

Pending Board Approval
Bronx Community Board 8 Traffic and Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2025
Meeting Recording

Meeting Called to order - 7:05 pm

1. Introduction remarks by Chairperson of the Committee

Requirements for meeting reviewed

2. Roll Call: Quorum is present

In attendance(4): Committee Chairperson Debby Allen, Vice Chair Bob Bender, Margaret Della, Debra Harris

Absent (2): Sylvia Alexander, Yngrid DeLeon

Board members and Staff: Chairperson Julie Reyes, District Manager Farrah Kule Rubin

Guests: Jonathan Flynn (MTA), Ashley Mundackal (MTA), Kate Theobald (Community Resident Manhattan College Pkwy.) and Wyldon Fishman (NYSES, Resident)

3. September 25, 2025, Minutes Unanimously Approved

In favor (4): Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris, Margaret Della

Opposed (0)

Abstained (0)

4. Presentation: MTA Painting & Steel Repairs: Broadway- W.225th St to W. 242nd Street

LINK: <https://cbbronx.cityofnewyork.us/cb8/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/10/MTA-Painting-and-Steel-Repairs-Presentation-10-16-25.pdf>

Discussion with MTA on work to bring trestles/columns on 1 Line to a state of good Repair -

The highlights of the presentation were:

- MTA Painting, Concrete & Steel Repairs: Broadway-225th Street to 242nd Street
- Requires coordination with the DOT and the public
- Project Timeline
 - Phase 1: Project Mobilization, blasting, painting and steel repairs from W. 225th street to W. 230th street. Estimated schedule: April 2025-June 2026
 - Phase 2: Project Mobilization, blasting, painting and steel repairs from W. 230th St. to W. 232nd St. Estimated schedule: July 2025-July 2026

- Phase 3: blasting, painting and steel repairs from W. 236th St. to W. 240 St.
Estimated Schedule: August 2026-August 2027
- Phase 1: A Mobilization safe span decoking, blasting, painting and steel repairs from W. 240th St. to W. 242nd St. Estimated Schedule: August 2025-October 2026
- There are multiple Projects contracted and occurring at W. 225th and safety control
- W. 242nd Street there are timber barriers for safety

Concerns Raised

- 1- ADA concerns at W. 225th Street **will be resolved in 2027**
- 2- There may be closures at W. 231 or W. 242 street stations, may occur during the weekend
- 3- There are a lot more repairs needed for the steel structures and may require additional time for the project.
- 4- Tractor trailer on W. 242nd street belongs on the Southwest Corner
- 5- W. 231 Street the area is not secure and does not appear safe. There are gaps in the timber barricades. There are man-lifts that appear not as secured.
- 6- W. 231 Street there is a lot of garbage and quality-of-life issues for the community.
- 7- W. 242nd Street has different safety requirements due to the insurance. W. 242nd street has a timber barrier to secure equipment. MTA is doing a separate ADA project here scheduled to be finished in late 2027.
- 8- W. 231 Street (Northeast/ Northwest) the staircase project is being done by another contractor for the MTA. There is an ADA issue.
- 9- W. 231 Street Northbound - the construction shed for the stairway work blocks the vision of pedestrians. Also there is a very small walkway not wide enough for a stroller or wheelchair.
- 10- Issues with Tractor Tailor's coming off the Deegan Expressway onto Broadway that hit the steel column. The MTA and DOT are in conversation to develop a solution. Need to look into black and yellow striping to alert trucks on the clearance of the turns onto Broadway so don't hit the columns.

Other Concerns:

- 1- Safety issues, traffic issues at the Bus-Stop of W. 262 Street and Broadway. A traffic study is needed in the area possibly. There are also Westchester Buses at the stop. A men's shelter.
- 2- BX1 Bus- cannot make a turn on Bailey Avenue and Albany Crescent/ West Kingsbridge Double parking and the curb are extended which is causing an issue with the BX 1 bus to make turns. Need exact location for MTA to look into this.

Jonathan Flynn (MTA) - will be coordinating a site visit with DOT, Road Ops and BXCB8 to review the situation at W. 261st – West 262nd Street and Broadway

5. Discussion with DOT and Council Member De La Rosa on ADA Compliance on Broadway Bridge During Construction

-Rescheduled to November 20, 2025, meeting.

6. Street Co-Naming-Manhattan University:

There was a presentation by Manhattan University. The co-naming will not change the resident mailing address. The Community that resides on Manhattan College Parkway were informed by the following methods:

- 1- Certified letter
- 2- Letters of Support
- 3- Process Server

Objection from one community member with the co-naming. Community raised concern that it will cause confusion with the mailing address.

Bronx CB8 will be working with Council Member Dinowitz and Manhattan University on the sign location.

Approved the Resolution:

Resolution
October 16, 2025
Manhattan University Parkway

WHEREAS, Manhattan University is requesting to Co-Name Manhattan College Parkway to Manhattan University Parkway; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan College was Established in the 1850's and has changed their name to Manhattan University on August 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Representatives of Manhattan University have provided letters of support from the community for street name being Co-Named; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan University has informed the community by process servers and certified letters as requested by the Traffic & Transportation Committee; and

WHEREAS, Approval is based on the condition that they send us the list of all addresses they mailed notice to before the General Board meeting on October 30, 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Bronx Community Board 8 Traffic and Transportation committee supports the proposed recommendation of co-naming the street to: Manhattan University Parkway

In favor (3): Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris,

Abstained (1): Margaret Della

Opposed (0)

7. Unfinished Business-22 Citi Bike Stations Phase 3 Riverdale- Response from DOT on Summer walkthrough. There was a robust discussion and offered additional suggestions for Citi Bike relocations:

Site 3 - Broadway and West 261st Street – East side on street

Site 4 - David Sheridan Plaza and Broadway – South side

Site 12 - Waldo Avenue and Manhattan College Parkway - East side on street

Reviewed the usage numbers DOT sent on the Citi bike stations currently in our district and shows very small usage. <https://nycdotbikeshare.info/>

2024 usage data for the requested Citi Bike stations is:

1. Giles Place and Fort Independence: average 12 daily trips annually, average 15 daily trips during peak riding months
2. Kingsbridge Terrace and West 230th Street: average 5 daily trips annually, average 6 daily trips during peak riding months
3. Sedgwick Avenue and Giles Place: average 16 daily trips annually, average 22 daily trips during peak riding months
4. Tibbett Avenue and West 234th Street: average 5 daily trips annually, average 6 daily trips during peak riding months
5. Naples Terrace and Broadway: average 10 daily trips annually, average 14 daily trips during peak riding months
6. Irwin Avenue and West 232nd Street: average 11 daily trips annually, average 13 daily trips during peak riding months

8. FY28 Budget Priorities

- 1- MTA is storing garbage at Marble Hill area of MTA Tracks that we want an easement on continue with a pathway connecting to the Harlem River Pathway. The committee believes there is a site at Highbridge Station they can move the garbage to.
- 2- Want to add a pedestrian and cyclist pathway continuous from Van Cortlandt Park thru to Harlem River path.
- 3- Discussed Lighting issues in BXCB8.

9. New Business:

- Brief discussion on the W. 254 street school safety project and consideration of re-inviting the DDC Project leader on W. 254th so that the community can express concerns.
- Lighting issues in CB8 – many streetlights reported out in the district. List of areas in North Riverdale, South Riverdale, Greystone Ave. were given. The office will follow up on the DOT work orders issued for these. DOT said LED lighting installed 9-10 years ago which is the lifespan of these types of lights and need to be replaced.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:55pm

Submitted by Debby Allen
T&T Committee Chair