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**Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 2, 2023**

Transportation Committee Chairperson: Lisa Sanchez

The Transportation and Sanitation Committees met on Thursday, September 28, 2023 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference and in-person at the district office. The following Board Members were present at the meeting: Lisa Sanchez (approved for virtual attendance), Maria Latimer (approved for virtual attendance), and Monique Williams

DOT Presentation on Citi Bike Expansion in CB6

The NYC Department of Transportation presented the final map of Citi Bike locations in Bronx Community Board 6. DOT noted that CB6 has a higher portion of sidewalk Citibike locations (as compared to stations in the street) than other districts, as this feedback was provided by community members. Lisa Sanchez explained the need for placing Citi Bike stations on as many sidewalks as possible. District Manager Rafael Moure noted that 14 of 37 citibike locations are on streets as opposed to sidewalks. Monique Williams asked how many bikes will be at each station, DOT informed us that CB6 locations will have 20 bikes per station, smaller than other stations in denser areas. DOT announced that installations will happen in November, and will be completed by mid December.

Fordham Plaza Updates

The DOT borough office informed the committee that the farmer's market RFP operated for a few years, before GrowNYC asking DOT to terminate the agreement. The Cafe building RFP was selected and then canceled. The Kiosk 1 concession is expected to begin in Spring 2024, and Kiosk 3 is expected to have a vendor in fall of 2023. The Cafe and Kiosk 2 will have a new RFP issued in Fall 2023. DOT estimated that all kiosks should be occupied by Fall 2024. DOT reported graffiti removal was conducted in the plaza as well.

Southern Boulevard

The DOT borough office informed the committee that an answer to the Board's letter should receive a response by next month's committee meeting. Lisa Sanchez shared concerns that the project had made traffic worse on Southern Boulevard. District Manager Rafael Moure raised the concern that buses loading in and out of the Zoo are blocking traffic. Rafael stated the concern that the Zoo has asked bus operators to come into the parking lot, but absent traffic enforcement, has no way to force bus operators not to block traffic on Southern Boulevard.

Update on State DOT Construction Lot

District Manager Rafael Moure provided an update on the Board's letter to State DOT, inquiring about the long term plan for the State's construction site in West Farms Square. The letter received by the Board in response did not provide a meaningful answer. Rafael shared a follow up letter sent by Assembly Member Karines Reyes to State DOT requesting action, and that Senator Sepulveda's office reports they have spoken to State DOT as well. Rafael asked the committee to plan additional follow up in November when we have more information on the DDC project in West Farms Square.