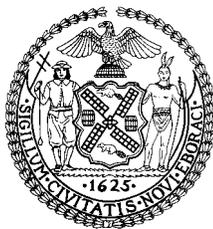


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**The City of New York  
Manhattan Community Board 8  
Transportation Committee**

Wednesday, January 3, 2018, 6:30 PM  
*New York Blood Center, 310 East 67th Street, Auditorium*

Minutes

*Present:* Michele Birnbaum, Lori Bores, A. Scott Falk, Craig Lader, Rita Popper, Barry Schneider, Charles Warren; Peter Borrock (public member), Jordan Wouk (public member)  
*Absent (Excused):* Rebecca Lamorte (Exc.), Valerie Mason (Exc.), David Menegon (Exc.)  
*Absent (Unexcused):* Tricia Shimamura

**Resolutions for Approval:**

- Item 1: Speed bump** (page 1)
- Item 3: Hampton Luxury Liner** (page 2)
- Item 4: LinkNYC** (pages 3 & 4)

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM.

**Item 1. Discussion of Speed hump on East 90th Street between First and York..**

Susan Sherman, resident of East 90th Street between First and York Avenues, in 2015 asked NYC DOT to install a speed bump on her block, which provides access to the FDR Drive. The agency has now determined that one speed hump is feasible under the agency's criteria, subject to community board review.

The Committee passed the following resolution by a unanimous vote:

WHEREAS a speed hump was requested for East 90th Street between First & York Avenues by a resident of the block; and

WHEREAS NYC DOT has evaluated this request and concluded that a raised speed reducer is feasible for this location; and

WHEREAS no members of the public spoke in opposition to the application;

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 **APPROVES** the request for a speed bump on East 90th Street between First & York Avenues.

*Approved, 7 Yes, 0 No; plus 2 Public Member voting Yes.*

*Yes (7 + 2):* Birnbaum, Bores, Falk, Lader, Popper, Schneider, Warren;  
Borrock, Wouk (Public Members)

**Item 2. A request for a new Revocable Consent to install a snowmelt system at 200 East 95th Street**  
(Requested by DOT, Franchises, Concessions and Consents).

The applicant did not show up at this meeting, and this was laid over to next month.

**Item 3. Inter-City Bus Stop applications from M&V Corporate Transportation Inc. for Hampton Luxury Liner service between New York City & Manorville, Southampton, East Hampton, Bridgehampton, and Montauk** (continuing discussion).

*Below are the original permit locations sent by DOT to CB8 for approval in 2017:*

***DROP-OFF ONLY:***

- 1021 Third Avenue from East 60th to East 61st Streets, east side
- 1391 Third Avenue from East 79th to East 80th Streets, east side
- 1519 Third Avenue from East 85th to East 86th Streets, east side

***PICK-UP ONLY:***

- 954 Lexington Avenue from East 70th to East 69th Streets, west side
- 1272 Lexington Avenue from East 86th to East 85th Streets, west side

Following the discussion from the Committee's July, September, and November 2017 meetings, NYC DOT and permit applicant Mark Vigilante of M & V Corporate Transportation shared the original Hampton Luxury Liner applications that each listed three options for the requested stops, allowing some site visits to review the locations.

After discussion of the options, the Committee passed the following resolution for a revised final list of stops:

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 approves the following three drop-off only intercity bus stops for Hampton Luxury Liner/M&V Transportation:

1. 1081 Third Avenue, between E.63rd & E. 64th St.
2. East side of Third Avenue between E. 78th & 79th St., at the existing BxM1 stop,
3. 1535 Third Avenue; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Community Board 8 approves the following two pick-up stops for Hampton Luxury Liner/M&V Transportation:

1. 954 Lexington Ave., between E. 70th & E. 69th St.,
2. 1272 Lexington Ave., **midblock** between E. 85th & E. 86th St., at the second lollipop; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Board 8 again urges DOT to move the existing Hampton Jitney stop currently located at the NW corner of Lexington & E. 85th St. northward to the **midblock** lollipop, as per CB8's prior resolution to approve that stop, and to relocate signage accordingly.

