Tenth Avenue Public Space

CB 2 Traffic + Transportation Committee

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Project Team

NYC DOT Public Space
• Implementation coordination
• Technical expertise
• Standard DOT materials

MPD
• Ongoing maintenance
• Long-term visioning

TFC:
• Public space implementation
• Public space amenities
NYC DOT Public Space

Community Partnership

Open Streets

Street Seats

Shared Streets

Maintenance

Programming

Public Realm Planning

Plazas
MEATPACKING DISTRICT
The Meatpacking Business Improvement District

THE TEAM
• Jeffrey LeFrancois, Executive Director
• Evan Sweet, Director of Operations + Planning
• Kevin Capuno, Operations Coordinator
• Tiffany Griffin, Director of Marketing
• Julia Bailey, Program + Event Coordinator

THE POINT
• Keep the district clean, safe, active, and beautiful
• Program + maintain 30k sq. ft of public plazas
• Operate 4 NYC Open Streets
• Support the businesses in the district
• Improve quality of life for all
The BID has a team of 10 sanitation workers who work 7 days a week to provide supplemental sanitation services, including plaza maintenance, sidewalk sweeping, and little basket collection.

Over 50,000 bags of trash a year are bagged and collected by DSNY.

Every morning, plaza furniture is setup and umbrellas are opened. At night, furniture is stacked and locked up through an agreement with the BID and Community Board 2.

The BID would treat the new plaza as it does its other public spaces.
Design Proposal

Project Goals:

- Expand public space and add public space amenities
- Create new crossing for cyclists and pedestrians
- Enhance safety
- Traffic calming
- Clarify vehicular traffic pattern
Existing Conditions

Gap in bike network.

- Proposed Westbound Bike Connection
- Existing 13th Street Crosstown Bikeway
- Hudson River Greenway

28th A
Gansevoort St
Existing Conditions

Gap in bike network.

- Existing 12th Street Crosstown Bikeway
- Future Potential Eastbound Bike Connection
- Hudson River Greenway
- Horatio St
Design Proposal
Public Space + Circulation
Benefits

• Create new public space connecting the Meat Packing District to the waterfront
• Activate underutilized space
• Connect cyclists from Gansevoort to the Greenway
• Create a new crossing for pedestrians

*Signals configuration pending analysis
Design Proposal

Safety Benefits

- Sharpen turn onto Tenth Ave
- Realign travel lane south of Gansevoort to align with southbound travel lane north of Gansevoort
- Add new signal for pedestrians crossing West Street
Coordination with the Whitney

- Maintain access for the Whitney’s large art delivery trucks
- Vehicle lane accommodates turns
- Whitney will collaborate with MPD/TFC to define the design elements for the plaza
Design Proposal Implementation Coordination

- MPD/TFC to implement pedestrian space color
- MPD/TFC to supply edge objects and movable furniture
- NYC DOT to implement markings, signals, and signage changes
- MPD to take on maintenance once implementation is complete
NYC DOT Toolkit

- Movable Furniture
- Planters
- Bike Parking
- Flexible Delineators
- Roadway Epoxy Gravel Treatment
Jerome Ave Street Seat, Bronx
Union Square Plaza, Manhattan
Next Steps

November, 2022  Present to CB2
Winter, 2022-2023  Coordinate Final Design Details
                    Scheduling & Notifications
Spring, 2023  Implementation
Thank You!

Questions?