

IMPORTANT UPDATE

Regarding Belmont Park Redevelopment

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The UBS Arena at Belmont Park will be the home of the New York Islanders starting with the 2021-2022 season. The Belmont Park Redevelopment Project includes a hotel, office space, and world-class retail village. In conjunction with the project, the MTA will construct a new LIRR station at Elmont — the first new, full-time LIRR station. Project is on schedule for opening ahead of the 2021-22 National Hockey League season — despite disruption from COVID-19 pandemic.



Interested in being a member of the Belmont Community Advisory Committee?

Belmont Community Advisory Committee is an advisory body composed of local residents responsible for facilitating open communication and engagement between the local community and other stakeholders, and the New York Arena Partners. Members are expected to attend all meetings.

Please email:
solagesm@nyassembly.gov
for more information.

Updates on Community Benefits

Local Hiring Opportunities

Empire State Development has set a local hiring goal of 30% of the permanent jobs available through the Belmont Redevelopment Project. The project is currently in the construction phase, but we want to ensure that our community is prepared for the employment opportunities as they become available. To be added to our Belmont Park Job Opportunities List, please call us at (516) 599-2972, or email our office at solagesm@nyassembly.gov.

Local Park Development

As part of the Belmont Arena Development Project, ESD and NYAP have agreed to invest funds to upgrade two parks within the Town of Hempstead: Elmont Road and Hendrickson Road. Through the Belmont Community Advisory Committee, ESD and NYAP have taken input and are finalizing their plan for the parks. Please do not hesitate to let our office know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, or if you need further clarification on any issues regarding Belmont Park Community Benefits.



New Elmont Train Station

Elmont Station, the first new full-time LIRR Station to be built since 1976, will serve the Belmont Park Redevelopment Project, including Belmont Park racetrack and the New York Islanders hockey team's new arena, along with a number of New York City-bound commuters. The new station will be ADA-compliant, with residential parking, as well as include free WiFi, digital screens, elevators, canopies, charging stations, and more.

MTA Construction & Development and the LIRR are committed to keeping the Elmont and Bellerose Terrace communities updated and welcome your feedback as this project advances. To report neighborhood concerns at this work site, call 212-803-3769, or email belmontoutreach@esd.ny.gov.

MBE, WBE, and SDVOB General Contractors

If you are a local MBE (Minority-Owned Business Enterprise), WBE (Women-Owned Business Enterprise), and SDVOB (Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business) interested in contracting opportunities with the Belmont Redevelopment Project, please email us at solagesm@nyassembly.gov with the name of your business and its location.

We want to make sure MBE, WBE, and SDVOB general contractors, preferably located in the surrounding communities, with experience working on park-related projects, are included in the opportunities available.

In order to take advantage of the State's MWBE program, you must first certify your business as a MWBE with the State. With a MWBE certification, you'll enjoy the following benefits:

- You'll be placed on the certified MWBE directory where State agencies and vendors looking for subcontractors can reach out to you.
- You won't be subject to the State's competitive bidding requirements for procurements under \$200,000.
- You'll be more likely to be awarded a contract over similarly qualified competitors by an agency or vendor looking to meet their MWBE participation goal.

Please email solagesm@nyassembly.gov for more information and to sign up for our upcoming small business empowerment seminar series. All small businesses are welcomed to join.

Empire State Development Division of Minority and Women Business Development: 855-373-4692 / mwbebusinessdev@esd.ny.gov / <https://esd.ny.gov/mwbe-new-certification>



Public Hearings on Proposed Changes to Belmont Redevelopment

In December, a public hearing was held to discuss proposed changes to the Belmont Arena Project. Amendments under consideration include a multiple story parking garage in lieu of an underground parking garage, as well as a change to the physical barrier between the property and residential homes.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the proposed changes, please contact our office at (516) 599-2972, or email us at solagesm@nyassembly.gov. We will make sure to update you as soon as new information becomes available.

To report all neighborhood concerns at this work site, call 212-803-3769, or email belmontoutreach@esd.ny.gov. To contact the Belmont development team, call 516-548-3118, or email community@newyorkarenapartners.com or belmontcommunityoutreach@esd.ny.gov.