

# Reconstruction of Empire Boulevard Project

## Empire Boulevard

The New York City Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) is managing a capital construction project HWK779W on Empire Boulevard, at Washington Avenue and at Utica Avenue. DDC will install new sidewalk bump outs and street lighting to improve pedestrian safety. A new pedestrian plaza will be created at Empire Boulevard and Washington Avenue, and at Remsen Avenue and Utica Avenue. DDC will also be upgrading portions of water mains, sewers, and other private utilities within the project area.

### Work Completed to Date

Installation of new sewer and replacement of corresponding manholes and catch basins on the East End of Empire Blvd; and watermain replacement on the East End of Empire Blvd.

### Winter 2021 Proposed Work Schedule

Watermain replacement on the West End of Empire Blvd on Washington Ave and on Franklin Ave followed by installation of new sewer and replacement of corresponding manholes and catch basins on the West End of Empire Blvd



**Sewer Upgrades along Empire Boulevard, between Utica Avenue and Schenectady Avenue**

### Special Needs

Individuals with special needs who may be uniquely impacted by this project should contact the project's Community Construction Liaison, as soon as possible, to make them aware of your situation. DDC will work with you to attempt to minimize the inconvenience as much as possible.

## Project #HWK779W

### Water Service Interruptions

During the project there will be service interruptions. To allow water replacement, the existing water service must be shut off by closing the valves at either end of the section. Advance notice will be given for all planned interruptions. Water service will be restored at the end of the night.

Video - [DDC Essentials: WATER MAINS](#)

### Community Impacts

During construction hours, you can expect increased levels of dust, noise and heavy equipment. Vehicular travel lane closures will be required, as well as detours. Warning signs will be posted in advance. Parking and driveway/loading dock access may be restricted intermittently. Emergency vehicle access and pedestrian access to sidewalk and buildings will be maintained at all times.

### Rerouted Buses

Buses may need to be rerouted to allow for certain operations. Community Advisories and signage noting changes will be distributed and/or posted in advance of the changes.

### Trash Collection

Proper trash collection can be a challenge on a project as large as this but if everyone is considerate it can be managed with minimal disruption. Please pack your trash properly to avoid easy breakage and/or spill over. Put it in the designated areas as close to collection time as possible. If you use a private carter, ensure your trash collection occurs in a timely fashion. If you aren't sure where to bring your trash, please call the CCL.

### Community Construction Liaison (CCL)

The DDC has assigned **Alexandra Girgis** as the Community Construction Liaison (CCL) for this project. Please contact **Alexandra** for any project related inquiries/concerns you may have.

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*In an effort to practice social distancing, the field office is not handling any in-person appointments or meetings at this time. Please call or email only.*

### Newsletter Distribution

Construction Newsletters for this project are distributed electronically and to Brooklyn Community Board #9 and #17.