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THE MAYOR'S UPDATE

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RESIDENTIAL/BUSINESS WATER SERVICE LINE IDENTIFICATION SURVEY

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requiring the Village Water Department to create an inventory of all water service line materials within the Village by October 2024. In order to more accurately review customer side information, the Village is asking for residents/businesses to fill out a quick survey regarding the material of the water service line that is viewable by your incoming water service. Please access the survey by clicking on the following link: <https://arcg.is/PnDCn> Please complete this survey at your earliest convenience. Your participation will help the Village save resources in not having to review additional historical documentation as part of the lead service line identification program.

MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON VILLAGE GOVERNANCE RECOMMENDATIONS

Members of the Mayor's Committee on Village Governance presented the Committee's proposed changes to the structure of the Board of Trustees with regard to term limits as well as possible changes to the various Boards and Commissions for the Village. Trustees requested that Village Counsel Gary Fishberg look into these suggestions and report back to the Board so that the Board of Trustees can consider the suggested changes and that there can be further discussion with the public. To read the Committee's recommendations, visit the Village website's "Alerts and Notifications" section at www.gardencityny.net. I requested additional information be provided to substantiate the findings proposed by the Committee, as well as for continued discussions.

EUSTON ROAD

The Main Avenue Conceptual Plan was discussed at length at the October 13, 2022 Board meeting. After much dialogue, it was agreed that the Conceptual Plan Trustees already adopted will be reviewed by Village Staff as it relates to the costs. As soon as the actual costs and the allocation of funds are reviewed and finalized by Village Staff, for the Conceptual Plan, the Board will review this matter further for consideration and approval. By way of background, the Board of Trustees held a public hearing in September with regard to adopting a resolution to discontinue a portion of Euston Road, north of the eastbound side of Main Avenue, to connect the islands on Main Avenue to improve traffic flow and parking. This would also enable the planting of additional landscaping, which would further shield the residential neighborhood from any negative impacts of the LIRR third track expansion project, including noise and station lighting.

MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON ST. PAUL'S TOWN HALL OCTOBER 26

The Mayor's Committee on St. Paul's will hold another Town Hall Meeting on the future of St. Paul's on Wednesday, October 26. The meeting will take place at Cluett Hall at 7:00 p.m. The November 2 town hall will take place at Garden City Middle School at 7:00 p.m. Another town hall is scheduled for November 10, also at the middle school at 7:00 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend.

EDGEMERE FIREHOUSE RESTORATION AND REHABILITATION

I am pleased to advise that progress is continuing to be made on the implementation of the recommendations of the Fire Safety Committee I formed. After diligent inquiry by the Department of Buildings and GCFD Chiefs, a Request For Proposal (RFP) has been issued concerning the Edgemere Fire Station. This RFP is a required step needed towards the goal of improving the capabilities of the GCFD at this location. Should you have any questions regarding the renovations that are proposed I suggest you contact Trustee Bruce Torino, who is the Fire Commissioner who assisted in this endeavor.

SEPTEMBER GCFD ACTIVITY

Chief Matthew Pearn reported that during September the Department responded to 110 total calls:

- 100 "Signal 8" calls or non-emergency automatic alarms
- 7 general alarms
- 3 mutual aid calls to assist neighboring Fire Departments

CHILDREN'S ROOM RENOVATION UPDATE

The Garden City Library Children's Room Renovation Project kicked off in September 2022. This past week, crews laid out air conditioning ductwork and worked on the new Reading Room layout. Story times, book discussions, and toddler play are being held in the "Kids Corner" located between the Young Adult and Reference sections (formerly the

Periodicals area, which has also been relocated). In addition, programs are being held on the Lower Level for larger groups and crafts. Overflow materials, including Parenting books and holiday reads, have been relocated to the second floor. Signage has been posted throughout the Library, and staff is on hand to help patrons navigate the temporary layout. Please check the Library's website, www.gardencitypl.org, or call 742-8405 for the most current information.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

Anthony DeRosa resigned from his position as superintendent of the Department of Public Works. I wish him well in his future endeavors. The Board appointed Mr. DeRosa in June 2022, after an exhaustive search. The position had been vacant for nearly 18 months prior to his appointment.

VILLAGE TRAFFIC SURVEY CLOSING NOVEMBER 2

Community engagement and feedback are vital to the Garden City Satellite Study and Traffic Calming Master Plan. There are several ways residents can get involved. Fill out an online survey to help the Village better understand traffic safety issues in your community. The survey is open until November 2, 2022. Visit tinyurl.com/garden-city-survey to take the survey. If you are interested in being more involved in the study, join one of the three Community Advisory Committees (CACs). For more information please contact Trustee Mary Carter Flanagan at mcarterflanagan@gardencityny.net. For updates, please visit the project website, <https://gardencitytrafficcalming.com/>.

REVISED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DATES

I advised there is a need to change some of the previously scheduled dates of the regular Board of Trustees meetings. The regular Board Meeting dates are as follows:

- Thursday, October 27, 2022
- Thursday, November 17, 2022
- Thursday, December 1, 2022
- Thursday, December 15., 2022

Special Meetings may be called when necessary.