

Flatbush Av Bus Priority – State St to Grand Army Plz

Construction Update and Major Transportation Project Notification

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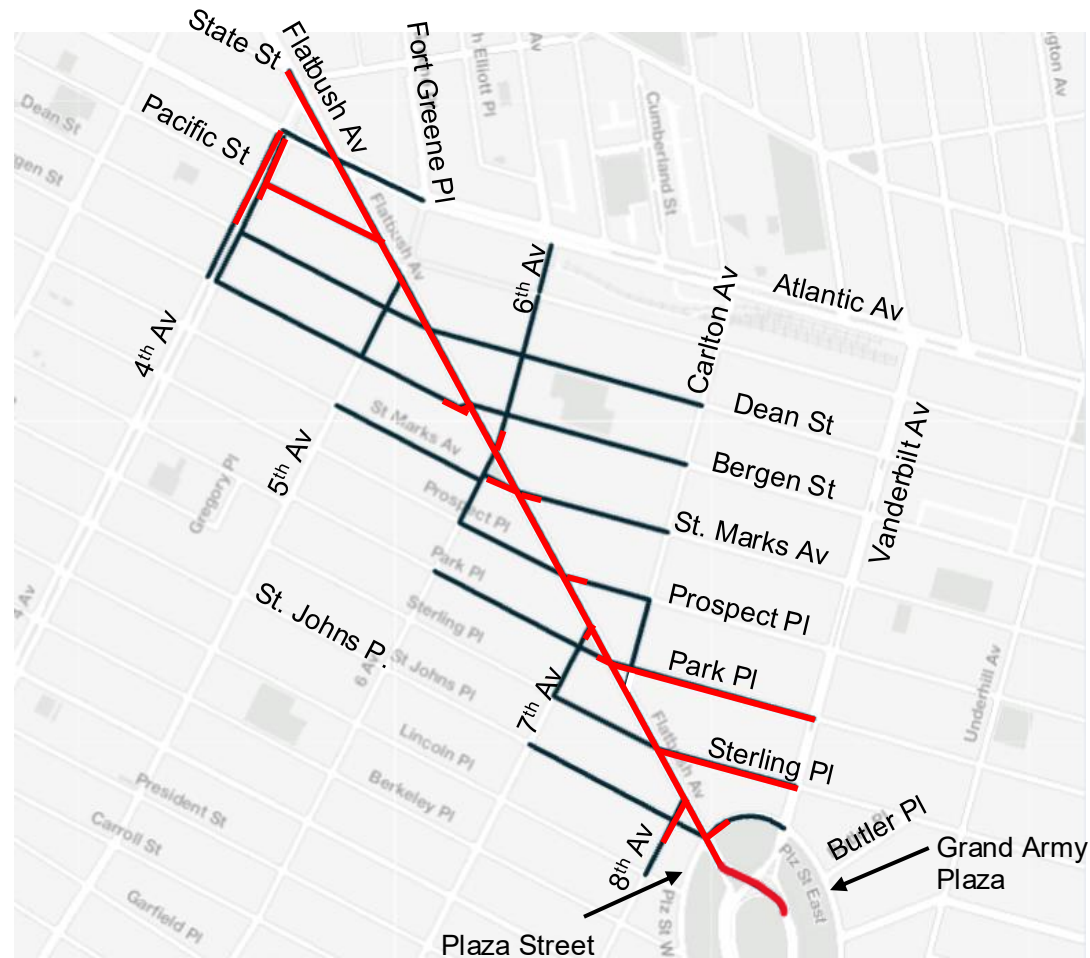
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Introduction

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Introduction and Project Update

- DOT presented the Flatbush Av Center-Running Bus Lane design in Fall 2025, but split implementation of the design into two phases
- Last fall, DOT installed center-running bus lanes between Livingston St and State St
- This spring, DOT will install center-running bus lanes and bus boarding islands on Flatbush Av between State St and Grand Army Plaza, as well as new pedestrian spaces and updates to parking and loading
- Project is first part of multi-phased effort to improve bus service on entirety of Flatbush Avenue



— Project Limits and Geometrically Affected Streets

— Potential Curb Regulation Changes

Why Center-Running Bus Lanes on Flatbush Av?

