to be 42. Year to date 149 for non-medical emergencies, there have been 262 in the month of March year to date 837 medical emergencies 458, Year to date 1213 to Linda my emergencies for the month of March to be 720, year to date 2050. Our key safety tip of the month revolves around cooking safety, as we are testing out new dishes refining some old ones we really want to encourage everyone to connect with us via [fdny.smart./connect](http://fdny.smart./connect) there they'll find a plethora of current videos and we're continuing to promote our get alarm program, virtual cpr.**

## **DHS & Homeless Outreach (DHS, Breaking Ground, Goddard, Urban Pathways)**

### **District Report**

- DHS Update: Temporary Hotel Shelters: **See attachment**
- Breaking Ground Outreach Report: **see attachment**

## **DOT:**

- **Ongoing:**
  - **Status of reinstalling plastic bollards at Cite Bike station on West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue: This was done by lift. I'm told it was done a few weeks ago**
  - **DDC Project MED 609 Parking Signage Change: I put Wayne in contact with my colleague Gil Cruz, who handles the permits in of CMC so Wayne are you there if you are there.**
  - **Signal light change at the intersection of West 23 Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue: We did receive that resolution in March 2020. The signals division is reviewing the request. there is a set seven seconds leading pedestrian interval of that location at the moment, which allows pedestrians, to have a head start crossing. Singles division review takes about a year to review.**
  - **West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street Bike painting: Construction Dumpster blocking the lane just east of 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue: the markings were mostly completed here both East and West of ninth avenue and that there's no longer a large gap at the dumpster but due to the ongoing ninth avenue work we still need to return in the future to complete the intersection markings.**

someone's going to go to that location today and take some photos just to confirm that, but it looks like pretty much most of the markings are done at that location and we'll just have to be the intersection markings.

- Status of the MCB4 supported 4 neckdowns along 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue: **we are finalizing the legal agreements for those locations and we have been talking with the bids about that, so you know I think implementation is going to be soon, maybe before the years out.**
  - 17th St: Double curb extension at the SW corner:
  - 25th St: Double curb extension at the SW corner:
  - 43rd St: Single curb extension on side street at the NW corner:
  - 45th St: Single curb extension on side street at the SW corner:

#### **DOB (see attachment)**

- **Ongoing:**
  - **Stop Work Order for 317-319-West 35 Street: Stop Work Order remains. An audit was issued and a meeting took place yesterday with the owner and his representatives.**

#### **DEP/DDC**

- **DEP (see attachment)**
  - Top three DEP 311 complaints
- **DDC**
  - Project Updates:
    - MED 609 – Water Main Installation 9<sup>th</sup> Ave West 50s Street -Wayne Brown – Completion Date: November 2021: **The project has completed 97% of all the 12 inch and 20 inch distribution water mains 95% of the 36 inch trump order me and 100% of all sewers and 95% of the catch basins. Con Edison has completed their installation of the new 20 inch and 12 inch gas means ducks and conduit for the new electrical and distribution systems are approximately 95% done. going to be trying to do within the next quarter we will complete the remaining water main work and distribution water main on the project majority of this work will take place at the intersection of 57th street and 58 Th street require. This will require significant reconfiguring of existing buried utilities in order to provide room for the water mains. That has really been on hold up, we got a lot of vcs which is horizon and electrical work over there, that has to be relocated, so we can finish off over doing they're currently. We putting in currently we are putting in a new regulator in the sidewalk on 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue & W 58<sup>th</sup> Street & W 59<sup>th</sup> Street right in front of the CVs store they have CVs and walgreens have been contacted verbally and physically, I wanted to talk to both of the managers and businesses to let them know that will be there for a minute. We're not sure what's going to happen with the ninth avenue film festival we reached out to them and they've gotten to us saying they haven't received word from DOT, yet, but it looks**

like they are going to hold off until 2022. The permanent restoration for the roadway wanted to start me late may and like I said, between 56 or 57 as Internet only thing that's happening here was the candidate will be doing some Their in house electrical crews are modifying existing cable conditions inside the manholes and various locations, just to facilitate all of the new means they have put in And so we're working with them on that and write them out now that's about it until we can.

