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## COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 12, 2018 211 AINSLIE STREET

### PUBLIC HEARING

#### ROLL CALL

Chairperson Ms. Dealice Fuller requested District Manager Mr. Esposito to call the roll. He informed the Chairperson that there were 22 board members present, a sufficient number to call the public hearing to order.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was noted that all persons who wish to speak must sign up before 6:15PM

It was noted that Elections for the Executive Committee and the Attendance Committee would take place promptly at 8:00 PM.

It was noted that the item: Presentation: MTA/NYC Transit: Update Regarding the Canarsie L Tunnel Reconstruction Plan was withdrawn.

A motion was made by Ms. Teague to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Viera and it was unanimously carried.

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** 104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Inc., dba Randolph Brooklyn, 104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11249, #2017316-DCA, 11 Tables; 22 Chairs. (MODIFICATION – to add additional tables and chairs to their existing license) – There was no presentation made on this item. There were no comments received at this time.

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** 715 Lorimer Restaurant LLC, dba BECO, 715 Lorimer Street 11211, #1354387-DCA, 8 Tables; 20 Chairs. (RENEWAL) There was no presentation made on this item. There were no comments received at this time.

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** Graham Ave Pizza Corp, dba Carmine's Pizza, 356 Graham Avenue, #2037217 – DCA, 8 Tables; 16 Chairs. (RENEWAL) There was no presentation made on this item. There were no comments received at this time.

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** D&D Café LLC, 150 Manhattan Avenue, #10600-2018-ASWC, 13 Tables; 29 Chairs. (NEW) – Mr. Steve Wygoda, Architect, represented the application and provided a briefing. It was a transfer of an existing unenclosed sidewalk café at the location to the new business entity. No changes were noted.

**PRESENTATION: CONTINUED FROM THE MAY 8, 2018 PUBLIC HEARING --- NYC DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING - N 180349 ZRY** – "Zoning text amendment to establish a Special Permit under the jurisdiction of the City Planning Commission for new hotels, motels, tourist cabins, and boatels in light manufacturing (M1) districts, citywide." Hotel Text Development Text Amendment referred to the Community Board for comment. – by Ms. Kerensa Wood, Planner, Brooklyn DCP.

Ms. Kerensa provided a briefing on the item, which included a power point presentation (attached). She noted that she had presented at the May 8, 2018 meeting as well.

#### Tourism & Hotel Development

- NYC's tourism industry has boomed over the past few years.
- There are 600 hotels with 116,000 hotel rooms in NYC and 24,000 of rooms are under construction.
- 30% of hotel rooms under construction citywide are in M1 districts whereas 13% of existing rooms are in M1 zones.
- As of 2017, Brooklyn has 6000 rooms – the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest inventory of the five boroughs
- Almost 40% of room inventory is in M1 districts.
- In M1 districts: hotels are uniquely suited to the zoning envelope – Ability to use all of the FAR; height and setback regulations that allow for tower development.
- Capability to site on small lots.
- Low parking and loading requirements.

#### Conflicts In Active Industrial Areas

- Land use conflicts with surrounding businesses, such as noise, truck traffic, pollution, and other nuisance.
- Unsafe conditions for pedestrians.
- Unpleasant streetscape –design out of context.

#### Conflicts in Mixed-Use Areas

- Concentration of hotel uses
- Tourist-oriented growth
- Changes to the neighborhood character.
- Unpleasant Streetscape: design out of context.

Proposed M1 Hotel Zoning Text Amendment – DCP is proposing a zoning text amendment to establish a CPC Special Permit for new hotels, motels, tourist cabins, and boatels in M1 district. A case by case, site specific review process to ensure that hotels are built only on appropriate sites, minimizing conflicts in industrial areas and achieving a balanced mix of uses in mixed use areas.

Proposed Special Permit Findings – New transient hotels will be permitted by special permit when the City Planning Commission finds the following:

- The proposed site plan includes elements that are necessary to address potential conflicts between the hotel and adjacent uses (for example – access, orientation, or landscaping).
- The new hotel development will not cause undue vehicular or pedestrian congestion on local streets.
- The proposed new hotel development will not impair the essential character or future use of the surrounding area.

Proposed M1 Hotel Zoning Text Amendment:

- Existing hotels will be considered conforming use.
- Hotel developments with permit before referral would be vested.
- Rules for transient hotels developed for a public purpose will not change.

Ms. Wood noted the CPC’s Special Permit Application Process. It is a discretionary action subject to full ULURP Review. There is a timeline stated in the handout.

**PRESENTATION: NYC DOT – BEDFORD AVE./NASSAU AVE./LORIMER STREET.** NYC DOT is proposing pedestrian safety enhancements at the intersection of Bedford Ave/Nassau Ave/Lorimer St. The project includes minor street conversions, painted curb extensions, minor bike lane components, and traffic signal changes to clarify vehicular movements and improve pedestrian access to the Nassau Ave G Train Station – by Project Manager: Cassey Gorrell.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided at the meeting. Following the presentation, questions and comments were received.

**Project Area & Safety Data:**

- 6 legged intersection of Bedford Ave - Lorimer St - Nassau Ave.
- Northern border of McCarren Park
- Close proximity to Nassau Ave G Train Station
- Neighborhood commercial destinations



**Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave, BK** ---- Injury Summary, 2012-2016 (5 years)

	<b>Total Injuries</b>	<b>Severe Injuries</b>	<b>Fatalities</b>	<b>KSI</b>
<b>Pedestrian</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bicyclists</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Occupant</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Project Origination**

- Location identified through NYC DOT North Brooklyn Traffic Study
- Location identified as part of L Train Shutdown mitigation (expected increase in pedestrians walking to G train station)
- In a ¼ mile radius, 68.4% of workers use transit to commute

**Existing Conditions**

- No crossing across Bedford Ave on north side of Nassau Ave (Pedestrians)
- No crossings across slip lane at Nassau Ave and Bedford Ave (Pedestrians)
- EB Nassau Ave must stop, then merge with NB Bedford Ave (Vehicles/Transit)
- B62 bus stops in close proximity (Vehicles/Transit)
- EB bike lane on north curb of Nassau Ave dead ends at Guernsey St.
- No connection to SB lane at Leonard St (Bicyclists)

**Project Plan**

Pedestrians

- Paint curb extension to allow for continuous sidewalk and crossing on north side of Nassau Ave
- Paint curb extension to connect sidewalk to crosswalk at Lorimer St

Vehicles

- Add EB Nassau Ave to the signal, creating three phase signal at Lorimer St
- Convert last block of Bedford Ave to one-way NB
- Convert block of Nassau Ave to one-way EB

Transit

- Consolidate B62 stops at Lorimer St and Manhattan Ave to single stop on Nassau Ave, with bus-only left turn at Manhattan Ave

- Paint Bus Only segment of Nassau Ave red
- Paint existing bus only lane of Nassau Ave between Leonard St and Manhattan Ave red, improving clarity

### Bicyclists

- Continue Nassau Ave bike lane to Manhattan Ave
- Install shared bike lane in bus stop between Manhattan Ave and Leonard St

### Added Parking

- Changes allow for new commercial loading zones\*, metered parking, and off peak, overnight parking on Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave
- **Net gain of +22 spaces project wide** \*Exact location and length of loading zones still under review.
- Changes allow for new commercial loading zones, meters, and off peak, overnight parking on Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave
- **Net gain of +22 spaces project wide**

### Enhanced Crosswalks

### SUMMARY

- Convert one block of Nassau to one-way EB and one block of Bedford Ave to one-way EB
- Paint curb extensions on NE and SW corners of Bedford Ave/Lorimer St/Nassau Ave
- Extend Nassau Ave bike lane from Guernsey St to Leonard St
- Consolidate B62 bus stops to Manhattan Ave
- Add parking/commercial loading on Nassau Ave and Bedford Ave (net gain of +22 spots)
- Paint bus only lane on Nassau Ave between Manhattan Ave and Leonard St red
- Install Enhanced Crosswalk at Dobbins St and Nassau Ave (under study)

### **PRESENTATION: NYC DOT– BROADWAY, HOOPER STREET TO FLUSHING AVENUE.**

In anticipation of increased ridership for the J, M, and G trains, NYC DOT is proposing pedestrian safety enhancements around key station entrances. The project includes safer crossings to and along Broadway, painted sidewalk extensions, minor street conversions, and traffic signal changes to clarify vehicular movements - by Project Manager: Lauren Marten.

A PowerPoint presentation was provided at the meeting. Following the presentation, questions and comments were received.

## PROJECT BACKGROUND

### Project area and safety data

- Broadway is a Vision Zero Corridor with 21 KSI (killed or severely injured)
- Both Broadway at Hooper St and Broadway at Flushing are Vision Zero Intersections
- Project Scope is within a Vision Zero Area



### Project Locations

- Improve access to stations (Hooper St - J/M) (Montrose Ave) (Union Ave - G) (Throop Ave) (Debevoise St)(Flushing Ave - J/M)

**Hooper St – Existing Issues:** Multiple missing crosswalks; Inconsistent street network on Hooper St.

- Project Plan – Convert one block of Hooper St to one-way southbound; Close slips on Division Ave and Broadway in paint; Add a right turn lane on Hooper St at Harrison Ave; Build out and extend concrete triangle and adjacent corners.

**Montrose Ave – Existing Issues:** Missing crossing on So. 5 St.; Long crossings along Union Avenue; Redundancies in vehicular network create conflict for all roadway users.

- Project Plan – Convert one block of Montrose Ave to one way westbound; Extend sidewalks in paint along S 5<sup>th</sup> St.

**Union Ave – Existing Issues:** Long pedestrian crossing distances; Acute right turns from Union onto Broadway are not geometrically possible for heavy vehicles.

- Project Plan – Restrict the right turns onto Broadway from Union Ave; Extend sidewalks in paint

**Throop Ave – Existing Issues:** Missing crosswalks and ADA complaint access along Broadway and across Throop Ave; Unclear vehicular and pedestrian movements.

- Project Plan – Close the slip from Middleton St to Broadway in paint; Install a painted sidewalk extension on Throop Ave at Broadway; Add crosswalks along the southern side of Broadway.

**Debevoise St – Existing Issues:** Crosswalks behind the bus stop making pedestrians less visible to vehicles; Crosswalk does not match pedestrian desire line or the existing ramp.

- Project Plan – Add painted curb extension on the northern side of Debevoise St; Realign crosswalk to be in front of the bus stop.

**Flushing Ave – Existing Issues:** Crosswalk does not lead to the station stairs; Left turns from Flushing Ave westbound onto Broadway and Graham Ave northbound create an unsafe condition.

- Project Plan – Flare the crosswalk on Flushing Ave and Broadway; Install hardened centerline to calm turns from Flushing onto Broadway.

**PRESENTATION: ROYAL GA LLC, 134 METROPOLITAN AVENUE** – An application for a liquor license. This application is for an establishment with more than 250 people. A presentation was provided at the meeting by the applicant. An attachment was provided with a schematic of the roof area for the establishment.

**PRESENTATION: DCA - GAMING LICENSE APPLICATION FOR: VR ARENA INC., 228 BUSHWICK AVENUE** – by Emil Sumaliyev, President/Owner. (It was noted that this item was to be voted on this evening)

A presentation was made by the owner regarding the plans for the business and its operations. Mr. Sumaliyev spoke on the plans and provided a written handout. The members and persons from the public raised several questions regarding the proposed operations for the gaming café. Some of the concerns included: Youth Ages (13 year olds; 18 year old); pricing for youths; outreach to the community, schools and organizations; kids cutting class to play the videos; ratings of games (youth; adult ratings); security; eating and drinking; crowd control; kids/people hanging outside.

## **LIQUOR LICENSES**

### **NEW**

104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Inc., dba Randolph Beer, 104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Alteration (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Baba's Pierogies, 103 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street – New (Wine, Beer, Rest.)

(Entity to be formed by) Brendon Hoy, 43 Bogart Street, aka 271 Moore Street – NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

(Entity to be formed by) Brendon Hoy, 261 Moore Street (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

D & D Café LLC, 150 Manhattan Avenue – New (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Emelyn Stuart, dba Stuart Cinema & Café (Independent Movie Theater), 91 West Street, Unit #79 – NEW – [Theatre with 60 seats] (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Theatre & Café)

Habanero Café Mexican Grill, Inc., 715 Flushing Avenue – NEW (Wine, Beer, Rest.)

Healthy Family Food & Deli Inc., dba Healthy Food & Deli, 55 Driggs Avenue – NEW (Beer & Cider, Full Food Menu/Retail)

JMJ Hospitality Group Co. LLC, dba 18<sup>th</sup> Ward, 300 Richardson Street – NEW [Eating & Drinking/Brew Pub/Full Kitchen/Menu] (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

K. Addington (on behalf of an entity to be determined), 29 Dunham Place – NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Lenny Berry Holdings LLC, 103 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar)

Malynstoss LLC, 451 Meeker Avenue – NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar)

PASI LLC, 103 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street – NEW (Wine, Beer & Cider, Kiosk)

Pebble Corpo, dba Sweet Chick, 164 Bedford Avenue – TEMPORARY extension of premises for event/weekend walk & block party - (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Ruby Red Giraffe LLC, 136 Wythe Avenue - NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Sid Boys Corp., dba Kellogg's Diner, 514-518 Metropolitan Avenue – CORPORATE CHANGE (Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)

Soho Pong LLC, dba PIPS, 275 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – NEW [Recreation, Eating & Drinking Establishment] (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, legal minimum food availability requirements)  
The Monarch Theater LLC, 146 Metropolitan Avenue – NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Udonudon Inc., 436 Union Avenue – NEW (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Restaurant with Customer Bar.)

## **RENEWAL**

18 Bedford Ave LLC, dba Five Leaves, 18 Bedford Avenue- Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
33 1/3 Inc., dba Iona, 180 Grand St – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
163 Hope Street LLC, dba The Regal, 163 Hope Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
659 Grand St. Inc., dba Second Chance Saloon, 659 Grand Street – Renewal ((Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Tavern)  
683 Grand Bar LLC, dba LP’N Harmony, 683 Grand Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)  
Angelvan Corp., dba L Ange Noir Café, 247 Varet Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Brooklyn Craft Inc. dba The Gibson, 108 Bedford Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)  
Dow Young Group I Inc., 579 Meeker Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
El Ketzalt Corp., dba HAAB, 202 Leonard Street A – Renewal (Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Forcella X Inc., dba Forcella La Pizza Di Napoli, 485 Lorimer Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
GFLC Market LLC, dba Greenpoint Fish & Lobster Company, 114 Nassau Avenue Store – Renewal (Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Hard Eight Restaurant Company LLC, dba The Whiskey Brooklyn, 44 Berry Street Store #4 – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Pub/Tavern/Rest.)  
Maman Greenpoint LLC, dba Maman, 180 Kent Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Marina Caffè LLC, dba Fabbrica Restaurant & Bar – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Marte Hall Inc., 81 Seigel Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Catering Hall)  
Meane Joe Greene LLC, dba The Grand National, 524 Grand Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Pub/Tavern)  
Night Rafter LLC, dba Kilo Bravo, 180 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar with Food/Sports Bar)  
Nights & Weekend BK Corp., 627-631 Manhattan Avenue - Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Ox Collar LLC, dba Goldies, 195 Nassau Ave. – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)  
Rahemi Tavern Corp., dba Connie 05 Pub, 158 Norman Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Pub)  
Samurai Papa Inc., 32 Varet Street - Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
Stella Mae Brooklyn LLC, dba Rocka Rolla, 436 Metropolitan Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)  
Superb Brooklyn LLC, dba Extra fancy, 302 Metropolitan Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Rest.)  
The West Café LLC, dba The West Café, 379 Union Avenue – Renewal (Liquor, Wine, Beer & Cider, Bar/Tavern)



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**BOARD MEETING**

**AFFIRMATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested the new members to come forward to be affirmed. Mr. Solomon Green, Ms. Dana Rachlin, Mr. Michael Gary Schlesinger

**ROLL CALL**

Chairperson Ms. Fuller requested District Manager Mr. Esposito to call the roll. He informed the Chairperson that there were 39 members present, a sufficient quorum to call the meeting to order.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Chairperson Ms. Fuller called for a moment of silence dedicated to Mr. Weidberg and his family, for the passing of Mr. Weidberg's brother.

**ELECTIONS**

At 8:00 PM, Chairperson Ms. Fuller announced that it was time for elections. She requested the Elections Committee members [Ms. Barros; Ms. Foster; Mr. Torres] to come forward. Ballots were distributed and collected. The meeting continued while the Elections Committee convened in the other room to count the ballots.

The committee reported the following regarding the elections:

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

<b>POSITION</b>	<b>CANDIDATE</b>	<b>TALLY OF VOTES</b>
Chairperson	Dealice Fuller	38 votes
First Vice Chairperson	Simon Weiser Karen Nieves	23 votes. 14 votes.
Second Vice Chairperson	Del Teague	38 votes.
Third Vice Chairperson	Stephen J. Weidberg	38 votes.
Financial Secretary	Maria Viera	38 votes.

Recording Secretary                      Sonia Iglesias                      38 votes.

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Member at Large                      Philip Caponegro                      38 votes.

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**ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE**

**POSITION                                      CANDIDATE                                      TALLY OF VOTES**

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Member                                      Rabbi David Niederman                      38 votes.

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Member                                      Eric Bruzaitis                                      38 votes.

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Member                                      Martin Needelman                      36 votes.

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There was one “NO” vote.  
Three ballots were invalid.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Ms. Teague made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Mr. Sofer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Ms. McKeever made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gross. The motion was carried with two abstentions: Ms. Viera and Mr. Needelman.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BUDGET COMMITTEE** – A written report regarding the Statement of District Needs for FY 2020 was submitted and distributed for review. There were no comments received.

**VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** – Mr. Caponegro discussed the committee’s report. A copy was submitted and distributed for review. The committee is seeking to have various monuments dedicated to veterans that are located in the district taken care of. They were able to work on the monument in Memorial Gore and Badame Sessa Square.

**BY LAWS COMMITTEE** – Mr. Needelma presented the report from the By Laws Committee. He noted that last evening the committee held a meeting with the members of CB #1 to discuss the

proposals. A written report was distributed (attached). Mr. Needelman introduced each proposal separately. Included in his report were also the items voted on at the previous meeting. The following are the By-Law Section/Amendments Recommended by the committee for approval at this evening's board meeting:

**ITEM #1:** Mr. Needelman related that the committee recommended for adoption (3 in favor, 1 against)

Section VII. DECLARATION OF VACANCY AND ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

A. SINCE A QUORUM IS NECESSARY TO DO BUSINESS, DILIGENT ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS IS A PREREQUISITE TO CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD. SINCE THE CITY CHARTER PERMITS THE BOARD TO REMOVE MEMBERS, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL DUE TO EXCESSIVE ABSENCES SHALL BE FOLLOWED.

Current clause 1.

1. WHEN A MEMBER FAILS TO ATTEND 5 OF THE COMBINED REGULAR/PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUIRED BY THESE BY-LAWS DURING THE COURSE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, THEY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE BOARD.

Clause 1, with proposed amended wording in bold and underlined:

WHEN A MEMBER FAILS TO ATTEND 5 OF THE COMBINED REGULAR/PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUIRED BY THESE BY-LAWS **OR FAILS TO ATTEND ONE HALF OF THE MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBER OF** DURING THE COURSE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, THEY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE BOARD.

Mr. Solano made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bruzaitis. The motion was unanimously carried. The vote was as follows: 35 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS"; 0 "RECUSALS".

**ITEM #2:** Mr. Needelman related that the committee recommended for adoption (3 in favor, 1 against)

Current Clause 3, with wording proposed to be added in bold and underlined:

THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF THE ATTENDANCE OF EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD AT ALL REGULAR AND PUBLIC HEARING MEETINGS **AND ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS**. IN ORDER TO ASSIST THIS EFFORT, ALL ATTENDING MEMBERS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A SIGN-IN SHEET AT EACH MEETING IN ORDER TO DOCUMENT THEIR PRESENCE.

**THE SIGN-IN SHEET SHALL INDICATE THE TIME THAT THE MEMBER ARRIVED AND, IF PRIOR TO THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING, THE TIME THAT THE MEMBER DEPARTED FROM THE MEETING. ATTENDANCE FOR LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF ANY RESPECTIVE MEETING SHALL BE DEEMED**

**A BOARD OR, AS APPROPRIATE, A COMMITTEE MEETING ABSENCE, UNLESS OTHERWISE EXCUSED.**

**ALL MEMBERS WHO DO NOT SIGN THIS SHEET BEFORE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING SHALL BE LISTED AS ABSENT BY THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE, UNLESS THEY CAN INDEPENDENTLY VERIFY THEIR PRESENCE TO THE COMMITTEE'S SATISFACTION. ANY MEMBER WHO KNOWINGLY PARTICIPATES IN A FORGERY INVOLVING THE SIGN-IN SHEET SHALL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES. THE PENALTY FOR KNOWINGLY PARTICIPATING IN SUCH ACTION SHALL BE REMOVAL FROM THIS BOARD.**

Ms. McKeever made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bruzaitis. A roll call was request. The vote was 22 "YES"; 15 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS"; 0 "RECUSALS".

NAME	YES	NO	ABS	RECUSAL
GINA ARGENTO		X		
BOGDAN BACHOROWSKI	X			
LISA BAMONTE	X			
LOUIS BARRICELLI	X			
GINA BARROS	X			
ERIC BRUZAITIS	X			
THOMAS J. BURROWS	X			
PHILIP CAPONEGRO	X			
IRIS CABRERA	X			
FRANK P. CARBONE		X		
STEPHEN CHESLER	X			
MICHAEL CHIRICHELLA				
THERESA CIANCIOTTA	X			
JOSHUA COHEN				
ARTHUR DYBANOWSKI				
T. WILLIS ELKINS	X			
JULIA AMANDA FOSTER		X		
SAMUEL FRANCOZ		X		
DEALICE FULLER				
EMILY GALLAGHER				
VINCENT GANGONE		X		
SOLOMON GREEN		X		
JOEL GROSS		X		
SONIA IGLESIAS				
MOISHE INDIG		X		
BOZENA KAMINSKI				
RYAN KUONEN	X			
YOEL LANDAU		X		
MARIE LEANZA	X			
YOEL LOW		X		

TRINA McKEEVER	X			
TOBY MOSKOVITS				
MARTIN NEEDELMAN	X			
SIMON NEUSTEIN				
RABBI DAVID NIEDERMAN				
KAREN NIEVES	X			
MARY ODOMIROK		X		
JANICE PETERSON	X			
DANA RACHLIN	X			
MICHAEL GARY SCHLESINGER		X		
ISAAC SOFER		X		
ROBERT SOLANO	X			
JAMES STUART	X			
DEL E. TEAGUE	X			
TOMMY TORRES		X		
MARIA VIERA	X			
STEPHEN WEIDBERG				
SIMON WEISER		X		
TESA WILSON				
TOTAL:	22	15	0	0

**ITEM #3.** Mr. Needelman related that the committee recommended for adoption (3 in favor, 1 against)

Current clause 5, with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

5. THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL NOTIFY A BOARD MEMBER, WHO HAS BEEN ABSENT FROM FOUR **BOARD MEETINGS OR ONE THIRD OF THE MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBERS OF**, IN WRITING, BY PHONE OR IN PERSON WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF THE LAST ABSENCE. THE NOTIFICATION SHALL INFORM THE MEMBER THAT ONE ADDITIONAL ABSENCE WILL BE GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL FROM THE BOARD. SUCH NOTICE SHALL ALSO CONSIST OF A RECORD OF THE ATTENDANCE OF THE MEMBER AND NOTIFICATION OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE.

Mr. Solano made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. McKeever. The motion was carried with 1 “NO” vote (Ms. Viera).

**ITEM #4.** Mr. Needelman related that the committee recommended unanimously for adoption.

Current clause 6, with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

6. THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET WITH THE BOARD MEMBER WHEN THE BOARD MEMBER ACCUMULATES 5 **BOARD MEETING ABSENCES OR HAS UNEXCUSED ABSENCES AT ONE LESS THAN ONE THIRD OF ALL MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBER OF**, FOR A REVIEW/EXIT CONFERENCE. AT THAT MEETING THE MEMBER SHALL BE

INFORMED OF THEIR ATTENDANCE RECORD AND BE PROVIDED WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE ANY JUSTIFICATIONS AND/OR EXCUSES FOR SAID ABSENCES. AFTER HAVING HEARD THE MEMBER'S RESPONSE, THE COMMITTEE WILL THEN VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO RECOMMEND THE MEMBER'S REMOVAL. SHOULD THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE MEMBER'S REMOVAL, THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT SAID RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD AT ITS NEXT MEETING, AT WHICH THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE BY MAJORITY VOTE WHETHER OR NOT TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REMOVE THE MEMBER.

THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT IN WRITING TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO THE MEETING, OF A PROPOSED DECLARATION OF VACANCY.

Mr. Solano made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. McKeever. The motion was carried with 2 abstentions (Ms. Viera; Mr. Landau).

Mr. Needelman related that they had discussed closing the meeting at 9PM. This was not a by-law change, but an action of the board. Ms. Leanza made a motion to close the meetings at 9:00 PM. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bamonte. There was a brief discussion on the motion. A vote was called. The vote was as follows: 30 "YES"; 5 "NO" (Bruzaitis, Chesler, McKeever, Burrows, Gangone; 2 "ABSTENTIONS" Foster, Elkins); 0 "RECUSALS". The motion was carried.

There was a discussion about having a roll call to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cabrera made a motion to have a roll call conducted to close the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bachorowski. A roll call was conducted on the motion. The vote was as follows: 23 "YES"; 10 "NO"; 2 "ABSTENTIONS" (Caponegro, Low). The motion was carried.

Mr. Needelman announced that the next meeting of the By Laws Committee would be on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 7PM in the CB #1's District Office.

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** – Mr. Bruzaitis submitted a written report that was distributed for review. Mr. Bruzaitis delivered the report and discussed the items (attached). He motion that there were some items that needed to be voted on by the board:

- **MOTION #1: APPROVAL OF ECKFORD STREET DIRECTION CHANGE FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND WITH SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS.** The committee unanimously voted to support the plan. Ms. Nieves mad a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elkins. The motion was unanimously carried.
- **MOTION #2: APPROVAL OF NORTH HENRY STREET DIRECTION CHANGE FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM RICHARDSON STEET TO MEEKER AVENUE.** The committee unanimously voted to support the recommendation. Mr. Elkins made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by
- **MOTION #3: APPROVAL FOR ONE-WAY DIRECTION CHANGE TO SOUTHBOUND FROM GREENPOINT AVENUE TO NORMAN AVENUE ONLY.** The committee

unanimously voted to support the recommendation. Ms. Nieves made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Torres. The motion was unanimously carried.

- **MOTION #4: A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR A PEDESTRIAN PLAZA FOR THE SECTION OF NORTH 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN HAVERMEYER STREET AND METROPOLITAN AVENUE, IN FRONT OF THE ANNUNCIATION CHURCH PENDING A NEW FEASIBILITY STUDY BY NYCDOT NYC PLAZA PROGRAM.**

The committee unanimously voted to support the recommendation. Ms. Cabrera made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Argento. The motion was unanimously carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilman Levin was present at the meeting and spoke to provide an update on the budget. He noted that the Nuhart Site was in the process of being sold. The sites is a State Superfund one. There are two plumes of contamination. He said that the contamination was also at the site of the new school. The contamination is the consistency molasses and not moving. The school is sited and funded.

**MOTION TO PROCEED AFTER 9:00 PM THIS EVENING**

Given that the meeting was running late, and there were still public session speakers and board business to conduct, the members voted to extend the meeting beyond the 9:00PM end time. Mr. Chesler made a motion to extend the time to end the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cabrera. The motion was carried.

**DCA - GAMING LICENSE APPLICATION FOR: VR ARENA INC., 228 BUSHWICK AVENUE**

This item was to be voted on this evening in order to meet the comment period deadline. After a discussion on the matter, the members voted. Mr. Solano made a motion to oppose the license, noting the concerns that were raised. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cabrera. A roll call vote was requested. The vote was as follows: 29 “YES”; 4 “NO”; 3 “ABSTENTIONS”; 0 “RECUSALS”.

NAME	YES	NO	ABS	RECUSAL
GINA ARGENTO	X			
BOGDAN BACHOROWSKI	X			
LISA BAMONTE	X			
LOUIS BARRICELLI		X		
GINA BARROS	X			
ERIC BRUZAITIS		X		
THOMAS J. BURROWS	X			
PHILIP CAPONEGRO	X			
IRIS CABRERA	X			
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TOTAL:	29	4	3	

*(Committee reports continued)*

**LANDUSE, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee** – Ms. Teague submitted a written report and discussed the items and the recommendations from the committee.

222 Johnson Avenue and 159 Boerum Street (Caribe Gardens complex) - These two applications seek waivers of the existing parking space accessory to the existing Sect. 8 units at the current premises in order to facilitate the development and preservation of affordable housing. A community benefits contract was negotiated with the section 8 tenants.



- 222 Johnson Avenue – seeking a waiver of 35 spaces
- 159 Boerum Street – seeking a waiver of 18 spaces

The current section 8 tenants will be guaranteed spaces in the new facilities. There will also be improvements to the existing buildings, including air conditioners, laundry rooms, landscaping, and playground development. The new developments will provide the as of right parking spaces for the new buildings, with the guarantee of available spaces to the current section 8 tenants.

The new buildings will have 28% affordable housing with a 35-year restrictive covenant: 20% at 60% AMI; 4% at 125 % AMI; 4% at 135% AMI. After 35 years the leases are stabilized.

The developers will commit to local hiring practices and will help employees to obtain safety certification. They will also contract with local suppliers. Recommendation: The committee had voted to approve the application with the condition that the developer will be responsible for the proper installation of the new air conditioners that are being supplied to the section 8 tenants. Vote – 6 yes, 1 refusal. Note: The agreement with the tenants provides for new air conditioners to only some of the tenants, those who will be facing the new buildings. The committee urged the developers to give new air conditioners to all of the section 8 tenants. Ms. McKeever made a motion to support the committee recommendation to approve the request with conditions. Ms. Nieves seconded the motion. The motion was carried with one “NO” vote (Needelman) and one “ABSTENTION” (Ms. Peterson).

DCP: Proposed zoning text amendment to create a citywide Hotel Special Permit for M1 Districts. A presentation was made at the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and also at the committee’s meeting. A presentation was provided again this evening at the public hearing.

Recommendation: The committee had voted unanimously 7-0 to approve. Ms. McKeever made a motion to support the committee’s recommendation to approve the text amendment. Ms. Teague seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.

Greenpoint Landing – Recommendation;

(A) The committee unanimously recommended **approval** of the following requests:

- 1- The change in the visual corridor in order to avoid flooding of the upland areas. Without the change, the developer is concerned the park will be unusable for longer periods of time due to flooding.
- 2- Trash basket waiver to use 8” openings instead of the currently required 12” openings. The requested smaller openings comport with the baskets routinely used by the Parks Department.
- 3- Waiver for the height of the retaining walls. This request is also to protect from flooding.

(B) The committee unanimously recommended **denial** of the request for:

Reduction of planting on the waterfront from 50% to 34% and elimination of a lawn.

The committee reminded the developer of the dearth of green space in the district and the strong demand by residents to insist that developers meet the mandated specifications for green space. The developer countered that when the project is done they will have provided more than the required open space. However, the committee reminded the developer that open space is not the equivalent of green space, and green space is too precious to voluntarily give up. Note: There were community residents in attendance. They spoke out unanimously against giving up the green space.

Ms. McKeever made a motion to support the committee’s recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chesler. The vote was unanimous and the motion was carried.

**PUBLIC SESSION** (Reserved for the Public's expression. Board Members will not be allowed to speak.) Each scheduled participant for this session will have an allowance of two (2) minutes. (No questions will be entertained. Speakers are requested to submit their testimony in writing) Several persons signed up to speaker at the Public Session.

- Manuel Burgos, from BTN Consulting Services, announced that there would be a hiring event for construction jobs at 159 Boerum Street and 222 Johnson Avenue.
- Katie Naplatarski, resident, spoke in opposition to the Greenpoint Landing land use variance.
- Victoria Chamreres, resident, spoke in opposition to the Greenpoint Landing land use variance.
- Laura Hofmann, resident, spoke in opposition to the Greenpoint Landing land use variance.
- Patricia Hatcher, resident, spoke about ongoing noise issue with the Graham Bar at 151 Meserole Street and 184 Graham Avenue.
- Francoise Olivaz, resident, spoke in opposition to the Greenpoint Landing land use variance.
- Paulette A. O'Neal, representative from the Devoe Street Baptist Church, spoke about a church event "Jazz Vespers Service in Celebration of Father's Day". She extended an invitation for all to attend.
- Acacia Thompson, Brooklyn Public Library, spoke about the Greenpoint Oral History and Community Scanning Project.
- Linda Daniels, resident, spoke about unsafe pedestrian conditions on Kent Avenue at the development site (420 Kent Avenue). The sidewalk was shut down.
- Barry Druss, resident of Queens, spoke about a proposal for bus rapid transit for a new bridge crossing over the East River.
- David Kryzypow, resident, spoke in opposition the Club Royal because of noise at late night hours, drunken patrons, violence, etc.,.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE** – Mr. Elkins submitted a written report and presented it to the board.

**SLA REVIEW & DCA COMMITTEE** – Mr. Bachorowski reviewed the committee written report that was distributed for review. He went over the items that were to be voted on.

Unenclosed Sidewalk Café Applications (reviewed at the May 29<sup>th</sup> committee meeting): Mr. Bachorowski asked for a motion to support the committee recommendation to regarding the

Unenclosed Sidewalk Café applications. Ms. Teague made a motion to support the recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Needelman. The motion was unanimously carried.

Renewal Applications: Mr. Bachorowski noted that the committee recommends approval of the applications. Ms. Solano made a motion to support the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Needelman. The motion was unanimously carried.

New Applications: Mr. Bachorowski noted the committee's recommendations. Ms. Stuart made a motion to support the committee's recommendation. Mr. Solano seconded the motion. The motion was carried with one "NO" vote (Needelman).

Postponed items: Mr. Solano made a motion to support the committee's recommendation. The motion was carried with one "NO" vote (Needelman) and one "ABSTENTION" (Schlesinger).

Mr. Bachorowski noted that the committee caucused this evening regarding the Unenclosed Sidewalk Café applications that were on the public hearing agenda this evening. These items were on the clock. Mr. Solano made a motion to support the committee's recommendation to approve these applications. Mr. Stuart seconded the motion. The motion was carried with three "NO" votes (Needelman, Torres, Burrows) and one "ABSTENTION" (Argento).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS: ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Council Member Antonio Reynoso addressed the Board Members. He provided an update on the budget. He also discussed the 211 Ainslie Street building.

Mr. Solotaire, from Council Member Levin's office, asked to be acknowledged.

Mr. Eric Radezky, from Assemblyman Lentol's office, asked to be acknowledged.

Ms. Danielle Zuckerman, from Senator Kavanagh's office, addressed the board and provided updates.

#### **PARKS DEPARTMENT MINUTE**

A written report was submitted by Ms. Mary Salig (attached).

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

A written report was submitted and distributed for review.

#### **DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT**

A written report was submitted and distributed for review.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was raised.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was raised.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A roll call was taken to adjourn the meeting. The vote was: 29 “YES”; 1 “NO”; 0 “ABSTENTIONS”; 0 “RECUSALS”. The meeting was adjourned.

NAME	YES	NO	ABS	RECUSAL
GINA ARGENTO	X			
BOGDAN BACHOROWSKI		X		
LISA BAMONTE	X			
LOUIS BARRICELLI	X			
GINA BARROS	X			
ERIC BRUZAITIS	X			
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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 Assistant District Manager

Reviewed by:

  
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**ATTENDANCE SHEET**

(26 Members Constitute a Quorum for the Board Meeting & Public Hearing) DATE: Tuesday, June 12, 2018

**BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

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June 12, 2018

## VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
And CB #1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Stephen Weidberg, Committee Chair  
Dr. Louis Barricelli, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Meeting Report

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The Veteran Affairs Committee held a meeting on May 15, 2018, at 6:30 PM in the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (Corner of Frost Street).

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**ATTENDANCE:** Present - Dr. Barricelli; Weidberg; Caponegro. Absent - Chirichella; Neustein. A quorum (3 members present) was achieved.

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The committee members held a discussion about all the veteran monuments, plaques and flagpoles in the Community Board area.

The committee members felt that some of them might be neglected and falling into a state of disrepair.

A suggestion was made that the committee find local groups to “adopt” a monument and do some of the work to improve the monument’s state. At the bare minimum, the placing of flags or flowers around the site.

The first two suggested as possible sites are:

- Greenpoint World War 2 Flagstaff at Macri Square (Union and Metropolitan Avenues)
- McCarren Park World War 2 Flagstaff (Bedford Avenue and Lorimer Street)

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## Macri Triangle

View all monuments in NYC Parks, as well as temporary public art installations on our [NYC Public Art Map and Guide \(/art-map\)](#).

### Greenpoint World War II Memorial

**Location:** Union and Metropolitan Avenues

**Description:** Stele with tablet

**Materials:** Red granite (polished), bronze

**Dimensions:** Stele H: 5'8" W: 44 1/4"; Tablet H: 23 1/4" W: 30 1/4"

**Donor:** American Legion

**Inscription:** Stele:

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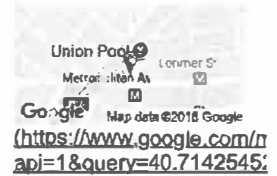
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PFC. RUBINETTI, J. / SFC. BIELINSKI, J. — PVT. DOMANICO, T.J. — PFC. LA ROCCA, P.F. — TCPL. RUSSO, J.A. / SSGT.  
BILASZ, S. — PVT. FALCO, R. — SGT. LA TORRE, G.M. — PFC. SACCONI, A. /  
PFC. BOSCO, F.C. — CPL. FALTER, F.F. — SGT. LAWOR, G. — PVT. SANTA MARIA, C. / PVT. BUONAGURO, J.A. — PFC.  
FARANDA, F.F. — PVT. LEONARD, E.A. — PVT. SCHETTINO, V. / PFC. BUSRUS, A. — 1ST LT. FEDERICO, D.J. — PFC.  
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Please note, the NAME field includes a primary designation as well as alternate namings often in common or popular usage. The DEDICATED field refers to the most recent dedication, most often, but not necessarily the original dedication date. If the monument did not have a formal dedication, the year listed reflects the date of installation.

For more information, please contact Art & Antiquities at (212) 360-8143



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### Macri Triangle

This text is part of Parks' [Historical Signs Project \(/sub\\_your\\_park/historical\\_signs.html\)](#) and can be found posted within the park.

Luigi Anthony Macri (1909-1962) was a resident of Williamsburg who served as a technician in the medical department of the army during World War II and returned home to work with the City's Department of Sanitation while serving as Commander of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter.

This park, developed as a sitting area, was acquired by the City in 1946 during proceedings for the creation of the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway (BQE). The BQE was constructed under the direction of Parks Commissioner Robert Moses (1888-1981) from 1946 to 1964 at a cost of \$137 million. Linking the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, the six-lane, 11.7 mile long highway was built to relieve congestion on local streets and to aid industry and business by shortening transportation time. In Williamsburg and Greenpoint small triangular lots were formed as leftovers of once-larger blocks that stood in the highway's path. Too small to be developed, they were assigned to NYC Parks as sitting areas, memorials, and playgrounds. The site of Macri Triangle was acquired by condemnation for park and highway purposes in 1946. The park was developed in 1949.

The monument located in the southeastern corner of the park was installed by the now-defunct 27 Memorial Post 1751 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1959. It lists the names of the brave young men who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country during World War II. At the time, Williamsburg had a sizable Italian-American population and the bocce court in this park recalls the outdoor game that had its origins in ancient Rome. This previously unnamed triangular park was named in honor of Luigi Macri by Local Law 54, passed by the City Council in 1971.

Located adjacent to the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway, bound by Metropolitan Avenue, Meeker Avenue and Union Avenue, Macri Triangle is ringed by benches on its three sides. A fenced lawn contains the bocci court and the World War Two memorial.

Monday, Dec 04, 2017

- [Macri Triangle \(/parks/B223S\)](#)

## NYC Parks

Official Website of the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation

### McCarren Park

View all monuments in NYC Parks, as well as temporary public art installations on our [NYC Public Art Map and Guide \(/art-map\)](#).

#### McCarren Park World War II Flagstaff

**Location:** Bedford Avenue & Lorimer Street

**Architect:** Hans Holsing

**Description:** Flagstaff and base

**Materials:** Granite

**Dimensions:** Base H: 11" W: 72"

**Dedicated:** 1947

**Donor:** Greenpoint Patriotic Organization

**Inscription:** Top band, continuing around all four sides:

WHERE LIGHTNINGS ARE SPED SHE DAZZLES THE / NATIONS WITH RIPPLES OF RED AND  
SHE'LL WAVE FOR / US LIVING OR DROOP O'ER US DEAD THE FLAG OF / OUR COUNTRY  
FOREVER \* SHE'S UP THERE OLD GLORY/

Side 1:

IN MEMORY OF THOSE / WHO IN THE GREAT WAR / 1941-1945/ SERVED THEIR COUNTRY / IN  
EVERY LINE OF DUTY / WHEREVER OUR FLAG/ HAS FLOWN /

Side 2:

ASIATIC PACIFIC

Side 3:

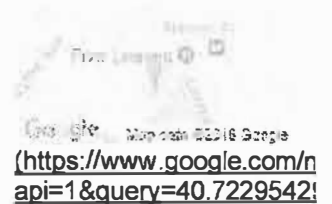
AMERICAN

Side 4:

EUROPEAN AFRICAN

Please note, the NAME field includes a primary designation as well as alternate namings often in common or popular usage. The DEDICATED field refers to the most recent dedication, most often, but not necessarily the original dedication date. If the monument did not have a formal dedication, the year listed reflects the date of installation.

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## GREENPOINT WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FLAG POLE BASE



(<http://www.nationalwarmemorialregistry.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/3119-375x500.jpg>)

SEE ALSO-GREENPOINT WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FLAG POLE

### Location

**Address:** BEDFORD AVENUE AND LORIMER STREET

**City:** BROOKLYN

**State:** New York (<http://www.nationalwarmemorialregistry.org/states/new-york/>)

**Zip Code:** 11222

### Details

**Memorial Type:** Flag Pole Memorials including Field of Flags

**Access:** Public

**Wars Commemorated:** WORLD WAR II

**Year Dedicated:** 1947

**Photograph By:** MIKE LIANTONIO



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## War Memorials in NYC

New York City has approximately 250 war memorials in its parks and in other spaces managed by the Parks Department. Built between 1818 and 2007, these monuments memorialize conflicts from the Revolutionary War to the Vietnam War. The following map shows the location of all of the city's memorials. More information on memorials in New York City is available at the Parks Department's [War Memorials in Parks](#) page. For a comprehensive list of the memorials, see their [Permanent Art and Monuments](#) page.

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## The Role of Memorials

For the bereaved, military comrades, and the public at large, the city park memorials function virtually as surrogate graves for those who more often than not died far from the confines of the city, frequently on foreign soil. They are permanent reminders in bronze and stone, as well as landscape art of the steep price our nation, and our metropolis has paid for the preservation of its security and freedoms. While typically erected during the lifetime of those who served or of the families of those who did not return, they have an ability to transcend time, outlasting all with a “living connection,” and their ultimate power is to honor and remind us of the people and events that have helped shape our common history.

Our war memorials provide places of solace and contemplation. Many may be appreciated for their aesthetic and symbolic value apart from their commemorative purpose. Often crafted by leading artists of their day, they complement the mission of the parks in which they reside to sooth the psyche and feed the soul. At their best and when most effective, they connect to a community and cause its citizens to reflect on something larger than themselves.

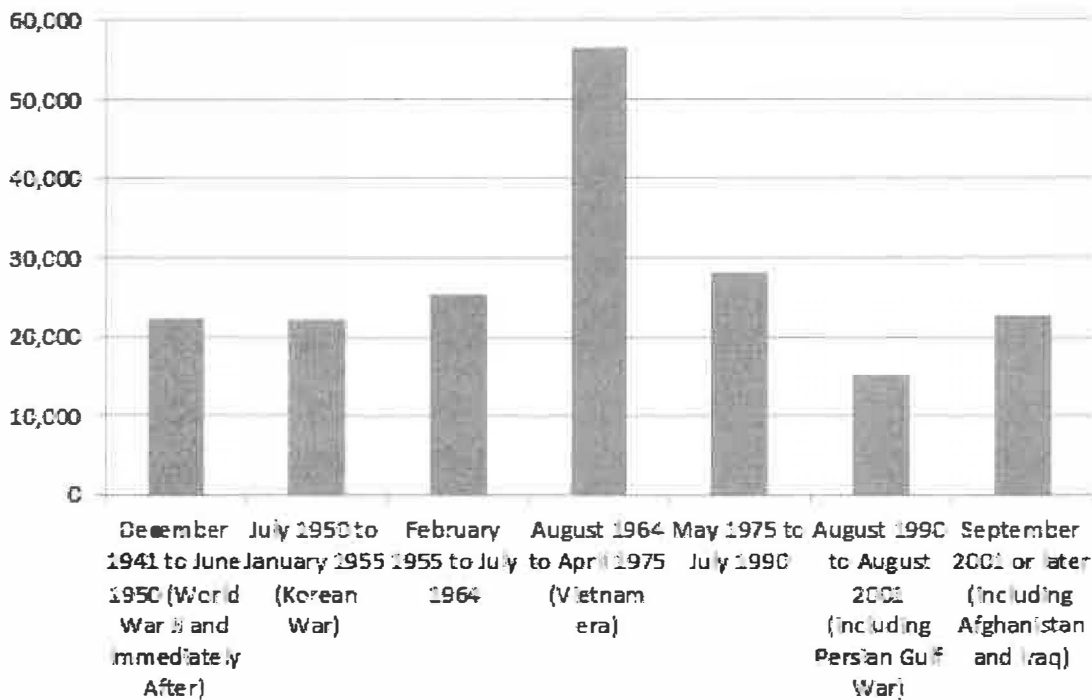
As with the parks monuments collection in general, the war memorials have in large part not been sponsored by government, but instead created by citizen initiative, and commissioned through private contributions. This process caused neighborhoods to have a stake in their local monuments, and many were dedicated with great pageantry before crowds of enormous size.

With the notable exception of our Revolutionary War memorials, these monuments honor events that took place elsewhere. But though those honored may have lost their lives far from the city, the effects of their loss has brought grief to all communities, to all classes, ethnicities and nationalities, forming a common bond between the citizenry. The stark simplicity of an honor roll listing the names of the fallen local heroes can affect the viewer with a power equal to a more complex and awe-inspiring memorial. It is on Memorial Day and Veterans Day that we pause to reflect on our war memorials—these touchstones of remembrance—and to absorb the deeper message and meaning they convey

## Veterans Living in NYC

According to the American Community Survey, there are around 192,000 veterans living in New York City. Of that total, Vietnam veterans make up the largest share at 30%, while those who served from the beginning of the Persian Gulf War until before September 2011 represent the smallest share at 8%. Veterans who served both pre- and post-September 2001 are included in the “September 2001 or later” category and make up just 2% of all veterans. Other veterans are approximately evenly dispersed across eras.

**Veterans Living in New York City, by latest period of service**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 1-Year Sample, 2012

## Locations of Monuments in CB #1 Parks

### McCarren Park World War II Flagstaff

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

McCarren Park

Site

Bedford Avenue & Lorimer Street

Coordinates



1947

Architect

Hans Holsing

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.95258542480

Latitude

40.72296254760

Name

**Greenpoint World War II Memorial**

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

Macri Triangle

Site

Union and Metropolitan Avenues

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.95190796260

Latitude

40.71426279060

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Name

**Father Giorgio Memorial**

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

Father Giorgio Square

Site

Lorimer Street, Jackson and Meeker Avenues

Dedicated

June 13, 1954

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.94985328710

Latitude

40.71627536030

Name

**George Washington at Valley Forge**

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

Williamsburg Bridge Plaza and Playground

Site

Roebling, S. 4th and 5th Sts.

Dedicated

1906

Architect

Lord and Hewlett

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.96049994730

Latitude

40.71049532010



**George Washington at Valley Forge**

This inspirational war memorial represents the Commander in Chief at one of his darkest moments when the Continental Army was encamped at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania in harsh conditions, from which it emerged ultimately triumphant. Sculpted by Henry Shrady, the heroic bronze equestrian sculpture has stood sentinel at the Brooklyn approach to the Williamsburg Bridge since 1906. Shrady, in his first major public commission, chose to depict Washington in a vulnerable pose of contemplation, shrouded in a cloak and hat to protect him from severe weather—a more introspective interpretation than Henry Kirke Brown's equestrian of the commander in Union Square. The large statue was cast at Roman Bronze Works in Brooklyn, and when installed the massive monument required eight sturdy draft horses to transport it and help hoist it into place.

Name

**Greenpoint War Memorial**

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

Monsignor McGolrick Park

Site

Nassau and Driggs Avenues, and Russell and Monitor Streets

Dedicated

1923

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.94345668600

Longitude

40.72444666200

## Monitor and Merrimac Monument



A stylistic departure from typical late 19th century Civil War sculpture can be seen in the Monitor and Merrimac Monument by sculptor Antonio de Filippo (1900-1993), which was dedicated in 1938 and illustrates a more modern sensibility; the statue depicts a heroic male nude pulling a rope attached to a capstan, and symbolizes Greenpoint-based Swedish-born engineer John Ericsson's role in military-maritime technology while also honoring the memory of the men of the Monitor, who fought an early naval battle against the Confederate Merrimac ship during the Civil War

Name

### Bushwick War Memorial

Borough

Brooklyn

Park Name

Memorial Gore

Site

Bushwick, Metropolitan and Maspeth Avenues

Date of Fest

December 5, 1920

Architect

Presbrey, Leland Co.

Type

War Memorial

Longitude

-73.94236956550

Latitude

40.71485200250



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Revised Draft  
June 12, 2018

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members

FROM: Marty Needelman, Chair, By-Laws Committee

RE: Proposed By-Law Amendments Re Committee  
Memberships and Attendance on Committees, etc.

At last night’s (June 11, 2018) meeting of the By-Laws Committee, held at 211 Ainslie Street, attended by a quorum of the Committee, namely myself, Jan Peterson, and Marie Leanza, as well as Board 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. Simon Weiser (ex officio member of the Committee, who participated in the voting). District Manager Gerry Esposito and Board Chair Dealice Fuller attended as well, as did several other non-Committee Board Members, resolutions were approved that the following proposed Amendments be recommended for adoption by the Community Board at its meeting tonight. In addition, attached are also other proposed Amendments that were adopted at the Board’s May 8, 2018 meeting.

### By-Law Section/Amendments Approved at the May 8, 2018 Board Meeting:

#### Section III. MEETING

Current subsection A., with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

THERE SHALL BE TWELVE (12) SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF THE BOARD IN EACH CALENDAR YEAR. ALL MEETINGS SHALL BE OPENED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AT THE APPOINTED TIME INDICATED IN THE NOTICE

Current subsection A, with proposed amended wording in bold and underlined:

- A. THERE SHALL BE TEN (10) SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF THE BOARD IN EACH CALENDAR YEAR. ALL MEETINGS SHALL BE OPENED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AT THE APPOINTED TIME INDICATED IN THE NOTICE

## **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

### Section VI. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Current subsection C, with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

- C. EACH MEMBER SHALL BE ASSIGNED TO AT LEAST ONE COMMITTEE AND SHALL TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN ITS WORK.

Current subsection C, with proposed amended wording in bold and underlined:

- B. EACH MEMBER SHALL BE ASSIGNED TO TWO COMMITTEES AND SHALL TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THEIR WORK. THE BOARD CHAIR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FROM A COMMITTEE FOR FAILURE TO ATTEND THAT ASSIGNED COMMITTEE'S MEETINGS.

## **APPROVED (31 FOR, 1 AGAINST)**

Clause 4, re EXCUSED ABSENCES, with proposed amended wording in bold and underlined:

MEMBERS WHO CANNOT BE IN ATTENDANCE BECAUSE THEY ARE ON OFFICIAL BOARD BUSINESS ELSEWHERE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE PRESENT. ABSENCES DUE TO DEATH, ILLNESS, OR A FAMILY EMERGENCY OR OTHER GOOD REASON, ARE EXCUSABLE IF APPROVED BLY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR, IN THE CASE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS, BY A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

**APPROVED (31 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 1 ABSTENTION)**

**By-Law Section/ Amendments Recommended by the Committee for Approval at Tonight's Board Meeting**

Section VII. DECLARATION OF VACANCY AND ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE

- A. SINCE A QUORUM IS NECESSARY TO DO BUSINESS, DILIGENT ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS IS A PREREQUISITE TO CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD. SINCE THE CITY CHARTER PERMITS THE BOARD TO REMOVE MEMBERS, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL DUE TO EXCESSIVE ABSENCES SHALL BE FOLLOWED.

Current clause 1.

1. WHEN A MEMBER FAILS TO ATTEND 5 OF THE COMBINED REGULAR/PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUIRED BY THESE BY-LAWS DURING THE COURSE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, THEY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE BOARD.

Clause 1, with proposed amended wording in bold and underlined:

WHEN A MEMBER FAILS TO ATTEND 5 OF THE COMBINED REGULAR/PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUIRED BY THESE BY-LAWS **OR FAILS TO ATTEND ONE HALF OF THE MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBER OF** DURING THE COURSE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, THEY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE BOARD.

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION (3 IN FAVOR, 1 AGAINST)**

Current Clause 3, with wording proposed to be added in bold and underlined:

THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF THE ATTENDANCE OF EACH MEMBER OF THE

BOARD AT ALL REGULAR AND PUBLIC HEARING MEETINGS AND ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS. IN ORDER TO ASSIST THIS EFFORT, ALL ATTENDING MEMBERS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A SIGN-IN SHEET AT EACH MEETING IN ORDER TO DOCUMENT THEIR PRESENCE.

THE SIGN-IN SHEET SHALL INDICATE THE TIME THAT THE MEMBER ARRIVED AND, IF PRIOR TO THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING, THE TIME THAT THE MEMBER DEPARTED FROM THE MEETING.  
ATTENDANCE FOR LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF ANY RESPECTIVE MEETING SHALL BE DEEMED A BOARD OR, AS APPROPRIATE, A COMMITTEE MEETING ABSENCE, UNLESS OTHERWISE EXCUSED.

ALL MEMBERS WHO DO NOT SIGN THIS SHEET BEFORE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING SHALL BE LISTED AS ABSENT BY THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE, UNLESS THEY CAN INDEPENDENTLY VERIFY THEIR PRESENCE TO THE COMMITTEE'S SATISFACTION. ANY MEMBER WHO KNOWINGLY PARTICIPATES IN A FORGERY INVOLVING THE SIGN-IN SHEET SHALL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES. THE PENALTY FOR KNOWINGLY PARTICIPATING IN SUCH ACTION SHALL BE REMOVAL FROM THIS BOARD.

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION (3 IN FAVOR, 1 AGAINST)**

Current clause 5, with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

5. THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL NOTIFY A BOARD MEMBER, WHO HAS BEEN ABSENT FROM FOUR BOARD MEETINGS OR ONE THIRD OF THE MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBERS OF, IN WRITING, BY PHONE OR IN PERSON WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF THE LAST ABSENCE. THE NOTIFICATION SHALL INFORM

THE MEMBER THAT ONE ADDITIONAL ABSENCE WILL BE GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL FROM THE BOARD. SUCH NOTICE SHALL ALSO CONSIST OF A RECORD OF THE ATTENDANCE OF THE MEMBER AND NOTIFICATION OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE.

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION (UNANIMOUS)**

Current clause 6, with wording proposed to be amended in bold and underlined:

6. THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET WITH THE BOARD MEMBER WHEN THE BOARD MEMBER ACCUMULATES 5 **BOARD MEETING ABSENCES OR HAS UNEXCUSED ABSENCES AT ONE LESS THAN ONE THIRD OF ALL MEETINGS OF A COMMITTEE THAT THEY ARE A MEMBER OF**, FOR A REVIEW/EXIT CONFERENCE. AT THAT MEETING THE MEMBER SHALL BE INFORMED OF THEIR ATTENDANCE RECORD AND BE PROVIDED WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE ANY JUSTIFICATIONS AND/OR EXCUSES FOR SAID ABSENCES. AFTER HAVING HEARD THE MEMBER'S RESPONSE, THE COMMITTEE WILL THEN VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO RECOMMEND THE MEMBER'S REMOVAL. SHOULD THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE MEMBER'S REMOVAL, THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT SAID RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD AT ITS NEXT MEETING, AT WHICH THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE BY MAJORITY VOTE WHETHER OR NOT TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO REMOVE THE MEMBER.

THE ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT IN WRITING TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO THE MEETING, OF A PROPOSED DECLARATION OF VACANCY.

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION (UNANIMOUS)**





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June 12, 2018

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members  
FROM: T. Willis Elkins, Committee Chair  
RE: Committee Meeting Held on June 4, 2018

The Environmental Protection Committee met on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211.

ATTENDANCE: Present – Elkins; Bruzaitis. Absent – Chesler; Carbone; Chirichella; Franczoz; Kuonen; McKeever; Neustein. (A quorum was not present. No motions were made. )

At the meeting the Environmental Protection Committee received three presentations outlined below:

### **1. DSNY - Special Waste Drop Off Site**

DSNY is moving the Brooklyn location for Special Waste drop-off to North Henry Street and Kingsland Avenue (site of the former Greenpoint Incinerator). The site will be open every Saturday and the last Friday of every month, allowing residents (not commercial operations) to drop off various items that are not suitable for curbside collection such as batteries, motor oils, paints and mercury containing products. The site operates as a self-serve type model with DSNY staff available to help. There were a number of concerns raised by members of the committee and community, namely:

- An added burden for the community given the heavy concentrations of waste handling facilities already located within CB1.

- The amount of traffic the facility may generate. DSNY responded by saying that the other sites typically see about 10 cars per hour.
- The siting of this facility within a low lying flood zone. All materials are stored within shipping containers and are supposed to be emptied every 90 days. The committee requested to see the EIS that was conducted and get more information regarding DSNY's plans for preparing this type of facility during a storm surge event.
- The concern that this site is more centrally located than others in the City and will therefore handle more waste and traffic.

Ultimately, DSNY sees this as an asset for CB1 residents while the committee still has concerns, especially regarding contamination during flood events and need for more smaller sites located throughout the City.

## **2. Sure We Can - Intro to their Organization**

Representative from the local non-profit organization Sure We Can, located at McKibben and Bushwick, attended and spoke about their facility which processes recyclable bottles and cans for the five cent deposits. They have 783 active members (from Greenpoint, Williamsburg and Bushwick) that utilize the facility and they have also run a compost program for the past three years. They are eager to better connect with CB1 and the committee and look forward to attending future meetings.

## **3. NYSDEC - Remedial Sites Around Newtown Creek**

A handful of representatives from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) attended to give updates on remedial sites surrounding Newtown Creek. These sites are in different stages of investigation and cleanup with various toxins present within soils and groundwater. Summarized below are the sites discussed:

**Meeker Avenue Plumes (224121):** DEC continues investigation on this massive site. To date they have identified 5 different sites as part of the plumes, the latest being Lombardy Street Soap and Lacquer. There is a new project manager and they may list 1-2 more sources. Some parties have been more cooperative with DEC than others, and some areas have interim remedial measures in place, such as NAPL removal at Cosmo Cleaners. DOH and DEC have conducted extensive outreach for residents in the area to offer air quality testing and install vapor systems within buildings. While renters can request air sampling, the agencies can not install anything without the property owners permission. DOH is apparently satisfied with this issue although to the committee it seems that there are residents who may be exposed to the hazardous vapors without knowledge or recourse.

**460 Kingsland Ave (224135):** This state superfund site is in the middle of the Greenpoint Oil Spill but is different in nature. The area near the bulkhead was filled in with materials containing PCBs. ExxonMobil is the PRP; a full assessment is still required.

**Frito Lay (C224133):** The area included PCBs, petroleum and chlorinated solvents. There was removal of hot spots and they are not seeing PCBs in the groundwater. There was also sampling of spring water flowing through the site, but don't believe it to be a source of contamination.

**Greenpoint Energy Center (National Grid, 224052)**: There have been three phases of investigation, and the Remedial Investigation report is nearly complete. It will be public ally released soon and then the state will move on to the Feasibility Study. There is contamination as far as 50 feet below grade and investigation continues to understand migration and the source of NAPL that is in Newtown Creek just off the shoreline. Studying the shoreline area has been difficult due to the complicated structure of the bulkhead itself. DEC believes the contamination to be deep (under 20 to 30 feet of fill at the surface) but not mobile.

**Gulf Oil (364 Maspeth Ave / Malu / Ditmas, 9006603)**: The oil storage site was decommissioned in 2004 and there has been product recovery and bioremediation in place since then. As of 2017, there had been four years of no detection from the wells. In total there was about 15,000 gallons recovered (it is likely that 2/3 of that was water).

**Motiva Brooklyn Terminal (8709990)**: Another contaminated site along Newtown Creek, lack of discussion at the meeting.

**Morgan Oil Terminal (9209135)**: This is a former oil storage facility with product noticed seeping into Newtown Creek. In 2017, they installed a NAPL recovery system near the bulkhead.

**Manhattan Poly Bag**: This was another former oil refinery, with a warehouse currently sitting on the site. Oil was noticed seeping into Newtown Creek and the property owner has been working cooperatively with DEC to address the issue. There is currently 1 recovery well in place and they are looking to install 1-2 more, although the layout of the building and proximity to the shore make it difficult.

**Phelps Dodge (241002)**: The remediation is nearing completion, with the remaining parcel being a site used by NYSDOT as part of K-Bridge reconstruction. There has been a groundwater system in place since 2007, and most of the entire site has been redeveloped.

**Equity Works (224050)**: This is a separate manufactured gas plant across Maspeth Avenue from National Grid.

**Former Pratt Oil (S241115)**: DEC recently held a public session about this site. There are 62 recovery wells in place (42 are actively pulling product). ExxonMobil is the responsible party and is working with a number of various entities that own and operate the parcels of the site. Since 2009, 110,000 gallons have been recovered - but there is no estimate for the total amount of product. There has been witnessed seepage into Newtown Creek from this location, although according to Exxon reps that is unrelated to the upland plume (DEC does not necessarily share that interpretation).

**Review Ave Development (Phoenix Beverages / 37-88 Review Ave, C241089)**: This is next to Quanta Resources and Pratt Oil Works and they are just beginning a pilot recovery system.

**Quanta Resources (C241005)**: This site has a long history of illegal dumping by the former operator. There are currently 36 extraction wells in place, pulling out LNAPL around the clock.

**Buckeye Pipeline (9813881)**: This small parcel on the Queens shore of Newtown Creek witnessed a fuel spill in 1986 and then again in 1999 (about 1,000 gallons from the pipeline itself). Recovery was underway when Superstorm Sandy damaged the recovery system and product that was being stored on site. To date 1,200 tons of soil has been removed and remediation is still on-going.

**Hugo Neu Schnitzer (Sims Recycling, 1200318)**: There has a 150,000 gallon tank on site that leaked diesel underground. There were three separate plumes of product and 1,500 tons of soil removed. The site was closed in 2016, but has since been reopened.

DEC did mention that they are working to create an interactive map/database to make accessing and understanding these remedial sites easier. It is underway, but is being done statewide and there is no completion date.



