

**(Pending Committee Approval)**

**Meeting Minutes of Traffic and Transportation Committee**

**Bronx Community Board 8**

**Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 7PM**

**Bronx Community Board 8 Office – 5676 Riverdale Ave, Suite 100, Bronx, NY 10471**

**Meeting Recording**

Meeting called to order at 7:01PM.

**1. Introduction Remarks by Chairperson of the Committee**

Requirements for meeting reviewed.

**2. Roll Call: Quorum is present**

**In Attendance (4):** Debby Allen (Chair), Bob Bender (Vice Chair), Sylvia Alexander (Zoom), Debra Harris

**Absent (2):** Margret Della, Yngrid DeLeon

**Guests:** Jonathan Flynn (MTA), Antonio Rodriguez (Alltown Limo Corp.), Randi Martos (NYS Assembly Member Jeffrey Dinowitz's Office), Jenna Klaus (NYC Council Member Eric Dinowitz's Office), W. Fishman, B. Costello, K. Kllobocishta

**3. Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2025: Unanimously Approved**

**In favor (4):** Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris, Sylvia Alexander (ADA-Zoom)

**Opposed (0)**

**Abstained (0)**

**4. Discussion on NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC) West 254<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Plan (There was a Robust Discussion)**

A. The homeowners on West 254th Street are requesting

- i. Requesting only sidewalk on the Northbound Side of the Street.
- ii. Request to maintain well established trees, grass and landscape to be maintained.
- iii. Request to maintain current parking.
- iv. Request the current character of West 254th Street that is protected by the Special Natural Area District (SNAD).
- v. Requesting that Con Edison place needed upgrades underground.
- vi. West 254th Street is hilly and it is not feasible to make ADA compliant.

**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION**

**WEST 254TH STREET IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL PROJECT ID HWX406**

**DECEMBER 18, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, the New York City (NYC) Department of Design and Construction (DDC) recommended sidewalks Northbound and Southbound on West 254th Street in Bronx Community Board 8 (CB8) district; and

**WHEREAS**, the presentation by DDC at the Traffic and Transportation (T & T) Committee on September 25, 2025, outlined West 254th Street Improvement/Acquisition; and

**WHEREAS**, the plan will eliminate 19 trees, grass, retaining walls and landscaping in CB8 residential areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the T & T Committee heard testimony from the homeowners that the project will impact on their quality of life and disregards the Special Natural Area District (SNAD) Riverdale Nature Preservancy; and

**WHEREAS**, the T & T Committee has written testimony that the elimination of established trees will cause flooding, increase heat and erosion of land; and

**WHEREAS**, the T & T Committee heard testimony that adding Southbound and Northbound sidewalks will eliminate parking spots and safety concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, the T & T committee heard testimony from the homeowners that concern of increased traffic due to the narrowing of the roadway; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, Bronx Community Board 8 Board Members (Board) finds that certain elements of the plan may be beneficial to CB8; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, other elements of the plan create unnecessary hardship for residents due to the loss of already scarce parking, loss of property, loss of existing curb appeal while also missing opportunities for more efficient resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board appreciates the efforts of DDC in allowing the community and Bronx CB8 in an effective resolution with SNAD at the focus.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board recommends that Con Edison installs all wiring underground to avoid power outages.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board recommends the Northbound side for the sidewalks on 254th Street, which is adjacent to the school.

**In favor (4):** Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris, Sylvia Alexander (ADA-Zoom)

**Opposed (0)**

**Abstained (0)**

The committee present unanimously approved the resolution.

##### **5. Discussion with Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)**

A. BXM1, BXM2 and BX3 Express Bus commuters have the following concerns:

- i. Buses cancelled with no notice on weekends and during evening hours.
- ii. The MTA Bus Time App is not accurate when buses are scheduled to arrive on the express routes.
- iii. Buses rerouted and stops skipped.
- iv. No scheduled service with no notice.

Mr. Flynn stated that these issues occur due to staffing of bus drivers.

- B. Effective December 31, 2025 the MetroCard will cease and the OMNY will be the new paying method for MTA buses and trains.
  - i. The OMNY is better than the MetroCard due to the convenience (tap-to-pay with phone or Card)
- C. Robust discussion regarding the bus stop issues on W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Broadway. The concerns are the following:
  - i. The bus stop for the BX9 discharges passengers on an unsafe roadway that is far from a crosswalk.
  - ii. Multiple buses take breaks at W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street/Broadway causing traffic and unsafe for pedestrians.
  - iii. Citi Bike has scheduled W. 262<sup>nd</sup> Street/W. 261<sup>st</sup> Street and Broadway for a potential site.