Demonstrated Need for Bus and Safety Improvements

- 69,000 average daily bus riders on 6 MTA bus routes use northern section of Flatbush Av with speeds as slow as 4 mph
- Majority of people get to Flatbush Av by walking or public transit
- Flatbush Av is located in a Vision Zero Priority Area

Project Design is the Result of Four Years of Outreach and Support

- 45+ community, stakeholder, and elected meetings
- 375 respondents across three surveys
- Diverse coalition in support of the project (community, electeds, non-profits, unions)

Design Maximizes Bus Speed, Safety, and Vehicle Access

- Center-running bus lanes dramatically improve bus speeds, shorten crossing distances, and calm traffic
- New parking regulations support freight and bike delivery needs

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Project Description

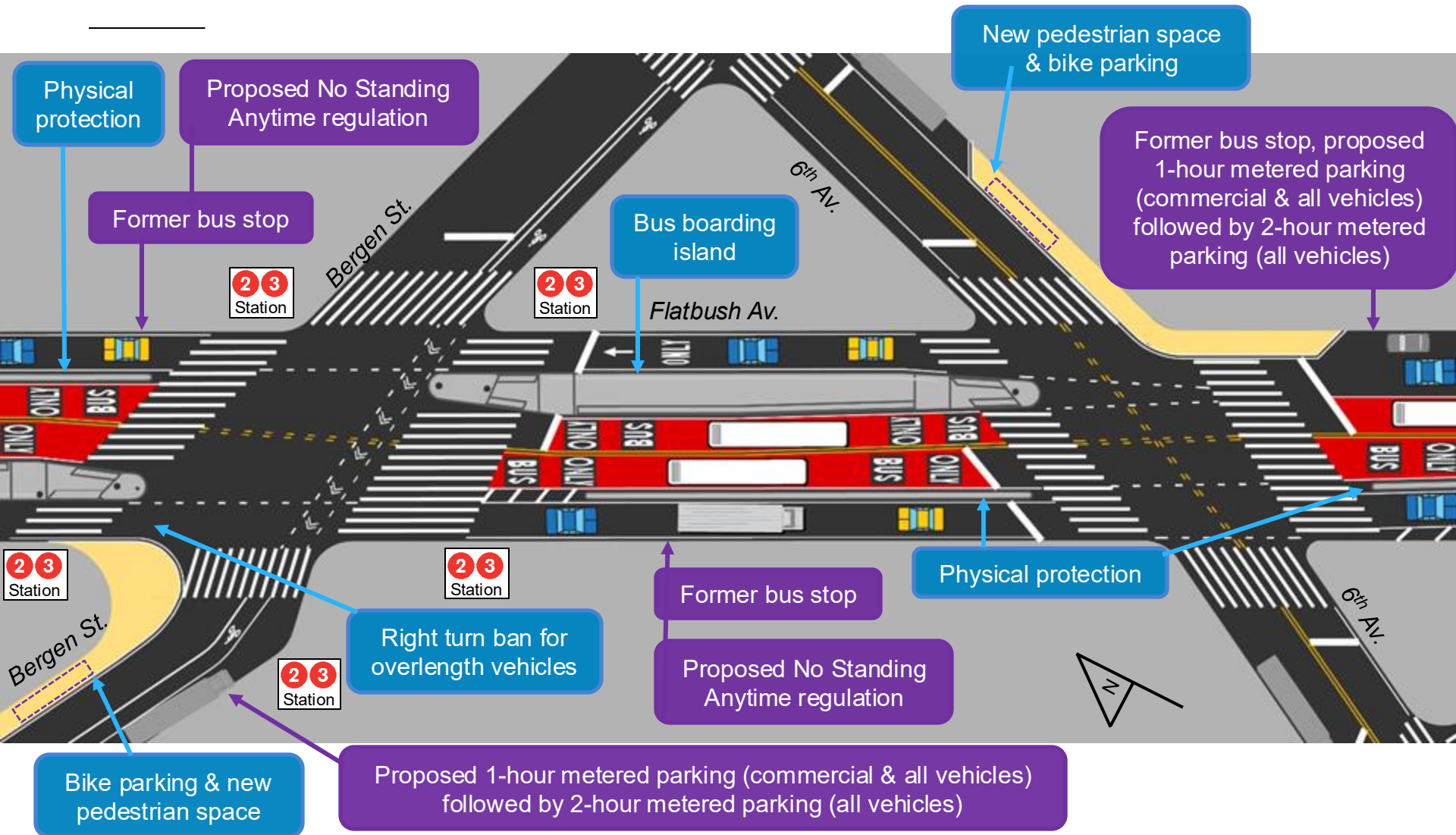
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Project Summary

