

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT OCTOBER – 2021

NYC Vaccine Update:

DEP REPORTED: As mentioned in MCB9'S DSC mtg, DEP recently made the following announcement below on their website, regarding their water distribution changes due to the Catskill Aqueduct shutdown, to facilitate the rehabilitation work on the tunnel and various repairs. The Catskill water supply systems provides about 40 percent of the water supply in the City.

DEP is using Delaware water supply and their Croton water supply system for the next 15 weeks, as the Catskill Aqueduct is out of service for the rehabilitation work.

Residents may experience an unusual taste or smell from their water and DEP reiterates, the earthy or musty taste is temporary, seasonal but 100 % harmless.

[Catskill Aqueduct Shutdown](#)

DEP has temporarily shut down the Catskill Aqueduct this month for the fourth and final year of an all-important rehabilitation project. Over the past decade, we have worked on several projects to ensure New York City will have a reliable supply of drinking water when we enter the last phase of a \$1 billion project to repair the longest tunnel in the world—the Delaware Aqueduct. The rehabilitation work on the Catskill Aqueduct is key to those efforts.

While the Catskill Aqueduct is out of service for the next 15 weeks, New York City will rely on additional water from our other two water supply systems: the Delaware System and the Croton System. These changes might cause some New Yorkers to notice that their drinking water tastes different. The change in smell or taste might be unpleasant, but DEP can assure you that it is temporary, seasonal, and 100 percent harmless.

DEP scientists test your water about 2,000 times each day, and our engineers are continually optimizing treatment processes to deliver the best quality water to our customers while we rehabilitate one of the most complex aqueducts in the world. The temporary change in taste that some New Yorkers might experience will go away once DEP is finished with this year's work, and access to the full flexibility of our reservoir system is restored.

125th Street BID Reported: Holiday Lights will take place on Tuesday, November 16th 125th Street Bid has informed the community that Nick Cannon will be the Grand Marshall; the BID

has also increased community involvement from the residents and businesses. Mount Morris Park Community Association is scheduled to lead for Malcolm X Blvd and 5th Avenue around

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Mount Morris Park. Neal Shoemaker is scheduled to lead for Adam Clayton Blvd. – 125th Street BID is leading 125th Street and will be working with CB 9 for the kick off location on 125th Street between Broadway and Amsterdam. There is also discussions about a holiday calendar that can provide information on what is happening after the kick-off of the season.

Announcement/Events:

Hamilton Heights Community Health and Wellness Outreach Day will be held on Saturday, October 16th, 2021, at 148th Street (bet. B’way & Amsterdam Ave); the following resources will be provided: Health Screenings; Test and Trace (T2); Healthy Snacks; Vaccines with \$100 referral; BioBus Mobile Science Bus; Fruit & Vegetable boxes; Praise & Worship Local Churches; Free PPE and more!!!

Vaccine Pop-Ups: Get the COVID-19 vaccine for free!! No health insurance needed! No appointment needed!! Saturday, October 16th, 2021; 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; 505 West 148th Street (bet. B’way & Amst.) – See attached Flyers

MCB9 is scheduled to hold its Public Hearing on the FY23 District Needs Statement along with the prioritization of our Capital and Expense budget requests on Monday, October 25th via Zoom/Webinar at 6:30 p.m. (See attached Flyer);

Please join NYS Assembly Member Inez E. Dickens for "A Halloween Children's Party" on Sunday, October 31st at the Adam Clayton Powell State Office Building Plaza from 2pm to 6pm. The Assembly Member will be joined by Special Guest, Democratic Leader, Cordell Cleare. There will be a giveaway of treats and school supplies. The 2 most unique costumes winners will receive (each) either a tablet or computer.

Submitted by,

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