

Senator Hoylman on Pressing MTA for Community Participation on Design of 14th L Train Shutdown Street Study

Senator Hoylman: We're concerned about the [L Train] study to look at traffic patterns on 14th Street, and making sure that my constituents have a role in not just examining the results of the study, but participating in its design, and understanding when that study is going to take place, what the parameters of it will be, and its methodology, even. Could I get a commitment from you that you will meet with the local community specifically on this study to help design what it might look like and when we're prepared to move forward?

MTA Director Hakim: Why don't we do this? A lot of this work is already underway, because, as we've discussed, and being out in the communities, we want to be back out in the community with some further information about the alternatives that we're looking at, and again, nothing has been decided yet. Perhaps a good way to do it would be to come out, talk to the community about what we're doing, and hear back any other further ideas or things that they think we should be looking at.

Senator Hoylman: Well, I guess that part of that is going to happen next week, and a lot of my constituents will be there to discuss that. They just want a seat at the table to make sure you hear their concerns, and again, I think you've been doing a terrific job up to now, but we would have to make sure that that work continues.

MTA Director Hakim: We'll continue to do that.