*Approved, 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain; plus Public Members voting 1 Yes, 1 No..*

*Yes (7+1):* Birnbaum, Bores, Falk, Lader, Popper, Schneider, Warren;  
Borrock (Public Member)

*No (0+1):* Wouk (Public Member)

**Item 4. Continued Discussion of the new proposed locations for LINKNYC Kiosks within CB8.**  
*(Requested by NYC DoITT.)*

**1366 Madison Avenue (95th/96th)  
235 East 95th Street (2nd/3rd)  
1802 Second Avenue (93rd/94th)  
234 East 92nd Street (2nd /3rd)  
142 East 92nd Street (92nd St Y)  
1749 Second Avenue (91st/92nd)  
1645 Second Avenue (85th/86th)  
1633 Second Avenue (84th/85th)**

**1623 Second Avenue (84th/85th)  
1608 First Avenue (83rd/84th)  
1404 Second Avenue (73rd/74th)  
1398 Second Avenue (72nd/73rd)  
226 East 70th Street (2nd/3rd)  
1311 Second Avenue (68th/69th)  
402 East 67th Street (First/York)**

*Recap: Following the Board's November disapproval of two new proposed sites for LinkNYC kiosks, at 1608 First Ave. and 402 E. 67th St., Stacy Gardener and Anne Koenig of NYC's Dept. of Information, Technology & Telecommunication (DoITT) came before the Committee to present and discuss these sites at the December 6 Committee meeting. At December's meeting, DoITT had confirmed that they are required to notify Community Boards of any proposed new sites where the LinkNYC kiosks do not replace previously existing phone booths. In response to CB8's concerns about the lack of specific diagrams showing the precise locations being planned, DoITT provided maps and photos of the two sites, and when a Committee member suggested we lay this item over to the next meeting to allow for a more holistic review of the siting of LinkNYCs on the Upper East Side, DoITT agreed to come back in January.*

Present at the January 3 meeting were Stacy Gardener of DoITT and Ruth Fasoldt from LinkNYC franchisee CityBridge, who noted that they had not yet made official notification of the additional locations listed above because they had been waiting until new NYC Council Member Keith Powers took office, in order to official notify the correct elected official. There was also some concern that CB8 had not properly posted the individual locations prior to this meeting.

There was extensive discussion about the necessary number of Links to maintain the target for continuous WiFi coverage, and whether it was appropriate to approve new sites before DoITT and CityBridge had finished the final list of payphone conversions (which are pre-approved as-of-right without CB review). However, the presenters also noted that there are limits on how close a new site can be to a converted phone booth site, and that there is efficiency in installing any new sites while they are already doing the infrastructure work on the initial conversions of exiting phone booths in a corridor.

The Committee passed the following resolution by a vote of 5 yes and 2 no, with public members voting 1 yes and 1 abstention.

WHEREAS, the NYC Dept. of Information Technology & Telecommunications (DoITT) has contracted with CityBridge to replace existing pay phones with LinkNYC kiosks over an eight year period;

WHEREAS, the DoITT contract with CityBridge stipulates borough-wide and city-wide requirements for the project, including the minimum number of kiosks to be installed and a mandate to provide uninterrupted free WiFi corridors;

WHEREAS, concerns have been raised within CB8 regarding LinkNYC siting, visual impacts and safety;

WHEREAS, each LinkNYC kiosk emits a WiFi signal covering a 150 foot radius, allowing for a maximum separation between kiosks to be approximately 275 to 300 feet;

WHEREAS, existing LinkNYC corridors within CB8 include certain clusters with multiple

kiosks located significantly less than the maximum separation necessary, which are duplicative to the mission of providing WiFi;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB8 Requests the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DoITT) provide CB8 with detailed corridor-wide plans for future LinkNYC kiosk locations along each avenue/street where they are proposed to be placed. These plans shall aim to include only the minimum number of kiosks necessary to provide maximum separation between kiosks and assure the uninterrupted WiFi that is mandated by the LinkNYC program, and also include street addresses, streetview depictions, and timelines for installation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CB8 does not support consideration of any new LinkNYC kiosk locations until such plans are provided;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that CB8 requests that any current LinkNYC kiosks located within CB8 that are duplicative to fulfilling the mission of providing the uninterrupted WiFi corridors mandated by the LinkNYC program be removed and used in the installation of future locations necessary to fill in gaps in the LinkNYC WiFi network.

*Approved, 5 Yes, 2 No, 0 Abstain; plus Public Members voting 1 Yes, 1 No..*

*Yes (5+1): Birnbaum, Lader, Popper, Schneider, Warren; Wouk (Public Member)*

*No (2+0): Bores, Falk*

*Abstain (0+1): Borrock (Public Member)*

A Committee member reported that there is a new Link located less than 125 feet from a conversion site and that was not reviewed by CB8, on the south side of E. 86th St. between Second & Third Avenue near Fairway. DoITT said they will investigate this.

In addition, the Committee asked for DoITT & CityBridge to reexamine the feasibility of an alternate location for the requested new Link at E. 67th St. & First Ave., to be sited on the *north* side of E. 67th St. (based on the community objections to the proposed site on the south side of E. 67th St.).

#### **Item 5. Old & New Business.**

There was no new business, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Scott Falk & Charles Warren, Co-Chairs