



# NW Bronx Comprehensive Neighborhood Planning

Community Board 7 Municipal Services Committee

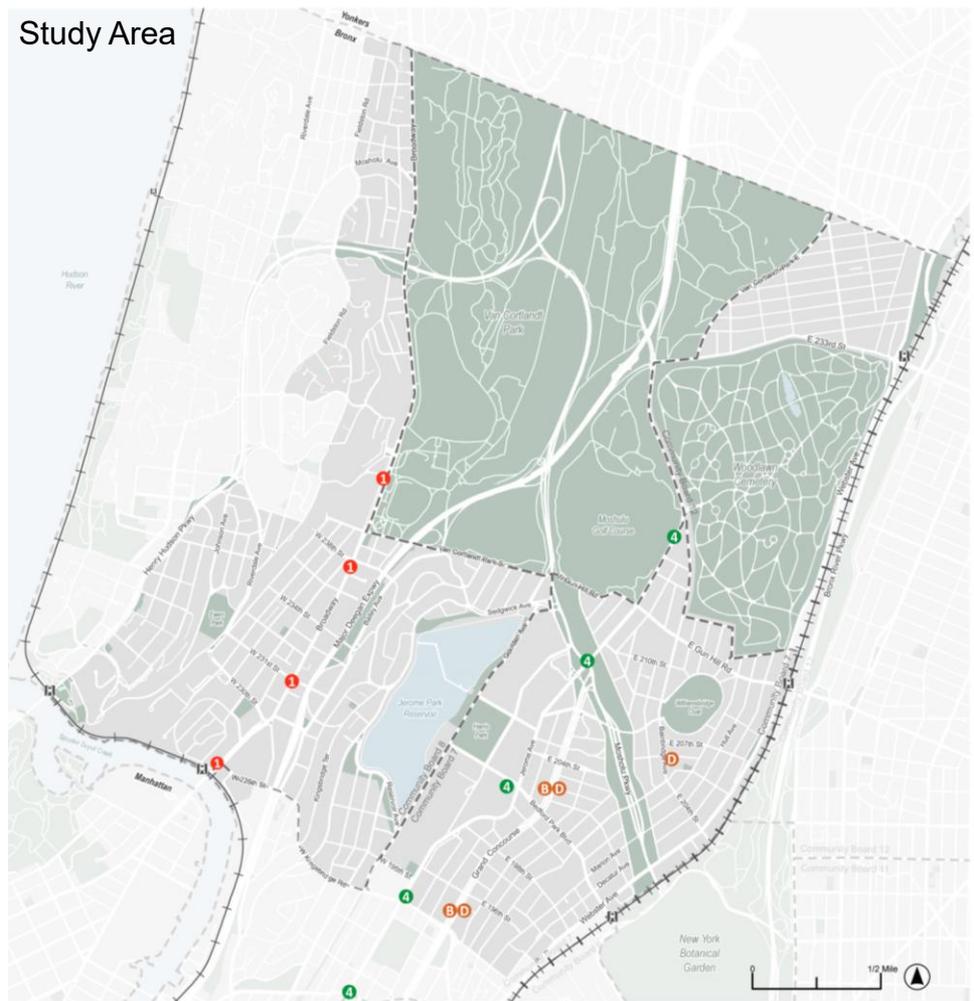
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# Planning Context

## Why We're Here

- DOT identified the need to conduct a comprehensive transportation planning analysis for the Northwest Bronx to create a road map of **short- and long-term improvements**
  - Highways, elevated trains, and Jerome Reservoir disrupt east-west travel
  - End of subway and bus lines
  - Large number of schools, medical centers, parks, and commercial areas
  - Workers commute both hyper-locally and regionally



