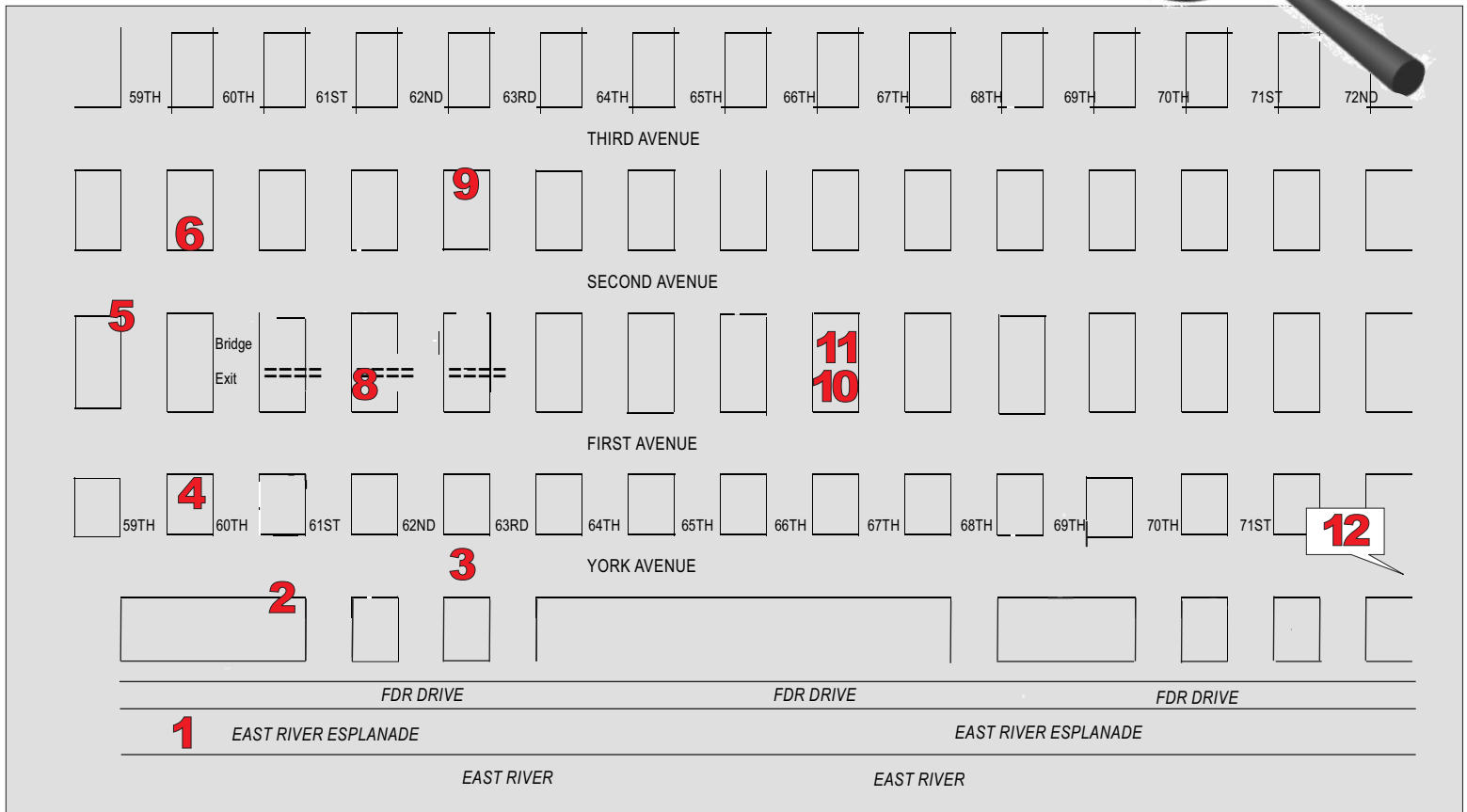


A 2020 Virtual Tour of the East 60's



1. East River Esplanade

East Midtown Greenway is the portion of the East River Esplanade that connects E. 53rd Streetw with E. 59th Street. It is built on caissons in the river. It will have a bicycle/pedestrian path and pass through the former sanitation building and meet up with AHG park Phase IIB. It will have nodes and overlooks until it meets up with land at 59th Street and will have beautiful plantings. Planned completion is fall 2023

New East River Waterfront Park/Andrew Haswell Green Park (AHG)

Phase II-B –Waterfront Level –is in the process of construction along with the East Midtown Greenway.. Planned completion is Fall of 2023.
Phase III –Inside Former Sanitation Building is now being planned for community use with the bicycle/pedestrian pathway going through the building to meet up with Phase II-B of AHG Park. Balance of interior of the building is not funded at this time.

Andrew Haswell Green Park at 62/63 Streets—Design expected to complete Spring 2020 for repair of the pilings. Construction start is expected Fall 2021/completion estimated 2023.

68/70 Streets—funded by Councilmember Kallos. Construction date in unknown due to Covid-19

72/78 Streets— Hospital for Special Surgery is in the design phase.

2. 24 Sycamores Park renovation for the bathrooms and upper level is expected to complete by Summer 2021.

3. Tramway Plaza –2 new glass elevators being installed to replace existing elevator & lift by Roosevelt Island Operating Corp. Completion Spring 2021.

4. Bridgemarket Space –The City Lease has been turned over to new owners and they are working toward a late 2021 opening of the new tenant, Trader Joe’s at the site of the former Food Emporium. They are eager to bring this much needed amenity back to the community and help activate the streetscape under the 59th Street Bridge.

5. York Avenue Sewer and Water Main Project spanning 60 to 64 Streets. 95% of water main work completed. Working on Sewer replacement with a great deal more work by Con Edison Utilities. Completion is expected by Summer 2021.

6. Upper East Side Bike/Pedestrian Network at the Queensboro Bridge **Upgrades to the Queensboro Bridge** expected completion 2022. Upon completion there will be consideration of converting the South Outer Roadway converted to a pedestrian walkway.

2nd Ave Bike Lane will be completed by year end.

Bike Lanes on 61 & 62 from York to Central Park is being monitored and tweaked by DOT and they will continue to discuss potential modifications or permanent proposals with Community Board 8.

7. MTA/East Side Access/63rd & 2nd Avenue Construction Work is underway in the lot at 63rd St. and 2nd Ave. to modernize the existing adjacent Ventilation Facility. Equipment delivery to the lot and thru the access hatches on the sidewalk will continue. The site will be used for systems installation and testing through project completion in December 2022.

8. 323 East 61 Street - 7-story office building for MSKCC for offices. It will have a small rear yard. Building completion is expected to be Spring 2021.

9. 1059 3rd Avenue (63/64 Sts) 30-Floor residential condo with glass and stone façade. completed approximately summer 2021.

10. 67th Street Branch Library reopened.

11. New York Blood Center –A new building is being considered, please see article in Wall Street Journal dated October 13, 2020

12. Hunter College ADA Subway Entrance –is being moved to the NE Corner of 68 and Lexington Avenue. More to come on this by the end of the year.

13. Hospital for Special Surgery New River building will be located between 71st and 72nd Streets over the FDR. It will house inpatient beds, radiology services, physician offices, and exam rooms.

Unresolved

1209, 1211, 1215 First Avenue –no plans at this time due to Covid-19.

CUNY/HUNTER-Hunter College developing a 16-story building on E.74 Street between York Avenue and the river. It is for the health professions.

249 E 62 St. (entrance on 62, bulk of building on 2nd Avenue) No information at this time. We are after them constantly to remove the graffiti from their fence and to keep their sidewalk in good repair.