

First & Second Avenues Complete Street Extension Community Board 11



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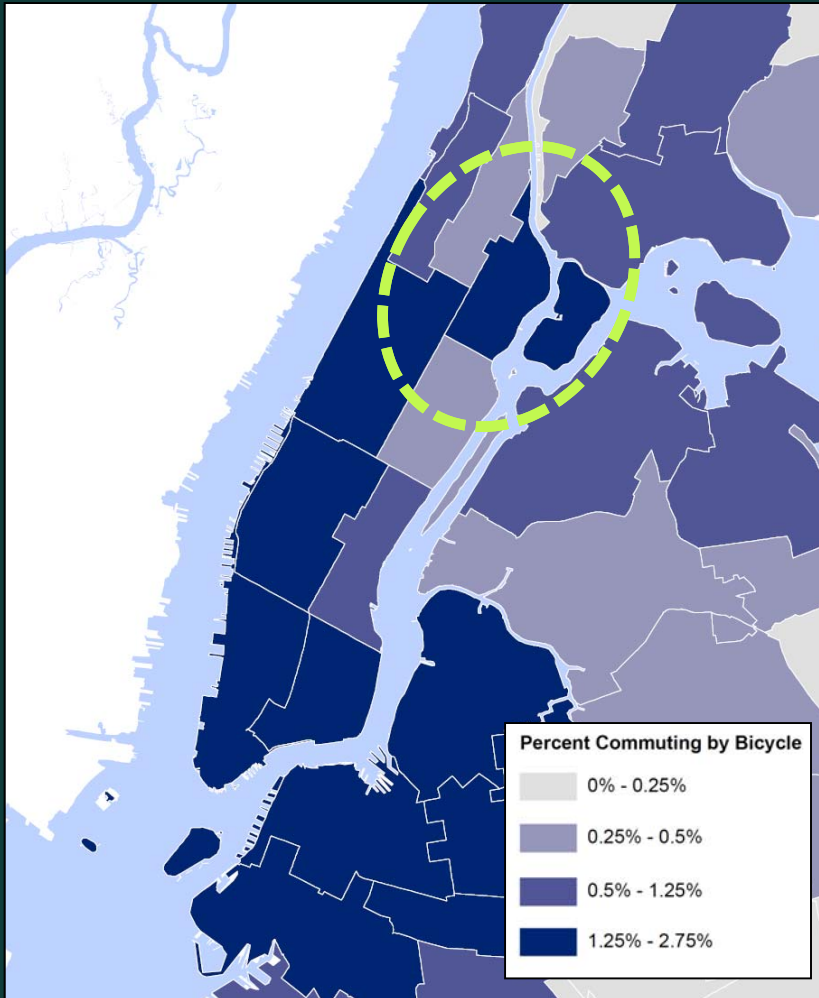
Agenda

- Trends:
 - US Census Bureau data
- Existing & Planned Conditions
- 2010-11 Implementation:
 - Recap of successful implementation
- Summary & Benefits

