Prospect Park West
Bicycle Path and Traffic Calming Update
Background

Project Timeline

- **April 2009:** DOT presented project proposal to CB 6
- **May 2009:** Board passed resolution approving proposal & highlighting some concerns
- **May 2009 – March 2010:** DOT redesigned project
- **June 2009 – August 2010:** Project Installation (Parking will be restricted block-by-block as necessary during construction)

Proposed Location

- Prospect Park West between Union St and Bartel Pritchard Square
- 1.8 lane miles
- Included in the NYC Bicycle Master Plan
Community Concerns

- Safe pedestrian crossing at bike path
- Loading and unloading
- Buffer operations
  - Safe vehicle unloading
  - Storm water drainage
  - Sign locations
  - Street cleaning
- Parking lane widths

Based on April 2009 CB6 meeting and June 2009 letter to DOT
Safe Pedestrian Crossings

Community requested bicycle signals @ all signalized intersections

**Full Bicycle Signal Controls**
- Not warranted at low conflict crossings
- HRP uses bicycle signal controls only at vehicle crossings
- Many gaps in both bike and pedestrian traffic on PPW

**Flashing Yellow Signal**
- Located at signalized intersections
- Emphasizes to cyclists to yield at pedestrian crossings
Community expressed concern over risk of double parking

Areas of Concern:
Union- President Streets (Greenmarket)
1st – 2nd Streets (Poly Prep)
8th -10th Streets (Band shell and ball fields)

Daytime loading zones added at four locations
Buffer Operations

Community requested concrete medians instead of striped buffers

Striped buffers provide:
- Safe vehicle loading
- Unobstructed stormwater drainage
- Necessary width for street cleaning
- Rapid installation

Parking regulation signage will remain on curb
Community requested wider parking lanes

Example of proposed configuration:
Kent Avenue, Brooklyn

Revised design maintains existing markings and provides wider parking lanes than original DOT design
Other Pedestrian Safety Devices

- 8’ bidirectional bike path protected by a 3’ buffer and a 8’ parking lane
- Flush painted pedestrian refuge islands
- Parking maintained except approx. 2 parking spaces per signalized intersection (11 intersections total)
Thank You

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