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Greenpoint Av G Accessibility Project Enters Next Work Phase with Significantly Reduced Customer Impact

Project Includes Installing Three New Elevators, ADA Customer Features Such as Sidewalk Ramps, Powered Gates and Braille Signage; Planned Monthlong Station Bypass Cancelled due to Reduced Work Zones


The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) today announced a project to install three new elevators and other accessibility features at the Greenpoint Av  station will move into the next construction phase with significantly reduced impact to customers.

"Installing three new elevators to make Greenpoint Av accessible is a massive project and we're thrilled to be able to do it while significantly reducing the service impact for our customers," said MTA New York City Transit President Andy Byford.

Construction began on the Greenpoint Av elevator project in September 2018. Expected to take a total of 28 months, the project will install three new elevators and update station infrastructure such as stairs, handrails, turnstiles, powered gates and braille signage. NYC Transit will install an elevator linking the southern end of the station mezzanine to the sidewalk on the east side of Manhattan Avenue between Greenpoint Avenue and Kent Street. Two other elevators will provide access to the northbound and southbound platforms, respectively, from the station mezzanine. In addition, the station agent booth will be modified to a wheelchair user-friendly height and new sidewalk pedestrian ramps will be installed.

To install new stairs and repair existing staircases and to install a new ADA boarding area, crews required access to the southbound platform and tracks for less than one month during December. A similar northbound station bypass had been planned for this month, but construction crews were able to safely and efficiently reduce the footprint of the active work sites, negating the need for the previously planned month-long service impact at Greenpoint Av. Areas of the station remain active work sites, and customers are reminded to pay close attention to barricades and signage that are in place to ensure their safety.

More than 9,400 weekday customers use Greenpoint Av, which remains open to service during the elevator installation project, though short-term outages may be scheduled as needed to accommodate any work requiring platform or track access.

NYC Transit is also performing concurrent station and track maintenance and track renewals along the  line this spring to limit customer impact while the elevator installation project is ongoing at Greenpoint Av. The service changes listed below begin at approximately 9:45 p.m. Fridays and end at approximately 5 a.m. Monday for weekend work, and from 9:45 p.m. to approximately 5 a.m. the following morning during weeknights:

March 18-22 (weeknights)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.

March 22-25 (weekend)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.

March 25-29 (weeknights)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.

March 29-April 1 (weekend)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.


April 1-5 (weeknights)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.

April 5-8 (weekend)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.


April 8-12 (weeknights)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq.



April 12-15 (weekend)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Court Sq


April 15-19 (weeknights)

-  service operates in two sections: Between Court Sq and Bedford-Nostrand Aves, and between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Hoyt-Schermerhorn Sts.

April 19-22 (weekend)

- Free shuttle buses replace  service between Court Sq and Jay St, making all G station stops between Court Sq and Hoyt-Schermerhorn Sts. Transfer to  service at Jay St for service to/from Church Av.

April 22-26 (weeknights)

-  service operates in two sections: Between Court Sq and Bedford-Nostrand Aves, and between Bedford-Nostrand Aves and Hoyt-Schermerhorn Sts.

Announcements, signage and outreach to the affected communities and local elected officials detailing any additional service changes related to the construction will be posted and disseminated ahead of each service change as they are scheduled.

In May 2018, President Byford unveiled the Fast Forward Plan to establish a roadmap for the modernization of the subway, bus and paratransit networks. It proposes to add, in the span of five years, enough new elevators to ensure that all subway riders will not be more than two stops away from an accessible station.. In June 2018, President Byford appointed the agency's first systemwide accessibility adviser, Alex Elegudin, to implement accessibility initiatives outlined in the plan.

The MTA has invested nearly \$5 billion to make subway stations accessible, including \$1.4 billion in the 2015-19 capital program. The capital program includes \$479 million to replace 42 existing elevators and 27 escalators. Future capital programs will include funding for additional stations.