NYC Trends

Percent of Workers Commuting by Bicycle*

US Census Bureau 2008-2010



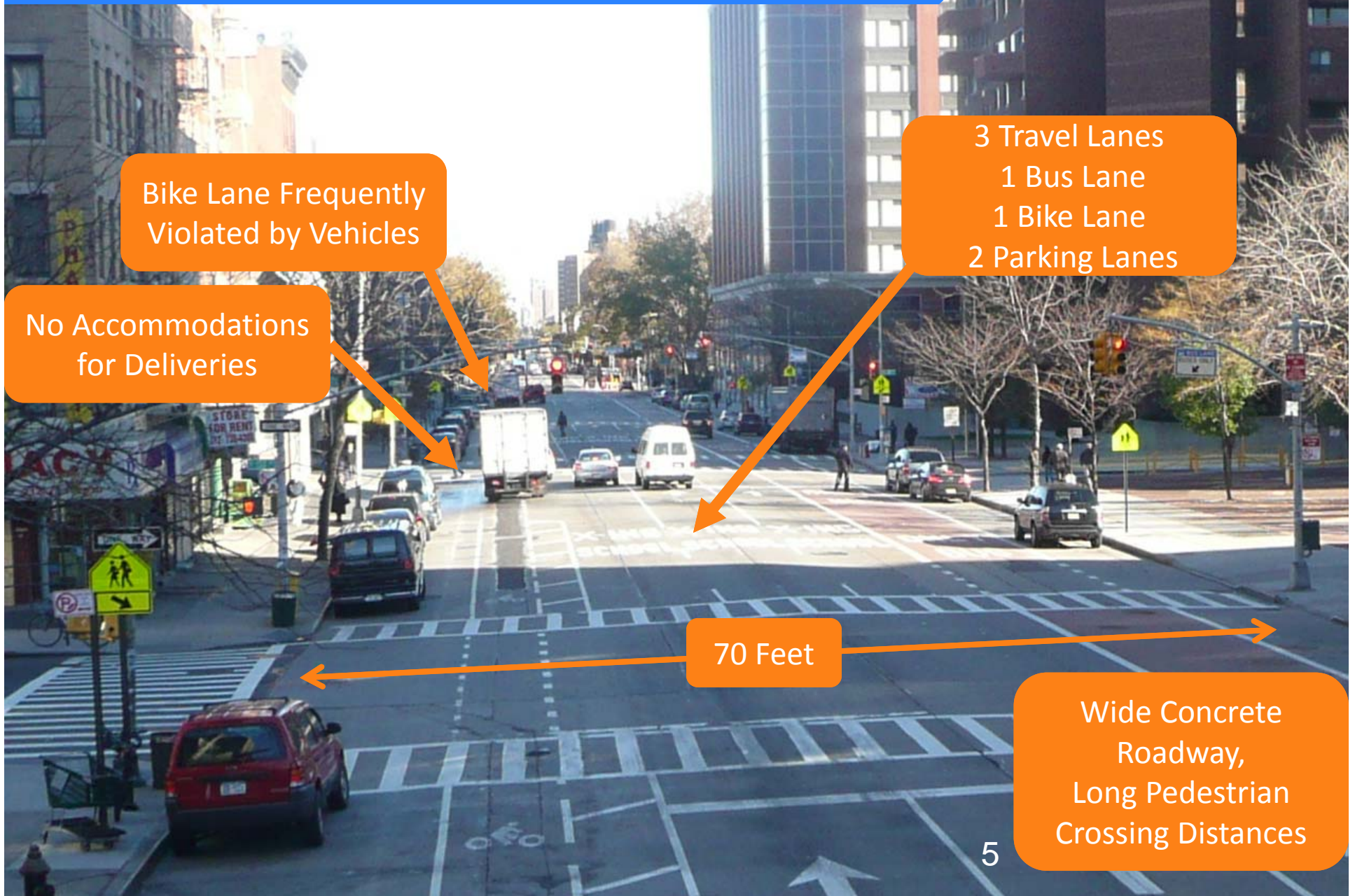
U.S. Census Bureau*

- East Harlem has one of the highest rates of bicycle commuting in New York City

1st Avenue



Existing Conditions: 1st Avenue



Bike Lane Frequently Violated by Vehicles

No Accommodations for Deliveries

3 Travel Lanes
1 Bus Lane
1 Bike Lane
2 Parking Lanes

70 Feet

Wide Concrete Roadway,
Long Pedestrian Crossing Distances

Injury Summary

First Avenue - Injury Summary 2006-2010 Between E. 96th St to E. 125th St

| | Total Injuries | Avg. Injuries/Year | Severity Percentile of Boro Corridors |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Pedestrian | 127 | 25.4 | 75% |
| Bicyclist | 25 | 5 | N/A |
| Motor Vehicle Occupant | 427 | 85.4 | 85% |
| Total | 579 | 115.8 | 78% |