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June 12, 2018

## SLA REVIEW & DCA COMMITTEE REPORT

**TO:** Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members

**FROM:** Mr. Bogdan Bachorowski, Committee Chair  
Mr. Tom J. Burrows, Co-Chair

**RE:** Committee Meeting of May 29, 2018

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The SLA Review & DCA Committee met on May 29, 2018, at 6:30 PM, at CB #1’s District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211. **ATTENDANCE:** Present – Bachorowski; Burrows; Barros; Barricelli; Bruzaitis; Cohen; Sofer; Solano; Stuart. Absent – Dybanowski. (A quorum was achieved)

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### AGENDA

#### **1. UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATIONS**

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** 104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Inc., dba Randolph Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY 11249 (2017316-DCA) 11 Tables; 22 Chairs. (Renewal)  
*The Committee recommends postponement.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** Enid’s Corporation, dba Enid’s, 560 Manhattan Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11222 Application # 1233115-DCA, 9 tables; 18 chairs (Renewal)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** Juicerie IV LLC, 271 Metropolitan Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11211 (8281-2018-ASWC) 37 tables; 74 chairs (New)

*The Committee recommends denial.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** 291 Kent Partners LLC dba Fornino, 291 Kent Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11249 (7479-2018-ASWC) 11 tables; 22 chairs (New)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** F-C LLC, 90 Calyer Street Brooklyn, NY 11222 (1420945-DCA) 8 tables; 16 chairs (Renewal)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** ONYSGRAND Corp., 502 Grand Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (203-5051-DCA) 16 Tables; 32 Chairs (Renewal)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

**DCA-UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ APPLICATION:** 9 Monkeys Inc., 333 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (2038455-DCA) 5 Tables; 10 Chairs. (Renewal)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

## **2. LIQUOR LICENSES**

### **NEW**

74 Bayard LLC, dba TBD, 74 Bayard Street (Amended notice, ground floor and mezzanine/liquor, wine, beer, cider, rest. & bar, new) [Previously reviewed]

*The Committee recommends approval.*

Commonwealth Hospitality LLC, dba Butler, 95 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street (wine, beer, cider, tavern, new)

*The Committee recommends approval. [café]*

Haku Ten Inc., dba Amami Sushi, 57 Nassau Avenue (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., alteration)

*Applicant did not appear. The Committee recommends denial.*

Berry Golf Club LLC, dba Berry Street Golf Club 8 Berry Street (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., new)

*The Committee recommends approval.*

Braven Brewing Company LLC, dba n/a. 52 Harrison Place, (microbrewery with kitchen and tap room, new) [Committee recommends approval, if they provide of original of petitions and signatures from 54 Harrison Place]

***The Committee recommends approval. Materials requested were received.***

Guchi's Idea LLC, dba Okozushi, 376R Graham Avenue, (wine, beer & cider, café, new)

***Applicant did not appear. The Committee recommends denial.***

Minami Lounge Inc., dba Minami Lounge, 299 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., new)

***The Committee recommends approval.***

S. Esterman on behalf of an entity to be determined, 25 Bogart Street, (liquor, wine, beer & cider, bar/tavern, new)

***The Committee recommends approval.***

## **RENEWAL**

CPM Manhattan LLC, dba Ceremony, 224 Manhattan Avenue (liquor, wine, beer, cider, tavern, renewal)

Doc Wine Bar 1<sup>st</sup> Ave Inc., dba Doc Wine Bar, 83 N 7<sup>th</sup> Street (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

Enlightenment Wines Farm & Meadery LLC., dba Enlightenment Wines, 99 Scott Ave., (liquor, wine, beer & cider, winery tasting room, renewal)

Howard Project LLC, dba Le Fanfare, 1103 Manhattan Ave., (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., new)

Ja Tack LLC, dba Aska, 47 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

Kinfolk General Inc., dba Kinfolk, 94 Wythe Ave., (performance space/art gallery; liquor, wine, beer & cider, renewal)

Lennie's on Kent Inc., 225 Kent Avenue, (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

Mendez & Avelar Inc., dba La Superior, 295 Berry St., (liquor, wine, beer, & cider, rest., renewal)

Minicar LLC, dba Nuovo Fiore restaurant, 284 Grand St., (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

Nordic LLC, dba Budin, 114 Greenpoint Avenue, (wine, beer & cider, bar/tavern, renewal)

Pigri LLC, dba Milk and Roses, 1110 Manhattan Avenue (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest. renewal)

VIVA RD Corp., 188 Berry Street, (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

VIMU Corp., dba No Bull, 1059 Flushing Avenue (liquor, wine, beer & cider, bar/rest., renewal)

Whole Foods Market Group Inc., 238 Bedford Avenue, Cellar floor, Suite B, (liquor, wine, beer & cider, rest., renewal)

***The Committee recommends approval of the renewals.***

### 3. PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED

The Noise Factory LLC, TBD, 20 Meadow Street, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar/tavern)  
*Application is Postponed.*

Dig Inn 166 North 4<sup>th</sup> BK LLC, dba Dig Inn, 166 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, (New, wine/beer, cider, rest)  
*The Committee recommends approval.*

Kill Devil LLC, dba Kill Devil House of Dark Spirits, 292 Bedford Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, and tavern)  
*The Committee recommends approval.*

Royal GA LLC, 134 Metropolitan Avenue, (New, liquor, wine/beer, cider, bar) [  
*The Committee recommends approval pending presentation at the June 12, 2018 Combined Public Hearing and Board Meeting.*

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The next meeting of the SLA Review & DCA Committee is as follows:

**WHEN:** Tuesday June 26, 2018  
**TIME:** 6:30 PM  
**WHERE:** CB #1's District Office  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11211  
(Corner of Frost Street)





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June 12, 2018

## LAND USE, ULURP & LANDMARKS (subcommittee) COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and Members of Community Board No. 1  
FROM: Ms. Del Teague, Committee Chair  
RE: Committee Report for meeting held on May 23, 2018

The Land Use, ULURP & Landmarks (subcommittee) Committee held a meeting on May 23, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211. ATTENDANCE: Present – Teague; Viera; Chesler; Niederman; Nieves; Sofer; Weidberg. Absent – McKeever; Kaminski; Needelman; Weiser. (A quorum was present)

### AGENDA:

(1) and (2)

#### **222 Johnson Avenue and 159 Boerum Street (Caribe Gardens complex)**

These two applications seek waivers of the existing parking space accessory to the existing Sect. 8 units at the current premises in order to facilitate the development and preservation of affordable housing. A community benefits contract was negotiated with the section 8 tenants.

**222 Johnson Avenue** - seeking waiver of 35 spaces

**159 Boerum Street** – seeking waiver of 18 spaces

The current section 8 tenants will be guaranteed spaces in the new facilities. There will also be improvements to the existing buildings, including air conditioners, laundry rooms, landscaping, playground development.

The new developments will provide the as of right parking spaces for the new buildings, with the guarantee of available spaces to the current section 8 tenants.

The new buildings will have 28% affordable housing with a 35-year restrictive covenant: 20% at 60% AMI; 4% at 125 % AMI; 4% at 135% AMI. After 35 years the leases are stabilized.

The developers will commit to local hiring practices and will help employees to obtain safety certification. They will also contract with local suppliers.

Recommendation:

A quorum was present. The committee voted approve the application with the condition that the developer will be responsible for the proper installation of the new air conditioners that are being supplied to the section 8 tenants. Vote – 6 yes, 1 recusal.

Note: The agreement with the tenants provides for new air conditioners to only some of the tenants, those who will be facing the new buildings. The committee urged the developers to give new air conditioners to all of the section 8 tenants.

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**(3) DCP Briefing re: Proposed zoning text amendment to create a citywide Hotel Special Permit for M1 Districts.**

Ms. Kerensa Woods presented. She explained the primary purpose of this amendment is to protect the integrity of our manufacturing sites. Therefore, the amendment will not address the problems this community board has had with hotels in non-M1 districts.

The special permit requirement would be in all M-1 districts, not just IBZ's. Ms. Woods reported that 600 hotels were built city-wide last year. Brooklyn has the third largest inventory, trending toward up-scale facilities.

Ms. Woods further explained that the policy must be flexible enough to accommodate different types of M-1 districts, allowing for a case by case site-specific review process. She went over the various findings which are spelled out on page 14 of the attached handout.

The committee reminded Ms. Woods that this amendment will not address issues we will continue to have with the over- saturation of hotels on sites other than M-1 sites. The committee called on the city to study the possibility of expanding the special permit requirement to Mx districts or to the convert those districts, where appropriate, into residential districts with or without commercial overlays, where hotels must be within 1000 feet of a highway.

Recommendation: Unanimous 7-0 to approve.

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(4) and (5)

**Greenpoint Landing** – Melanie Myers presented.

Recommendation: (A) The committee unanimously recommended approval of the following requests:

- 1- The change in the visual corridor in order to avoid flooding of the upland areas. Without the change, the developer is concerned the park will be unusable for longer periods of time due to flooding.
- 2- Trash basket waiver to use 8” openings instead of the currently required 12” openings. The requested smaller openings comport with the baskets routinely used by the Parks Department.
- 3- Waiver for the height of the retaining walls. This request is also to protect from flooding.

(B) The committee unanimously recommended denial of the request for:

Reduction of planting on the waterfront from 50% to 34% and elimination of a lawn.

The committee reminded the developer of the dearth of green space in the district and the strong demand by residents to insist that developers meet the mandated specifications for green space. The developer countered that when the project is done they will have provided more than the required open space. However, the committee reminded the developer that open space is not the equivalent of green space, and green space is too precious to voluntarily give up.

Note: There were community residents in attendance. They spoke out unanimously against giving up the green space.



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June 12, 2018

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**  
**REPORT**

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
 and CB #1 Board Members  
 FROM: Mr. Eric Bruzaitis, Committee Chair  
 RE: Committee Report from May 14<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Meeting

The Transportation Committee met for two meetings in May:

**Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (CALLED TO ORDER: 6:47 PM; ADJOURNED: 8:23 PM)** in the CB #1 DISTRICT OFFICE 435 GRAHAM AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11211 (CORNER OF FROST STREET)

**ATTENDANCE:**

Present: Bruzaitis; Argento; Elkins; Nieves.

Absent: Weiser; Gallagher; Gangone; Gross; Kuonen; Landau; Mayer; Odomirok; Stuart.

**Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 (CALLED TO ORDER: 6:50 PM; ADJOURNED: 8:11 PM)** at Swinging Sixties Center, 211 Ainslie Street (CORNER OF Manhattan Avenue)

**ATTENDANCE:**

Present: Bruzaitis; Weiser; Elkins; Gallagher; Gangone; Kuonen; Nieves; Stuart.

Absent: Argento; Gross; Landau; Mayer; Odomirok.

**AGENDA (May 14):**

- United States Postal Service (USPS) – Parking issues at the Williamsburg Station and regulating parking to ensure security and safekeeping of USPS vehicles.**  
 Mr. John P. Venable, Customer Relations Coordinator, Office of the Brooklyn Postmaster.

Neither John Venable, nor any USPS representative appeared.

>The committee discussed the conditions around the Williamsburg Station with David Stein, Joe Li & Ronda Messer of NYCDOT.

>Mr. David Stein of Director of NYCDOT Parking Plan Policy stated the following:

- \* USPS (or any governmental agency) must be issued parking permits to park on the street in an official capacity. Post office employees are NOT issued PLACARDS. The Mayor's office has directed a crackdown on false placards for government agencies.
- \* USPS must submit a formal application for on street parking, DOT will then study the area and make a determination balancing on street vs off street parking.
- \* NYCDOT does not encourage on street parking and will rarely grant more than 4 on street placards for government vehicles. The 30 vehicles that the Williamsburg Station are looking for will almost certainly be denied.
- \* Signs regarding "hourly parking" and "no parking/standing" around the Williamsburg Station have been "mysteriously" removed. DOT is in the process of replacing them.
- \* USPS vehicles do not have NYS issued license plates and cannot be ticketed or towed.

>Ms. Nieves asked about options under the BQE. DOT reiterated the limited number of spots issued to agencies, but will look at that possibility.

>Mr. Bruzaitis asked how the Greenpoint Station has dealt with parking issues. Some discussion was had about the use of the private lot on Dobbin St. Mr. Stein will be in contact with the committee to follow up on options. HOWEVER, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE USPS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS.

>Mr. Elkins asked if there was some other method than trucks, or in addition to make the local fleets smaller. He suggested a North Brooklyn hub that both 11222 & 11211 can share. DOT was not sure. The committee will follow up with Mr. Stein.

## **2. TLC Licenses**

Northside Luxury had submitted a second renewal request. At the May combined public hearing the full board voted in favor of Northside's renewal. This was likely a duplicate application. The committee took no action.

## **3. Ongoing: L Train Shutdown Mitigation Issues**

**Discussion:** Discussion: Anticipated MTA/DOT Town Hall events

Mr. Philip Leff discussed the concerns raised at the May 9<sup>th</sup> Manhattan Town Hall event. Much of the discussion was about the 14<sup>th</sup> street corridor. Mr. Leff felt that the West Village and Chelsea block associations headed by Arthur Schwartz co-opted the meeting and that there was little substantive discussion about the actual plan that the MTA/DOT were there to discuss. Issues from the May 16<sup>th</sup> Town Hall will be discussed at the June 18<sup>th</sup> Transportation Cmte meeting under Old Business.

## **4. New/Old Business**

**There was no NEW BUSINESS.**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. NORTH HENRY CHANGES.**

>>Representatives of Ms. Messer & Mr. Li of NYCDOT who were present to discuss USPS, stayed to hear concerns and take notes.

>>MR. WILLIAM BRODERICK spoke on behalf of his neighbors regarding the NYCDOT proposal to change the direction of North Henry Southbound. Much of his concerns focused on the use of Greenpoint Avenue & McGuiness Blvd to access the IBZ and keep commercial traffic out of residential neighborhoods. There were also other members of the public who were not convinced that there was sufficient evidence/studies by DOT on usage of streets in the IBZ South of Greenpoint Ave & East of McGuiness BLVD & North of Norman Ave.

>>There was a great deal of concern with Option B of DOT's conversion plan that would allow heavy truck traffic to continue past Norman Avenue to Nassau Avenue. There were many safety concerns that were mentioned that already exist due to that T intersection being a main entrance to McGolrick park, especially for children and seniors. Many residents on the Norman to Nassau stretch of North Henry were very concerned that the vibration from trucks would damage their homes both in the upper structure as well as foundations. Any industrial traffic on this block is COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE TO THE COMMUNITY.

There was also a concern that if the pattern is changed, there must be a great deal of signage to instruct truck drivers to stay on routes.

>>Mr. Joe Torres of the Henry Norman Hotel stated his company's opposition to any change in direction. He stated he has had bad reviews due to truck traffic, that truck traffic makes it less safe for families to stay at his hotel. Mr. Torres was reminded that it was his company's choice to locate a commercial business within the IBZ and that his company had supported the Southbound change when originally proposed in 2014.

>>Ms. Nieves noted that North Henry is too narrow to support 2 way traffic, especially truck traffic, and that is why the one-way change was made in 2014. However, the original recommendation was for the traffic to be Southbound at that time, and the DOT incorrectly made a Northbound conversion.

>>Mr. Elkins felt it would be helpful to see the data from the 2012 study. Others from the public and committee agreed. He also noted that the inclusion by NYCDOT for a North Henry Southbound trough to Nassau Avenue was the main cause of the current controversy. Mr. Bruzaitis agreed and stated that there was NO SUPPORT for that proposal and that the committee would not make such a recommendation to the full board.

Mr. Bruzaitis asked for a show of hands in support of the Southbound change IF TRAFFIC IS STOPPED AT NORMAN. The vast majority of the public raised their hands.

>>Ms. Nieves also brought up concerns about traffic patterns on Moultrie and Humboldt Streets North of Norman Ave. Because of the public concern over alternate routes for truck traffic access to IBZ (separate from the North Henry issues) and illegal uses of residential streets to access this portion of the IBZ an additional study of the following area is needed:

**Request Study: Greenpoint Avenue to Norman Avenue & McGuiness Blvd to Kingsland Avenue.**

### **2. DOT/DSNY: Change Night Cleaning Regulations to Daytime Alternate Side at the following locations:**

Union from Flushing to Walton; Marcy btw Flushing and Wallabout; Harrison from Walton to Flushing; Gerry btw Union & Harrison; Bartlett btw Harrison & Throop.

>>Mr. Bruzaitis informed the committee that DOT/DSNY had responded to Chair Fuller's letter requesting the changes and that they have denied this change. The committee will continue to monitor the new residential uses and look for a new study in the future.

**AGENDA (May 31):**

- 1. DOT'S North Henry Street One Way Conversion Proposal**
- 2. DOT's Eckford Street One Way Conversion Proposal**

NYCDOT North Brooklyn Project Engineer Harvey LaRue & Ronda Messer appeared to review change proposals and take questions from the public. Mr. LaRue stated that the option to allow traffic to continue South of Norman Avenue had been removed. **(DOT PRESENTATION ATTACHED)**

At least 50 members of the Greenpoint community living on or near North Henry Street (both North of Nassau Ave and South of Meeker Ave to Richardson St) and Eckford Street. Many of the same concerns listed above at the May 14<sup>th</sup> were explored. Some other concerns-

>>The North Henry St conversion below Meeker Avenue has been long awaited. One life-long resident in his 70's mentioned that the fight had gone on since his father was alive.

>>There was a concerned Eckford resident who was afraid that the direction change and safety measures proposed by DOT would result in more risks to children crossing Manhattan Avenue to get to the High School & Middle School campuses. Mr. LaRue explained that the new pattern and reduced crossing distance would both assist pedestrians in crossing and prevent some of the current motorist behaviors that make conditions unsafe.

>>Some residents asked that Russel be converted. DOT explained that the problems experienced on Monitor Street, where trucks ignore signs NOT to continue south past Nassau Ave would very likely be duplicated on Russel if the pattern were changed to southbound.

>> **Mr. William Broderick has deposited a petition with signatures. It is on file at the Board Office for review.**

>>**After 50 minutes of discussion, and the speaker requests exhausted Mr. Bruzaitis asked for 3 MOTIONS on the proposals under discussion.**

**MOTION: EMILY GALLAGHER RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF ECKFORD STREET DIRECTION CHANGE FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND WITH SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS.**

**SECOND: KAREN NEIVES**

**COMMITTEE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR.**

**MOTION: JAMES STUART RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF NORTH HENRY STREET DIRECTION CHANGE FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM RICHARDSON STEET TO MEEKER AVENUE.**

**SECOND: KAREN NEIVES**

**COMMITTEE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR.**

**MOTION: KAREN NIEVES RECOMMENDED APPROVAL FOR ONE-WAY DIRECTION CHANGE TO SOUTHBOUND FROM GREENPOINT AVENUE TO NORMAN AVENUE ONLY.**

**SECOND: EMILY GALLAGHER**

**COMMITTEE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR.**

**(THE PUBLIC ERUPTED IN APPLAUSE AT THE PASSAGE OF THE LAST PROPOSAL)**

**3. Plaza Application for North 5<sup>th</sup> Street between Metropolitan Avenue & Havermeyer Street.**

Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, following up on his January 26<sup>th</sup> letter to Chair Fuller (attached) has renewed his request for CB1 to support for a pedestrian plaza at the above location, in front of the Annunciation Church. Under Monsignor Calise the board vehemently rejected a plaza at this location. **Monsignor has until the end of June to submit an application to the NYC PLAZA PROGRAM, and therefor action must be taken at the June meeting for him to meet the deadline.**

>>The committee discussed a blanket approval of the request for CB1 support without a proper hearing by the residents of the adjacent streets.

>>Other Cmte members & DM Esposito were concerned since the opposition was so strongly against the last proposal, that lending our support now may not be correct. There were also access concerns for weddings and funerals (which were part of the original opposition).

>>Ronda Messer also explained that since the last plaza was rejected, DOT made other improvements to that block and that the introduction of a plaza would require a significant study and redesign so as not to create new problems that the latest changes helped to correct.

>>Mr. Bruzaitis asked for a motion on the item.

**MOTION: KAREN NIEVES RECOMMENDED A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR A PEDESTRIAN PLAZA FOR THE SECTION OF NORTH 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN HAVERMEYER STREET AND METROPOLITAN AVENUE, IN FRONT OF THE ANNUNCIATION CHURCH PENDING A NEW FEASIBILITY STUDY BY NYCDOT NYC PLAZA PROGRAM**

**SECOND: EMILY GALLAGHER**

**COMMITTEE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR**

**\*\*NEXT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING IS MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018 AT SWINGING SIXTIES SENIOR CENTER, 211 AINSLIE STREET (CORNER OF MANHATTAN AVENUE)\*\***





## Shrine Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

275 N 8th St, Brooklyn, NY 11211  
olmcchurchbk.com



January 26, 2018

Ms. Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson, Community Board 1  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11211

Dear Ms. Fuller,

The parishes of Annunciation of the BVM and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel are working with the NYC Department of Transportation to have North 5th Street between Havemeyer Street and Metropolitan Avenue included in the NYC Plaza Program. Annunciation Church is located at 245 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street and we are currently the only property owner on this particular stretch of street.

The proposed street is between the front of our church, which has a short sidewalk, and an under-utilized pedestrian triangle. N 5<sup>th</sup> is also not a major through street with only limited traffic. We believe closing this street off to motor vehicles will create a welcoming pedestrian connection between the north and south side of the N 5th street long made desolate by the BQE. This newly created plaza would also allow community programing and a new neighborhood outdoor center to be formed for the neighborhood.

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Creating a plaza at this location will also allow the church to organize community meetings, health fairs, concerts and events open to all people. The church will beautify the space with planters, benches, trees and seasonal displays allowing the plaza to be a destination and not just a walkway.

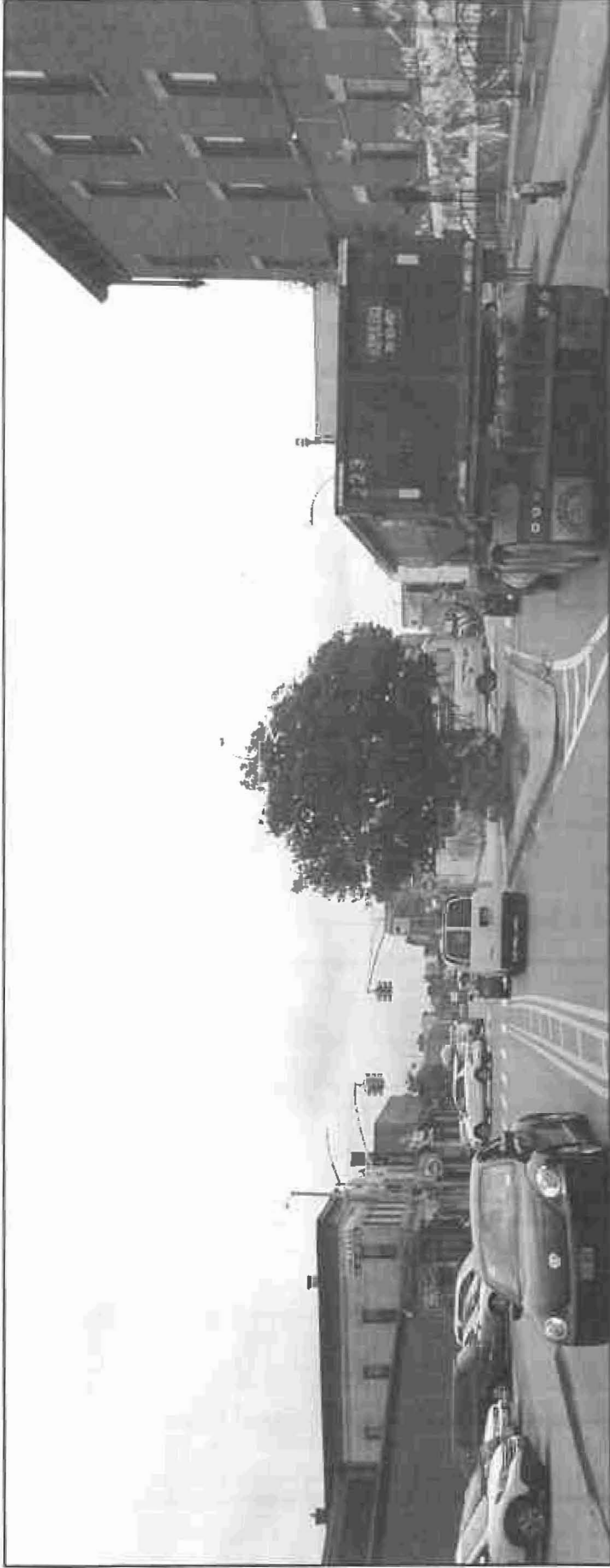
Annunciation of the BVM Church has stood at its current location since 1863 and has been administered by Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church for over 20 years. The staff and pastoral team of the churches have worked to create a spiritual and social home for all those living in the community. I ask for the support of Community Board No. 1 for the inclusion of N 5<sup>th</sup> Street between Havemeyer Street and Metropolitan Avenue in the NYC Plaza Program so that we can continue to better our neighborhood for all people.

If you have any questions you may contact me at our parish rectory or on my cell phone at 347-528-8033. Thank you for your service to our community. I look forward to working with you in the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Msgr. Jamie J. Gigantiello  
Pastor

cc Gerald A. Esposito, CB 1 District Manager



# NORTH WILLIAMSBURG TRANSPORTATION STUDY

One Way Conversion SIPs (N Henry St/Eckford St)

May 31, 2018

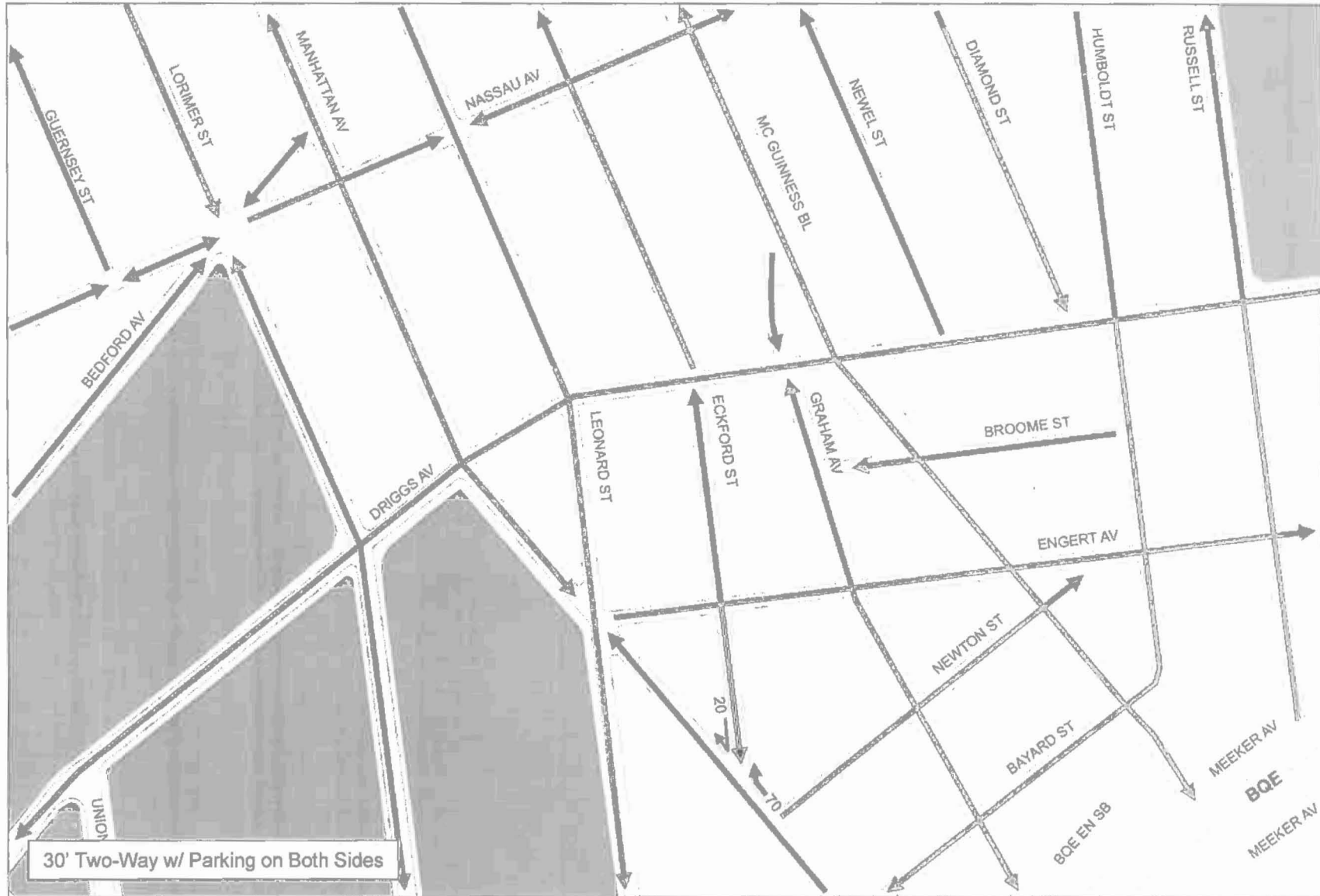


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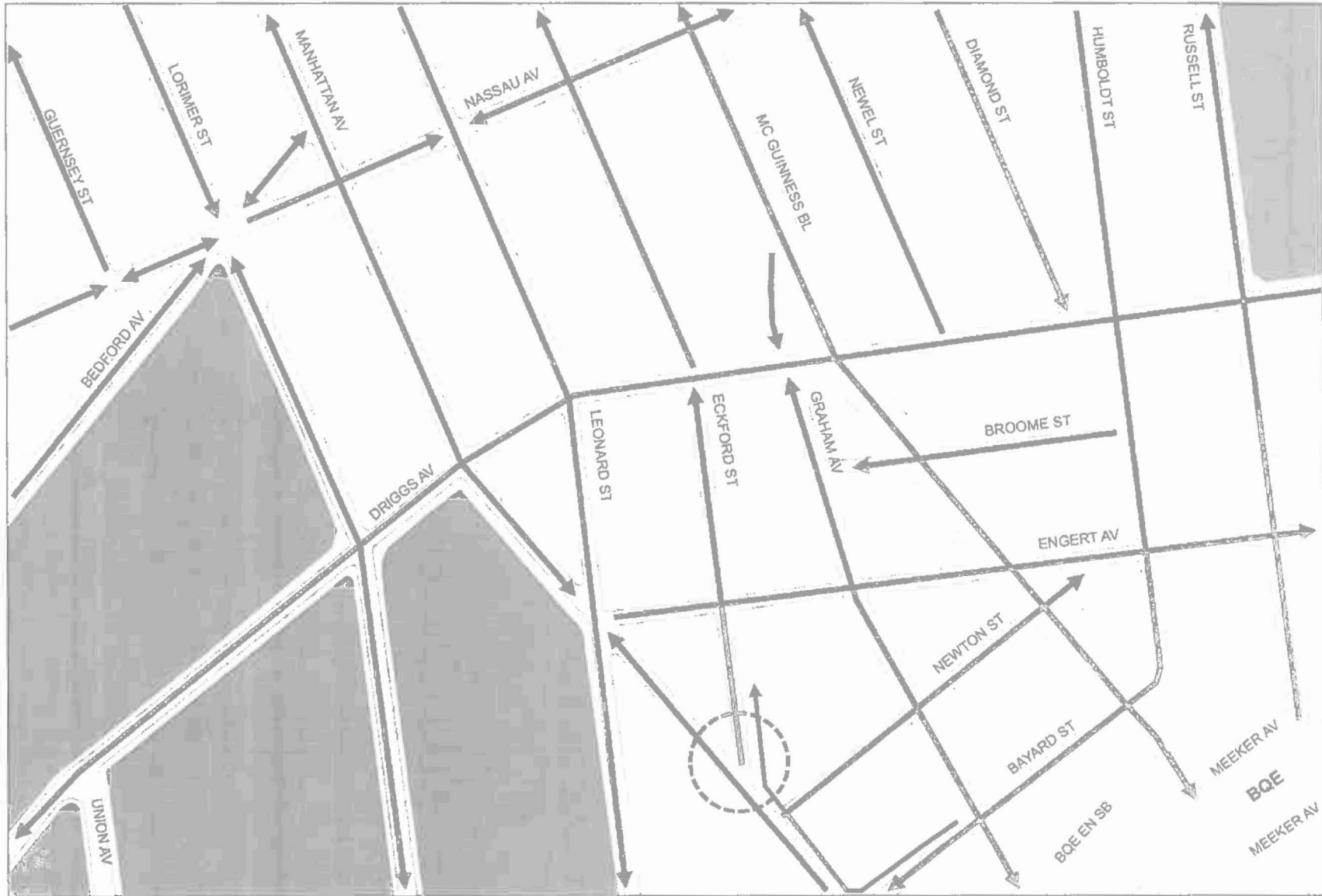
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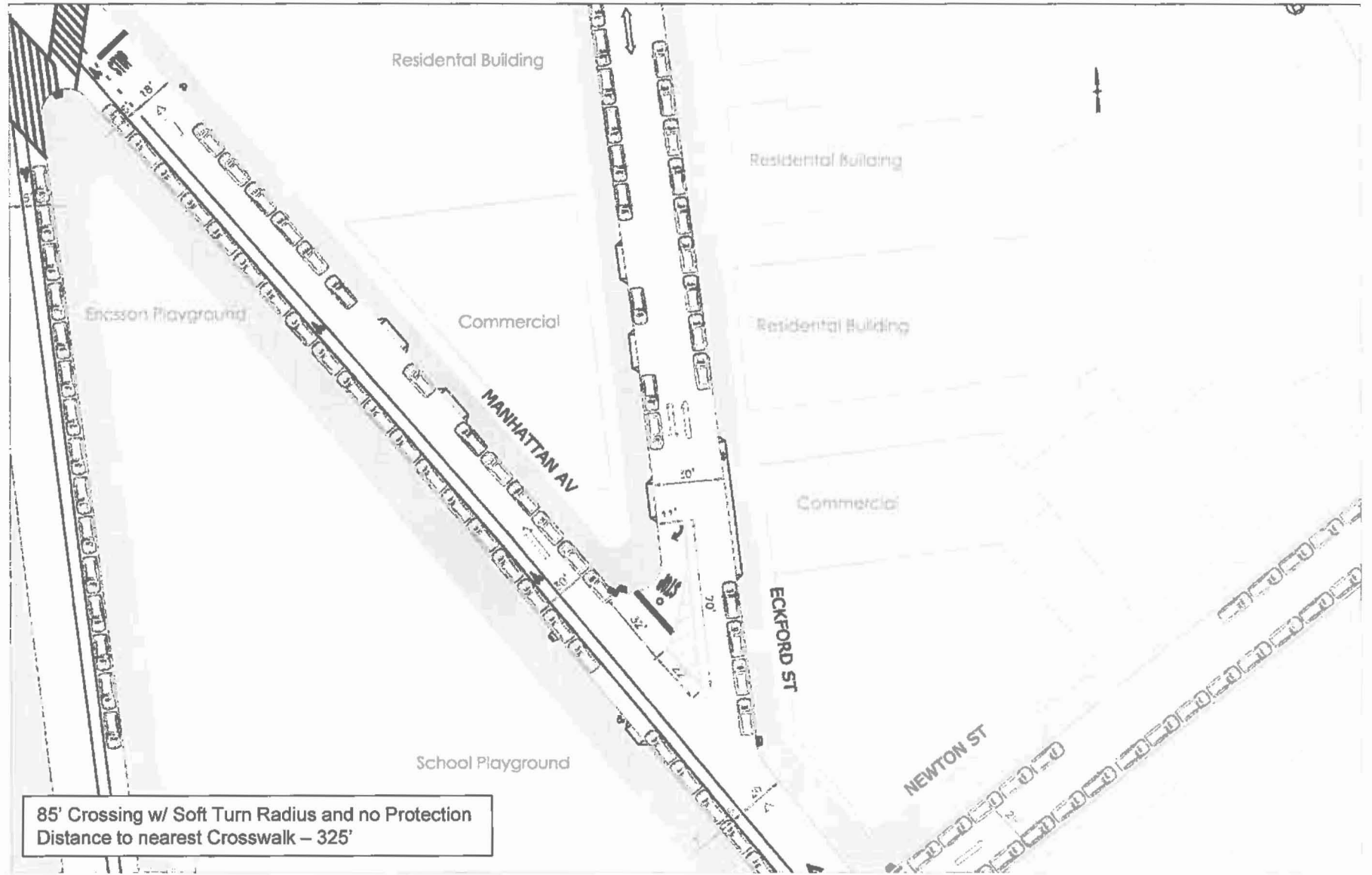
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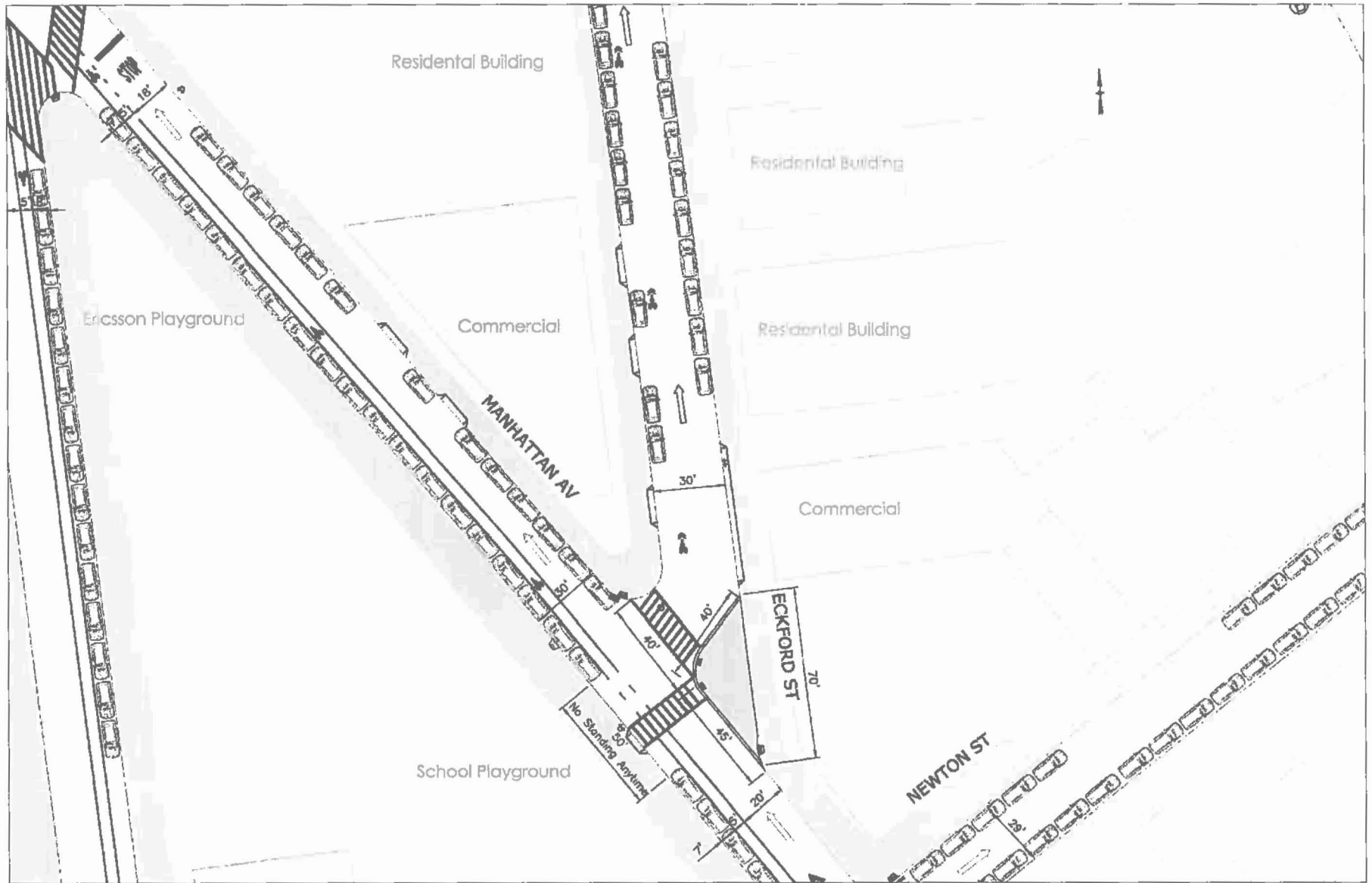
# Eckford St btw Manhattan Ave & Driggs Ave



# Eckford St @ Manhattan Ave - Existing

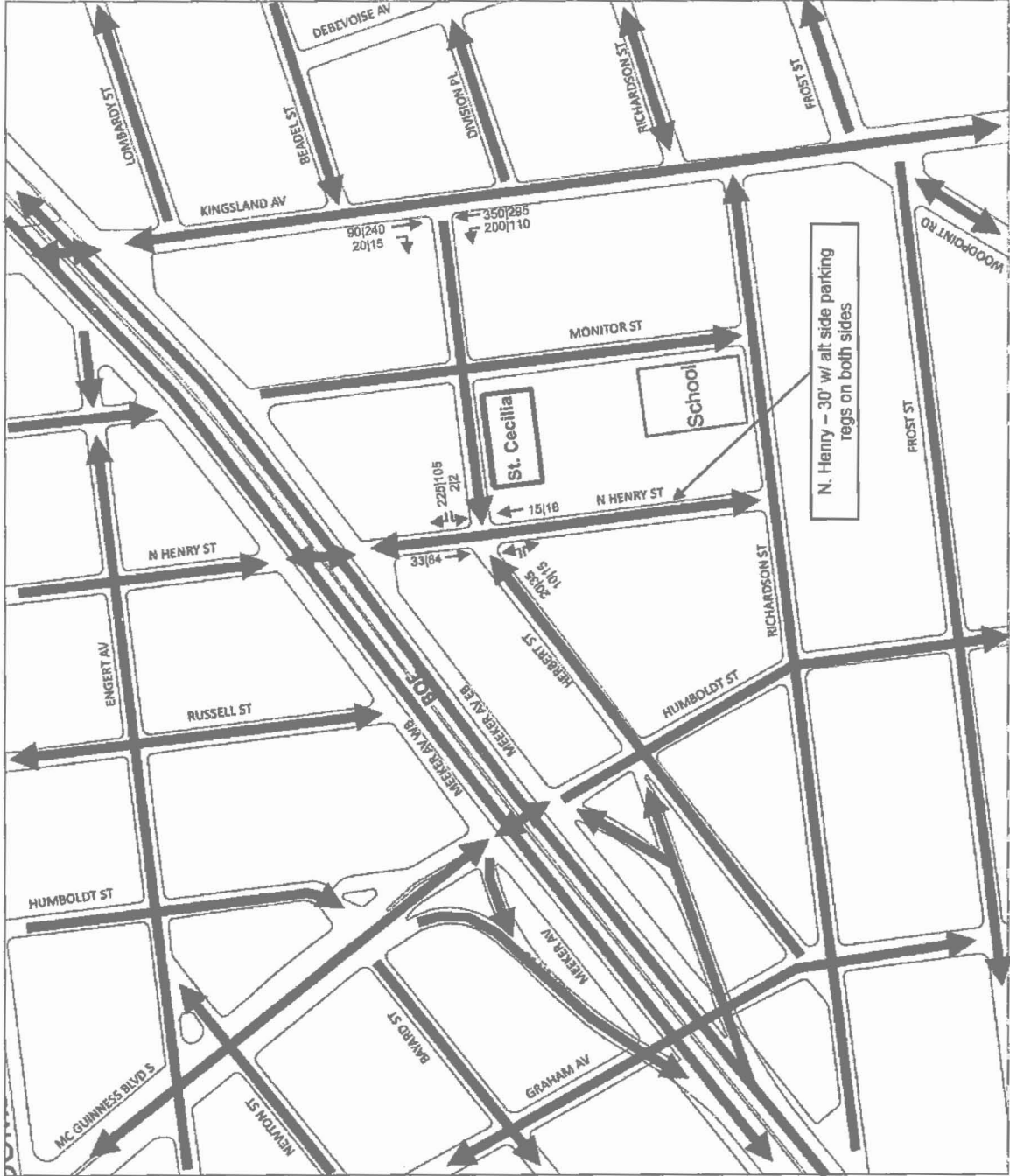


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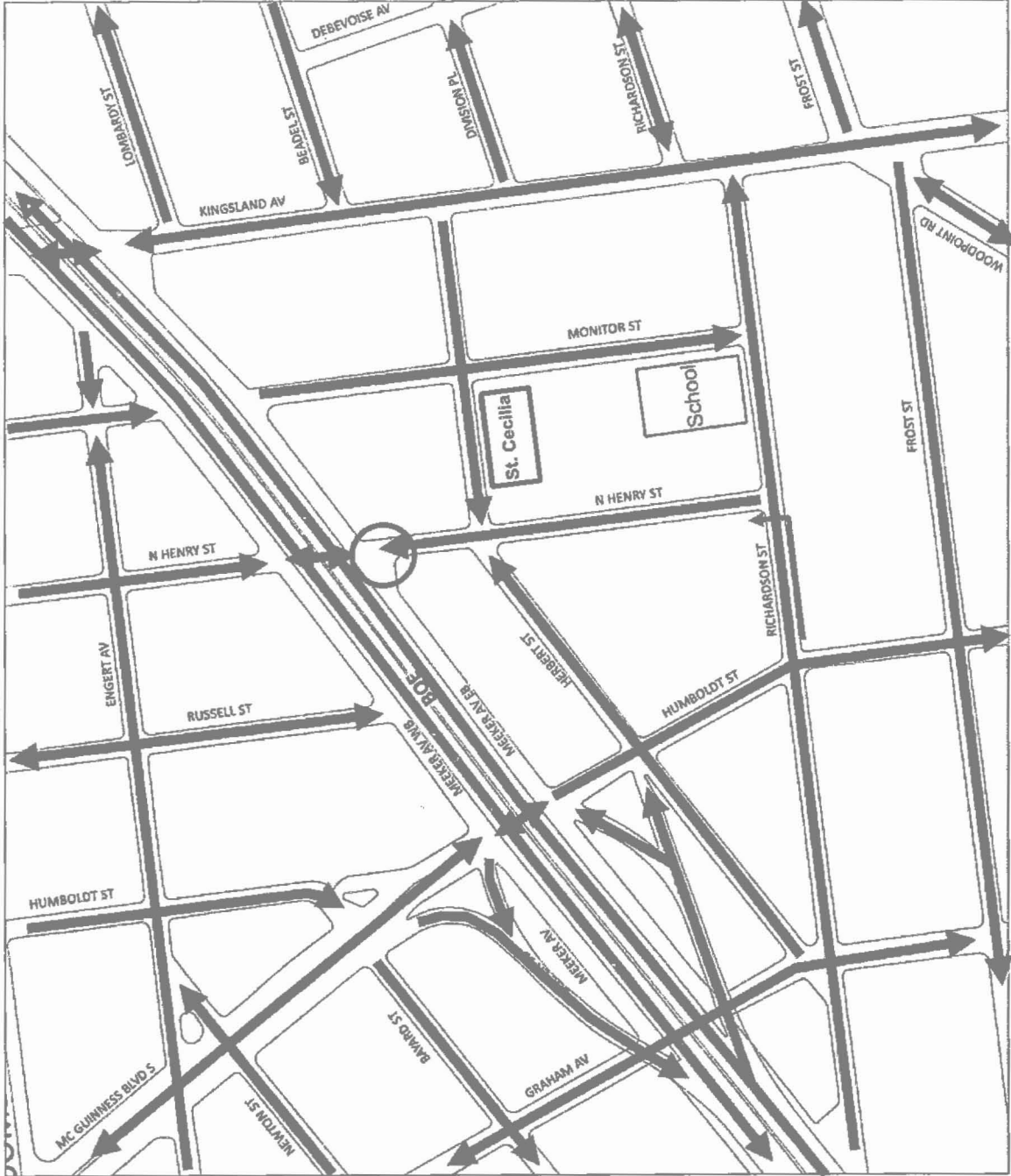


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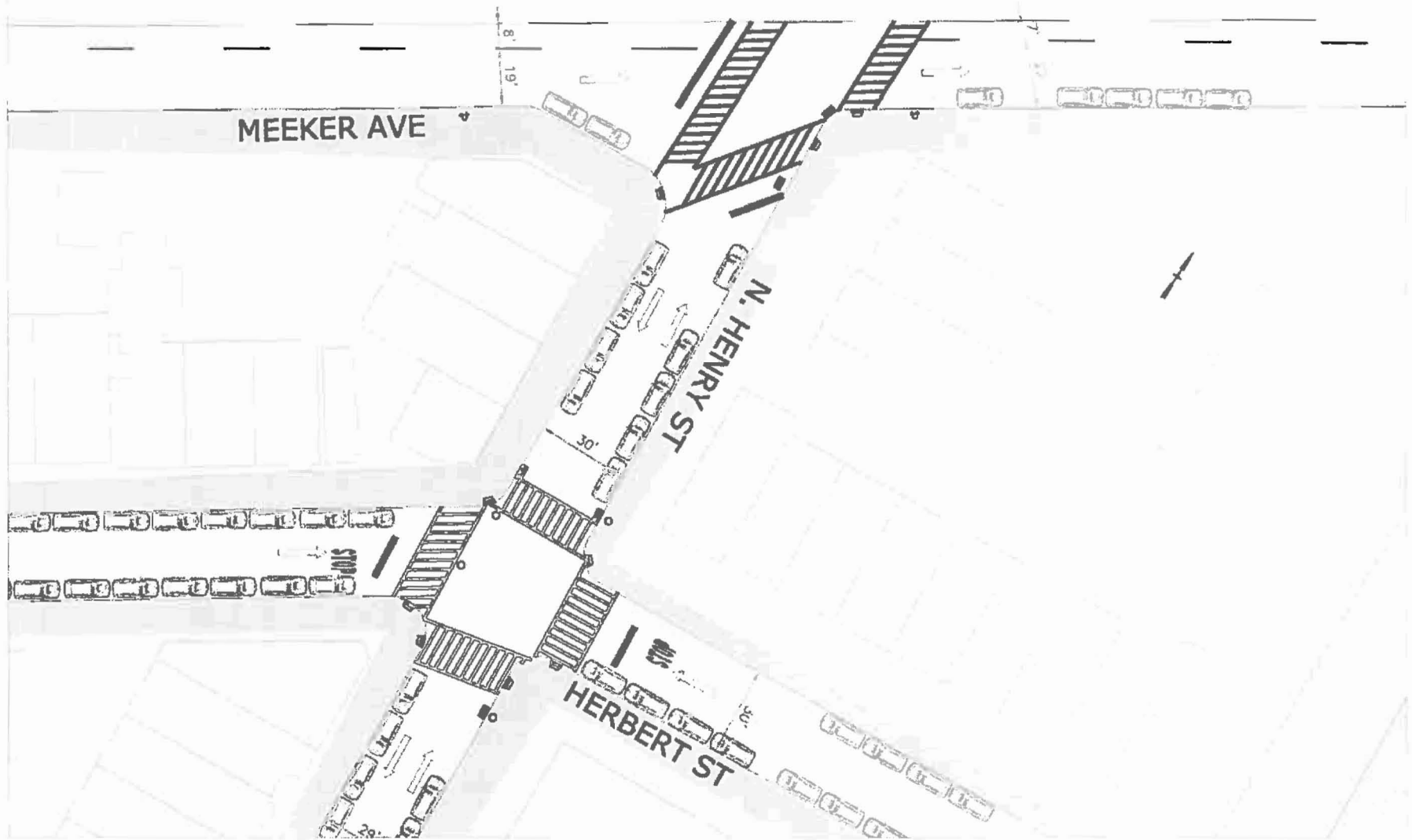
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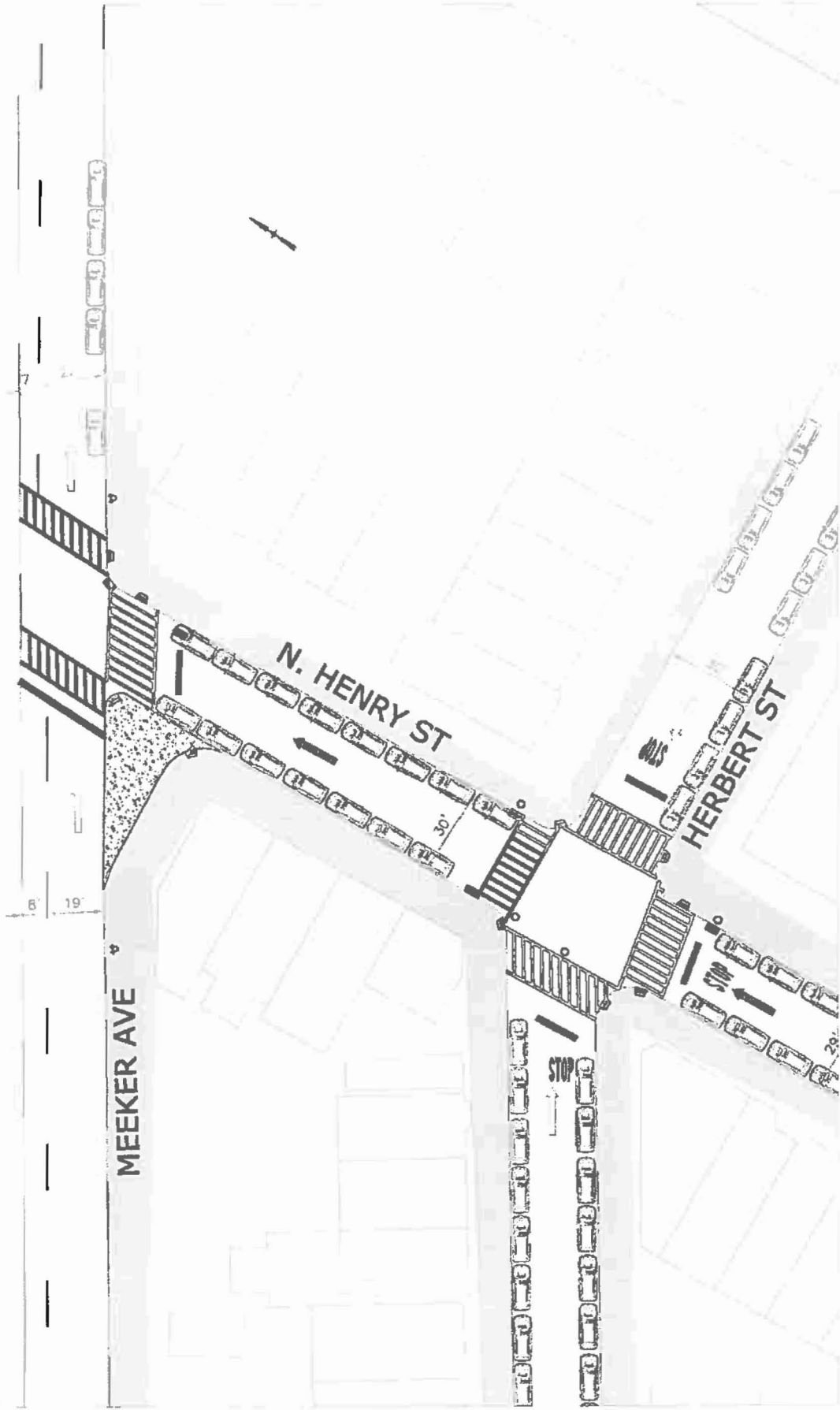
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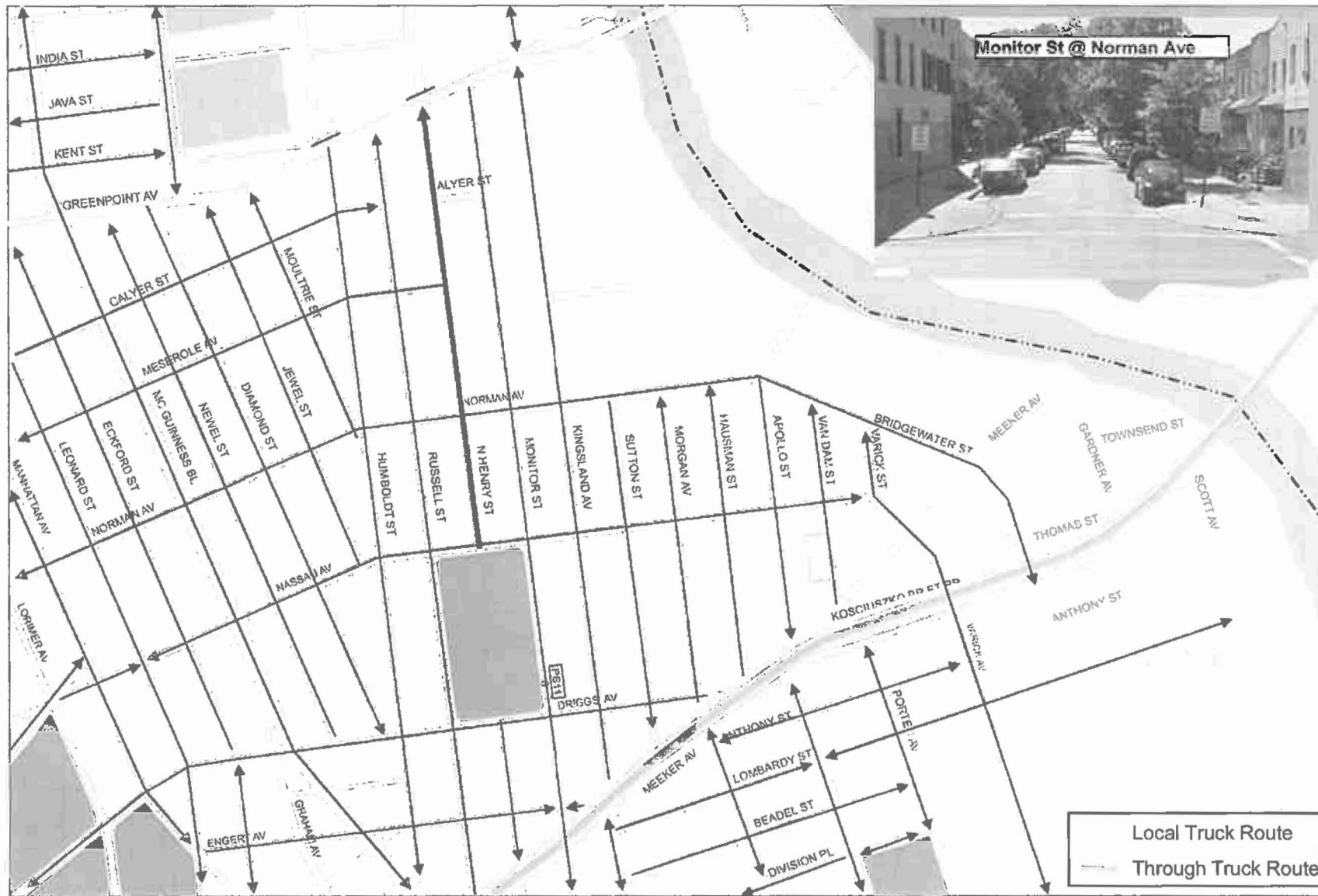
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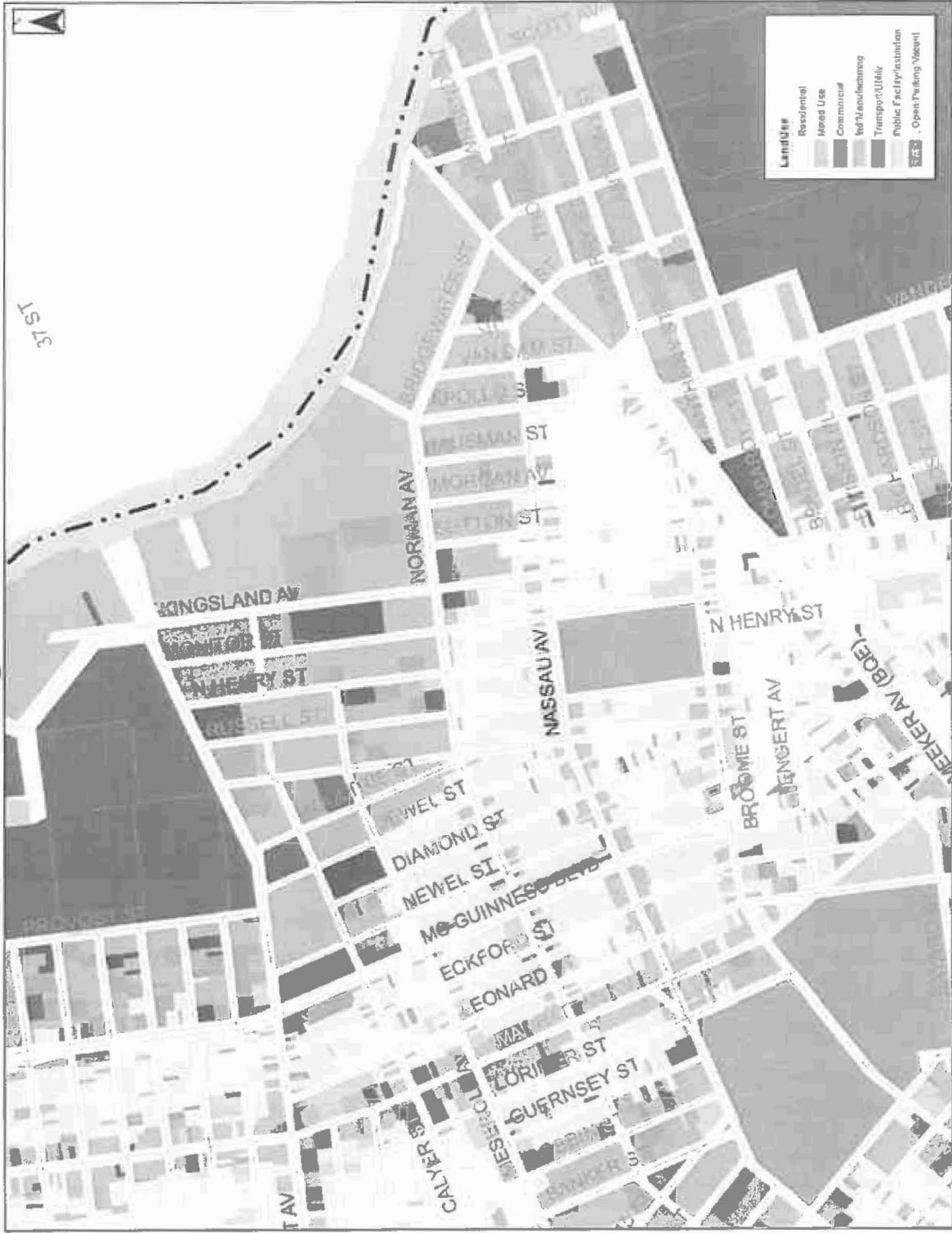
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# Existing Land Use





# Truck Route Signage Examples



# THANK YOU!

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Questions?

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## ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members

**FROM:** Rabbi David Niederman, Attendance Committee Chair

**RE:** Committee Attendance Compilation  
May 09, 2018 - June 12, 2018

The following committee has met to date. Attendance at the meeting is indicated.

Committee	Meeting Date	Member's Attendance
Attendance	05/09/18	Present: Niederman, Bruzatis.
		Absent: Peterson.
Transportation	05/14/18	Present: Bruzaitis, Argento, Elkins, Gangone, Nieves.
		Absent: Weiser, Gallagher, Gross, Kuonen, Landau, Mayer, Odomirok, Stuart.
Veterans	05/15/18	Present: Weidberg, Barricelli, Caponegro.
		Absent: Chirichella, Mayer, Neustein.

Housing & Public Housing	05/16/18	Present:	Niederman, Barricelli, Cabrera, Foster, Peterson.
		Absent:	Viera, Gallagher, Gross, Kaminski, Niedelman, Wilson.
Public Safety & Human Services	05/22/18	Present:	Burrows, Bamonte, Bachorowski, Barros, Foster, Low, Leanza.
		Absent	Cianciotta, Dybanowski, Gallagher, Viera (Excuse)
Land Use	05/23/18	Present:	Del Teague, Viera, Chesler, Niederman, Nieves, Sofer, Weidberg.
		Absent:	McKeever, Kaminski, Needelman, Weiser.
SLA Review	05/29/18	Present:	Bachorowski, Burrows, Barricelli, Barros, Bruzaitis, Cohen, Sofer, Solano, Stuart.
		Absent:	Dybanowski.
Executive	05/30/18	Present:	Fuller, Weiser, Del Teague, Weidberg, Iglesias.
		Absent:	Viera, Caponegro.
Environmental Protection	06/04/18	Present:	Elkins, Bruzaitis,
		Absent:	Chesler, Carbone, Chirichella, Franczoz, Kuonen, McKeever, Neustein
Education & Youth	06/05/18	Present:	Wilson, Barricelli, Burrows, Cabrera.
		Absent:	Iglesias, Cohen, Franczoz, Foster, Low,

Moskovitz, Torres,  
Weidberg, Indig

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Capital Budget

06/06/18

Present:

Weidberg.

Absent:

Del Teague, Gross, Indig.

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June 12, 2018

## CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members

FROM: Stephen J. Weidberg, Committee Chair

RE: District Needs Statement for Fiscal Year 2020

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The Capital Budget Committee met on June 6, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, 11211.

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ATTENDANCE: Present – S. Weidberg. Also present were District Manager Mr. Gerald A. Esposito and Assistant District Manager Ms. Marie Bueno-Wallin. Absent: Gross; Indig; Teague. (A quorum was not achieved.)

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The committee chair and the CB #1 staff members that were present discussed the Statement of District Needs for Fiscal Year 2020. Any comments received were incorporated into the document.

A draft of the Statement of District Needs for Fiscal Year 2020 is attached and it is submitted to the full board for adoption.

Once adopted the document will be submitted to the Office of Management & Budget and the Department of City Planning.

Thank you.

SJW/mbw  
Attachment



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# DRAFT

June 12, 2018

## BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS

### FISCAL YEAR 2020

Pursuant to the requirements of the New York City Charter, Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 (Greenpoint/Williamsburg) submits its Statement of Community District Needs for the upcoming year. It is our hope that the items identified in this document will be given priority consideration by the City of New York in order to further enhance the development of a cooperative planning process and insure an improvement in the quality of life for all of our residents.

#### OVERVIEW

The wave of 2009 (a Tsunami) continues to impact our community.

Not just a wave of destruction, but multiple waves of construction.

The flood waters have not receded.

Some construction worksites are still stalled or abandoned.

The undertow of these thunderous waves continues to negatively impact the lives of the residents of Greenpoint-Williamsburg and will effect generations to come.

This tide of grief has already created a climate of highly inflated rents, denied lease renewals to both residential and commercial tenants, and a forced exodus of longtime commercial tenants into less desirable areas and even out of state. Now, complicating the equation even more, we are faced with distressed and abandoned work sites and condo prices which are out of touch with today's market.

And the erosion of the existing community has not stopped there!

