BEACH CHANNEL DRIVE AND FAR ROCKAWAY BLVD

Presentation to CB 14 Transportation Committee

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Project Background
• Access to Opportunity Transportation and Housing Study in the Eastern Rockaways started in fall 2015

• HPD to develop Edgemere sites

• Bayswater Park to be redesigned in 2018

• Multiple nearby schools

• A Train Beach 36 Street Edgemere Station

• Bus Stops for the Q22, QM17, and NYC Ferry Shuttle Bus
PROJECT AREA

• Residential neighborhood with some commercial retail

• Beach Channel Senior Housing to be completed in summer 2018

• Beach Channel Shopping Center
Existing Conditions
Slip lane over-complicates vehicular and pedestrian movements.
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1. No continuous pedestrian access along Beach Channel Drive
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2. Uncontrolled crosswalk on Far Rockaway Blvd
Bay 32nd St become two-way north of Beach Channel Drive

Street widens 10’ north of Far Rockaway Blvd
Far Rockaway Blvd goes from one-way to two-way from Bay 32nd to Beach Channel (clarify why and that it is only for access to back of shopping center).

East bound traffic forced to turn left at head on intersection.
Proposal
Painted Slip Closure

Granite Blocks

Traffic + Parking Regulations

Flexible Delineators
PROPOSED FAR ROCKAWAY BLVD

1 Close slip lane

2 Relocate crosswalk to have a continuous path along Beach Channel Dr

Example: Grand Concourse and 153rd St, BX
PROPOSED STREET NETWORK

BAYSWATER PARK

FAR ROCKAWAY BLVD

BAY 32nd ST

BEACH CHANNEL DR
Bay 32nd St is one-way between Far Rockaway Blvd and Beach Channel Drive.

Continue Bay 32nd St as two-way until Far Rockaway Blvd.
Far Rockaway Blvd goes from one-way to two-way from Bay 32nd to Beach Channel (clarify why and that it is only for access to back of shopping center).

Make Far Rockaway Blvd a continuous west bound one-way.
BENEFITS

• Simplifies vehicular network

• Improves pedestrian access
THANK YOU!

Questions?
• Close slip lane from Beach Channel Drive to Far Rockaway Blvd in paint

• Relocate crosswalk on Far Rockaway Blvd to create a continuous path along Beach Channel Drive

• Make Far Rockaway Blvd between Beach Channel Drive and Bay 32\textsuperscript{nd} St one-way westbound

• Make Bay 32\textsuperscript{nd} two-way from Beach Channel Drive to Far Rockaway Blvd
APPENDIX - EXISTING STREET NETWORK

BAYSWATER PARK

BEACH CHANNEL DR

FAR ROCKAWAY BLVD

BAY 32nd ST
APPENDIX - PARKING

Existing

Proposed

Net loss of 5 spaces
Parking in the immediate area remains under-utilized