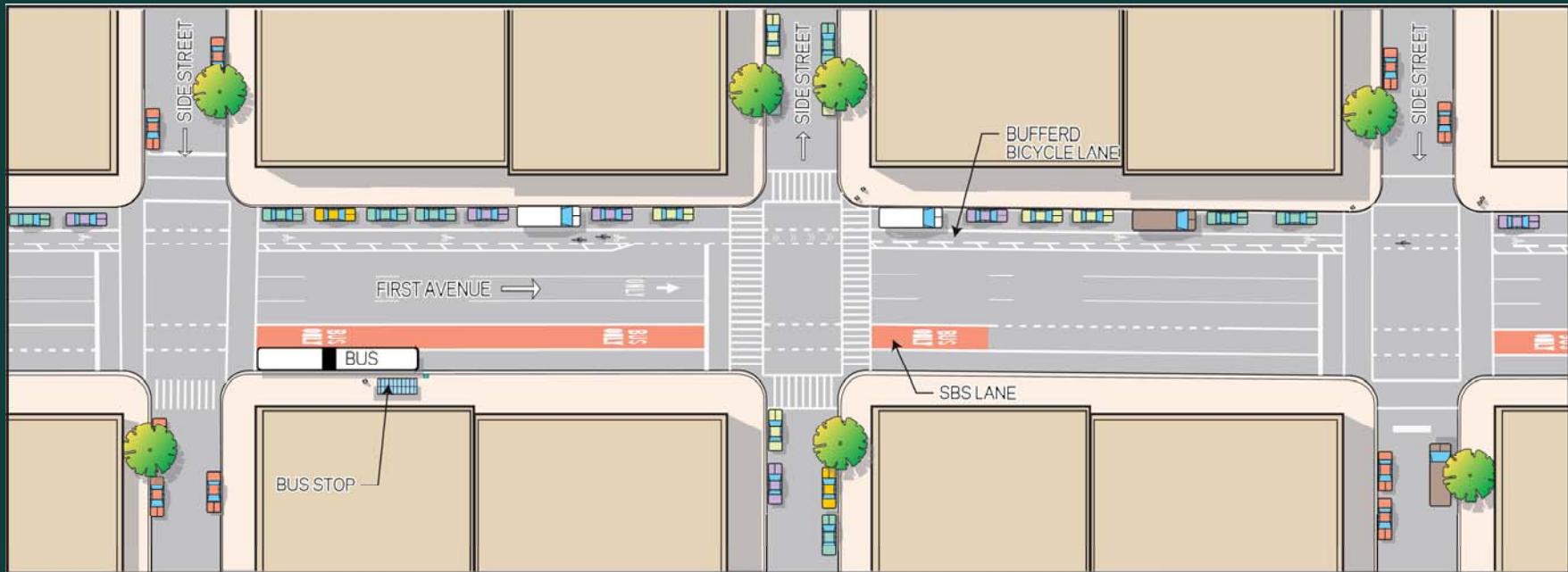
- First Avenue ranks in the top 22% of severe injuries to all users, when compared to all corridors in Manhattan

Source:

Injuries: NYS Dept. of Transportation, Fatalities: NYC Dept. of Transportation

Existing Conditions

First Avenue: Existing Conditions E 96th Street to E 125th Street



Vehicle & Cycling Counts

| Location of Count | Vehicle Volumes* | |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | AM Peak | PM Peak |
| E. 105 th to E. 106 th | 1,465 (7:30a - 8:30a) | 1,441 (4:00p - 5:00p) |
| E. 124 th to E. 125 th | 1,357 (7:30a - 8:30a) | 1,652 (3:30p - 4:30p) |
| | Cycling Volume** | |
| E. 101 st to E. 102 nd | 227 | |

- Three travel lanes
- Curbside parking lanes
- Buffered bike lane
- Offset (SBS) bus lane

*Vehicle Volumes: Average of three consecutive weekdays (Monday-Thursday) taken the week of 4/4/11

