



Assemblymember
Robert C. Carroll
Assembly District 44

May 11, 2018

Town Hall on the MTA:

This morning you may have seen me at your local train station passing out post cards to promote the town hall that I am hosting on the MTA with Andy Byford, President of MTA NYC Transit.



If you've experienced bad commutes on the F/G or B/Q lines or long waits for the B68 or B35, you don't want to miss the chance to speak directly to Mr. Byford on May 29th. I expect a lively and informative conversation and I hope that all of you who are able can attend and share your views. If you are unable to attend but have a specific question that you would like me to ask, please email it to carrollr@nyassembly.gov. Full details for the event are below. RSVPs are appreciated, so please email or call us at (718) 788-7221 to put your name down.

Join Assemblymember Robert Carroll for a special Town Hall on the MTA with Andy Byford, President of the New York City Transit Authority



Tuesday, May 29th
6:30pm – 8:30pm

JOHN JAY EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX

237 7th Avenue between 4th and 5th Streets in Park Slope

To RSVP, or for more information on this event or any other community concern, please contact Assemblymember Robert Carroll at 718-788-7221 or carrollr@nyassembly.gov



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New Legislation:

Solar Energy

Last week I introduced, [A10410](#), which would provide a tax abatement for electric energy storage equipment in New York City. This bill would help defray upfront costs and help catalyze energy storage in New York City while driving down unit and installation costs. This bill goes along with [A10150](#), a bill that I am sponsoring that would extend the already existing tax abatement for solar electric generating systems in NYC. These bills together encourage more investment in solar energy and are critical to help meet and exceed our goal of using 50% renewable energy by 2030.

Public Corruption

This week, along with Senator Liz Krueger, I introduced [A10651](#), which is a proposed Constitutional Amendment to replace the Joint Commission on Public Ethics (JCOPE) and the Legislative Ethics Commission (LEC) with a single, truly independent, enforcement agency that would deter corruption in the legislative and executive branches of state government. It is widely recognized that New York has a corruption problem. Polling shows that over 80 percent of registered voters think corruption in Albany is a "serious problem." Numerous former high-ranking New York State government officials are on trial this spring. One has just been convicted. In the past 15 years, according to the Syracuse Post-Standard, at least 21 state legislators, former legislators and other elected state officials have been sentenced to prison or house arrest. There are a host of flaws in the current JCOPE/LEC structure and this proposed constitutional amendment is designed to cure those flaws by providing credible independence, ample powers and secure funding. The result would produce a New York State Government Integrity Commission which can't be ignored or dismissed as a paper tiger. [I encourage you to read more about the bill here.](#)

Fees for Uber/Lyft and other app-based networks

Also this week I introduced [A10669](#), which would establish a \$10 licensing fee on transportation network company drivers for each transportation network account (Uber, Lyft, Via, Juno etc.) a driver accesses and deposit those licensing fees into the MTA finance fund. You may have read the [NY Times Oped Entitled "What Will New York Do About Its Uber Problem?"](#) on May 7th. In the piece The Times correctly notes that Governor Cuomo and the Legislature missed a critical opportunity during the budget process to establish a comprehensive congestion pricing plan in the style of the Fix NYC Advisory panel's recommendations. It was truly unfortunate that the Governor did not submit his own commission's recommendations to the Legislature during the budget process. In the State Assembly, I was one of the most outspoken proponents of the FixNYC plan because of the much needed revenue it would raise for the MTA (\$1.5 billion annually), the reduction of congestion in Manhattan's Central Business District, and the positive effects it would have on our air quality and our environment.

Fortunately, with [A.10669](#), we can still raise meaningful revenue for the MTA, reduce congestion, and improve our air quality and environment this legislative session. The opportunity to use our roads and pick up passengers is a great benefit and app-based drivers should pay their fair share. The license would last 24 hours from when the driver accesses any one of the many ride hailing apps. This per day licensing fee, paid by the ride-hailing app driver, at the beginning of his/her day, will have a deterring effect on the casual ride-share driver who only plans to work a few hours and who in the meantime provides little positive benefit because that driver clogs our streets, pollutes our air and statistically roams our streets twice as long as a traditional yellow cab before picking up a passenger. Winnowing down this population of amateur drivers in NYC is necessary to controlling the massive expansion of app-based ride hailing platforms. Conversely, the Uber or Lyft driver who works 5 or 6 days a week for 8 to 12 hours will be more than able to cover this nominal fee. Finally, this per day, per app driver fee will conservatively raise

\$100 to \$150 million dollars a year and cost drivers a yearly total of between \$1,000 and \$4,000 dollars depending on how many days they drive and how many apps they use per day.