Like the construction of the Brooklyn Queens Expressway in the 1940's which split communities and demolished the Mt. Carmel Cathedral (for the so called betterment of the transportation network) this continuing pounding of the wave destroys dreams for the homesteaders, the poor and middle/working class of this community – the people who chose to stay, when it was not trendy or chic.

**Without a guarantee of affordability they have been forgotten.**

And as the flood waters persist to move inland, the distillates of the 2005 Rezoning (notably opposed by CB #1) continue to swoop down upon our small stable communities and create havoc by demolishing our quaint existing structures, building upward (with units not affordable for our community) and straining our limited services and already overburdened antiquated infrastructure. The 2005 rezoning continues to be a “gift that keeps on giving” --- we are now facing pending construction of tower type “as of right” developments in Greenpoint (City Landing/Commercial Street) and in Williamsburg (the former Domino site). We ask that a councilmatic blue ribbon commission be formed to examine and evaluate the results of the 2005 rezoning. The following projects are looming this year:

- Greenpoint Landing Project - Park Tower has proposing 4.2 million square feet of mixed-use development on a 22 acre waterfront site in Greenpoint. The City has worked with the developer on the plan, which includes the disposition of city-owned property. In addition to its residential component, the site will include retail, some 4 acres of public open space and a 640-seat pre-K-to-8 public school.
- 77 Commercial/65 Commercial Street Development Rights - Clipper Equities proposed a residential project on the 77 Commercial Street site, seeking a special permit to accommodate the additional square footage it is purchasing from the 65 Commercial Street site. Two hundred units of affordable housing are set aside in the development.
- The former Domino site - Is to be developed by Two Trees Management LLC (the new owners). The developer formerly indicated that its current plan envisioned a total of about 3.1 million square feet of development that will include approximately 2.3 million square feet of residential; 550,000 square feet of commercial space for small businesses; 228,000 square feet of public open space; 130,000 square feet of community facility space; 72,000 square feet of retail and 220,000 square feet of parking. The residential component will include an estimated 2,284 housing units, 660 of which are planned to be made affordable. Under the agreement with the City, the developer will now provide an additional 110,000 square feet of affordable housing as part o the project, for a total of 537,000 square feet of affordable housing, creating 700 affordable apartments covering a range of incomes, including a significant number of units sized for families. Affordable apartments will be integrated throughout the complex. All of those units will be permanently affordable.

Regarding the Newtown Barge and Box Street Parks, CB #1 approved the project for the Newtown Barge Park and urges the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation to fast track this long awaited project. We are awaiting the proposed plan for the Box Street Park.

As you know, planning for our community and waterfront has been in our sights for the last 20 years, culminating with the NYC Council approval of our two 197A plans. This was a Herculean undertaking by our Board and was the direct result of much sacrifice and voluminous hours of dedication to our community.

The continuous infusion of people (previously approximated as 40,000 persons; and at the least 8,780 dwelling units) in our community will place even greater burdens on the already overtaxed city services addressing the needs of our community. Our community has become a tourist attraction! Plans developed by HPD to protect our constituency have been implemented covertly and piecemeal while residents are being displaced on a daily basis. HPD should work in partnership with Community Board No. 1 to develop a comprehensive plan with community input. **HPD must document this displaced population and allow all these stakeholders a preferential status when low income units are available.** Approximately three years after



the approval of the Waterfront Plan, **459 units (at Palmer's Dock, Williamsburg Edge) of affordable housing have been built** in the plan area and the devastation caused by upland development has had an irreversible effect on the entire district. A few other sites for affordable housing have followed, however, by **the time the trickle down effect of affordable units come on line, the community will have been resettled by new faces from other areas and the displaced residents a mere memory. Some even relocated out of the district by HPD itself!**

We further note the following needs:

- A. That the City creates truly affordable housing units that are both rental and owner occupied. HPD must look outside the box and explore new concepts/options for funding including the use of Section 8 funds for home ownership. We remain highly concerned about the drought of Section 8 funding for both NYCHA and HPD agencies, and the loss of the Advantage Program assisting homeless families.
- B. Anti-Harassment and Displacement assistance services need to be restored and continue to be funded in the CB#1 District.
- C. HPD must re-enact services to residents of the district with a Neighborhood Services field office located within the CB#1's confines. The agency never relocated in the District. Forcing constituents to make the trek out of district to Joralemon Street – then closing the downtown office altogether.
- D. Affordable housing is out of reach for local residents because of income guidelines that do not reflect our constituency. The income requirements and rent guidelines need to be reformulated to reflect our area's AMI for affordability.
- E. McCarren Park Pool – construction of this facility is now complete after having the facility laid dormant and derelict since 1981. The pool is open and funds must continue to be allocated to operate and maintain the facility year round.
- F. Greenpoint and Williamsburg need more green space and parks staffing, including maintenance of the little precious park land that we have.
- G. Educational needs for District 14 Master Planning Effort (evaluation of services).
- H. MTA Needs Assessment of the Greepoint-Williamsburg Area (evaluation of services).
- I. We need to have no more closures of firehouses! A firehouse is greatly needed to serve the Northside and Waterfront community as a result of a closure of Engine 212 in 2003. There must be no additional closures or reduction in manning.
- J. Need for a hospital or emergency facility within the confines of Community District #1 area – none exists now!
- K. Need for increased space at the 94<sup>th</sup> precinct.
- L. Need for modernized services at the Greenpoint Station and Williamsburg Station (US Postal Service) – services are obsolete at these stations.

- M. Need to alleviate overcrowding of the train service – especially the Bedford Avenue “L” Station, and stop the continued cuts in service at the “G” train.
- N. The newly created bus service along our waterfront (Kent Avenue and Franklin Street) must be evaluated for any needed enhancements. This service is to be fully funded for expansion and ease of transportation to Manhattan. Other modes of transportation, including larger capacity ferry water service, should be continuously explored.
- O. McGolrick Park is in need of major improvements. We are pleased to learn that funding was secured for the necessary capital projects for the park's infrastructure and building.

Existing commercial activities have also been put at risk, while landowners are certainly attracted to higher rents and dividing rental units into more profitable ventures, businesses are crying out for safe havens to conduct their business with a degree of stability and the opportunity to expand. Existing jobs must be retained in the community and the Administration must accommodate these industries that chose to stay when many others left! These employment opportunities must be protected. Local employment strategies are the foundation of our success.

We will address additional needs in this document as we read on.

However, we would be remiss if we did not recall the City's own standards regarding open and green space. The citywide average for open and green space is 3.5 acres per 1,000 residents. Community District 1 continues to rank near the bottom of the list in terms of open space per capita, with 0.6 acres per 1,000 residents.

With the increase of population expected from the rezoning (25%) the new ratio (0.7) would still fall far below what the New York City Department of City Planning has as its own guideline (2.5 acres).

We therefore urge you to adopt these recommendations of Community Board No. 1.

We now present the specific components of this **Statement of Community Needs:**

## **HOUSING**

Affordable housing in Community Board No. 1 is a top priority that must be addressed as a critical need. If our neighborhoods are to remain viable and attract/retain jobs and a stable work force, an adequate supply of decent and affordable housing must be available at various income levels.

Community Board No. 1 generally supports the policies articulated by the City, that provides an unprecedented portion of City Capital Budget funding for housing in a manner that gives increased priority to the development of low and moderate income housing. As we have stated in previous years, three general principles must be incorporated into any equitable comprehensive housing plan:

**FIRST**, those currently funded housing programs that have proven successful must be held harmless from the reduction in past federal assistance, even if an increased City Tax Levy contribution is required to achieve this end.

**SECOND**, in allocating additional housing funds between the poor and middle class economic segments of our society, it is essential that the first priority be assigned to the poorest segment of our population, those who must bear the brunt of the housing crisis. However, we strongly support the need for affordable housing (both rental and home ownership) for all economic groups.

**THIRD**, any additional housing funds must be allocated in a fair and equitable manner that responds to the most critical housing needs of each Community District, with a clear and largely advertised marketing throughout the district.

We will now apply these principals to the major housing concerns of Greenpoint and Williamsburg:

While we were extremely encouraged by the Administration's "Points of Agreement" with the NYC Council and its consideration of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg zoning and related ULURP actions, several points were noted in this document, including affordable housing, which the Administration agreed to significantly increase through a variety of mechanisms including inclusionary zoning, financial and tax incentives. In addition to increasing the number of affordable units in the district, the Administration agreed to anti-harassment provisions to be provided separately, as part of a follow-up corrective action. The lack of progress on the many areas outlined in the Agreement shows a violation of the spirit of this document. This anti-harassment initiative should be delivered on a community grassroots level, through a Northside group with a significant track record of achievement. However, we have learned that not all of the groups funded for this endeavor are solely located in the affected geographic area. The ill-fated plans to create a Greenpoint-Williamsburg Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund of up to \$10 million, to be managed by HPD, using proceeds received from the sale of air rights from the MTA site on Commercial Street in Greenpoint never happened and there remains a void in a successful formula for ensuring affordability rights and protection for our constituency. A Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million) was established and those funds were quickly exhausted. The fund primarily served to protect existing tenants from unfair displacement and harassment. Harassment and displacement continues unmitigated. We are in dire need of funding for these non-profit groups to champion the rights of our residents and to monitor adherence to the City's requirements of affordability.

We are disappointed with the Bloomberg's Administration's Greenpoint-Williamsburg Community Advisory Board and the discontinuance of same by the current Administration. The appointment Advisory Board is charged with monitoring adherence to these points of agreement, including but not limited to, the development of affordable housing units, the development of open space, the implementation of industrial preservation and the periodic review of social infrastructure needs and mitigations in the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Community. We were discouraged by the slow implementation of the points and several members of the CAB have expressed their concerns over a lack of faith on the part of the Mayor. While we recognized that their agenda was lengthy their endeavors lack fruition and fall short on community participation, they failed to engage the community in a meaningful way and the current Administration has chosen to not engage the community at all.

All efforts must be made to implement those previously proposed projects that have yet to be funded. It is essential that the City realizes the need for low income rental housing/ownership and provide the much needed funds that will help compensate for the past tragic loss of Federal housing subsidies. The inclusion of such programs by the Mayor, an overall comprehensive housing program, is an absolute necessity for our district.

Homeownership in low-income communities is seriously weak. In other areas of the country, the Section 8 subsidy is utilized for home purchasing. We urge that a similar pilot program be brought to NYC, and that Greenpoint and Williamsburg is considered for inclusion.

We have seen the erosion of industrial businesses in the community, even from within the designated areas created by the rezoning to attract these enterprises. A recent report from the Furman Center about gentrification in NYC states that in Greenpoint and Williamsburg there are acute changes in the both the population and rents. The percentage change in the average rent over a period of time (1990 to 2010-2014) was noted as 78.7% versus the City wide average 22.1%

It is understood that several developers have already proclaimed their desire to build “affordable housing”, however, affordable by AMI is not necessarily affordable to our constituency; **these residents who have vested sweat equity in our district and colonized this community when others chose to stay away must not be forgotten.**

Affordable housing must be constructed “on site” at the waterfront and not scattered into less desirable pockets of the district. Affordable housing is out of reach for local residents because of income guidelines that do not reflect our constituency. The income requirements and rent guidelines need to be re-formulated to reflect our area’s AMI for affordability. In addition, those individuals that are in between income levels (\$45,000 - \$60,000 per annum must also be provided for).

Community Board No. 1 asks that the City revisit Greenpoint Hospital and reconsider the RFP submitted by our local nonprofit, and that in the future, that the City would give priority to the local nonprofits submitting RFPs. We continue to support GREC’s plans for the development of the site.

The New York State owned Marcy Avenue Armory site could be easily conveyed to the City for development of a very substantial amount of affordable housing.

## **PUBLIC HOUSING**

The District contains nine housing developments with 6,656 dwelling units administered by the NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA). These represent an extremely valuable low income housing resource. Additional City Tax Levy revenues must again be allocated to compensate for federal budget cutbacks, and provide for the best possible maintenance of these facilities. We continue to support the needed renovations to these various developments (i.e. the majority of the Williamsburg Houses storefronts remain vacant and in severe disrepair. These derelict units should be converted to badly needed affordable housing units to serve our constituents.)

Community Board No. 1 continues to oppose the NYCHA’s plan to meet their budgetary requirements by implementing drastic increases to fees for service, maintenance and rent for the low income tenants of public housing developments. We stand with the Cooper Park tenants in opposing NYCHA’s proposal to discontinue a building’s parking lot as a site for new housing, a deliverable from the Greenpoint Williamsburg Zoning Agreement to develop 130 units of “affordable” housing on a resident parking lot within Cooper Park Houses. This “dartboard” style, siting of affordable housing, is dangerous and provides additional stress on already overburdened sections of the district. The Resident Council has stated that “It is our desire to request on behalf of our residents a decision to support the proposed development of 130 units of affordable permanent housing. However, as an alternate site to the resident parking lot, we

are requesting that a new site be considered. A portion of the Frost Playground, located on Frost Street, between Kingsland and Morgan Avenues is a more suitable site for the proposed housing. We are asking for support of Community Board #1 in developing the much needed housing at this alternate location.” \* NYCHA should consult with the Cooper Park Resident Council Inc. in soliciting NYCHA’s concept. \* ***Communicated in written correspondence sent to Community Board No. 1 from Ms. Diane Jackson, President, Cooper Park Resident Council Inc., dated June 16, 2010.***

### **SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING**

We note that there is a great need for housing of the elderly and an increasing senior citizen population in Community Board No. 1 (over 20,000) remains of paramount concern. In the past, we have been successful in obtaining Section 202 (federal) funding for various senior housing developments in the district: Jennings Hall, Monsignor Vetro Houses, Metropolitan Houses, Monsignor Jarka Hall, Los Sures Senior Citizens Development, Dupont Street Mary D’Angelis Senior Housing) and Huron Street Senior Housing. We urge that similar efforts continue in Greenpoint/Williamsburg, with additional Section 202 sites submitted by private and City sources and evaluated by Community Board No. 1 prior to being recommended to the City. Where there is a shortage of senior citizen, assisted living housing, and nursing homes (**a nursing home was targeted for construction at the former Greenpoint Hospital campus**) in the district, we hope that the City will develop this targeted housing as promised by a previous administration. However, HPD has failed miserably in communicating with this Board.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

With the infestation of new construction throughout the entire district we need a commitment from the City for the monitoring of construction safety and abatement of construction-related nuisances(s). We also need increased enforcement of environmental related issues to ensure that new residential sites (conversions) are safe for habitation.

Demolition often poses additional threats to older and existing adjacent structures. This explosion of new construction in our district has resulted in a rise of adjacent property damage complaints at these sites, as well as building collapses. We applauded the Department of Buildings establishment of a dedicated unit to monitor construction sites, however, this unit just deals with excavation/foundations. We are pleased with the subsequent establishment of a “Construction Task Force” under the Department of Buildings that would double check certification for construction plans and also double check individual sites for compliance and adherence. The Department of Buildings must continue to address safety issues and proper attention made to adjacent properties to provide protection and relief.

The Department of Buildings must continue to inventory stalled construction sites and monitor them for any issues that would negatively impact the community (homeless encampments, standing water-mosquito infestation/West Nile Virus/Zika Virus prevention, illegal dumping, trespassing, arson).

Community Board No. 1 was pleased to learn that there was progress at the State level to strengthen regulations over construction projects as both Greenpoint and Williamsburg have been greatly impacted by the booming number of construction jobs happening in New York City. Our Board had to be the first one to point out problems with a job, often for nonconformance to either plans, zoning or just plain sound construction practices. Adjacent homeowners frequently reported that their foundations were being undermined by work next to them because the contractor failed to simply do required underpinning.

In 2009 legislation was introduced into the NYS Assembly to address shortcomings in the Department of Buildings' (DOB's) regulation of construction and development in NYC. The legislative package included seven cohesive bills. One bill, A04770A - called "The Department of Buildings Community Accountability Act" aimed in particular provide a greater voice and access for community boards to the Department of Buildings was enacted in 2010. It directs DOB to notify community boards and borough presidents of all construction permits and DOB actions in the district and to issue public reports on all construction accidents, property damage and dangerous conditions. It also prohibits DOB from issuing certificates occupancy until all adjudicated fines are paid; and it gives community boards the right to thirty (30) DOB audits a year and to copies of any plans on file at the DOB. This type of mandated direct access provides additional teeth for our board as we will be able to have a better picture of what a particular job entails and what problems exist. The Board's ability to access information will go beyond just a few lines listed in a computer database. Plans would be more readily obtainable. The Loft Law Expansion, passed in June 2010, was designed to bring loft buildings up to residential safety and fire codes while giving rights and protections to the tenants who inhabited them. The bill was introduced as an extension of the original 1982 law. Overseen by the Loft Board, the city's agency charged with implementing the law, Loft Law coverage means that landlords must adhere to the rules and guidelines set forth by the Loft Board to bring the space up to code while only raising the rent when landlords reach certain benchmarks. After a certain number of rent increases, the loft's rent will become stabilized. In an attempt to rectify some loft law stipulations a bill was introduced to clean up certain provisions of the Loft Law and expand coverage. As the landscape of the city changes, more and more hotels are being built in neighborhoods that are historically residential, such as ours.

Hotels have an outsized, often disruptive impact on our communities. We have urgently expressed the need for a process that provides real community review of hotel development.

Recent hotel growth in Brooklyn is happening in both residential and industrial areas, crowding out local communities, manufacturing spaces, and possible affordable housing sites. This hotel growth has led to the gentrification and homogenization of our communities, and it has inflated rents and property taxes. To maintain our vibrant city, every effort should be made to preserve socioeconomic diversity and keep our neighborhoods affordable for the mix of uses (residential, community spaces, artistic) that currently exists. Since the 2005 rezoning of our District's waterfront we anticipated problems with hotel growth. In addition, hotel developments that fail can easily file for financial hardship and request for a change to a non-conforming use such as residential/condominium development, thus sidetracking the zoning regulations which would otherwise be denied in manufacturing ("M") zones.

We reached out to the City and our elected officials to tackle this predictive oncoming wave but no substantial action was ever taken. Not only do we have several new transient hotels constructed, more are on their way to be built. They emerge "as of right" in the company of tremendous increasing capacities and multi-functions. Our district has also become fertile grounds for establishing bunker bed hostels, vacation/bed & breakfast apartment rentals, transitional housing for the homeless, and "yotels". A new amendment (Int. 181-A) to the Local Law attempts to establish a process. It however, merely gives notice to the affected community board with no ability to review or establish a community need. We require a real voice in the development process and an opportunity to engage developers before they start building. The simplest most comprehensive approach is to amend the Zoning Resolution so that new hotels may only be developed by special permit.

We strongly support a city-wide special permit requirement for hotels. This will empower communities and put residents and our representatives in City Council and the Borough President's office on more equal footing with hotel developers, who have too often disregarded substantive issues.

### **PROBLEMS WITH SIDEWALK OBSTRUCTIONS**

We have raised Revocable Consent issues related to the garbage can cages and other such encroachment issues on sidewalks (other than Sidewalk Cafes). There is a question of what particular agency is responsible for things such as sidewalk structures extending onto the sidewalk from stores, the use of wooden crates holding produce or the use of a sidewalk curb area to sell goods (i.e. plants, flowers and ATM's).

We have found that with the proliferation of eating and drinking establishments in the district that many of these businesses are not abiding by the City's rules and regulations for outdoor use. They are either ignorant of the requirements or flagrantly abuse them. Enforcement is a key issue here.

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) was designated as the agency to address the sudden explosion of illegal clothing bins. Finally a protocol was developed regarding bins found to be in violation of Local Law 31. According to the agency, if a publicly accessible collection bin is suspected of being in violation, the DSNY will attempt to notify the owner by certified mail. The notice will state that the bin must be removed within 30 days. Regardless of whether the owner's address is ascertainable, DSNY is required to post a notice on the bin stating that it must be removed within 30 days. Failure to remove the bin within the designated time period will result in the removal and disposal of the bin by DSNY.

### **WEEKEND AND AFTER HOURS CONSTRUCTION WORK VARIANCES**

Community Board No. 1 takes a strong stance regarding the granting of weekend and after hour work variances by the Department of Buildings. Given the vast diversity of ethnic beliefs in the greater Greenpoint and Williamsburg neighborhoods, and the super saturation of construction activities throughout the entire district, the Board has taken a position that these types of variances **must** not be granted. In lieu of the perception that the Department of Buildings is not adhering to the wishes of the Board, CB #1 has called upon the Brooklyn Borough President, the Mayor, and the City Council to help us with this endeavor.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFFING**

Adequate police protection is a basic public right, and we urge the Community Board No. 1's two local precincts – the 90<sup>th</sup> and 94<sup>th</sup> – receive their fair share of any additional police staffing.

Community Board #1 is experiencing a renaissance. Current population statistics topple over census figures as new faces fill our streets as we become the trendy place to live; even more to visit. New residences are constructed or lofts are converted, new entertainment venues are being developed. While we are enjoying this popularity, it comes with a cost.

Our two police precincts, the 90<sup>th</sup> and 94<sup>th</sup>, continue to be severely overburdened with addressing the many quality of life issues that arise with the many different lifestyles of our new and existing populations. For example, Bedford Avenue (between Metropolitan Avenue and

North 12<sup>th</sup> Street; North 6<sup>th</sup> Street between Bedford and Kent Avenue) has become a Mecca for bars, eateries – and on the whole – a new venue for nightlife in Williamsburg. Policing is a necessary ingredient for this venue to be successful, not only for the City as a tax revenue base, but being able to weave this trend into an existing community. Likewise, the introduction of clubs, bars and galleries in Greenpoint has also created a greater enforcement need – constituents are walking the streets at later hours whereas past trends of earlier bedtimes drew less police action. We are highly concerned about the sudden rise of huge venues for entertainment that are opening in the district, especially within our industrial/manufacturing enclaves. These large venues are geared to attract thousands of patrons to their doors per event. Such numbers require tight security plans and safety management. In lieu of this ever-changing scenario Community Board No. 1 seeks immediate action in the assignment of additional police officers to the 90<sup>th</sup> and 94<sup>th</sup> Police Precincts.

In addition, the growth in the residential and commercial population has brought a great deal more vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic to the district. We would greatly benefit from more traffic enforcement agents, particularly along our busiest and increasingly dangerous corridors: Graham Avenue, Flushing Avenue, Metropolitan Avenue, Bedford Avenue, and Manhattan Avenue. Since the implementation of a cycling network in our district, we are compelled to respond to increased complaints by residents that cyclists are not adhering to rules of safety. We call upon the Administration to begin a program of identification license plates for bicycles. Revenues attained by the plating of bicycles can be used to implement additional safety measures to protect cyclist, pedestrians and motorists. We believe that the implementation of the BikeShare program warrants the need for police personnel to be dedicated for bicycles safety enforcement.

We continue to support the installation of surveillance cameras within the City's subway stations. The cameras have aided the police in deterring crime and apprehending criminals. We support requests made by our local precinct(s) commanders to install these cameras, monitored by NYPD personnel, in our district's stations (G, L, M/J lines).

This should result in the assignment of adequate police officers to each facility to maintain the recently reduced crime rate and maintain around the clock coverage of all police sectors in each precinct. In addition, it is essential that the number of police officers assigned to the eight NYC Housing Authority developments located in Community Board No. 1 be significantly increased, whereas Cooper Park was turned over to the 94<sup>th</sup> Precinct. This should be duplicated throughout Community District #1 area. Turning NYCHA sites over to their respective precincts for a more local policing strategy is the right thing to do!

### **ADULT ESTABLISHMENT ZONING. LIQUOR AND CABARET LICENSES**

In 1995 Community Board No. 1 opposed the City's efforts to regulate and restrict the operation and conduct of Adult Establishments by allocating them to exist only in manufacturing districts. This change in zoning allows for an unfair share of these establishments to have the ability to relocate to communities, such as Greenpoint and Williamsburg that possess large manufacturing areas. We seek the City to progress a strategy addressing this issue to prevent such establishments from opening in a newly developed area.

The New York State Liquor Authority has thrust upon our community board the burdensome role of review for applications that the state agency receives for licensing premises. The community board is an advisor only and not a license granter here nor does it share in the revenue stream. However, the review role is both costly and time consuming. It requires the intake of notifications (30 day Municipal Notice). These notifications are accepted



by CB #1 by USPS certified return receipt mail. The receipt of this document then triggers the board's review process where:

- 1.) CB #1 announces the application on a meeting notice. Some types of applications, such as new sidewalk cafe applications and cabaret licenses, notice of the meeting is hand distributed by placing notices within the affected area.
- 2.) CB #1 dedicates time and space on its public hearing agenda to hear from the public. Comments are solicited, and if made, become part of the board's records.
- 3.) CB #1 sends out notifications to the applicant, package of materials to be completed, and a invitation for them to attend the review meeting.
- 4.) Materials are transmitted to the applicant for the review process (questionnaire, poster).
- 5.) At a review meeting, a presentation is made and the application is discussed, with the committee making a recommendation.
- 6.) The recommendations are presented to the full board in the form of a report.
- 7.) The board then votes on the recommendations and the result is submitted to the NYSLA.

All throughout this monthly process, the staff is dedicating an inordinate amount of time to handle the voluminous amount of applications that come to the board. There is a constant stream of mail coming in, going out, email correspondence and hard copied documents to be filed and maintained. For those applicants who are postponed, the process lingers until there is a determination.

There has been a continued landslide in the number of applications made to the NY State Liquor Authority for locations in CB #1. The Board is highly concerned about the proliferation and concentration of bars in the district. Our board is also concerned about an ambiguity that exists in the NYSLA's outdated "200 foot" rule. This ambiguity excludes day care centers and Pre-K institutions from the "200 foot" equation in determining the location of a proposed establishment on the same street. We feel that such an ambiguity is detrimental to the essential purpose of this NYSLA's regulation and seek your efforts in correcting this miscalculation. We have written to the NYSLA recommending that they expand the 200 ft. rule to include day care centers and Pre-k programs.

As its role is only one of advisory capacity, CB #1 urges the Police Department, the Department of Consumer Affairs and the State Liquor Authority to aggressively examine these locations prior to granting or renewing any licenses, and urges that both the 500-foot hearing and 200-foot rulings be used to ascertain an establishment's appropriateness. It appears that the SLA uses this permitting process as a fundraising effort for the State and takes little interest in the cumulative effort of these drinking establishments on communities.

We were pleased that the City Council sought with legislation to step up enforcement by requiring stricter hiring regulations and background criminal checks for employees hired as bouncers at clubs and bars. We remain concerned about outdoor uses and noise complaints (i.e. patios, rooftops, backyard gardens) and urge that the City Council reintroduce legislation that would provide restrictions for such uses. We are also concerned about the proposed shortened review period for sidewalk cafes as well as the extended time for sidewalk cafes to open on Sundays. Shortening of the review period will present problems for community boards to complete their process and provide comments. The extended hours for sidewalk cafes to allow an earlier time to operate on Sundays will conflict with the SLA's regulations restricting establishments to not serve alcohol before 12 o'clock (noon).

Furthermore, Community Board No. 1 pre-warned the Administration that the “Smoking Ban” would project bar-goers into the streets and rear yards of communities to smoke and that must be addressed in any legislation. Unfortunately, we were right and we continue to receive voluminous complaints about bar patrons outside bars smoking and sidewalks riddled with cigarette and cigar butts. Residents have expressed health concerns as the second hand smoke tends to linger and enter their abodes. This quality of life concern must now be addressed by the Administration.

### **ANTI-DRUG TASK FORCE**

We note the valuable contribution of the anti-drug SNEU (Street Narcotic Enforcement Unit, housed at the 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct). We urge continued efforts by the NYPD to deter illegal drug dealing in our community and reduce crime.

We are concerned about the lack of planning on both New York State and New York City levels in regards to medical marijuana operations. In July 2014, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature enacted the "Compassionate Care Act" making the drug available to certified patients with serious conditions who need it. The program is reportedly designed to ensure that medical marijuana is available for patients and is dispensed and administered in a manner that protects public health and safety. The State's website notes that As of May 24, 2016: 583 physicians have registered for the NYS Medical Marijuana Program, and 4,081 patients have been certified by their doctors. Since the "legalization" of marijuana in other US states, problems of abuse have skyrocketed in communities, especially in places like Colorado and California. We are concerned that our community will suffer from similar woes and fear that New York State does not have a firm grasp on the matter.

### **FOOT PATROL**

The foot patrolman is a valuable public safety resource and more personnel must be put on patrol to increase efficiency and address quality of life type complaints. It is extremely disappointing that this Mayoral budget is void of any additional funding for the NYPD. We strongly urge that there be additional funding for police staffing and that resources also be increased for foot patrol at the various NYCHA developments in the District under the auspices of the local precinct. We are pleased that they have started a new initiative: “NCO”. For each sector team there are two officers designated as the neighborhood coordination officers (NCOs).

### **SPEED CAMERAS**

We supported the installation of these cameras on McGuinness Boulevard, especially at the intersection of Norman Avenue where Public School 34 is located.

### **ANTI-ARSON PROGRAMS**

Community Board No. 1 unfortunately, had the distinction of being in the top three of the community districts with the highest suspicious fire rates. For 2016 the Fire Department's statistics for CB #1 show that there were: 11,788 total emergency & medical emergencies; 6,188 non-fire and nonmedical emergencies; 618 nonstructural fires and 669 structural fires; 13,539 total incidents - the third highest in the borough). From January - May 2017 CB #1 has had 13 suspicious fires. In 2016 there were a total of 48 suspicious fires, ranking the district as fourth in the borough with a high rate. The devastating 10+ alarm fire in 2006 the Greenpoint Terminal Market (remarked as rivaling the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center) shows too dramatically the need for fire protection and the full complement needed to investigate and solve suspicious fires. We must not forget that a large percentage of housing

stock was lost in our communities during the arson ravages of the 1970's. It was only through prevention, education, investigation and the bringing to justice those persons criminally responsible, that the spread of fire damage was stemmed. We continue to rank within the top five community boards in terms of total incidents. As long as this intolerable situation continues to exist, it is essential that a team of Fire Marshals be specifically assigned to serve Community Board No. 1 on a full time basis.

We are concerned that the consolidation, re-deployment and continuing attrition of Fire Marshal personnel has greatly decreased the efficiency of this unit and its ability to effectively perform its role (today, there are only 80 Fire Marshals and 19 Supervisors for the entire City of NY). In 2002 the FDNY had four Marshal Bases (one in each Borough, except Staten Island). Today there is just one Fire Marshal Base in the entire City!)

We seek the Red Cap Program (called this because its 50 Fire Marshals wore red caps to make their presence known in the neighborhood) to be reinstated. These "Red Caps" worked in two-person teams around the clock responding to every fire. The advantage of the Red Cap is that investigators are on the scene immediately, not waiting to be notified that a blaze was suspicious. Teams of Marshals and Police Detectives worked to investigate arson-related fires and to prosecute the criminals that started them.

### **FDNY/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

We continue to be in "shock and awe" with the Mayor's decision to close Engine Company 212 that we are compelled to once again reiterate our extreme and vehement opposition to any Fire Station closings. The future of our community depends on this essential service. We are pleased that 136 Wythe Avenue was awarded to two local community based organizations, People's Firehouse and Neighbors Allied for Good Growth (NAG). Both are prominent in the Northside and will develop the site. The Board played a vital role in seeing this through to fruition. Our support of the award in no way implies a complacency with no firehouse in its stead. We need a ladder company and hazmat unit here. The growth of the area commands a large more state of the art facility. We oppose any plan by the Administration to close any more units!

With the closing of St. Catherine's Hospital in 1964 and the Greenpoint Hospital shutdown in 1982, **the Greenpoint/Williamsburg community remains void of any hospital facility within its confines.** Although vibrant and expanding, the communities of Greenpoint/Williamsburg continue to have an older population (and a rising young one) and thus rely on the Fire services, EMS, Engine Companies with defibrillators to be the "1<sup>st</sup> Responders" when needed. For the period of January – May 2017, our fire companies responded to 4,933 emergencies (total emergency & medical responses) as "Certified First Responders-Defibrillators" in Community Board No. 1. The ranking for our district is the third highest in Brooklyn with Emergency Medical total responses. The total number for Nonfire and Nonmedical Emergencies for this year to date (May) is 2,783 noting our district as the highest in Brooklyn with these responses. There were 238 responses to structural fires and 223 nonstructural fire responses, with a total of 461 year to date, ranking our district as first with the highest number. In 2016, from January to December, CB #1 ranked third in the borough with 13,539 total incidents handled by the FDNY.

As a community in renaissance, we have seen a steady rise in population (noted in the 2010 census). We believe that this figure is far short of the actual increase (the notable growing population includes many new families with young children, and there is a boom in the restaurant/bar type businesses with many patrons attracted from both inside and outside the

community). In fact, Mayor Bloomberg acknowledges the City's increasing population in his PlaNYC which addresses the challenges facing the city. By 2010 it states that NY will have added a population the size of Salt Lake City and in the year 2030 Brooklyn's population is to increase by 11.4%.

An increased risk of fire is connected with restaurant operations, as well as possible food/choking hazard emergencies. Many of these restaurants are located on the first floor of wood frame buildings that have residential units above them. We remain concerned about the lack of fire and emergency medical service coverage in this section of our district.

The exodus of the commercial use to that of residential is extremely problematic mainly as well because most – if not all – of the properties are wood beam construction with an extreme potential for fire.

Additional projects already completed or those that are in the works which create further housing units includes the: HPD – Schaefer Brewery Site: 350 units; Domsey Site: 540 units; Kedem Winery: 450 units. The former Domino Sugar site (11 acres) at our waterfront's edge promised development by the Community Preservation Corporation: 2,200 units had remained dormant. The Community Preservation Corporation sold the property to Two Trees Management. We had looked forward to a dialogue toward developing the site as a major source of affordable housing (CPC had indicated that they would develop 660 of these units). The refinery building has received landmark status and development for this building is to be carefully considered with preservation. This project has not moved quick enough to address our pressing need for affordable housing. We were concerned that the developer would be able to retool this property for other uses. However, the City reached an agreement on the redevelopment of the Domino Sugar site to increase affordable housing.

The NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development submitted an application to the Department of City Planning seeking a rezoning in the Broadway Triangle area. Community Board No. 1 held a public hearing on June 9, 2009 regarding the application and the ULURP Committee reviewed it at a meeting held later in the month to formulate a recommendation. At its regular board meeting held July 14, 2009, the members of Community Board No. 1 voted to support the application with modifications. We continue to support affordable housing and open space for the Broadway Triangle area.

How did we close a firehouse on the heels of a major rezoning plan that reportedly will create several thousand additional housing units to an already overburdened area? **Surely someone in the Administration advising the Mayor did not do the math!**

We applaud the Fire Department's efforts to bring better service via the concept of housing EMT bases strategically located in the community. A location was identified and secured within Community Board No. 1 (332 Metropolitan Avenue). After several delays this facility's construction was completed and operating. The FDNY has made little attempt if any, to site a location to serve the northern portion of Greenpoint. **We hereby call upon the Administration to address the community's need for ready ambulance services.**

The FDNY in recent years collaborated with the DOT (in Staten Island) on addressing speed bump concerns. The increase in these barriers caused many FDNY personnel and residents to worry that there may be considerable increases in response times for ambulances and fire apparatus. The initial study proved that these mounds yield an increase in response time. DOT routinely seeks our Board to support request for speed bumps. We therefore, must oppose any such requests until a proper study is conducted demonstrating the safety of this alleged

speeding deterrent. We request that further study be done specifically in our district to evaluate these areas of concern. A letter was sent to the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation on this matter has gone unanswered.

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

### **INCREASE STAFFING**

The over 110 acres of parkland situated in Community Board No. 1 represent an extremely valuable resource, the potential of which, however, remains to be realized due to the continued erosion of Park Department staff. Clearly, 29 “real” (1 manager, 3 supervisors, 1 full time gardener, 1 part time gardener, 23 other regular staff) maintenance workers cannot begin to supply even minimal coverage of our heavily utilized parks, and underscore the need to provide for the proper maintenance of these facilities. We currently have only 1 slot for workers (playground associates) who provide recreational services for youths and administer programs in the district. This playground associate is located in only one of our many playgrounds – totally insufficient to fully serve Community Board No. 1’s district. According to the 2010 census, our District contains over 51,600 residents who are 19 years of age or less, and hosts a heavily used regional park (McCarren Park). We have found that the number of children in the district is steadily increasing as can be seen with the corresponding increases of public and private school enrolled pupils (kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> grade). A minimum of 5 more supervisory staff positions and 30 employee staff positions are badly needed. Specifically, additional maintenance staff must be assigned to the following facilities: McCarren Park, Cooper Park, Sternberg Park (Lindsay Park), Sgt. Dougherty (to be reconstructed with the Kosciuszko Bridge Project), P.S. 84 Playground, Martinez Playground, La Guardia Playground, Bushwick Houses Pool. Beyond this, it is essential that adequate recreation staffing is assigned to Metropolitan Pool and such major facilities as McCarren, McGolrick and Sternberg Parks. Finally, firm commitments to secure adequate, year round, recreation, security and medical first aid staffing at McCarren Pool is essential and must be made a very high department priority.

### **McCARREN PARK AND POOL**

Since its opening in 1938, McCarren Pool has been a valuable Summertime resource to the youth of our community, and North Brooklyn, and was imperative that its reconstruction proceeded as promptly as possible. Community Board No. 1 was pleased that a community consensus was reached in February 2001 regarding the derelict facility. We supported the feasibility plan presented by the consultant firm, Vollmer Associates, to redevelop the site to include an Olympic size pool, a multi-purpose year round facility and an ice skating/inline skating rink. This concept gained support from the Community and the Board’s McCarren Park Pool Task Force. In June 2007, the Mayor allocated \$50 million for construction of a new pool and recreation area with retention of the bathhouses and archway. The Board supported a feasibility design strategy that was presented by the Parks Department to recommend alternate venues to accommodate the many community events enjoyed at the pool site. The pool and recreation center are now open for all to use. We were pleased that the Parks Department issued an RFP for a seasonal ice skating rink concession. A rink was operated in for one winter at the pool site. It proved to be a successful endeavor that was enjoyed by many. We are greatly concerned that it did not be return last winter and is not slated to open this winter. It is important that sufficient funding continues to flow steadily to sustain our new facility for generations to come.

Most of the acreage (especially the adjacent Abate Playground) has received benefits of renovation or upgrading. These efforts have restored the majority of this park’s recreational

uses and these areas are now more heavily used than ever. In fact, parents of children who use the facility ("Park Moms") take an active role in the playground and make recommendations to the Parks Department for improvements.

McCarren Park is basically divided into three large parcels with different park uses. Each parcel is separated by roadways from each other. We seek the Parks Department to address the need for additional comfort station facilities as the only one available is in the existing Park Field House located in the portion with the baseball field and is always in total disrepair. The walk is too far for the children at the playground and isolated from the handball courts, running track and soccer field. The illuminated soccer field, and all other permitted fields, must allow preferences for its use by bona fide Greenpoint/Williamsburg youth groups.

The de-mapping of a portion Union Avenue that lies adjacent to McCarren Park will provide additional open space for the park. Community Board No. 1 provided support for the action with conditions. We are still not apprised of the efforts that the City had made to address concerns about the loss of 34 parking spaces (DPR committed to providing the completed survey and to accommodate all of the parking that will be displaced by this action). The existing successful uses (including the dog run, Green Market and Green Dome Garden) are to be preserved. CB #1 is to be kept apprised on the project and any interim use of this extended acreage for McCarren Park. The Parks Department should also explore having a food vending concession in McCarren Park's field house with the caveat that the restroom/comfort facilities remain open and maintained by the concessionaire.

### **METROPOLITAN POOL**

Met Pool now serves Community Board No. 1 in a more effective manner than ever before. The City should further support the valuable voluntary efforts of the Friends of Met Pool by assigning additional recreation staff to this facility and extending hours of operation to further meet the needs of the community.

### **SAND PARK**

The Williamsburg Bridge reconstruction project has long been completed and we are outraged that the rehabilitation of Sand Park (the mapped park playground beneath it) has not happened. Community Board No. 1 demands the restoration of this mapped parkland to its "pre-destruction" use by the NYC Department of Transportation in reconstruction of the Williamsburg Bridge. Once this park is completed, it will serve the community with additional recreational space and begin a connection between the waterfront and the upland blocks. The Williamsburg Waterfront 197-a plan seeks the development of a waterfront promenade circumnavigating the DOT property under the Williamsburg Bridge and providing an additional "greenway" for the community. We call upon the Mayor to intervene on our behalf and restore this park in as much as the DOT and Parks have continued to fail to begin a meaningful dialogue to restore this park. We are encouraged that the Brooklyn Parks Commissioner has placed this park on his "to do" list for the NYC Council to allocate funding.

### **OTHER PARK PROJECTS AND GENERAL OPEN SPACE COMMENTS**

The Board continues to seek the City's funding of renovations for the various playgrounds. In our view, the upgrading of these deteriorated recreation areas constitutes a major need.

We reinforce our past support for those additional park reconstruction projects: Greenpoint Playground, La Guardia Playground, Classon Playground, any additional projects in the inception stage. The Tennis Courts at McCarren Park are heavily utilized during the warmer season. As dusk approaches, play is made easier by the cool of the evening. Players have requested that lighting be placed in the park to allow practice and matches to continue into later hours. The courts were in need of immediate resurfacing and users of the park formed a volunteer group to pursue the effort. The courts were resurfaced using funds privately raised. The Parks Department issued an RFP for "doming" (doming of the tennis courts to allow for winter time play). Community Board No. 1 supported the issuance of the RFP and urged that the RFP contain year round lighting of the tennis courts be given special consideration. We are pleased to learn that this project is moving forward as a concessionaire was selected and the tennis courts are currently being made ready for the doming.

The Parks Department should also explore having a food vending concession in McCarren Park's field house with the caveat that the restroom/comfort facilities remain open and maintained by the concessionaire.

Community Board No. 1 continues to support the valuable work that volunteers do to help our neighborhood parks and we hope that the Parks Department will increase their efforts in this area. Efforts to instill pride about our parks are applauded. We look forward to the Parks Department efforts to display historical markers and educational plaques in the District's inventory.

In order to better address public safety, lighting in each of the Board's parks needs to be evaluated and enhanced. Increased lighting will allow better visibility at their perimeters and interiors.

Convenient location of comfort stations is a constant request made by park users. We urge upgrading of facilities that now exist and the introduction of new ones in those parks that greatly need them. We were pleased that the Department of Environmental Protection funded a station in Greenpoint Playground. It was constructed and is now open for use. We urge the Parks Department to monitor the district's comfort facilities and keep them well maintained.

## **BUSHWICK INLET PARK**

We seek the completion of Bushwick Inlet Park, including all of the condemnations, remediation and build out of the promised 27 acre park. The NYC Department of Parks and Recreation touts on its website that "Bushwick Inlet Park is the centerpiece of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront." The agency reported that the City has already invested \$225 Million to develop, but these funds that have gone to complete only a small section of the park. This section is located at the southern tip where the soccer field and community building (with a green roof) are located and included the purchase of three parcels of land. There is another budgeted \$72million for the purchase of a fourth section where demolition at that site "should happen soon". However, the CitiStorage site is not included in those estimates. The remainder portion of the full Bushwick Inlet Park is yet to be realized. After over a decade of waiting the community expressed its displeasure. With a series of outcries and public protests it called for the City to make good on its promise to acquire this portion of the planned park.

At the close of 2015 Mayor de Blasio's office provided a statement that "the administration would never accept a rezoning here that did not have the support of the councilman and community". However encouraging this statement may first appear, it comes without a concrete handshake or have a solid financial commitment needed for the full

development of the park. We sought that the City stop its waiting and foot dragging while costs escalate. Instead - to go full steam ahead - acquire the land - and expand the Bushwick Inlet Park as pledged. We are pleased to learn that the acquisition has commenced.

### **MCGOLRICK PARK**

This notable park hosts a landmark structure, its central Pavilion Shelter (comfort station) and two important historic sculptures. The World War I memorial (1923) to the south of the shelter pavilion was designed by Carl Augustus Heber. It honors 150 Greenpoint soldiers who fought in World War I. The Monitor and the Merrimac (1939) by sculptor Antonio de Filippo, celebrates the battle of the ironclad USS Monitor and Confederate Merrimac on March 9, 1862 off the coast of Hampton Roads, Virginia. Designed by Swedish engineer John Ericsson, the Monitor was built at the Continental Iron Works in Greenpoint and outfitted at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. These iconic features of the park require varying degrees of maintenance and should be made a number one priority by the Parks Department for funding. In addition, this park is enjoyed by many local families whose children recreate in its playground or use its passive greened spaces. People take pleasure walking the quiet pathways and can often be seen seated on benches surrounded by the park's many century old trees. Attention and funding is needed to preserve its fine and unique character as well as upgrade its aged infrastructure.

### **TEN EYCK PLAYGROUND**

The Parks Department is in the process of upgrading this playground so that it will better serve the community. This park will receive new play spaces and equipment, re-designed seating, new landscaping and a comfort station. We applaud their efforts to enhance this park.

### **EAST RIVER PARK**

A State park was designated for a portion of the former BEDT site (Kent Avenue/North 7<sup>th</sup> Street) and funded by New York State. After much delay, the park is has opened and is to be further developed. The park should remain open with regular hours for the area's residents throughout the year. We look forward to the park being further developed. Solar lighting for the park must have the necessary funds to maintain them. We are concerned about the park having any exclusive use by private entities for profit.

### **WILLIAMSBURG PARK**

We ask that with the holding of any special events and use of this new park (at the former Department of Sanitation Garage/50 Kent Avenue) as a performance venue that the sound levels be restricted so not to negatively affect the surrounding community. Police must be involved in crowd control.

### **GREENPOINT MONITOR MUSEUM**

Community Board No. 1 is pleased to learn that the NYS chartered Greenpoint Monitor Museum received donated land at the Bushwick Inlet (where the historical iron clad ship was birthed) for the construction of a museum in honor of the USS Monitor. The ship's construction here was a major event in the community's history – we support the museum's efforts to keep alive the memory of the USS Monitor. The museum seeks to retain its donated property as it will act as a catalyst for additional donations as it moves forward with founding a home at the site. The City is moving forward to develop this area around the Bushwick Inlet, from North 9<sup>th</sup> Street to Quay Street as parkland and must respect the issues raised by the Greenpoint Monitor



Museum and partner to make their dream a reality. On May 29, 2015 a trail marker was proudly unveiled at the launch site of the Civil War Ironclad USS Monitor.

### **RETENTION AND EXPANSION OF PARKLAND**

As the pertinent City Planning Department studies indicate, Community District No. 1 is one of the most under-served area with regard to park and recreation services. Thus, we would strongly oppose the elimination of any currently mapped parkland in our district or usage/renting of same for other than parkland/recreation unless as per current City policy, equivalent space is developed as parkland in the immediate vicinity. We also strongly support the establishment of additional parks and playgrounds within our borders.

Community Board No. 1 continues its support for the development of appropriate small parks on triangles. The Southside and South Williamsburg have few local parks, and the triangles, such as where Heyward, Wallabout and Wythe Avenue come together, should be implemented. We have requested for many years that the concrete triangle at Meeker Avenue, Morgan Avenue and Driggs Avenue to be greened. We were pleased that the site finally received this treatment, but it has now been destroyed with construction signage from the Kosciuszko Bridge project.

We are delighted to see that the Administration proposes the expansion of the Waterfront Park to the Bushwick Inlet and its initial phase has moved forward. This expansion proposal provides much needed recreational space for our residents and insures some greening of the waterfront (the former Sanitation Garage at 50 Kent Avenue was demolished and annexed as parkland/open space). The proposal also suggests the inclusion of a Waterfront Access Plan (WAP). While we support this concept, we most certainly want to be directly involved in the design process. The Administration should commence the condemnation procedures to demonstrate a good faith gesture to our community while carefully retaining jobs and relocating existing businesses.

### **BQ GREEN**

In an effort to increase open space for our district a proposal dubbed "BQ Green" was developed and endorsed by both the district's past and current councilpersons. This plan promotes building a deck over the sunken stretch of the BQE (between South 3rd and South 5<sup>th</sup> Streets) and creating greened spaces and play areas. This innovative idea is a resourceful way to provide additional open space for the community to enjoy.

### **SGT. DOUGHERTY PLAYGROUND**

This park is situated adjacent to the BQE at Vandervoort Avenue. It had suffered from dilapidation and many repairs were needed to upgrade it. We are pleased that this park is receiving a total makeover with funds coming from the NYS DOT in conjunction with the Kosciuszko Bridge's reconstruction of the. The park will be expanded and have modern amenities for all to enjoy.

### **THE GREENPOINT-WILLIAMSBURG WATERFRONT ACCESS PLAN**

The Department of City Planning proposed a Waterfront Access Plan (WAP) tailored to the specific conditions of our district's waterfront and to establish a coordinated framework for public access to the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront in advance of development. This plan

takes advantage of this opportunity to enlarge existing waterfront park spaces and to mandate connections to the neighborhood at important locations. In addition, the zoning text changes allow the WAP to combine public access requirements on parcels spanning multiple blocks, allowing several smaller spaces to be combined into a single, larger and more useful public access area, which is not possible under existing waterfront zoning regulations. Community Board No. 1 looks forward to the various elements of this open space network which include: existing and proposed waterfront parks (including Newtown Barge, the former NYC transmitter site, the state park/former BEDT site, street end park at end of Manhattan Avenue); mapped parkland at Bushwick Inlet; a continuous shore walkway; public access to piers; supplemental access areas; upland connections and visual corridors. As internal mechanisms continue at the Parks Department, we look toward the further development and implementation of the Parks Department's "Master Plan". Our Board endorses the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Open Space Design Guidelines and Master Plan with the caveat that the City and the Monitor Museum principals continue a meaningful dialogue and that Community Board No. 1 reserves its decision on the museum/boathouse to be sited in the Bushwick Inlet until said dialogue is conducted.

The site of the former gas holders at Vandervoort Avenue (or what was known as the "tanks") was a familiar landmark for travelers through the community. This site (once held by Brooklyn Union Gas, and then KeySpan) contained two gigantic holders that were no longer being used. They were in derelict condition and demolished by use of implosion techniques that are rarely allowed in NYC. The property is now owned by NationalGrid. The company should take similar action at this site to convert it into a public park like they have done with an akin site in nearby Elmhurst, Queens.

In March 2016, a news article revealed that the Administration was quietly eyeing sites for to move inmates off Rikers Island. They were considering renovating borough detention centers and building two new jails in city neighborhoods. The former gas holder site on Maspeth Avenue appeared to be one of the proposed new locations in Brooklyn. The community has expressed vehement opposition to this plan.

### **WNYC TRANSMITTER SITE**

We continue to look forward to of the completion of Transmitter Park. Conceptual designs that were collaboratively executed denote a passive park, recreational area, gardens, benches and lawns. The renovation of the 1930's World's Fair house was not included in the current construction plans and we urge the City to pursue this project. This site represents a portion of the Parks Department's Master Plan and should be the first stage of development for a waterfront promenade. Community Board No. 1 has learned that this work reconstructing the park is mostly completed and a RFP was issued for a concession at the site.

### **TREES**

In the Fall of 1996 Community Board No. 1 was dealt a devastating blow with the discovery of the Asian Long horned beetle found infesting many of its street and backyard trees. In an effort to contain this foreign pest which has a voracious appetite for sugar maple trees, the US Department of Agriculture and the State Department of Conservation/Forestry Division along with the New York City Park's Department studied methods employed by China for eradication. An area of infestation was identified and "quarantined", a heavy infestation was found in the heart of Greenpoint (a significant number of trees in McCarren Park fell to the beetle) spreading towards adjacent neighborhoods of Northside, Southside, Central, East and South Williamsburg.

The most effective method was to cut down infected trees and remove them. In the period of 1997 and 1998 over 1000 trees in parks, on the street and in backyard/private property had to be destroyed. This represents a large portion of the district's green canopy and efforts to replace it are a high priority for this Board. A new method of eradication, using a pesticide, is being used. We remain alarmed at the recent announcement of a new pest found in NYC, the Ash Beetle. We urge that this pest be comprehensively addressed to halt any damage that it may cause to this species of tree and that the agencies remain diligent.

The Community Board's Ad Hoc Committee on Asian Long Horned Beetle Infestation worked diligently with residents, community leaders, groups, elected officials and agencies to develop a Strategic Plan For The Re-Greening of Greenpoint & Williamsburg which was subsequently adopted by Community Board No. 1 in August 1, 1997. This plan received support of elected officials and the Mayor's Office. The plan's vision is "Greenpoint-Williamsburg will be a greener, healthier and more beautiful community" with a goal to make every street in Community Board No. 1 a "Tree Lined Street". To further preserve our greenery it is important that our parks and street trees receive the utmost attention and maintenance from horticulturist and forestry personnel.

We urge that all efforts to re-green our community be maintained and that the strategic plan be used to implement such efforts. Community Board No. 1 supports an increased allocation for street tree planting as well as funding for maintenance of this vital resource. We urge that additional programs, such as DEP's grant initiative under federal funding to do tree planting in specific areas that they have identified as recipients of heavy truck traffic (i.e. BQE corridor), be utilized to help accomplish this effort.

Community Board No. 1 seeks the Parks Department to immediately remedy hazardous problems with the multiple plantings of Bradford pear trees along Graham Avenue. These trees are notorious for having weak forks with resultant falling limbs, a condition that has been noted by the Director of Forestry, who has related that these trees have weak branch connections, and it is the most common call for limbs down across the city. Forestry no longer plants them, but uses new varieties that are less susceptible to limb breakage. There removals of these old Bradford pear trees are necessary for the public's safety. Each removal must include immediate replacement with a more suitable and stable tree species.

Tree maintenance is key to a successful green canopy. It is therefore extremely important that there be an aggressive stump removal and pruning program implemented in Community Board No. 1.

## **HUMAN SERVICES**

### **YOUTH SERVICES**

More than 51,600 residents of Community Board No. 1 are 19 years of age or less, and a very high percentage of this population resides in the poorest portions of the district. Unless an effective network of youth service programs is established, many of these youths will never have a fair opportunity to succeed in life, and will instead be attracted to the alternate lifestyles of crime and drugs. In light of this, the appallingly small allocation for delinquency prevention and after school programs funded by the Department of Youth and Community Development remains a perpetual source of frustration to the Board's Youth & Education Committee.

We are also concerned with the closing of youth centers at our public housing developments. The youth center at the Cooper Park Housing development is closed in the

evenings. The closings should be stopped and these centers reopened and financially supported. Not only do they provide vital recreation but are safe havens for the youths.

The Beacon program located at 850 Grand Street Campus has offered a valuable resource, but is not enough to service the approximately 51,625 youths of our district. Unless the City and State agree to substantially bolster this modest allocation, and a 100% increase is not-out-of order, its impact upon the youth of Community Board No. 1 will remain slight. We were pleased that the City expanded Beacon Programs citywide and, as a result, additional Beacon programs for our area have been made available at MS 126 and MS 50. The Beacon program at MS 126 has served as an anchor for a newly formed "Greenpoint-Williamsburg Youth Soccer League" that has over 500 youths. There is extremely limited open space to accommodate these youngsters to play concurrent games and we urge that additional space be made available for this use.

We are concerned about the sudden increase in the number of Charter Schools being sited in the district (Community School District 14 serves the CB #1 area). Often they are being collocated in existing school buildings. We raise the question of their having a negative impact upon funding allocations for our existing public schools.

### **YOUTH EMPLOYMENT**

The Department of Youth and Community Development must increase the number of slots and continue to develop and expand local sponsorship within Community District No. 1 for the City's "Summer Youth Employment Program". It must take a more aggressive role in addressing program sponsorship in each Community Board area. We urge the City to increase its outreach within the community to obtain non-profit agency sponsors who will adequately service our youths.

### **TEEN PREGNANCY**

One of the most serious problems involving youth is adolescent pregnancy, which had reached epidemic proportions throughout North Brooklyn. We are pleased to learn that statistics in this area are starting to show a decline. It is essential that a systematic approach to this problem is continued aimed at preventing unwanted pregnancies from occurring in the first place and providing educational and social services to the teen mothers in order to prevent long term welfare dependency.

### **DAY CARE AND SENIOR CENTER SERVICES**

Community Board No. 1 was served by 30 Day Care/2,956 slots 9 Head Start/799 slots, 18 Group Day Care/2,100 slots, 2 Day Care-Voucher Sites/8 slots and 1 LPOS/49 slots and 9 Senior Centers serving an average of 1,338 daily meals. We strongly urge continued support of the City's extensive tax levy commitment to maintain day care and senior center services at least at their current levels despite devastating budget cuts, and urge that it be maintained as long as the need exists. In particular, the need for new day care centers, head start program and an increase in meals-on-wheels program is rising in the District, especially in the South Williamsburg area.

We are totally dismayed to learn that the City has chosen to close the two agencies at the 211 Ainslie Street facility: The Small World Day Care Center and the Swinging 60's Senior Citizen Center. These two programs have co-existed in the same building for several decades to serve two populations in the neighborhood that are at high risk: the very young and the

elderly. The City planned to close two other day care centers in Williamsburg: Nuestros Niños Day Care and the Bushwick United Day Care Center. We are pleased that the City has started a ULURP action to continue a day services care at Nuestros Niños. We urge the Administration to provide the necessary funds to continue and maintain these programs.

We recommend that the City promptly act to meet the unmet needs that currently exist in the District: the lack of adequate day care services in Greenpoint and the lack of a full senior center to serve the Southside/South Williamsburg. Although we acknowledge the severe funding constraints that the City faces in this area, we must also note that these needs are real and accelerating, and cannot be adequately addressed by existing resources.

## **SOCIAL SERVICES**

The New York City Department of Human Resources Administration reports that 41.5% of the Community Board No. 1 district's population were assisted by the agency. The numbers from the agency are: 61,723 Medicaid only/total Medicaid enrollees are 75,748; 6,209 Cash Assistance; 8,322 SSI; 57,281 Food Stamp Recipients). We rank fourth (4th) highest in the Borough and rank thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) Citywide in the number of persons receiving Medicaid, and rank third (3rd) in the Borough and rank seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) Citywide with the number of persons receiving food stamps. Because of the quantity and complexity of the social service needs that exist in Community District No. 1, we believe that it would be most appropriate to establish a multi-service center in the community (we believe that the 30 Thornton Street "Job Center" facility complies with the requirements specified by the Human Resources Administration for such a Center). The continuing need for a K-1 OFS Office requires immediate attention. We are extremely disappointed in the closure of the Marcy Avenue office as users at this facility will now have to travel further out of the district to obtain services.

Community Board No. 1 supports increased funding for Managed Care education (such as through the Managed Care Consumer Assistance Program) in Greenpoint and Williamsburg. In addition we support an increase in funds for vocational training, job placement and workforce development in low-income areas of the District.

## **HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS**

We continue to support and urge a continuation of the reduction in the census at the remaining temporary shelter at the former Greenpoint Hospital. The positive positions taken by the Community Board are well known to the City. We applaud the revised policy changes by the City and look forward to the eventual results, a reduction/elimination of the "warehousing" of the homeless in our Community District and throughout the City. Expensive temporary housing must be replaced with permanent low-rent housing, including housing for single individuals, in each Community District. We also urge the expansion of support services to identify and address individual medical/social needs of homeless individuals residing in city and private facilities.

## **HOMELESS SERVICES**

Community Board No. 1 approves the downsizing plan that decreased the census at the former Greenpoint Hospital Site, as the City has agreed to do at all other "armory" type shelters. We agree with the City's decision to limit the overall census at any one site to 200 persons or less, and we hope that this number can be further reduced.

In the past, Community Board No. 1 supported the development of compassionate and effective programs for the homeless. We share the City's basic policy to provide shelter to those who request it and, in 1983 were the only Board in Brooklyn to positively respond to the Mayor's appeal to suggest potential shelter sites.

Our recommended location, the former Most Holy Trinity Convent, was initially identified as a shelter for homeless women, and subsequently opened as a model S.R.O. facility. We have supported this excellent private shelter administered by Most Holy Trinity Parish, and stand ready to assist the efforts of other local community groups to establish similar programs.

The City should review regulatory policies toward private facilities, in which, homeless individuals reside such as, the Clay Family Residence (at the former Greenpoint Hotel building). Also, the City must insure that adequate support services are provided to maintain the safety of surrounding residents and to minimize quality of life problems. We have received complaints regarding the newly opened Clay Family Residence about the facility's clients loitering and fighting outside.

Community Board No. 1 had vehemently opposed the Department of Homeless Services' (DHS's) and the Doe Fund's advancement of a shelter at 89-111 Porter Avenue. We were truly saddened that the Appellate division failed to find merit for appeal when the City found a loophole in the ULURP process and sited this "homeless" shelter in the heart of a city designated "in place industrial park". We remain concerned about the establishment of a homeless facility at 400 McGuinness Blvd, (a former factory building that a previous owner eyed for residential development) and 66 Clay Street (aka the Greenpoint Hotel/SRO). We remain concerned about these facilities and any associated rise in crime statistics demonstrated for the area.

## **HEALTH**

### **WOODHULL MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CENTER**

The Board believes that all steps must be taken to improve the quality of services delivered at the facility. We also urge that Health and Hospitals Corporation's Brooklyn Regionalization Plan continues in such a way that it will not in any terms undermine the integrity of Woodhull as a full-fledged hospital. We continue to encourage the administrators at this facility to advise Community Board No. 1 of its needs. We have received the capital funding needs from the hospital's administration. The hospital is in great need of a new Emergency Department (ED), with new equipment. The current ED was originally built for a capacity of approximately 60,000 patient visits per year, and has been exceeding twice that number for the past several years. In 2015, emergency room visits were 117,000. A new Emergency Department would enable Woodhull to continue providing quality emergency care to the community. Construction of a new Emergency Department is estimated at \$30 million. Equipment for a new ED is estimated at \$10 million.

### **AMBULATORY CARE**

With the closure of Greenpoint Hospital came a strong commitment to this community from HHC to provide medical services to the district by maintaining two clinics within the confines of Community Board No. 1. As a result of this commitment, two satellite facilities were established by the Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center. As we stated in previous years, we believe that the clinic at 960 Manhattan Avenue presented "a positive action that was, providing a valuable health resource in the North Greenpoint Community". To the dismay of CB

#1, this satellite facility was closed as its lease expired. The Board strongly advocated for its reopening in the immediate community. The Greenpoint satellite was eventually located to a newly renovated facility at the ground floor of 875 Manhattan Avenue.

The 279 Graham Avenue location of the Williamsburg Satellite with bigger quarters and expanded services has worked well. The under-served Southside community could also greatly benefit by having a clinic within its confines and HHC should explore establishing an additional site for this segment of the district.

## **PEST CONTROL**

Community Board No. 1 remains concerned about an increase of the rodent population in the district. The City must promptly address this epidemic on a community-by-community level. Steps should be taken to regularly bait problem areas and coordinate efforts with the MTA/NYC Transit and other city agencies that are responsible for their own pest control. The Health Department must initiate aggressive programs to address the urgency of this dilemma and install checks and measures to monitor and insure that the MTA/NYC Transit are in fact involved in a pest control program.

Demolition, new construction, and street reconstruction have greatly increased in our district. These activities are known for creating problems with rodents and other pests. It is vital that pest control measures are strictly adhered to and that these sites are monitored for compliance.

It has been noted Community Board No. 1 has several transfer stations located within its confines and these facilities are seen as a major draw for rodents and other pests.

We continue to support the Department of Health's efforts to inhibit the growth of mosquito infestation and combat the spread of the deadly West Nile Virus and the Zika Virus.

## **RECENT HEALTH TRENDS**

Community Board No. 1 had ranked third out of the 59 districts citywide with a high number of asthma cases. Despite a city-wide drop in cases, our district still has a high rate. We remain concerned in any rise in cases of asthma in the district. Funds must be earmarked for additional testing, education and specialized treatment. Several years ago there was a CDC cancer and asthma study conducted in this District and we strongly support a new, updated study be carried out. In addition, the DEP ought to conduct a study of air and traffic pollution (which is particularly bad in our District) and their environmental and health impacts.

We continue to support efforts by the Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, DEP and HPD to thwart lead poisoning as it is a very serious condition, especially for children. Children with lead poisoning may develop health, learning and behavior problems. Education about lead poisoning is important so that people can make their homes safe and healthy as well as learn about treatment and access to testing.

Reports about AIDS in New York City have yielded the following figures for Community Board No. 1: the rates of new HIV diagnosis in Greenpoint and Williamsburg-Bushwick health districts range 0.50 & 1.30 per 1,000 persons/population. The combined rates for our district are above the rates for Brooklyn (0.68), New York City (0.84) and the US (1.14). Rates of people living with HIV & AIDS show Greenpoint at 5.5 and Williamsburg-Bushwick at 12.1 per 1,000 persons/population which again, is above the rates of Brooklyn (6.4), NYC (9.2) and US

(3.2). We urge that the medical community continue addressing this grave disease and that additional programs be developed toward prevention, education and treatment. As the only New York City hospital within blocks of Community Board No. 1 Woodhull Hospital must be aggressive in addressing the needs of all of our constituents.

Health Services – Our district has serious health issues that must be addressed. CB #1 remains concerned about the delivery of health care services in the district and supports efforts for improvement. The top causes of death for residents of Greenpoint and Williamsburg, as for most New Yorkers, are heart disease and cancer. Death rates due to heart disease, flu and pneumonia, diabetes, stroke and liver disease are higher in Greenpoint and Williamsburg when compared to the City rates.