**Cycling Volumes: One mid-week day between 7:00am - 7:00pm on 5/11/2010

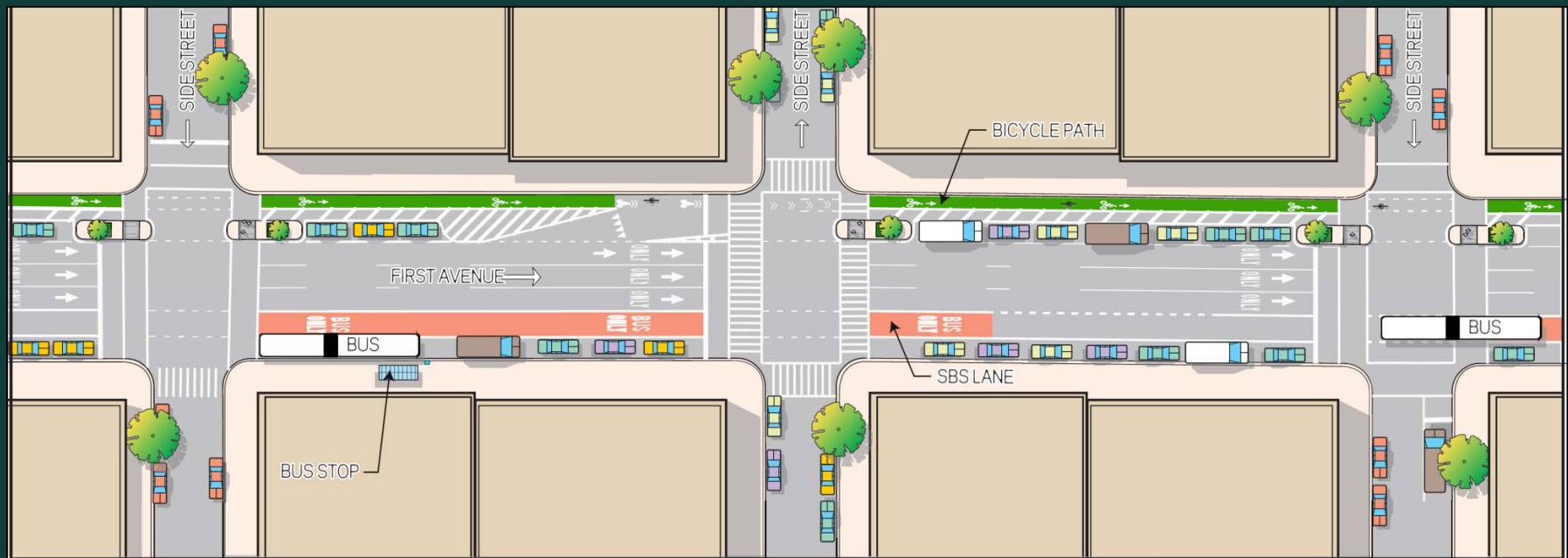
Design Treatments



- Mixing Zones - accommodate vehicle/bike turning conflict
- Pedestrian Islands - Shorten pedestrian crossings
- Total protection for cyclists mid-block
- No loss of loading zone space

Protected Bicycle Path

First Avenue: Typical Design E 96th Street to E 125th Street



| Repurposed Parking Space | Parking Space Equivalents |
|---|---------------------------|
| (12) Turn Lanes/ Mixing Zones | 54 |
| (35) Pedestrian Islands | 19 |
| Total Spaces Repurposed | 73 |
| Total Existing Parking Spaces (96th - 124th) | 515 |
| Percent of Spaces Repurposed | 14% |

- Swap existing bike lane with existing parking lane
- No reduction in travel lanes
- Mixing Zones

Planned Roadway Configuration



First Avenue at E. 6th Street

2nd Avenue



Existing Conditions: 2nd Avenue

No Safe Route for Cyclists Along 2nd Ave

4 Travel Lanes
1 Peak Period Bus Lane
2 Parking Lanes

60 Feet

Wide Roadway,
Long Pedestrian
Crossing Distances



Injury Summary

Second Avenue – Injury Summary 2006-2010

Between E. 125th St to E. 96th St

| | Total Injuries | Avg. Injuries/Year | Severity Percentile of Boro Corridors |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Pedestrian | 156* | 31.2 | 89% |
| Bicyclist | 38 | 7.6 | N/A |
| Motor Vehicle Occupant | 387 | 77.4 | 86% |
| Total | 581 | 116.2 | 88% |

*** 2 Pedestrian Fatalities between 1/1/06 to 11/21/11**

- Second Avenue ranks in the top 12% of severe injuries to all users when compared to all corridors in Manhattan

Source:

Injuries: NYS Dept. of Transportation, Fatalities: NYC Dept. of Transportation

Existing Conditions

Second Avenue: Existing Conditions E 125th Street to E 96th Street



Vehicle & Cycling Counts

| Location of Count | Vehicle Volumes* | |
|--|--|--|
| | AM Peak | PM Peak |
| E. 107 th to E. 106 th | 1,855 <small>(7:30a - 8:30a)</small> | 1,652 <small>(5:00p - 6:00p)</small> |
| E. 126 th to E. 125 th | 1,671 <small>(8:30a - 9:30a)</small> | 1,767 <small>(4:45p - 5:45p)</small> |
| | Cycling Volume** | |
| E. 101 st to E. 102 nd | 606 | |

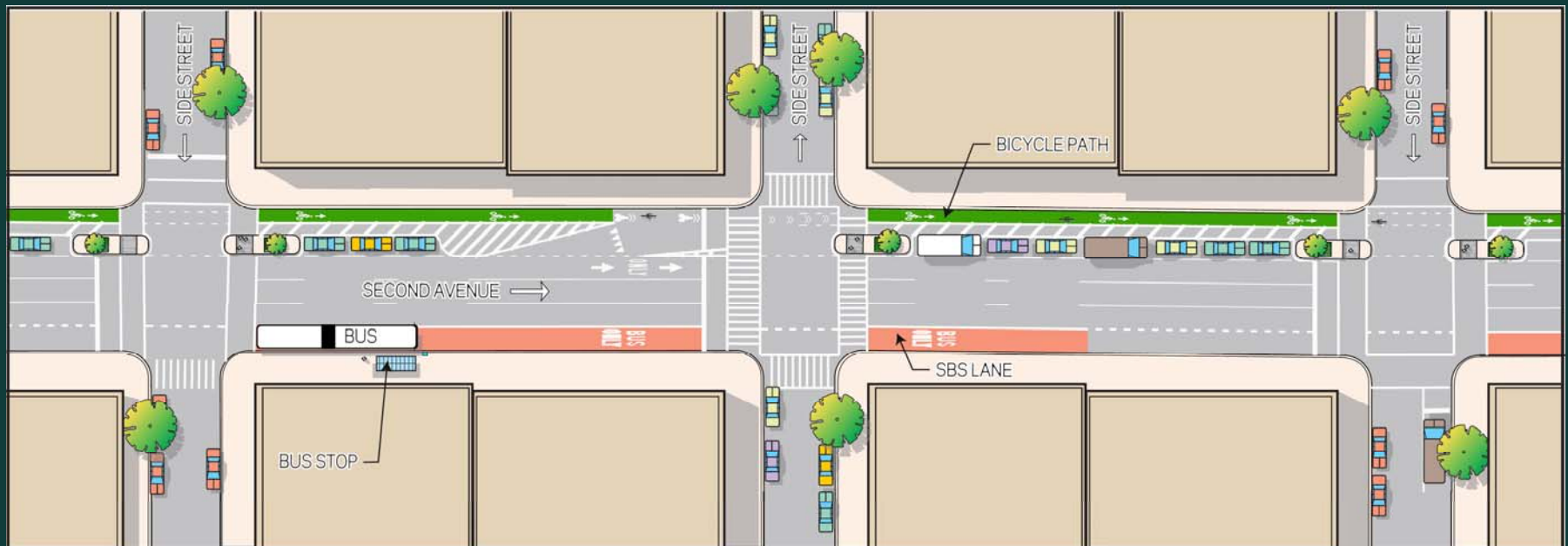
- Four travel lanes
- Curbside parking lanes
- Curbside (SBS) bus lane

*Vehicle Volumes: Average of three consecutive weekdays (Monday-Thursday) taken the week of 4/4/11

**Cycling Volumes: One mid-week day between 7:00am - 7:00pm on 5/11/2010

Protected Bicycle Path

Second Avenue: Typical Design E 125th Street to E 96th Street



| Repurposed Parking Space | Parking Spaces Equivalents |
|---|----------------------------|
| (12) Turn Lanes/ Mixing Zones | 56 |
| (31) Pedestrian Islands | 13 |
| Total Spaces Repurposed | 69 |
| Total Existing Parking Spaces (125th - 96th) | 418 |
| Percent of Spaces Repurposed | 17% |

