

# Hudson Street Parking-Protected Bicycle Path

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# Project Background

Existing protected bicycle path

Existing buffered bicycle lane

November 2011: CB 2 passes resolution in support of upgrading existing buffered bike lane on Hudson St

2013: DOT begins coordination with Hudson Square BID for Canal St to W. Houston St



# Existing Conditions - Northbound

## Hudson Street Vehicle Volumes Between Christopher and W 10<sup>th</sup> Streets

Motor Vehicles	AM Peak Hour (8am – 9am)	PM Peak Hour (4pm – 5pm)
Northbound	842	751

## Hudson Street Bicycle Volumes Between Leroy and Morton Streets

Bicycles	12-hour Period
Weekday	824
Weekend	654

Hudson Street at Grove St

Source: ATIS Data, Vehicles btw Christopher St and W 10<sup>th</sup> St, June 2014 (seasonally adjusted),  
Bicycles btw Leroy St and Morton St, Sept 2013

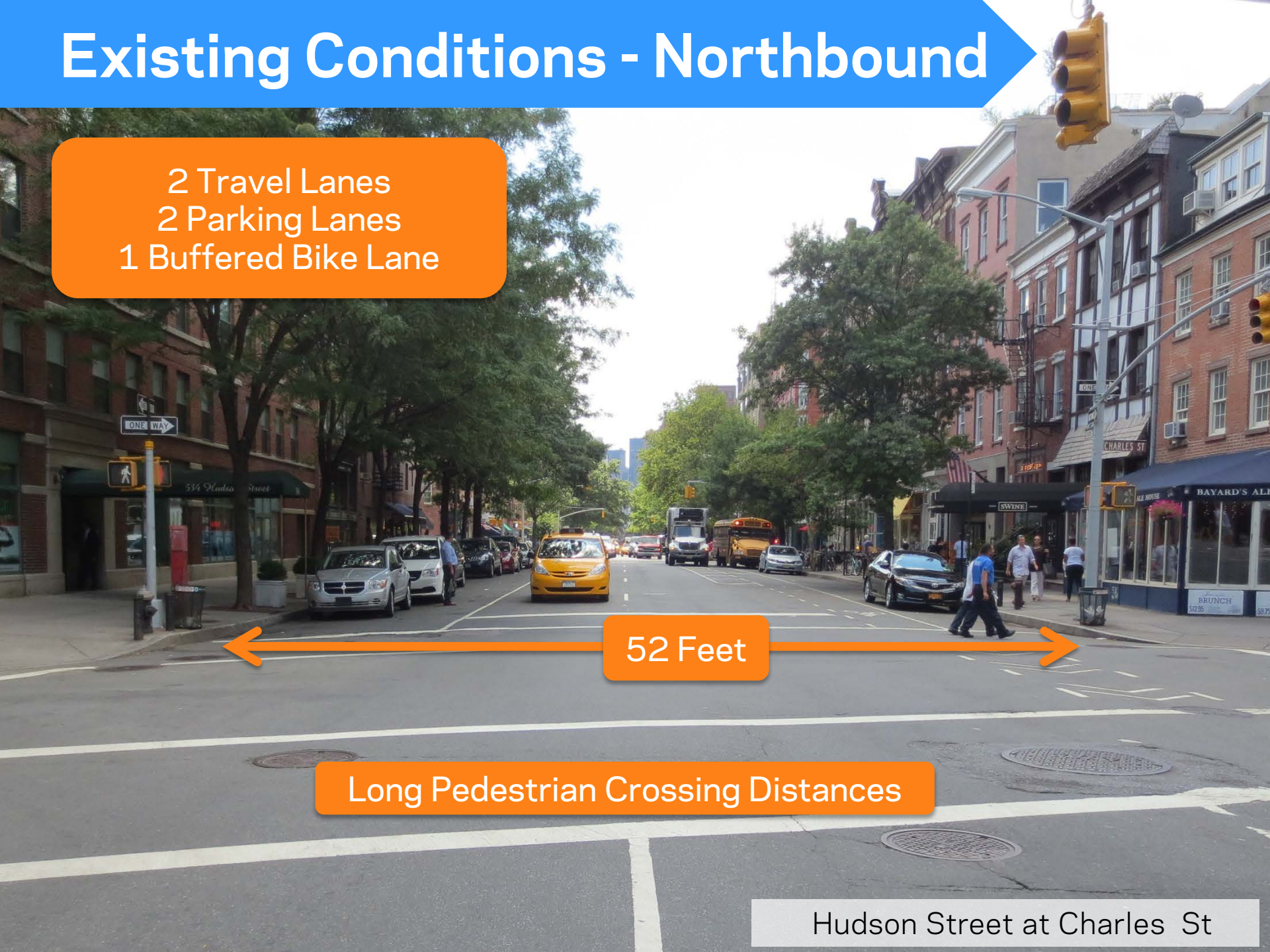
# Existing Conditions - Northbound

2 Travel Lanes  
2 Parking Lanes  
1 Buffered Bike Lane

52 Feet

Long Pedestrian Crossing Distances

Hudson Street at Charles St



# Existing Conditions - Northbound



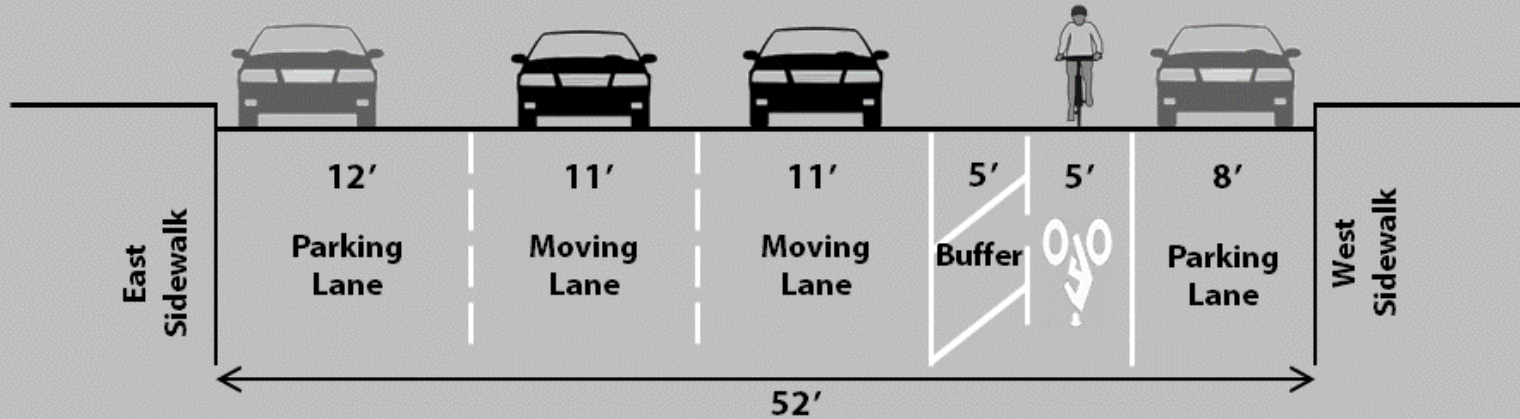
Bike Lane and Buffer are not separated from traffic and frequently violated