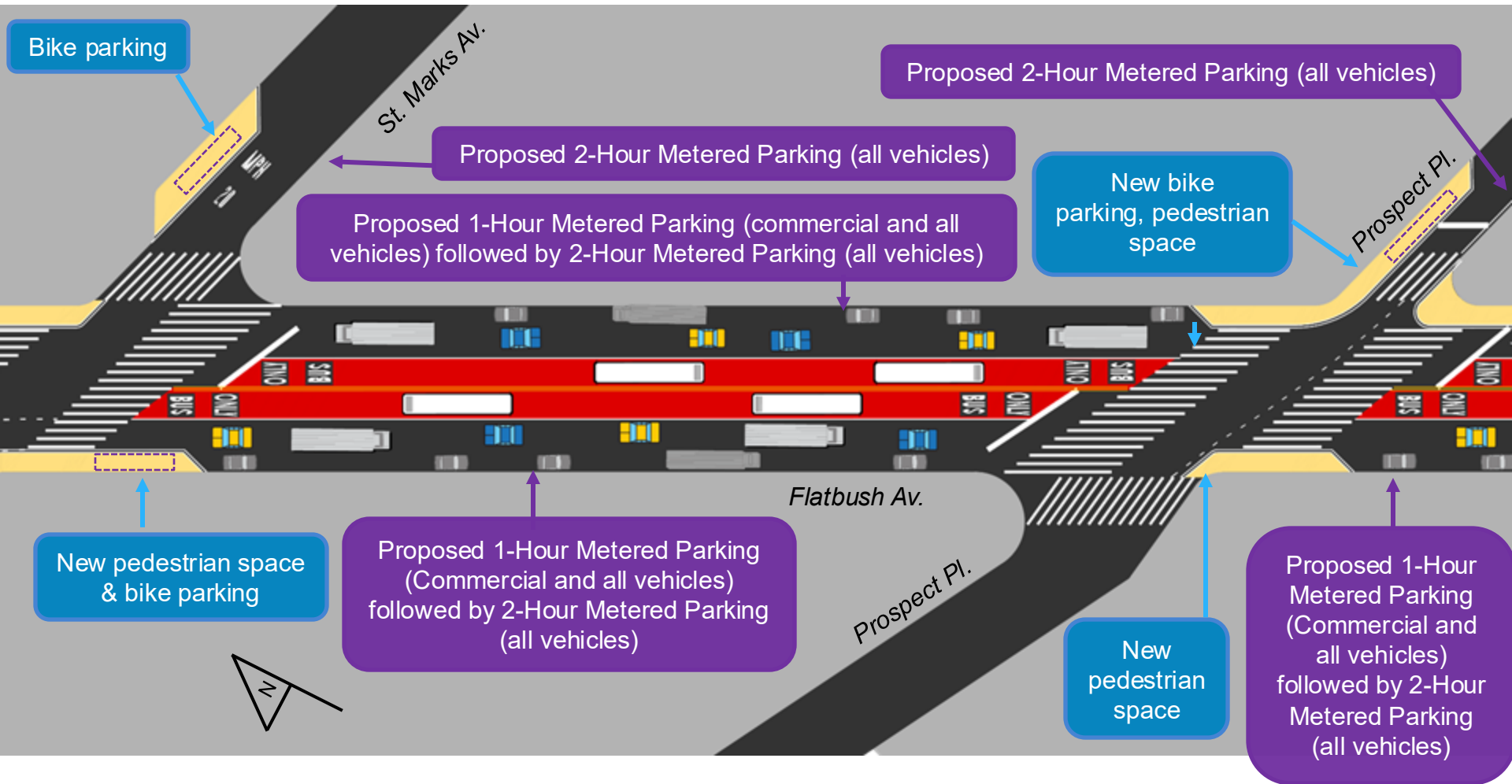
- Center-Running, physically protected bus lanes
- One general travel lane in each direction between Atlantic Ave and Grand Army Plaza; two general travel lanes north of 4th Ave/Atlantic Ave
- Painted Pedestrian Spaces
- Parking/loading with updated curb regulations on Flatbush Ave and on side streets
- Reversal of Pacific St between Flatbush Ave and 4th Ave
- Right turn ban for vehicles 25ft or greater:
 - From southbound Flatbush Ave to westbound Bergen St.



