



Department of Transportation

POLLY TROTTENBERG, Commissioner

February 5, 2019

District Manager Susan Stetzer
Community Board No. 3 Manhattan
59 East 4th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Ms. Stetzer,

The New York City Department of Transportation (NYC DOT) will be implementing pedestrian safety improvements on Columbia Street between Stanton Street and East Houston Street. NYC DOT studied this location and found that it qualifies for a midblock enhanced crossing in front of the NEST+m school entrance. As you know, enhanced crossings are installed at locations with low vehicle traffic and calm streets, and typically near parks, schools or cultural centers. For more information on enhanced crossings, please visit:

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/pedestrians/enhanced-crossings.shtml>

The plan for the Columbia Street midblock enhanced crossing includes painted high visibility crosswalks, pedestrian warning signs, updated pedestrian ramps that are compliant with the American Disabilities Act (ADA), and painted curb extensions for improved visibility of pedestrians. The improvements require the removal of three regular parking spots, but all teacher parking spaces will be maintained.

Attached are drawings of the existing conditions and the proposal. Please feel free to call me or Jenn Leung at 212-839-6210 should you have any questions.

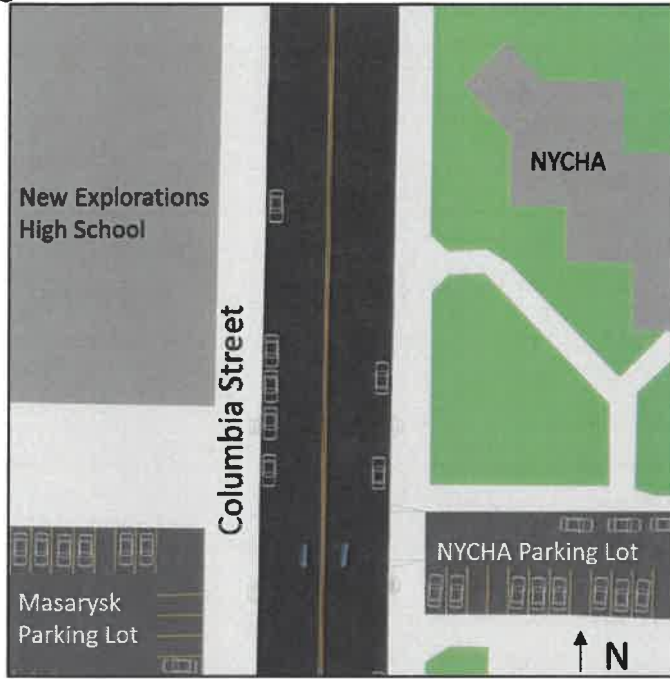
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E. Pincas Jr." with a stylized flourish.

Edward F. Pincas Jr.
Manhattan Borough Commissioner



Existing Conditions



Proposal