Upcoming Events:

HPD OUTREACH

Housing Resources In Your Neighborhood



Assemblymember Robert Carroll hosts New York City Department of Housing and Preservation and Development (HPD) Mobile Outreach

The HPD OUTREACH Van takes HPD's community engagement teams on the road, bringing information and services directly to tenants and homeowners in your own neighborhood. *They can help you:*

- **Prepare to Apply for Affordable Housing**
Learn about opportunities and prepare to apply for affordable housing lotteries.
- **Understand Your Rights and Responsibilities**
Learn about the ABCs of Housing to understand your rights and responsibilities as a tenant or owner.
- **File a Housing Complaint**
Get help filing a complaint about housing code violations or landlord harassment.
- **Finance Improvements and Repairs**
Learn about and apply for financial assistance for property owners.
- **Register Your Building**
Get help registering your building as a property owner.
- **Remedy a Violation**
Learn how to remedy housing code violations at your property.



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**Tuesday, May 15
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**District Office of
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416 7th Avenue
*between 13th and 14th Streets***

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11TH ANNUAL

BROOKLYN PTA *Fun-Run* FOR SCHOOLS

RUN, WALK, STROLL OR TODDLE THROUGH
PROSPECT PARK TO SUPPORT BROOKLYN SCHOOLS.
COMPETITIVE RUNNERS & FAMILIES ALIKE!

SATURDAY, MAY 12 @ PROSPECT PARK
REGISTRATION & SIGN-IN AT 9 AM.
RACE BEGINS AT 10 AM.

Last year, \$17,000 was shared among qualifying schools.
We can do it again, plus some more! For more information and
registration:

bradlander.nyc/news/updates/the-11th-annual-brooklyn-pta-5k-fun-run.

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Nitehawk Cinema Prospect Park



SINGLE TICKET \$8 per person in advance online <small>(\$10 per person at the door) No charge for infants worn or carried by their parent. Tickets are required for both kids and adults.</small>	4 PACK OF TICKETS \$30 in advance (\$35 at the door)	UNLIMITED BOUNCY HOUSE PASS \$10 (Regular bounce rate is \$3/bounce)
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Website/Tickets: <http://ps295touchatruck.weebly.com/>



A fundraising event for PS 295
18th St. (btwn 6th & 7th Aves) South Slope, Brooklyn
 Subway: R to Prospect Ave or F to 7th Ave

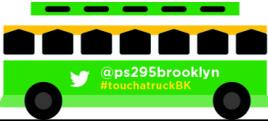


TRUCKS / VEHICLES

NYPD police van & micro cruiser • FDNY "The Experience" truck & fire engine • MTA vintage bus Car2Go smart car • Gentle Giant moving truck • NYC DEP tanker truck • NYC Parks front end loader & tree trimmer • PSVAC ambulance • Sprague energy 10 wheeler • DSNY garbage truck Paul's Signs bucket trucks • Chef's Warehouse day cab tractor & reefer straight truck

FOOD TRUCKS:
 YOGO NYC, Gorilla Cheese NYC, Yankee Doodle Dandy's Pizza Moto

ACTIVITIES:
 Bouncy house and obstacle course, face painting, toddler rest area, art activities and interactive stations with our sponsors!



Proceeds benefit the academic and arts programs at PS 295

TOUCH-A-TRUCK BROOKLYN THANKS ITS SPONSORS:



Community Meetings in the Week Ahead:

CAMBA Community Advisory Board for the Park Slope Women's Shelter

Park Slope Armory

1402 8th Avenue

Tuesday, May 15

6:30pm to 8:00pm

Please RSVP to Talisha Easterling, Director at TalishaE@camba.org and Rasheedah Boyd at RasheedahB@camba.org if you plan to attend. Usually meets the third Tuesday of the month.

70nd Precinct Sector C NCO meeting

Pakistani American Youth Center

1001 Newkirk Avenue at the corner of Coney Island Avenue

Tuesday, May 15

7:00pm

[Neighborhood Coordination Officers](#), or NCOs, are your local problem solvers. They spend all their working hours within the confines of their assigned sectors, actively engaging with local community members and residents. They get to know the neighborhood, its people, and its problems extremely well. PO Kahveci and PO Cipolla, the NCOs for the Sector C, will provide a neighborhood update and respond to questions and concerns from residents.

Community Board 7 Monthly Meeting

CB 7 Office

4201 4th Avenue, entrance on 43rd Street

Wednesday, May 16

6:30pm

Open to community members. The [CB 7](#) monthly meeting is typically scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month at the CB 7 office but location moves around occasionally.

66th Precinct Community Council

CB 12 Office

5910 13th Avenue

Thursday, May 17

7:30pm

Open to community members. The 66th [Precinct Community Council](#) meetings typically take place on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at CB 12's office.

ShredFest

Prospect Park, 3rd Street entrance

3rd Street and Prospect Park West

Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20

10am until 4pm or when the trucks fill up – whichever happens first

Protect your identity. Bring old documents with personal information to be shredded to prevent identity theft. Brought to you by the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Park Slope House Tour

Starts at Poly Prep Lower School

50 Prospect Park West at 1st Street

Sunday, May 20

Noon to 5:30pm

The Park Slope House Tour is a self-guided walking tour organized by the Park Slope Civic Council. Ticket-holders will receive an illustrated brochure describing the history and interior of each home. Following the Tour at 6:00pm, there will be a lecture by local architect-historian Francis Morrone (house tour tickets are required). To purchase tickets and for more information, please click [here](#).

See you around the neighborhood,

Bobby

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