Typical Design – Block with Bus Boarding Island



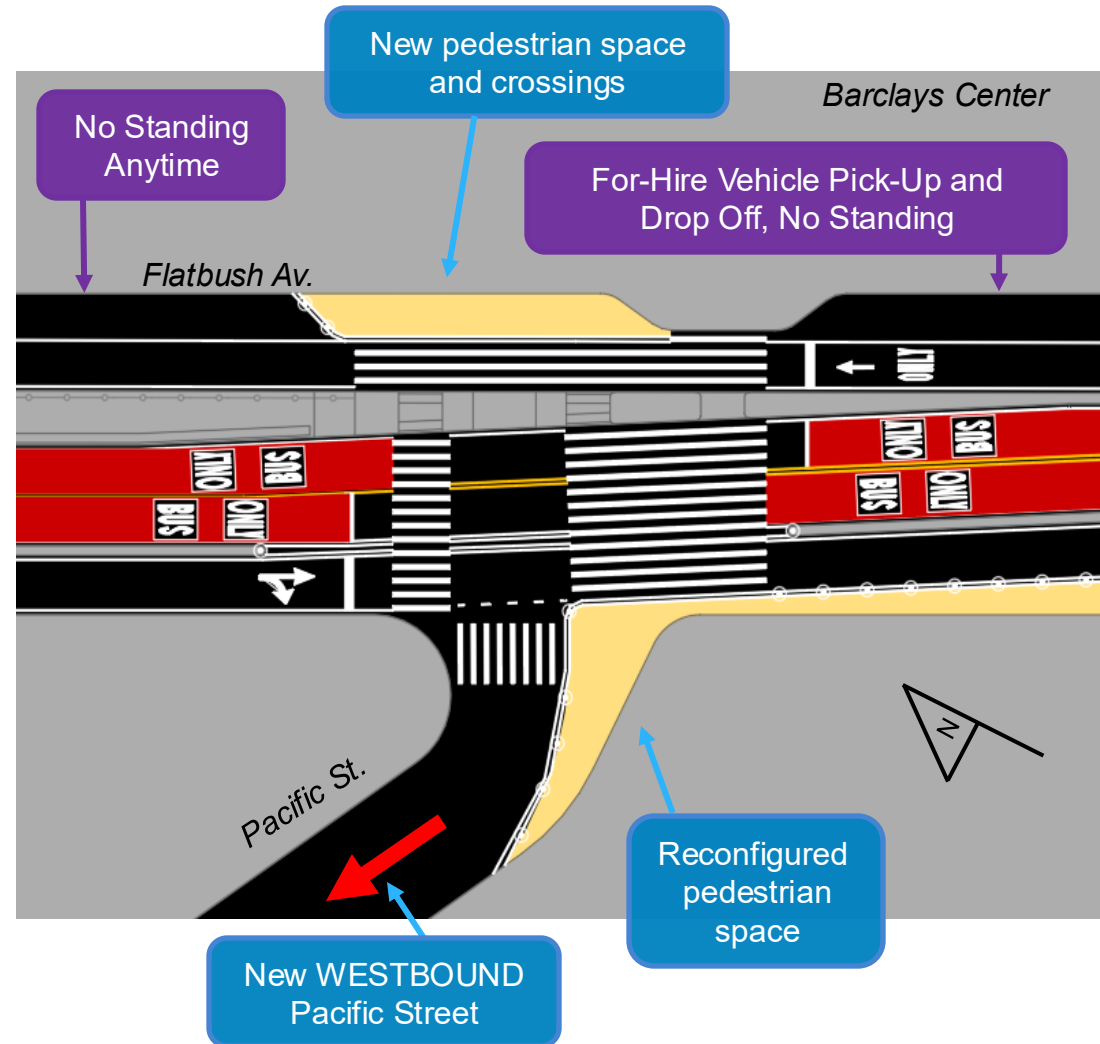
Typical Design – Block without Boarding Island