- MED598B – Trunk Water Main West 30<sup>th</sup> Street – Mike Whitfield – Completion Date: Spring 2022: **About 84-85% complete of the full project, because you know, we had a portion of work that was added to the end of the job with our completion date is still looking at like spring of 22, not much has changed we've installed just a small portion of water main that 33rd street and Ninth avenue, we did have a shutdown it was a nighttime shut down between 10 and I think we put the water back on early it was probably about four o'clock in the morning between eighth and ninth avenue on 33rd street. But this summer we're still going to be working this summer and fall, we will be working on ninth avenue between 35 and 33rd street and we have a number of things that we're doing there right now we're doing 48 inch trunk what I mean well, we also have seen work that we're doing and a metric layout so we still have a little time when a job, but most of it it's going to be just kind of putting pipe in and then probably by this winter will be gearing up to prepare for a restoration.**
- MED-645 – Water Main Installation 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> Ave and West 20<sup>th</sup> St./West 21 Str – Sayda Noboa-Torres – Completion Date: Spring 2022
- Status of Bus Stop on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue West 21/22 Streets: **the CCL for the project on 10th avenue Between 23 to 22nd street um well our report is that we did a successful nighttime water shut down on April 2 i'm no inconvenience there, thank God, we were able to install our 12 inch water pipe there. last week of the construction crew was able to pour 100 linear feet, a temporary asphalt on 10th avenue between West 21st to West 22nd street they were able to pour temporary asphalt to cure all the backfilling they will come back in four to six weeks to pour the final concrete base And after that the bus stop that it's on the east side of the street, he will be restored, he hasn't been restored yet, because we need to come back and pour the final asphalt. The construction crew was able to bring down all the metal fences on 10th avenue to keep way for the restaurant that is there, so they're very happy. The construction crew moved to West 21st street between between 10 and 11 to continue our infrastructure project, which is to change the what am a pie opportunity are what am a park there it's underneath the sidewalk so they're putting up the fences there are, we are giving the Community the five feet, that is required per permit.**
- HWMP2020 – Gansevoort Area Reconstruction – Sofia Noboa – Completion Date: June 2021: **the project has completed 96% of the work currently they're working at the Northeast corner of ninth**

avenue the contractors working for comparison with the relocation of a 12 inch gas main that is in conflict with a proposed growth base. The work anticipated for this operation is three weeks or you know everything is what weather dependent at the Northwest corner of ninth avenue and was seen street is also a con Edison they are rebuilding and electrical manhole. That it was deteriorating really, really bad so they are currently moving cables from the walls, so they manhole can be demolished, and they can start to work properly. the Northwest corner of ninth avenue and West 15 street also con Edison has found in electrical theaters that they were way too high on the roadways so they need to be relocated so right now, they are trying with which is a contractor it's working on the excavation to find a new lane for a new electrical layout so basically do you see this operations from condition are delaying the work as it is and we just have as part of the.

- HWPEDSF4 - Multi-Site Ped Ramp at West 34 Street 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Myriam Benjamin- Completion Date: Spring 2022: We are still our contractor is still working very closely with con Edison to do electrical relocations. They're working on 34th street between eighth and ninth avenue, and also an eighth avenue on the West side of eighth avenue between 34 and 33rd. They are we building manholes some have been completed, and some are still being worked on and they are also working on electrical conduits. Due to the nature of the of the job that they doing with can ConEdison, I still don't have a set timeline of when the work will be completed so we can resume city work and do these fed ramps, but I do know that at this time ddc is working very closely with the mayor's office DOT and other agencies to see if we could get weekend hours to expedite the work, because the contract that has already increased their crew, instead of one they do have about two to three crews every night, so they are doing their best to accelerate the work, but they need more hours, so I know right now the DC construction management is discussing the possibility of seeing if we could get permits to work, seven days a week.
- MEDA002 – Water Main Replacement 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Ave West. 34<sup>th</sup> St.-West 36<sup>th</sup> Street – Raul – Completion Date: Spring 2022: This past Monday, we had a water main shut down and we were able to complete the work the water main replacement on the South side of West 34th street so now we only have to work on the North side. This project is about 95% completed.

