WESTCHESTER SQ. PLAZA

2\textsuperscript{nd} Community Workshop

March 15\textsuperscript{th} 2018
NYC PLAZA PROGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)
WESTCHESTER SQUARE BID

The Westchester Square BID was established in 2012 to:

- Provide resources for businesses
- Promote and advocate for the community
- Provide sanitation and beautification services
- Coordinate events and programs

Goals of Pedestrian Plaza project:

• Creating a space that welcome patrons and community members to Westchester Square
• Strengthen relations amongst the Square's most prevalent members: the school community, merchants, workforce and residents
LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- Westchester Sq. BID applied to Round 9 of the NYC Plaza Program in 2016
ONE DAY PLAZA July 2014
EXISTING CONDITIONS  E Tremont Ave looking South
EXISTING CONDITIONS  E Tremont Ave looking East
EXISTING CONDITIONS  E Tremont Ave looking West
EXISTING CONDITIONS  E Tremont Ave looking East
SAFETY

VISION ZERO AND CRASH HISTORY

- There have been 44 crashes at the intersection of Westchester Ave and E Tremont Ave. between 2012-2016 (5 years)

- 2 persons were severely injured

- E Tremont Ave is a Vision Zero Priority Corridor
SAFETY

REFUGE ISLANDS

• DOT installed refuge islands on E Tremont Ave in 2015
TRAFFIC DATA – AM PEAK HOUR (7:45-8:45)

TOTAL (BUS #)

11 (11)
369 (22)
23 (5)

115 (20)
491 (35)

383 (13)

154 (8)

704 (23)
VEHICLES VS. PEDESTRIANS VOLUMES

869 MIDDAY Peak

154/254 AM/PM Peak
PROPOSED PLAZA

Existing Ped. Island to be Removed
FIRST COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

June 2017 at Huntington Free Library
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SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK

Security
- Police presence/Security needed for after school hours

Design
- Shade
- Bike racks

Traffic and Safety
- Crossing light needed on Westchester Ave and Ferris Pl
- Redo marking
- Lack of lighting under the elevated 6 train

Programing and Amenities
- Kids activities
- Farmers market
- Ice cream concession
- Live music
- September event for students
PLAZA TOOL KIT Fowler Square in Fort Greene, Brooklyn
SAFETY TOOLKIT Putnam Plaza, Clinton Hill, Brooklyn
NEW LOTS
TRIANGLE

NEW LOTS, BROOKLYN

Before

Interim Plaza
MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

The maintenance partner would be responsible for basic maintenance tasks including:

- Litter Removal
- Snow Clearance
- Furniture Maintenance
- Horticultural Care
PLAZA RULES + SIGNAGE

- New Plaza Rules have passed in 2016 and are part of the Administrative Code
- With every new Plaza we install Rules signs

Welcome!
We want you to have a safe and enjoyable time. Be courteous and respectful to others, and please keep the plaza clean.

Pedestrian Plaza Rules Prohibit:
- Obstruction of pedestrian traffic
- Destruction, removal or tampering of any property or equipment
- Camping
- Unattended property
- A person or their belongings taking up more than one seat
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages, except as otherwise permitted
- Skateboarding
- Feeding of undomesticated animals
- Spitting, urination, defecation
- Unreasonable noise
- Dogs off-leash

Permits are required for all events
Bicycle riding is only permitted on designated routes or where indicated by signage or markings

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
To learn more visit nyc.gov/plazas or call 311
PERMANENT SEATING

NYCDOT CITYBENCH
BIKE PARKING

NYC BIKE RACK
FULL ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC

- Pedestrian Plaza is PUBLIC, DOT property & amenities are non-exclusive
- Anyone can apply to hold an event in the plaza
  www.nyc.gov/sapo
PROGRAMMING

- Launch Day Event
- Recurring Small-Scale Events
- Annual Events
NEXT STEPS

WINTER 2018
Finalize the Design
Including community feedback from workshop

SPRING 2018
Present plan to Community Board 10

SUMMER 2018
Implementation (Pending CB vote)
THANK YOU!

Questions?