Pacific Street Reversal

To improve traffic flow, NYC DOT will reverse the direction of Pacific St between Flatbush Av and 4th Av to westbound

- Allows for improved bus lane physical protection on Flatbush Avenue
- Provides alternate route for deliveries from restaurant hub
- Increase safety in crosswalks in front of Barclays Center



Curb Management Plan

- New regulations will improve access to businesses and reduce double parking by tailoring to needs of each block
- Planned parking regulations on Flatbush Avenue from Dean Street to Grand Army Plaza and on adjacent side streets:
 - Weekdays
 - 7am-8am, No Standing
 - 8am to afternoon/evening, 1-Hour Meters (mix of commercial and all vehicles)
 - Afternoon/evening to 10pm, 2-Hour Meters
 - Saturdays
 - 7am-8am, No Standing
 - 8am-10pm 2-Hour Meters
 - Sundays
 - Time-Limited Parking, 7a-7p



B63 Route Revision

COBBLE HILL-BOUND

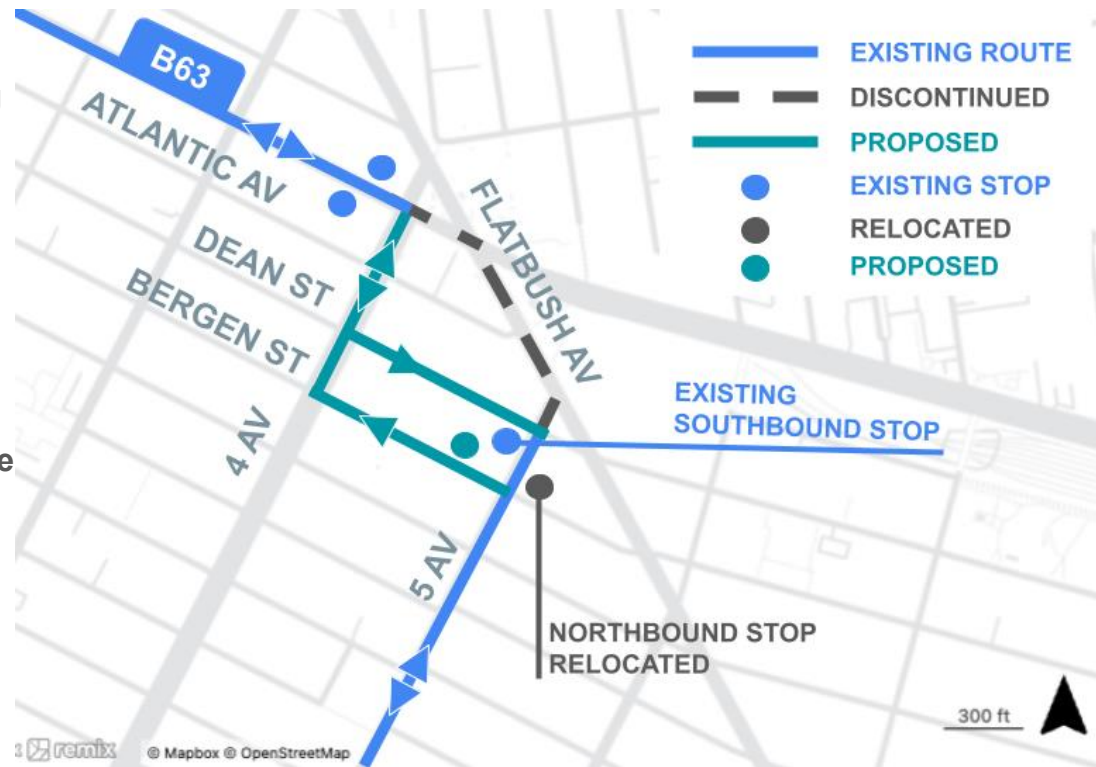
- Left-turning buses at Atlantic Av would have blocked the more frequent B41 and B67 buses traveling straight in the bus lanes along Flatbush Av.
- Buses will turn left onto Bergen St from 5th Av, right onto 4th Av, and left onto Atlantic Av and continue along the regular route