#### DSNY

- Illegal Dumping Locations: The illegal dumping, the hotspot is 46 and ninth we don't know exactly where it's coming from but that's an issue we struggled a bit with one on one seven days and he was a homeless cleanup thankfully he moved on. W 59th street remains clean. We got extra basket service one day a week from councilman johnson's office, which is a big help with doing a couple baskets. Along Tenth avenue and the lower portion of districts, thanks to him

one day a week and just to remind all contractors or be economy or water or required to clean they're clean up and maintain the job sites

**Con Edison**

- Current work locations within CD4: **Still working on some gas on the gas project down at 28th and ninth that's going to be approximately. Another month and a half going on and other been lots of plate complaints over there, newer acts like you know, can you just block off the lane with the plates, and we unfortunately, cannot so that's what's happening there at 43rd and 11th and in that general vicinity we're also working on a very large electric project that involves larger substation project we're kind of moving some load from one substation to another. That work is also going to continue probably until late winter through the end of the year end of the year so that's the status on those projects.**
- **Commission on Human Rights: See attachment**

Here are DOHMH's updates-

- As of 4/20 5,843,222 doses of COVID-19 Vaccine have been administered in NYC
- J&J vaccine is on pause out of an abundance of caution, recommended by CDC and FDA on 4/13 as they investigate 6 cases of a rare but serious blood clot condition. To put into context the rarity of the cases, over 6.8 million doses of the J&J vaccine had been administered with only 6 cases being investigated. As of today, no new cases have been reported
- Expanded eligibility to include all New Yorkers aged 16+. For those 16 and 17, please ensure your appointment is for Pfizer, since that is the only vaccine approved for 16+. Moderna is approved for those 18+
- Certain sites are offering walk up appointments for those 50+ and one companion (16+). **Please share the link, and not a printed version of the flyer since locations can change-the link will always have the most updated locations available.** <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/coronavirus/downloads/vaccines/walk-up-vax-sites-50-up.pdf>
- Continue practicing social distancing guidelines

**Midtown Homelessness Outreach Report**  
**Breaking Ground Street-to-Home Manhattan**  
**April 21, 2021 Update**

***Catchment Area***

Breaking Ground Street-to-Home Manhattan's catchment area extends from the north side of 23rd St to the south side of 59th St, river to river.

***Neighborhood Homeless Outreach Efforts***

BG S2HM conducts street outreach to homeless individuals in the Chelsea and Hell's Kitchen neighborhoods on a daily basis—visiting encampments, hotspots, and chronic clients with the goal of linking street homeless individuals to housing and other vital services.

***Joint Operations***

S2HM outreach teams conduct weekly joint outreach operations with Times Square Alliance and New York City Relief. S2HM also conducts joint outreach operations with street medicine teams and other outreach providers on an as-needed basis. There have been no recent joint outreach operations with NYPD.

***Current Areas of Concern***

BG S2HM continues to provide homeless outreach services at all the areas of concern identified in recent months. Highlights for the four weeks ended Wed 4/21 include:

***Columbus Circle***

Outreach teams report that this area has been mostly free of homeless activity for the last several weeks. On occasion, though, clients are still encountered on benches inside the traffic circle and nearby at the corner of 58th St and 8th Ave.

***58th St and 59th St under West Side Hwy***

Outreach teams, case managers, and supervisors have had a daily presence here for many months due to the proliferation of encampments occupied mainly by S2HM caseload clients. Following the placement of several of these clients and the cleanup of their encampments, this area has been largely free of homeless activity in recent weeks.

***DeWitt Clinton Park***

Outreach has been canvassing and reporting on this location frequently, including during every Code Blue weather emergency. This location is also scheduled for periodic DHS/DSNY cleanups. On 4/7 and 4/12, S2HM case management staff placed two entrenched clients from this location at a stabilization bed facility in Manhattan. Following these placements, homeless activity at this location has been greatly reduced.

***51st St bet 8th Ave and 9th Ave***

Outreach teams significantly increased visits to this location in late-winter in response to the



reemergence of a complex and sprawling encampment. S2HM also began working closely with community partners, including the Times Square Alliance, toward a solution. Recent cleanups and scaffolding removal have improved conditions at this location, but at least one tent and a small number of bedded-down clients remain. The most recent DHS/DSNY cleanups were scheduled for 4/12 and 4/14; the next cleanup is scheduled for 4/23.