- Reduction of travel lanes from 4 lanes to 3 lanes
- Mixing Zones
- Same approximate traffic volume as 1st Ave at 23rd St (1,735)
 - Has same configuration
 - 3 travel lanes
 - bike path
 - curbside bus lane

Summary – Travel Lanes

Current/Proposed Travel Lane Comparison 1st and 2nd Avenues

| Avenue & Segment | Number of Travel Lanes | | Change |
|--|------------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Current | Proposed | |
| 1st Avenue: E. 96th to E. 124th | 3 | 3 + | 0 |
| 2nd Avenue: E. 125th to E. 100th | 4 | 3 + | -1 |

3+ : 3 thru travel lanes with the addition of turn lanes

- **First Avenue: No change in number of travel lanes**
- **Second Avenue: Reduction of one travel lane**

Summary – Volume/Lane Comparison

Current Peak Volumes 1st Avenue

| Avenue & Segment | Number of Travel Lanes | Volume* |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1st Avenue: E. Houston to E. 34th | 3 | 1,735 (3:15p - 4:15p) |

CB11: Peak Hour Volume Compared to Proposed Number of Travel Lanes 1st and 2nd Avenues

| Avenue & Segment | Planned Number of Travel Lanes | Volume** |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1st Avenue: E. 96th to E. 125th | 3 | 1,652 (3:30p - 4:30p) |
| 2nd Avenue: E. 125th to E. 100th | 3 | 1,855 (7:30a - 8:30a) |

- **2010 project similar to planned CB11 project, successful with similar peak vehicle volumes**

Peak Hour Vehicle Volumes: Average of three consecutive weekdays (Monday-Thursday) taken the week of 4/4/11

* Count taken between E. 22nd St and E. 23rd St, ** Count taken between E. 124th to E.125th St on First Ave, between E. 107th St and E. 106th St on Second Ave

Traffic Flow Improvements

- Willis Avenue Bridge Replacement:
 - \$615 Million upgrade
 - Direct connection to the Major Deegan Expressway
 - Wider travel lanes
 - Smoother roadway curves
- 1st/2nd Avenue Roadway Improvements:
 - Turn treatments
 - Frees up thru travel lanes
 - Loading zones for businesses
 - Alleviate double parking
 - Retain three travel lanes

Summary - Community Outreach

- Meetings:
 - CB11 Transportation Committee 2/2/10
 - CB11 Transportation Committee 6/9/10
 - CB11 Transportation Committee 9/6/2011
 - CB11 Full Board 9/20/11
 - Businesses 11/9/11
 - CB11 Transportation Committee 12/6/11
- Flyering
 - Before CB meetings
 - Before merchant meeting
 - Before Select Bus Service Open House
- Business Outreach
 - Walked through the design with business owners/ reps on site
 - Ongoing community outreach to help mitigate issues and concerns
 - Parking/Loading regulation changes
 - Discussion on metered parking

2010 & 2011 Implementation



- Limits: 2010 - Houston St to E 34th St, 2011- E 34th St to E 57th St
- Significant expansion protected bicycle paths
- Installed over 45 pedestrian safety islands

Traffic Data (Houston to E 34th Sts)

Vehicle Data:

- Minor change in traffic volumes through project area after travel lane reductions
- Travel times remained level through project area after travel lane reductions
- 15% faster M15 SBS than limited service
- 30% increase in M15 SBS ridership while overall ridership down 5% in Manhattan

Bicycle Data – Before & After Counts:

- 162% increase on First Avenue
- 50% increase on Second Avenue

Safety Data – Injuries to All Users:

- 37% decrease on First Avenue
- 11% decrease on Second Avenue

Proposal Benefits

- Increased safety for all roadway users
- Shorter Pedestrian Crossings – Helps seniors and children
- Greener Streets – Planting beds on pedestrian islands provide more green space
- Convenient delivery zones for businesses
- Establishes Bike Paths – Alternative to bus/car, promotes healthy activity



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Columbus Ave Islands

