

# RECONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND NOTIFICATION

Borough: Brooklyn

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## NOSTRAND AVENUE SELECT BUS SERVICE PROJECT

Project ID#: HWK1130A

### 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.

This project which began in Winter 2013 have an anticipated completion date of Summer 2014. While this project encompasses both street level improvements and sub-surface work, such as, replacement of existing infrastructure (water mains, combined sewers, catch basins, street-lighting and traffic signals), a significant aspect of this project will be the installation of a full-time bus lane added through-out the project limits.

### WHAT IS THE NOSTRAND AVENUE SELECT BUS SERVICE PROJECT?

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.

Some of the proposed locations for the Select Bus Service are:

#### Bedford Avenue

- From Taylor Street to Wilson Street
- From Flushing Avenue to Park Avenue
- From Clifton Place to Lafayette Avenue
- From Fulton Street to Halsey Street

#### Nostrand Avenue

- From Lincoln Place to St. Johns Place
- From Sullivan Place to Empire Boulevard
- From Lenox Road to Clarkson Avenue
- From Erasmus Street to Church Avenue
- From Newkirk Avenue to Avenue D
- From Avenue H to Flatbush Avenue
- And Kings Highway And Avenue X

- And Avenue U
- Rogers Avenue
- From Lincoln Place to St. Johns Place
- From Sterling Street to Empire Boulevard
- From Clarkson Avenue to Parkside Avenue
- From Church Avenue to Martense Street
- From Avenue D to Clarendon Road

#### Lee Avenue

- From Taylor Street to Wilson Street
- From Flushing Avenue to Wallabout Street

#### Shore Parkway

- From Nostrand Avenue to Haring Street

#### Emmons Avenue

- From Nostrand Avenue to Haring Street

#### Knapp Street and Shore Parkway

### WORK SCHEDULED: May/June 2013

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

#### Bus Stop and Sidewalk Work:

- Lee Avenue and Wilson Street
- Lee Avenue and Flushing Avenue
- Bedford Avenue and Flushing Avenue
- Bedford Avenue and Fulton Street
- Bedford Avenue and Lafayette Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue and St. Johns Place
- Rogers Avenue and St. Johns Place
- Rogers Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Nostrand Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Nostrand Avenue and Clarkson Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Clarkson Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Church Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue and Church Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Avenue D
- Nostrand Avenue and Avenue D

### 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



Excavation for bus pad on Nostrand Avenue between Avenue U and Avenue T

**WORK COMPLETED: As of April 2013**

Below is a list of work locations and activities that are complete to date:

**Replacement of Water Main:**

- Rogers Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Rogers Avenue and Church Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Avenue D
- Nostrand Avenue and Kings Highway
- Nostrand Avenue and Shore Parkway
- Bedford Avenue and Lafayette Avenue
- Bedford Avenue and Fulton Street
- Nostrand Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Rogers Avenue and St. Johns Place
- Nostrand Avenue and St. Johns Place
- Nostrand Avenue and Clarkson Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Clarkson Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue and Church Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue and Avenue D
- Nostrand Avenue and Flatbush Avenue
- Emmons Avenue and Nostrand Avenue

**Installation of Catch Basin and Chute Connection:**

- Bedford Avenue and Lafayette Avenue
- Rogers Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Nostrand Avenue and Clarkson Avenue
- Bedford Avenue and Fulton Street
- Nostrand Avenue and Empire Boulevard
- Rogers Avenue and St. Johns Place
- Nostrand Avenue and St Johns Place
- Nostrand Avenue and Avenue D

**Bus Stop and Sidewalk Work:**

- Nostrand Avenue and Flatbush Avenue
- Nostrand Avenue and Kings Highway
- Nostrand Avenue and Avenue U
- Nostrand Avenue and Avenue X

**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.

**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.

**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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**If there is a concern during non-construction hours, please call the New York City Government Services and Information Hotline at 311**