***51st St bet 9th Ave and 10th Ave***

Outreach teams have been visiting this location at least daily for many weeks in response to increased homeless activity. A caseload client of significant concern has been bedded down here since early-winter, along with a few lesser-known homeless individuals. In addition, a caseload client previously living in a large tent near 51st St and 8th Ave relocated to this block on or around 4/17. S2HM supervisors and managers are working with community organizations to meet this client's specific needs prior to placement.

***8th Ave bet 42nd St and 59th St***

Outreach teams canvass this long stretch of 8th Ave (particularly from 57th St to 59th St) on a daily basis and engage and offer services to the numerous homeless individuals regularly encountered.

***42nd St bet 8th Ave and 9th Ave***

Outreach has continued to engage the numerous homeless individuals on this block. Most of the clients regularly encountered are on caseload and are working toward housing.

***8th Ave bet 39th St and 42nd St (PABT)***

S2HM visits this area regularly. Outreach teams report steady homeless activity around PABT across morning, day, and evening shifts. Over the last several months, overnight staff has encountered relatively few clients bedded down.

***8th Ave bet 33rd St and 35th St***

Outreach teams frequently canvass these two blocks of 8th Ave, which have historically been very active with panhandling and drug-related activity. This stretch of 8th Ave has been less active over the past several weeks, however, due to construction. Outreach teams continue to note significant NYPD presence around the nearby Duane Reade (34th St and 8th Ave) and McDonald's (8th Ave between 34th St and 35th St).

***8th Ave bet 31st St and 33rd St (General Post Office)***

Outreach teams visit this location often and encounter a varied number of homeless individuals. Many of them are well-known to outreach staff and are in some stage of the housing process. This location has also been the target of DHS/DSNY cleanups.

***34th St between 8th Ave and 9th Ave***

This location has seen increased police activity and an ongoing police presence in response to crime in late-2020. Although homeless activity decreased, and remains lower, homeless individuals continue to be encountered, especially near the corner of 34th St and 8th Ave.

***41st St bet 10th Ave and Dyer Ave***

Over the past several months, homeless activity at this location has fluctuated. Recent cleanings improved conditions, but several encampment residents remained. In response, S2HM increased outreach efforts further and began working with community stakeholders toward a resolution. This location has been largely free of homeless activity since it was last cleaned by DHS/DSNY on 4/14.

**39th St bet 9th Ave and 10th Ave**

Outreach teams visit this encampment at least daily and are working to connect the individuals bedded down here to housing and other services. In addition, this location is regularly targeted for DHS/DSNY cleanups.

**38th St bet 9th Ave and 10th Ave**

Outreach teams visit this former encampment location at least daily and are working to connect the remaining individuals bedded down here to housing and other services.

**Dyer Ave bet 34th St and 36th St**

Outreach teams have been visiting this location frequently for many months due to fluctuating homeless activity. S2HM case management staff is working with the homeless individuals who remain. This area has also been the target of DHS/DSNY cleanups.

**31st St and 32nd St bet 6th Ave and 7th Ave [New Location]**

While these blocks have historically been a popular homeless location due to their proximity to the St Francis Church complex, the population bedded down here has increased during recent weeks. Overnight teams visit this location daily and are working to connect clients to caseload services and transitional housing opportunities.

**23rd St bet 7th Ave and 8th Ave**

Outreach teams have been visiting this encampment daily since early-January. While staff and supervisors have been working on housing with the entrenched clients bedded down in this location, S2HM management has joined with DHS and community leaders in exploring collaborative solutions. In addition, this location has been regularly scheduled for DHS/DSNY cleanups.

**6th Ave bet 23rd St and 25th St**

Outreach teams canvass this stretch of 6th Ave at least daily in response to community concerns. Persistent Illegal vending continues to attract a number of homeless individuals, who are steadily engaged by outreach teams for placement into transitional housing and other services. On 3/25, outreach staff engaged a client on 6th Ave between 23rd St and 24th St and placed him at a safe haven in the Bronx. And on 4/2, outreach staff engaged a client on 6th Ave between 24th St and 25th St and placed him at a drop-in center in Manhattan. This location has also been regularly scheduled for DHS/DSNY cleanups.

