

# Malcolm X Blvd Transit & Traffic Improvements

Community Board 3 Transportation Committee | February 11, 2020



# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

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2. 2019 Project
3. Proposal
4. Next Steps



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Background

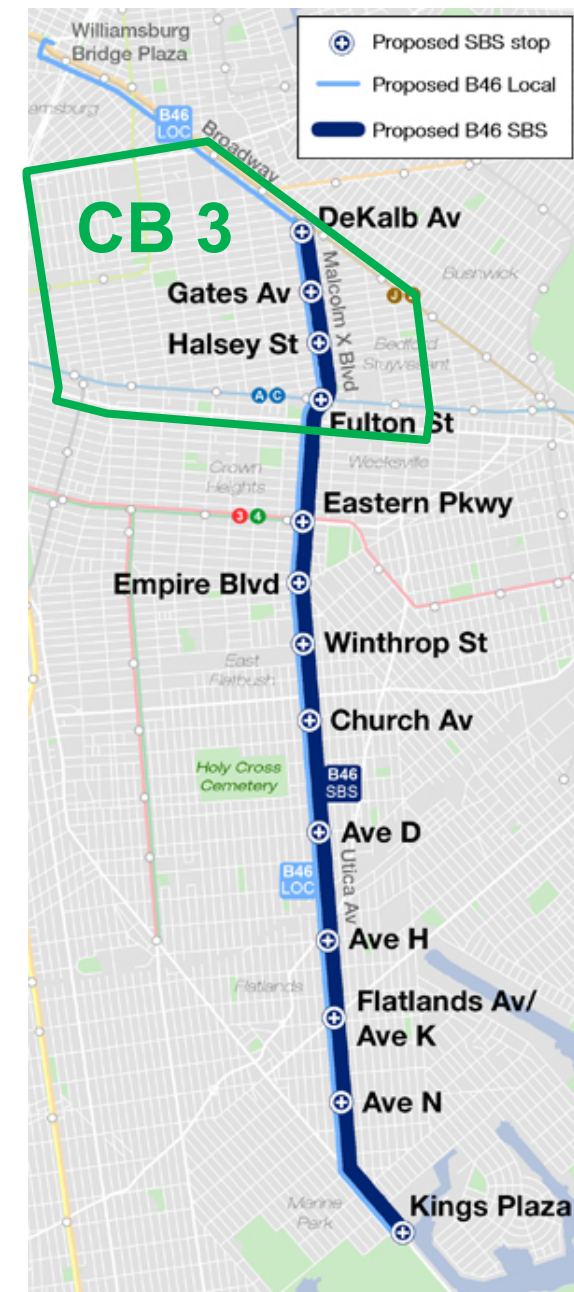
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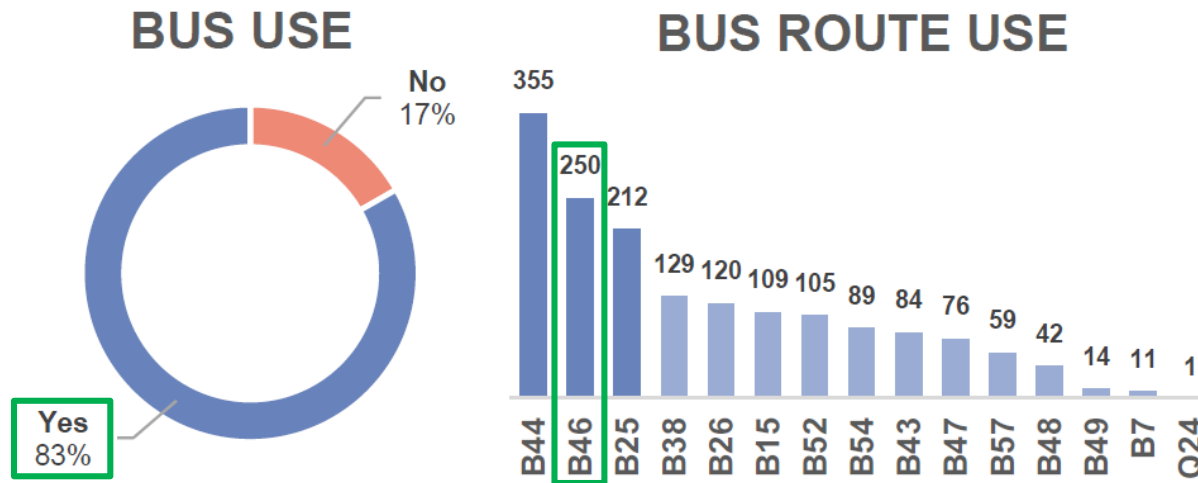
## B46 SELECT BUS SERVICE