BAY RIDGE-BOUND

- B63 buses would not have been able to use the dedicated bus lane to turn right onto 5th Av. Instead, they would have had to use the general traffic lane, reducing the benefits of bus priority treatments
- Buses will turn right onto 4th Av from Atlantic Av, left onto Dean St, and right onto 5th Av and continue along the regular route

BUS STOP CHANGES

- Discontinue stop at 5th Av & Bergen St
- Establish stop at Bergen St & 5th Av

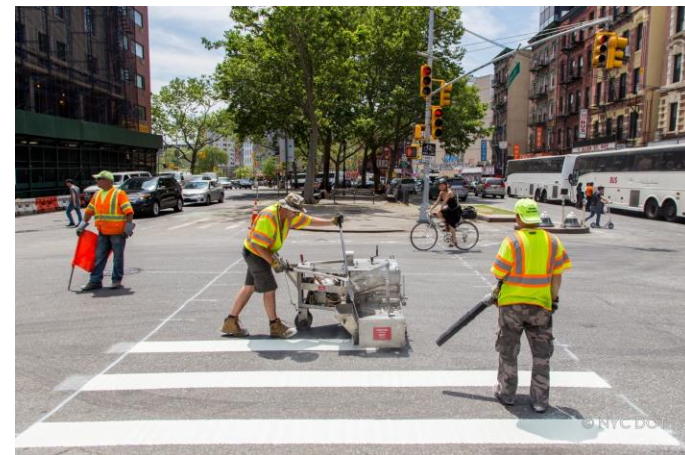


Construction

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Construction Phasing

- Construction will be coordinated in four phases:
 - Phase 1: Removal of two (2) existing concrete islands at Flatbush Avenue and Atlantic Avenue. Removal of existing markings.
 - Phase 2: Construction on one side of Flatbush Avenue – installing concrete elements, temporary markings, temporary bus stops, temporary bus reroute
 - Phase 3: Construction on other side of Flatbush Avenue
 - Phase 4: Installation of markings, signage, remaining signal infrastructure and vertical elements installations (flex posts, quick kurb, bike corrals, etc.)
- Throughout construction, work zone signage and protection used to safely direct drivers while construction crews operate
- Flatbush Av remains open for general vehicular travel throughout construction



B69 Temporary Detour - (Mon-Fri & Sun)

DOWNTOWN BK-BOUND

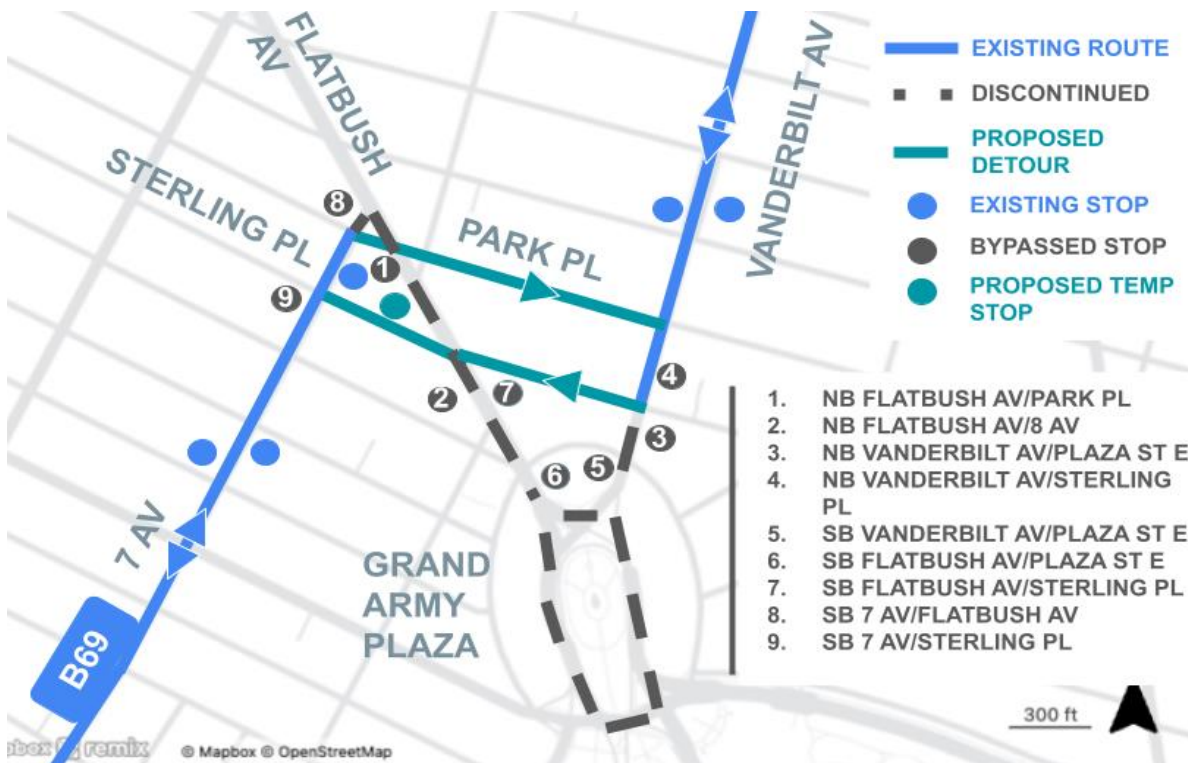
- B69 buses turn right onto Flatbush Av from Park Pl, traverse Grand Army Plaza and make a right turn onto Vanderbilt Av
- Buses will turn right from 7th Av onto Park Pl, and left onto Vanderbilt Av and continue along the regular route

