YOUR CITY, YOUR NEWS

RSS | Twitter | NY1.com en Español

Only on



You are not signed in | Sign in here | Help

ny 1.com the web Search the NY1 archives

@

You're viewing a lite version of NY1.com

ALL BOROUGHS MANHATTAN BRONX BROOKLYI

Time Warner Cable customers: Sign in with your TWC ID for video access. Get my TWC ID. | Get TWC service. | Read the FAQ.

Print Email 0 Tweet 4 f Share 1 ShareThis





06/19/2013 07:15 PM

Select Bus Service Gets High Praise At Mayoral **Candidates' Transit Forum**

Bv: Jose Martinez





Subway and buses are what moves most New Yorkers, and the candidates for mayor, including former MTA Chairman Joe Lhota, held a forum solely on the topic on Tuesday in Baruch College in Manhattan. NY1's Transit reporter Jose Martinez filed the following report.

The Second Avenue Subway is finally being built and the 7 train is extending to the Far West Side. But the consensus among mayoral candidates at a forum at Baruch College in Manhattan on Tuesday is that expanding bus service is the way to go to meet the transit needs of residents in growing neighborhoods outside of Manhattan.

"There will be far greater need for mass transit service and I think we focus on the buses,"

Apopular choice among the contenders is to have the city Department Of Transportation boost the number of speedier Select Bus Lines, where commuters can payfares before boarding and there are special lanes and fewer stops.

There are four existing Select Bus routes, and plans to add more, with candidates saying better bus service can make getting around easier, especially for those living far from subway lines

"You're going to have to increase Select Bus Service as well as express bus service across the city of New York. That's the way to get the city moving, that's the way to create transportation equity," said Democratic candidate William Thompson.

Hosted by the University Transportation Research Forum at Baruch College, the session drew all of the major candidates, minus Christine Quinn and Bill de Blasio.

Those who showed said they would push for mass transit improvements if elected mayor - even if the job holds little actual control over the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Several said that needs to change

"The fact of the matter is that we need to get control of the MTA" said Democratic candidate Anthony

But there is not much chance that could happen. The MTAhas been a state agency since it was created more than 40 years ago.

The one candidate who headed the MTAuntil just a few months ago, Republican candidate Joe Lhota, called again for stretching the N or the R into Staten Island and expanding service in Brooklyn and Queens

"The subway system needs to be expanded and as mayor, I will discuss it," Lhota said.

ARepublican rival, John Catsimatidis, dismissed that idea.

"We can dream about it. It will never, ever be done in anybody's lifetime in this room," he said.

While the bulk of the candidates were in agreement on the need to need to expand Select Bus Service, the question of by how much, and for how much, will be left for another time.



7-day forecast today travel radar tropics

President Increases Amount Seniors Can Get From Reverse Mortga

If you are 62 or older, you can generate up to \$52,083 a month for a year in income from your home while you're still living there. The amount you can get is so high because of the President's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. When you get a reverse mortgage your mortgage payments are eliminated and you begin generating income from your home. ncome from your home

PICK YOUR AGE Under 18 19-25 26-35

36-45 46-55 56-65 66-75 Over 75 Calculate New House Payment





WANTED: YOUR FEEDBACK Is there something you like or dislike about NY1? Something you want to see more or less of? We're looking for your feedback so let us know on our Contact

LG Cosmos™ 3 Learn More veri₇on

LIMITED

TIME OFFER



citi





15,000 **Bonus Points**

NO ANNUAL FEE

GET STARTED ▶

NY1 ON TWITTER

Tweets from a list by NY1 News



NY1 News

NY1 News @NY1headlines

In The Papers 7/2/13 bit.ly/11X8t9f



Road To City Hall

@RoadToCityHall

NY1 ItCH: The Governor Plays The Shame Game bit.I



NY1 Weather

🕹 @NY1weather

Here is our 7-day forecast twitpic.com/d0ev8m

FOLLOWUS: NY1headlines | NY1weather | NY1thecall InsideCityHall | NY1arts | NY1onstage | NY1OneOn1 | SportsOn1 | NY1ForYou | NY1NYTonight | NY1Newsat11

Web2PDF converted by Web2PDFConvert.com



TOP STORIES EXPANDED VIDEO

NY1 MINUTE WEATHER

7 Day Forecas Zoom Radar Forecast Video

TRAFFIC PIC OF THE DAY

POLITICS NY1 Political ItCH Road To City Hall

Decision 2013 On The Road: Touring All 51 City Council Districts Political Rundown

State of Politics Blog TRANSIT

EDUCATION CRIMINAL JUSTICE

THE CALL The Call Blog

The Call Show NY1 LIVING

Arts Cooking At Home Entertainment Health Let's Fat Money Matters Movie Reviews On Stage Parenting Real Estate

Sound Advice Technology The App Wrap The Book Reade

Theater Reviews Travel Whipple's World Zagat

SPORTS Sports News Scholar Athlete FEATURES In The Papers

NY1 From the Floor NY1 For You NY1 Going Green NYer of the Week

One On 1 One On 1 Archives Today in NYC History Weekend Features

What A Week NY1 SHOWS The Call

Road To City Hall On Stage On Stage Across America Talking Pictures On Demand The New York Times Close Up

SPECIAL REPORTS

Pride Week 2013 E3 Game Expo 2013 Soul's Survivors Six Months After Sandy Tribeca Film Festival 2013

Papal Election 2013 Fighting The Tide Fashion Week: Fall 2013 Collection Black History Month 2013 Grand Central Terminal At 100

2012: Year In Review Sound Off On Sandy World Trade Center Connect A Million Minds

NY1 COMMUNITY CALENDAR Submit Your Event

YOUR N.J. NEWS

ABOUT NY1

Staff Profiles Station Info Program Schedule Program Info NY1 Store Advertising

Licensing & Other Services

NY1 Jobs

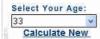
NY1 MOBILE NYC INFO

YELLOW PAGES CONTACT US

STTEMAP

If You Owe Less Than \$625,500 On Your Home, Use The President's Refi Program

53% of homeowners have used this ridiculously easy trick to save up to \$145,000. Responsible homeowners are now able to pay off their home in half the time and save up to \$805/month. If you're a homeowner and don't know the trick, use this free tool and see how much you can save.



House Payment



Lower MySills.

MOST VIEWED

City Bus Driver Attacked, Robbed On Route In Lower Manhattan



Former Students Demand Health Monitoring Following Exposure To Toxic Bronx School Building



Sources: Construction Foreman Shot By Worker In Hell's Kitchen



Milwaukee Releases Documents On How Cardinal Dolan Dealt With Local Clergy Sex Scandal



Recipe: Huevos Rancheros



Sponsored Links

1 Weird spice that FIGHTS diabetes

Can this unusual "super spice" control your blood sugar and fight diabetes? diabetesreversed.com

Men 40 + Must See This

Texas Man finds an unlikely testosterone booster. www.health-lifestyles.org

New York Yellow Pages

New York Apartments New York Auto Insurance New York Auto Parts New York Bakery

New York Banks New York Contractors New York Electrician

New York Lawver New York Mortgage New York Restaurants

Yellow Pages by MojoPages

Home | Terms of Use | Privacy Policy | Contact Information | Site Map |

Reproduction in whole or in part without permission is prohibited. © 2013 Time Warner Cable Enterprises LLC. All Rights Reserved. Web development by Tipit