Quality Health Care - A lack of quality health care can lead to negative health outcomes and more intensive treatment, such as avoidable hospitalizations. Access to health care is therefore a needed focus. About one in six adults in Greenpoint and Williamsburg has no health insurance, and one in eight goes without needed medical care. We urge continued funding for asthma patient care, research and education. We were pleased when a dental clinic (Williamsburg) was reopened to provide much needed services for youngsters in the district whose families do not have adequate financial means or insurance coverage, and were left dismayed that the clinic was again closed as a budget savings measure by HHC in 2010. We support any necessary funding to reopen and maintain the clinic within our district. The only dental clinic that offers free and affordable dental care is located in Woodhull Hospital, a facility not located in our district's confines. In addition, we urge that emerging health care need trends (such as access to health care, treatment and prevention of heart disease, psychological & mental illness treatment) be addressed. The Brooklyn Hospital/Mt. Sinai in its 2015 report relates that the burden of both asthma and hypertension have increased to 18% and 33% respectively in our district.

Air Pollution and Respiratory Illnesses - Although NYC air quality is improving, air pollution, such as fine particles (PM2.5), can cause health problems, particularly among the very young, seniors and those with pre-existing health conditions. In Greenpoint and Williamsburg, levels of PM2.5, the most harmful air pollutant, are 10.1 micrograms per cubic meter. Our district ranks as 8th in the highest in the City.

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Zika Virus - We are concerned about the findings of Zika virus in the United States and urge that measures to stem the spread of this disease are fully funded. From January 2017-October 25, 2017, there are 326 symptomatic cases reported in the United States, 58 cases



were found in New York from travel related sources. In 2016, one case has been denoted at Woodhull Hospital. None have yet been reported as being locally acquired. Zika is transmitted to people mainly through the bite of infected *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, or through sexual transmission, or maternal-fetal transmission. Mosquitoes that spread Zika virus also spread dengue and chikungunya viruses. Infection in pregnant women is associated with birth defects and adverse pregnancy outcomes, and the evidence for a causal link is growing. Pregnant women represent a highly vulnerable population with special needs. A vaccine or treatment for Zika virus infection is not currently available. With the recent outbreaks, the number of Zika cases among travelers visiting or returning to the United States will likely increase, and 80% of cases will not be diagnosed. These imported cases could result in local spread of the virus in some areas of the United States. As more is learned about the Zika virus, the CDC reports that its guidance and recommendations will change. Currently, it has set goals for public health, surveillance and epidemiological investigation. Funding is needed to ensure adequate diagnosis and reporting of Zika virus cases, to monitor epidemiologic trends in distribution, transmission, and severity; to direct prevention and control efforts; and to identify cases that require follow up or intervention. Education and prevention are key elements in tackling this disease early on. We raised concern about contagious diseases which could spread from localized outbreaks such as meningococcal disease (meningitis), shigellosis, tuberculosis, and hepatitis. We urge our health officials to carefully document these cases, provide curative measures and conduct public education to increase awareness about recognizing symptoms, carrying out prevention and accessing treatment.

We urge that additional resources be allocated to prepare for outbreaks of influenza – including both H1n1 (swine flu) & avian (bird flu) – which is being noted by world health officials as a possible pandemic. We also urge that the City to continue efforts to identify sources of Legionnaire's disease to prevent future outbreaks.

Community Board No. 1 is also deeply concerned about the rising instances of diabetes, cardiovascular, heart disease, high cholesterol and osteoporosis in Greenpoint and Williamsburg. We urge the City to provide additional funds and programs for diet therapy, nutritional support and education for our district. Additional women's health services (such as a clinic with birthing rooms) are needed in our community. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has reported in its recent community study that residents of our community suffer from a high rate of depression. We urge that this serious health issue be addressed with expanded outreach, education and better access to medical care.

## **TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

### **TRANSPORTATION BLUEPRINT STUDY**

We urge the Department of Transportation to realize Community Board No. 1's goals for adequate mass transit, safer streets, more accessible and safer walking and biking environment, and better driving and parking conditions for delivery trucks and motorists. We continue to urge the City and State to budget money to adequately forecast transit and traffic growth projections. Newly constructed buildings have brought – and will continue to bring – thousands of new residents to Greenpoint and Williamsburg. It must be stressed that the time for sitting back is over. We no longer need a proactive approach, but a reactive one! The L train is so overcrowded that commuters are turning toward alternate sources that are already beyond capacity (i.e. G train line; cross town buses). In addition, many of our bus routes are so convoluted that they fail to provide direct and expedient access to key commuter hub points. The failure of the Administration to respond to our mass transit crisis remains a shameful blot on its legacy. Rethinking is needed for our bus routes and alternate forms of access to Manhattan

must be implemented (i.e. water taxis have limited capacities and short service hours. A larger accommodating ferry type service, with affordable fares, is needed). We are pleased that the City has planned to improve ferry access to our waterfront with comparable fares as subways and buses (MetroCard fare). The fruits of this new plan under the NYC Department of Economic Development have yet to be seen.

DOT has undertaken traffic two studies: South Williamsburg and Williamsburg. We have seen only the preliminary results of these two studies and we are concerned that the public's participation in the process is severely lacking.

## **BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT**

Since Community Board No. 1 is nearly surrounded by the East River and the Newtown Creek, it is not surprising that the quality of our local bridges remain continuing concerns. Emphasis must be placed on adequate continued coordination (access/egress) to our community during any upcoming construction work. We must express deep concern about traffic impacts on the community during any bridge reconstruction. We urge that such construction proceed with on-going monthly maximum community input.

Repeated delays on the reconstruction of the Grand Street (Penny Bridge) continue to spell disaster. The Grand Street Bridge is particularly dangerous as the narrow width of the bridge does not allow for two lanes of vehicles, especially trucks, to pass at the same time. Community Board No. 1 supports the alternative which is a Steel "Basket Handle" Tied Arch design. This project was to precede the Kosciuszko Bridge reconstruction agenda. However, it has not. Every effort must be made to ensure that there are adequate safety measures and detours in place.

The City-Wide need to upgrade its East River bridges is of great concern to the Board as it relates to the Williamsburg Bridge. Its closing in 1988 caused both traffic and economic hardship to the surrounding community. This century old landmark literally opened North Brooklyn to Manhattan and, through the implementation of the extensive repairs contained in BR-253, will continue to serve the people of the City for at least a century to come. There must be safe traveling by pedestrians and bicyclists.

An issue of particular concern is the upgrading of the pedestrian walkway that serves as a vital link with the Lower East Side. All efforts must be made to ensure the implementation of improvements, which should, as much as possible, aim to enhance security on these paths. This includes installation of emergency call boxes and cameras on these stretches. While so called improvements to this bridge are being made, it is distressing to see this landmark bridge being slowly dissected beam by beam to make way for a "highway type overpass". The integrity and glamour of Roebling's structure is being lost. Community Board No. 1 request the City to directly involve it with all discussions on repair, design and plans for all bridges in the district as they are being developed, not after the fact. We continue to support the safer methods and construction protocols that have come forward to remove lead paint, including testing and clean-up of any contaminants needed with this type of construction work. We urge continued adherence to these strict and comprehensive protocols in order to provide the best protection for our community's residents as well as those who work here.

## **BROOKLYN-QUEENS EXPRESSWAY (BQE) RENOVATION**

Community Board No. 1 was actively involved in both the review of plans and construction phases of the renovation of the Brooklyn Queens Expressway situated between Metropolitan Avenue and Kingsland Avenue. We have found that the inclusion of an independent engineer for the community in this project was a valuable resource.

Through a carefully structured partnership of Community Board No. 1's Ad Hoc Committee, City and State agencies, elected officials, Ombudsman's office and the independent engineer, this project was delivered on target, without extensive cost overruns while meeting a multitude of community concerns. This partnership is a model that must continue in future projects. We particularly look forward to a similar relationship with New York State DOT in reconstructing the Kosciuszko Bridge (inclusive of a drainage plan). The New York City Department of Transportation must also conduct immediate detour studies so that this project could commence with little impact on vehicular traffic/pedestrian flow including, but not limited, to the widening of the Grand Street Bridge.

Community Board No. 1 remains opposed to condemnation of any property with the implementation of the Kosciuszko Bridge's reconstruction. In response to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) both Community Board No. 1 and the Brooklyn Borough President requested that NYSDOT pay attention to the following issues:

- BR-5 alternative (bridge replacement with a permanent bridge on the eastbound side) is superior to replacement of the existing bridge to other bridge replacement alternatives and appears to provide the best combination of improved physical and performances attributes. Construction began in Fall 2014. The design work was completed and the confirmation on a final design was for a Cable-Stayed bridge. We are now in Phase II of the construction where demolition of the existing bridge is underway. The one completed roadway to date is opened to carry traffic over the new bridge. With the demolition of the existing structure, the other roadway will be constructed.
- CB #1 had advocated for the allowance for an Independent Engineer in the contract. This bridge spans the Newtown Creek. It is a major connection to the BQE and for those persons traveling to or from Queens. An independent consultant funded with this construction project was a must for this community as it will be greatly impacted by the future work to improve the structure and its approaches. It is the Community Board's experience, gained with the major reconstruction of the BQE (in the early 1990's), that the independent engineer connected with this project was a most invaluable resource that greatly served the community providing engineering and technical knowledge.
- Traffic and noise conditions – abatement of traffic and noise conditions on Meeker Avenue needs to be addressed collaboratively by both NYC and NYS DOT.
- Study suggested detours as part of the construction period impacts.
- Address community's concerns about any contingency arising from the underground oil spill during the construction period.
- The development of a benefit/cost ratio for each alternative as a means to standardize comparisons of the alternatives.

There are continued serious problems with the BQE at Vandervoort Avenue because the radius for turns is insufficient, especially the left turning point.

Vandervoort Avenue/Meeker Avenue/Apollo Street – With NYS DOT's construction of the state of the art skateboard park (Eastbound BQE), new activities park (Westbound BQE) and the brand new Kosciuszko Bridge Pedestrian Walkway/Bikeway all culminating on/about

this intersection. We believe that this proposal severely lacks significant investment to pedestrian, cyclist, and skateboard safety. We therefore reject this proposal until it is adjusted accordingly!

Continued maintenance of the BQE is extremely lacking, decking of the viaduct and rutting of the asphalt on both the roadway and exit/entrance ramps is obviously apparent and severely lacking of regular maintenance.

### **STREET RECONSTRUCTION/PLANNING**

The deplorable physical state of our local streets is an ongoing problem. It is essential that the City prioritize the street reconstruction projects scheduled for Community Board No. 1

Additionally, we welcome DOT to join us at occasional transportation committee meetings to update the public on the progress of these projects. We have learned, particularly through the Kent Avenue/Franklin Street project that unforeseen traffic problems can arise, such as the heavy truck volumes which suddenly were routed onto Calyer Street. In the case of Calyer Street, an excellent resolution was put forth by Calyer Street residents: Banker Street was converted from a northbound one way street to a two-way street. The truck traffic was diverted onto this primarily industrial corridor, offering Calyer Street residents immediate relief.

It is clear that the most successful street reconstruction projects are those that are planned with close collaboration with the community, and we urge DOT to work with the Board to continue to reach out well in advance of these projects, as well as throughout construction.

The industrial zone situated beneath the Kosciuszko Bridge is in dire need of repair. Although it is currently M1-3 industrial space, the development potential of this area – either residential, commercial or industrial – is severely restricted by an inadequate infrastructure. Some streets have either never been paved, or have sewers installed underneath them. The Board has worked closely with all affected City agencies to develop a plan for the comprehensive revitalization of this area, and we urge that the needs of this area be included in the budget as the Meeker Avenue Sewer/Water Main project has severely lagged.

Last year there were a number of cave-ins and sinkholes that occurred within Community Board No. 1. We have a high rate of potholes. We ask DEP and DOT to collaborate, to determine the cause(s) of these cave-ins, and work with the Board on long-term solutions.

The Department of Transportation needs to stop planning for us and start planning with us. We have requested the agency to address conditions at various locations:

1. Greenpoint Avenue at Provost Street – right turn on red light: to alleviate traffic congestion.
2. Traffic light at Humboldt Street and Withers Street – a long standing request to allow safe crossing for pedestrians and to halt vehicular speeding.
3. Traffic light for Keap & Ainslie Street
4. Wythe Avenue/Kent Avenue - stemming from the traffic diverted to Wythe Avenue (because of the changes to Kent Avenue becoming a one-way) concerns from the community still need to be addressed.

5. McGuinness Blvd. – the creation of turning lanes with no signals has created a dangerous situation. We ask that safety measures be implemented along this corridor and turn signals be immediately installed.
6. Kent Avenue and North 6<sup>th</sup> Street – the newly designed parking lane and vehicular volume with the newly configured Kent Avenue has created a hazardous roadway condition that must be made safe.
7. DOT must re-evaluate North 8<sup>th</sup> Street to North 6<sup>th</sup> Street along Kent Avenue as well. DOT must re-evaluate the corner of Maspeth Avenue & Kingsland, and Maspeth Avenue and Olive Street for traffic light/controls.

Most of our requests have been ignored at the DOT!

### **SPEED BUMPS**

Community Board No. 1 will not endorse the valuation of the Department of Transportation term “speed humps” for the following reasons:

- Each speed hump delays the Police responding to shootings, break ins, or muggings. It has been reported that ambulance or fire trucks have to slow down for about 10 seconds for each bump--times that by 3 per block, that's 30 seconds slower for one block, which in case of a heart attack or stroke, where the patient needs to be in the hospital by 6 minutes.
- Based on the FDNY's 2004 study of streets containing speed bumps, it was found that on streets where speed bumps existed, response times were delayed for ambulances, fire engines and tower ladder vehicle.
- Not being aware of the speed hump, statistics show that most drivers after slowing down for the hump impatiently speed up much faster than they would without the hump, which makes the block more vulnerable to speeding.
- Street humps cause more noise and pollution, since cars have to slow down and reaccelerate, which causes disturbances and respiratory health hazard for us and our children.
- Residents on blocks, especially those where the hump is piled up in front of their homes, complain about the constant noise that is generated when vehicles hit the hump.
- The posting of the speed hump sign is another form of street sign litter for our greening neighborhood.
- The humps are a detriment, extremely unsafe to unsuspecting bicyclists and motorcyclists.
- They impede snow removal, plowing activities and emergency vehicles.

In addition, the FDNY in recent years collaborated with the DOT on addressing speed hump concerns. The increase in these barriers caused considerable increases in response time. The initial study proved that these mounds yield an increase in response time. On the streets where speed humps existed, the ambulance took 45-47 seconds (17 to 18 seconds longer), the engine took 68 to 70 seconds (23 to 25 seconds longer), and the tower ladder took 83 to 85 seconds (38 to 40 seconds longer). DOT routinely seeks our Board to support requests for speed humps. Our response remains steadfast. We continue to oppose any such requests until a proper study is conducted demonstrating the safety of this alleged speeding deterrent. We request that the NYC Department of Transportation conduct a study specifically in our district to evaluate these areas of concern.

## **SEWER CONSTRUCTION**

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Community Board No. 1 has forwarded the following locations since 1999 to receive priority attention:

- Clymer Street between Wythe and Bedford Avenues
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In another portion of the District, the area directly under and north of the Kosciuszko Bridge continues to be forgotten and floods constantly with the free-fall drainage from the BQE. Sewer construction here has been delayed, too. This item also needs to be promptly addressed by the responsible environmental agencies of both the City and State.

## **THE ENVIRONMENT**

### **WATER QUALITY**

Because of our extensive waterfront, Community Board No. 1 has in the past, vigorously supported all efforts to clean the waters of the East River and Newtown Creek. The success of these efforts is indicated by the substantial water quality improvement that has occurred in the East River, a development that greatly enhances the recreational potential of the waterfront. In recent years, ducks, geese and swans have been observed to be nesting along North 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Looking ahead, our commitment to the goals of high water quality remains as strong as ever, and the Board will vigorously oppose all effort to retreat from this principle.

Our Board hosts the largest sewage treatment plant in the eastern United States and the cost of its upgrading is \$3.5 billion and approximately \$60 million is being spent to retrofit the old DOS MTS facility/construct a loading facility on Whale Creek for pumping and shipping out the plant's sludge. Quite frankly, DEP is not a good neighbor to Greenpoint and Williamsburg. Greenpoint Avenue surrounding the plant continues to flood.

Community Board No. 1 has not changed its position to oppose any expansion of the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Plant that would allow for an increase in the capacity of secondary treatment. We have recently reviewed items under ULURP regarding DEP's plans to upgrade the facility. This complex undertaking to upgrade the plant was approved by Community Board No. 1 with conditions and an amenities package to be included. A monitoring committee chaired by former Councilman Fisher has spearheaded the Board's commitment to this process. Kingsland Avenue was to be widened from Greenpoint Avenue towards the northern end of the street as part of slated improvements to enhance traffic flow and safety. However, this reconstruction work has not occurred and this lack of progress is of paramount concern for CB #1. Any contract penalties should be directed to the Community and not funneled into the DEP's general fund.

DEP demolished the sludge storage tank at Dupont Street. In previous plans, the material was to be pumped away via an underground pipe system. However, the agency changed its plans and continues a barging operation to remove sludge from the Greenpoint WPCP. A new sludge loading facility located at a site on Whale Creek and the MTS operation utilizing new specially designed barges and tugboats that will reportedly fit under the Pulaski Bridge. CB #1 feels that the application is an important step towards the realization of the parks and open space component of the Williamsburg/Greenpoint rezoning. Our previous support was contingent upon DEP mitigating the landfill component of the project locally and not at a site in Jamaica Bay.

### **MOBIL OIL UNDERGROUND SPILL**

Community Board No. 1 urges the continued monitoring by NYC DEP and NYS DEC of the 1990 Mobil Oil Consent Order to remediate the free product plume in the Greenpoint area of Brooklyn.

As required by the Consent Order, in 1990 and 1991 Mobil performed a site assessment to determine the magnitude of the free-product plume and subsequently developed a remedial action plan to recover the free-product. The Off-Site Product Recovery System was designed from 1991 through 1993. Permits and approvals for construction of the facility were obtained from the NYS DEC, the NYC Department of Buildings and the NYC Fire Department in 1993 and 1994 at which time construction of the facility began. The Off-Site Free Product Recovery System began operation on September 1, 1995 and over 643,246 gallons of free-products have been recovered by the system as of fall 1997. Between 5 and 10 million of gallons of groundwater are pumped and treated monthly. Additionally, since the 1980's, product recovery booms have been installed in Newtown Creek along the Peerless Importers bulkhead and since 1979 Mobil has been recovering free-product from on-site monitoring wells. By January 1999 6,706,654 million gallons of free product was recovered from on-site operations (with 1,564,326 gallons recovered of the cumulative product for off-site product plume). NYS DEC relates that over 9 million gallons have been recovered (according to a report by the US Coast Guard 9,106,000 gallons were recovered as of March 31, 2006).

In 2004, Riverkeeper (an independent) member-supported environmental organization founded 40 years ago) has filed suit in federal court against Exxon/Mobil for the spill.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation reports that there has been a noticeable slowdown of seepage into the Newtown Creek at the end of Meeker Avenue and that product recovery is expected to continue for a few more years. Community Board No. 1 demands that recovery activities must continue until all of the spilled product is removed from beneath Community District No. 1 and that the board be updated quarterly by the New York City Department of Environmental protection and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation as to the removal progress. Revenues from the recovery of the petroleum products should be directed to the Community.

The Attorney General and the Department of Conservation announced last year that the Greenpoint-based North Brooklyn Development Corporation and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation would jointly administer the Greenpoint Environmental Benefits Projects (EBPs) Program. This program (with a \$19.5 million fund) was established with money paid by Exxon Mobil in a 2011 settlement with NYS State related to its massive oil spill in Greenpoint.

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### **ORGANIC WASTE PROGRAM**

Our board opposes the Organics Recycling/Waste to Energy Program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant and unanimously passed the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE PROCESSING OF ORGANIC WASTE/WASTE TO ENERGY AT THE NEWTOWN CREEK WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT**

WHEREAS the City of New York, with the Department of Sanitation and the Department of Environmental Protection has co-ventured with Waste Management Inc. and NationalGrid to conduct a recycling program to process organic waste/waste to energy at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant,

WHEREAS a "pilot" program for processing organic waste/waste to energy is currently taking place at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant located in CB #1's Greenpoint neighborhood and its waterfront,

WHEREAS this processing site is located directly adjacent to residential homes, residential developments, and a business zone,

WHEREAS the tanker trucks for Waste Management are routed on supposed truck routes --- Morgan and Kingsland Avenues are heavily populated residential streets, and the return route from the plant to Waste Management is yet to be determined,

WHEREAS this "pilot" program is to be expanded City Wide,

WHEREAS the Administration has announced its plans for "Zero Waste" aiming for full recycling of all the city's waste materials,

WHEREAS Greenpoint and Williamsburg top NY's list for having the most garbage trucks roaming neighborhood streets (19 of the city's 58 waste transfer stations are located in CB #1 handling almost 40% of New York City waste),

WHEREAS a recent study shows there is an increase (355%) in pollutant matter floating in the air when transfer stations are open and operating,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has a high rate of asthma cases (according the North Brooklyn Asthma and Environment Consortium study conducted 1995 to 2003 for Williamsburg and Bushwick, the rate is 60 times worse than any part of the USA),

WHEREAS Dr. John C. La Rosa, President of SUNY Downstate Medical Center, in a report

titled Brooklyn Community Health – Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, states that “For residents of Brooklyn - a borough with a relatively young population - the prevalence of COPD...is still a major cause of sickness and death”. The study also notes that rates of chronic bronchitis for persons over 45 in Greenpoint, Williamsburg/Bushwick have increased, WHEREAS the district’s air is contaminated due to:

- The Brooklyn Queens Expressway emissions
- Williamsburg Bridge traffic
- Brooklyn’s largest bus terminal
- Waste transfer stations
- Toxic ecological footprints left over from the industrial past,

WHEREAS the "pilot" program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control plant is currently accommodating a private carter's 15 18-wheel tanker trucks per day and the "pilot" program aims to increase this capacity to 30 18-wheel trucks per day and beyond,

WHEREAS the "slurry" mix is created from various private carters' collected waste from across the city that is brought to the Waste Management's Facility in CB #1,

WHEREAS the professed "pilot" program would substantially increase truck traffic to and from a waste transfer facility in CB #1 through the district's streets,

WHEREAS the household organic waste collection from our district's residences will not be part of this "slurry" waste stream,

WHEREAS the private carter (Waste Management) pays no dumping/tipping fees for using this program at the plant,

WHEREAS the gas produced at the plant is provided for free to the utility company (NationalGrid),

WHEREAS the organic recycling/waste to energy program is cloaked and not transparent,

WHEREAS there is no realized public benefit for our district from this recycling program,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has more than its fair share of waste transfer stations, sanitation garages and salt piles,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 was negatively impacted for decades by the DOS Greenpoint Incinerator,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has suffered from many negative environmental impacts and facilities (for example, an underground oil spill, estimated 17-30 million gallons of oil, benzene, naphtha and other carcinogenic chemicals pollute a 55 acre, 25 foot deep swath of soil, a newly discovered plume of toxic underground material found near the proposed facility's site; the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant and the barging of sludge),

BE IT RESOLVED: Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 vehemently opposes the Organics Recycling/Waste to Energy Program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant as such a processing program would negatively impact the health and quality of life for all who reside, work, or commute in Greenpoint and Williamsburg.

## **WASTE TO ENERGY RFP**

The Department of Sanitation has indicated in recent documents that it would embrace the siting of a facility at the National Grid site (Varick Avenue & Lombardy Street) and/or the Phelps-Dodge site in Queens (57<sup>th</sup> Avenue along the Newtown Creek). We vehemently oppose any siting within the confines of Community Board #1 and view such siting as being disastrous and a step backward for the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Community. The following resolution by Community Board No. 1 was unanimously adopted by the full board and sent to the Department of Sanitation relating our opposition:

WHEREAS the City of New York, with the Department of Sanitation, has released a Request For Proposals to allegedly build state of the art facilities to convert waste to clean energy as part of PlaNYC,

WHEREAS a proposed site is located in Community Board No. 1 at Varick Avenue and Lombardy Street,

WHEREAS the proposed site in Community Board No. 1 is located directly adjacent to residential homes, housing developments, and in a business zone,

WHEREAS another proposed site (located in Community Board No. 2/Queens) is directly across the Newtown Creek (mirrored across the waterway) within close proximity to Brooklyn Community Board No. 1,

WHEREAS Greenpoint and Williamsburg top NY's list for having the most garbage trucks roaming neighborhood streets (19 of the city's 58 waste transfer stations are located in CB #1 handling almost 40% of New York City waste),

WHEREAS such a facility would substantially increase truck traffic to and from said facility,

WHEREAS a recent study shows there is an increase (355%) in pollutant matter floating in the air when transfer stations are open and operating,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has a high rate of asthma cases (according the North Brooklyn Asthma and Environment Consortium study conducted 1995 to 2003 for Williamsburg and Bushwick, the rate is 60 times worse than any part of the USA),

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WHEREAS the district's air is contaminated due to:

- The Brooklyn Queens Expressway emissions
- Williamsburg Bridge traffic
- Brooklyn's largest bus terminal

- Waste transfer stations
- Toxic ecological footprints left over from the industrial past,

WHEREAS the Community Board No. 1's district lacks green space (the citywide average for open space is 3.5 acres per 1,000 residents, our district ranks near bottom of the list in terms of open space per capita with 0.6 acres per 1,000 residents),

WHEREAS the proposed plant would begin operating by processing 450 tons of waste per day,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has more than its fair share of waste transfer stations, sanitation garages and salt piles,

WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 was negatively impacted for decades by the DOS Greenpoint Incinerator,

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Community Board No. 1 vehemently opposes the siting of a proposed waste handling facility at Varick Avenue and Lombardy Street (Brooklyn union Gas Company – National Grid property) and 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue along Newtown Creek (Phelps Dodge Refinery) as such facilities would negatively impact the health and quality of life for all who reside, work or commute in Greenpoint and Williamsburg.

There are plans to expand this "pilot program" and increase the capacity of handling this "organic material" at the plant. The Mayor has allocated funding to the program for the next three years. The DEP has retrofitted one of the four decommissioned digestors to hold hundreds of thousands gallons of slurry. We are concerned about this enhancement because of the increased material being brought in by trucks. In addition, the designated truck route for these vehicles to go to the plant and return to waste facility is not clearly planned. The use of Morgan Avenue brings this traffic through heavily residential enclaves such as NYCHA's Cooper Park Houses. We are concerned about the truck traffic (TPD) increasing to 150 trucks per day!

### **SANITATION GARAGES**

The construction of a new garage to serve Community District 1 and 4 was completed. The Department of Sanitation has not acted responsibly to relocate the K-3 Sanitation Garage. It still needs to be placed in Community District #3 and no longer be situated in our district. The Department of Sanitation must take immediate corrective action to relocate this to its respective district as per co-terminality guidelines and not juggle it within the confines of Community Board No. 1. The DOS relocation of BK3 to the old BK4 site remains completely unacceptable.

### **STREET CLEANING REGULATIONS**

We urge the Department of Sanitation to change the parking regulations to reduce the number of street cleaning days from four to two. We should be treated like any other Community Board and be granted a reduction.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

In the past Community Board No. 1 has greatly benefited from the excellent activities of no fewer than seven commercial revitalization programs, Grand-Metro, Graham Avenue, Bedford Avenue, Havemeyer-Grand, Broadway West, Lee Avenue and Manhattan Avenue which have done much to further stabilize and strengthen these active shopping-strips. We support public funding for the formation of merchants associations to improve the marketability and viability of commercial corridors throughout CB #1.

Without question (jobs) industry constitutes the economic backbone of Community District No. 1, and a substantial percentage of our residents are still employed by local industries. While Greenpoint/Williamsburg has shared in the City-wide decline of manufacturing jobs and suffers from chronic security, sanitation, facility and infrastructure problems, the core itself is strong, and with proper governmental support, should endure and prosper in the coming years. Undoubtedly, along with new residential development should come accommodating and appropriate commercial services to sustain the fundamental growth of all mixed-use neighborhoods (such as grocery stores, affordable eating establishments and clothing shops/boutiques). Such support could include capitalizing on local economic empowerment zones and tax credit programs to provide incentives for businesses to remain in the District. We ask that the Industrial Business Zone be maintained in order to retain blue collar and industrial jobs. Despite the overall city wide decline in manufacturing, North Brooklyn's manufacturing industry is still alive. North Brooklyn has attracted small distilleries, artesian food and wood design manufacturers. As these sectors continue to grow we must support both new and long time manufacturing businesses in order to retain these blue collar and industrial jobs in our community. Supporting the Industrial Business Zones and its funding is an essential part of this growth and job retention.

We support the continuation of public funds for nonprofits to develop affordable industrial real estate. This is similar to the way that affordable housing is developed with public funds (i.e. 20% below market rate). Currently GMDC and Evergreen (formerly EWVIDCO) have each developed a number of properties in CB #1. More capital support can expand the availability of industrial real estate made affordable in perpetuity.

### **MOORE STREET MARKET**

We continue to support the merchants and strongly advocate retention of the market at its current location. As part of its support for the market, CB #1 wrote and submitted a proposal to NYC DOT on behalf of the merchants for inclusion in the agency's Plaza Program. We are pleased that the proposal was well received and accepted in April 2009 for funding. The plaza was designed, a contract for its construction secured and the work is in progress. The Plaza will provide open space for the community and additional vending opportunities at the market for the merchants. A Percent for Art project is planned for the location and will provide a unique design for the plaza.

We reminded the Administration that the Moore Street Market plays a vital part in the community by providing both jobs and consumer goods for area residents - and shoppers City

wide. The role of this market is woven tightly into the ethnic fabric of our neighborhood and thusly represents a unique historic shopping Mecca. These retail markets were traditionally designed to assist the pushcart small businesses to operate off the city streets and into safe clean environments. The markets have evolved and represent physical and entrepreneurial landmarks today. It is highly outrageous that EDC chose to backdoor the elimination of our local market, exclude the community's input, and put at risk the long term livelihood of local businesspersons. Community Board No. 1 continues to support the landmarking of this institution so that it would be around for generations to come.

In March 2015 we reinforced our board's steadfast commitment to the Moore Street Market again in a letter to EDC as it appeared that NYCEDC has a seven year itch that it is scratching this year. To date, we have not received a response! This particular itch is one that surfaced in 2007 - an action by the agency - to covertly close the Moore Street Market by any means possible. NYCEDC had then placed pressure on the market's merchants, including squeezing them with fruitless permit agreements.

It appears to come full circle again. We have learned that each of the entrepreneurs at the market were issued "Market Stall Permit" documents to complete. On page 2 of the agreement under section "3." "Period" (of Permit) the following is stated in big bold letters -

**THIS IS A SHORT-TERM REVOCABLE PERMIT, TERMINABLE AND REVOCABLE AT WILL AT PERMITTER'S OPTION. PERMITTEE AGREES TO PROMPTLY VACATE THE PREMISES UPON THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS' WRITTEN NOTICE OF REVOCATION AND TERMINATION FROM PERMITTOR. NO OWNERSHIP, LEASEHOLD OR OTHER PROPERTY INTEREST SHALL VEST IN PERMITTEE BY VIRTURE OF THIS PERMIT.**

**The language makes it clear that the vendors have absolutely no contractual security thereby extinguishing the opportunity of entrepreneurial opportunity!**

The New York City Economic Development Corporation states that their mission is "to encourage economic growth throughout the five boroughs of New York City by strengthening the City's competitive position and facilitating investments that build capacity, create jobs, generate economic opportunity and improve quality of life."

When encouraging New Yorkers to support small businesses, NYC EDC acknowledged that small businesses have a vital role in our economy and urged those persons who were shopping to do so at the local markets (mentioning Moore Street Market as one of them). Also stated is "With more than 88% of NYC businesses employing fewer than 20 employees, small businesses are a crucial part of the city's economy". In terms of transparency NYCEDC notes that it "is committed to developing our projects through an open and transparent process to ensure our work is held accountable to all New Yorkers."

NYCEDC needs to practice what it preaches. We cannot stress enough that NYCEDC should be placing its emphasis on small business development by aiding these unique ethnic entrepreneurs with all of the resources available in the agency's toolbox...not rushing them out the door as it has emerged to be.

## **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT – NEWTOWN CREEK AREA**

We continue to urge monitoring the progress of the Superfund scoping and remediation project to minimize negative impacts on creek side businesses. To date, these impacts have

included inability to obtain financing and insurance. All of these businesses were adversely affected by Superstorm Sandy; it is vital that proposed public works projects address storm impact on business operations.

## **HOTEL DEVELOPMENT**

CB #1 seeks the City to address an issue that is of increasing importance to our community: hotel development. As the landscape of the city changes, more and more hotels are being built in neighborhoods that are historically residential, such as ours. Hotels have an outsized, often disruptive, impact on our communities and we urgently need a process that provides real community input on hotel development. Recent hotel growth in Brooklyn has been in residential and industrial areas, crowding out local communities, manufacturing spaces, and affordable housing. This hotel growth has led to the gentrification and homogenization of our communities, and it has inflated rents and property taxes. To maintain our vibrant city, every effort should be made to preserve socioeconomic diversity and keep our neighborhoods affordable for the mix of uses (residential, community spaces, artistic) that currently exist.

We need a real voice in the development process and an opportunity to engage developers before they start building. The simplest, most comprehensive approach is to amend the Zoning Resolution so that new hotels may only be developed by special permit. We strongly support a city-wide special permit requirement for hotels. This will empower communities and put residents and our representatives in City Council and in the Borough President's office on more equal footing with hotel developers, who have too often disregarded substantive issues.

## **EDUCATION**

We support an overall master planning effort for the Department of Education's District 14. With the acknowledged change in student population, schools in our district must be retooled to address the ever changing needs.

We continue to support our area schools and their needs that were previously related to our Board: outfitting each school with a science laboratory and to provide wireless computers and stations for the schools within the Community School District. We continue to support (1) After School, Saturday, Summer Instructional and Recreational Programs; and (2) Repair, Refinishment of our area's School Buildings. In the past, budget cuts to several capital projects caused them to be eliminated in a number of schools and many educational programs were either ceased or reduced as well as staff connected with those programs. We are concerned about the need for student protection and support all recognized security programs approved by the Department of Education to protect our children.

A major push by parents, community residents and teachers to reorganize the academically declining Comprehensive Eastern District High School proved to be quite successful as the 850 Grand Street Campus facility was instituted. In 1996 the Board of Education started three smaller schools, also called academies, that focused on particular themes of study (Progress HS for Professional Careers; Enterprise Business HS; and the School for Legal Studies), and eventually phased out Eastern District High School. Since that time, several other smaller schools are established in our district: the Academy for Young

Writers; Williamsburg Preparatory School; Williamsburg HS for Architecture and Design; El Puente Academy for Peace and Justice; Harry Van Arsdale HS GED; Green School: An Academy for Environmental Careers; and charter schools: Williamsburg Collegiate Charter School; Williamsburg Charter HS (“Beginning with Children” was a pioneer charter school in our community for elementary school age youngsters. It grew out of a private partnership with Pfizer and opened its doors in September 1992). We look forward to our educational facilities having future success in serving the educational needs of our children. We have received the expressed needs (list shown below of schools within the confines of CB #1) from School District #14's superintendent.

Schools	Needs
MS 126 424 Leonard Street	- Air conditioning in the auditorium and cafeteria.
PS 132 320 Manhattan Ave.	- 13 classroom air conditioners are not functioning, as well as the air conditioners in the Performing Arts Space and in the cafeteria.
PS 147 325 Bushwick Ave.	- Comprehensive Auditorium Upgrade including Electrical Wiring to accommodate air conditioning systems, new seating and floors, state-of-the-art stage equipment to include a defined stage area with backstage, lighting, sound. - Comprehensive Bathroom Upgrades for students and adults building-wide to include new plumbing, flushing systems, toilets, sinks, wall tiles, floors. - Window Upgrade (entire building).
PS 250 108 Montrose Ave.	- Bathroom upgrades. - Brighter lighting in the Gym. - School yard upgrades. - New closet Doors in Classrooms.
PS 319 360 Keap Street	- New PA System. - New Windows. - Courtyard Resurface. - New toilets and sinks for student restrooms.

Additional comments for the needs of PS 250 are:

**Multi Media Center at PS 250** - Comprehensive Multi Media Center for students and community members to have the opportunity to learn photography, film-making, animation, graphics, podcasting, and other forms of communication. This proposal calls for state of the art technology and support for media.

**A Modern Gym at PS 250** - The idea is to resurface the gym floor with hardwood and to install new wall padding. We also need the basketball hoops fixed. The gym lighting needs to be upgraded, and the gym needs bleachers installed.

**Restroom Upgrade** - The student restrooms have not been upgraded in over two decades.



### **School Yard Upgrade - Repair broken asphalt and overall redesign**

### **Auditorium Upgrade - Add air conditioning system, new seating, state of the art stage equipment to encompass backstage upgrade, new sound system, projector upgrades, and lighting enhancements**

It has been reported by the Department of City Planning that according to the Census, out of the total district's population, in the group 5 years and over: 89,085 persons are proficient and 57,775 are not proficient in English. Those persons not proficient in English had another language spoken at home. Roughly 46.5% spoke Spanish/Spanish Creole; 20.8% spoke Polish; 20.5% spoke Yiddish (with the remainder percentage scattered in other categories). We encourage programs that will assist persons with attaining better English proficiency skills. Our board has sent a letter of solicitation to the superintendent of District 14 on April 22, 2015 and was never answered.

### **PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

Community Board No. 1 contains four public libraries (Greenpoint, Bushwick, Leonard and Marcy Avenue branches) which provide a variety of services for the community. We support their needs for enhanced equipment, computer linkages, increased book budgets and physical improvements.

The Leonard Branch has its elevator installed and is still seeking to construct a ramp as well as other sorely needed improvements for this aging Carnegie branch. We support their efforts to have the facility wheelchair accessible. Greenpoint Branch is an existing facility that can no longer accommodate the growing needs of the community in terms of function and programming and the construction of a new facility, on its current footprint, is being sought. We have learned that the work will commence on this project at the end of June. We urge that all efforts be made to accommodate the community with auxiliary service while the branch is closed. It is most encouraging to see that these facilities are being highly used by both young and older residents alike. CB #1 strongly opposes cuts to the budgets for our libraries.

### **MASS TRANSIT**

Before discussing the proposed reconstruction work that the MTA/New York City Transit is planning for the "L" train line's Canarsie Tubes, we will address the transit system as it currently stands.

Mass transit is woefully inadequate to meet the needs of our district. Local bus service is frequently delayed because of overall traffic congestion. Overcrowding on the L train is so severe that riders often must allow 2, 3, or more trains go by before they can board; while on the G train, growing ridership is straining the limits of the current 4-car trains and the service schedule, which is that of a non-rush-hour service schedule.

MTA-NYC Transit's E/F/G/V service change in 2001, which terminated the northbound G line at Court Square on weekdays, interfered with many commutes; service has deteriorated further: the MTA indicated that the G would run its full route on weekends, but on any given weekend, that is not the case. G rides suffer from short, overcrowded trains and a halved line most of the time. For those North Brooklyn commuters who solely depend on the G, improved service must be a priority. The Board has read with interest – not to mention a sense of irony – that the V line has the lowest ridership in the entire system – lower, even, than the G line, which makes far fewer stops.

In 2001, the G line was shortened from its then-6 subway car trains to its present 4-car trains in order to supply the newly created V line. The V line was so clearly underutilized since its inception and the crowding on the G has increased dramatically with no downward trend in sight. The V line was eliminated and the M train was rerouted to cover the service. The Board recommends that MTA-NYC Transit reallocate subway cars from the M line and return them to the G line to offer relief for G line riders.

There needs to be better connection to trains that travel to and from Manhattan. The connection at Court Square for the G line remains inadequate and difficult to navigate. We continue to advocate that there be a free transfer between the G line and the elevated (J/M) line (Broadway/Hewes Street). During the work planned on the G line's Greenpoint Avenue Tube (it was badly damaged during Hurricane Sandy) the MTA announced that they would temporarily provide a free transfer between the G line and the elevated trains. We were pleased that the temporary extension of the G line that brought it further into Brooklyn was made permanent. The Greenpoint Avenue station on the G line needs to be upgraded to include a public announcement system as one is sorely lacking. Delays in service on the line leave riders at this station in the dark because there is no communication.

Ferry service has resumed at the CB #1's waterfront, with an expanded service. We ask that the ferry service be "hooked into" the NYC Transit's fare system to allow payment by use of a MetroCard. In down times on the G, the ferry could serve as alternate mode of transportation to and from Manhattan, Long Island City or further into Brooklyn where they may stop. We are pleased that EDC have expanded the ferry service in our district making commuting to other boroughs more conducive.

Everyone agrees that the extreme ridership growth on the L train seems to have caught many agencies by surprise although we have been consistently warning them to expect this shift for several years now. We understand that more cars are on their way, but in the meantime, district residents and businesses are frustrated by the increasing unreliability of L service. The Board recommends that the MTA-NYC Transit consider implementing an express-style L train, running in morning peak hours from Myrtle-Wyckoff to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and in evening peak hours from 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Broadway Junction. This would allow the L train fleet to turn around more quickly and service more riders.

We continue to urge the siting of elevators to ease the ability of those persons who are limited in mobility to be able to use the system.

L Train and Reconstruction of the Canarsie Tubes - We were both totally surprised and utterly outraged to learn through the media that MTA's plans to close the "L" train Canarsie tubes for a period up to four years while it conduct repairs to damage that occurred from the 2012 Hurricane incident. No discussion was made with our board! Our repeated requests for a copy of the damage report have gone unheeded. We are taken aback by the MTA's turning a blind eye to our community on this most important issue! The closure of the tubes will have not just a huge impact on our residents and the general traveling public, but on the local economy as well. The agency considered an "A" and a "B" plan. The plan selected will close the tubes entirely for a year and a half. The MTA/NYC transit is still working on the alternate plans to carry the ridership into Manhattan.

Bus Service - We must also express our concern about delays in local bus service. Our bus schedules have been changed/combined with increased traffic and our bus riders are waiting longer than ever for many routes, such as (but not limited to) the B24, B48 and Q59.

Given the changes in our community – notably the increases in our nightlife, with many visitors to our galleries, restaurants, night clubs, boutiques, and our slowly-developing waterfront parks – we are seeing more ridership on local bus service, and ask the DOT and MTA-NYC Transit to develop a service plan to meet ridership demand.

We are pleased that MTA-NYC Transit has begun to install smaller, more streamlined bus shelters; we plan to request more bus shelters, now that the odds are better that they can be accommodated at certain bus stops.

We note that the City and State collaborated on a Bus Rapid Transit pilot project; the proposed Brooklyn route terminates at Williamsburg Bridge Bus Plaza, which is within the Community Board No. 1 district. We believe it would be beneficial to CB #1 residents if the BRT could extend over the Williamsburg Bridge, so that CB #1 residents could also use the service to reach Manhattan.

Given our growth, transportation along the District's waterfront needs to be planned now. The DOT and MTA-NYC Transit must take an aggressive, proactive approach. The implementation of the new bus route along Kent Avenue will provide a much-needed service to our district, and complement service provided by other routes, such as the B62.

With the siting of the MTA's revenue depot at 46-25 Metropolitan Avenue, Community District #1 has been inundated with armored trucks flying through residential areas. The MTA must take immediate action in advising their drivers to adhere to truck route designations.

The addition of water transportation (such as ferries and water taxis) must be encouraged with any new development on the waterfront. We urge the formulation of an MTA "Needs Assessment" panel to review the service in our district and make much needed service changes to better serve our community and the Authority.

The NYC's Ferry service was expanded and has more stops in the CB #1's district, Queens and Manhattan. To ensure the viability of the service and continued operations in the future, this mode of transportation must receive a permanent form of subsidy. All of the docks must be kept well maintained to avoid any accidents such as with the 2014 gangway collapse at India Street. We continue to press for the ability to utilize the MetroCard for ferry passage.

## **COMMUNITY BOARDS**

Community Board No. 1 still lacks adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs. The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive.

Community Board No. 1 is always facing yet another round of budget cuts in the budget process. While restorations were made this fiscal year, we remain guarded about projected cuts for upcoming fiscal years. **Community Boards have not seen an increase in our budget in over 20 years.**

Our internal budget is not sufficient enough to meet the ever escalating costs of necessary office operations and staffing. The rapid changes in communications, media and computers, plus the costly upgrading of various programs and equipment would inhibit a

Board's daily operations whose insufficient budget covers a small staffing of only three persons (2 full-time and 1 part-time) and miniscule operating (OTPS) cost of \$ 10,476.

Our office carries out a myriad of services. CB #1 is the mini City Hall for our constituents. We handle complaints, provide comments on projects, land use and develop capital/expense budget lines for the district as well as conduct public hearings.

We have 13 established committees that comprehensively tackle matters of concern and service delivery. Our staff also supports the board members in preparing reports, minutes, and scheduling of meetings. Matters from the public are handled as well, these often range from simple point of information inquiries, "freedom of information (FOIL)", to major investigations requiring constant follow up!

In addition, we have other operating tasks that are for specifically needed to administer the CB #1's internal operations. These include recordkeeping, timekeeping, budget preparation, monitoring & payment of expenditures, voucher preparation, inventory and auditing.

### **TECHNOLOGY - WEBCASTING REQUIREMENT FOR COMMUNITY BOARDS**

City Council's Int. No. 28, a proposal to amend the City Charter that would require community boards to webcast their full board meetings. Although we have consistently advocated for increased budgets for community boards, Community Board No. 1 still lacks adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs. The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive and way beyond our fiscal capability.

Web casting is a high tech area of deployment requiring cameras, software, various hardware, a streaming server, a database server, a web/content management server, a directory management server and a series of "apps", not to forget additional staff to operate the camera. There are also serious costs included in setting up an infrastructure to carry out webcasting. All of this is something that we cannot both fiscally and physically accomplish "in house".

CB #1 has to make do with the limited resources of DoITT (there is one tech person assigned for all of the 59 community boards). Additionally, since community boards lack their own meeting venues (relying on rented or donated space) any recording set ups must be portable. The City should instead develop a team that would perform this service for each of the 59 community boards. Int. 28 was laid over by the City Council's Committee on Technology. We seek an update regarding this requirement as there was discussion about community board's being exempt. This year, the City Council has put in place a pilot program to do the broadcasting. CB #1 is receiving live broadcasting of the regular meetings during this pilot program. We urge that the City consider extending the program and provide these telecommunication services on a permanent basis.

### **SUSTAINABILITY OF COMMUNITY BOARDS**

Community boards provide a vital function for the districts they are designated to serve and consequently stand as valuable assets to the City as well. There is urgent need for increased funding as moneys were lost in previous budget crunches and were projected to be

further reduced in the upcoming fiscal years.

Community Board budgets should not be at the sole whim of the Administration. The NYC Charter's language regarding community boards must be strongly re-written to ensure that community boards are fiscally protected and legislatively promulgated – the budgets must be held harmless from political climates.

### **BIGGER AND BETTER LAND USE ROLES**

Community Board No. 1 is no stranger to the land use process. Many impacts for Greenpoint and Williamsburg have been from various ULURP, BSA applications, development scenarios and sting actions – all which our board has taken an active role in. Our diligent work never ceases and our voices must be heard. Community Board No. 1 needs the commission to strengthen our role by giving us more teeth with which to have a better bite. We will continue to partner with the Brooklyn Borough President on these important matters that affect the life, health and welfare of our constituency.

### **CONCLUSION**

Community Board No. 1 is prepared to discuss each of the items addressed in this **Statement of Community District Needs**. Please do not hesitate to contact us. In closing, we trust, that the City of New York will act favorably upon the items contained in this report or advise reasons for not implementing the needs of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Community.

Respectfully submitted,

Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

Stephen J. Weidberg  
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District Manager



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## **Community Board 1 June 12, 2018**

### **CB1 currently has the following projects under construction:**

- Newtown Barge Playground –upland park contractor began work February 2018, completion anticipated February 2019;
- Ten Eyck Playground – construction began spring 2017, completion delayed due to no water service in the park. We will continue to update you;
- Ten Eyck Playground Comfort Station – to be complete spring 2019;
- North 5th Street bulkhead reconstruction – to be complete fall 2018;
- McGolrick Playground – construction began September 18, 2017, complete fall 2018;
- Sergeant Dougherty (SDOT funded construction project) – construction began spring 2017, completion spring 2019;
- McCarren Soccer Field –construction began March 19, 2018 and will be completed spring 2019.

### **We have several projects not yet under construction:**

- Jaime Campiz – construction to begin early summer 2018 and completed winter 2018;
- Epiphany Playground – construction likely to begin summer 2018 and be completed fall 2019;
- McGolrick Park Paths – to begin fall 2018 and completed fall 2019;
- McCarren Recreation Center – reconstruction of roof and exterior masonry walls. Construction will begin fall 2018 and be completed in two years;
- LaGuardia Playground – completing design phase. Construction to begin summer 2019 and will be complete spring 2020;
- Sternberg Synthetic turf and basketball lights – construction likely to begin fall 2019 and be complete fall 2020;
- Bartlett Playground – in design;
- Penn Triangle – in design;
- Box Street Park – in design;
- Cooper Park Comfort station – design began March 2018;
- 50 Kent scoping meeting held on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Funded NYC Parks projects awaiting a public input meeting:**

- Motiva;
- Marcy Parks;
- William Sheridan Playground;
- McCarren Park natural turf softball fields.



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### **Greenpoint Landing**

Commissioner Maher has heard the community concerns voiced this week regarding the planned park at Greenpoint Landing and would like to meet with the community and Community Board 1 personally to discuss. The park design at Greenpoint Landing is not final and is subject to change, especially if it means adding more green space equal to the 50% in the zoning text and that the community has requested. The Parks Department is not opposed to lawns where they are appropriate and Parks encourages additional plantings at the park.

### **50 Kent Pop-Up Park**

NYC Parks and the Friends of Bushwick Inlet Park opened the 50 Kent Pop-Up Park on Memorial Day weekend. The park will offer a variety of programming options including Sunday yoga with Hatha Yoga (10am), picnicking, flying disc mini golf, and summer movies. The first film of the season is scheduled for 8pm on June 20<sup>th</sup>. The park is open during the week for scheduled events and Saturday/Sunday 9am-5pm, all weather permitting.

### **McGolrick Park Updates**

In May Commissioner Maher met with community members, Assemblyman Lentol, and representatives from CM Levin's office to discuss the playground construction project as well as a few other park concerns. McGolrick Park Playground construction is on schedule to reopen late September. The comfort station is still closed but Parks has added a temporary, ADA accessible bathroom to the park until we can reopen the park bathrooms, anticipated now for end of the month. We have replaced the Imagination Playground and will be scheduling a volunteer training for next week (June 18-22). Please email North Brooklyn Parks Director [mary.salig@parks.nyc.gov](mailto:mary.salig@parks.nyc.gov) if you are interested in becoming a Playground in a Box steward. Commissioner Maher has also heard community concerns regarding the farmer's market and agreed to return it to the center area of the park.



## **District Manager's Report Community Board No. 1 Brooklyn**

**TO: All Board Members**

**FROM: Gerald A. Esposito  
District Manager**

**RE: June 12, 2018**

1. Complaint Tally Sheet for May 2018.
2. Department of City Planning RE: Updated Adult Use Map – CD 1 & 4.
3. FDNY RE: Flier – FDNY Open Houses on Saturday, June 16, 2018.
4. NYSolar Smart RE: New York Solar and Storage Summit, June 19, 2018
5. NYC Emergency Management RE: NYC Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has announced the 2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (organizations can submit in applications)
6. Katie Beck Sutter/Brooklyn Navy Yard RE: Open positions that they are recruiting for at the Employment Center at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.
7. HPD RE: Affordable Housing for Rent:
  - 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY (Application deadline is June 22, 2018).
  - 321 Wythe Avenue, Brooklyn, NY (Application deadline is July 17, 2018).
8. NYC Emergency Management RE: New Phase of “Know Your Zone” Campaign To Raise Awareness of Hurricane Risks During the 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season.
9. Complaint Resolution: In November 2016 Community Board No. 1 was contacted by a frail & elderly woman (96 year old constituent) in Greenpoint. She reached out for assistance regarding a contractor, to whom she paid several thousands of dollars to (paid the bill in full) to do some fairly simple improvements and repairs to her home. The contractor never completed the work. On her behalf we reached out to the Department of Consumer Affairs to lodge a formal complaint. I assisted in filing the proper paperwork, taking photographs, and gathering other pertinent documentation that she needed to pursue the claim. When her case seemed to be stalled and going nowhere, I reached out to other personnel at the DCA and the Mayor's Office to help get the complaint properly addressed. After 19 months of continuous emails and phone calls, I was quite pleased to learn that these hard efforts were not made in vain. The constituent called on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, to state that she received a check for more than \$2,000 from DCA's trust fund. She said that she was ready to give up before engaging CB #1's help. She was glad that we kept encouraging her and helping her through the process.





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June 12, 2018

**TO: ALL BOARD MEMBERS**  
**FROM: GERALD A. ESPOSITO, DISTRICT MANAGER**  
**RE: COMPLAINT TALLY SHEET – May 2018**

	TALLY	
DEP		
AIR	1	
NOISE	3	
WATER	4	Leaks
SEWER BREAK		
SEWER BACKUP		
CATCH BASIN	3	
HYDRANT	4	Leaks/knocked down
DOS		
DERELICT AUTO/BIKES	1	
BULK PICKUP	1	material not picked up
REGULAR PICKUP	2	
LOT CLEANING		
UNSWEPT STREET LITTER	2	
SNOW REMOVAL		
ENFORCEMENT	2	
BASKET REQUESTS	1	new
SIGNS	2	Change SCR
RECYCLING	1	No pickup of organics
HEALTH DEPT		
PEST CONTROL	2	rats
LOT CLEANING		
ASSISTANCE	3	information
DOCUMENTS	2	
HOUSING AUTHORITY		
APPLICATION		
SERVICE		
ELEVATOR		
OTHER	2	
SENIOR HOUSING	1	info/locations & applications
FIRE DEPT		
SERVICE	2	Gas odors; C of O
EQUIPMENT		
ANIMAL CONTROL	1	Information on raccoons
HPD		
SEAL-UP		
DEMO		
HEAT/HOT WATER		
CODE ENFORCE.	1	information
RELOCATION		
RENT CONTROL	1	Rent information
OTHER	1	Apt rents/DHCR info
BUILDINGS DEPT	12	
REFERRALS		
LEGAL	1	
STATE	1	
FEDERAL	1	USPS







NATIONALGRID	4	street work
EDUCATION		
SCHOOL REGION		
SCHOOL PS		
JHS		
HS		
COLLEGE	1	info
OTHER		
HRA		
SOCIAL SERVICES	1	info
MEDICAID	1	info
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
FOOD STAMPS		
DCAS		
REAL ESTATE		
PARKS DEPT		
TREE REQUESTS		
TREE REMOVAL	2	Tree damaged/removal
PRUNING		
SPRAYING		
POOLS		
GREENSTREET		
POLICE DEPT.	1	
PROTECTION	3	
DRUGS		
PARKING	15	
CRIME	1	
OTHER	3	Traffic control
MTA		
DOT	10	
HIGHWAYS	2	Inspection
POT HOLES	5	
PLATES	3	National Grid plates
SIDEWALK	3	Request for repair
CAVE-IN	2	DEP - broken sewer
METERS	1	illegal use of permits
SIGNS	3	
TRAFFIC LIGHTS	5	requests
TRENCH WORK (& DEP)		
STREET LIGHT		
CON EDISON	1	pole
INFO REQUESTS	315	
VERIZON/CABLE	1	construction
DCA	2	
LICENSE	2	sidewalk café
ARCADE/RIDES		
TOTAL	445	

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Buono Wallin  
Assistant District Manager

# Areas where Adult Uses May Site per NYC Zoning

## Brooklyn Community Districts 1 and 4

May 1, 2018

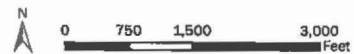
-  Community Districts
-  Zoning Districts
-  School
-  House of Worship
-  Existing Adult Establishment
-  Areas where adult uses may site

Adult Establishments may be sited in C6 (excluding C6-1, C6-2, and C6-3), C7, C8, M1, M2, and M3 districts.

Additionally, no adult establishment may be established less than 500 feet from:  
 a house of worship  
 a school  
 a previously established adult establishment  
 a Residence District  
 a C1, C2, C3, C4, C5-1, C6-1, C6-2 or C6-3 District,  
 a Manufacturing District, other than an M1-6M District,  
 in which new residences or new joint living-work quarters for artists are allowed as-of-right or by special permit or authorization.

Sources: NYC Department of City Planning, Information Technology Division; field surveys

Disclaimer: this map reflects data current as of May 1, 2018, and is subject to change



## Join the FDNY: Open Houses June 16!

Caro, Fabricio (FDNY)

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 5:35 PM

**To:** Caro, Fabricio (FDNY)

**Attachments:** 2018 open house flyer\_engl~1.pdf (605 KB) ; 2018 open house flyer\_span~1.pdf (518 KB) ; 2018 open house flyer\_Chin~1.pdf (540 KB)

The FDNY will be hosting open houses Saturday, June 16, 2018. We would like to invite you to attend an open house in your neighborhood!

Sessions will be held either from 11 a.m.-1p.m. or 1 p.m.-3 p.m. To find out the time/location of your nearest firehouse or EMS station , click on the link below for our interactive map;

<http://www.nyc.gov/fdnyopenhouse>

Throughout the day Firefighters, Paramedics and EMTs will be educating the public about fire and life safety, conducting demonstrations, discussing the Department's storied history, and offering tours of FDNY apparatus (engines, ladders and ambulances).

Thanks to generous support from the FDNY Foundation, members will be distributing free smoke/carbon monoxide alarms, fire safety coloring books, fire helmets for children and educational material promoting fire and life safety tips. This event is open to any member of the public. Attached are flyers for you to share with all.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>!

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Pase a visitarnos para ...

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  - Ver demostraciones
  - Aprender consejos de seguridad para la vida y contra incendios
  - Explorar carreras con FDNY
  - reciba una alarma de humo/  
monóxido de carbono gratis para su hogar
- ...y mucho mas



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NYC Solar Permitting

**NYSERDA ISSUES \$19.8 MILLION "SOLAR FOR ALL" RFP**

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) issued a **Request for Proposals (RFP)** on May 24 for the first round of community shared solar projects to be developed under its Solar For All program. Solar For All seeks to provide 10,000 low-income New Yorkers with small, no cost community solar subscriptions. Projects installed under this RFP may devote part or all of their capacity to Solar For All. Proposals must be submitted by July 24; NYSERDA will hold a **pre-bid webinar on June 12**.

**APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR ACCESSolar**

The New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) will accept applications for its ACCESSolar program on its **website** through July 2. ACCESSolar offers teams of developers and community organizations the opportunity to install community shared solar systems on selected NYCHA rooftops at no or low lease costs, provided that the systems enroll low- or moderate-income customers as subscribers and employ NYCHA residents in the installation. Developers and community organizations looking to team up with like-minded partners can register through the NYC Solar Partnership's **Shared Solar Gateway**.

**NEW ADDER WILL BOOST SOLAR FOR MULTI-FAMILY AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

In an effort to stimulate solar development in New York State's multi-family affordable housing market, NYSERDA is rolling out a new adder that will become part of the VDER value stack. The adder, which becomes effective in June, will tack on an extra 40 cents per watt in Con Edison's service territory and 30 cents per watt in the rest of the state to solar projects up to 50 kW installed on multi-family homes that meet affordable housing eligibility standards. The adder applies to onsite behind-the-meter installations and community shared solar systems serving building residents. The new adder translates to an additional \$20,000 incentive for a 50 kW system in New York City on top of the \$30,000 already available under the current incentive structure.

**NEARLY 2500 SOLARIZE PROJECTS IN NY = \$3.6 MILLION IN SAVINGS**

Solarize group purchasing programs across New York State have now resulted in 2,439 solar installations totaling 19.5 megawatts (MW), according to a report released last week at a statewide energy affordability conference. The savings achieved by group purchases in the 81 Solarize programs implemented during the first three rounds of funding total \$3.6 million, or an average of \$1,476 in savings per installation. The Mid-Hudson Valley region leads the state with 963 installations totalling 7.65 MW. In the latest round and for the first time, community solar projects are included as a component eligible for support, enrolling 175 residents and small businesses in the Southern Tier and Mid-Hudson Valley regions. Through the **Solarize NYC** program led by Sustainable CUNY, **Solarize Nehemiah** has initiated a Solar Pioneers program that trains youths in the community to conduct outreach. This program has not only led to successfully engaging homeowners in east Brooklyn, but helps introduce solar as a career to the next generation.

**ORANGE IS THE NEW GOLD**

New York has done it again! Orange County, with the assistance of Sustainable CUNY, has reached SolSmart's highest designation: Gold. SolSmart is a U.S.

Need a pathway to storage for your NY Town, Village or City?



Email [DGHUB@cuny.edu](mailto:DGHUB@cuny.edu)



Find your solar potential at [nysolarmap.com](http://nysolarmap.com)

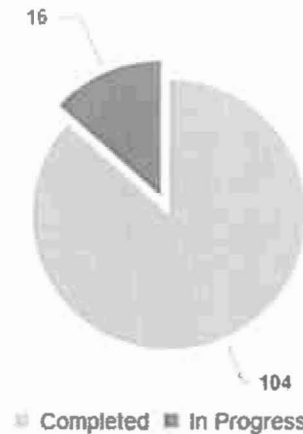
Department of Energy-funded solar program for local governments that provides a nationally-recognized designation to communities that take, or have taken, actions to reduce local barriers to solar installations. Orange County joins the growing list of SolSmart's New York awardees that includes New York City, Erie County, Suffolk County and others. If your community is interested in free assistance from the Sustainable CUNY ombudsman team and federal recognition for smart solar policies, please email [nysolar@cuny.edu](mailto:nysolar@cuny.edu)

NY SOLAR ANALYTICS

Solar Snapshot

Orange County

Status of Solar Projects



FROM THE DIRECTOR

I am excited about our approach to a 'working summit' for the NY Solar+Storage Summit on June 19th and I hope that you will join us. The 'Distributed Generation' Conversations provide an important opportunity for everyone to have a voice in developing solutions. Sustainable CUNY has always strived for a collaborative approach through Working Groups and Installer Roundtables and using these Distributed Conversations will be an intricate part of our Summit moving forward in order to ensure all stakeholders are informed as we seek to move the market together. Register



*Tria Case, University Director of Sustainability and Energy Conservation at the City University of New York (CUNY) and lead for NYSolar Smart, NYC Solar Partnership.*

*NYSolar Smart is a strategic effort led by Sustainable CUNY of the City University of New York that supports Federal, State and NYC solar initiatives to strategically remove barriers to large scale solar deployment.*



**Announcement: New York State Nonprofit Security Grant Program**

NYC Emergency Management [nycoem@nycoem.ccsend.com] on behalf of NYC Emergency Management [intergov@oem.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 9:23 AM

To: BK01 (CB)



Dear partners,

The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has announced the 2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program-Urban Area (NSGP-UA) and State (NSGP-S). **NSGP-UA-** \$50 million is being made available to support nonprofit organizations that are located within a federally designated urban area. Each organization may submit an application for up to \$150,000 in grant funds. **NYC Urban areas include:** five boroughs of NYC, Nassau County, Suffolk County, and Westchester County.

**NSGP-S** -\$300,000 is being made available for organizations outside of a federally designated urban area.

To apply and for more information, visit [here](#).

Regards,  
Intergovernmental Affairs  
NYC Emergency Management

Send us your comments, request or inquires via email at: [Intergov@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:Intergov@oem.nyc.gov)

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NYC Emergency Management Communications Network,  
165 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, NY 11201

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## Homeland Security and Emergency Services

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### Nonprofit Security Grant Program

#### FY2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program

The NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services is pleased to announce the FY2018 Nonprofit Security Grant Program - Urban Area (NSGP-UA) and State (NSGP-S).

**NSGP - Urban Area (NSGP-UA)** - \$50 million is being made available nationally to support nonprofit organizations that are located within a federally designated urban area. In NYS, organizations who are **located in the NYC Urban Area which includes:** the five boroughs in New York City, Nassau County, Suffolk County and Westchester County are eligible to apply for this portion of funding. Each nonprofit organization may submit an application for up to \$150,000 in grant funds.