Hudson Street at W 10<sup>th</sup> St

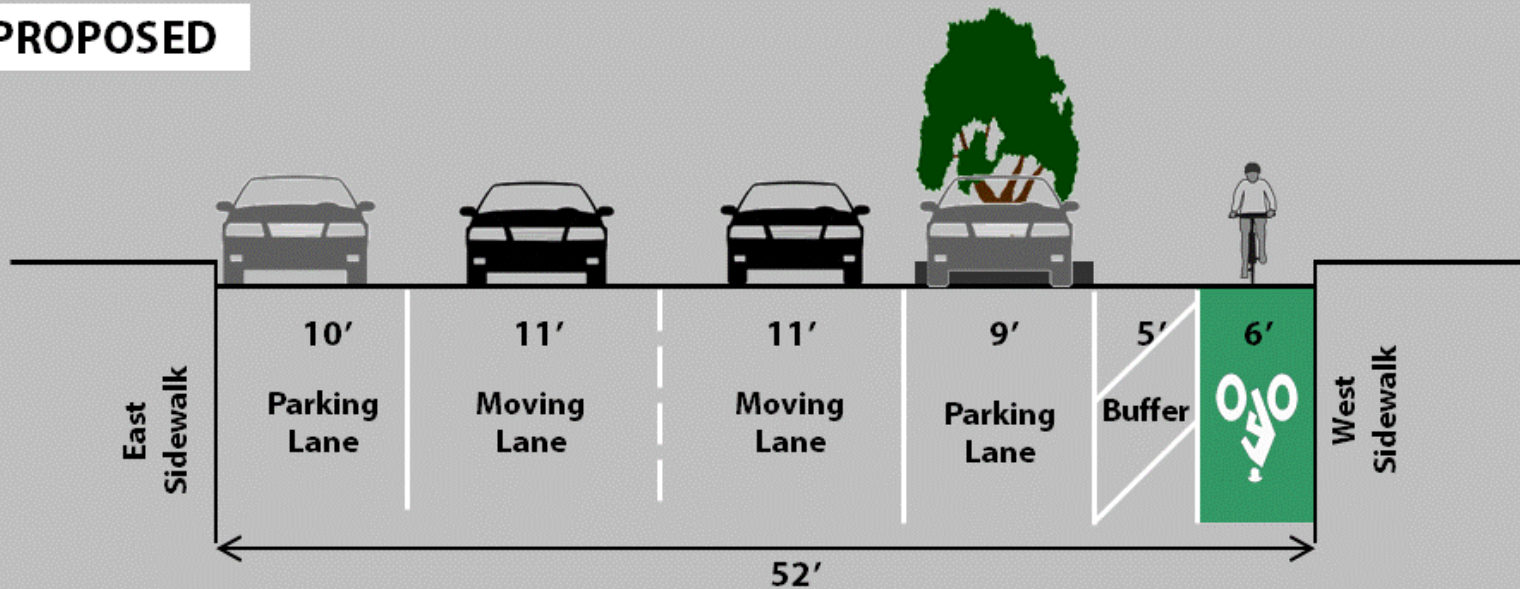
# Proposed Configuration - Northbound

## Hudson Street (Between W Houston St and Bank St)

### EXISTING



### PROPOSED



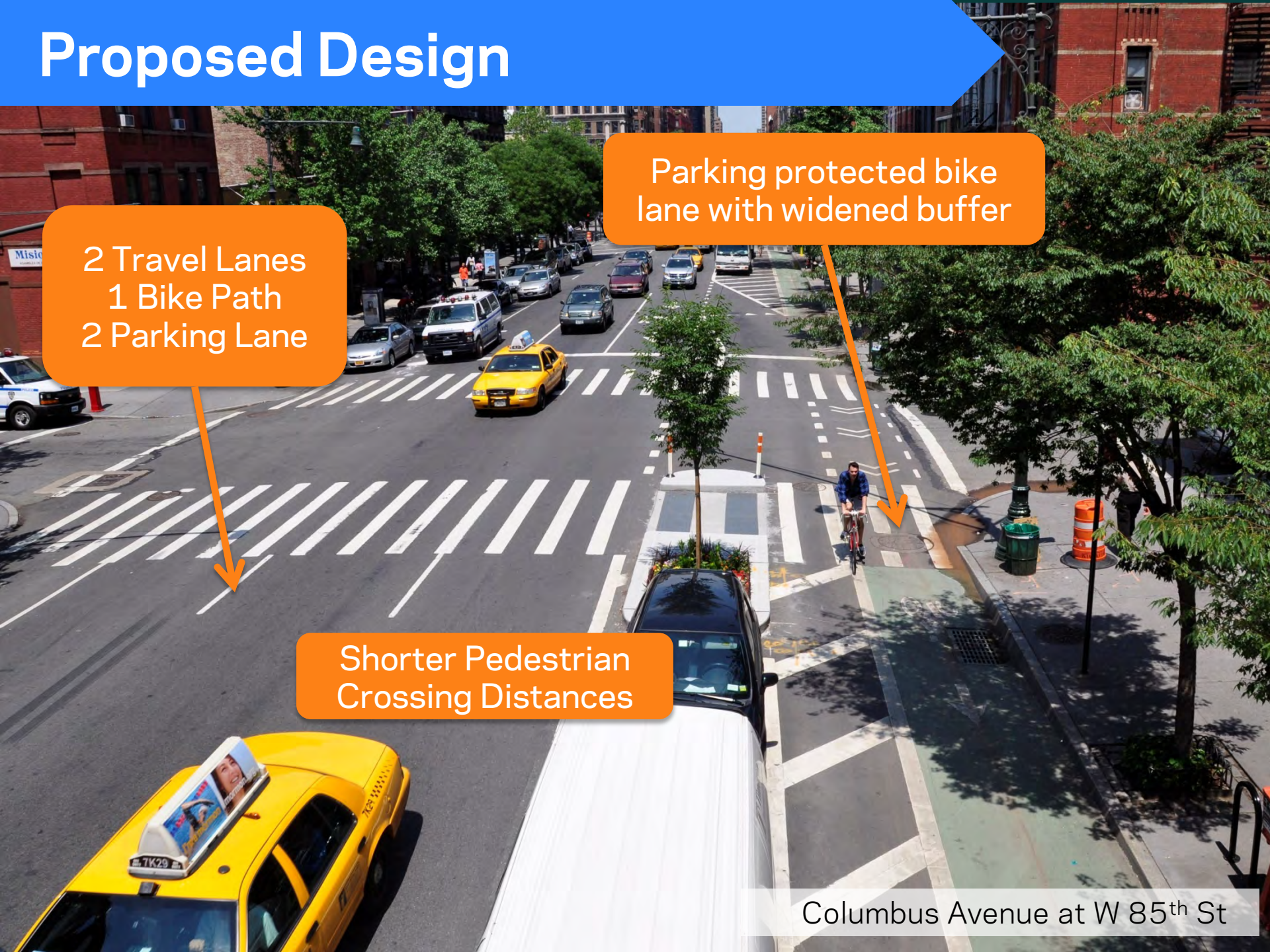
# Proposed Design

2 Travel Lanes  
1 Bike Path  
2 Parking Lane

Parking protected bike lane with widened buffer

Shorter Pedestrian Crossing Distances

Columbus Avenue at W 85<sup>th</sup> St



# Existing Conditions - Southbound

## Hudson Street Vehicle Volumes Between Horatio and Gansevoort Streets

Motor Vehicles	AM Peak Hour (9am – 10am)	PM Peak Hour (6pm – 7pm)
Southbound	604	659