**Outreach Team Placements**

- On 3/17, outreach staff engaged a client at 51st St and Broadway and placed him at a safe haven in Queens.
- Also on 3/17, outreach staff engaged a client at Herald Square and placed her at a safe haven in Brooklyn.
- On 3/18, outreach staff engaged a client on 38th St between 9th Ave and 10th Ave and placed him at a stabilization bed facility in Queens.
- On 3/22, outreach staff engaged a client at 34th St and 8th Ave and placed him at a drop-in center in the Bronx.
- On 3/25, outreach staff engaged a client on 6th Ave between 23rd St and 24th St and placed him at a safe haven in the Bronx.
- On 3/29, outreach staff engaged a client at 32nd St and 8th Ave and placed her at a stabilization bed

facility in Manhattan.

- On 4/1, outreach staff engaged a client on 46th St between 6th Ave and 7th Ave and placed her at a drop-in center in the Bronx.
- On 4/2, outreach staff engaged a client on 6th Ave between 24th St and 25th St and placed him at a drop-in center in Manhattan.
- On 4/7, outreach staff engaged a client at 43rd St and 7th Ave and placed him at a safe haven in the Bronx.
- On 4/8, outreach staff engaged a client at 33rd St and 8th Ave and placed him at a safe haven in the Bronx.
- Also on 4/8, outreach staff engaged a client on 46th St between 6th Ave and 7th Ave and placed her at a safe haven in Manhattan.
- On 4/9, outreach staff engaged a client at 57th St and 8th Ave and placed him at a stabilization bed facility in Manhattan.
- Also on 4/9, outreach staff engaged a client at 35th St and Broadway and placed him at a stabilization bed facility in the Bronx.
- Also on 4/9, outreach staff engaged a client at 35th St and Broadway and placed her at a stabilization bed facility in Manhattan.
- On 4/15, outreach staff engaged a client at Chelsea Park and placed him at a stabilization bed facility in Manhattan.
- On 4/16, outreach staff engaged a client at 38th St and 9th Ave and placed him at a safe haven in Manhattan.
- Also on 4/16, outreach staff engaged a client at 36th St and Broadway and placed him at a safe haven in the Bronx.
- On 4/20, outreach staff engaged a client at 27th St and 9th Ave and placed him at a safe haven in Manhattan.

## Top 30 Complaints

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Descriptor 1	# of SRs
Noise: Construction Before/After Hours (NM1)	148
Noise: Construction Equipment (NC1)	23
Lead Kit Request (Residential) (L10)	21
Noise: air condition/ventilation equipment (NV1)	21
Noise: Jack Hammering (NC2)	16
Noise: Private Carting Noise (NQ1)	15
Noise: Alarms (NR3)	11
Manhole Cover Broken/Making Noise (SB)	10
Noise, Barking Dog (NR5)	7
Air: Odor/Fumes, Vehicle Idling (AD3)	6
Dirty Water (WE)	6
Hydrant Defective (WC2)	5
Manhole Cover Missing (Emergency) (SA3)	4
Noise: Manufacturing Noise (NK1)	4
Sewer Backup (Use Comments) (SA)	4
Air: Dust, Construction/Demolition (AE4)	3
Air: Smoke, Chimney or vent (AS1)	3
Hydrant Leaking (WC1)	3
Hydrant Running (WC3)	3
Other Sewer Problem (Use Comments) (SZZ)	3
Other Water Problem (Use Comments) (WZZ)	3
Asbestos Complaint (B1)	2
Catch Basin Clogged/Flooding (Use Comments) (SC)	2
Clear Water With Other Particles (Use Comments) (QEZ)	2
Hydrant Running Full (WA4)	2
Leak (Use Comments) (WA2)	2
Sewer Odor (SA2)	2
Taste/Odor, Bitter/Metallic (QA3)	2
Taste/Odor, Musty/Stale (QA4)	2
Water Meter Broken/Leaking - Private Residence (CMR)	2
unknown odor/taste in drinking water (QA6)	2

Here are some links to include with the notes for the Commission on Human Rights, in addition to what I'll mention live.

\*\*Bystander Intervention Training -- <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/community/bystander-intervention.page>

\*\*"You Do It With Heart" -- An initiative with our Artist in Residence geared toward Black-owned businesses -- <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/media/pair-black-solidarity.page>

\*\*New rules on pregnancy and reproductive health decisions -  
- <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/law/title-47-index.page#history>