



## GUILTY VERDICT

AFTER JUST ONE DAY OF DELIBERATIONS, A STATEN ISLAND JURY FINDS HUSSEIN ADAM GUILTY OF SECOND-DEGREE MURDER IN THE FATAL 2023 SHOOTING OF CASTLETON CORNERS DELI OWNER BASSAM (SAM) KHATEEB. **A3**

### TOMPKINSVILLE

## New \$92M community center delayed by electrical issues



Construction of the Mary Cali Dalton Center in Tompkinsville is delayed as Con Edison completes the electrical connection, pushing the opening to October. *Paul Liotta, Staten Island Advance*

*The Mary Cali Dalton Center is now expected to open in October as Con Edison finalizes its power connection.*

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A lack of electrical connection has further delayed the opening of a \$92 million North Shore community center, the Advance/SILive.com learned this week.

A spokesperson for the city Department of Design and Construction (DDC) said the agency is waiting for Consolidated Edison to connect the 45,000-square-foot Mary Cali Dalton Center in Tompkinsville to the electrical grid before it can complete its own work. The spokesperson described the lack of Con Ed connection as the “main issue” delaying the project.

As of Tuesday, the DDC has an expected completion date of October. The city estimates it will take two to three months to

finish its own work after Con Ed connects to the electrical grid, which is expected by July.

Originally, the city expected the work to be done by the end of 2025, but a formerly unmapped private street in the area delayed that. A portion of Murray Hulbert Avenue connecting Hannah Street and the Bay Street Landing developments had been unmapped, preventing Con Ed from opening the street to bring permanent power to the future site of the center.

Last year, that issue pushed the estimated completion date to the end of this spring, but Con Ed still hasn’t gotten its work done after the correction. Now, a spokesperson says the utility company has faced further delays thanks to only being able to perform some of its work on the weekends.

“Con Edison has completed its work efficiently and remains on track to finish by the anticipated date,” the spokesperson said. “Progress has required close coordination with other construction activities on site, including limitations on weekday vault and conduit work that have been in place since

early January. We look forward to the project’s completion and the benefits it will bring to the community.”

The Con Ed spokesperson didn’t provide clarity about what exactly prevented work during the week, but a DDC spokesperson said the issue wasn’t on their end, pointing instead to the complicated geography of the site.

“It’s a very constrained site with water and a narrow street on one side and railroad tracks on the other and it’s a challenge sometimes to work in those conditions,” the city spokesperson said. “[The Department of Design and Construction] for example is only working at night and limited hours installing the pre-cast panels on the Hannah St. side of the building so as to reduce the impact on the local community.”

“Con Edison has to coordinate its work with other groups just like we do, including the MTA. DDC has not placed any time restrictions on their work,” they added.

A social media video the agency posted in late March highlighted some of the **SEE COMMUNITY CENTER, A2**

### NEW YORK CITY

## New ‘Office of Curb Management’ to streamline street use

*City announces a centralized office to better organize parking, loading zones, bike lanes, and outdoor dining.*

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In a bid to bring order to New York City’s crowded streets, Mayor Zohran Mamdani and Department of Transportation (DOT) Commissioner Mike Flynn on Tuesday announced the creation of a new Office of Curb Management within the DOT.

The office will centralize how the city plans and regulates curb space — from parking and loading zones to outdoor dining and bike infrastructure — an effort City Hall says will improve safety, cut down on



The new office is designed to make New York City streets safer, more efficient, and easier to navigate. *Staten Island Advance*

double parking and better balance competing demands along thousands of miles of city streets. Any interagency coordination for projects requiring curb management

will be streamlined by the new office, the release explained. “How we manage our curbs is how we show our streets are for everyone — from cyclists and drivers to sanitation workers and delivery workers to food vendors and outdoor diners,” said Mamdani. “This new office will centralize planning so that our curbs can keep up with the new and growing ways New Yorkers enjoy our city. By modernizing curb management, we’re delivering a streetscape that is the envy of the world.”

It’s the city’s hope that this new office brings “the city’s curb into the 21st century” by organizing curb space to support various needs, including multi-modal transportation options, loading zones, microhubs, vehicle pick-up and drop-off zones, bike parking or outdoor dining.

The city said that this new office will consolidate planning functions and **SEE CURB MANAGEMENT, A2**

### ATTICA, N.Y.

## Man convicted in 1998 killing of police officer dies in prison

*Shatiek Johnson, 45, was serving 25 years to life for the fatal shooting of Staten Island NYPD Officer Gerard Carter.*

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The man convicted in the fatal shooting of NYPD Officer Gerard Carter in West Brighton in 1998 has died, the Advance/SILive.com has learned.

Shatiek Johnson, 45, who was serving out a sentence of 25 years to life at Attica Correctional Facility in Attica, New York, died on April 7, according to the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision website. The listing provides no further information.

When asked about the death, a Department of Corrections spokesperson referred an Advance/SILive.com reporter to the website listing. An administrator from the Wyoming County Health Department Coroner’s Office confirmed Johnson’s death and stated that “the case was referred to the Monroe County Medical Examiner for post-mortem examination to determine cause and manner of death. The report is not complete.”

The County Medical Examiner’s office did not immediately respond to a request for information.

On Dec. 13, 1999, Johnson was sentenced on a top count of second-degree murder in connection with the slaying.

A jury determined Johnson, then 17 years old, shot Carter, 28, in the head while the officer was seated in a marked police van in the courtyard of the West Brighton Houses on July 26, 1998. The officer died five days later.

The murder came amid an uptick in violence across the city and strained relations between police and some residents in socioeconomically struggling communities. Carter had been working as part of an impact team in the borough’s public housing complexes, and lived nearby with his family.

His funeral, which was attended by thousands of NYPD members and a host of dignitaries, took place days after his **SEE KILLER DIES IN PRISON, A3**



Shatiek Johnson, center, following his arrest in 1998. *Staten Island Advance*

### STATEN ISLAND

## Volunteer milestone

Volunteers honored as RSVP/SERVE celebrates 60 years on Staten Island. **A7**

### THE BRONX

## Former cop sentenced

Former cop gets prison time for tossing a cooler that caused a fatal crash. **A10**