**NSGP - State (NSGP-S)** - \$300,000 is being allocated to New York State to support nonprofit organizations that are **located outside of the federally designated urban areas.**

Nonprofit organizations that are applying for this funding opportunity must be prequalified in the NYS Grants Gateway prior to application submission. To learn more about prequalification, go to the Grants Reform website (<http://www.grantsreform.ny.gov/Grantees>)

- Request for Applications due on June 6, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.
- Submission of Written Questions will be accepted until noon on June 4, 2018

#### Documents:

- [FY2018 NSGP Request for Applications](#)
- [FY2018 NSGP Investment Justification](#)
- [Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire doc pdf](#)
- [E-Grants Tutorial NFP 2018](#)
- [AEL List](#)

#### Contact Information:

E-mail: [Grant.Info@dhses.ny.gov](mailto:Grant.Info@dhses.ny.gov) or 1-866-837-9133

## Events + Opportunities at the Employment Center at the Brooklyn Navy Yard 5/31/18

Katie Beck Sutler [ksutler@bnydc.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, May 31, 2018 11:42 AM

**To:** Katie Beck Sutler [ksutler@bnydc.org]

**Attachments:** EC Orientation Flyer.pdf (2 MB)

Hi all,

Please see below for a list of open positions we are recruiting for at the Employment Center at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. If you have a candidate who is interested, please invite them to attend our weekly orientation at 9:30am or 1:30pm on Tuesdays at Building 92 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard (corner of Carlton and Flushing Aves). A flyer for orientation is also attached.

Please reach out with any questions. Interested candidates can also email [recruit@bnydc.org](mailto:recruit@bnydc.org) with questions.

Have a wonderful week,

Katie

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**SolidWorks Designer (Architectural)** - SolidWorks designer with experience in construction and a specialization in architectural features. Will be assigned up to two construction projects simultaneously. Designers will work with architects, engineers, and construction managers to fully develop architectural features that bridge the gap between design intent and optimal constructability.

**Slicer** – Candidates should have a background/interest in gourmet food, retail experience, salesmanship, strong communication skills, and a good work ethic. Knife skills and familiarity with specialty food items such as smoked fish and caviar are preferred.

**Overnight Baker** – Bagel baking experience. Experience in high volume baking production and recipe scaling. Must be able to lift over 50lbs

**CDL Class B Drivers** – Must have passenger endorsement, license must be for “non-excepted interstate” use, no restrictions for air brakes or passenger limitations. Must have valid USDOT Medical Examiner’s certificate.

**Plant Scientist** – Conduct experiments to improve crop quality in our indoor farming systems. The ideal candidate will have a background in horticulture research, plant biology or plant physiology, with preference towards experience with controlled environments. BA or MS in Horticulture, Plant Sciences or Plant Physiology

**Deckhand** – Exceptional customer service skills, must be eligible for TWIC card, assist in boarding and disembarking of passengers, including ticket collection

**Payroll Specialist** – Strong customer service and communication skills, trustworthy with attention to confidentiality, outstanding organizational ability with great attention to detail. Previous payroll experience strongly preferred.

**Lighting Assembler** – High-end design studio looking for help assembling hand-made lighting fixtures. Must have knowledge of hardware (machine screws, fasteners, etc...)

Position includes selecting hardware and preparing parts for production.

Additionally, The Albert C. Wiltshire Employment Center is always looking for talented candidates in the following areas:

**Baristas** – Must be passionate about coffee and educating customers, previous barista experience required, foam design experience a plus, must be able to operate coffee grinding and brewing equipment, accessories, and supplies; strong customer service skills required.

**Fabricators & Welders** – Ability to read blueprints and recognize welding symbols and specifications, MIG and TIG experience desired, ability to work with all types of metals and materials, ability to cut with precision and within exact specifications.

**Katie Beck Sutler | Vice President, Workforce Development**  
Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation

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Interested in  
opportunities  
within the  
Brooklyn  
Navy Yard?

## The Albert C. Wiltshire Employment Center

connects local residents to jobs and careers available in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Our team works with the 400+ companies on the Yard to understand their staffing needs and connect them with talent. More than 2500 individuals have found jobs with the Employment Center to date.



Join us for an upcoming orientation to learn about jobs within the Brooklyn Navy Yard and speak with our staff about your interest and skill-set.



Orientations are held every Tuesday at 9:30AM and 1:30PM. Please bring your resume and a government issued photo ID.

- Positions We Recruit For Include:
- Construction
  - Industrial and Manufacturing
  - Warehouse
  - Administrative
  - Operations
  - Marketing and Sales
  - Engineering
  - and more



# Affordable Housing for Rent

105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

**38 NEWLY CONSTRUCTED UNITS AT 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> STREET, WILLIAMSBURG, BROOKLYN**



**Amenities:** Recreation room, laundry room, security system throughout the building, electronic key entry, indoor bike parking, outdoor terrace, rear yard, parking\* (additional fees apply).

**Transit:** Trains: M/J/L; Buses: Q54, Q59

**No application fee • No broker's fee • Smoke-free building**

This building is being constructed through the Extremely Low and Low-Income Affordability (ELLA) of the New York City Housing Development Corporation and the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development.

## Who Should Apply?

Individuals or households who meet the income and household size requirements listed in the table below may apply. Qualified applicants will be required to meet additional selection criteria. Applicants who live in New York City receive a general preference for apartments.

- A percentage of units is set aside for applicants with disabilities:
  - Mobility (5%)
  - Vision/Hearing (2%).
- Preference for a percentage of units goes to:
  - Residents of Brooklyn CB1 (50%)
  - Municipal employees (5%)

## AVAILABLE UNITS AND INCOME REQUIREMENTS

Unit Size	60% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent <sup>1</sup>	Units Available		Household Size <sup>2</sup>	Annual Household Income <sup>3</sup> Minimum-Maximum <sup>4</sup>
Studio			\$865	9	→	1 person
1 bedroom		\$929	10	→	1 person	\$33,806 - \$43,860
	2 people				\$33,806 - \$50,100	
2 bedroom		\$1,121	19	→	2 people	\$40,423 - \$50,100
	3 people				\$40,423 - \$56,340	
	4 people				\$40,423 - \$62,580	

<sup>1</sup> Rent includes gas for cooking and water.

<sup>2</sup> Household size includes everyone who will live with you, including parents and children. Subject to occupancy criteria.

<sup>3</sup> Household earnings includes salary, hourly wages, tips, Social Security, child support, and other income. Income guidelines subject to change.

<sup>4</sup> Minimum income listed may not apply to applicants with Section 8 or other qualifying rental subsidies. Asset limits also apply.

## How Do You Apply?

Apply online or through mail. To apply online, please go to [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). To request an application **by mail, send a self-addressed envelope to: 105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. Only send one application per development. Do not submit duplicate applications. Do not apply online and also send in a paper application. Applicants who submit more than one application may be disqualified.

## When is the Deadline?

Applications must be postmarked or submitted online no later than **June 22, 2018**. Late applications will not be considered.

## What Happens After You Submit an Application?

After the deadline, applications are selected for review through a lottery process. If yours is selected and you appear to qualify, you will be invited to an interview to continue the process of determining your eligibility. Interviews are usually scheduled from 2 to 10 months after the application deadline. You will be asked to bring documents that verify your household size, identity of members of your household, and your household income.

- Español** Presente una solicitud en línea en [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). Para recibir una traducción de español de este anuncio y la solicitud impresa, envíe un sobre con la dirección a: **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. En el reverso del sobre, escriba en inglés la palabra "SPANISH." Las solicitudes se deben enviar en línea o con sello postal antes de **22/6/2018**.
- 简体中文** 访问 [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect) 在线申请, 如要获取本广告及书面申请表的简体中文版, 请将您的回邮信封寄送至: **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. 信封背面请用英语注明 "CHINESE". 必须在以下日期之前在线提交申请或邮寄书面申请 **2018/6/22**.
- Русский** Чтобы подать заявление через интернет, зайдите на сайт: [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). Для получения данного объявления и заявления на русском языке отправьте конверт с обратным адресом по адресу **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. На задней стороне конверта напишите слово "RUSSIAN" на английском языке. Заявки должны быть поданы онлайн или отправлены по почте (согласно дате на почтовом штемпеле) не позднее **22/6/2018**.
- 한국어** [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect) 에서 온라인으로 신청하십시오. 이 광고문과 신청서에 대한 한국어 번역본을 받아보시려면 발송용 봉투를 **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**으로 보내주세요. 봉투 뒷면에 "KOREAN" 이라고 영어로 적어주세요. **2018/6/22** 까지 온라인 신청서를 제출하거나 소인이 찍힌 신청서를 보내야 합니다.
- Kreyòl Ayisyen** Aplike sou entènèt sou sitwèb [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). Pou resevwa yon tradiksyon anons sa a nan lang Kreyòl Ayisyen ak aplikasyon an sou papye, voye anvlop ki gen adrès pou retounen li nan: **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. Nan dèyè anvlop la, ekri mo "HATIAN CREOLE" an Anglè. Ou dwe remèt aplikasyon yo sou entènèt oswa ou dwe tenbre yo anvan dat **6/22/2018**.
- العربية** تقدم بطلب عن طريق الإنترنت على الموقع الإلكتروني [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). للحصول على ترجمة باللغة العربية لهذا الإعلان ولنموذج الطلب الورقي, أرسل مظروف يحمل اسمك وعنوانك إلى: **105 S.5<sup>th</sup> Street, P.O Box 810, 135 S. Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094**. على الجهة الخلفية للمظروف، اكتب باللغة الإنجليزية كلمة "ARABIC". يجب إرسال نماذج الطلبات عن طريق الإنترنت أو ختمها بختم البريد قبل **2018/6/22**





# Affordable Housing for Rent

## THREE TWO ONE LLC

39 NEWLY CONSTRUCTED UNITS AT 321 WYTHE AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11249 WILLIAMSBURG



**Amenities:** Outdoor recreational space\*, fitness center\*, conference center\*, community room\*, sauna\*, on-site theater\*, party room\*, coin & card operated laundry room\* (\*additional fees apply).

**Transit:** Buses - B32, B59, B62, Q59

**No application fee • No broker's fee • Smoke-free building**

This building is anticipated to receive a Tax Exemption through the 421-a Tax Incentive program of the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development.

### Who Should Apply?

Individuals or households who meet the income and household size requirements listed in the table below may apply. Qualified applicants will be required to meet additional selection criteria. Applicants who live in New York City receive a general preference for apartments.

Preference for a percentage of units goes to:

- Mobility-disabled applicants (5%)
- Vision/Hearing-disabled applicants (2%)

## AVAILABLE UNITS AND INCOME REQUIREMENTS

Unit Size	130% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI) UNITS	Monthly Rent <sup>1</sup>	Units Available		Household Size <sup>2</sup>	Annual Household Income <sup>3</sup> Minimum - Maximum <sup>4</sup>
1 bedroom		\$1,999	17	→	1 person	\$68,538 - \$95,030
					2 people	\$68,358 - \$108,550
2 bedrooms		\$2,399	22	→	2 people	\$82,252 - \$108,550
					3 people	\$82,252 - \$122,070
					4 people	\$82,252 - \$135,590

<sup>1</sup> Tenant responsible for electric, electric heat and electric hot water

<sup>2</sup> Household size includes everyone who will live with you, including parents and children. Subject to occupancy criteria.

<sup>3</sup> Household earnings includes salary, hourly wages, tips, Social Security, child support, and other income. Income guidelines subject to change.

<sup>4</sup> Minimum income listed may not apply to applicants with Section 8 or other qualifying rental subsidies. Asset limits also apply.

### How Do You Apply?

Apply online or through mail. To apply online, please go to [nyc.gov/housingconnect](http://nyc.gov/housingconnect). To request an application **by mail, send a self-addressed envelope to: Three Two One LLC c/o The Wavecrest Management Team, 87-14 116<sup>th</sup> Street, Richmond Hill, NY 11418**. Only send one application per development. Do not submit duplicate applications. Do not apply online and also send in a paper application. Applicants who submit more than one application may be disqualified.

### When is the Deadline?

Applications must be postmarked or submitted online no later than **July 17, 2018**. Late applications will not be considered.

### What Happens After You Submit an Application?

After the deadline, applications are selected for review through a lottery process. If yours is selected and you appear to qualify, you will be invited to an appointment to continue the process of determining your eligibility. Appointments are usually scheduled from 2 to 10 months after the application deadline. You will be asked to bring documents that verify your household size, identity of members of your household, and your household income.

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## NEW YORK CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INTRODUCES NEW PHASE OF "KNOW YOUR ZONE" CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS OF HURRICANE RISKS DURING THE 2018 ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

NYC Emergency Management [nycoem@nycoem.ccsend.com] on behalf of NYC Emergency Management [intergov@oem.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, June 01, 2018 2:34 PM

To: BK01 (CB)



### INTERGOVERNMENTAL / EXTERNAL AFFAIRS **PRESS RELEASE**

#### NEW YORK CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INTRODUCES NEW PHASE OF "KNOW YOUR ZONE" CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS OF HURRICANE RISKS DURING THE 2018 ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

**June 1, 2018** - To mark the beginning of the 2018 Atlantic hurricane season, the New York City Emergency Management Department today launched a new phase of the *Know Your Zone* hurricane awareness campaign to encourage New Yorkers to find out whether they live in one of the city's six hurricane evacuation zones. Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30. The 2018 *Know Your Zone* campaign includes new video public service announcements (PSAs)\* demonstrating that New Yorkers have the power to prepare for hurricanes by knowing the hazards they may face, having a plan, and staying informed.

"Start preparing for hurricane season now so you'll be ready long before a hurricane threatens New York City," said **New York City Emergency Management Commissioner Joseph Esposito**. "Find out whether you live in a hurricane evacuation zone, and make an emergency plan with your family by visiting [NYC.gov/knowyourzone](http://NYC.gov/knowyourzone) or calling 311."

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has issued its 2018 Atlantic hurricane season outlook with forecasters predicting a near or above-normal season. NOAA's forecasters predict a 70 percent likelihood of 10 to 16 named storms of which 5 to 9 could become hurricanes (winds of 74+ mph), including 1 to 4 major hurricanes (category 3, 4, or 5; winds of 111+ mph).

To help raise awareness of hurricane season, *Know Your Zone* advertisements will be displayed on bus shelters and Link NYC kiosks and will run in newspapers throughout the five boroughs beginning in June. Through the *Know Your Zone* campaign, NYC Emergency Management aims to reach the roughly three million New Yorkers living within the city's hurricane evacuation zones. Areas of the city subject to storm surge flooding are divided into six evacuation zones (1 through 6) based on risk of storm surge flooding. The City may order residents to evacuate depending on a hurricane's track and projected storm surge.

New Yorkers should take key steps to prepare for the start of hurricane season:



- **Know your zone** - Find out whether you live in one of the city's six hurricane evacuation zones. Use the Hurricane Evacuation Zone Finder at [NYC.gov/knowyourzone](http://NYC.gov/knowyourzone) or call 311 (212-639-9675 for Video Relay Service, or TTY: 212-504-4115) to find out if your address is located in an evacuation zone. If you live in an evacuation zone, have a plan for where you will go if an evacuation order is issued for your area
- **Know what to do** - Make a plan so you know what to do, how to find each other, and how to communicate if a hurricane strikes. Use the Ready New York: My Emergency Plan at [NYC.gov/myemergencyplan](http://NYC.gov/myemergencyplan), or use the Ready NYC mobile application, available for smartphones and tablets.
- **Stay informed** - Sign up for Notify NYC to receive free emergency notifications and updates via email, phone, SMS/text, or Twitter. Messages are also available in American Sign Language (ASL). Get the free mobile application, visit [NYC.gov/notifynyc](http://NYC.gov/notifynyc), call 311, or follow @NotifyNYC on Twitter.

In preparation for the upcoming hurricane season, NYC Emergency Management released the 2018 edition of the "Ready New York: Hurricanes and New York City" guide, available in print and in 13 languages and audio format. The guide offers instructions for preparing an emergency plan, and features a map of the City's six hurricane evacuation zones and a list of hurricane evacuation centers in all five boroughs. Visit [NYC.gov/knowyourzone](http://NYC.gov/knowyourzone) to download the guide, or call 311 to request a copy.

*\*To download high-definition versions of the PSAs, [click here](#).*

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June 12, 2018

## PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

To: Chairperson Dealice Fuller  
and CB #1 Board Members

From: Tom J. Burrows, Committee Chair  
Lisa Bamonte, Committee Co-Chair

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The Public Safety & Human Services Committee met on May 22, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the CB #1's District Office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (Corner of Frost Street).

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Attendance: Present – Burrows, Bamonte, Bachorowski, Barros, Foster, Low, Leanza, (Viera requested to be excused. Absent – Cianciotta, Dybanowski, Gallagher, Porcello<sup>\*(</sup>non-board member).

### Introductions:

This was the second meeting of 2018 for the Public Safety & Human Services Committee of Brooklyn Community Board # 1. The Committee is co-chaired by Thomas Burrows and Lisa Bamonte. The meeting commenced with introductions of the Committee members, representatives of NYPD and Public Agencies and the public. Future meetings are scheduled for October 10 and November 28. If issues of concerns related to the Committee's focus arise between scheduled meetings please contact a Committee member and a meeting may be scheduled with proper notice.

### Agenda:

1. Updates from NYPD: 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct, 94<sup>th</sup> Precinct, PSA 3

Captain William Glynn was introduced at the previous meeting of the Public Safety Committee as the new Commander of the 94<sup>th</sup> Precinct. Captain Glynn was accompanied by PO David Molina of the 94 Precinct Community Affairs team.

Captain Glynn reported that unfortunately crime in the 94 Precinct is up 20% over the last 30-day period. There were 53 actual crimes. Most of these crimes were for Larcenies and Burglaries. Six alone were at CVS, there were a number of commercial burglaries and a number of construction site theft of tools. The precinct has made a number of good arrests related to both construction site thefts and package thefts. There have been no real serious violence. Assaults are up with most for domestic violence.

The Committee inquired regarding traffic issues. Captain Glynn reported a 20% decline in collisions, 40% decline in injuries; decline in bicycle accidents. No fatalities this month.

The Committee again asked for the Precincts support in curtailing the speeding on Manhattan Avenue between Metropolitan Avenue and Meeker Avenue.

A concern was raised about the increase in excessive horn honking particularly by Uber/Lyft drivers picking up clients.

A discussion was had regarding the McCarren Park Pool opening and the Captain reported the pool will be opening on June 27, the Precinct had met with Mary Salig and the Parks Department and would be coordinating with Parks Department and their PEP officers.

The Committee requested the NYPD to focus attention on noisy and disruptive roof parties and bars operating on rooftops. It has been reported that 64 Dobbin Street has been holding events on its roof and has a bar serving alcohol on the roof which is not a part of its liquor license.

Captain Glynn reminded the Committee and encouraged sharing the information with the Board and public of the continuing efforts of the NYPD through the NCO program to be more connected with the public. The NCO program information can be accessed through Buildtheblock.nyc. The 94 Precinct is divided into three sectors and quarterly meetings are held with the community.

The 94 Precinct Build the Block Meetings were announced as follows:

Sector A:

Police Officers Christopher Levine & Robert McGinn

Wednesday, May 30, 2018, 6:00PM

Bushwick Inlet Park

c/o North 9<sup>th</sup> Street & Kent Avenue

Sector B:

Police Officers Alejandro Montalvo & Felicia Alfred

Wednesday, May 23, 2018, 6:00PM  
Society of Saint Mary of the Snow  
410 Graham Avenue

Sector C:  
Police Officers Kieron Lessey & Sandy Torres  
Thursday, June 28, 2018, 6:00PM  
Union Baptist Church  
151 Noble Street

Committee members raised concerns about Street Homeless who we were told contrary to other names attributed to them were referred to as Travelers. These are young people, often with pets, who sit all day at set locations soliciting money. Or they walk between vehicles stopped at traffic lights.

Captain Glynn explained the definition of Homeless Encampment and the guidelines that both the NYPD and the Department of Sanitation must follow in addressing concerns about encampments. He also explained the definition of aggressive panhandling and the limits placed upon enforcement to address street panhandling. He explained that NYPD, DHS and DSNY are working cooperatively withing legal guidelines to address the community concerns. Breaking Ground is familiar with the regulars and are working with them to find solutions. Particular locations raised at the meeting were the exit ramp from the BQE at McGuinness, the area under the BQE and the corner of Metropolitan Avenue and Graham Avenue. Community members are encouraged to contact their NCO and attend the quarterly meetings to discuss their concerns.

Concerns were also raised about reckless operation of garbage trucks by commercial carting companies. The noise of these trucks and their workers in the early morning hours is a concern. Capt. Glynn reported that they are focusing on the concerns, issuing tickets to trucks who are off route and recently had a meeting with Five Star Carting.

Bike enforcement is also a concern and a discussion was had about E-bikes, their current illegal use and the need for enforcement.

Captain Timothy Skretch introduced himself to the Committee as the new Commanding Officer at the 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct. He reported that crime for what is referred to as the 57 index crimes was down in the 90<sup>th</sup>. Overall crime was down 36% in the last month with 40-45% of those crimes Grand Larceny, taking of electronics, scamming of money through fraudulent closings, etc.

However, there has been a serious uptick in violence. This is mainly around the area of the Bushwick Houses. There have been five incidents of shots fired since April. Early April a man was shot, later in April another shots fired. A rapper dispute at 140 Moore Street and the music manager did the shooting. In May another shots fired, 5

shots. May 5 another shooting at Bushwick Houses, 140 Moore Street. May 13 female shot in apartment, then a male shot, again 140 Moore Street.

Captain Skretch reports that every resource has been dedicated to the investigations. The 90 is working with Inspector Dan Dooley the Commander of PSA 3. There is a temporary NYPD headquarter building opposite 140 Moore Street. In other areas of the Precinct there have been shots fired. Three days in a row at the end of April/beginning of May there were shots in the southside. There are concerns around the park at South 4<sup>th</sup> St and Havemeyer. Park closing hours are not clear and need to be addressed.

Captain Skretch also reminded the committee of the opening of Domino Park on June 10. This is a public/private park and will have private security. The 90 is working closely with Two Trees Management and the Park staff.

Captain Skretch will ask the 90<sup>th</sup> NCO Sergeant to provide a schedule of NCO meetings and NCO officers to the Community Board to include with this report.

Both Captains reminded the Committee that the "National Night Out Against Crime" will be on August 5, 2018. The 94 Precinct has provided a flyer which is included with this report. The 90<sup>th</sup> is still working on the location and will notify the Community Board as soon as it is finalized. Everyone is encouraged to attend the event in their precinct.

## **2. School Crossing Guards**

With both Precinct Commanders in attendance a discussion was held regarding the need for adequate numbers of crossing guards in the Community Board #1 area. Julia Foster, a former crossing guard, discussed the concerns with both Captains and the process for applying and being hired. Also, the committee discussed the process for assuring that corners are covered in the event of illness. Two particular locations were discussed: Graham Avenue & Metropolitan Avenue and Kingsland Avenue & Frost Street. Ms. Foster and Ms. Bamonte will work with both precincts to assure adequate coverage. Crossing guards are also utilized during the summer month for summer school, swimming pool and parks.

## **3. Department of Homeless Services**

Perri Litton, the Brooklyn Borough Manager for the NYC Department of Homeless Service attended the Committee meeting. Mr. Litton has been very available to the Community Board and the Committee in addressing concerns related to DHS facilities within Community Board #1 and with the concerns regarding homeless on the streets. Throughout the meeting Mr. Litton, committee members and the NYPD representatives thoughtfully discussed the challenges of working with the homeless. Mr. Litton and the NYPD are working with Breaking Ground in reaching out to homeless individuals to provide services and referrals and in making efforts to assist the young people to return to their families.

Mr. Litton is very focused on improving and revising the Community Advisory Board stakeholder lists for the DHS programs within Community Board #1. This includes 249 Varet Street which is a facility for Seniors and Veterans; the Barbara Kleiman facility at 300 Skillman Avenue, which is an adult men's shelter which is an employment shelter and the men in that facility are supposed to be going out to jobs every day; 66 Clay Street which recently had a CAB meeting and the BRC facility at 400 McGuinness Blvd.

The BRC CAB is scheduled to have its next Community Advisory Board meeting on July 24, 2018, at 5:30pm at the shelter.

Mr. Litton is revising the CAB's shelter by shelter and compiling an up-to-date list of community members. And he is working on revising the process by which CAB's operate.

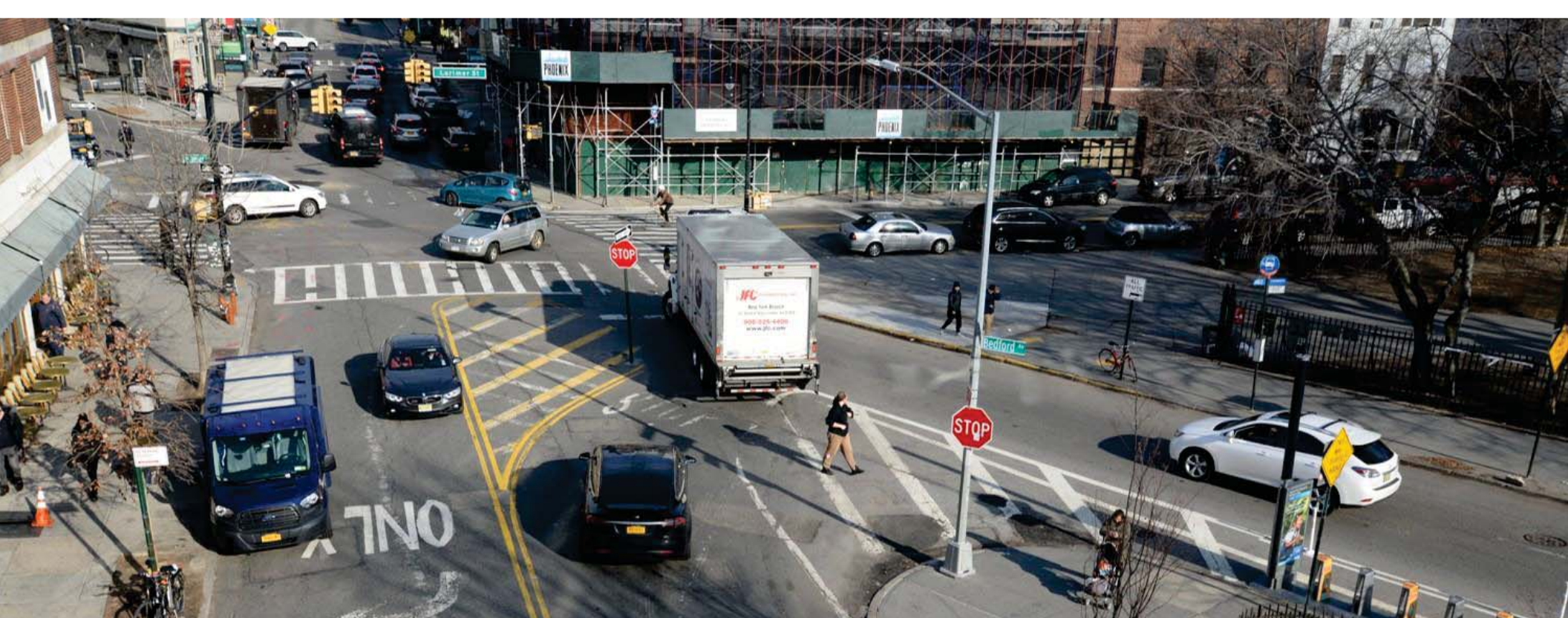
#### **4. Woodhull Hospital CAB**

Marie Viera, a member of Community Board #1 and a member of the Public Safety and Human Services Committee is a long-standing member of the CAB at Woodhull Medical Center. The Woodhull CAB meets monthly and Ms. Viera regularly attends these meetings. Ms. Viera was unable to attend the Public Safety & Human Services Committee meeting due to a work-related conflict but provided a thorough report on the activities of the CAB for the last few months. A copy of her report is attached to this report. It is important to note that the hospital staff had been working closely with NYPD regarding the recent shooting incidents and most particularly the rash of K2 related case from the area around Myrtle Avenue & Wyckoff Avenue. Thank you to Ms. Viera for her service in attending the CAB and keeping the Community Board informed.

The Committee reminds all Community Board members that the 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct, the 94<sup>th</sup> Precinct and PSA 3 all hold monthly Precinct Council meetings for members of the public to meet the Commanders, leadership and officers of the precincts and raise issues and concerns with the NYPD. For information regarding the meeting dates and times please go to each precinct's respective webpage.

The Committee also encourages everyone to participate in National Night Out in their respective precinct. This year "National Night Out Against Crime" is being observed across the city on Tuesday, August 5, 2018.

The next scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Human Services Committee is October 10, 2018.



# BEDFORD AVE – NASSAU AVE

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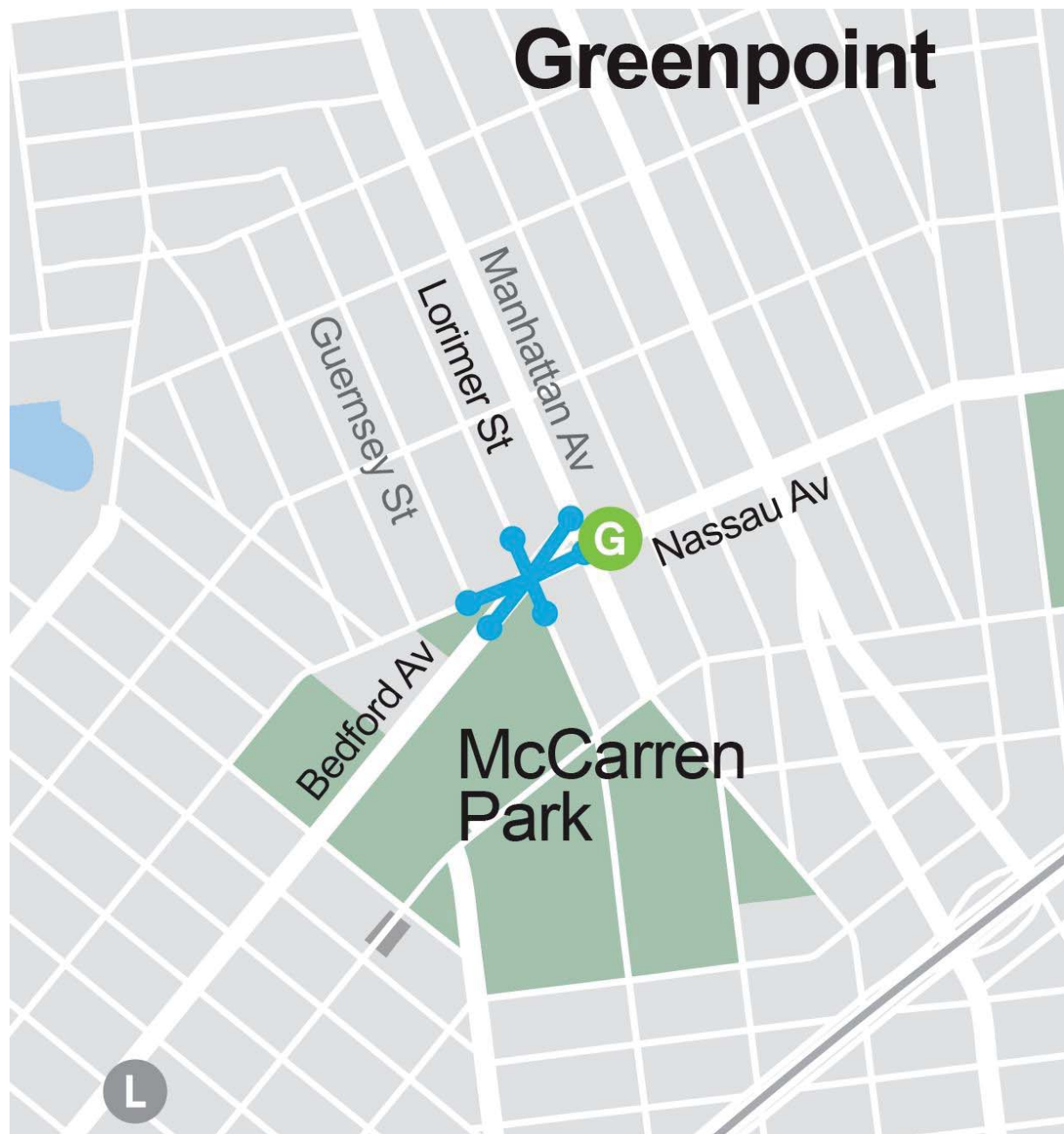
# Project Background

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# PROJECT AREA AND SAFETY DATA

- 6 legged intersection of Bedford Ave - Lorimer St - Nassau Ave
- Northern border of McCarren Park
- Close proximity to Nassau Ave G Train Station
- Neighborhood commercial destinations



**Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave, BK**  
Injury Summary, 2012-2016 (5 years)

	Total Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatalities	KSI
Pedestrian	1	0	0	0
Bicyclists	4	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Occupant	6	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

# PROJECT ORIGIN

- Location identified through NYC DOT North Brooklyn Traffic Study
- Location identified as part of L Train Shutdown mitigation (expected increase in pedestrians walking to G train station)
- In a ¼ mile radius, 68.4% of workers use transit to commute

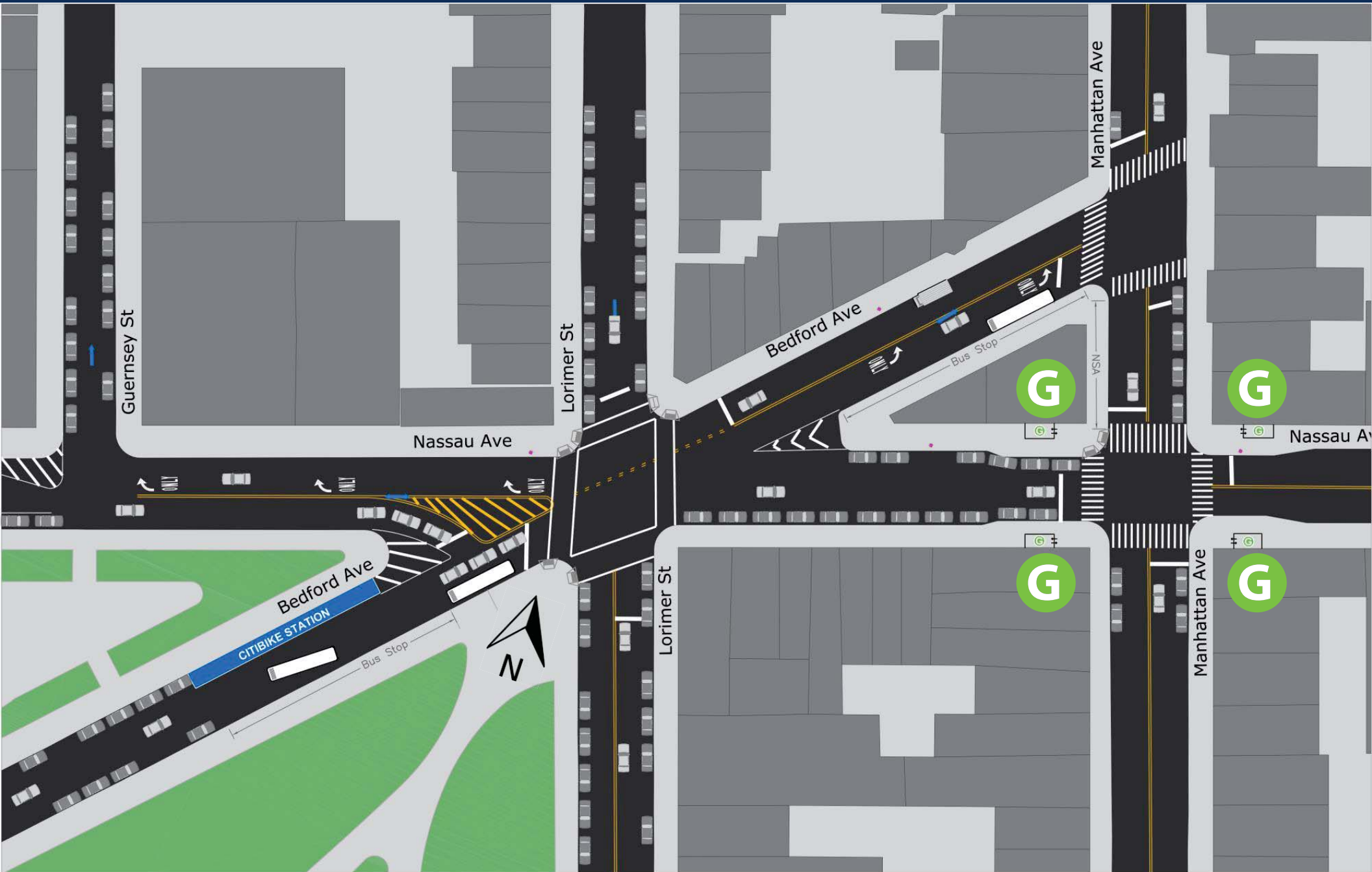


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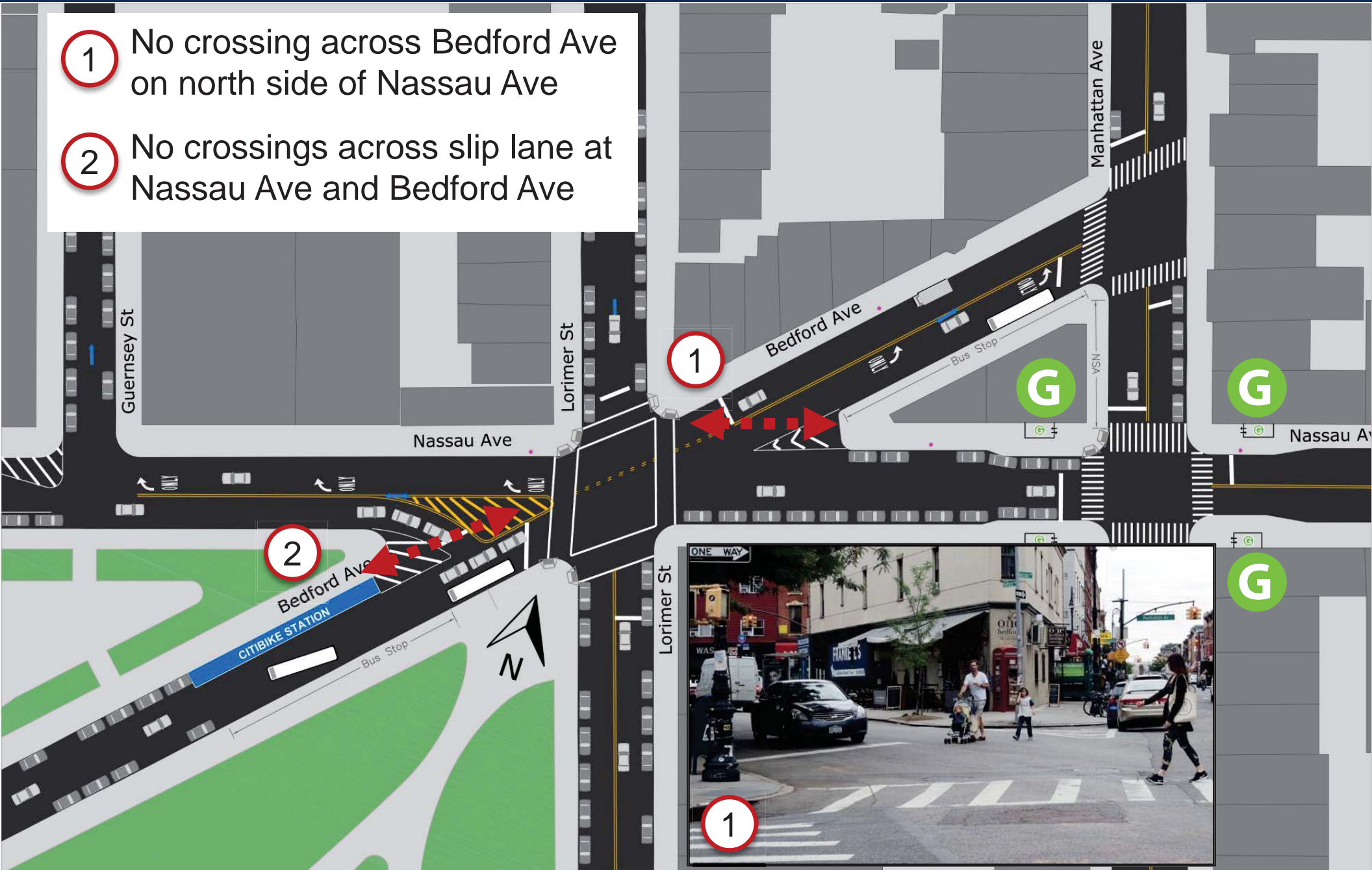
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# EXISTING CONDITIONS



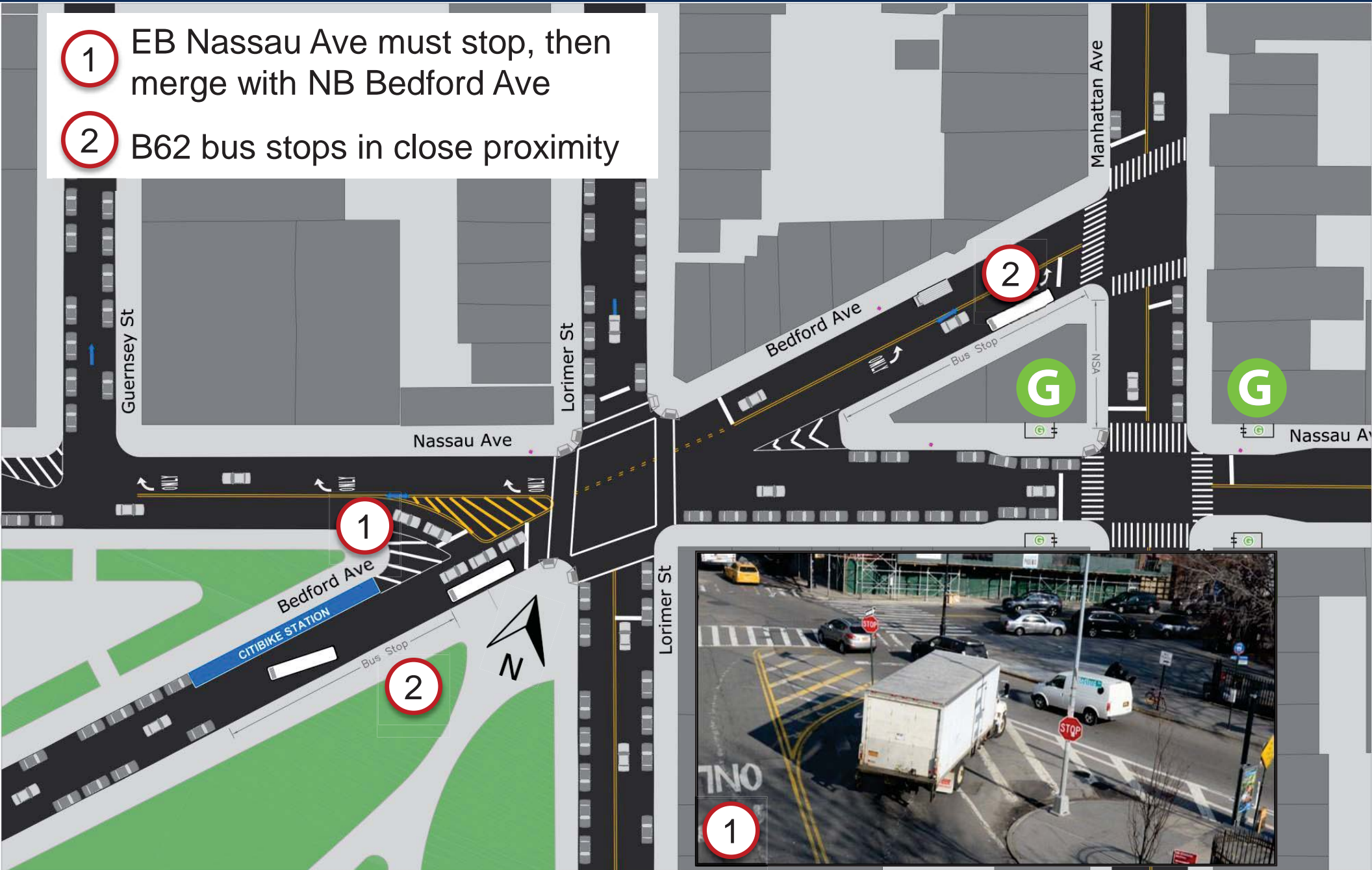
# EXISTING CONDITIONS - PEDESTRIANS

- 1 No crossing across Bedford Ave on north side of Nassau Ave
- 2 No crossings across slip lane at Nassau Ave and Bedford Ave



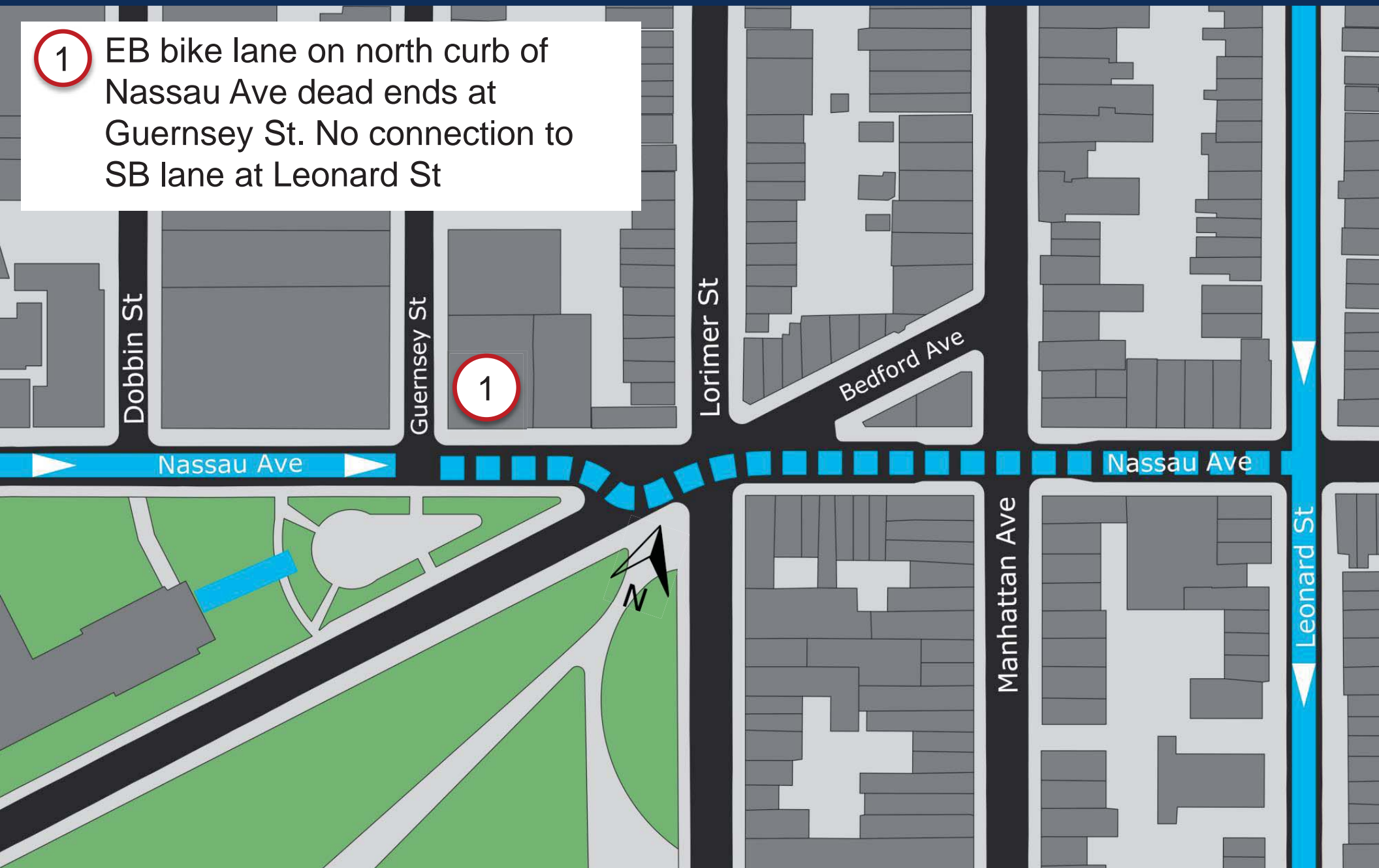
# EXISTING CONDITIONS – VEHICLES/TRANSIT

- 1 EB Nassau Ave must stop, then merge with NB Bedford Ave
- 2 B62 bus stops in close proximity



# EXISTING CONDITIONS - BICYCLISTS

- 1 EB bike lane on north curb of Nassau Ave dead ends at Guernsey St. No connection to SB lane at Leonard St



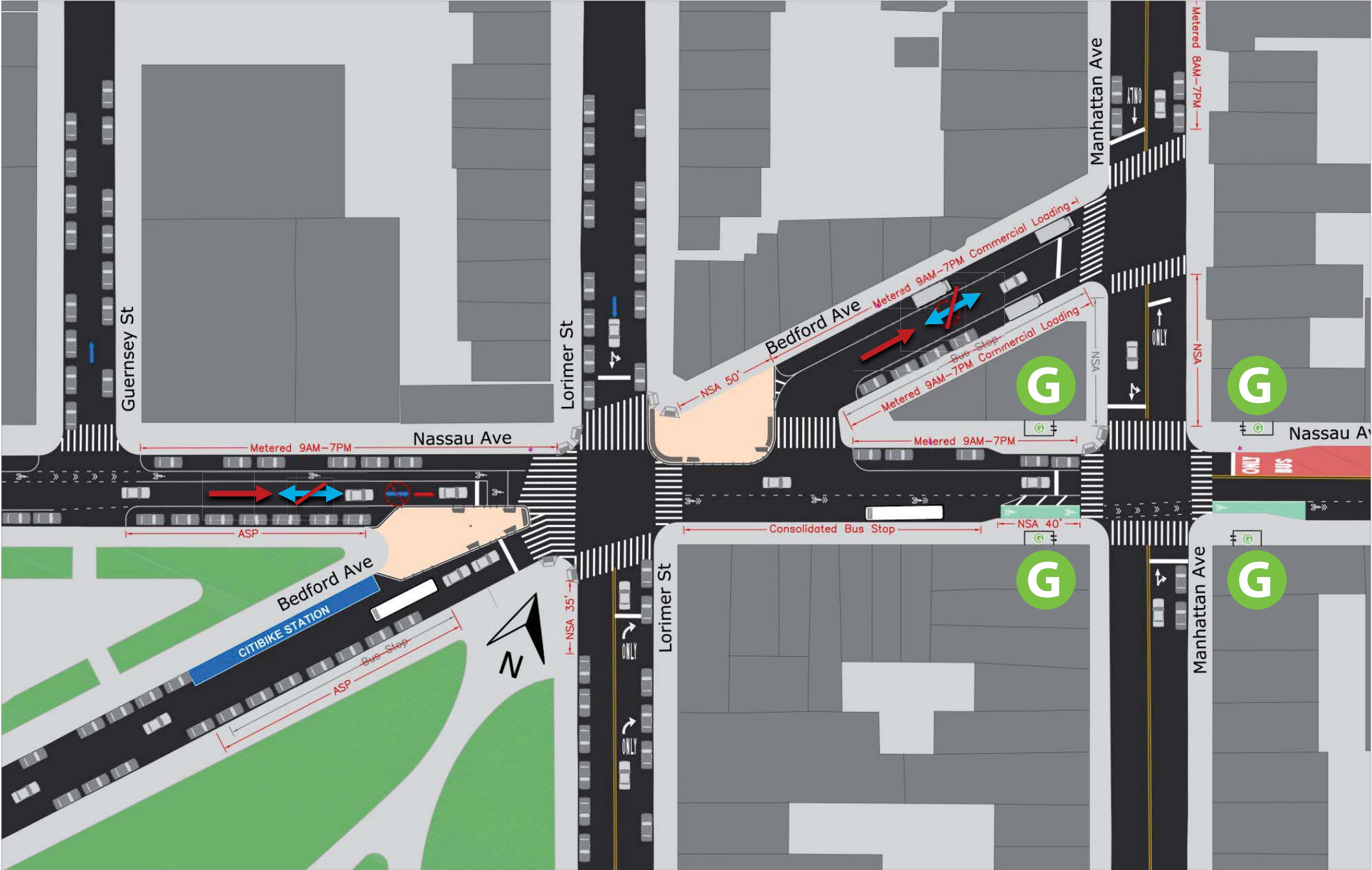
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# Project Plan

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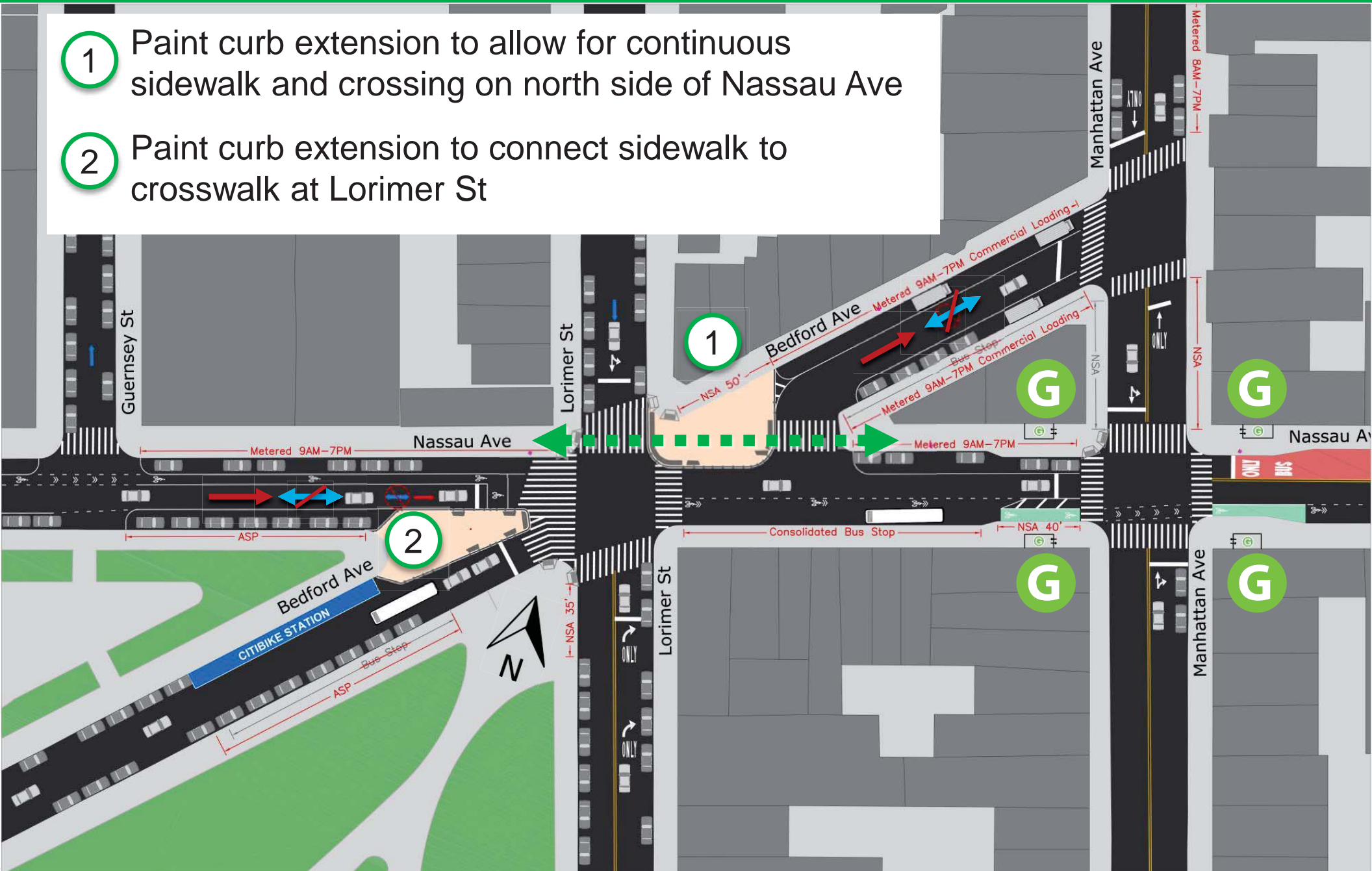


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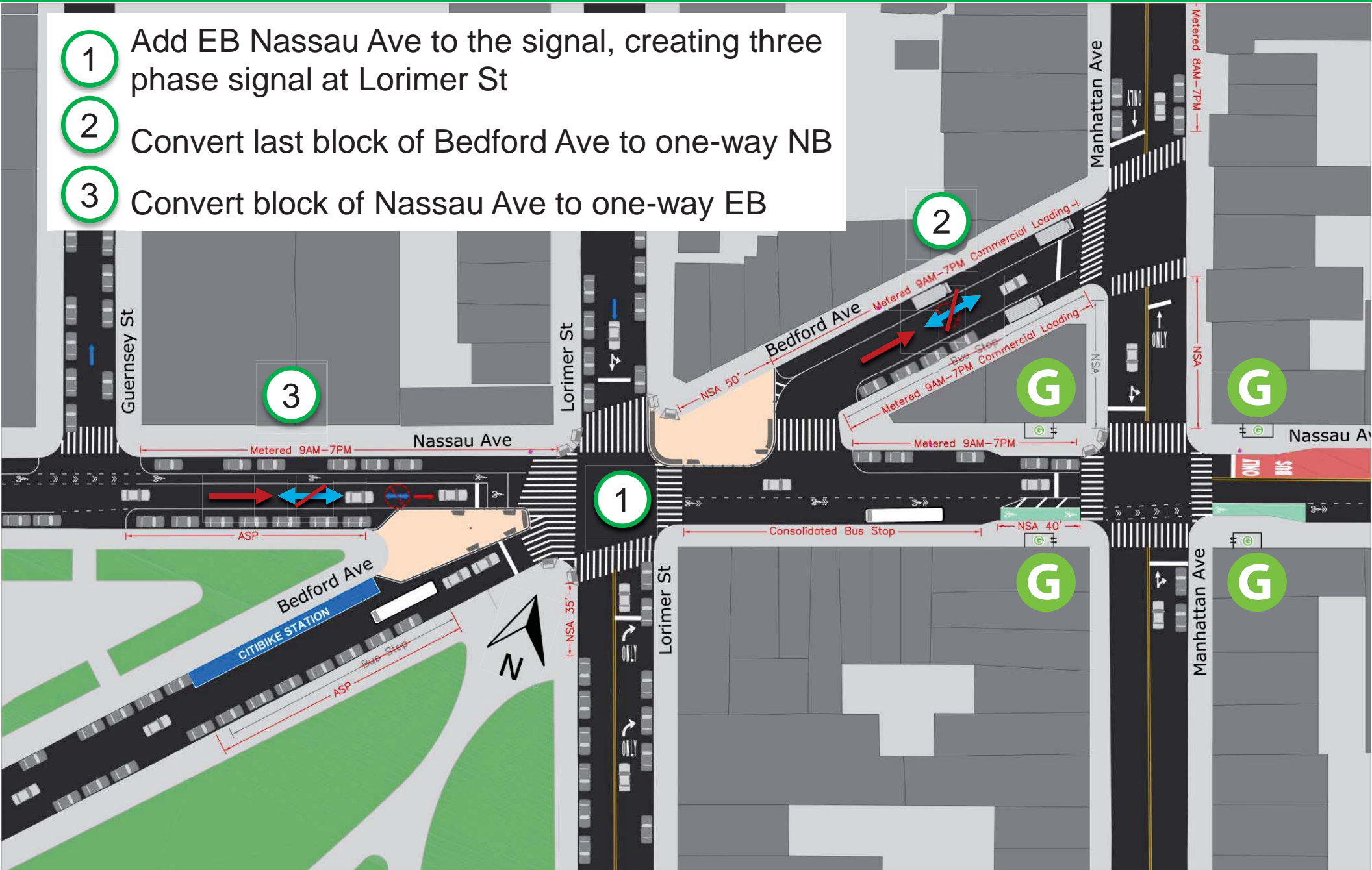
# PROJECT PLAN - PEDESTRIANS

- 1 Paint curb extension to allow for continuous sidewalk and crossing on north side of Nassau Ave
- 2 Paint curb extension to connect sidewalk to crosswalk at Lorimer St



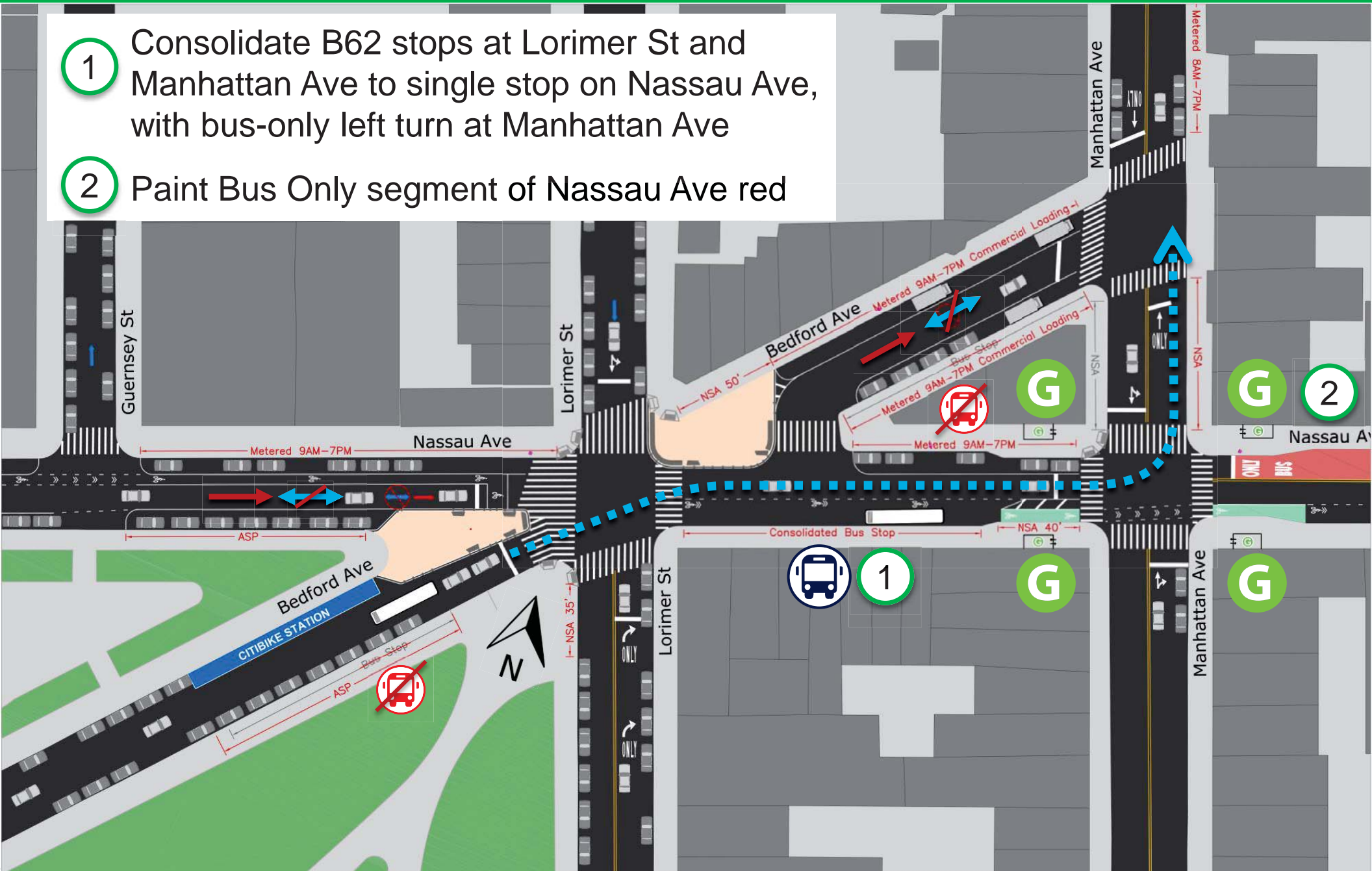
# PROJECT PLAN - VEHICLES

- 1 Add EB Nassau Ave to the signal, creating three phase signal at Lorimer St
- 2 Convert last block of Bedford Ave to one-way NB
- 3 Convert block of Nassau Ave to one-way EB