## Hudson Street Bicycle Volumes Between Horatio and Gansevoort Streets

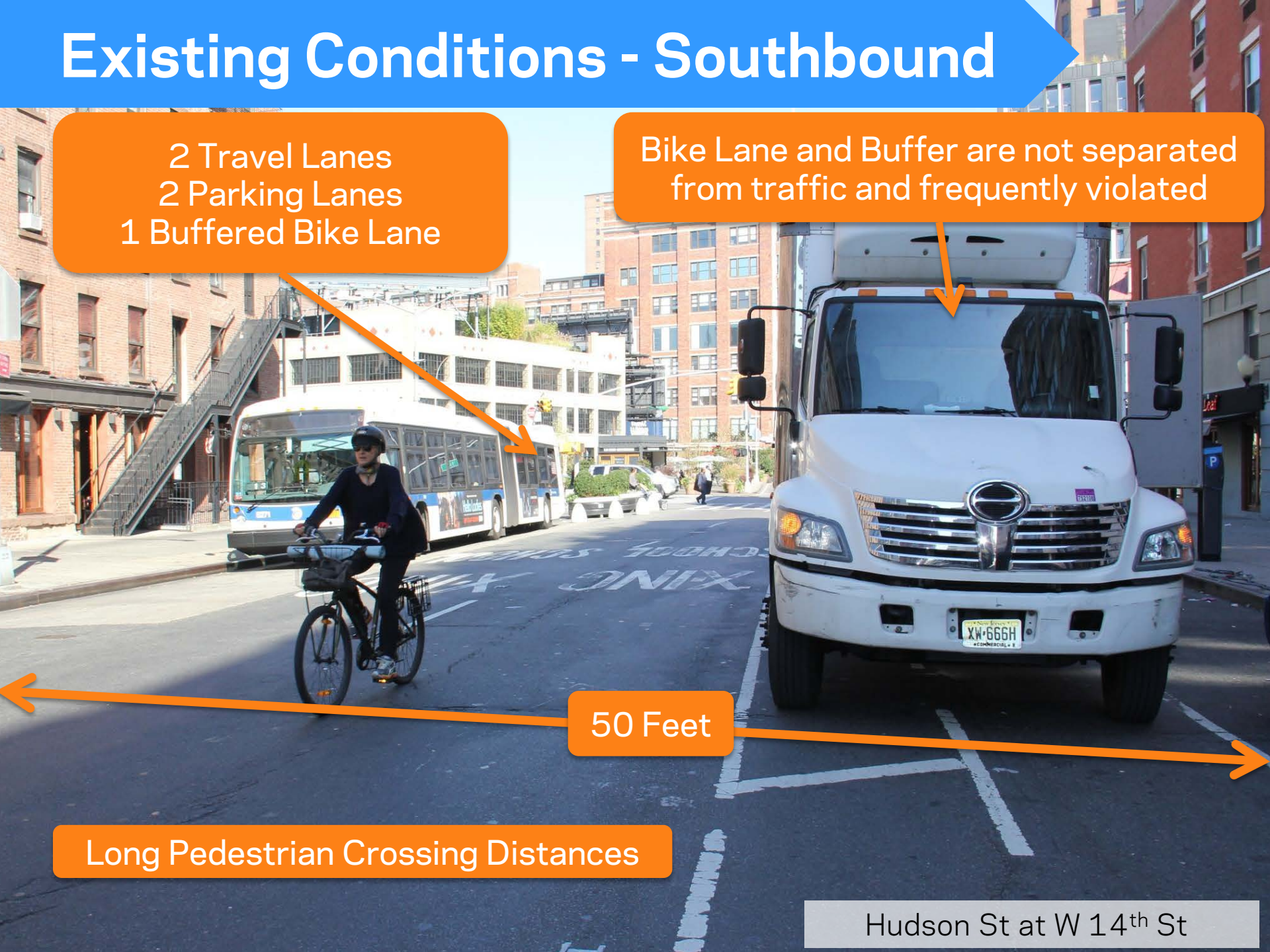
Bicycles	12-hour Period
Weekday	1,528
Weekend	1,040