# Comprehensive Neighborhood Planning

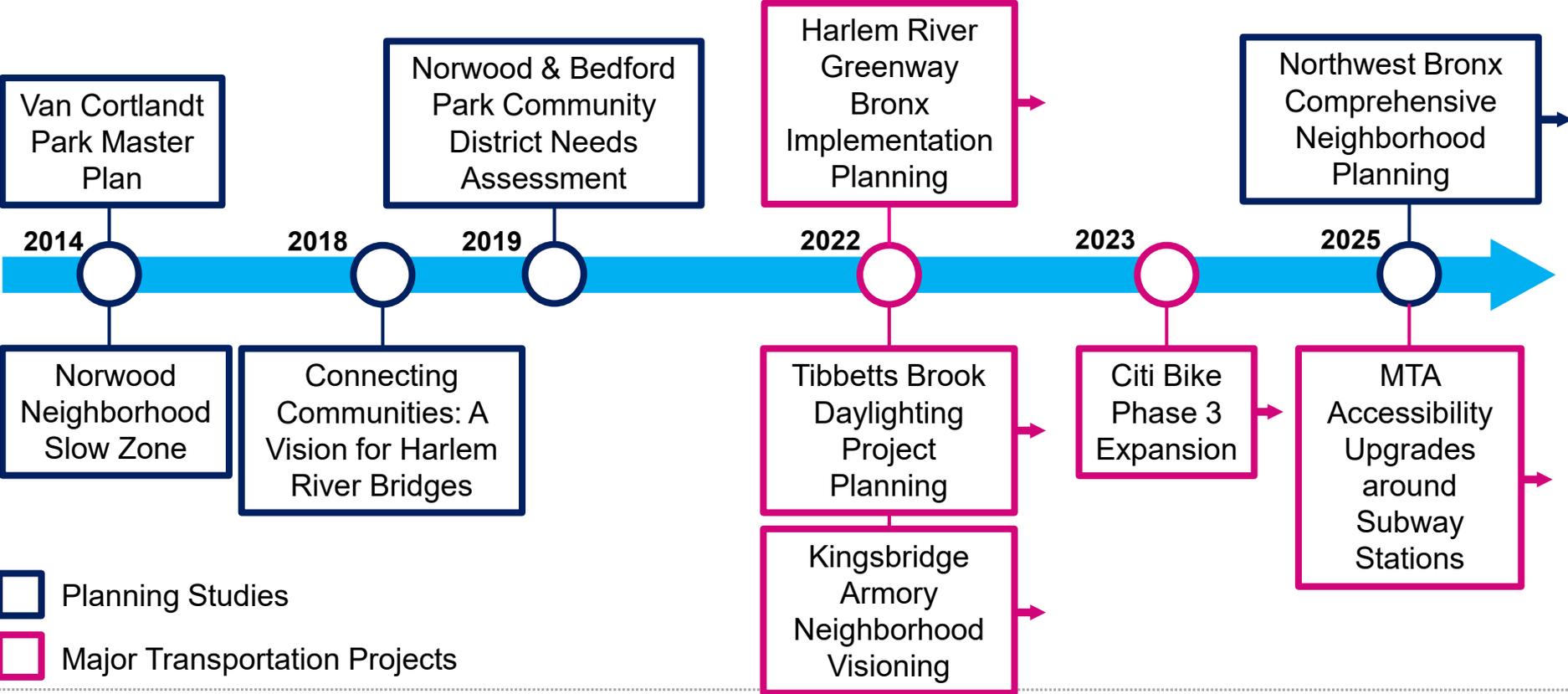
## Collaborative Process

**Engage** with community stakeholders to establish needs and build consensus on priorities, gather public feedback, and consider early-action programming efforts to support community priorities.

**Design & Coordinate** to ensure collaborative design where all needs are met.

**Long Term Plan** to report back to the community with analysis and evaluation of potential projects to understand locations, treatments, and lead agency.

# Recent & On-going Planning Initiatives



# Recent DOT Investments

Transportation Improvements in the last 12 Months (Community Boards 7 and 8)



19 Accessible Pedestrian Signals installed



Over 24 lane miles of roadway have been resurfaced



Accessibility upgrades at 59 pedestrian ramps

## Recently Completed & Active Projects (Past 4 Years)

- 1** Raised Crosswalk  
Briggs Ave & E 194 St
- 2** Bike Network Improvements  
Fordham Area
- 3** Bus Improvements  
E Gun Hill Rd
- 4** Pedestrian Improvements  
Moshulu Pkwy
- 5** Intersection Safety Improvements  
Fort Independence St and Heath Ave
- 6** Bike Network Improvements  
E 233rd St, Webster Ave, Bronx Blvd
- 7** Bike and Pedestrian Safety\*  
Van Cortlandt Park S and Bailey Ave
- 8** Bike and Pedestrian Safety\*  
Bailey Ave (Van Cortlandt Park S to W Fordham Rd)
- 9** Reconstruction of Grand Concourse Phase 5  
Grand Concourse to E 198th St

\*Correlates with Harlem River Greenway Project



# Northwest Bronx Neighborhood Planning

## Community Priorities Learned in Community Board 7

- Last summer and fall, DOT met with local stakeholders, attended a pop-up engagement event, and researched existing studies to learn about community priorities
- Top 5 Community Priorities from New Outreach:
  - Make streets safer and more accessible for all users
  - Increase public space and amenities like seating and bike parking
  - Improve access to transit, parks, schools, and local destinations
  - Reduce traffic congestion
  - Increase bus speeds
- Other Past Outreach or Reports Include:
  - Norwood & Bedford Park Community District Needs Assessment
  - 2022-2025 Harlem River Greenway Planning and Engagement
  - 311 Requests



