

Village of



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Westchester County
The Honorable George Latimer, County Executive
148 Martine Avenue, 9th Floor
White Plains, NY 10601

RE: Mount Pleasant Avenue (County Road 44)/Mamaroneck Avenue/Bishop Avenue/Halstead Avenue Intersection

Dear County Executive Latimer:

For many years, the Village has received complaints and questions as to why the Village is unable to install a crosswalk across the Mt. Pleasant Avenue leg of this intersection. Because this section of Mount Pleasant Avenue is owned and maintained by Westchester County, the Village would require either the County's approval to construct a crosswalk, or the County to install the crosswalk.

The County has not granted permission, lacking physical change to the geometry of the intersection, because based on the timing of the traffic signal at the intersection, there is always the potential for a vehicle to travel through the Mount Pleasant Avenue leg of the intersection. The Village has reviewed several options for physical improvements to the intersection, but bearing in mind design costs, engineering costs, traffic signal replacement costs, and utility coordination, it is estimate that such a project would cost \$1,800,000 to \$2,000,000. Given that the Mamaroneck Avenue corridor of signals is coordinated, creating an all-way stop at this location is not feasible as it would likely impact tragic conditions between the Metro-North Railroad Bridge and the Interstate 95 overpass.

While it is true that a vehicle may always be able to turn onto Mt. Pleasant Avenue, the lack of an existing crosswalk does not seem to be a deterrent to this pedestrian activity. New York State law is clear that motorists must yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk.

As such, the Village respectfully requests that Westchester County review the intersection and allow for a crosswalk to be installed across Mount Pleasant Avenue (County Road 44).

I thank you for your time and attention to this matter, and your ongoing advocacy for the Village. If you have any questions about this request, or require additional information, please contact Village Manager at (914) 777-7703. further thank you for enacting a policy that will allow for meaningful dialogue between the Village and the County.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Murphy
Mayor, Village of Mamaroneck

cc: Board of Trustees
Jerry Barberio, Village Manager

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