

September 3, 2015

Commissioner Mitchell J. Silver
New York City Department of Parks & Recreation
830 Fifth Ave
New York, NY, 10065

Re: Fence at Long Pond Park: Page Avenue and Amboy Road

Dear Commissioner Silver:

I hope this letter finds you well.

Former New York City Council Member Vincent Ignizio recently brought to my attention plans for your agency to install a wood post and rail barricade along the street frontages of Long Pond Park. As you may be aware, the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) have large, ongoing capital projects at Page Avenue and Amboy Road. The DOT project was funded by me and former Council Member Ignizio.


Mr. Ignizio also informed me that he specifically asked DPR to erect the barricade within the park and not encroach into the street beds of Page Avenue or Amboy Road.

I would like to reiterate this concern. The survey for the areas fronting the park show approximately 25' from the edge of the existing pavement to the mapped street line. I believe it is imperative that any New York City Department of Parks and Recreation work remain clear of the mapped intersection.

I would also be most appreciative if you could share with me the final plans and a timeline for installation of the barrier.

Thank you so much for your kind attention, and I hope to speak with you soon.

Yours truly,


James S. Oddo
President, Borough of Staten Island

