

## Infrastructure Upgrades along 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue

West 51<sup>st</sup> Street – West 59<sup>th</sup> Street

Project # MED609

The NYC Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) is managing a capital improvement project along 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Hell's Kitchen area. The project is anticipated to be complete by March 2022. The scope of the work includes the installation of a new 36" dia. Trunk Water Mains, pressure regulating equipment, 12" dia. and 20" dia. Distribution Water Mains, 15" dia. Sewer pipes, 11 new catch basins, reconfiguring underground utilities to make room for the new infrastructure, and the reconstruction of the roadway. The protected bike lane that was removed due to the construction will be re-established with median islands and a painted buffer. Con Edison is also installing a new electrical distribution system and new 12" dia. and 20" dia. gas mains, and is coordinating their work with the NYCDDC.

### Work Completed to Date:

The project has completed 97% of all 12" and 20" Distribution Water Mains, 95% of all 36" Trunk Water Mains, 100% of all sewers, and 95% of all catch basins.

Con Edison has completed their installation of new 20" and 12" Gas Mains. Ducts and conduits for the new electrical distribution system are approximately 95% complete.

### Proposed Work Schedule:

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2021, we will complete the remaining trunk water main and distribution water mains for the project. The work will take place at the intersections of W. 57<sup>th</sup> St and W. 58<sup>th</sup> St and will require reconfiguring other existing buried utilities in order to provide sufficient room for the new water mains and chamber for the pressure regulating equipment. The remaining catch basin work will be completed this coming period and will take place at the intersection of W. 57<sup>th</sup> St. The permanent restoration of the roadway is scheduled to begin by late May between W. 56<sup>th</sup> St and W. 59<sup>th</sup> St.

Con Edison is expected to have their in-house electrical crews modify existing cable conditions inside their manholes at various locations to provide sufficient room for new cables to be installed through these manholes. Remaining electrical duct banks will be installed between W. 53<sup>rd</sup> St and W. 57<sup>th</sup> St where conditions allow.



**New 36" dia. Butterfly Valve and new chamber under construction at 9<sup>th</sup> Ave between W 58<sup>th</sup> St & W 59<sup>th</sup> St**

### Community Impacts:

During construction hours, you can expect the following: Pedestrian access to businesses and buildings will be maintained at all times. Vehicular travel closures may be required, as well as detours. Warning signs will be posted in advance. Traffic mitigation personnel, proper signage and MPT will be installed in/around the construction area to alert and direct motorists; this includes Traffic Enforcement Agents (TEA's), Variable Message Signs (VMS) and Uniform Flaggers (UF).

### Who to Contact for More Information?

In an effort to practice social distancing, the Field Office is not handling any in-person appointments or meetings at this time. If you have any questions or concerns or would like to learn more about the project, please call or email Wayan Brown, the Community Construction Liaison (CCL), at (646) 738-4894 or email at [w60thstreetccl@gmail.com](mailto:w60thstreetccl@gmail.com). DDC Water Main Video Link: [DDC Essentials: WATER MAINS on Vimeo](#)

Newsletter Distribution Construction Newsletters for this project are distributed quarterly within the project area and to Manhattan Community Board #4.