- B46 is Brooklyn's busiest bus route (38,000 daily riders)
- Connects Bed-Stuy to **3** **4** **A** **C** **J** **Z** + 30 bus routes
- Upgraded to Select Bus Service in 2016
- B46 SBS upgraded to articulated buses in January 2020



# CB 3 OUTREACH INITIATIVE

- 619 respondents across CB 3
  - 83% regularly ride the bus
  - B46 is 2<sup>nd</sup> most used route



# BETTER BUSES ACTION PLAN

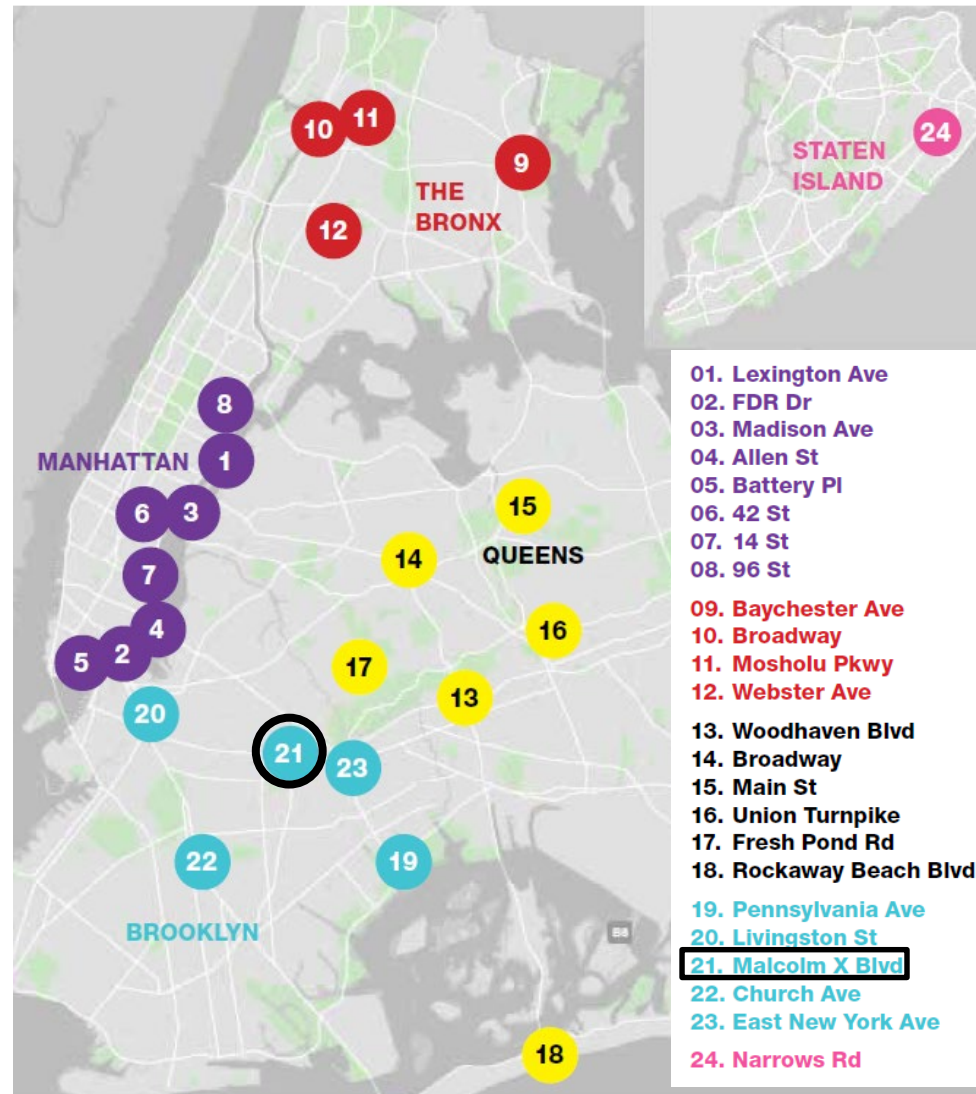
- Overall Goal - Improve bus speeds by 25%
- Annual Targets include:
  - Install 10-15 miles of new bus lanes
  - Improve 5 miles of existing bus lanes
- 24 priority projects in 2019, plus 24 in 2020, to increase bus speeds across all 5 boroughs