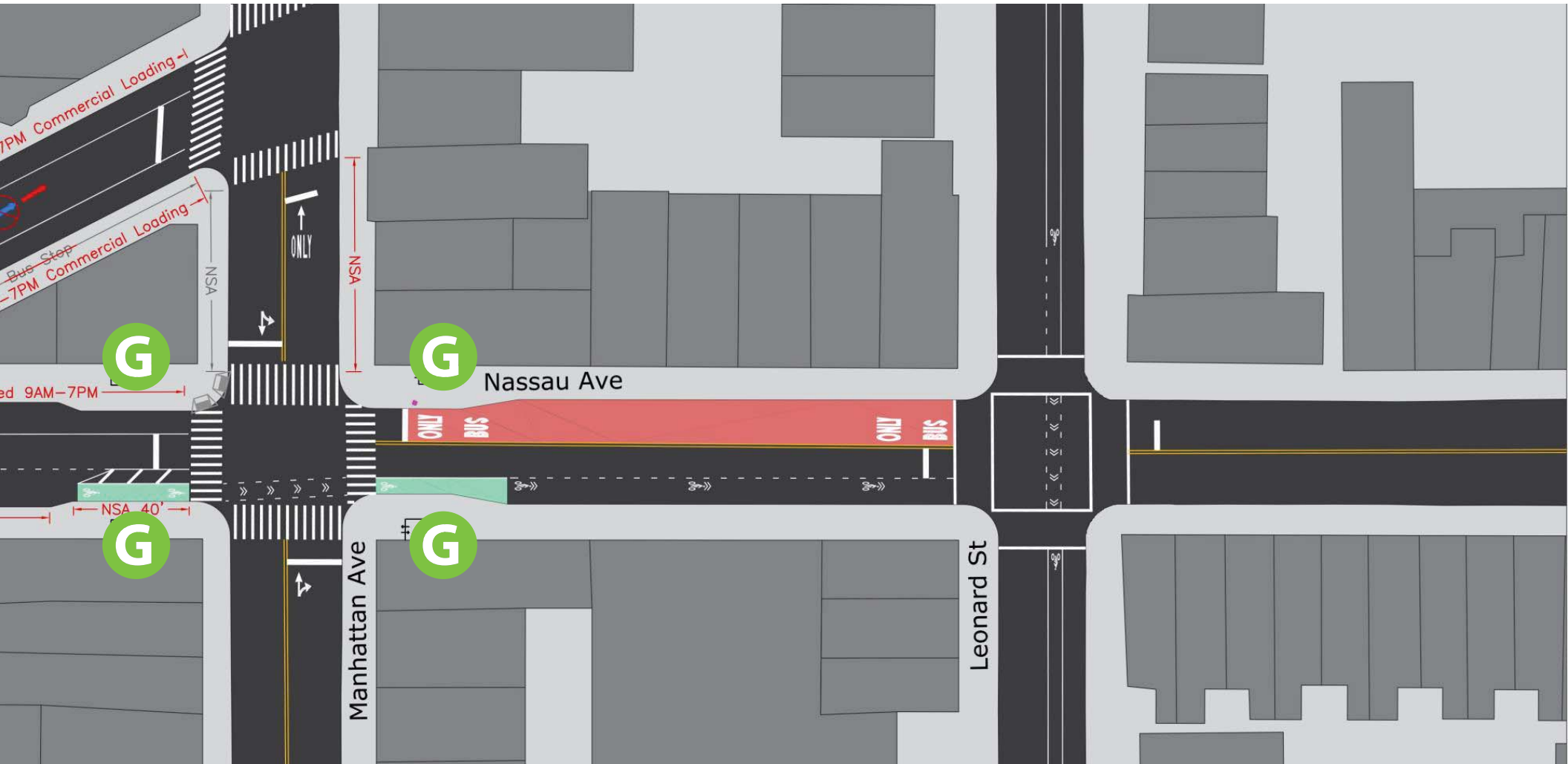
# PROJECT PLAN - TRANSIT

- 1 Consolidate B62 stops at Lorimer St and Manhattan Ave to single stop on Nassau Ave, with bus-only left turn at Manhattan Ave
- 2 Paint Bus Only segment of Nassau Ave red



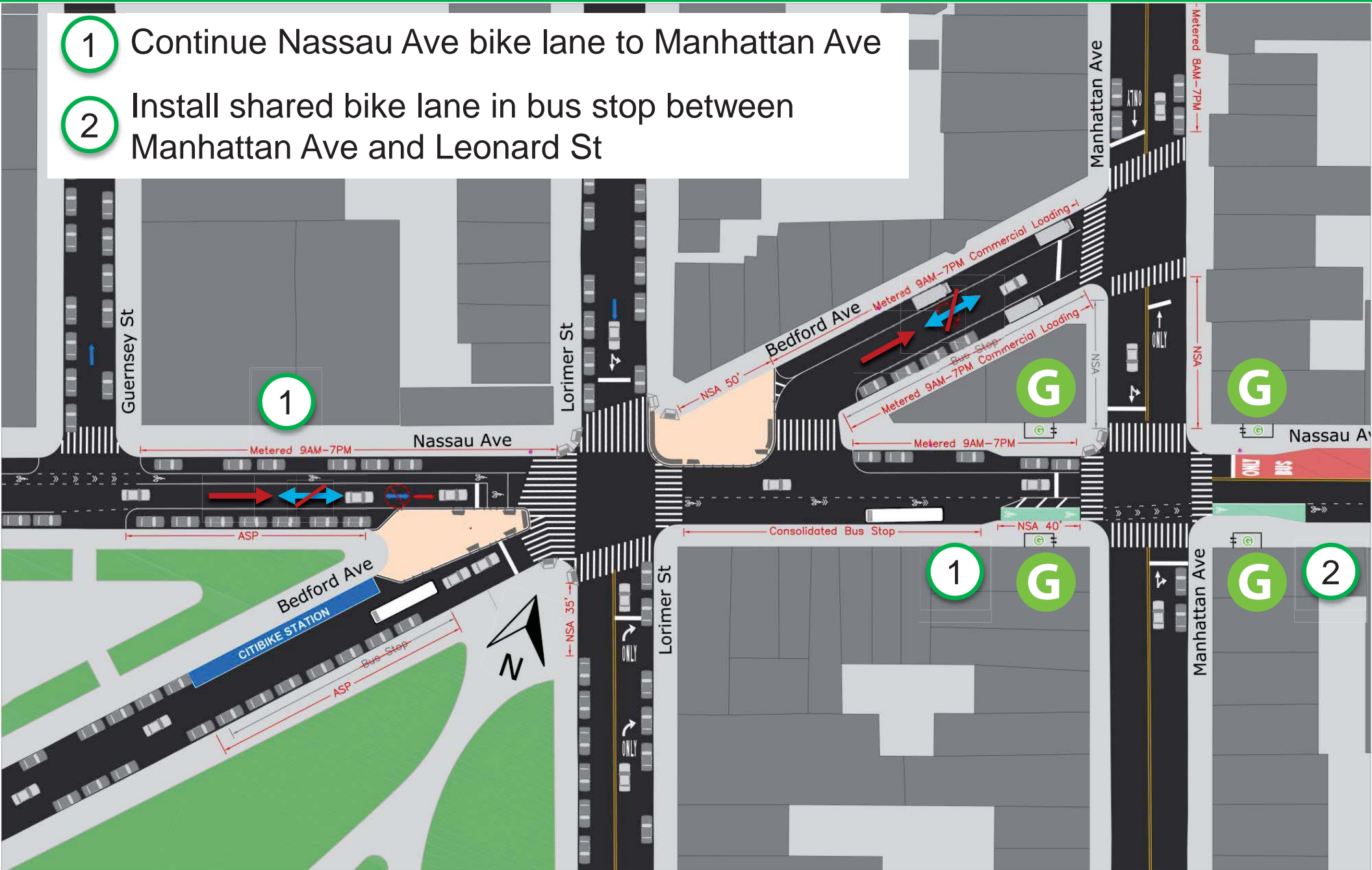
# PROJECT PLAN - TRANSIT

Paint existing bus only lane of Nassau Ave between Leonard St and Manhattan Ave red, improving clarity



# PROJECT PLAN - BICYCLISTS

- 1 Continue Nassau Ave bike lane to Manhattan Ave
- 2 Install shared bike lane in bus stop between Manhattan Ave and Leonard St

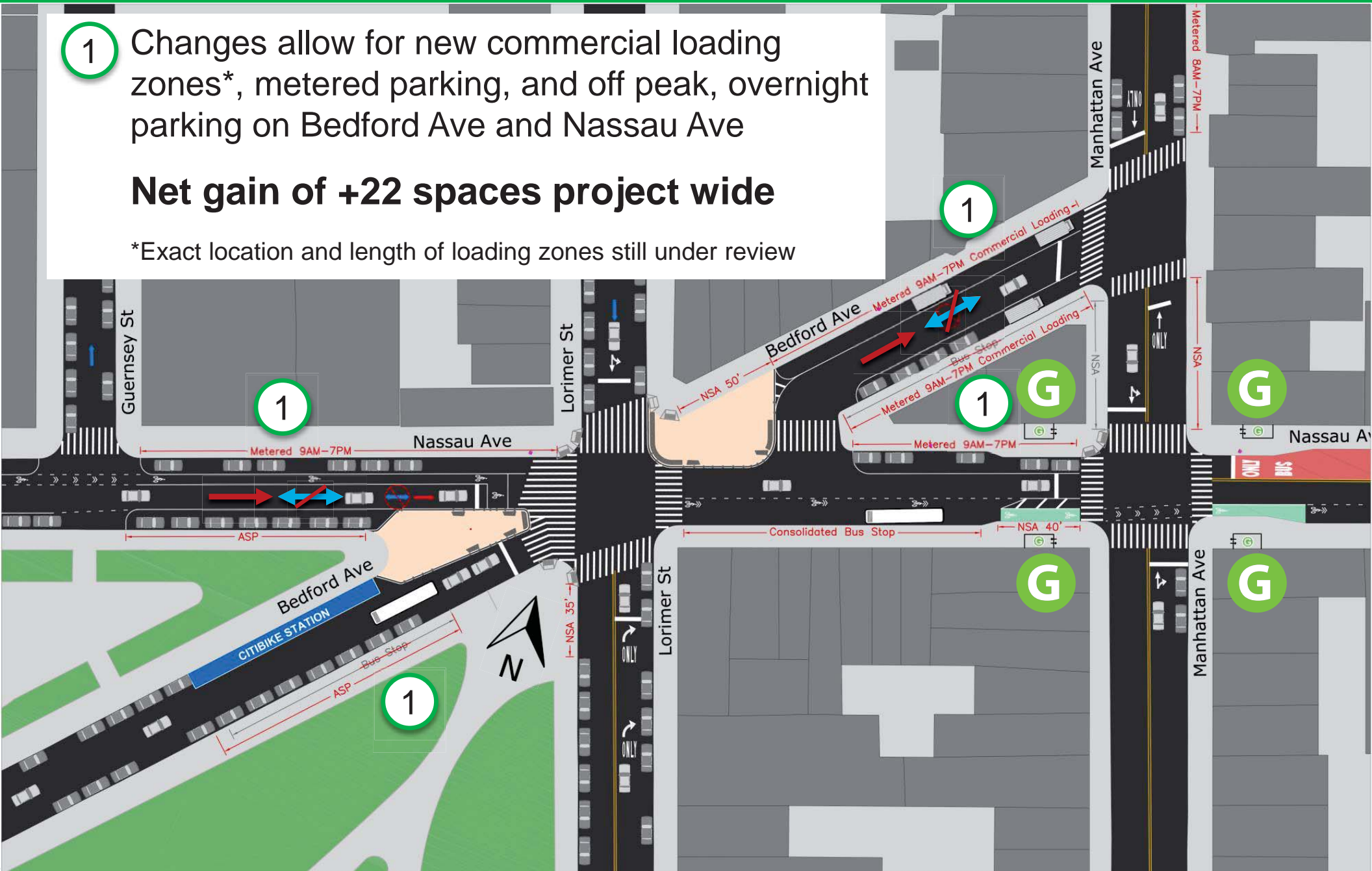


# PROJECT PLAN – ADDED PARKING

- 1 Changes allow for new commercial loading zones\*, metered parking, and off peak, overnight parking on Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave

**Net gain of +22 spaces project wide**

\*Exact location and length of loading zones still under review



# PROJECT PLAN – ADDED PARKING

Changes allow for new commercial loading zones, meters, and off peak, overnight parking on Bedford Ave and Nassau Ave

**Net gain of +22 spaces project wide**

	<b>Alt. Side Hours Per Week</b>	<b>Metered Hours Per Week</b>	<b>Loading Hours Per Week</b>	<b>Free Daytime* Parking Hours</b>	<b>Free Nighttime Parking Hours</b>
<b>Existing (22 spaces)</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>1,824</b>
<b>Planned (44 spaces)</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>1,764</b>	<b>3,672</b>
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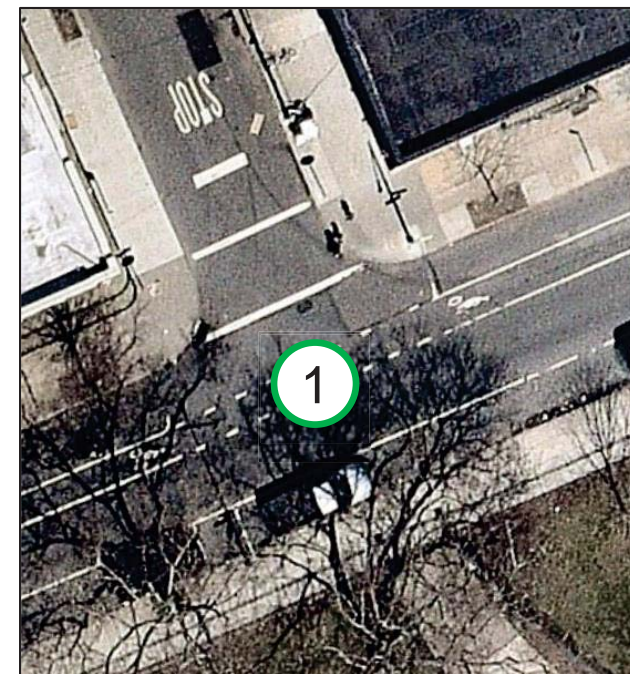
\*Parking Analysis only studies parking spaces that will be changed

\*Daytime Hours defined at 7AM-7PM



# PROJECT PLAN – ENHANCED CROSSINGS (DOBBIN ST)

① Top-of-the-T intersection with no crossings to school and park



\*Enhanced Crosswalk still under study

Pedestrian Warning Signs



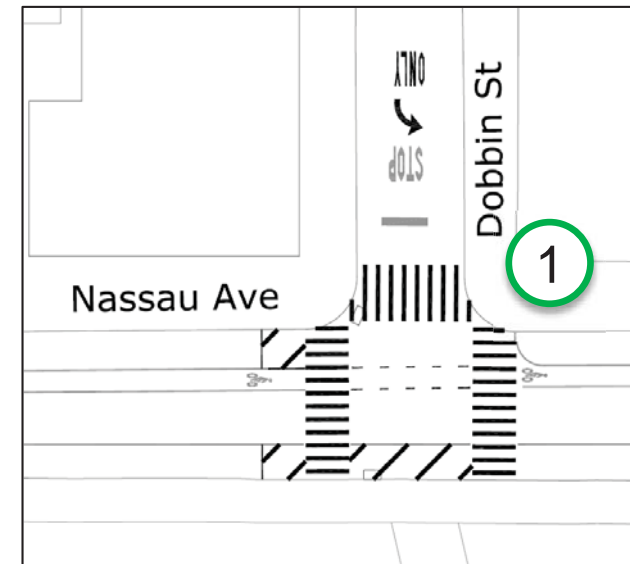
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Queens Blvd Service Rd at MacDonald Park, Queens



# WHAT IS AN ENHANCED CROSSWALK?

Standard procedure/treatment that meets community need for marked crossings where traffic controls are not appropriate

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)  
Compliant Pedestrian Ramps



High-Visibility Crosswalks



Pedestrian Warning Signs



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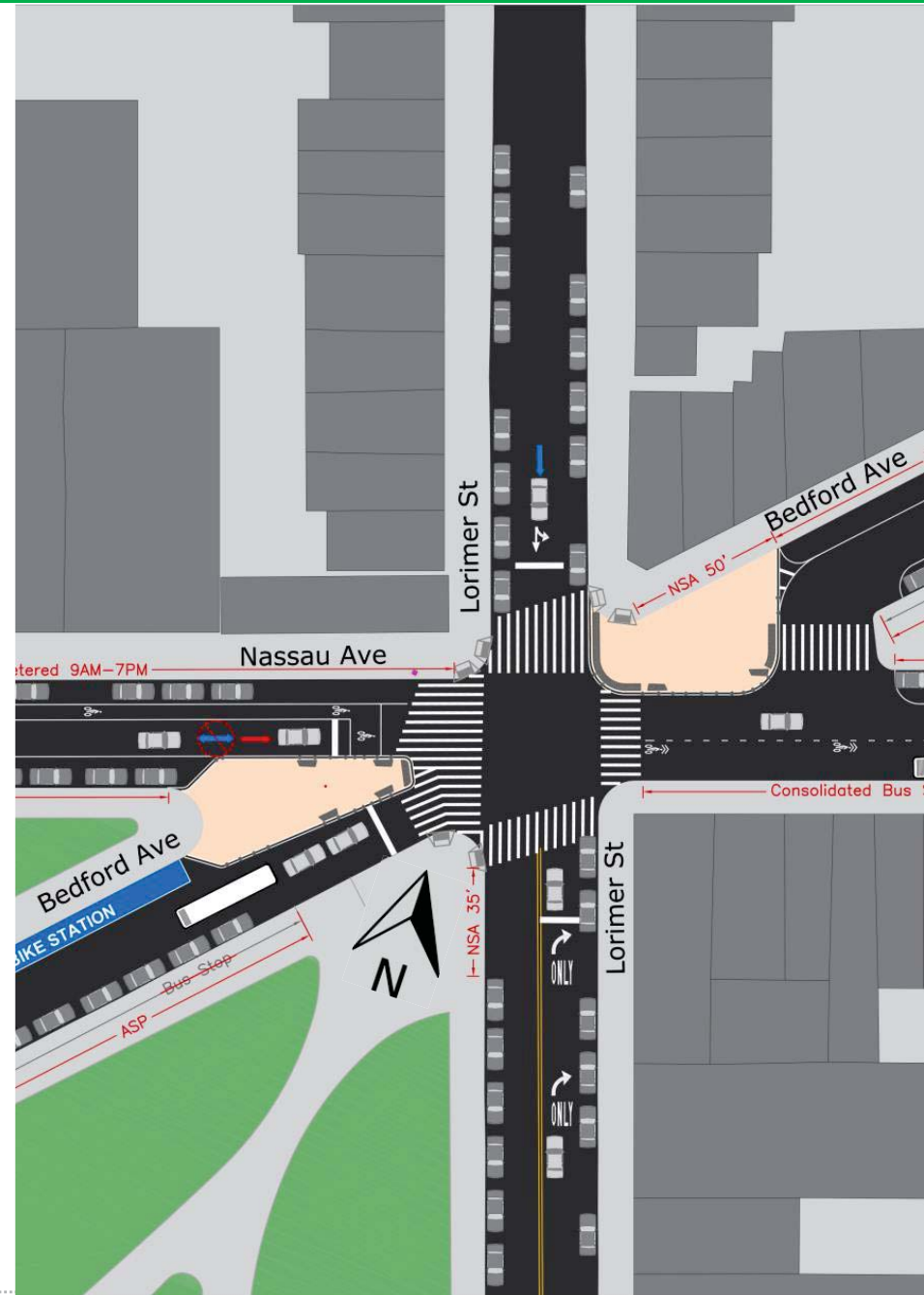
## NEW YORK STATE LAW

When pedestrian is crossing in an uncontrolled crosswalk, motorists must YIELD when a pedestrian is in any portion of the roadway the vehicle is traveling



# PROJECT PLAN SUMMARY

- Convert one block of Nassau to one-way EB and one block of Bedford Ave to one-way EB
- Paint curb extensions on NE and SW corners of Bedford Ave/Lorimer St/Nassau Ave
- Extend Nassau Ave bike lane from Guernsey St to Leonard St
- Consolidate B62 bus stops to Manhattan Ave
- Add parking/commercial loading on Nassau Ave and Bedford Ave (net gain of +22 spots)
- Paint bus only lane on Nassau Ave between Manhattan Ave and Leonard St red
- Install Enhanced Crosswalk at Dobbins St and Nassau Ave (under study)



# THANK YOU!

## Questions?



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# BROADWAY L-TRAIN MITIGATION

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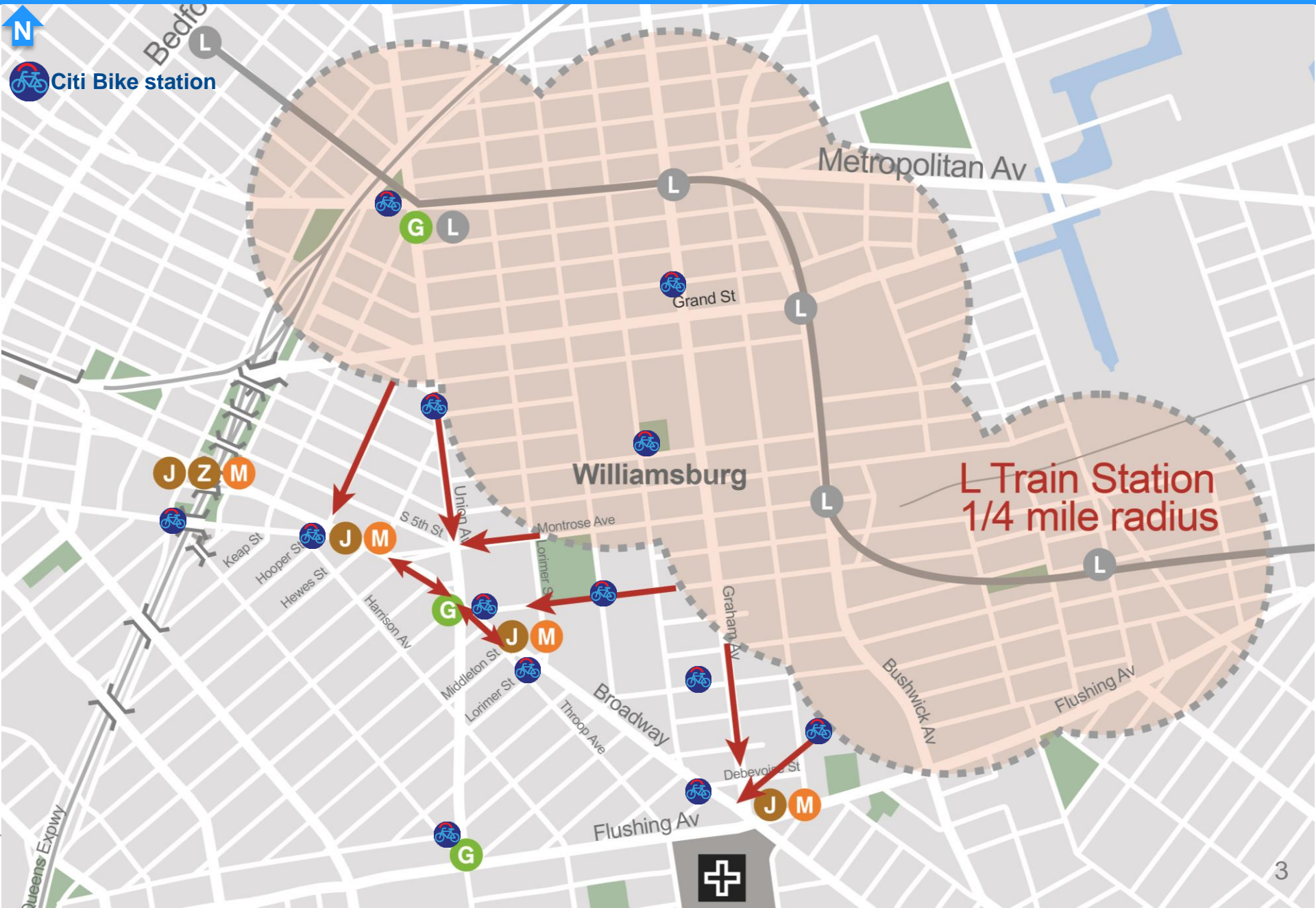
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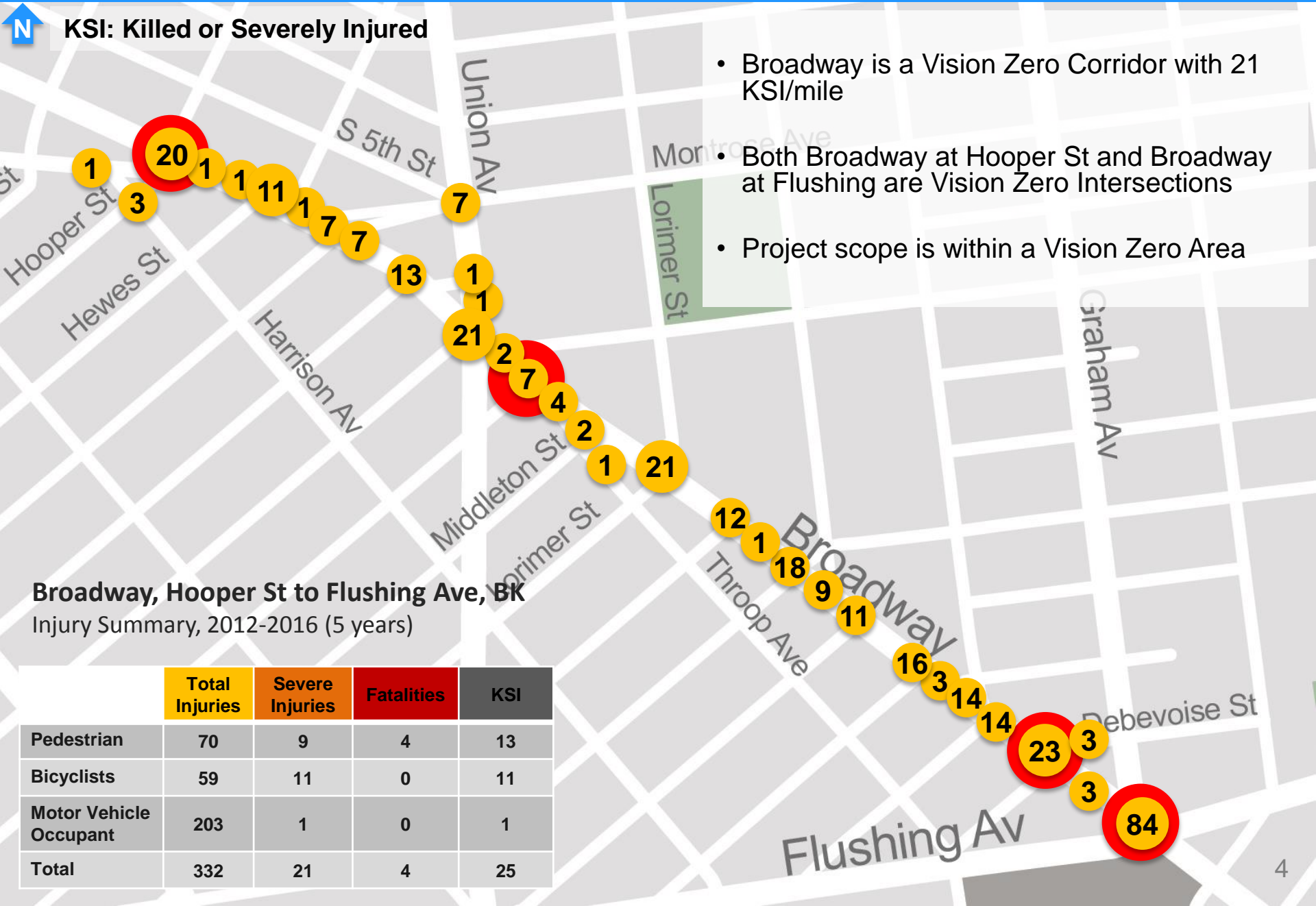
# PROJECT BACKGROUND



# PROJECT AREA AND SAFETY DATA

**N** KSI: Killed or Severely Injured

- Broadway is a Vision Zero Corridor with 21 KSI/mile
- Both Broadway at Hooper St and Broadway at Flushing are Vision Zero Intersections
- Project scope is within a Vision Zero Area



**Broadway, Hooper St to Flushing Ave, BK**  
Injury Summary, 2012-2016 (5 years)

	Total Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatalities	KSI
Pedestrian	70	9	4	13
Bicyclists	59	11	0	11
Motor Vehicle Occupant	203	1	0	1
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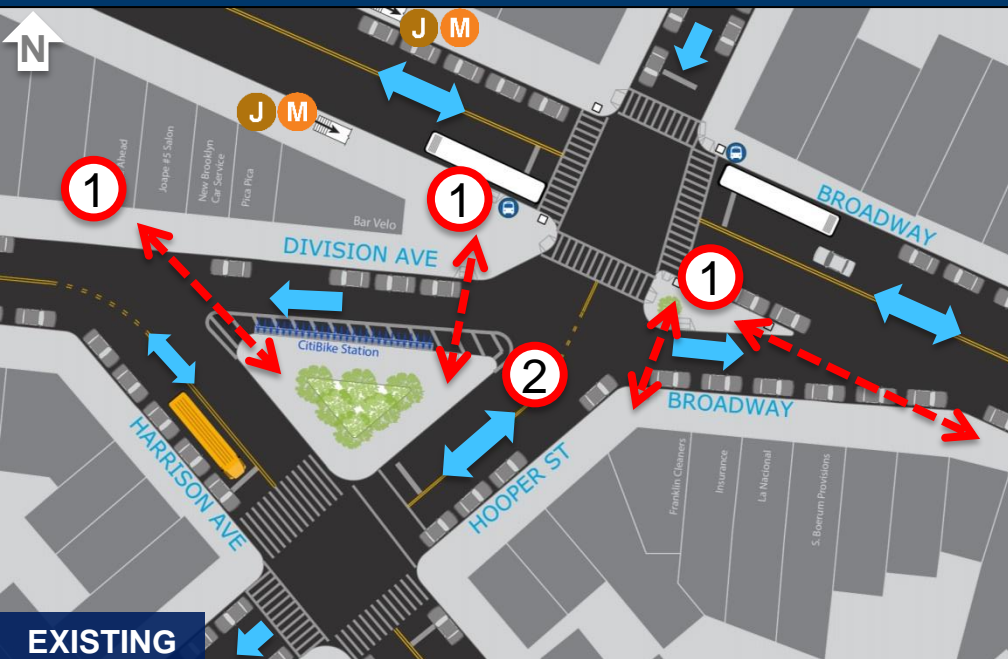
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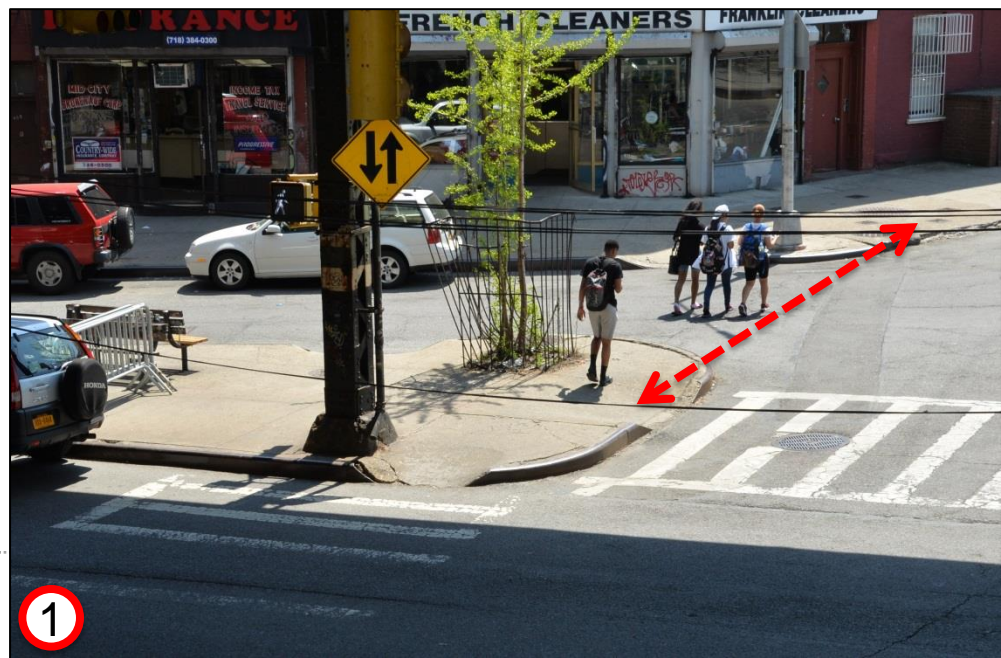


Improve access to stations

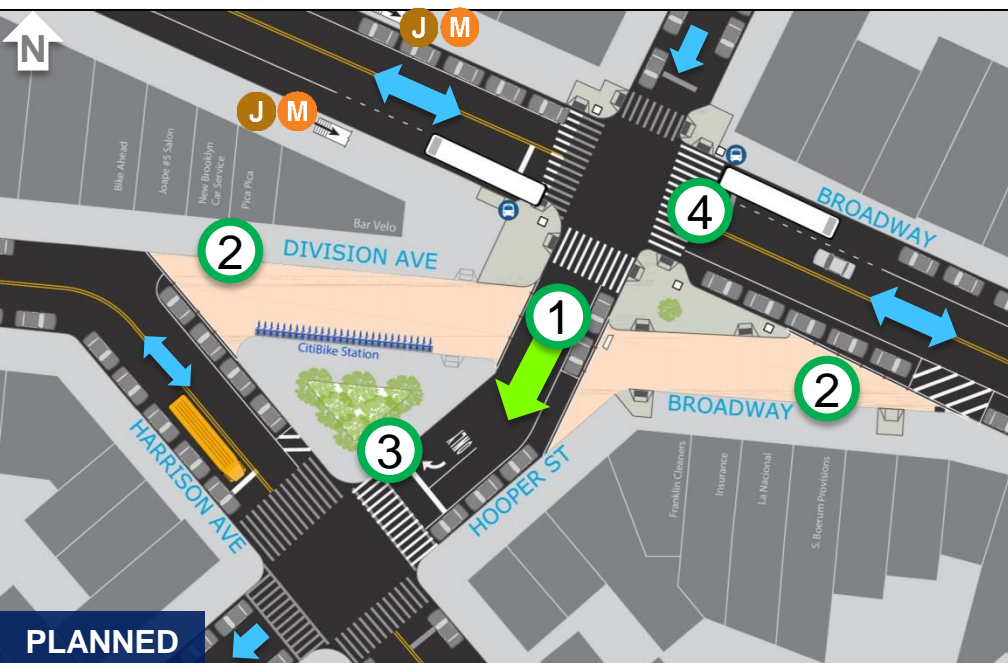
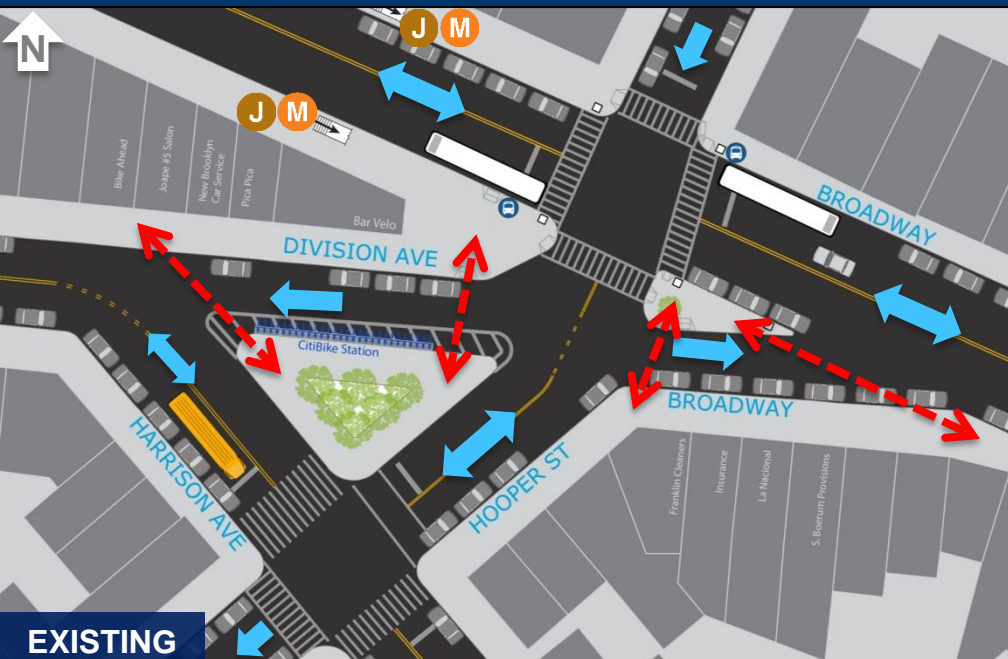
# HOOPER ST – EXISTING ISSUES



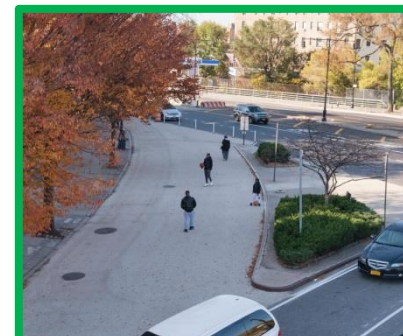
- 1 Multiple missing crosswalks
- 2 Inconsistent street network on Hooper St



# HOOPER ST – PROJECT PLAN



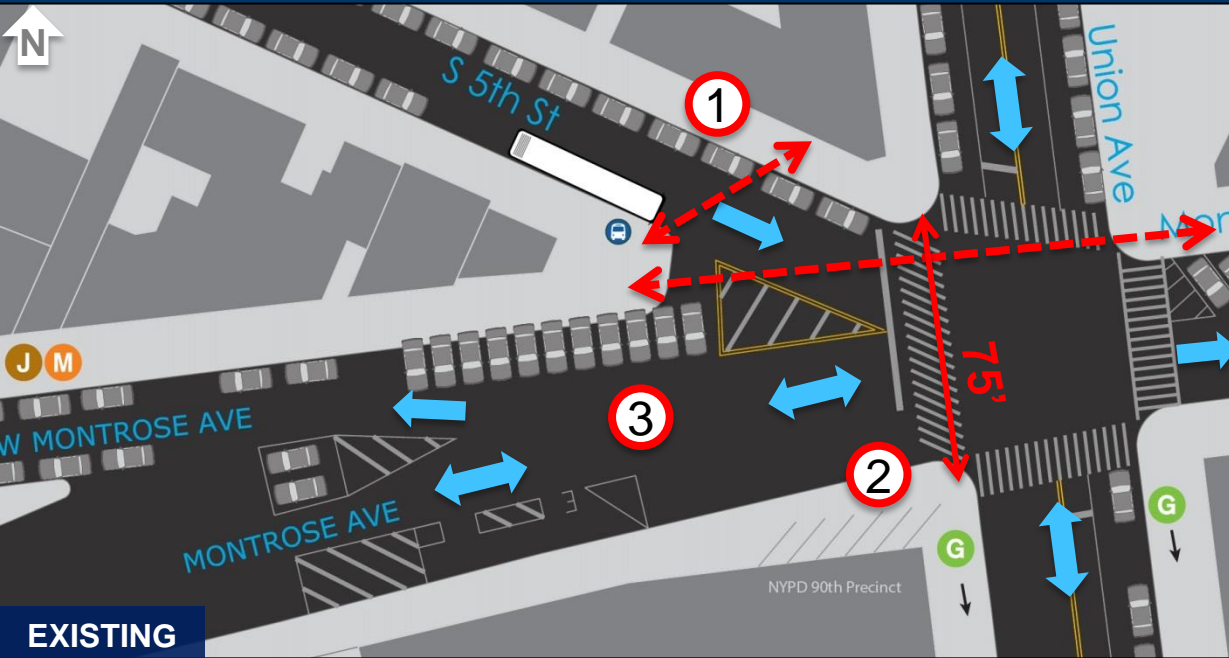
Street Conversions



Slip Closure in Paint

- 1 Convert one block of Hooper St to one-way southbound
- 2 Close slips on Division Ave and Broadway in paint
- 3 Add a right turn lane on Hooper St at Harrison Ave
- 4 Build out and extend concrete triangle and adjacent corners

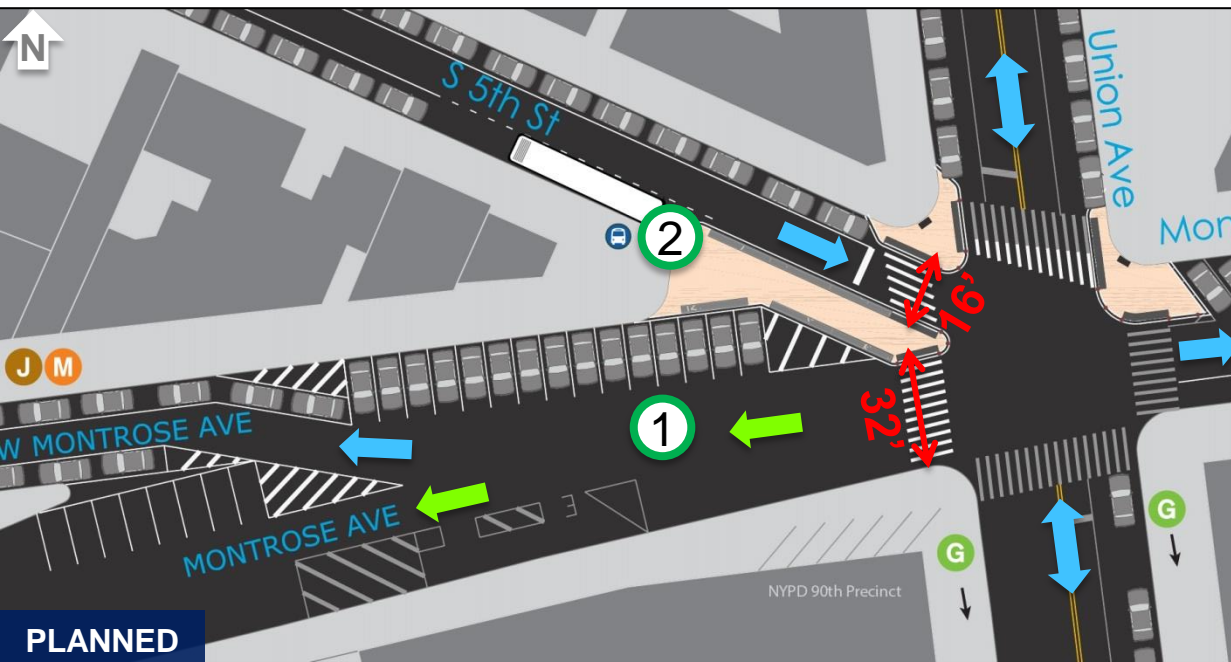
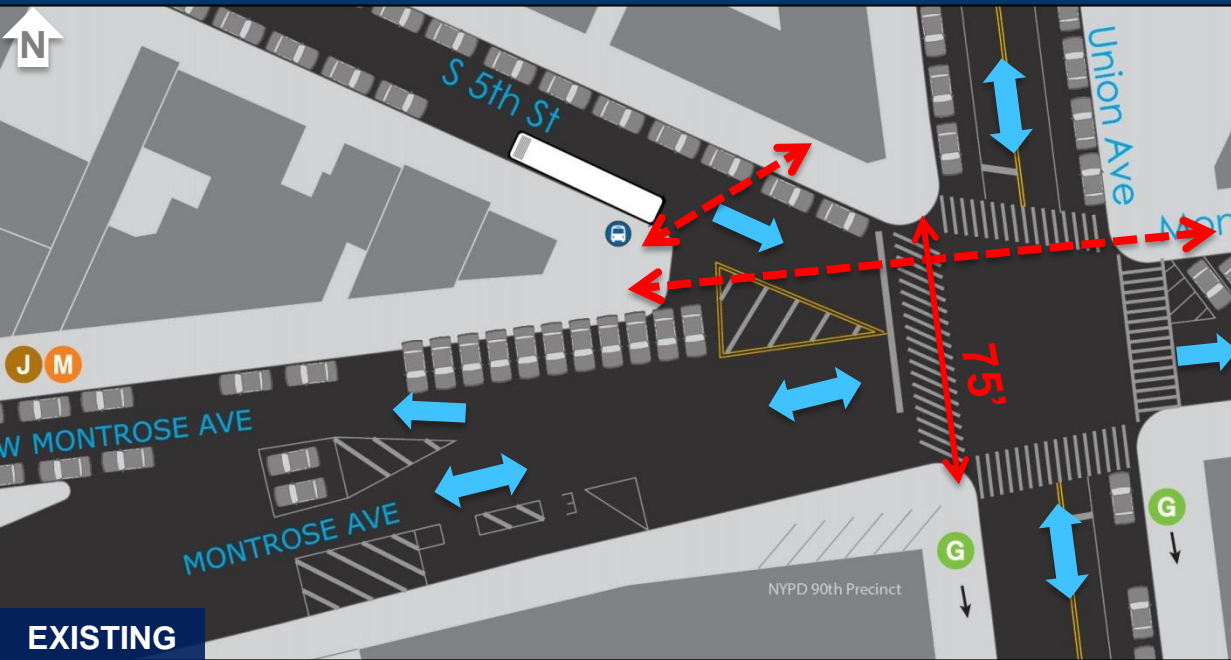
# MONTROSE AVE – EXISTING ISSUES



- 1 Missing crossing on S 5<sup>th</sup> St
- 2 Long crossings along Union Ave
- 3 Redundancies in vehicular network create conflict for all roadway users



# MONTROSE AVE – PROJECT PLAN



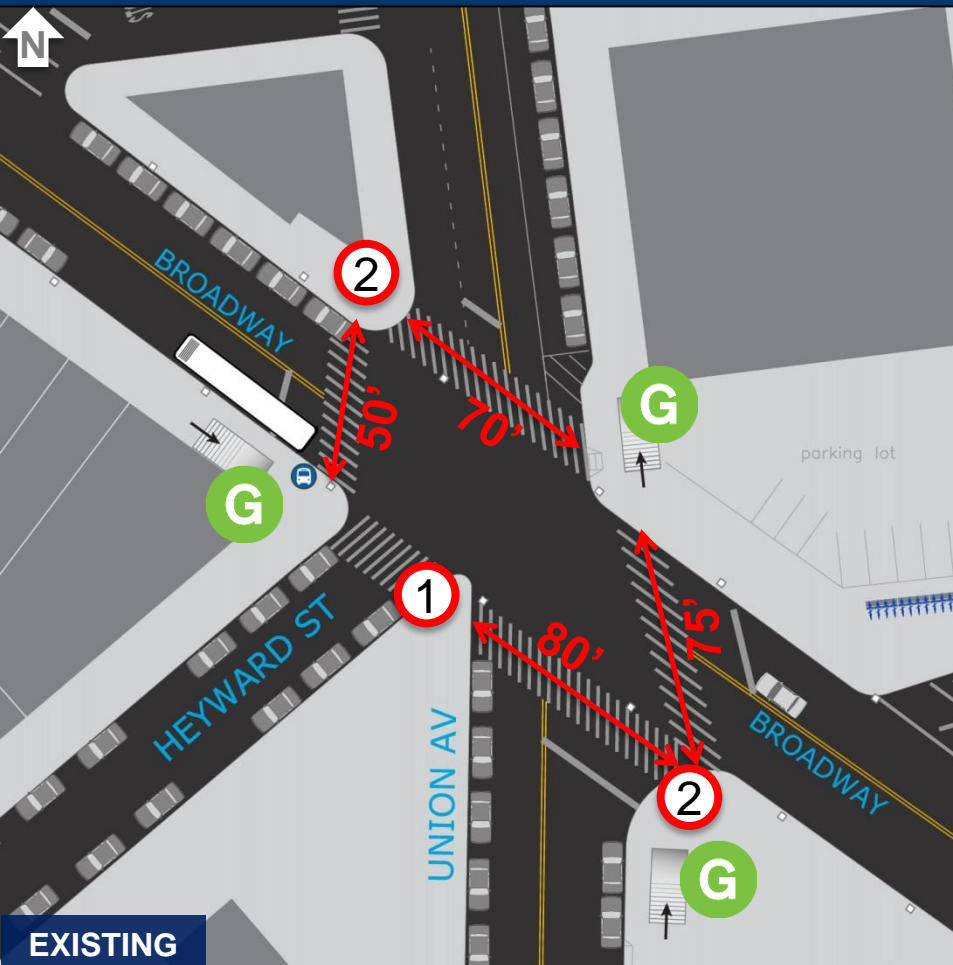
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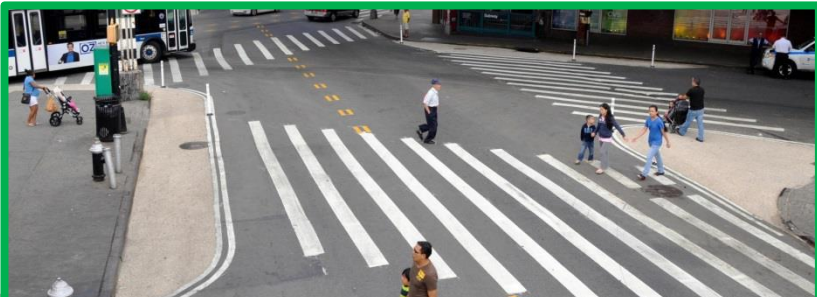
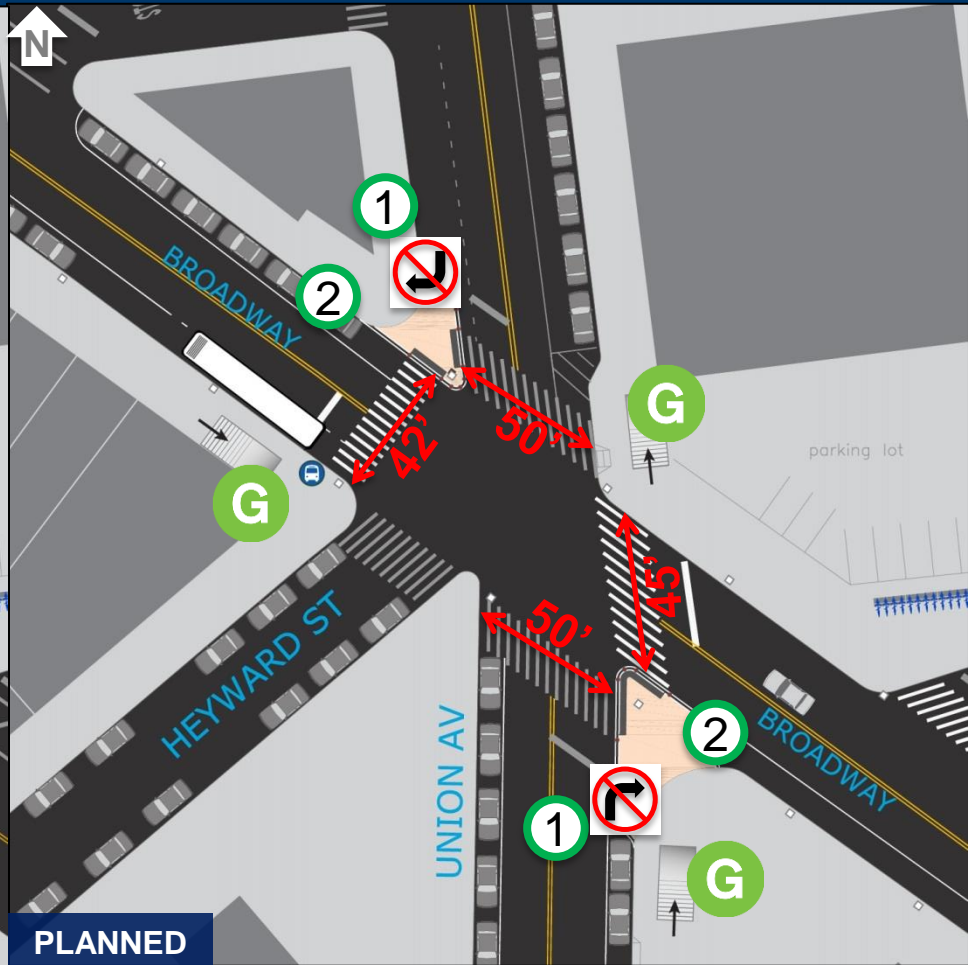
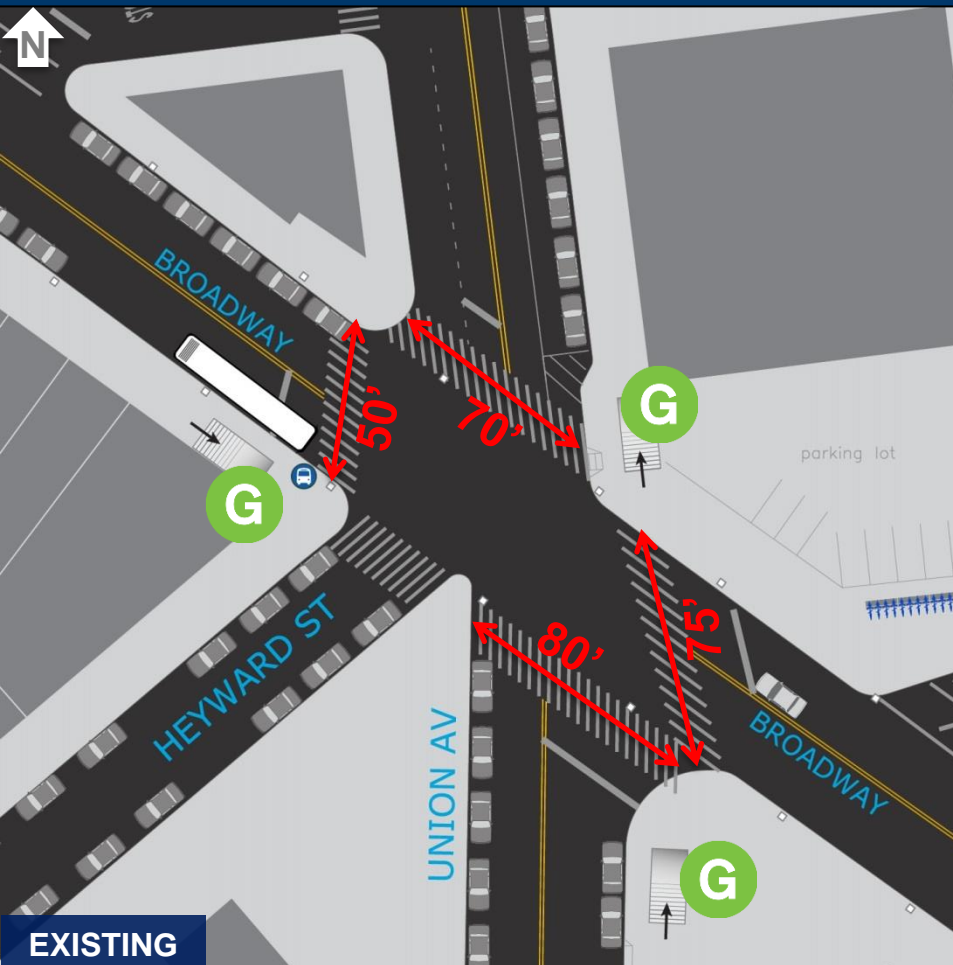
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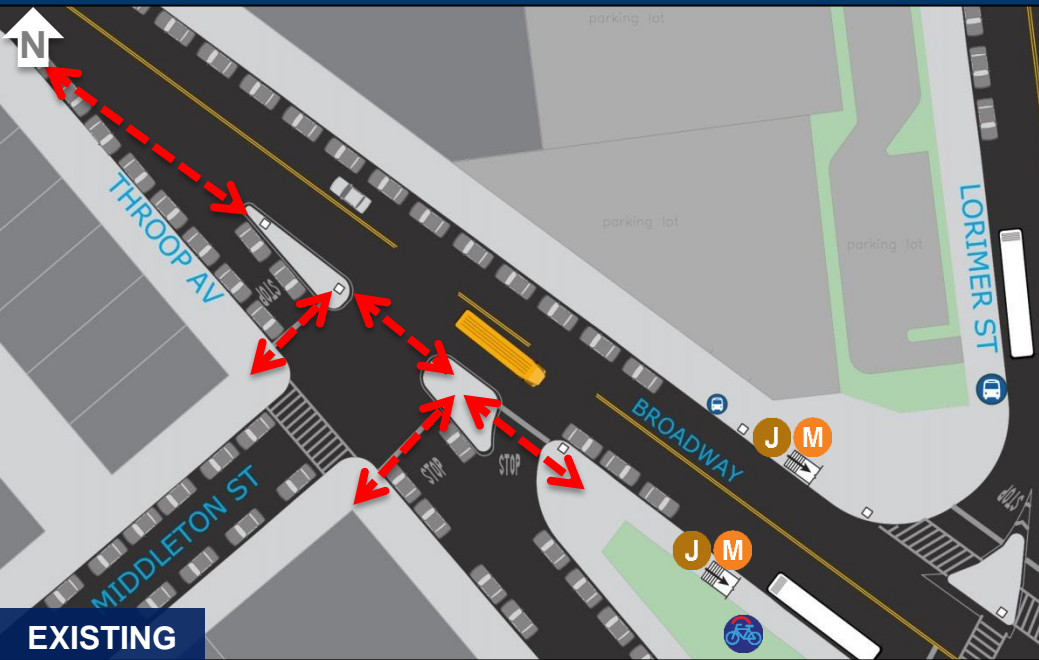


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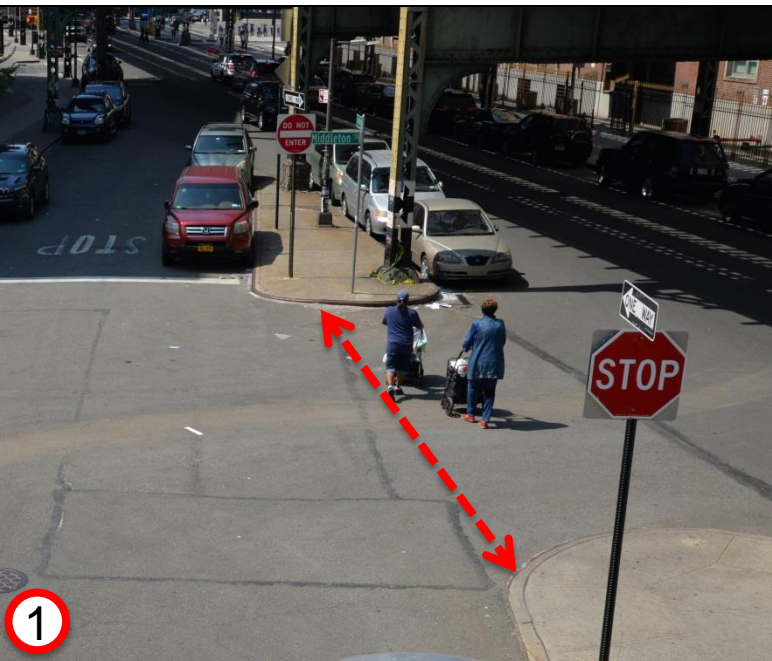


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- 1 Missing crosswalks and ADA compliant access along Broadway and across Throop Ave
- 2 Unclear vehicular and pedestrian movements

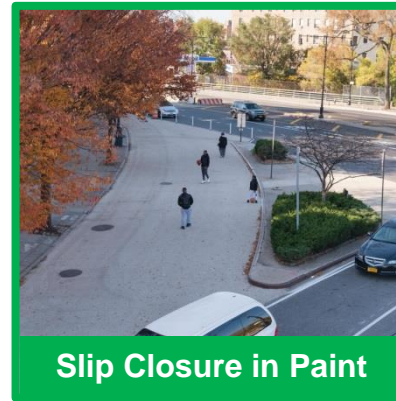
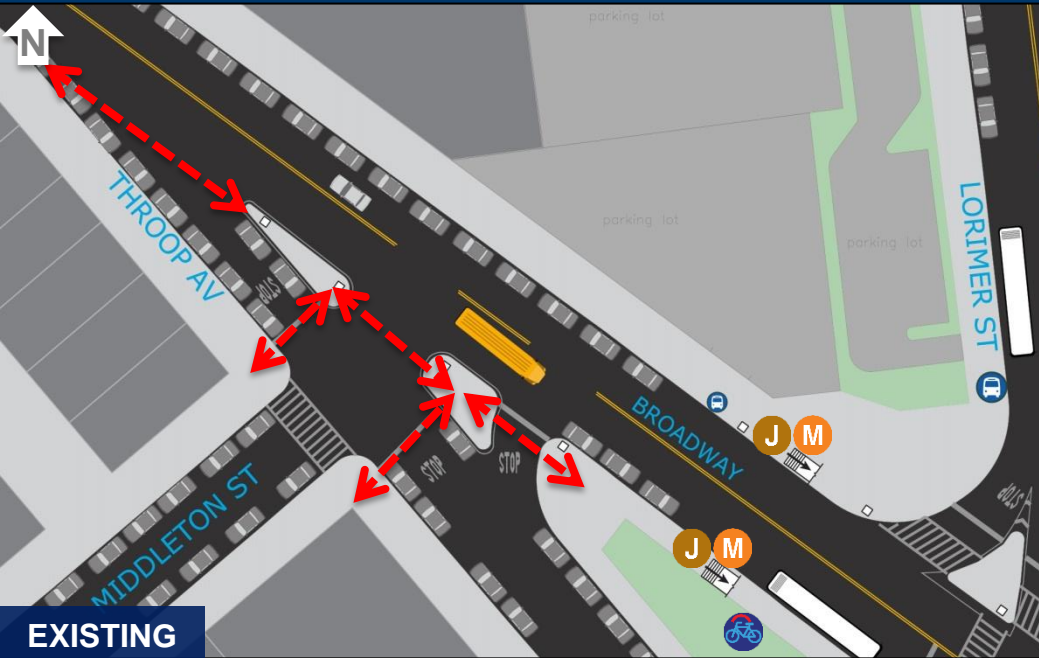


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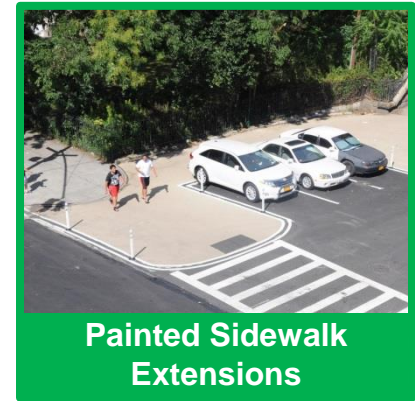


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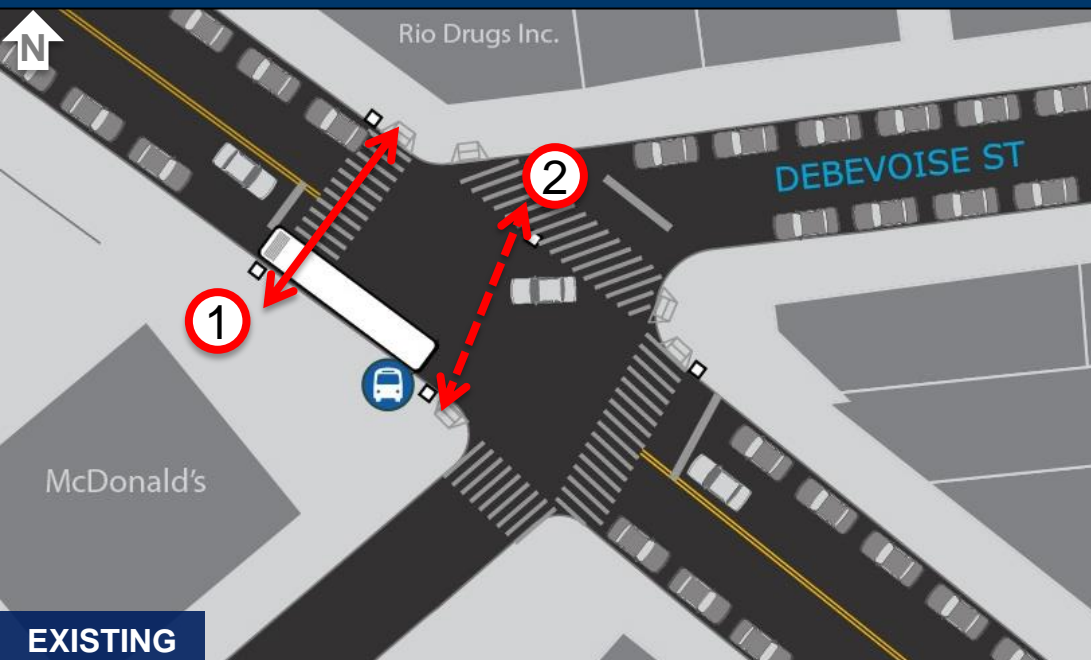
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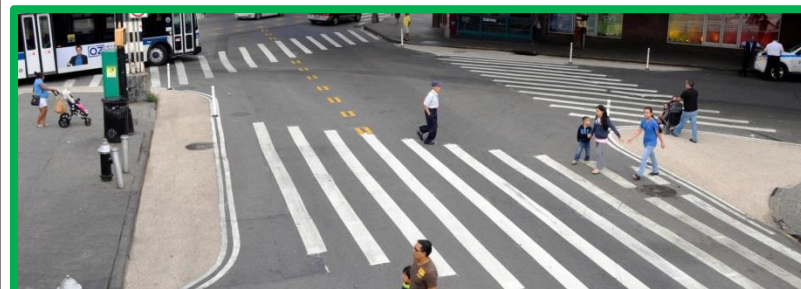
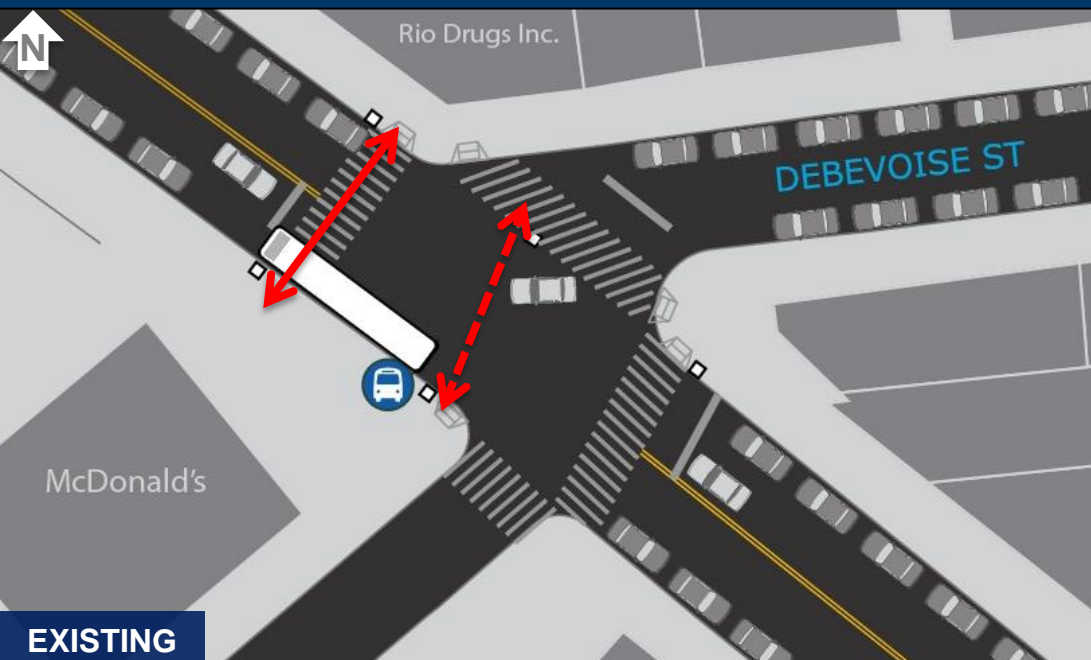
① Crosswalk behind the bus stop making pedestrians less visible to vehicles