# Existing Conditions - Southbound

2 Travel Lanes  
2 Parking Lanes  
1 Buffered Bike Lane

Bike Lane and Buffer are not separated from traffic and frequently violated



50 Feet

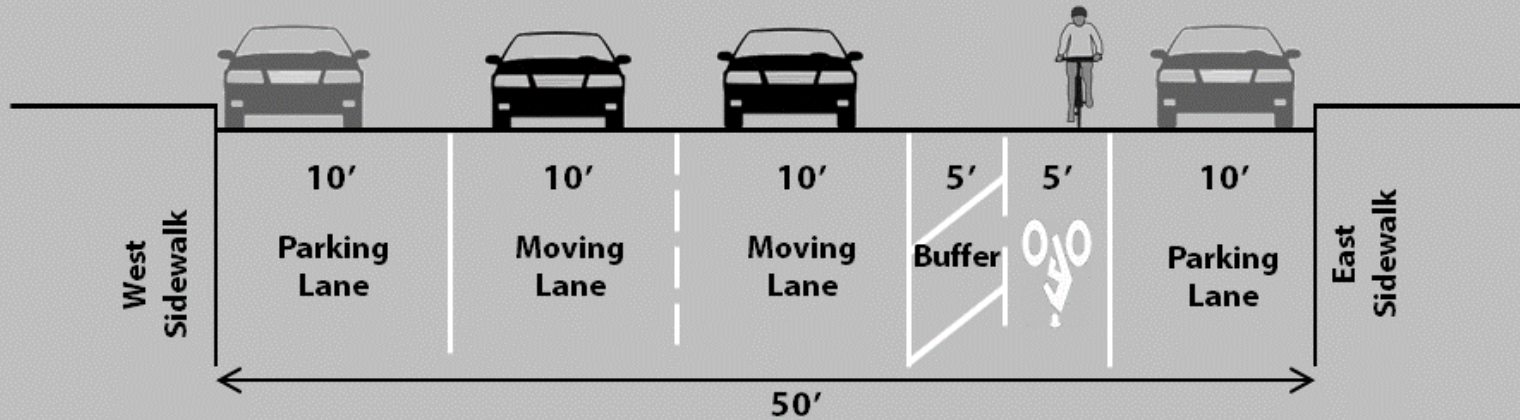
Long Pedestrian Crossing Distances

Hudson St at W 14<sup>th</sup> St

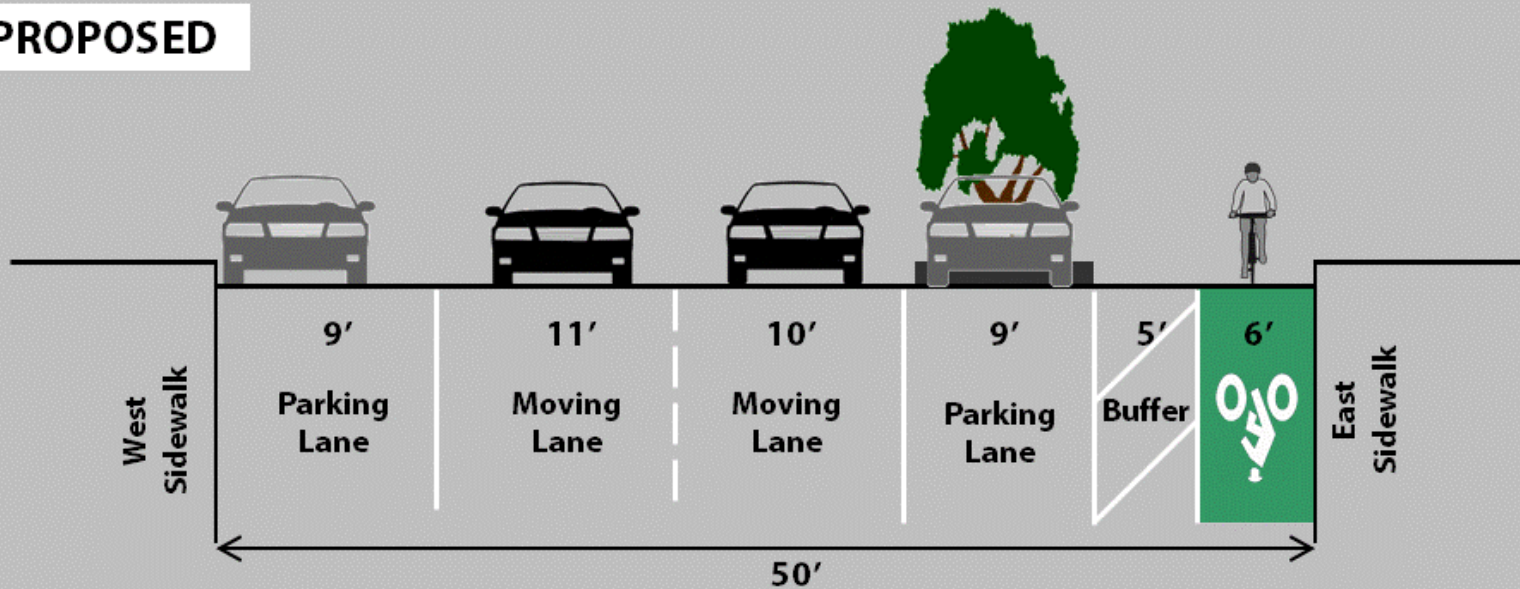
