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Still the Same MTA

Some things just never change. Especially when it comes to the same old MTA. We read the MTA is “running late” and blew past a state-mandated deadline to report why its operating costs vastly exceed other transit agencies across the world. Might the MTA be hiding what [the public ought to know](#)? Perhaps waiting for an opportune time to drop information when most gazes focus elsewhere?

This failure just [demonstrates](#) the compelling need to [demand](#) that decisions on congestion pricing get made early (before this November’s 2020 election). This comes on top other [unresolved questions](#) concerning the MTA’s scheme to implement this toll-tax, including the MTA’s failure to appoint the members of the so-called Traffic Mobility Review Board. Should not the [public know](#) who will set the tolls, how much they will cost, and who will receive exemptions and credits?

In prior years, the chief [concern](#) involved interesting [bookkeeping](#). As lyrics from the [tune](#) that gave title to this commentary goes, “Some things just never change.”

Read the [Daily News](#) article (excerpt below).

MTA shrugs at mandate to compare high costs to other transit agencies

DAILY NEWS

By Clayton Guse
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The MTA is running late again.

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Legislation passed last year forces the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to distribute an annual report by the end of each January that shows “the authority’s performance in comparison with other national and international peer agencies.”

The analysis must look into how much the MTA spends to operate and maintain its subway, bus and commuter rail networks. It’s required to compare those figures to other cities where public transit is more reliable and cost-effective.

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