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THE VILLAGE OF VALLEY STREAM AND NYMTC CONDUCT COMMUNITY PLANNING WORKSHOP TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION

NEW YORK, October 31, 2023 – To better understand the transportation needs and preferences of the Valley Stream community, the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC) together with the Village of Valley Stream will conduct a community planning workshop where residents can voice their recommendations for transportation improvements in the village. The workshop will be held virtually on Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 pm and participants may register for it here: [Valley Stream Community Planning Workshop](#).

The final findings from the workshop will be used to pursue funding opportunities that will help bring potential village transportation projects to fruition.

The Village of Valley Stream is one of the Coordinated Development Emphasis Areas (CDEAs) in NYMTC's current Regional Transportation Plan. CDEAs are locations where changes to land use and transportation have the potential to shape future growth and the way the transportation system accommodates that growth.

NYMTC's Regional Transportation Plan serves as a blueprint to guide federal transportation investments in the NYMTC planning area from 2021 through 2050. This includes funding for highways, roads and bridges, streets, rail and bus transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, movement of goods, and transportation for people with disabilities.

"We are looking forward to discussing pedestrian and bicycle safety through this effort, particularly around our parks and vibrant downtown," said David Sabatino, deputy treasurer of the Inc. Village of Valley Stream. "This is a wonderful opportunity to work with NYMTC to continually improve our village."

Adam S. Levine, executive director of NYMTC, said, "Public input is vital to the decisions that will be made in planning the future of transportation in Valley Stream. We're happy to partner with the village on this very important effort."

ABOUT NYMTC:

NYMTC is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for New York City, Long Island and the lower Hudson Valley which provides a collaborative planning forum to address transportation-related issues, develop regional plans and make decisions on the use of federal transportation funds for its planning area.

NYMTC is comprised of nine voting members and seven advisory members who develop plans, goals, and a shared vision for the region's transportation network. Its planning area covers 2,440 square miles and a 2020 population of 13.17 million, approximately 65% of New York State's residents. Between fiscal years 2023-2027, over 1,000 transportation projects will be funded in the NYMTC region totaling \$36.9 billion.

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