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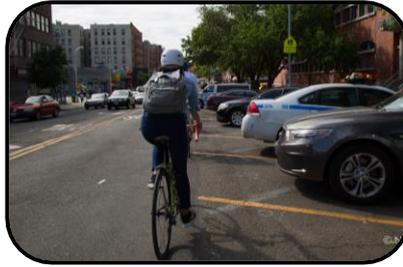


# Issues & Opportunities

Based on Past Outreach, New Outreach, Neighborhood Studies & Analysis



Improve safety & comfort for all users at intersections & improve sidewalk accessibility



Improve bike connections



Increase bus speeds



Enhance and expand open space with public space amenities



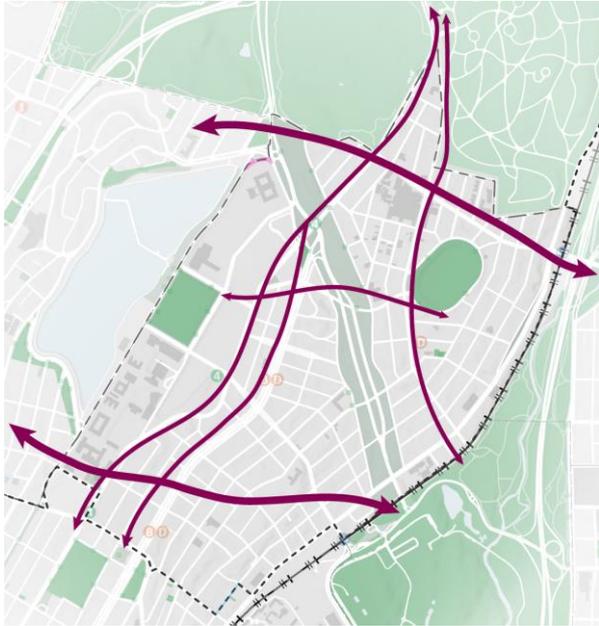
Manage the curb, vehicle patterns, congestion, and speeding



