



September 20, 2018

Burt Lazarin, Chair
Christine Berthet, Co-Chair, Transportation Committee
Dale Corvino, Co-Chair, Transportation Committee
Community Board 4
330 West 42nd Street, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10036

Dear Chair Lazarin, Co-Chair Berthet and Co-Chair Corvino:

Thank you for your August 2, 2018 correspondence regarding the redesign of Eighth Avenue from 35th to 47th Streets. We were saddened to learn that a cyclist was injured at this location and we send our wishes for a full and speedy recovery.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) recognizes the need to improve safety along this stretch of Eighth Avenue for all road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists, and we are working closely with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) to identify the most effective traffic calming measures. As you know, DOT's Pedestrian Projects Group and the Manhattan Borough Commissioner's Office conducted a walkthrough earlier this year on Eighth Avenue with the Community Board and representatives from the PANYNJ. Following the walkthrough, DOT and the PANYNJ have been evaluating potential improvements to the area.

DOT expects to present a comprehensive proposal to the Community Board in 2019. I have asked Manhattan Borough Commissioner Ed Pincar to be available should you have any further questions.

Thank you for your concerns for transportation issues in your district.

Sincerely,

Polly Trottenberg
Commissioner

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