# BETTER BUSES ACTION PLAN

- Malcolm X Blvd / Utica Ave identified as 2019 priority project due to:
  - High ridership
  - Slow bus speeds
  - Unreliable travel times
  - High volumes of buses



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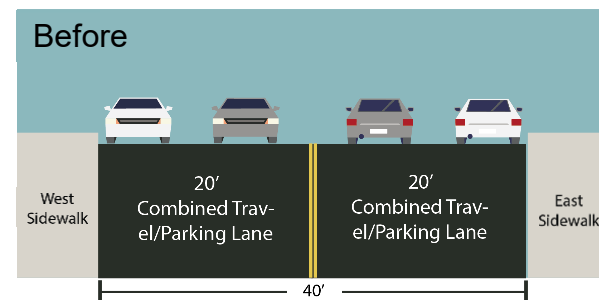
2019 Project

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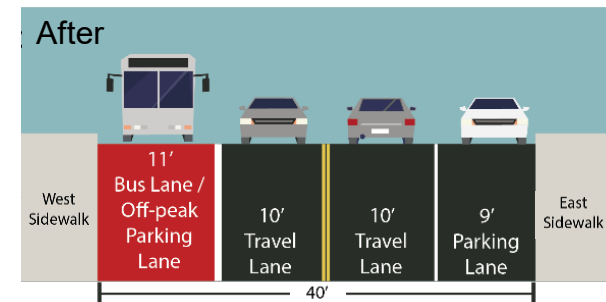
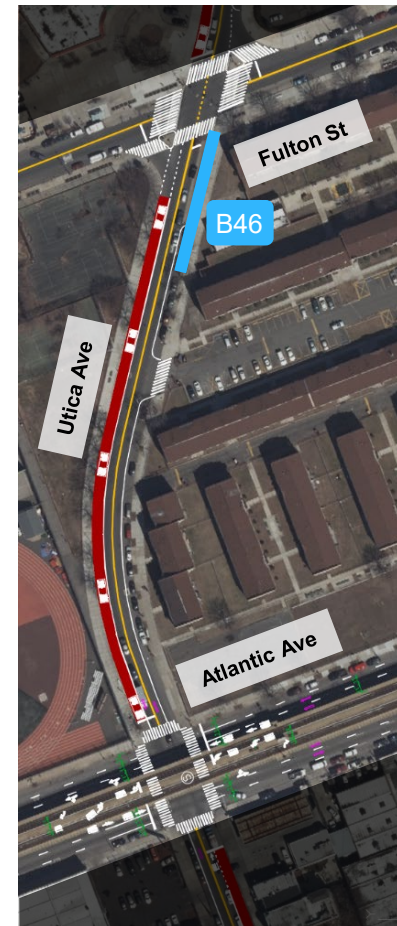
- Bottleneck approaching Atlantic Ave causes traffic to back up to Fulton St and beyond
- Bus speeds: **4.5 mph (AM)**, **2.7 mph (PM)**





# FULTON ST TO ATLANTIC AVE: AFTER

- 1 block of southbound bus lane, photo enforced
- Bus speeds improved **54%** AM peak, **106%** PM peak
- Traffic speeds improved **18%** AM peak, **17%** PM peak
- Overnight parking preserved



