# Prospect Park Drive Gate Closures

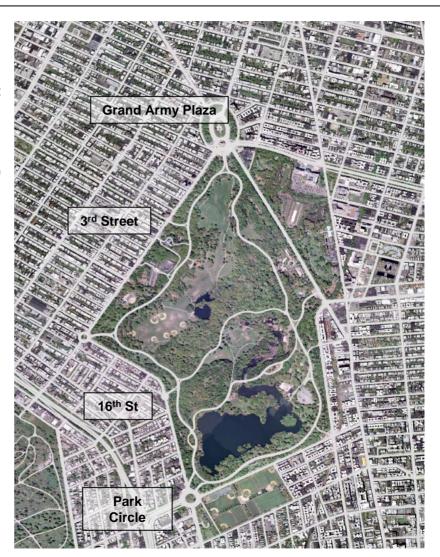




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#### Why are we here?

- DOT has worked with the Brooklyn community to lower vehicular traffic in Prospect Park since the 1970s
- Prospect Park Drive is now open to cars from 7-9 am and 5-7 pm in the peak direction
- Most traffic enters and exits at Grand Army Plaza or Park Circle
- DOT proposes to close the least used entrances and exits: 3<sup>rd</sup> St and 16<sup>th</sup> St



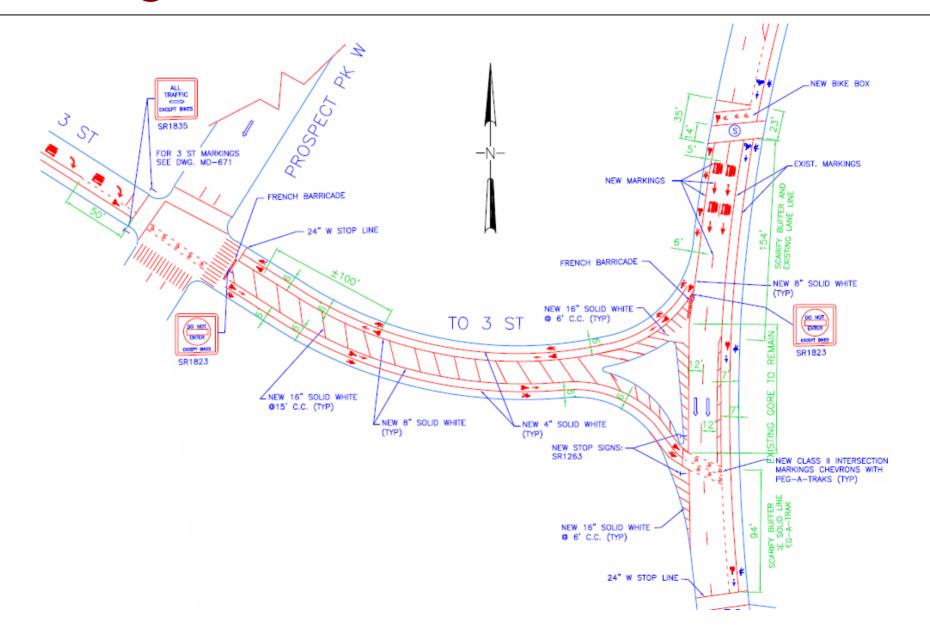
### Existing



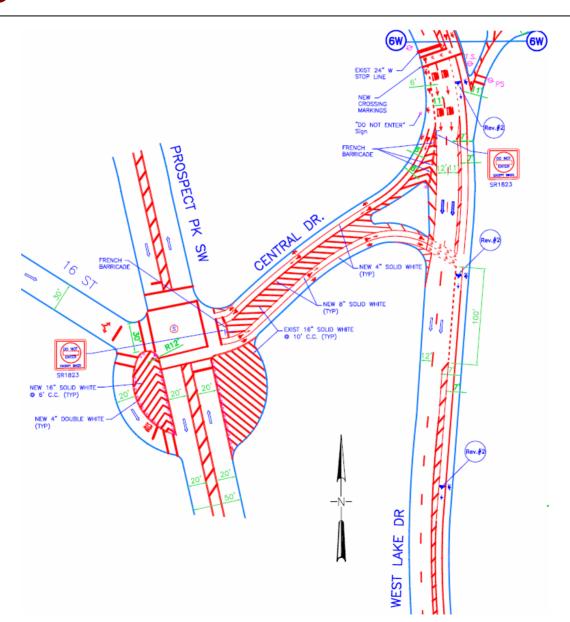
#### Proposed



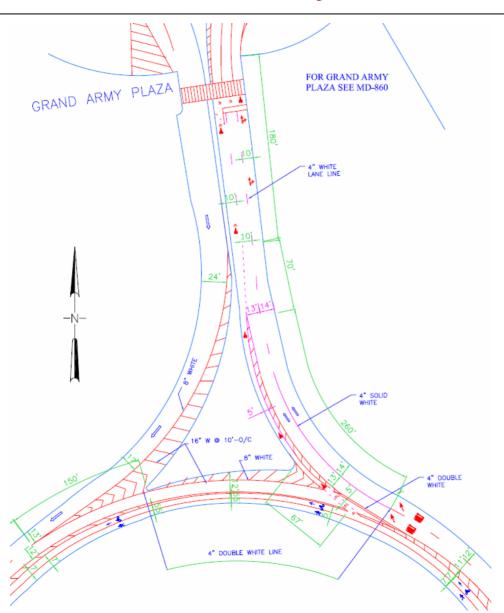
### Design: 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Entrance/Exit



## Design: 16<sup>th</sup> Street Exit



#### Design: Grand Army Exit



#### In Conclusion

#### **Improvements**

PM rush- enter only at Grand Army Plaza, and exit only at Park Circle

Restriped 3<sup>rd</sup> St and 16<sup>th</sup> St gateways with bicycle and pedestrian markings

New connection to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street bike lane

Safer pedestrian approach to 16th Street entrance

#### **Benefits**

Reduces conflict between recreational users of Prospect Park (pedestrians and bicyclists) and motor vehicles

Park Drive remains open to relieve rush hour traffic in peak directions between Grand Army Plaza and Park Circle