Hillside and Metropolitan
Project Update

New York City Department of Transportation
Presented to Community Board 9 on February 9, 2016
Agenda

• Project update
  – Design update

• MTA bus route change

• Timeline update
### Crash History

**Metropolitan Ave at Hillside Ave**

#### Injury Summary, 2010-2014 (5 years)

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- **39%** of motor vehicle crashes were rear-ends in the intersection.
- **100%** of pedestrian crashes took place when pedestrians are crossing with signal.

**Metropolitan Ave at Hillside Ave Injury Summary, 2010-2014 (5 years)**
Previous Design

w/b Metropolitan Ave not allowed straight at 131st St
Updated Design

Local access allowed on Metropolitan Ave @ 131st St
Project Update

Hillside Ave

127th St

Metropolitan Ave
Proposed Improvements

* No changes to design

- Stripe new w/b LT bay
- Build pedestrian safety island adjacent to PS 54
Q54 Bus Route Changes

• Existing Route
• Proposal Background
• Proposed Route Modifications
• Proposal Benefits
Q54 Existing Route

- **Project Site**
- **Hillside Ave**
- **Metropolitan Ave**
- **132nd St**
- **Jamaica Ave**
Background:
DOT proposal to improve pedestrian safety at Hillside Ave and Metropolitan Ave will eliminate w/b Metropolitan Ave leg from intersection. MTA buses will turn onto Hillside Ave before continuing on Metropolitan Ave.
Q54 Proposed Route Modifications
Q54 Route Alternative - Rejected

Background:
Curb geometry between Hillside Ave and Metropolitan Ave does not allow buses to make the proper S-turn from Metropolitan Ave onto Hillside Ave.
Q54 Proposal Benefits

Benefits:
• Returns 5-6 parking spots on Metropolitan Ave while only removing 3-4 parking spots from 131st St
• Adds one additional westbound Q54 stop on 131st St
• Relocated w/b Q54 stops have improved access to
  • Trade Fair
  • Jamaica Hospital
  • Two additional connections with Q56 bus stops on Jamaica Ave

Issues:
• Bus required to travel on 131st Street between Jamaica Ave and Hillside Ave
Timeline Update

February 2016

- DOT/MTA presents project update and Q54 route changes to CB9

Spring 2016

- Hillside/Metropolitan safety project installation

Spring 2016

- Q54 official route change/stop relocation in place
Thank You

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