Mr. Flynn (MTA) stated he has scheduled a site visit on December 22, 2025 at 11AM at the W. 261 Street/Broadway location. The committee agreed that we will be at the site for the meeting.

**6. NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) Livery Car Base License Renewal for Alltown Limo Corp. (Base #B02537) – 206 West 231<sup>st</sup> Street, Bronx, New York 10463**

Mr. Rodriguez, the owner of Alltown Limo Corp., was present. There were no concerns raised. The committee unanimously agreed to the renewal pending exploring with the NYPD 50th Police Precinct and TLC reports if any public issues.

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RESOLUTION  
NYC TAXI AND LIMOUSINE COMMISSION LIVERY CAR BASE LICENSE RENEWAL FOR ALLTOWN LIMO  
CORP. (BASE #B02537)  
DECEMBER 18, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, Alltown Limo Corp. (“Alltown”) (Base #B02537) came before the Traffic & Transportation Committee on December 18, 2025 requesting a letter of no objection to the NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission for the renewal of its Livery Car Base License; and

**WHEREAS**, Alltown maintains its livery car base station for its radio operations at 206 West 231st Street within Bronx Community Board No. 8; and

**WHEREAS**, Alltown is required to renew its Livery Car Base License every two years; and

**WHEREAS**, Bronx Community Board No. 8 has not received any complaints from the NYPD 50<sup>th</sup> Precinct or the NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission about Alltown's operation of its livery car base station or its livery operations in the community.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Traffic & Transportation Committee has no objection to the renewal of the Livery Car Base License for Alltown Limo Corp. located at 206 West 231st Street, Bronx, New York 10463.

**In favor (4):** Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris, Sylvia Alexander (ADA-Zoom)

**Opposed (0)**

**Abstained (0)**

The committee present unanimously approved the resolution.

**7. NYS Assembly Speed Limiter Bill A2299B**

- A. The Super Speeder Act would require non-compliant drivers that have 11 points on their licenses within 18 months or 16 speed camera and/or red-light tickets within 12 months that uses GPS technology to limit the vehicles to speeds no higher than five miles per hour over the posted speed limit.
- B. This technology is similar to the technology required for drivers convicted of DWI

**TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
RESOLUTION  
NYS ASSEMBLY SPEED LIMITER BILL A2288B  
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**WHEREAS**, every year in New York City at least 100 pedestrians are killed in traffic accidents; and

**WHEREAS**, 95% or more of these pedestrians are killed by motor vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the NYPD says that the primary cause of these accidents is speeding by drivers; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these drivers have multiple violations and are driving with suspended licenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Senate has passed a "Stop Super Speeders Act," which requires the temporary installation of Intelligent Speed Assistant technology in the cars of drivers with more than 11 points on their licenses within 18 months or 16 speed camera and/or red-light tickets within 12 months that uses GPS technology to limit the vehicles to speeds no higher than five miles per hour over the posted speed limit; and

**WHEREAS**, this technology is similar to the technology required in the vehicles of drivers convicted of DWI, which has been found to be effective; and

**WHEREAS**, this technology was tested in NYC municipal vehicles and found to be highly effective; and

**WHEREAS**, a companion bill to the Senate bill has been introduced into the NYS Assembly, A2299B, which is co-sponsored by Assemblyman George Alvarez, among others.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Traffic & Transportation Committee thanks Senators Robert Jackson and Gustavo Rivera for voting in favor of the Senate version of the bill, and urges our other Assembly representatives to join Assemblyman Alvarez in supporting A2299B to make our streets safer.

**In favor (4):** Debby Allen, Bob Bender, Debra Harris, Sylvia Alexander (ADA-Zoom)

**Opposed (0)**

**Abstained (0)**

The committee present unanimously approved the resolution.

**8. FY28 Budget Priorities**

Tabled for the next meeting.

**9. New Business**

Review of correspondence on the following issues that impacted CB8:

- A. Bus-Cameras Double-Parking Enforcement and Congestion Policies-VAT1111-c and its financial impact on working families.
- B. W. 238th Street, Waldo Avenue to Irwin Avenue, step street is deteriorating.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:36PM.

**Next Meeting: January 15, 2026**

Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Debby Allen (Chair)