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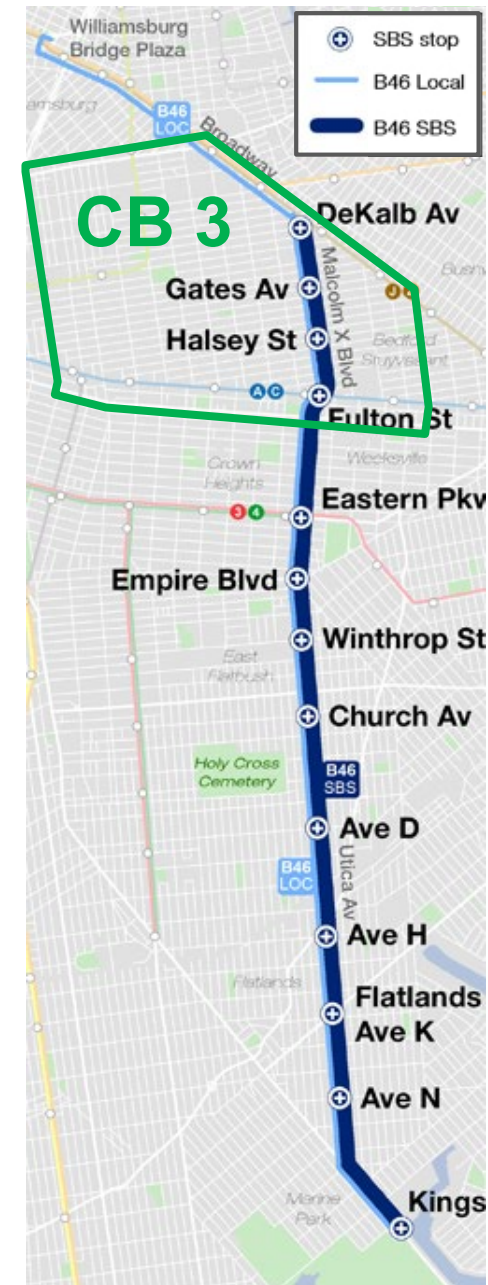
Proposal

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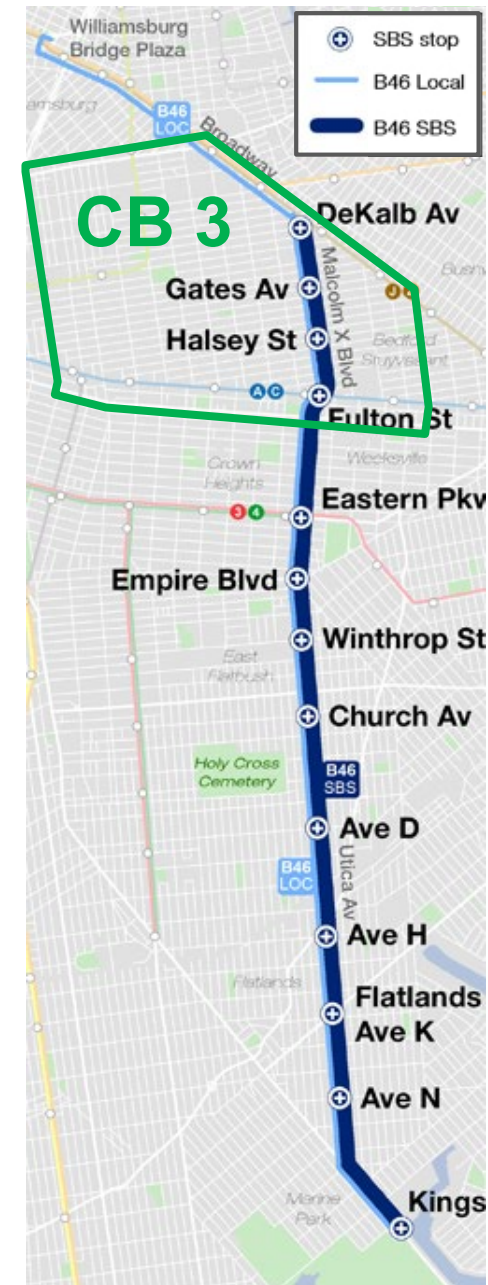
- Half of block is B46 bus stop
- Southbound traffic backs up from Fulton St
- Traffic & parking block buses from reaching the stop





