

## Manhattan

Second Quarter/March 2019

Reconstruction of E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street/Baruch Plaza

## Between Lexington and Third Avenues

## Project #HWBARUCH

The New York City Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) is managing the reconstruction of a permanent plaza along E. 25th Street between Lexington Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. The contract work includes the installation of upgraded amenities including lighting, landscaping, benches, decorative paving, tree planting, granite seating and steps as well as infrastructure upgrades. The project's anticipated completion date is June 2020.

The interim plaza is currently being reconstructed and will become a permanent pedestrian plaza within the Kips Bay community to provide an enhanced open space.

This project also includes the installation of a side walk curb extension to be installed on E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Currently, utility work is being performed at that location and is ongoing.

**Ongoing and Upcoming Construction:**

The contractor continues to perform excavations to expose and identify multiple underground utilities, this process is to enable the installation of catch basins and chute connections throughout the plaza area.

The contractor will continue to assist Con Edison with the installation of 12" gas main on the intersection of Lexington Ave. & E.25<sup>th</sup> St. and E.25<sup>th</sup> St. between Lexington and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues. On, the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. and E.25<sup>th</sup> St. the contractor will continue to assist Con Edison with steam support work once, completed water main installation will begin. Con Edison electrical relocations and upgrades will continue throughout the plaza area.

Water main work is anticipated to commence this Spring 2019. To allow water main replacement, the existing water service must be shut off by closing the valves at either end of the section. Advanced notice will be given for all planned interruptions; a 72-hour notification will be posted/emailed throughout the project area, followed by a 24-hour confirmation/cancellation. Water service will be restored at the end of the day.

Monday–Friday work hours are from 7:00am to 6:00pm, Saturday & Sunday working hours are from 9:00am to 5:00 pm. Hours may vary, as needed.

The DDC staff will work specifically with individuals that have special needs who may be uniquely impacted by the project. Please reach out to the project contact.



Newly installed catch basin on  
E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street and Lexington Avenue

**Community Impacts**

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

**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 a modicum of 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 **Diane Guskin**, as the Community Construction Liaison (CCL) for this project. Please contact **Diane** for any project related inquiries/concerns you may have:

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