# Proposed Configuration - Southbound

## Hudson Street (Between W 14 St and 8<sup>th</sup> Av)

### EXISTING



### PROPOSED



# Proposed Design - Southbound

2 Travel Lanes  
1 Bike Path  
2 Parking Lane

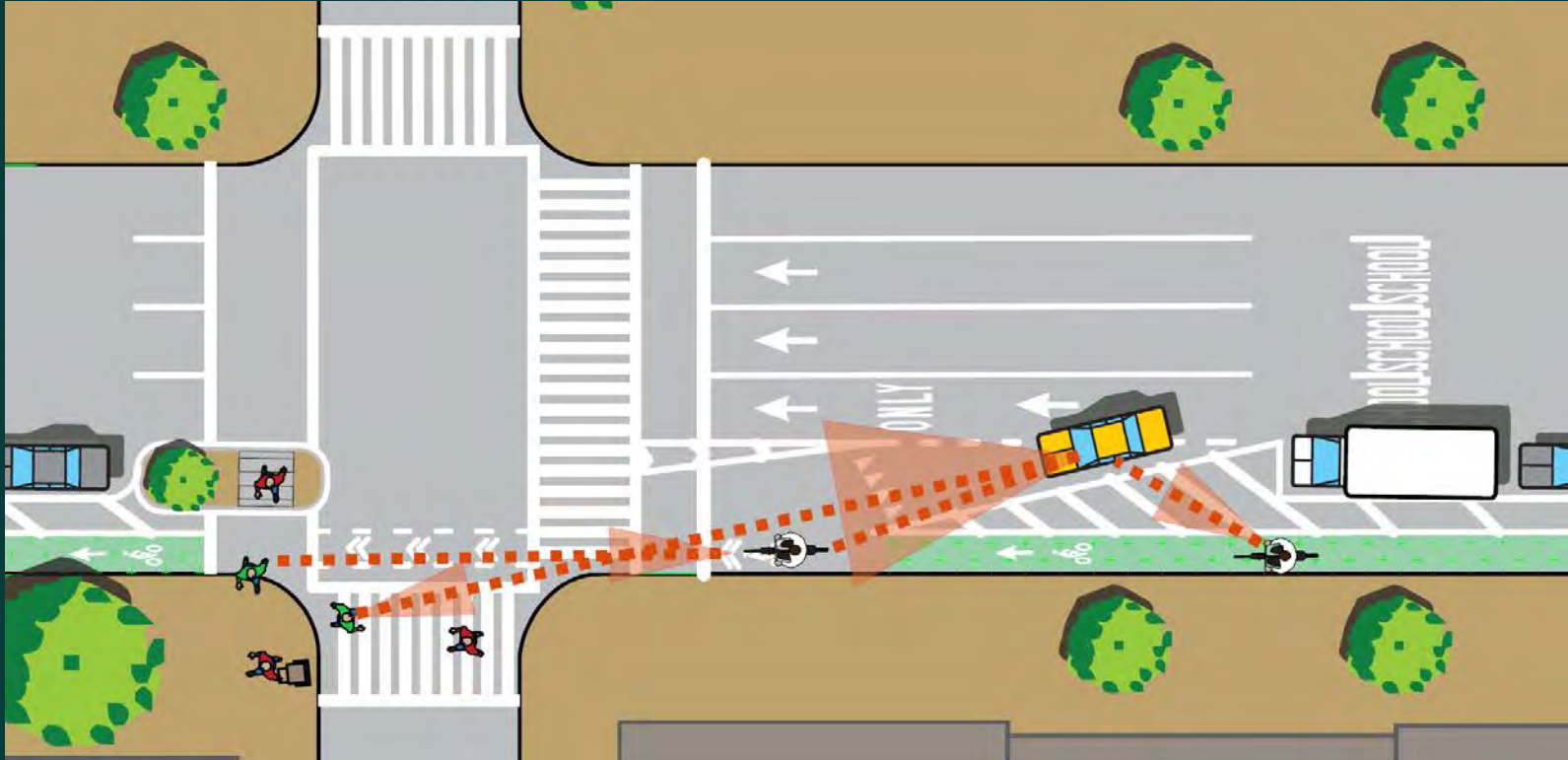
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Shorter Pedestrian  
Crossing Distance