KENSINGTON-BOUND

- B69 buses traverse Grand Army Plaza from Vanderbilt Av and continue along Flatbush Av and make a left turn onto 7th Av
- Buses will turn right from Vanderbilt Av onto Sterling Pl, and left onto 7th Av and continue along the regular route

BUS STOP CHANGES

- Sterling Pl and Flatbush Av



Project Timeline

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Projected Implementation Phasing:

Spring 2026:

- Begin concrete and signal construction
- Construction phasing would be completed by direction of travel
- Temporary markings would be installed to minimize disruptions to travel

Summer/Fall 2026:

- Complete concrete and signal construction
- Install final roadway markings
- Re-route buses as necessary

Late Fall 2026:

- Bus lanes open for operation

Fall 2026 – Fall 2027:

- Monitor and adjust as necessary



Thank You!

Questions?



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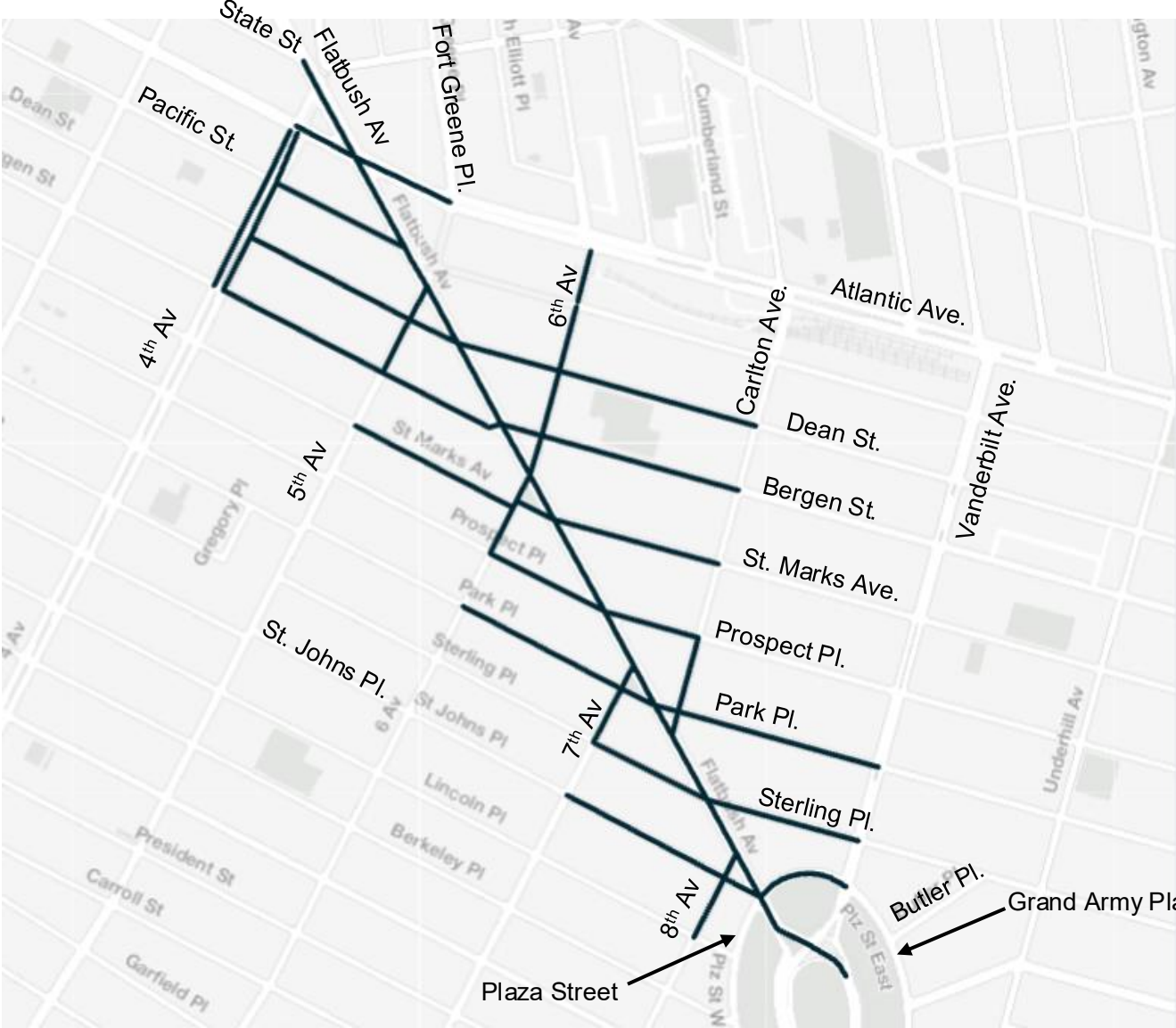


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Project Limits – Brooklyn, NY

- Flatbush Avenue from State Street to Plaza Street West
- Grand Army Plaza Oval from Plaza Street West to approximately Butler Place
- Atlantic Avenue from 4th Avenue to Fort Greene Place
- Pacific Street between 4th Avenue and Flatbush Avenue
- 4th Avenue from Atlantic Avenue to Bergen Street
- Dean Street from 4th Avenue to Carlton Avenue
- Bergen Street from 4th Avenue to Carlton Avenue
