

Infrastructure Upgrades along 9th Avenue

West 51st Street – West 59th Street

Project # MED609

The NYC Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) is managing a capital improvement project along 9th Avenue in the Hell's Kitchen area. The project anticipated completion date is to be determined. The scope of the work includes the installation of a new 36" dia. Trunk Water Mains, pressure regulating equipment, 12" dia. and 20" dia. Distribution Water Mains, 15" dia. Sewer pipes, 11 new catch basins, reconfiguring underground utilities to make room for the new infrastructure, and the reconstruction of the roadway. The protected bike lane that was removed due to the construction will be re-established with median islands and a painted buffer. Con Edison is also installing a new electrical distribution system and new 12" dia. and 20" dia. gas mains, and is coordinating their work with the NYCDDC.

Work Completed to Date:

The project has completed 98% of all 12" and 20" Distribution Water Mains, 100% of all 36" Trunk Water Mains, 100% of all sewers, and 100% of all catch basins.

Con Edison has completed their installation of new 20" and 12" Gas Mains. Ducts and conduits for the new electrical distribution system are approximately 95% complete.

Proposed Work Schedule:

For the 3rd Quarter of 2021, we will complete the remaining distribution water mains for the project. The work will take place at the intersections of W58th St and will require reconfiguring other existing buried utilities. The permanent restoration of the roadway between W. 56th St and W. 59th St began in May 2021, and is expected to be completed by October 2021. Pavement restoration of 9th Ave between W51st St and W56th St are currently being discussed.

Con Edison is expected to have their in-house electrical crews modify existing cable conditions inside their manholes at various locations to provide sufficient room for new cables to be installed through these manholes. Remaining electrical duct banks will be installed between W.52nd St and W 53rd St where conditions allow.

Partial permanent roadway reconstruction begins at 9th Ave between W 57th St & W 58th St



Community Impacts:

During construction hours, you can expect the following: Pedestrian access to businesses and buildings will be maintained at all times. Vehicular travel closures may be required, as well as detours. Warning signs will be posted in advance. Traffic mitigation personnel, proper signage and MPT will be installed in/around the construction area to alert and direct motorists; this includes Traffic Enforcement Agents (TEA's), Variable Message Signs (VMS) and Uniform Flaggers (UF).

Who to Contact for More Information?

In an effort to practice social distancing, the Field Office is not handling any in-person appointments or meetings at this time. If you have any questions or concerns or would like to learn more about the project, please call or email Wayan Brown, the Community Construction Liaison (CCL), at (646) 738-4894 or email at w60thstreetccl@gmail.com.

DDC Water Main Video Links: [DDC Essentials: WATER MAINS on Vimeo](#)

<http://on.nyc.gov/2YliWbd>

Newsletter Distribution Construction Newsletters for this project are distributed quarterly within the project area and to Manhattan Community Board #4.