Columbus Avenue at W 85<sup>th</sup> St



# Protected Bicycle Path Mixing Zone



- **Mixing Zone Provides Space to Negotiate Conflict**
  - Informs cyclist that vehicle is turning, no guesswork
  - Removes vehicle from traffic stream/eliminates “back pressure”
  - Gentle approach angle, vehicle gradually approaches cyclist, no abrupt “hook” turns
- **Mixing Zone Provides Visibility**
  - Eliminates visual obstruction of parked cars
  - Angle improves drivers’ peripheral vision
  - Cyclist & Motorist can see each other and avoid a crash

# Parking/Loading Changes

Converted Parking Spaces *	Parking Space Equivalents (Approx.) Total *
Turn Lanes/ Mixing Zones	-33
Pedestrian Islands	-21
Parking Buffers	-4
Total Spaces Repurposed	-58

- Curbside access retained for 76% of Hudson St corridor

\* Total includes streets with daytime parking restrictions.

# Mixing Zones

Total of 7 mixing zones proposed:

- 5 in Northbound section
- 2 in Southbound section



Legend	
Mixing Zone	
Proposed Route	
Bicycle Path	
Bicycle Lane	
Shared Lane	

# Safety Benefits

## Three Year Before and After Crash Analysis on Parking-Protected Bicycle Paths

	Change in Crashes w/ Injuries	Change in Total Injuries
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Avenue</b> E 1 <sup>st</sup> St- E 33 <sup>rd</sup> St	-6%	-11%
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue</b> E 33 <sup>rd</sup> St- E 24 <sup>th</sup> St, E 13 <sup>th</sup> St – E 2 <sup>nd</sup> St	-11%	-7%
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Avenue</b> Bank St – W 23 <sup>rd</sup> St	-20%	-25%
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Avenue</b> W 33 <sup>rd</sup> St – W 16 <sup>th</sup> St	-43%	-46%

1<sup>st</sup> Ave Before data: 7/1/07-6/30/10 After data: 12/1/10-11/30/13  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave Before data: 7/1/07-6/30/10 After data: 12/1/10-11/30/13  
 8<sup>th</sup> Ave Before data: 8/1/05-7/31/08 After data: 7/1/09-6/30/12  
 9<sup>th</sup> Ave Before data: 7/1/04-6/30/07 After data: 11/1/08-10/31/11

Columbus Avenue at W 90<sup>th</sup> St

# Project Summary

- Separates cyclists from moving traffic
- Decreases pedestrian crossing distances
- Improves safety for all road users
- Simpler, safer left turns
- Extends existing protected paths

2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue at E 2<sup>nd</sup> St



Questions?

**Thank  
You**