Astoria Park Study Area
Existing Conditions/Perceptions
AGENDA

• Brief Project Introduction
• Participation:
  • Neighborhood Map Activity (15 min)
  • Discuss Potential Routes Activity (20 min)
  • Groups Report Back (5 – 10 min)
Gathering Community Input

- Enhance safety for all road users
- Improve the pedestrian, vehicular and bicycle network around Astoria Park
- Facilitate access to recreation and commuter options by increasing connectivity

Outcomes

- Explore realistic changes to the street network that DOT can efficiently implement.
The community has expressed a desire to connect Astoria Park with the scenic waterfront.
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Shore Blvd – Existing Conditions

- Between Astoria Park and waterfront
- 30’ Wide
  - 2-way street
  - parking on west side
- **Volume:**
  - NB 142
  - SB 145
- Adjacent 2-way bike & pedestrian path in park
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20th Ave – Existing Conditions

Wide street with few traffic controls along the northern edge of Astoria
- 50’ Wide
  - 2-way street
  - parking on both sides
  - bike lanes on both sides
- Volume:
  - EB 134
  - WB 107
- Edge condition – continuous sidewalk on the north side
- Directly connects soccer and baseball fields
Eastern border of Astoria park

- Narrow two-way street with parking on both sides
- 30 feet wide
  - 2-Way Street
  - Parking on both sides
  - Speed bumps

**Volume:**
- NB 104
- SB 52

- Speed bumps
- Important pedestrian and bicycle access to the park.
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Hoyt Ave N/Astoria Park S – Existing Conditions

**Hoyt Ave – 64’ Wide**
- One-way
- 3 lane street
- parking on both sides
- Bike lane
- Volume:
  - WB 1210
- Ped/Bike access to RFK
- Heavy volume coming from BQE

**Astoria Park South – 58’ Wide**
- Two-way street
- median
- parking on both sides
- Bike lanes
- Volume
  - EB 275
  - WB 79
- Quiet residential street on south side of park
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What makes sense in your neighborhood?

Issues:

• **Balance all traffic.** How do we increase bike/ped access to the park while limiting impact on vehicular traffic?

• **Safety.** What changes should be made to increase safety for all users?

• **Neighborhood Needs.** What should DOT address to make your neighborhood work better?
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Traffic Calming Tools

- Speed Humps
- Road Diet
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Traffic Calming Tools

Daylighting

Channelization/Striping
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Pedestrian Safety Improvements

Pedestrian Refuge Islands

Neck Downs
Enhanced Crossings

- High-visibility markings
- Landscaped refuge island
- Shorter crossing
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Bicycle Facilities

Bike Lanes

Shared Lanes
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Bicycle Facilities

Protected Paths

Path with Seating Area and Plantings
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Street Furniture

Benches
Granite Blocks
Planters
Break Out Session – Step 1
Neighborhood Activity

- **GREEN DOTS: Destinations**
  - Recreational destinations
  - Employment hubs
  - Neighborhood Locations (stores, churches, hospitals, transit, etc)
  - Opportunities – should we be considering new places?

- **RED DOTS: Issues**
  - Unsafe crossings (for biking and walking)
  - Missing connections
  - Places you feel uncomfortable

Feel free to write on the map!
Break Out Session – Step 2
Identifying Potential Routes Activity

- **Connections:**
  - Use the dots already placed on the maps and consider biking, walking, or driving routes that can be improved.

- **Prioritize needs for improvements**
  - Discuss plusses and minuses of each route with the group.

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Break Out Groups

30 Minutes Discussion, 10 Minutes Share Out

Report Findings

Facilitator
Team Leader
Recorder
Questions?