- 5th Avenue from Bergen Street to Flatbush Avenue
- 6th Avenue from Atlantic Avenue to Prospect Place
- St. Marks Avenue from 5th Avenue to Carlton Avenue
- Prospect Place from 6th Avenue to Carlton Avenue
- 7th Avenue from Sterling Place to Flatbush Avenue
- Park Place from 6th Avenue to Vanderbilt Avenue
- Sterling Place from 7th Avenue to Vanderbilt Avenue
- 8th Avenue from Lincoln Place to Flatbush Avenue
- St. Johns Place from 7th Avenue to Flatbush Avenue
- Plaza Street West/East from Flatbush Avenue to Vanderbilt Avenue
- Carlton Avenue from Flatbush Avenue to Prospect Place

Map Showing Affected Streets



B69 Open Streets Detour – (Saturday Only)

DOWNTOWN BK-BOUND

- B69 buses turn right onto Flatbush Av from Park Pl, traverse Grand Army Plaza and make a right turn onto Vanderbilt Av
- Buses turn right onto Flatbush Av from Park Pl, traverse Grand Army Plaza and make a right turn onto St Johns Pl, a left on Washington Av, a left on Atlantic Ave, and a right Vanderbilt Av and continue along the regular route

KENSINGTON-BOUND

- B69 buses traverse Grand Army Plaza from Vanderbilt Av and continue along Flatbush Av and make a left turn onto 7th Av
- Buses will turn left from Vanderbilt Av onto Atlantic Av, a right onto Washington Av, a right on Eastern Pkwy traverse Grand Army Plaza, a left on Sterling Pl, and a left onto 7th Av and continue along the regular route

BUS STOP CHANGES

- Sterling Pl and Flatbush Av

