



New York City Transit

May 3, 2023

Mr. Jeffrey LeFrancois
Manhattan Community Board Four
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Re: 28th Street Substation

Dear Mr. LeFrancois,

This is in response to your April 13, 2023, letter regarding the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) West 28th Street Substation Project. Please see our response to the requests below

- **Traffic Enforcement Agent (TEA) stationed at intersection of West 28th Street & 8th Avenue for project duration**

MTA Construction & Development's Contractor, Skanska E-J Electric Joint Venture (SEJV), is advancing work at the intersection of West 28th Street and 8th Avenue.

Because of the impacts to the intersection, the MTA and SEJV worked in coordination with and under the direction of NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) to implement a MPT (Maintenance and Protection of Traffic) plan to ensure safe pedestrian and traffic flow.

As a requirement of permitting this work, DOT mandated that the project station a Traffic Enforcement Agent (TEA) at this intersection for two-weeks post implementation of the MPT, to monitor activity and ensure safe pedestrian, and traffic flow.

After the two-week monitoring period was completed and without concerns noted, no further action was deemed necessary, and the TEA was removed.

- **Signage installation to slow eastbound traffic along West 28th Street**

It was brought to the Project's attention at the West 28th Street Construction Advisory Committee Meeting on April 13, that Penn South Mutual Redevelopment Houses and Community Board 4 still had concerns about the configuration and safe navigation of the intersection for their aged population.

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MTA conducted a site visit with the Penn South Mutual Redevelopment Houses and DOT on April 27, 2023, in response to concerns and agreed additional safety measures were required. Additional safety measures to be installed include candlestick road dividers & improved cyclist specific signage at the intersection located at West 28th Street and 8th Avenue.

The MTA appreciates the concerns expressed by the board and looks forward to your continued partnership with the West 28th Street Substation Project.

Thank you for your inquiry. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 646-252-2674 or luke.depalma@nyct.com

Sincerely,



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