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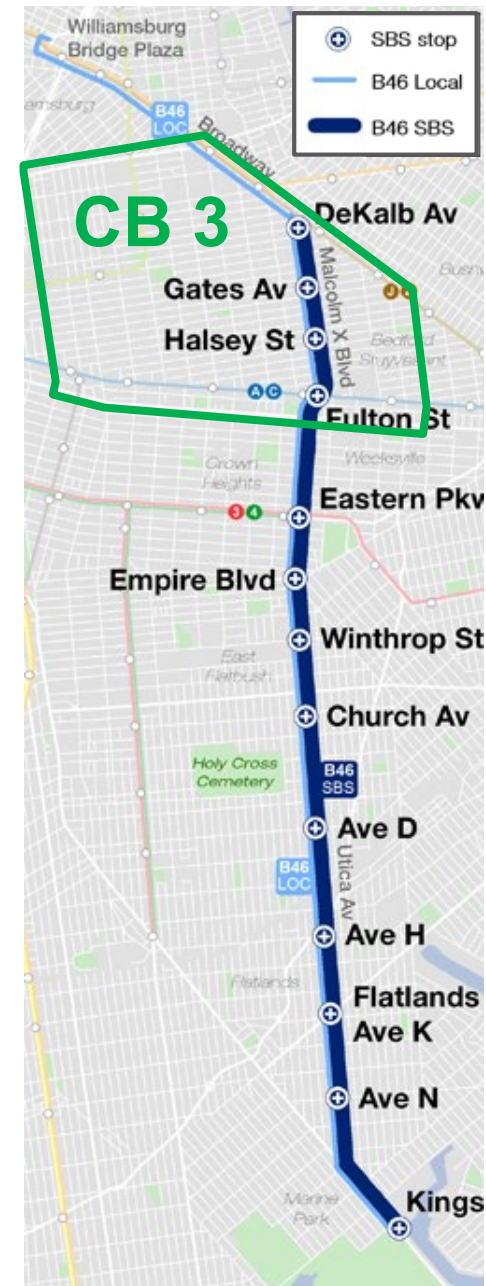
- **9,700** daily bus passengers on this block
  - Most coming from CB 3
  - 22 buses per hour southbound, 7am-7pm





# CHAUNCEY ST TO FULTON ST

- 9 parking spaces
- In 12 hours, **19** vehicles parked on this block



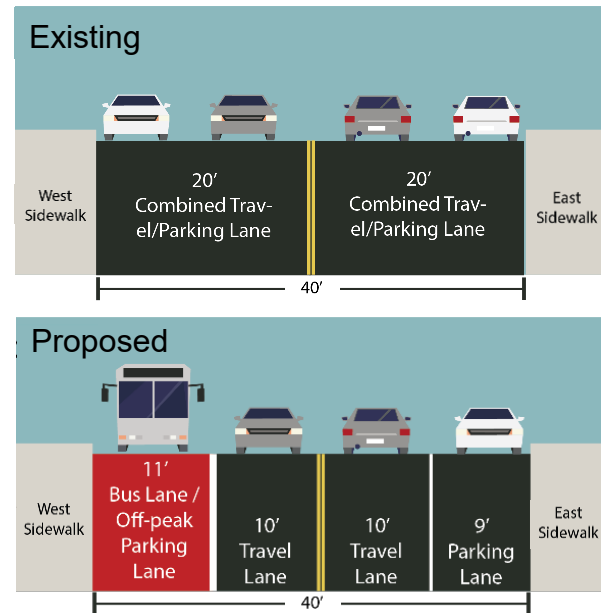


# PROPOSAL

- Curbside bus lane, Chauncey St to Fulton St (*southbound only*)
  - Allows buses to bypass traffic and access the bus stop
  - Improves traffic flow
  - Overnight parking remains



*Example of curbside bus lane*



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Next Steps

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# NEXT STEPS

- 2018 – CB 3 On-Street Outreach Campaign
  - **Sep. 2018** – Malcolm X Blvd & Fulton St
- **Oct. 2018** – Boys & Girls High School
- **Late 2018/Early 2019** – Proposal Development
- **May 2019** – CB 3 Transportation Committee
- **June 2019** – CB 3 Full Board
- **July-Dec. 2019** – Implement Fulton St to Atlantic Ave; Evaluate Results
- **Feb. 2020** – **CB 3 Transportation Committee**
- **Mar. 2020** – CB 3 Full Board
- **Spring 2020** – Implement Chauncey St to Fulton St



# THANK YOU!

## Questions?



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