② Crosswalk does not match pedestrian desire line or the existing ramp

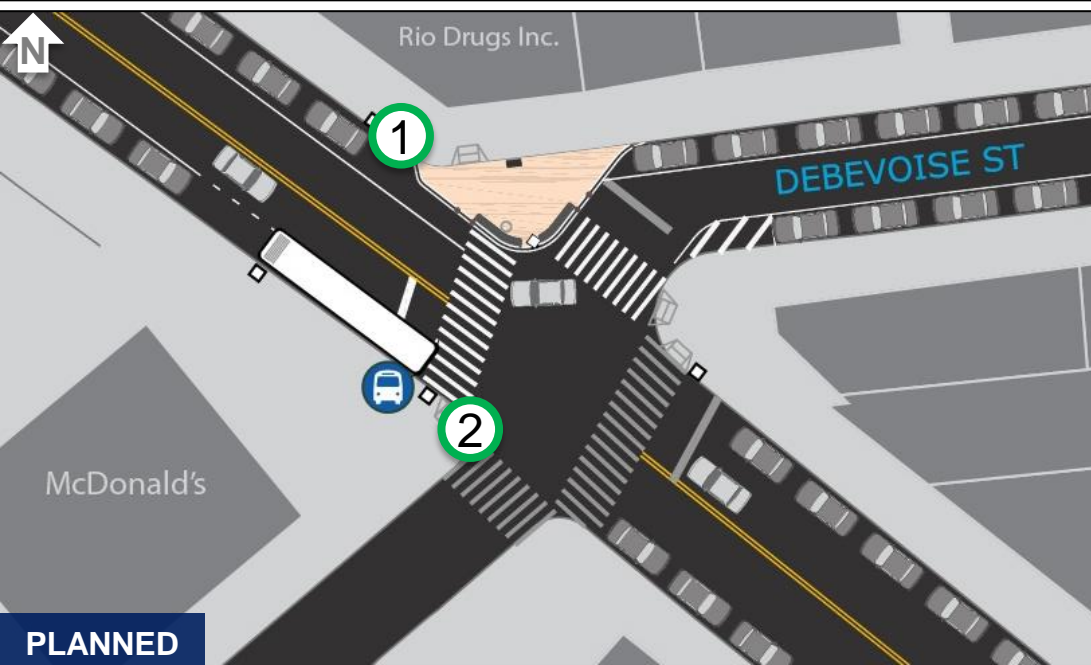
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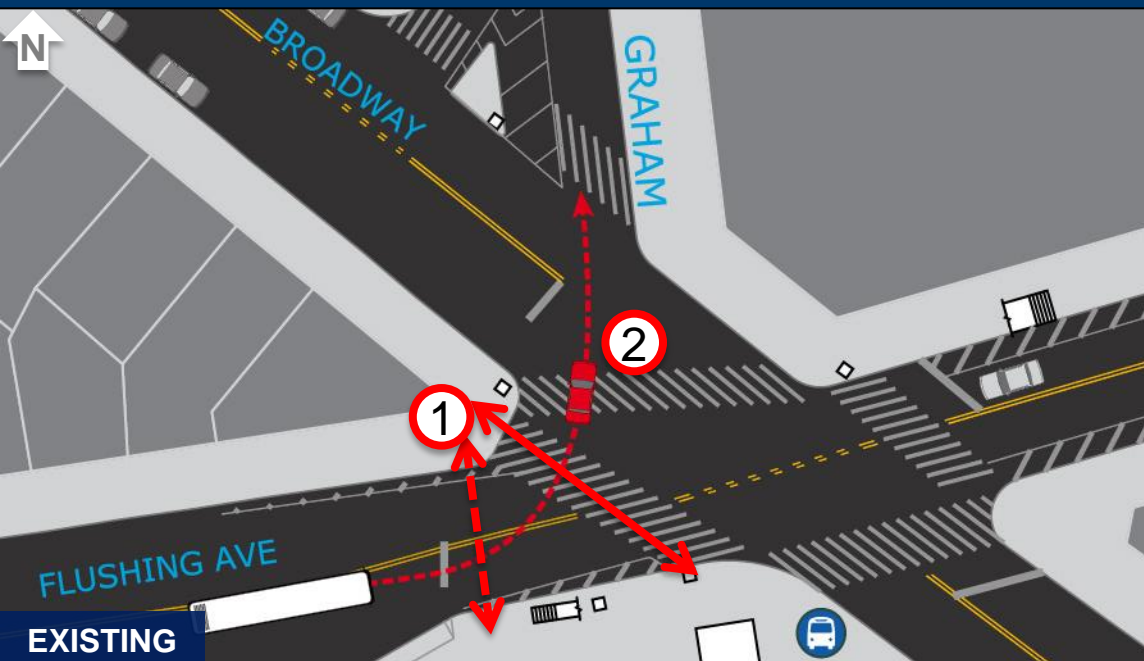


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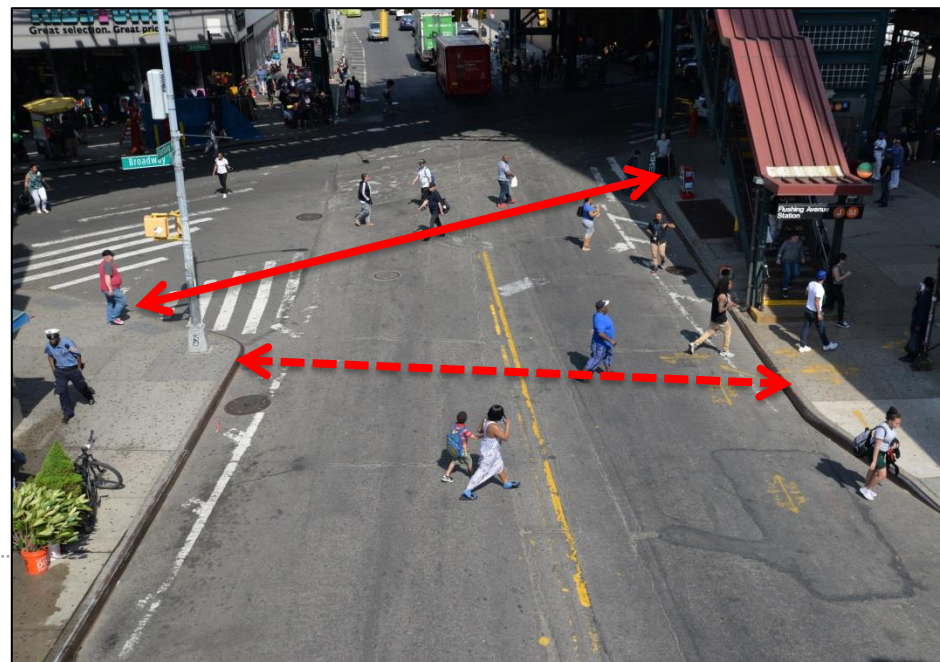
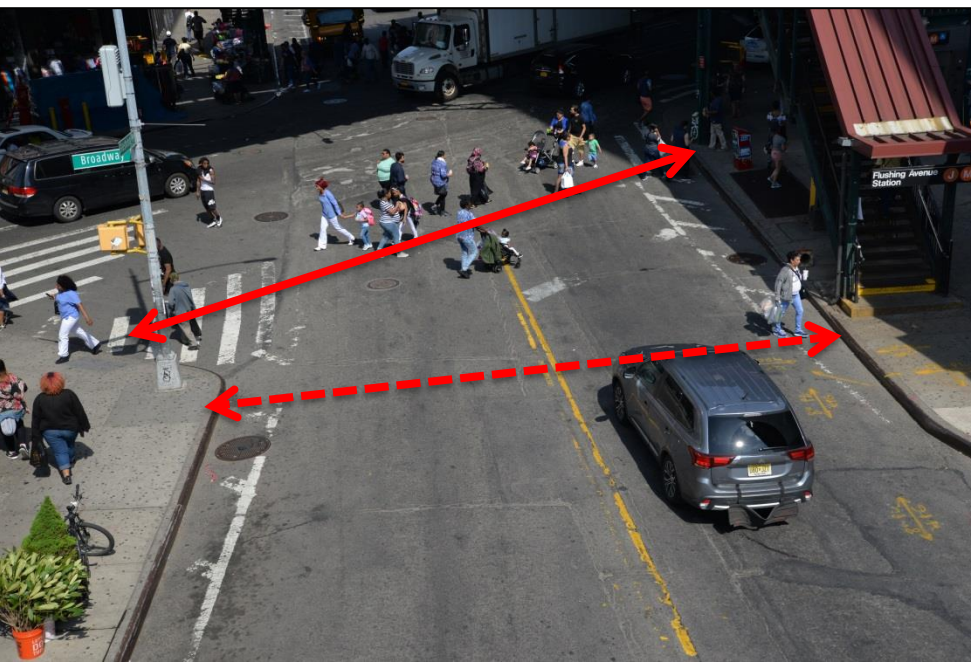
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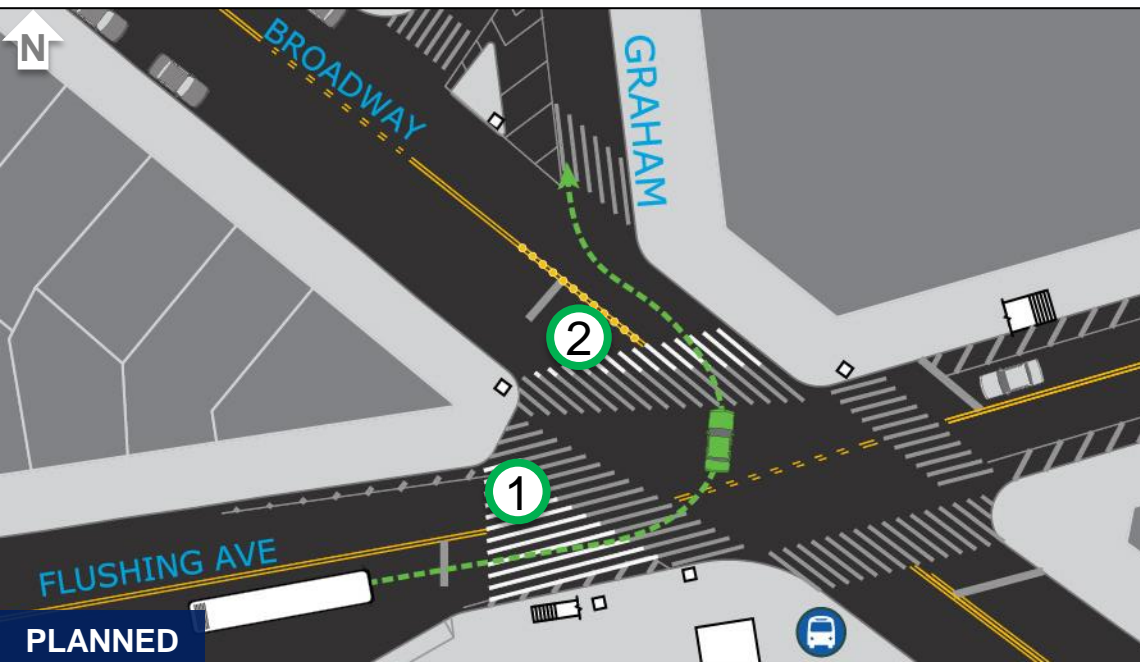
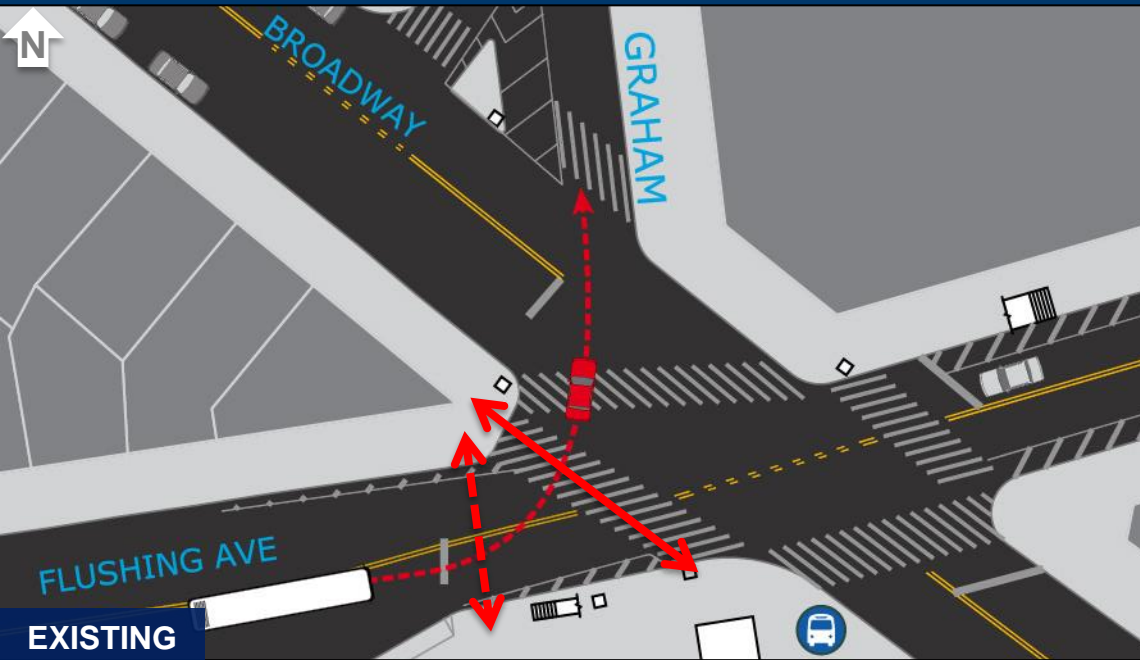


① Crosswalk does not lead to the station stairs

② Left turns from Flushing Ave westbound onto Broadway and Graham Ave northbound create an unsafe condition



# FLUSHING AVE – PROJECT PLAN



Hardened Centerline

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# THANK YOU!

## Questions?



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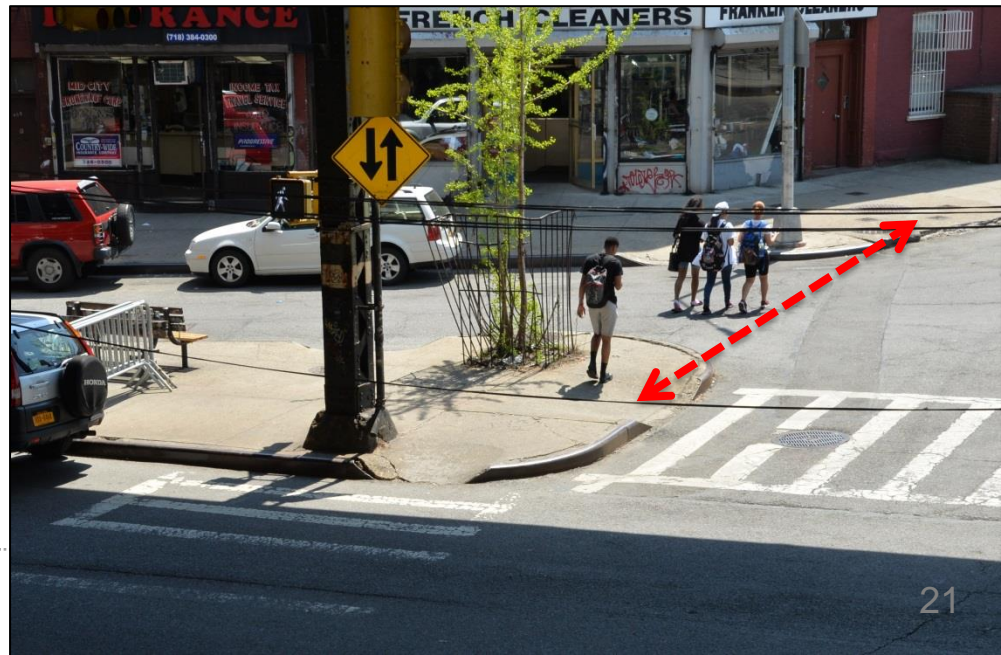
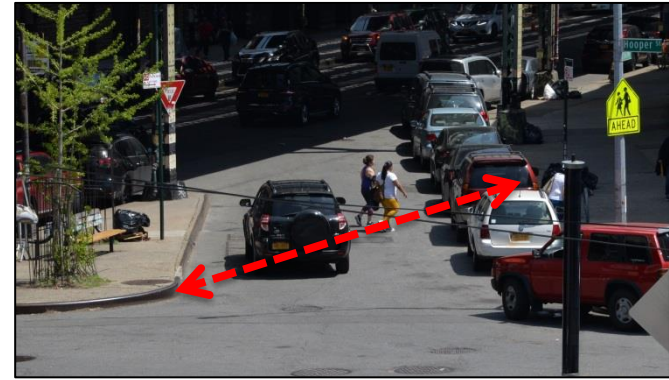
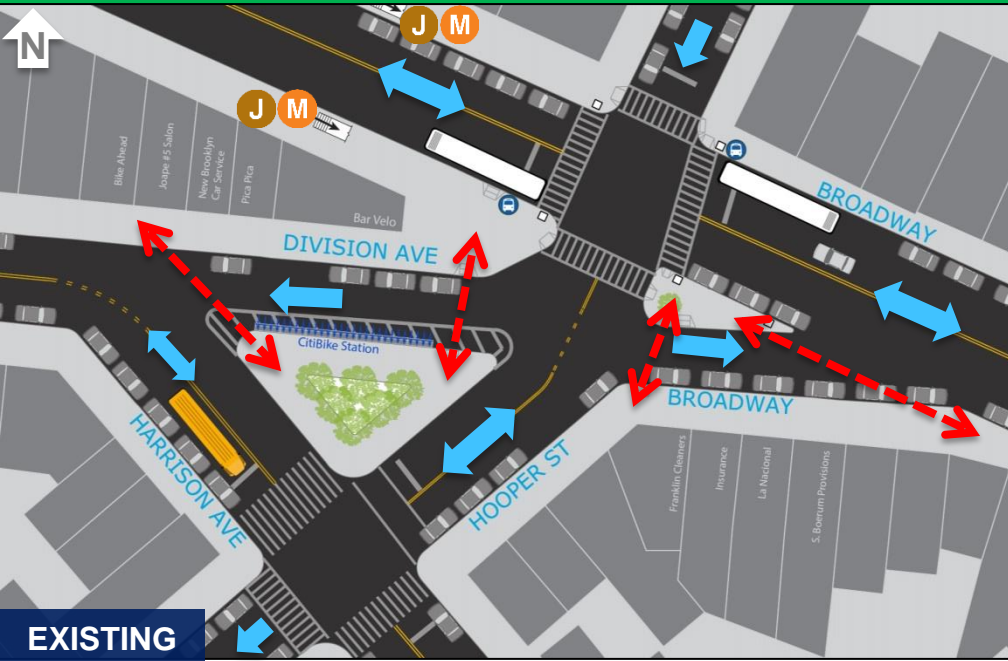
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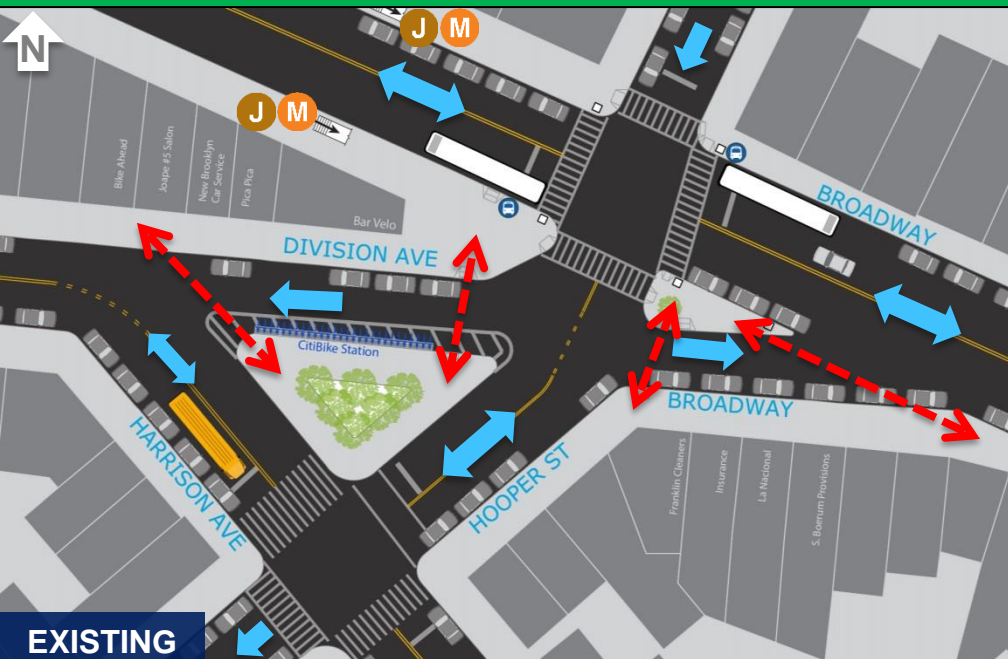
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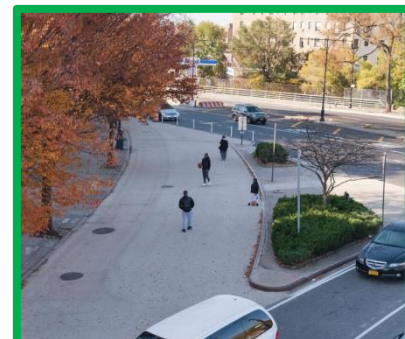
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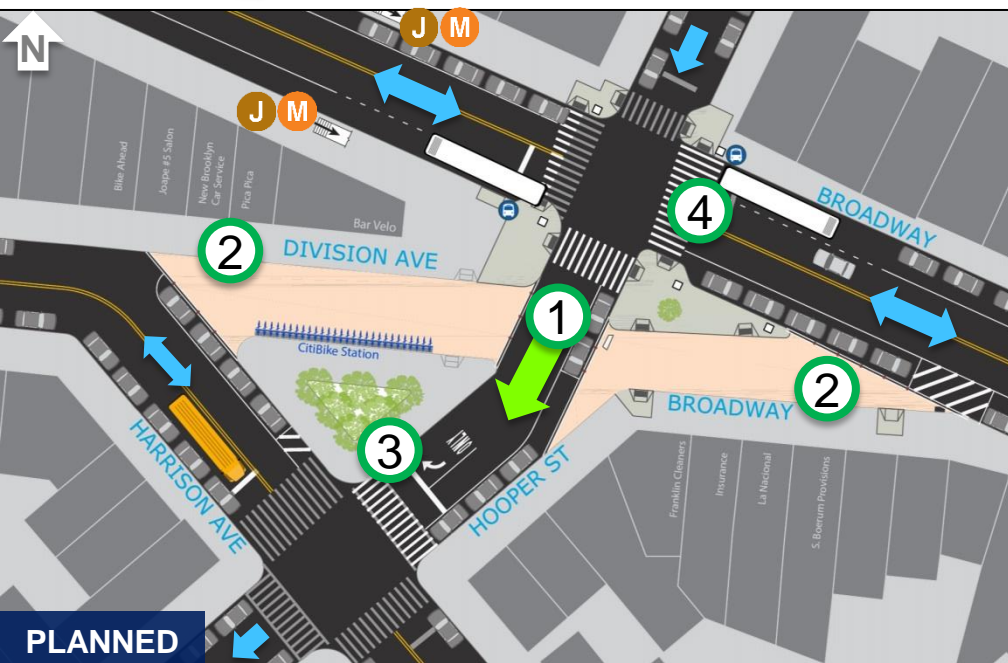
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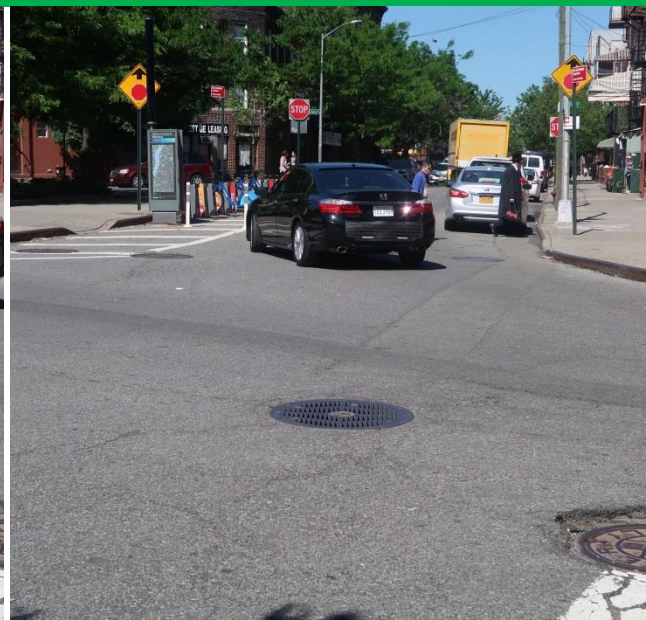


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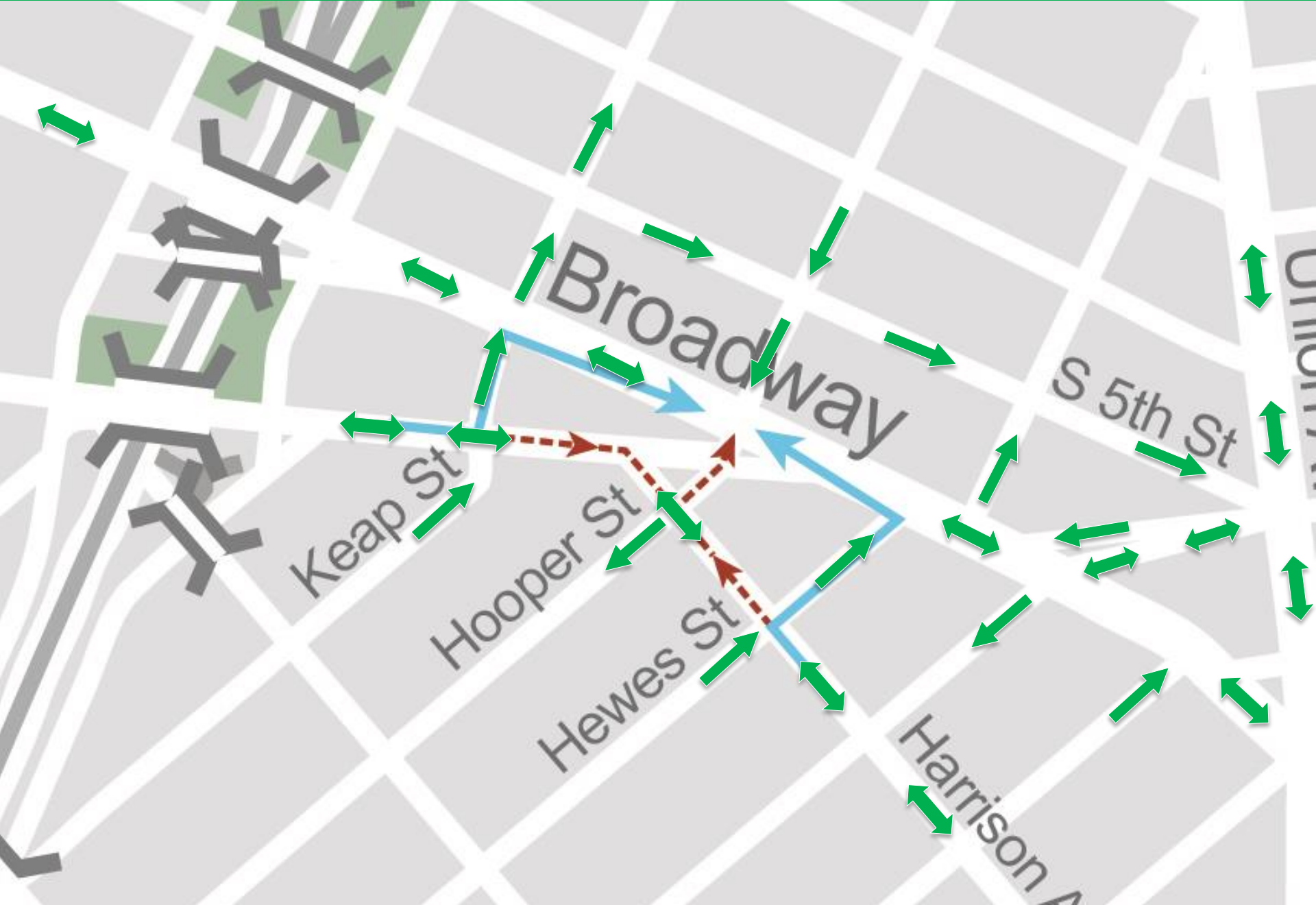
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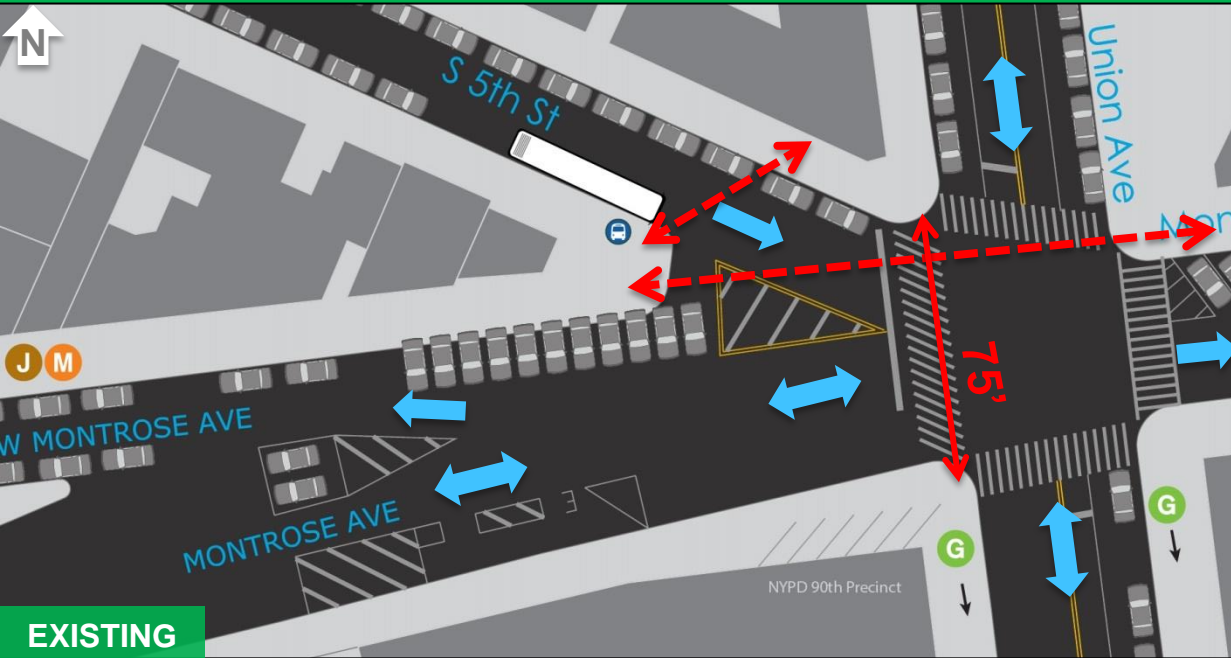
Examples of cars failing to yield to pedestrians on the Division Ave slip



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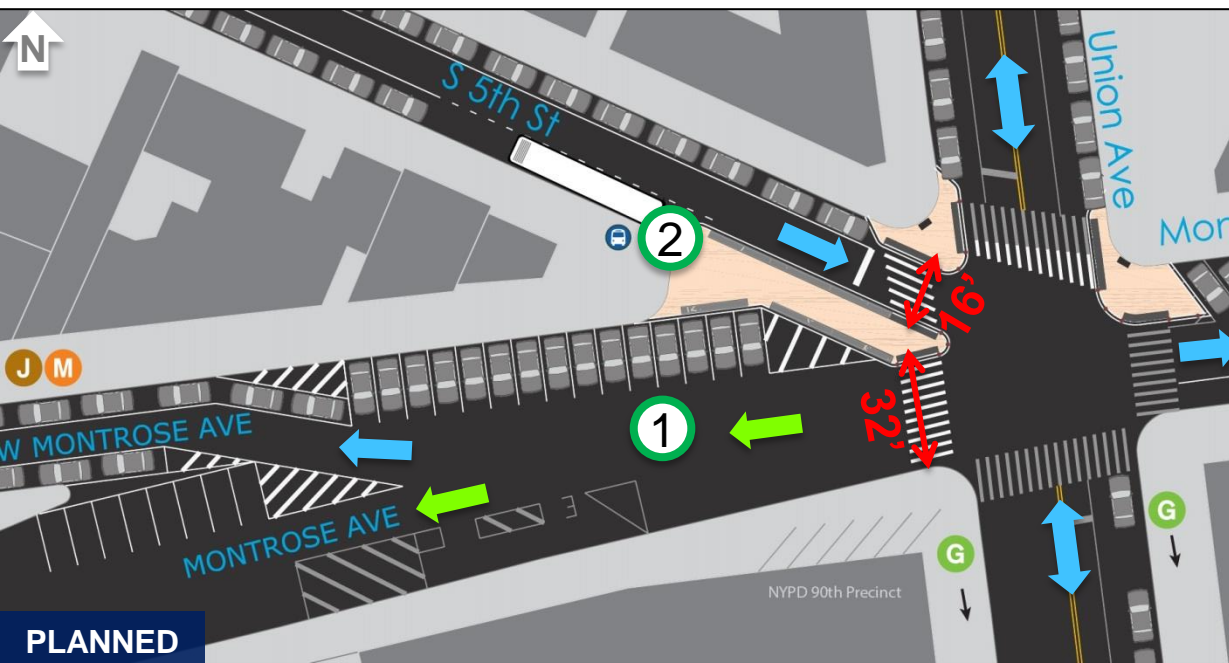
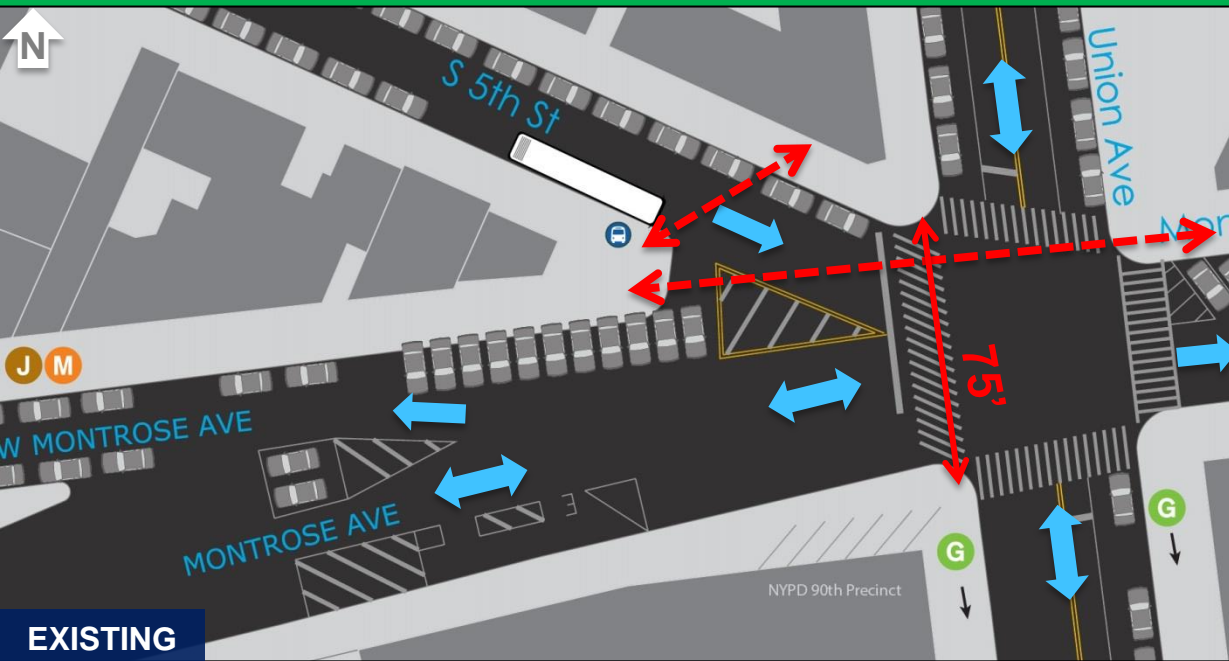
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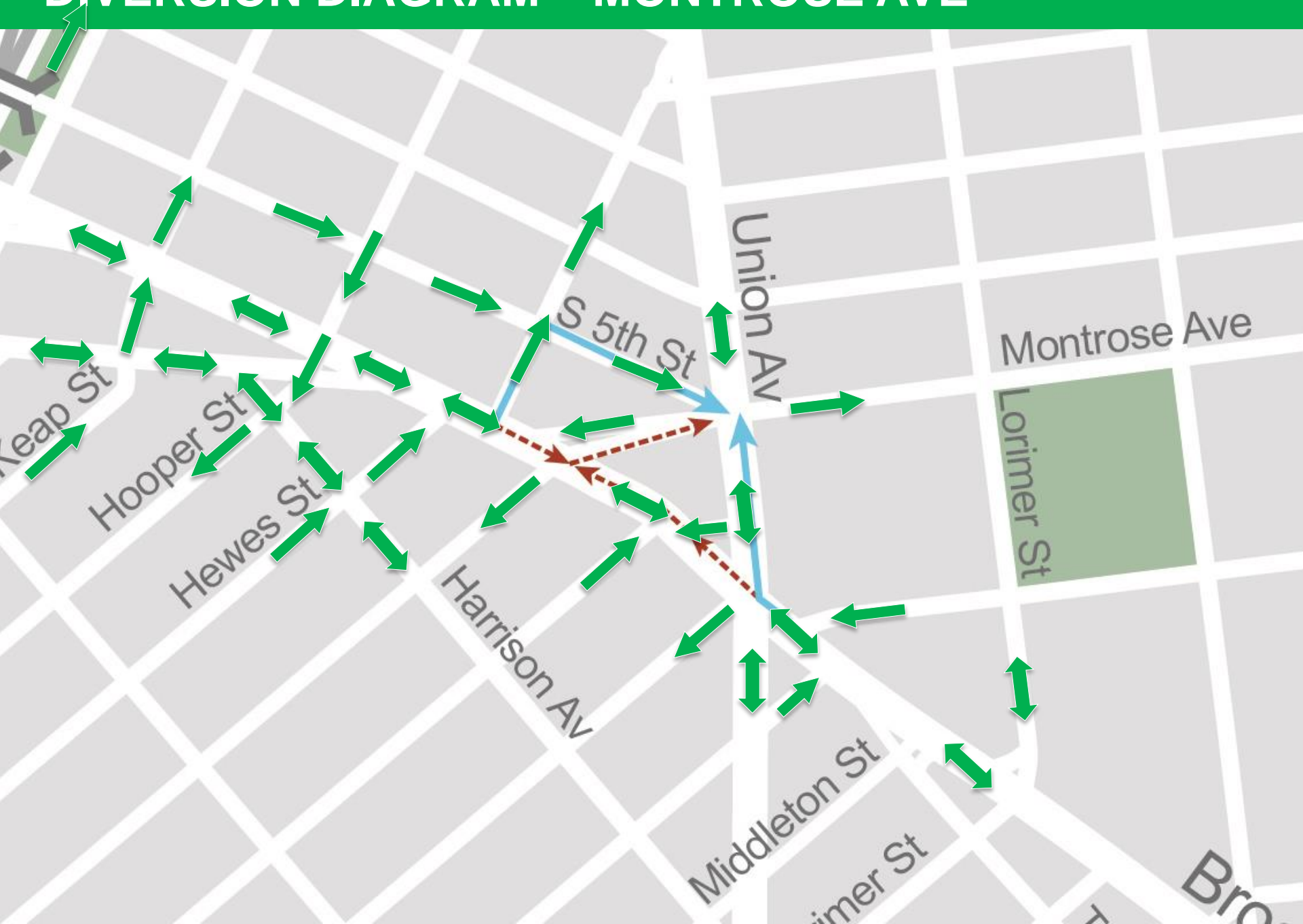
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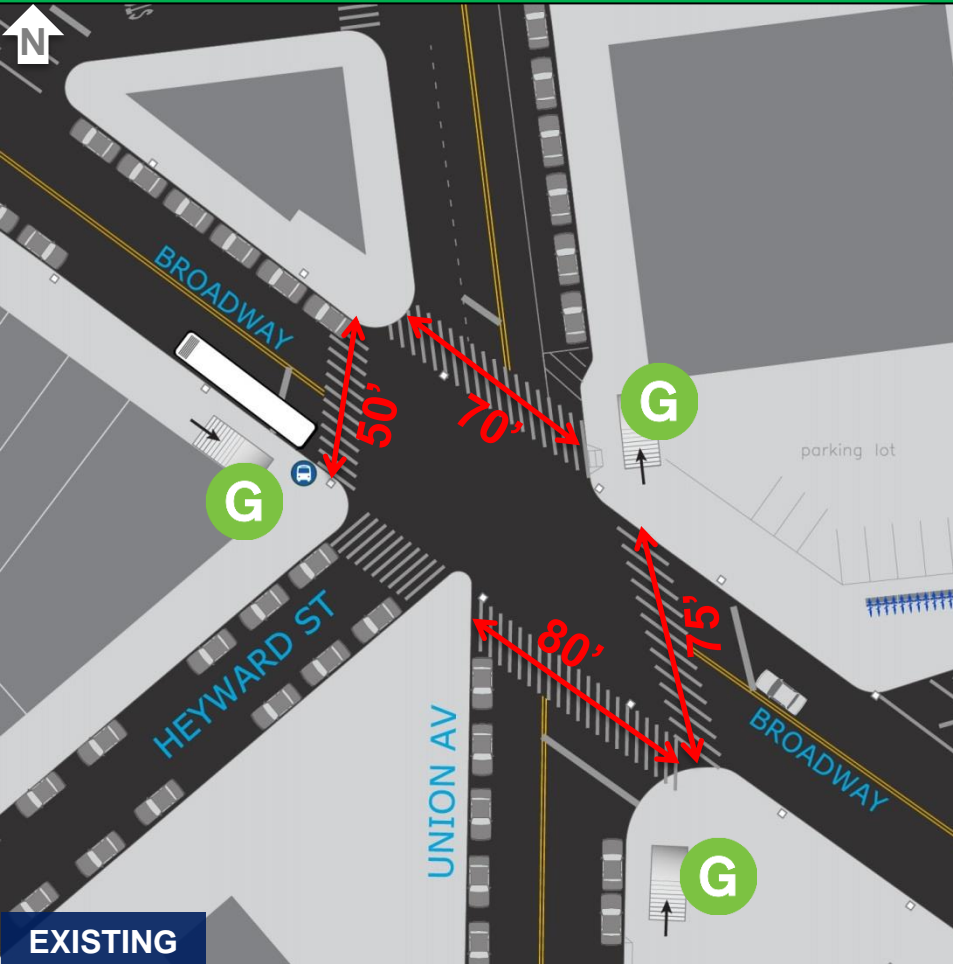
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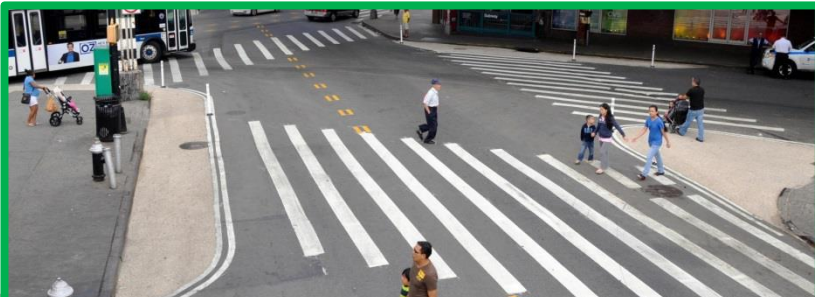
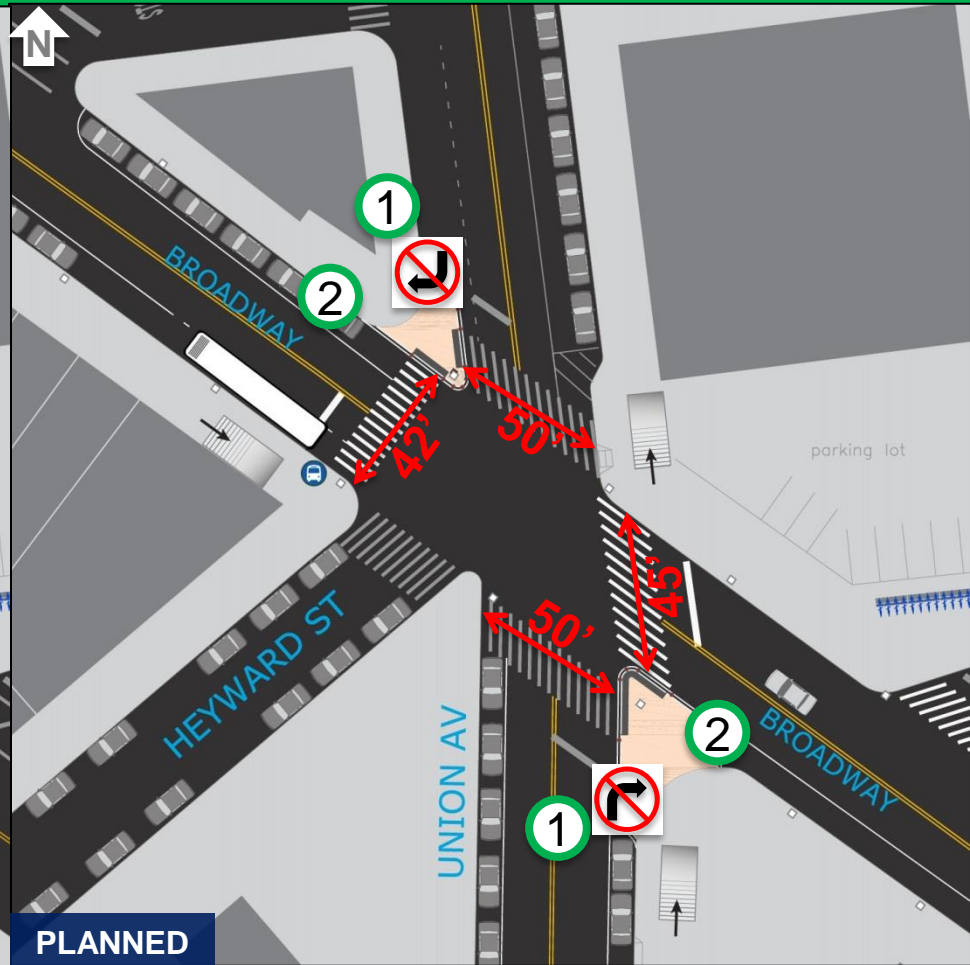
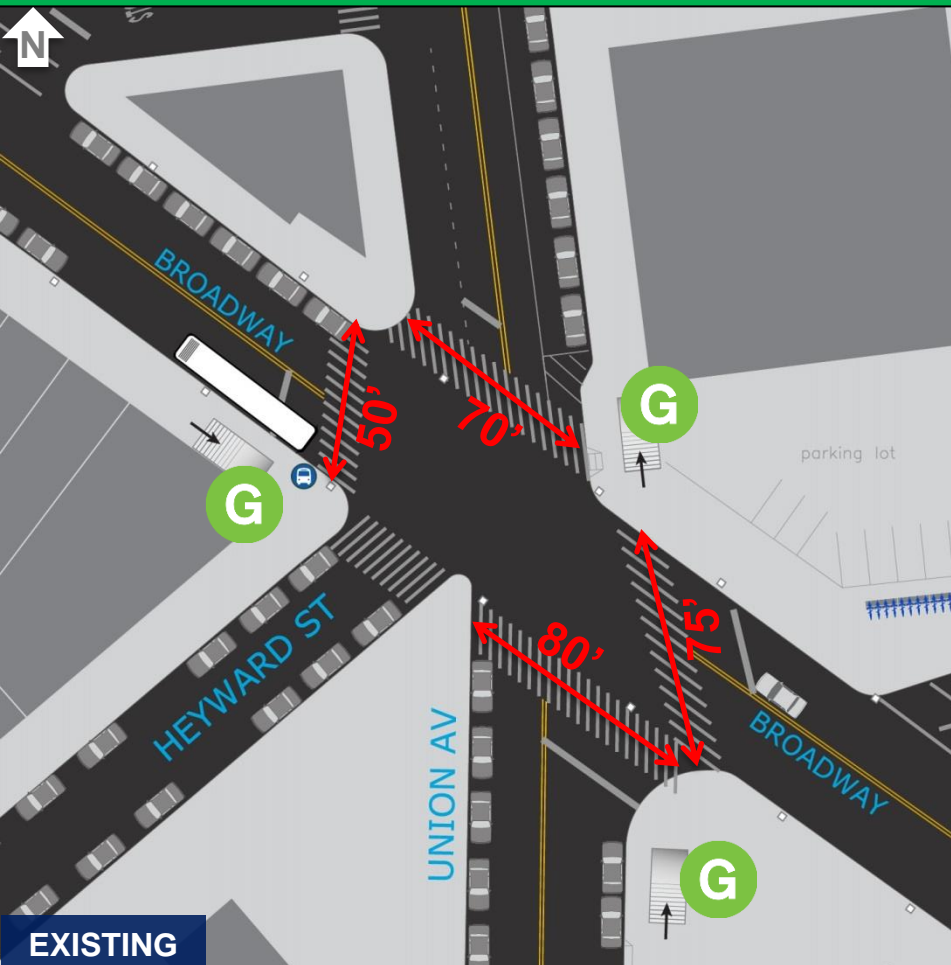


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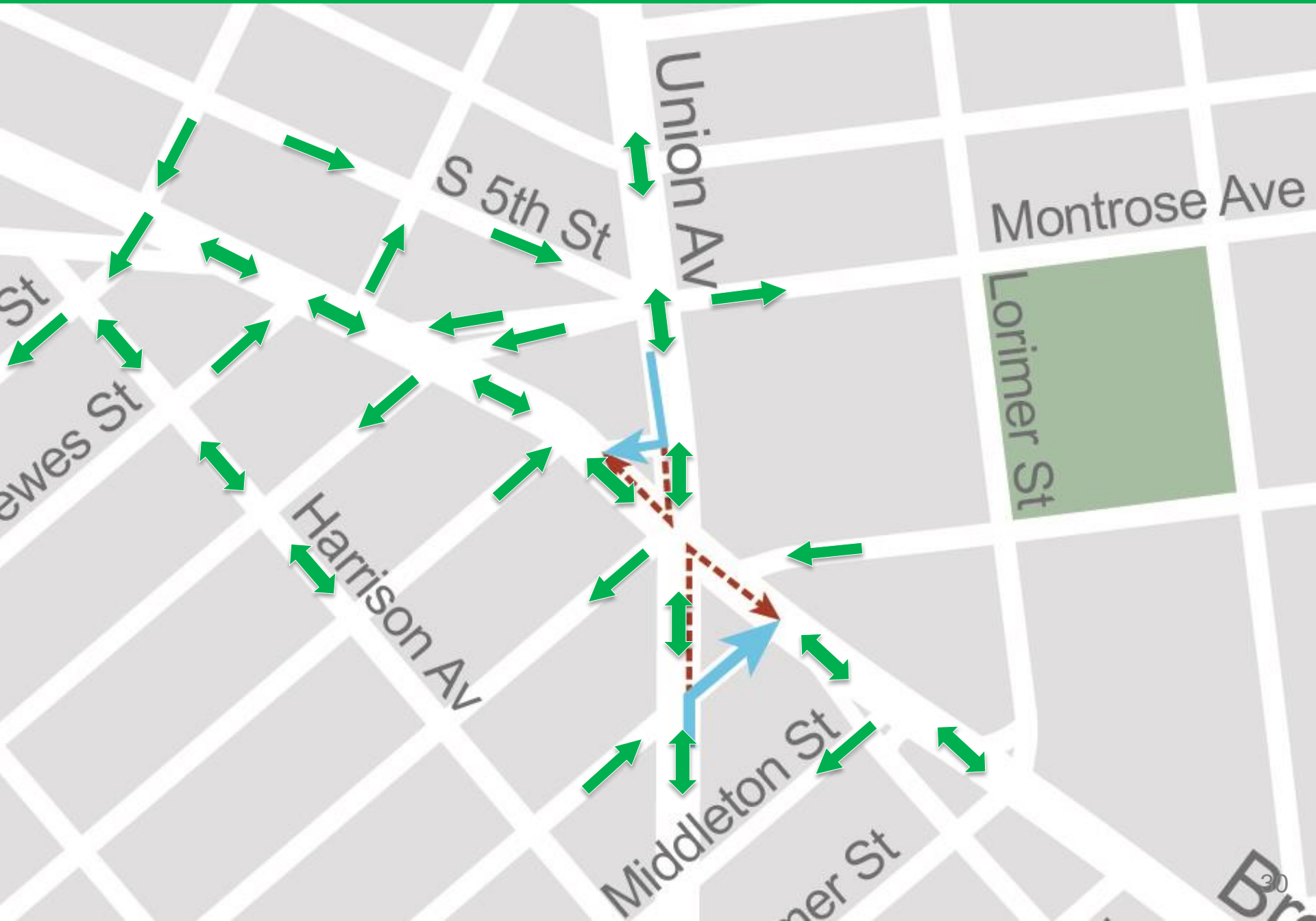


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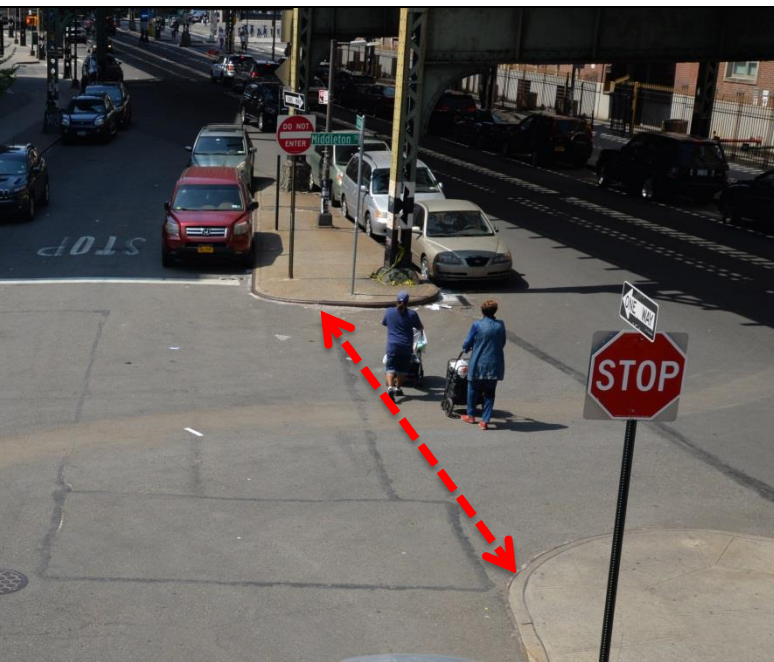
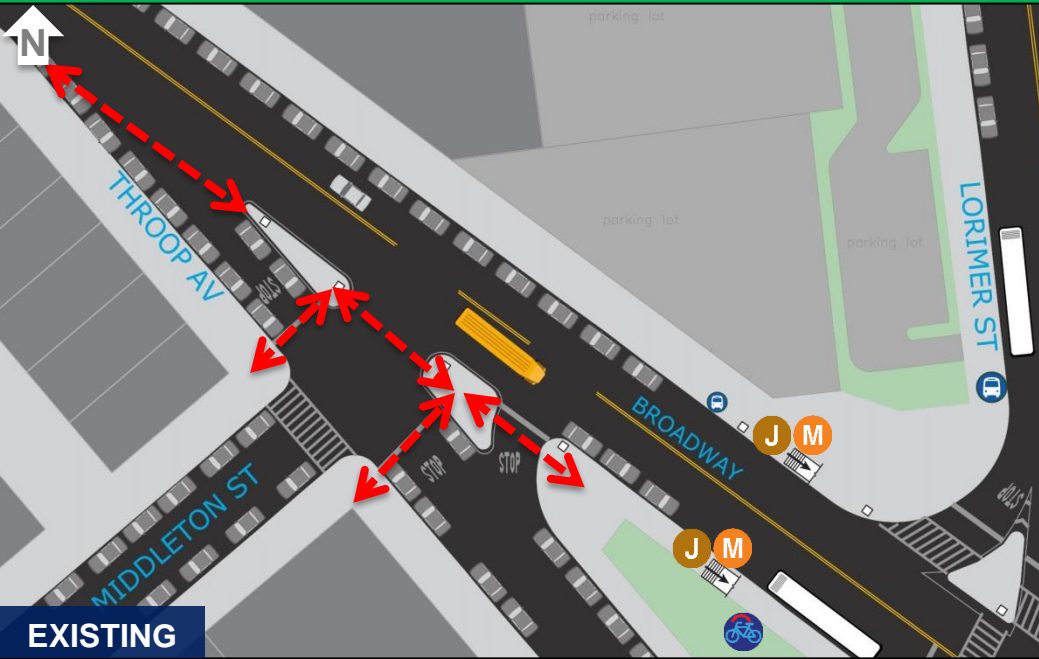


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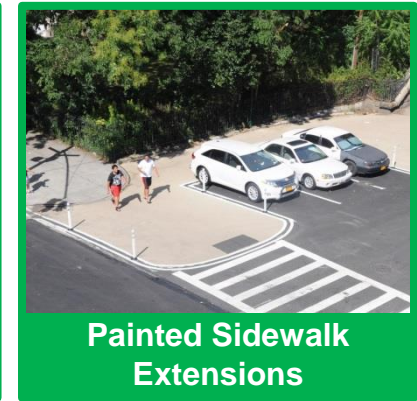
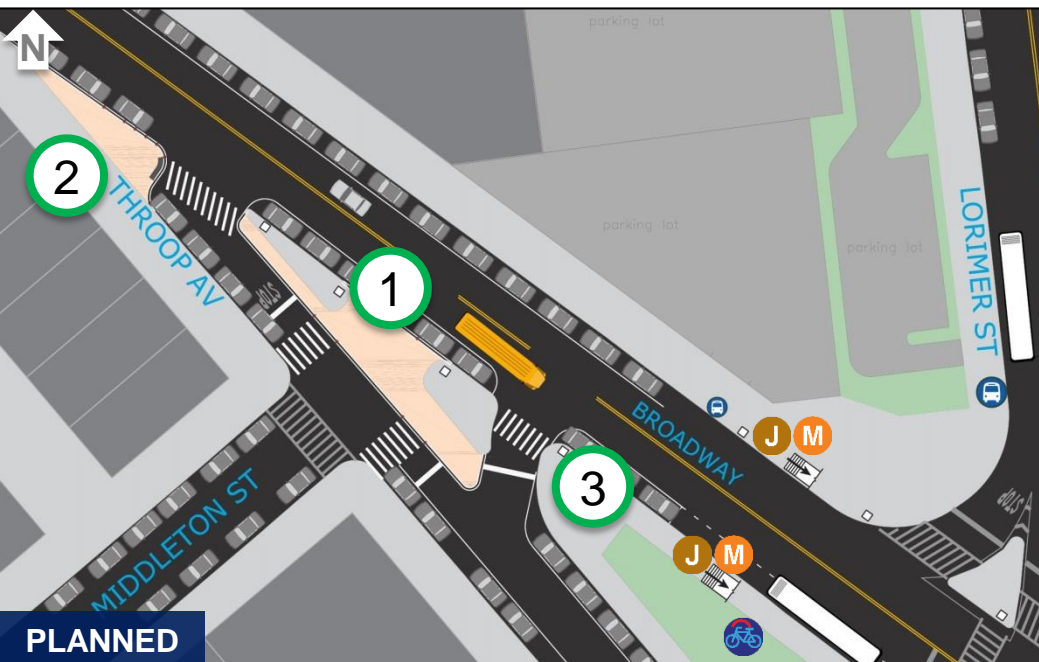
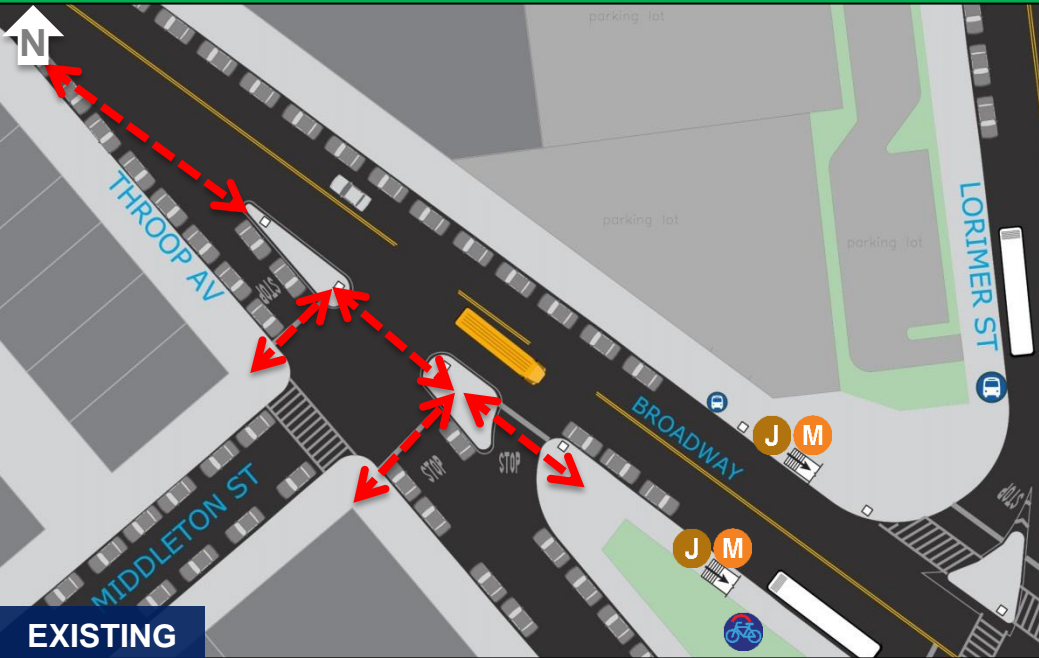
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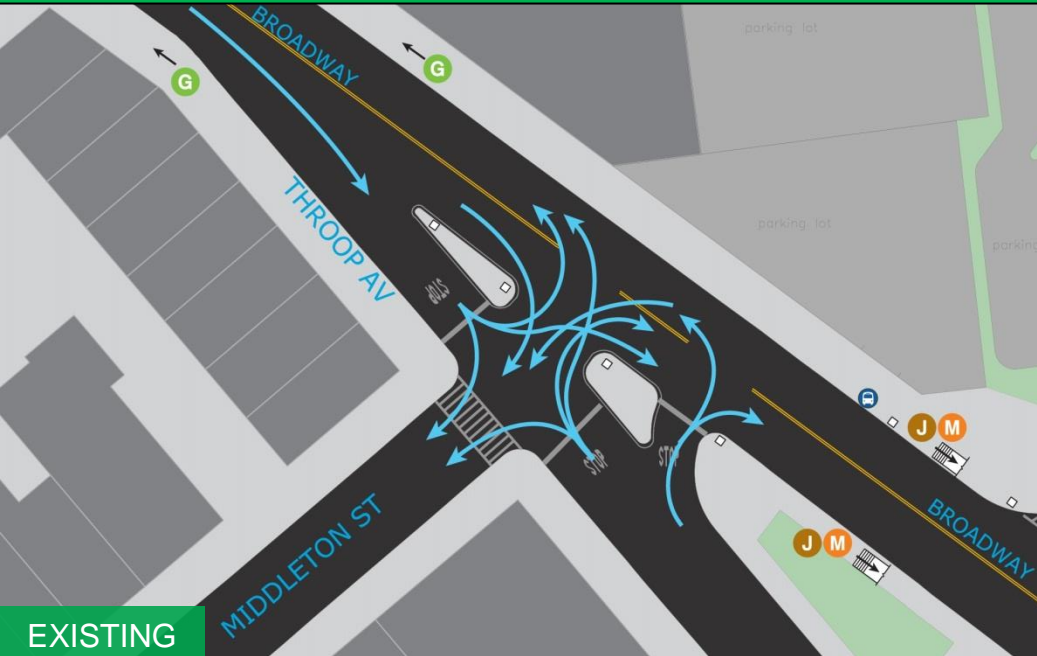


