

RECONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND NOTIFICATION

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Nostrand Avenue Select Bus Service Project

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THE DDC BEGINS WORK ON NOSTRAND AVENUE

The New York City Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) is managing a capital construction project on Nostrand Avenue between Emmons Avenue and Taylor Street and Rogers/Bedford Avenues between Emmons Avenue and Taylor Street.

WHAT IS THE NOSTRAND AVENUE SELECT BUS SERVICE PROJECT?

A significant aspect of this project will be the installation of a full-time bus lane added throughout the project limits. Upon completion, bus riders will be provided with a faster and more efficient service than that on local or limited bus stop buses. Among the various improvements associated with this measure, the SBS buses have dedicated bus lanes and transit signal priority, allowing "traffic signals to extend the green light or shorten the red light to keep buses moving." Riders can pay their bus fares at dedicated SBS stations prior to boarding the bus, allowing for faster boarding and un-boarding of the bus; in addition, many stations will be built with high curbs for easier boarding. To help facilitate the flow of pedestrians and riders, wider sidewalks will be installed at SBS stations which will consist of tree planting, seating and wider waiting/standing areas for pedestrians and riders waiting for the bus.

WORK COMPLETED: AS OF February 2013

Below is a list of work locations and activities that have been completed to date:

Location 1: Bedford Avenue and Lafayette Avenue:

- Catch basin-box and chute installed

Location 2: Nostrand Avenue and Clarkson Avenue:

- Catch basin-box and chute installed

Location 3: Rogers Avenue and Empire Boulevard:

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin-box and chute installed

Location 4: Rogers Avenue and Church Avenue:

- Replacement of water main

Location 5: Rogers Avenue and Avenue D:

- Replacement of water main

Location 6: Nostrand Avenue & Shore Parkway:

- Replacement of water main

Location 7: Nostrand Avenue & Kings Highway:

- Replacement of 2 water mains

WORK SCHEDULED: March- 2013

Below is a list of work locations and activities slated to occur / to be completed:

Location 1: Bedford Avenue and Lafayette Avenue

- Replacement of water main

Location 2: Bedford Avenue and Fulton Street

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin

Location 3: Rogers Avenue and St. Johns Place

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin

Location 4: Nostrand Avenue and St. Johns Place

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin

Location 5: Rogers Avenue and Clarkson Avenue

- Replacement of water main

Location 6: Nostrand Avenue and Clarkson Avenue

- Replacement of water main

Location 7: Nostrand Avenue and Empire Boulevard

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin

Location 8: Nostrand Avenue and Church Avenue

- Replacement of water main

Location 9: Nostrand Avenue and Avenue D

- Replacement of water main
- Catch basin

Location 10: Nostrand Avenue and Flatbush Avenue

- Replacement of water main

Location 11: Emmons Avenue and Nostrand Avenue

- Replacement of water main



**NEW WATER MAIN ON ROGERS AVE BETWEEN
EMPIRE BOULEVARD AND STERLING STREET**

WHAT ARE THE COMMUNITY IMPACTS?

The DDC is committed to maintaining a work site that is safe and clean. However, dust, noise and heavy equipment are common elements of construction and we ask for your patience during the project. There may be limited street access on certain blocks. However, deliveries to commercial and residential properties and emergency vehicle access will be allowed. In addition, the DDC will be baiting the construction zone on a regular basis to control rodent populations.

Student Pick-Up/Drop Off

- ❖ Where construction impacts school pick-up and drop-off areas, the DDC will coordinate with the NYC Department of Education (NYCDOE) and school officials to ensure these locations are safe, clearly marked and maintained.

Pedestrian/Traffic

- ❖ **Pedestrian access** - to buildings will be maintained at all times.
- ❖ **Street closures/Traffic detours** – partial closures and/or limited access of intersections and streets. Half-block closures may be necessary. In the event of half-block closures, the street will be closed to through-traffic, but emergency vehicle access will be allowed. Signs will be posted.
- ❖ **Vehicular access** – may be restricted on certain streets in certain locations.
- ❖ **Parking** - will be temporarily restricted so construction may proceed. Signs will be posted where necessary.
- ❖ **Driveway/loading dock access** – may be temporarily restricted.

Public Transportation

- ❖ **Bus Relocation** – where and when necessary, the **B44** and **B49** bus may be detoured in/around the work zones.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

You are advised to inform the DDC or the Contractor of any property damage that you may have; if the contractor fails to respond within 10 days, you should inform the DDC Borough Director in writing. If you intend to file a claim you must do so within 90 days of the occurrence with the New York City Comptroller's Office.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Please let the Community Construction Liaison know if there is anyone in your household or building that has special needs (dialysis, wheelchair user, etc.) so that we can coordinate our construction activities accordingly.

WATER SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS

During the course of this project, temporary water service disruptions will be necessary in order to replace the water mains. If it is necessary for the DDC to turn off your water service, you will receive written notice by 4:00pm the day before service interruption. If your water service is not restored by 6:00pm, unless otherwise indicated on the Shut-Off Notice, please call 311.

COMMUNITY CONSTRUCTION LIAISON

The DDC has assigned **Emily Campbell** as the Community Construction Liaison (CCL). Please contact Ms. Campbell for all project related inquiries/concerns or to be added to the e-mail distribution list at:

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Project updates are also available through the NYCDDC website at www.nyc.gov/buildnyc.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Construction Newsletters will be distributed in the area under construction and at key locations including:

- Community Board #1, 3, 8, 9, 14, 15, 17, 18