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May 14, 2026

CONTINUED REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF
SIDEWALK AND CERTAIN TREES ON MIDDLE NECK ROAD

Please be advised that starting at 8:00 A.M. on Monday May 18, 2026, the Village of Great Neck Plaza will commence the replacement of portions of the sidewalk on Middle Neck Road. The project will start (weather permitting) on the west side of Middle Neck Road from Elm Street to Gussack Plaza. After that portion of the sidewalk replacement is completed, the project will continue on the east side of Middle Neck Road from Maple Drive to Grace Avenue. There will be no street/meter parking on the side of Middle Neck Road where the work is being done, while the work is being done. The project should be completed by May 31, 2026 (weather permitting).

The project will entail removing the existing trees and bricks on these sections, replacing the underground electrical wiring, installing a concrete base, putting the brick back on top of the concrete base and replacing the trees with street friendly trees approved and recommended by the Village's arborist from Bartlett Tree Experts.

The removal of these trees is required to properly replace the sidewalks in these sections and because most of the trees in these sections of the sidewalk on Middle Neck Road are diseased and should be removed. As stated by Whitney Lewis, Certified Arborist from Bartlett Tree Experts:

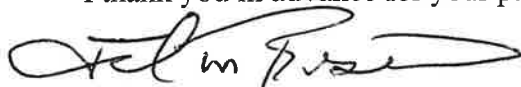
"... the Red and Pin Oaks are suffering from both Pest Infestation and Root Diseases. Gall Wasps have infested 50 to 70% of these trees and continues to spread to others. Phytophthora Root Rot fungal disease is also causing the trees to decline and become a hazard to the community...

... Additionally, these trees are suffering from excessive improper pruning (topping) by the power companies over the years which heavily reduces the amount of upper crown growth to assist the tree in photosynthesis to make energy for their root systems. Limited soil and confined growing area plays a major role in why they are in such poor condition. Ultimately for long-term results of safety of the community and beautification the removal and replacement with more suitable species is the best option."

Access to all stores will be provided and maintained by the Village's contractor, Stasi Construction, throughout the project.

Please feel free to contact the Village with any questions or concerns.

I thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.


Ted M. Rosen
Mayor