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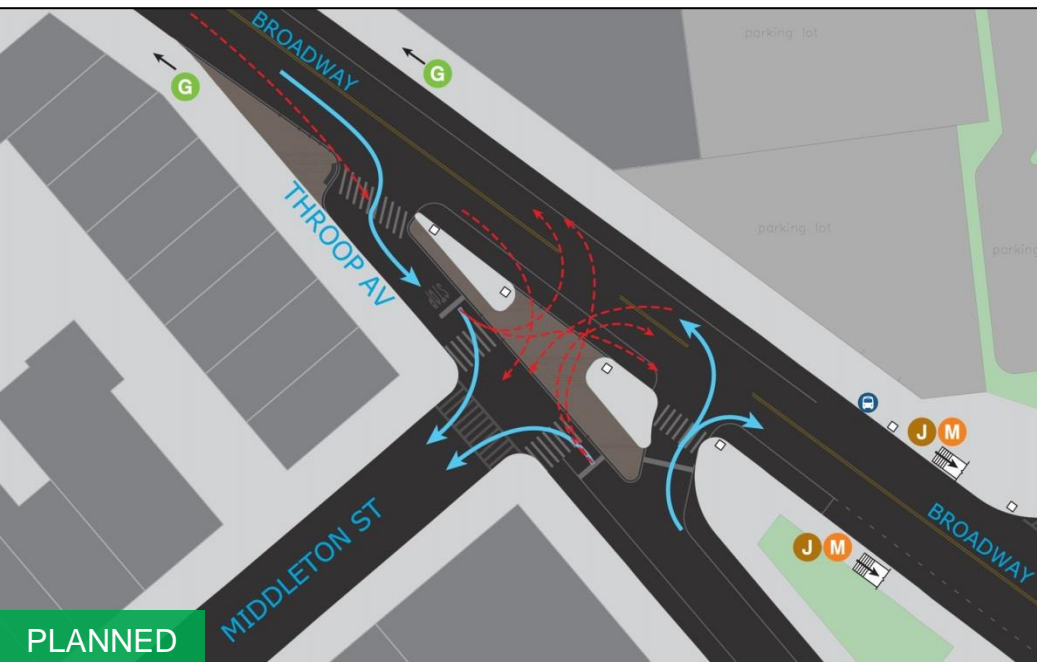
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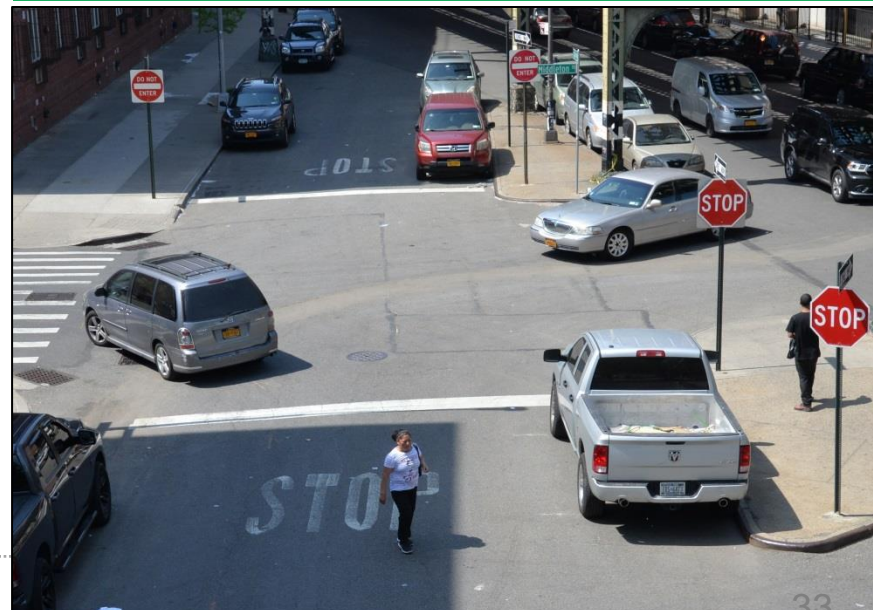
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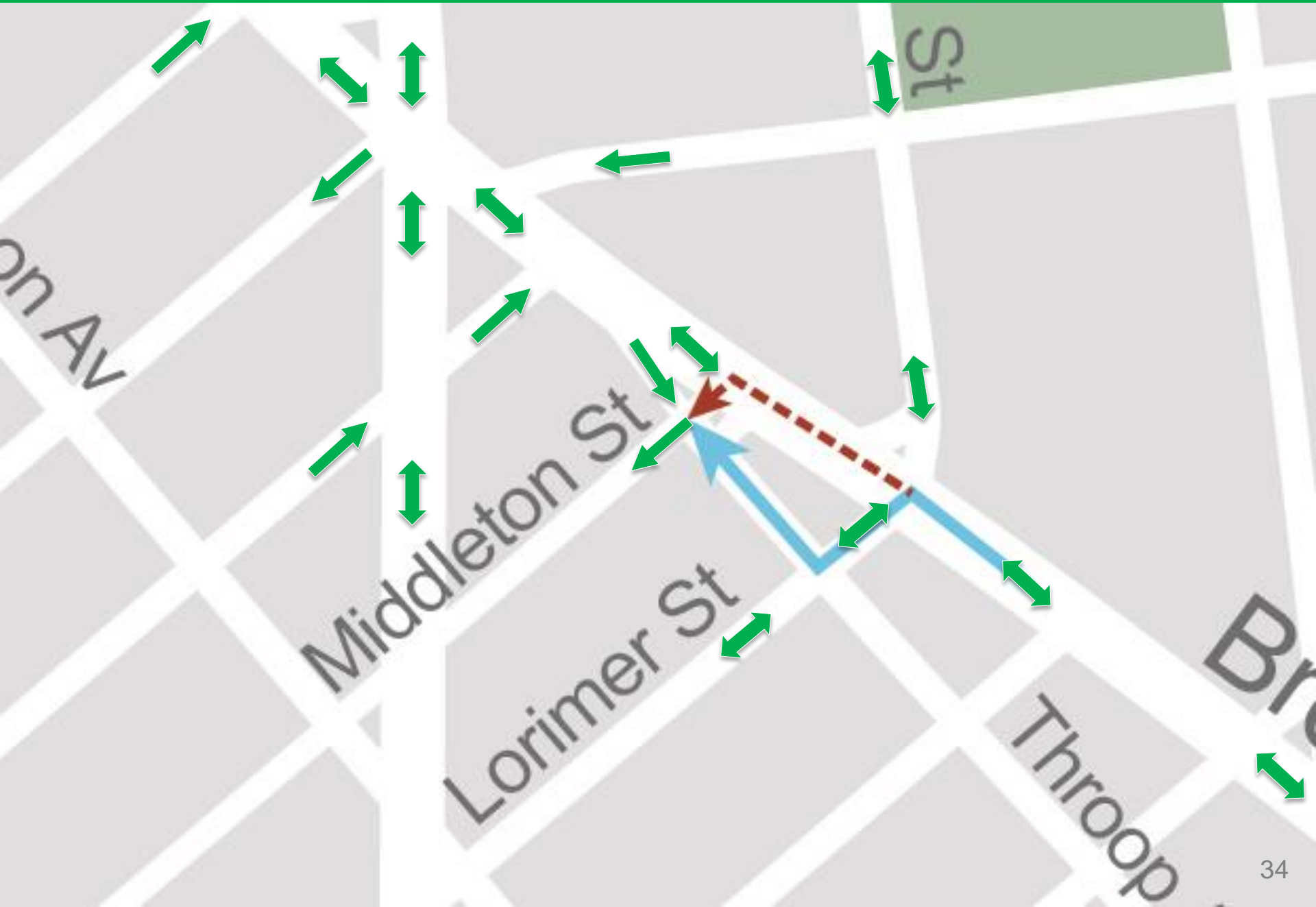


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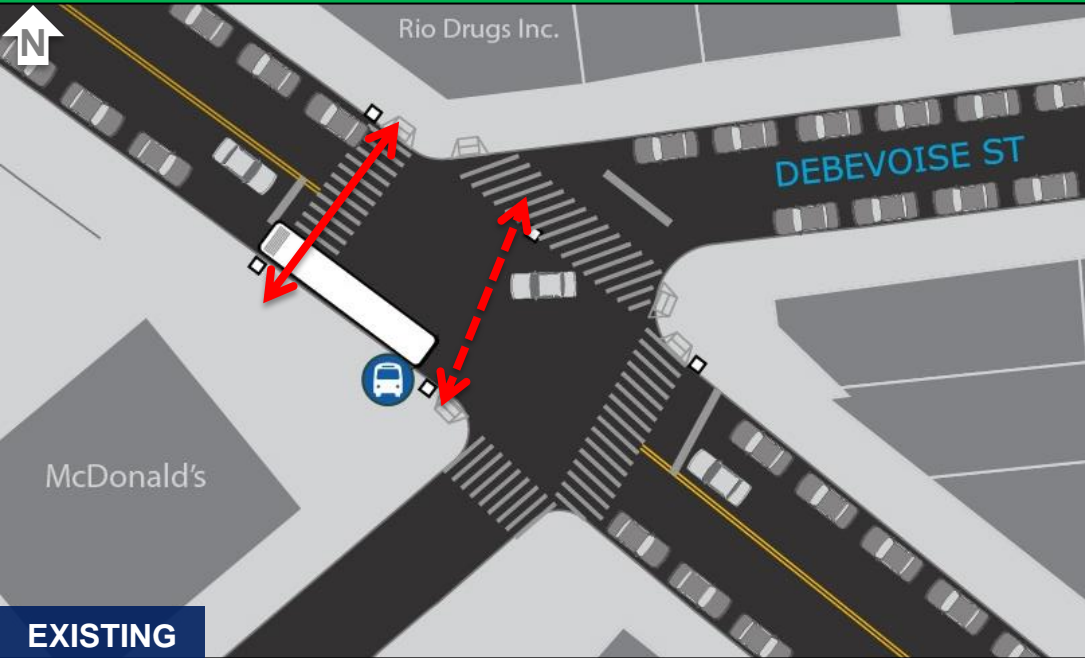


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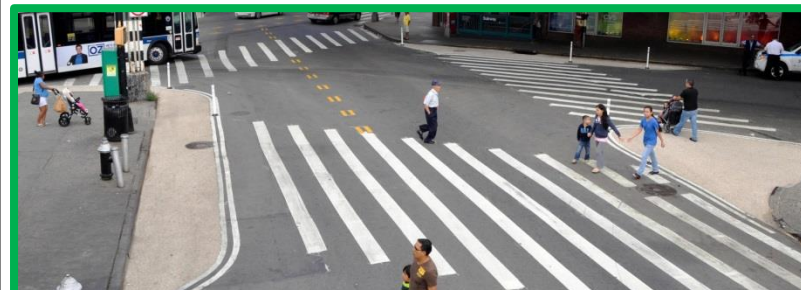
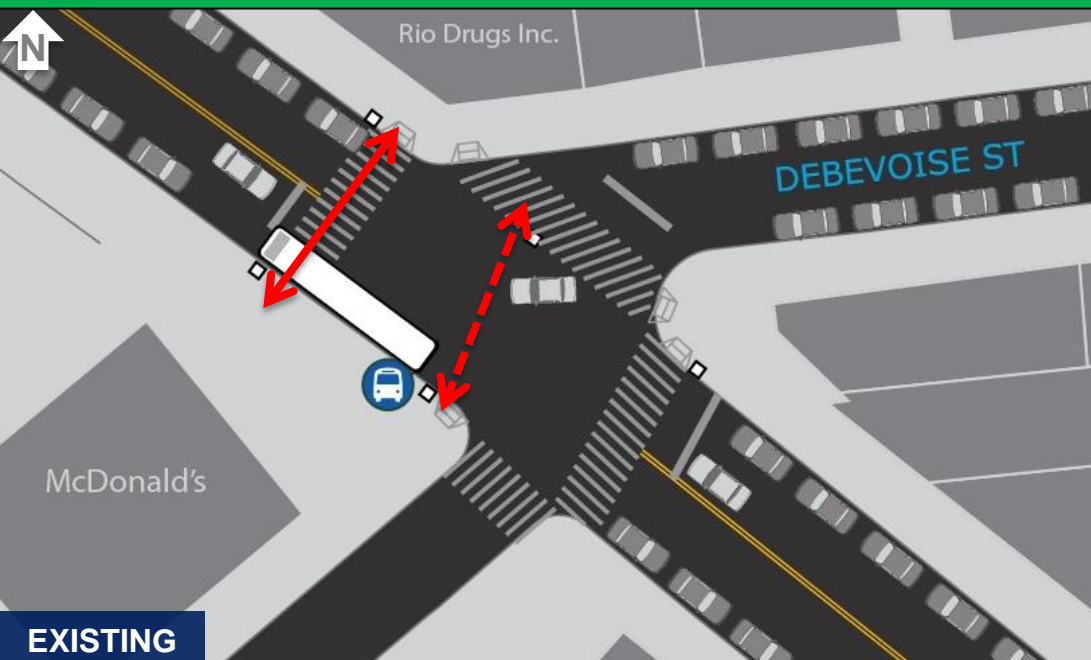
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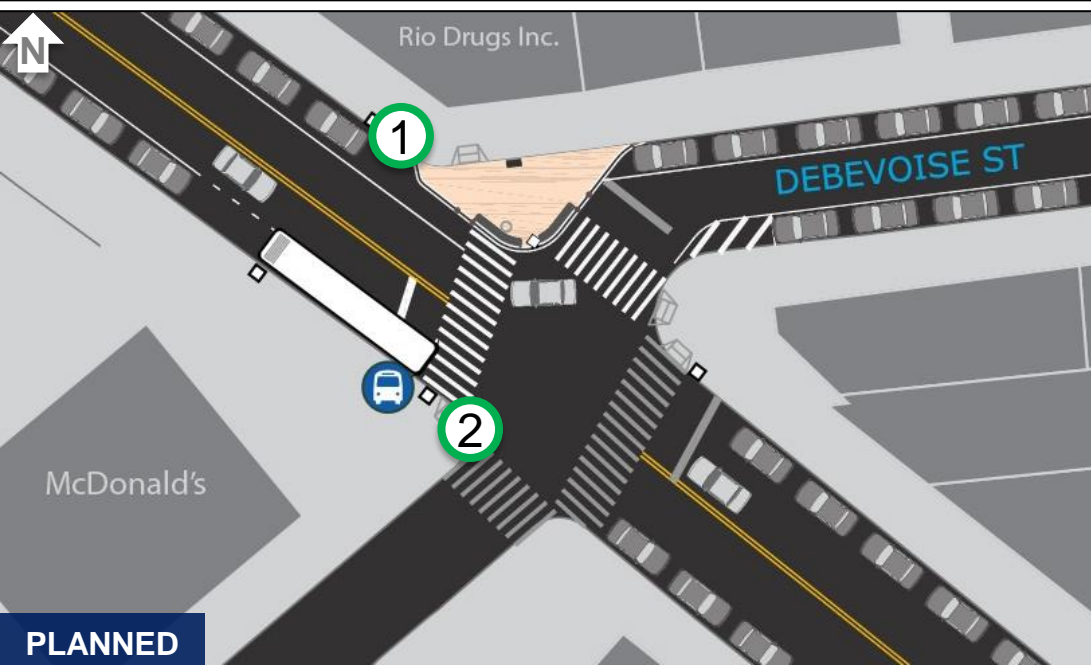
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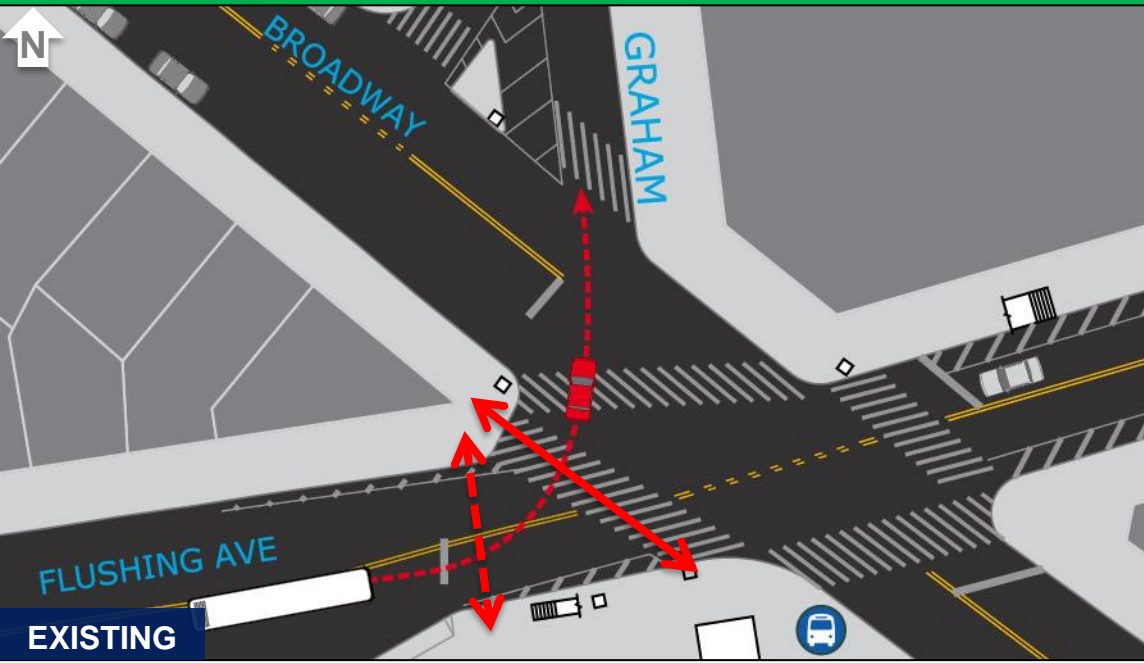
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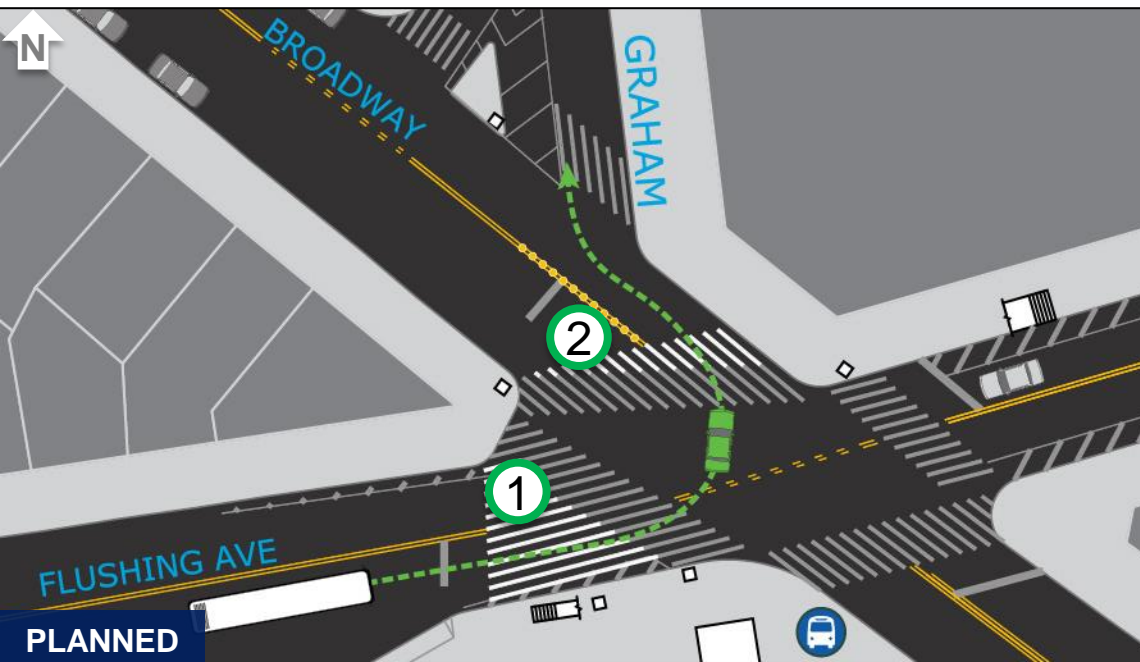
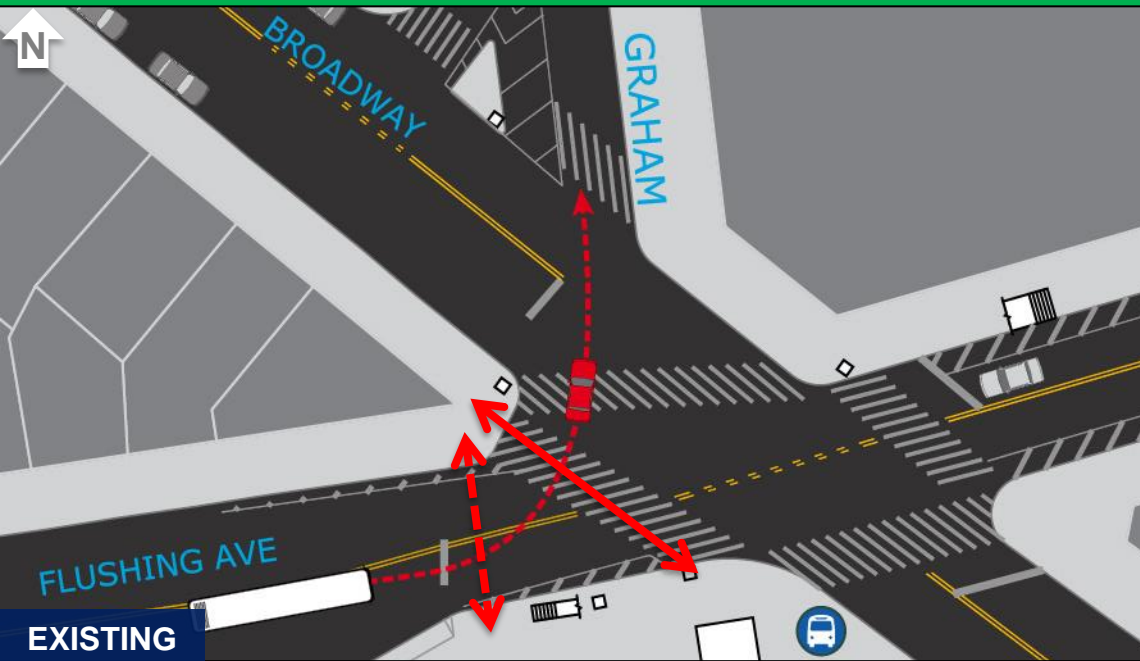
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Questions for Presentation on Gaming Facilities

GAMING EQUIPMENT AND DEVICES

How many publicly accessible computers will the establishment have?

9

Are these all for gaming purposes?

Yes

If not, what are they available for? —

What are the other electronic devices in which game software has been installed for the purpose of playing games on the premises? Oculus - rift - touch virtual reality  
HTC Vive

How many of these devices are there?

Oculus - 6 HTC - 3

Will there be other arcade type amusement devices located on the premises? No

How many? —

Have you applied for an amusement arcade license? No

Are there any other featured games (i.e. billiards/pool table; board games) No

Any music featured (speakers, live music, DJ, background music). Speakers, background music

Has the establishment been sound proofed? By what methods and with what materials?

Yes, each device comes with headset.

PHYSICAL FEATURES

Describe the location and layout:

Front (front desk) + 6 separate rooms (100 sq)  
each, ~~each~~ hallways, restrooms.

Square footage: 3,000 sq (approx)

Number of Rooms: 7

How many floors: 1

Are any renovations needed? No

Have plans been filed with the DOB? No, using as is.

Are there any construction permits? *No*

Inspections? (DOB, FDNY, Electrical, etc.) *yes*

What is the certificate of occupancy? *1968 code*

What is the layout for the establishment? *office layout*

How many rooms and how are they each setup? *7 room, each room specific games.*

How will customers access/exit the building? *access thru front, exit thru back or front*

How many egresses are there? Fire exits? - *2*

What are the security precautions? *video surv. on premises.*

Are there restrictions on age? How will this be checked? *13+, school id*

Will there be a waiting area for customers? How is this setup (i.e. seating plan) *Yes, chairs at front.*

Where are the bathrooms? How many? *2*

Is the establishment ADA compliant? *yes*

Will any outdoor space be used? *No*

Will there internet access/WIFI made publicly available? *No*

Will any food and beverages be sold? *yes*

Will there be vending machines? *yes*

Any Beer? Wine? Liquor? Cider? *No*

Will other goods be sold (i.e. equipment, games, books, clothing) *yes: oculus glasses, custom PC building and repair.*

STRUCTURE

What is the corporate structure? *Inc.*

How many business partners? Percentage of Ownership? *1*

Is this a franchise? *No*

How many Workers? Managers? What are their duties?

① — assisting visitors with gaming experience  
① — to manage the establishment

Will there be any branding? Yes

Customer base - what is the business aiming at for customers? Is there a particular age range?

Type of game play? 13+ (racing, running, shooting, flying)

What services are being offered to the customers? VR experience

What are the costs? ranges from 7.99 - 69.99

How can they play? How will services be purchased? (i.e. cash, credit card, purchase tokens)

by game or by hr (cash, credit)  
If gambling type games are being offered, how will patrons be able to bet responsibly? NO

Hours of operation:

SUN. - 12 pm - 11 pm  
MON. - 3 pm - 12 pm  
TUES. 3 pm - 12 pm  
WED. 3 pm - 12 pm  
THURS. 3 pm - 12 pm  
FRI. 12 pm - 12 am  
SAT. 12 pm - 12 am

Has the applicant operated this kind of facility before?

NO

Where: \_\_\_\_\_

What outreach was done for the community?

Will have community board meeting on 6/12/18

Have you garnered support? Yes

Have they signed petitions? NO

Have you reached out to community groups in the area? Yes

Elected officials? NO

Do you have any letters of support? NO

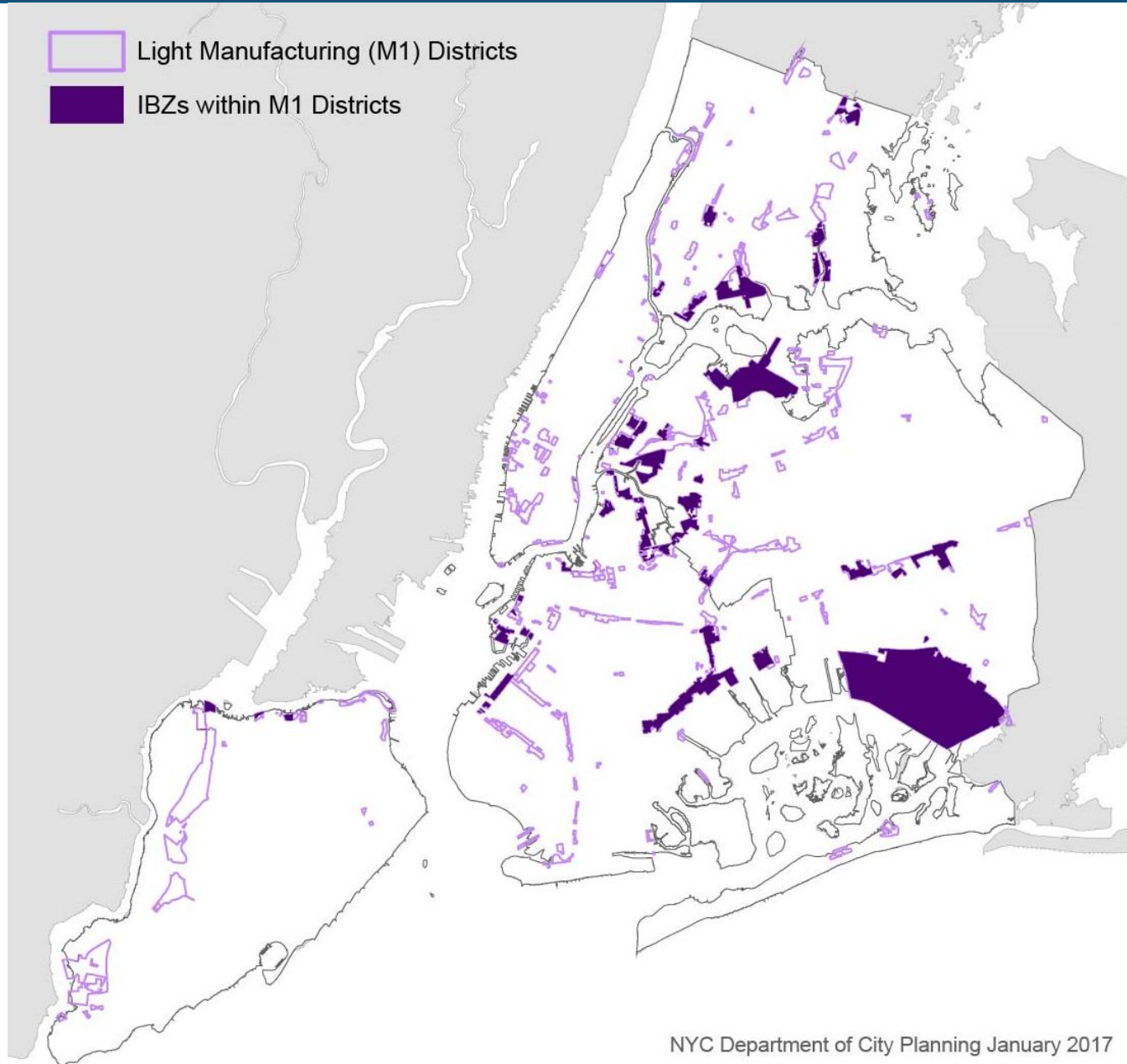


# **PROPOSED ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT: M1 HOTEL SPECIAL PERMIT**

Community Board 1  
May 8, 2018

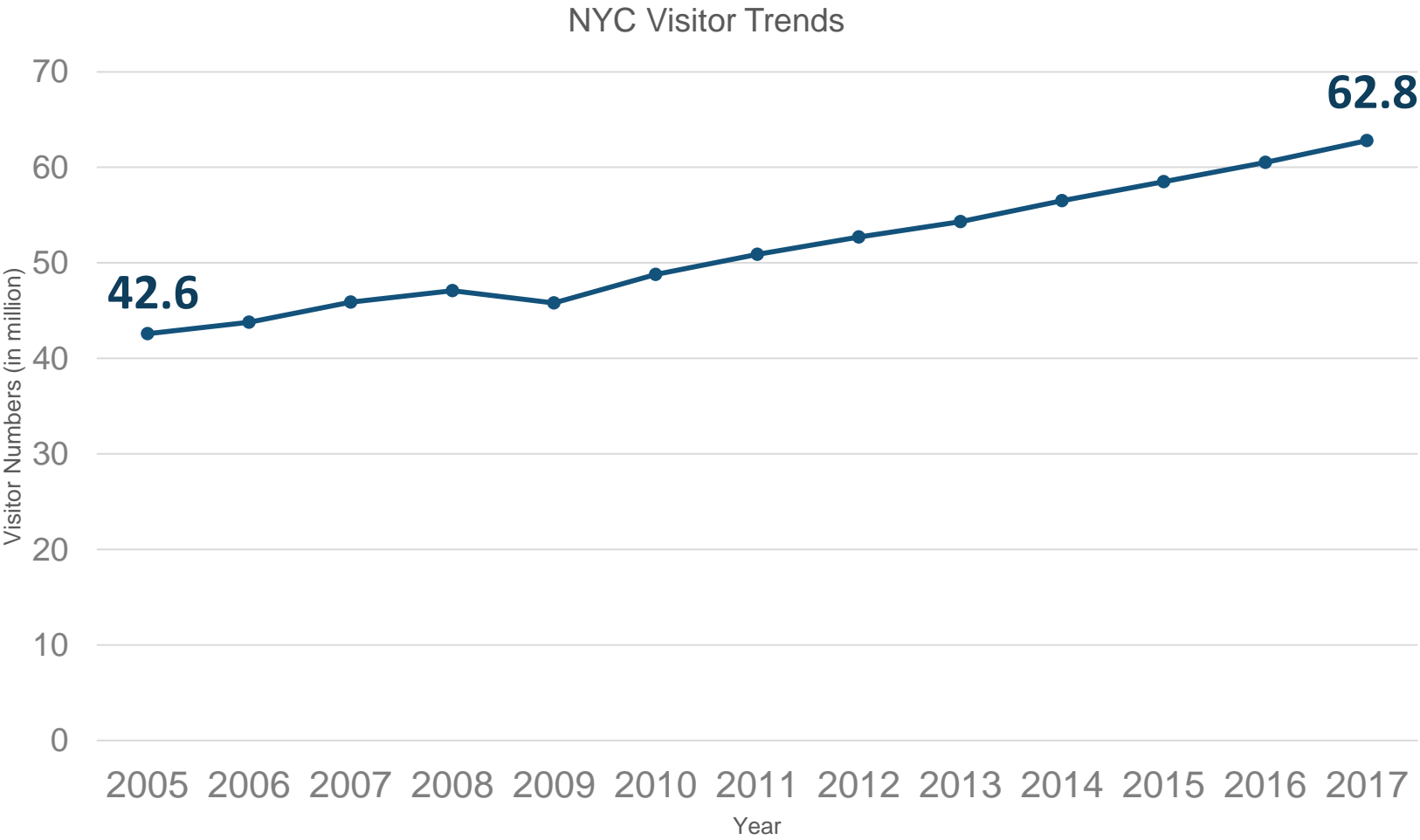


# M1 Districts are widely mapped





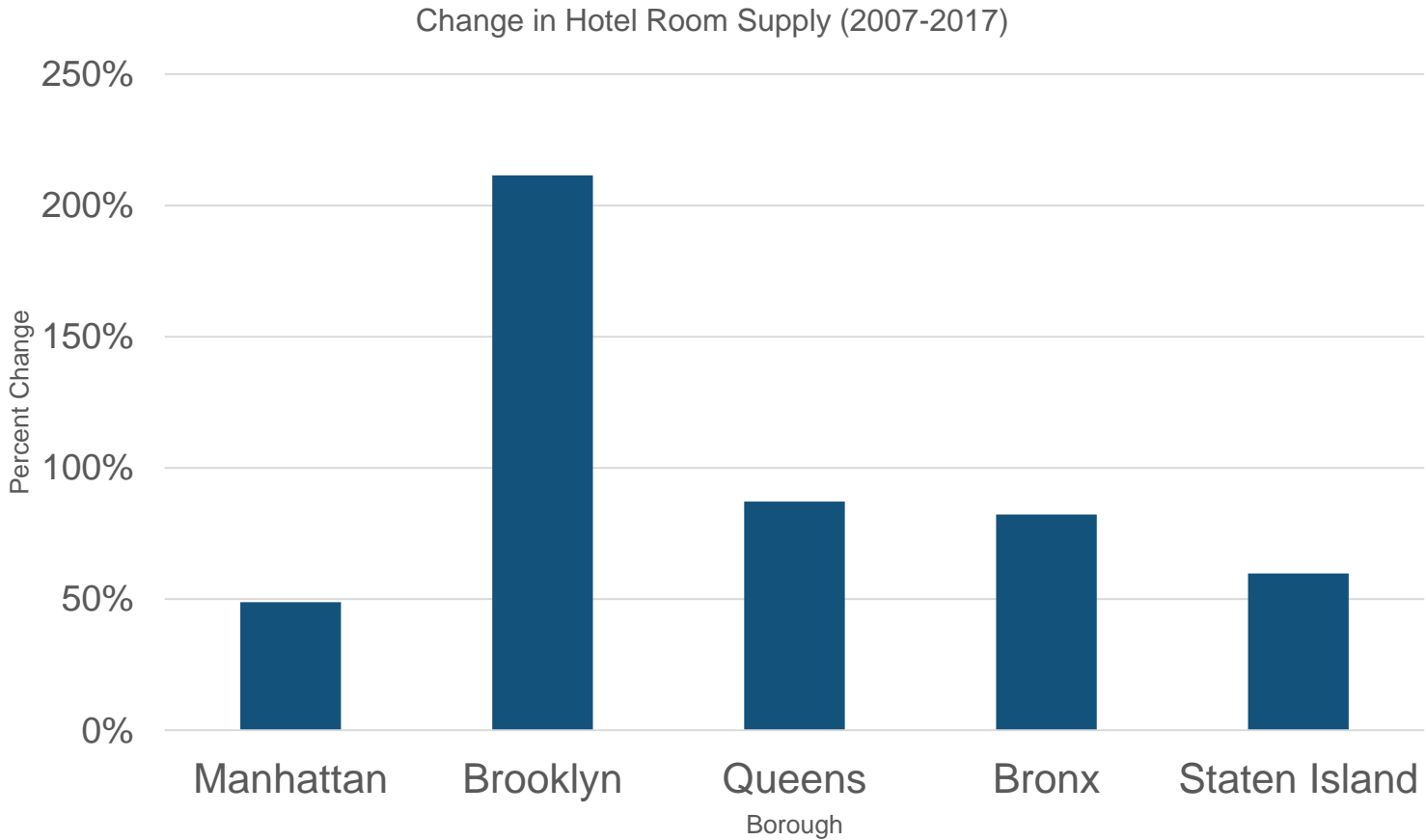
## NYC's tourism industry has boomed over the past few years.







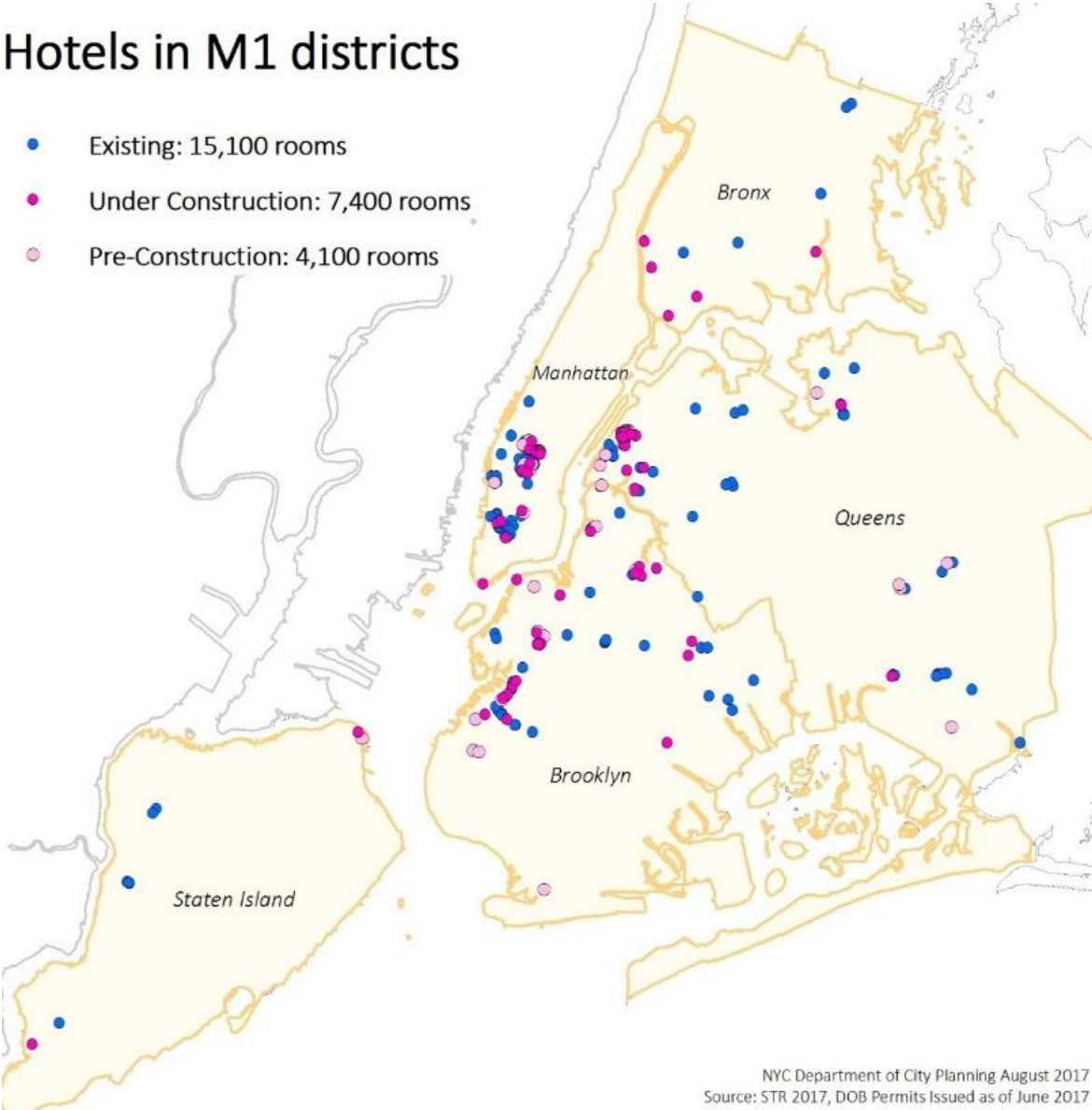
**There are 600 hotels with 116,000 hotel rooms in NYC, and 24,000 rooms are under construction.**



**30% of hotel rooms under construction citywide are in M1 districts, whereas 13% of existing rooms are in M1 zones.**

## Hotels in M1 districts

- Existing: 15,100 rooms
- Under Construction: 7,400 rooms
- Pre-Construction: 4,100 rooms

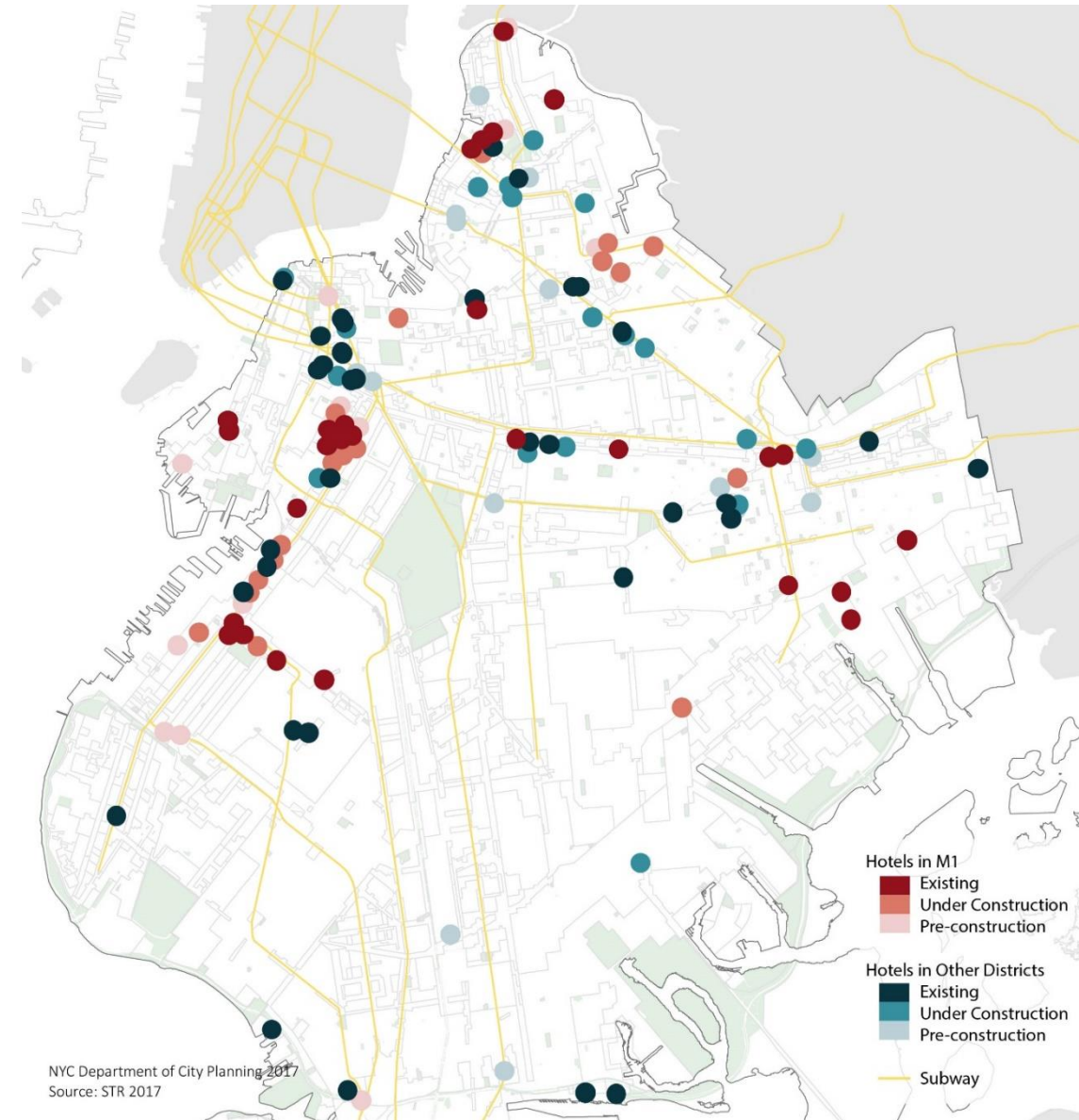


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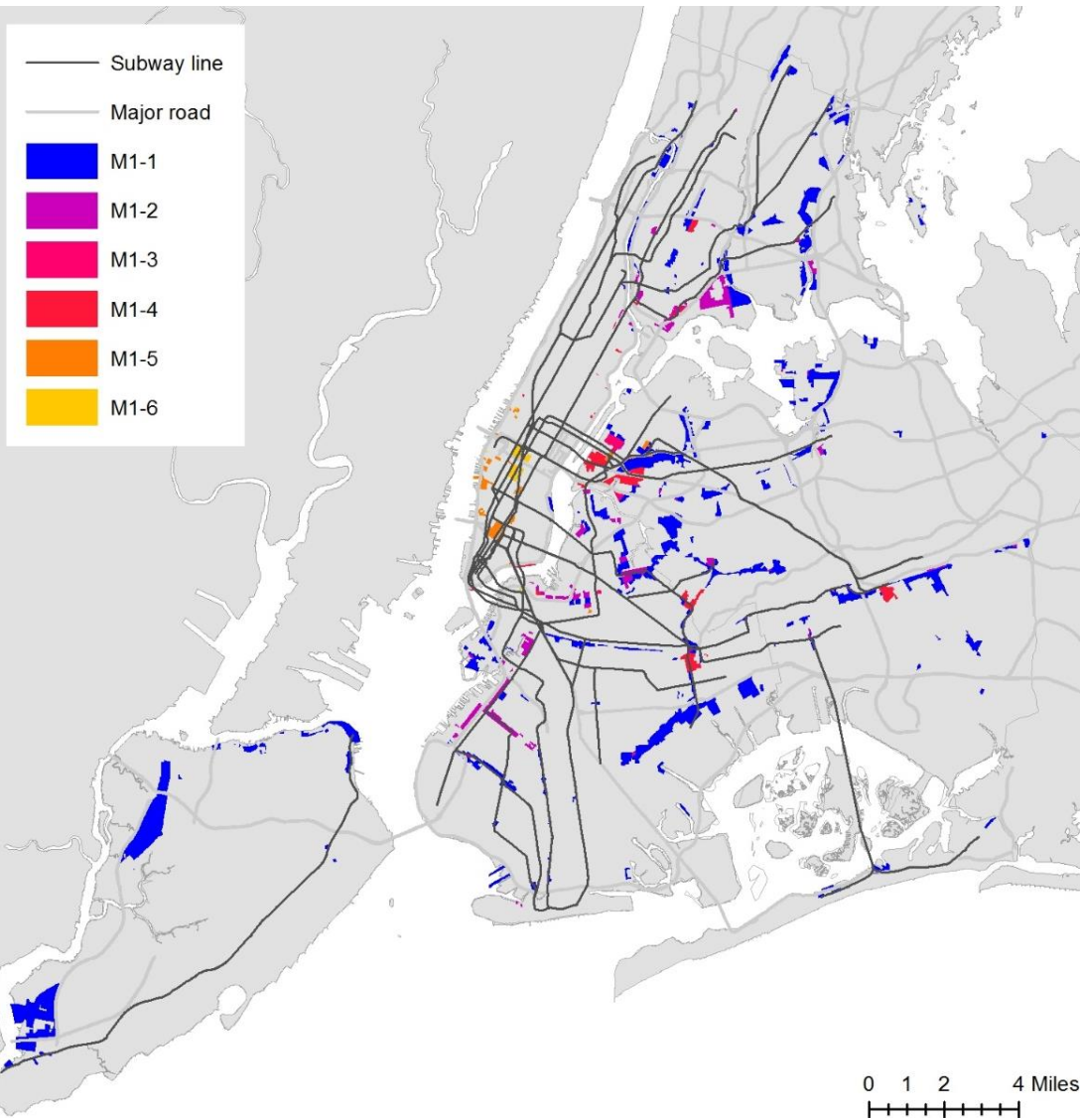
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As of 2017, Brooklyn has 6000 rooms – the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest inventory of the five boroughs.

Almost 40% of room inventory is in M1 districts.



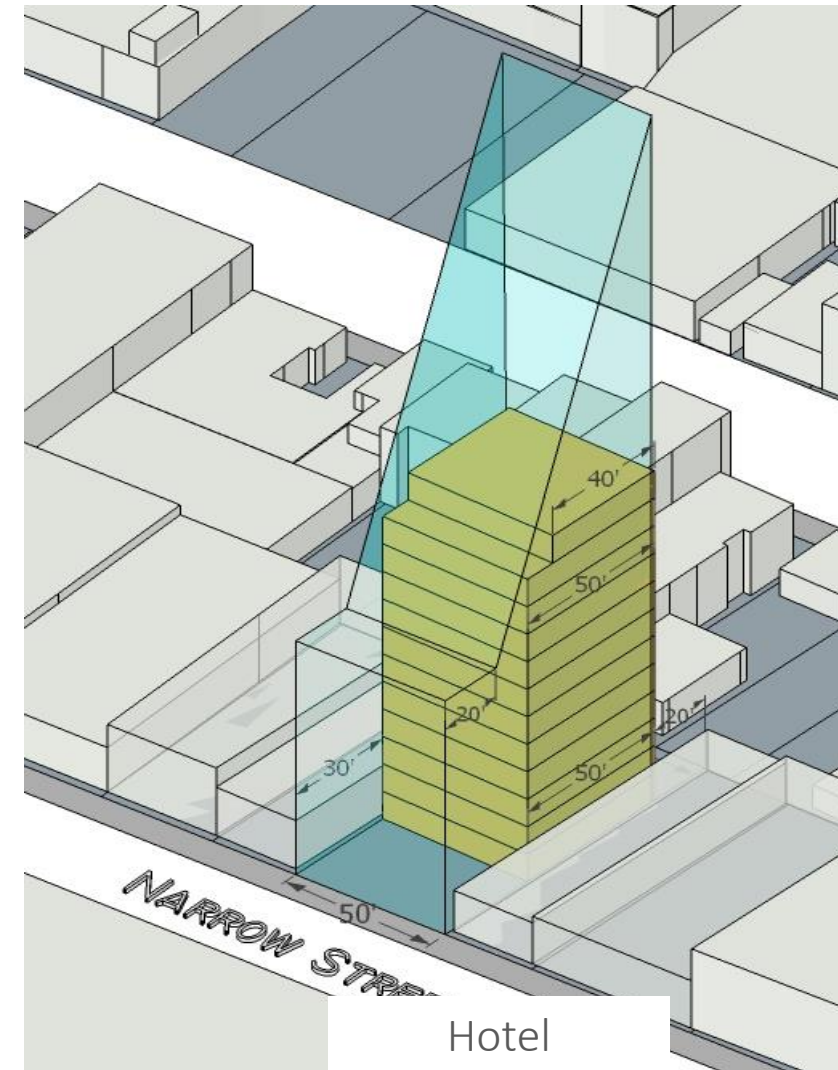
# M1 Districts



M1's varied Neighborhood Character [Source: 2018 cyclomedia.com]

In M1 districts, hotels are uniquely suited to the zoning envelope:

- Ability to use all of the permitted Floor Area Ratio [**FAR**]
- **Height and setback regulations** that allow for tower development
- Capability to site on **small lots**
- **Low parking and loading** requirements



Hotel



## Conflicts in Active Industrial Areas

- Land use conflicts with surrounding businesses, such as noise, truck traffic, pollution and other nuisance
- Unsafe conditions for pedestrians
- Unpleasant streetscape: design out of context

Hotels in LIC and South Brooklyn [Source: 2017 cyclomedia.com]



Concentration of Hotels [Source: 2017 cyclomedia.com]

## Conflicts in Mixed-Use Areas

- Concentration of hotel uses
- Tourist-oriented growth
- Changes to the neighborhood character
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**DCP is proposing a zoning text amendment to establish a CPC Special Permit for new hotels, motels, tourist cabins, and boatels in M1 districts.**

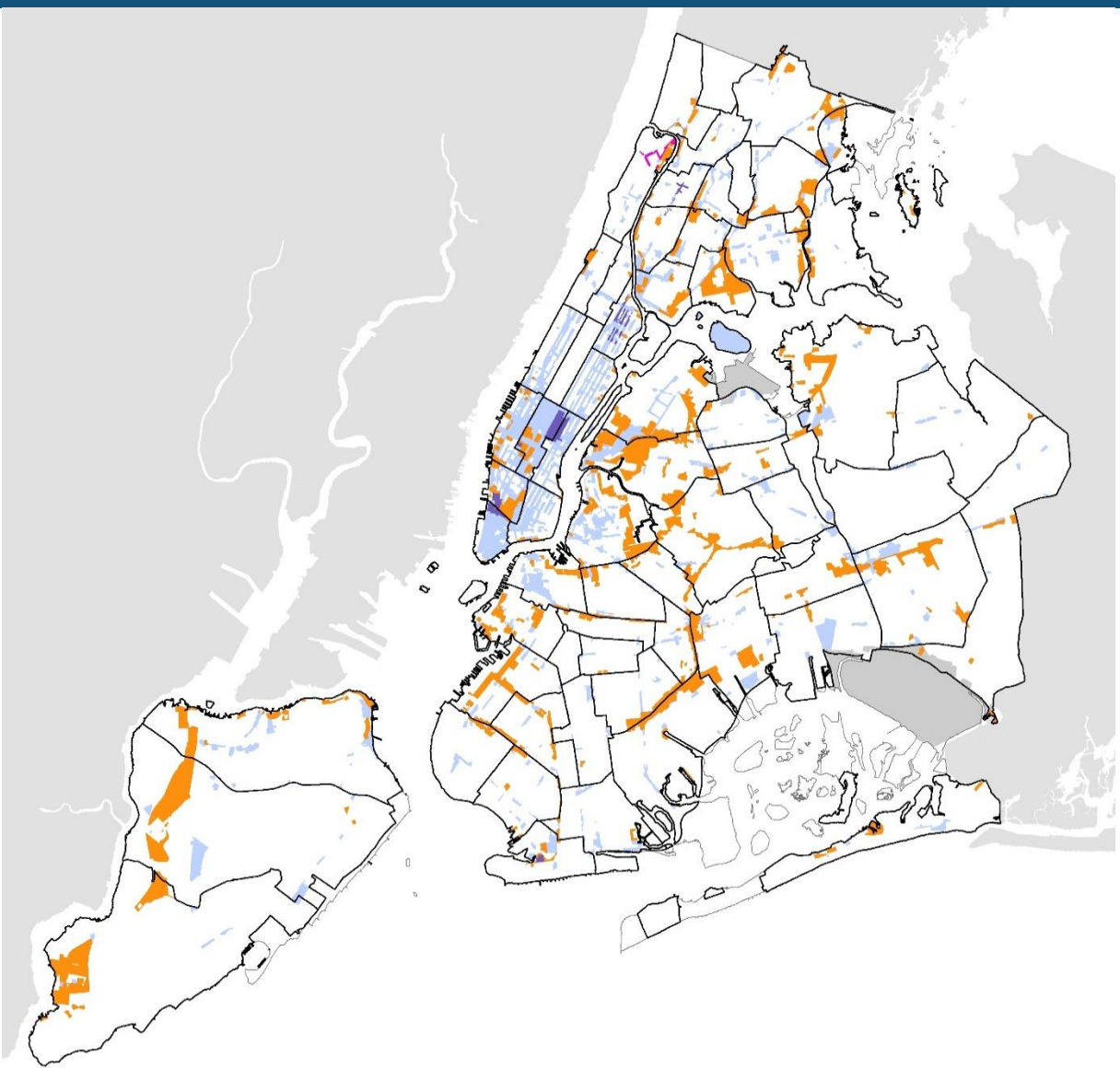
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*Hotel in Queens*



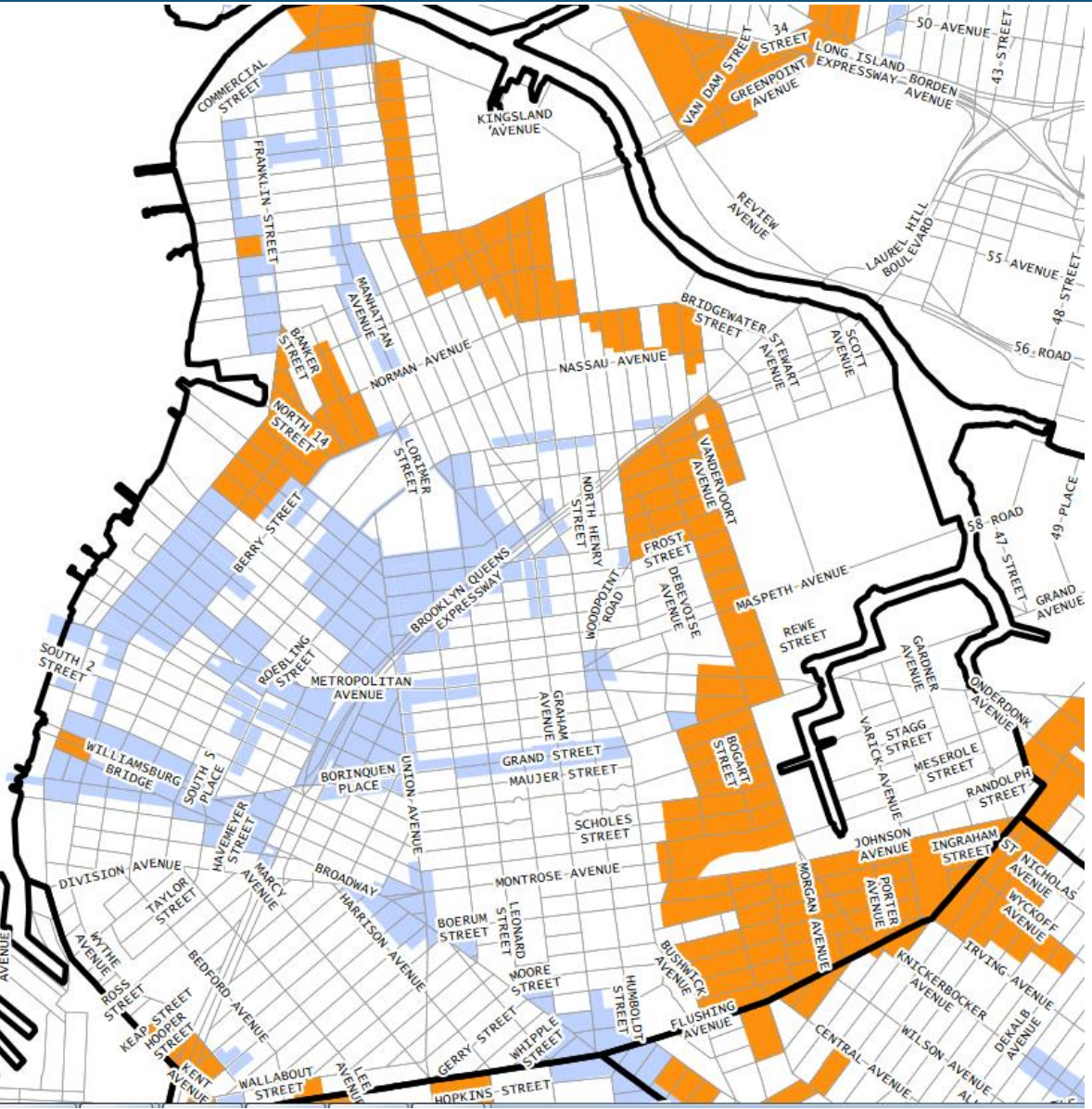
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This map is illustrative and for general reference purposes only  
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## **New transient hotels will be permitted by Special Permit when the City Planning Commission finds the following:**

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- The new hotel development will not cause undue vehicular or pedestrian congestion on local streets.
- The proposed new hotel development will not impair the essential character or future use of the surrounding area.

# Proposed M1 Hotel Zoning Text Amendment

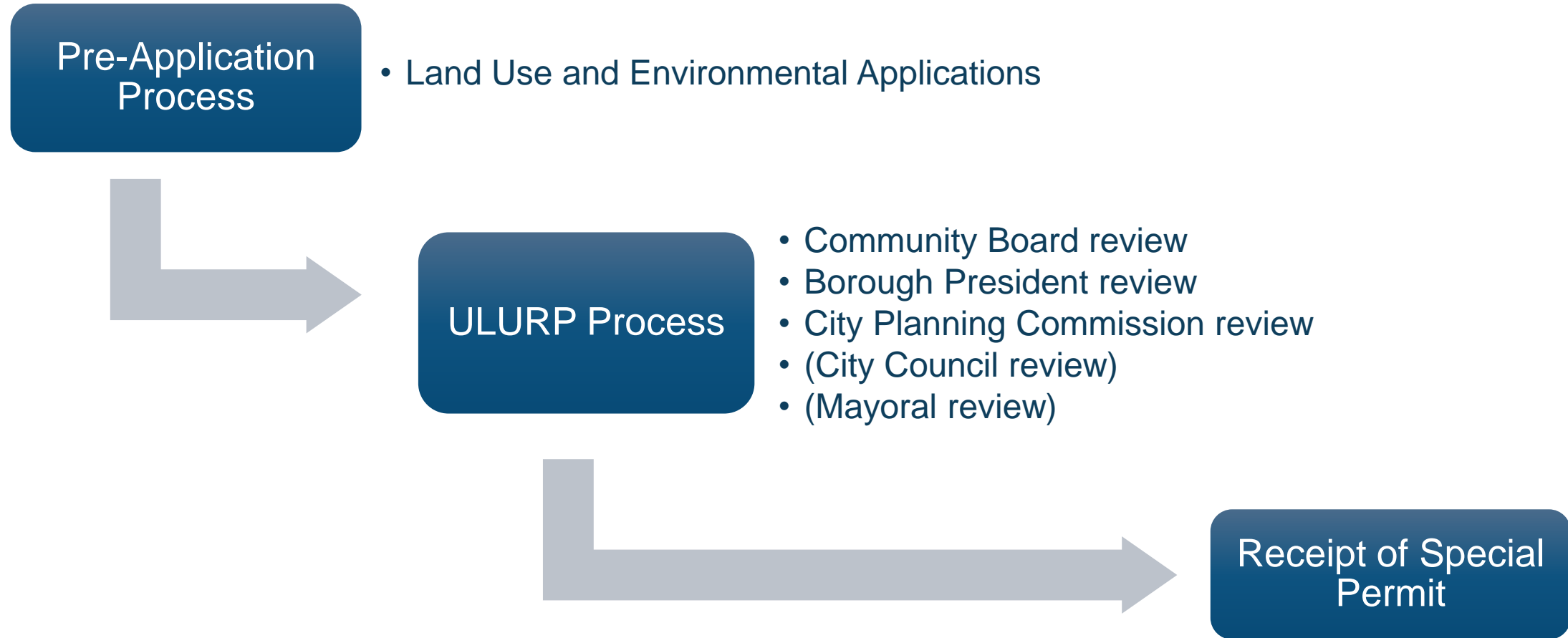
- Existing hotels will be considered conforming use.
- Hotel developments with a permit before referral would be vested. From the date of adoption, these projects will have 3 years to either complete construction or receive a certificate of occupancy.
- Rules for transient hotels developed for a public purpose will not change.



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# CPC Special Permit Application Process

A Special Permit is a discretionary action subject to full ULURP review.



# Proposal Timeline



- First public announcement: 10-Point Industrial Action Plan
- Study of hotel restrictions for IBZs
- Decision to expand proposal to all M1 districts
- Study of hotel and tourism industries
- Issuance of DSOW & Public Scoping meeting
- Completion of DEIS & Certification
- Review period for Community Boards, Borough Boards, and BPs
- Public Hearing by the City Planning Commission
- Vote by the City Planning Commission
- Vote by the City Council



# Thank you!

More information:

DCP website – Plans/Studies – Citywide – M1 Hotel Text Amendment

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