Stormwater flooding challenges

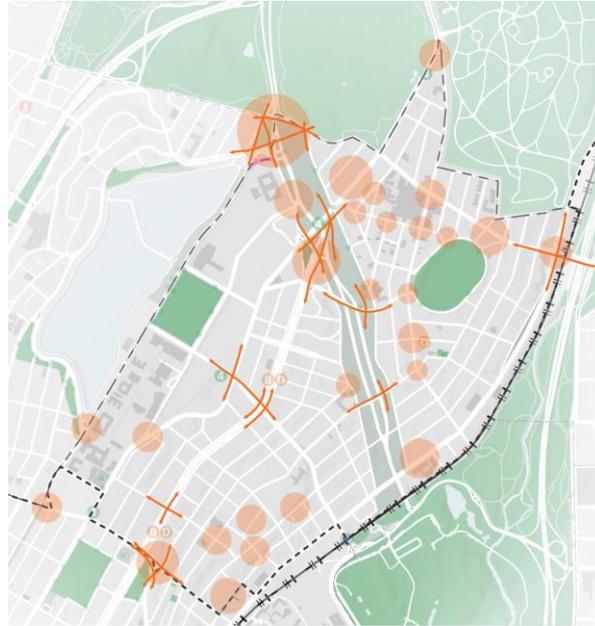
# Potential Project Planning

Based on Past Outreach, New Outreach, Neighborhood Studies & Analysis



## Connect Destinations

- Inter & intra-neighborhood pedestrian, cyclist, and transit connections



## Knit Across Dividers

- Improve safety & comfort for all modes



## Promote Public Health & Resiliency

- Reduce the impact of flooding, improve air quality and add more shade



# What We Can Do: NYC DOT Toolkit



Public Plazas



Open Streets



Programming



Street Seats



Expanded Sidewalks



Shared Streets



Bike Connections



Bus Infrastructure



Signals and Stop Signs



Pick up/Drop Off & Loading Access



Delivery Management



Street Furniture & Bike Parking

# Potential Project Planning

## Upcoming Planned Street Improvement Projects

### 1 Decatur Ave

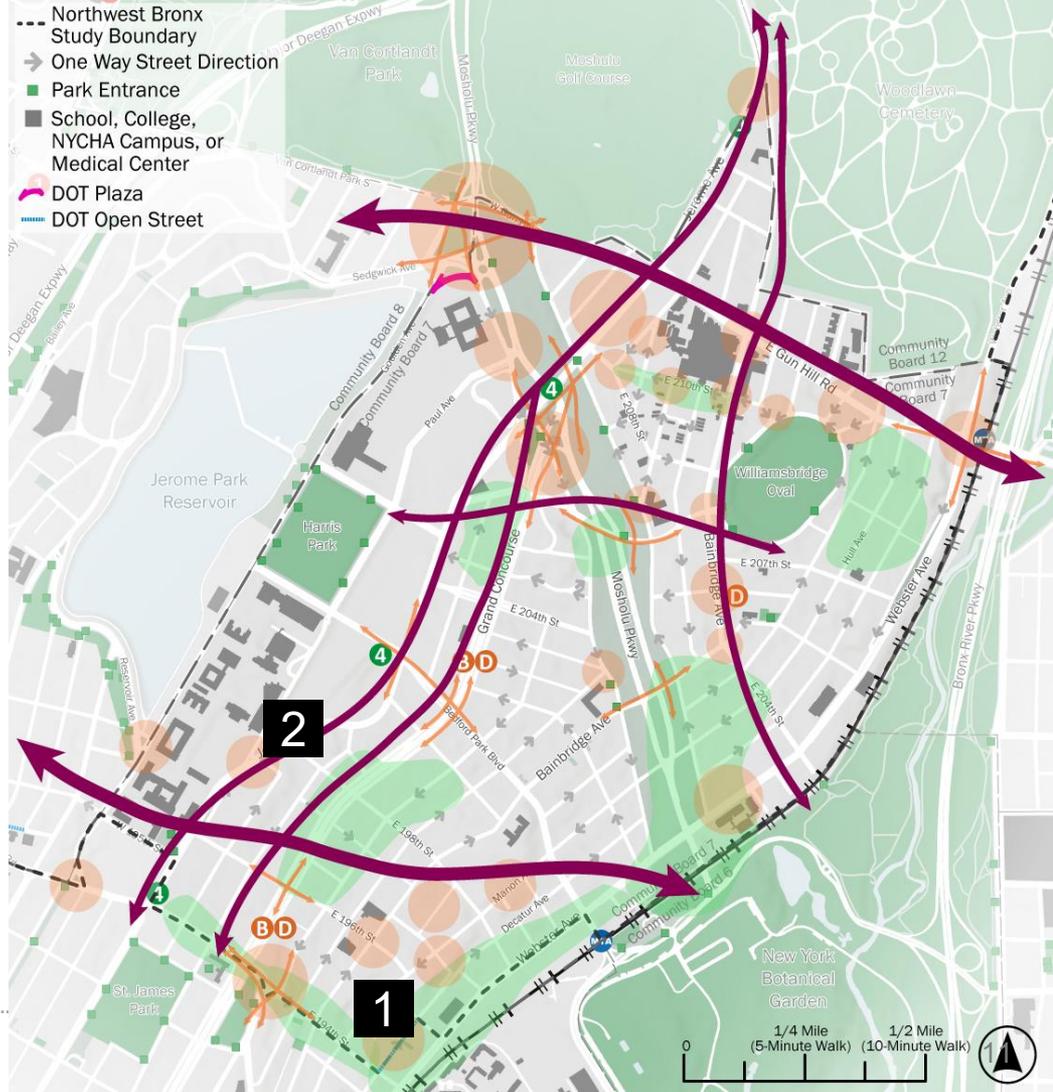
- Safer, shorter pedestrian crossings
- Reduce speeding / calm traffic

### 2 Jerome Ave

- Shorten pedestrian crossings to improve safety
- Improve bike connections
- Enhance bus stop accessibility
- Organize traffic to improve visibility and predictability

### 3 Bailey and Sedgwick Aves (not on the map)

- Next section of on-street Harlem River Greenway
- Improve pedestrian safety and accessibility
- Reduce speeding / calm traffic
- Improve bicycle safety



# Next Steps & Schedule

**2026**

Winter

Community Board Presentation – Introduction

Spring - Summer

Past Project Review & Develop Potential Project List  
Potential Community Outreach (on-site or stakeholder)  
Upcoming Project Community Board Presentations & Implementation

Fall

Potential Community Outreach (on-site or stakeholder)  
Community Board Presentation – Check-in and Update On-going Potential Projects

**2027 & Beyond**

Ongoing

Long Term Project Development & Implementation

# Thank you!

## Feedback & Questions

- Do the drafted issues and opportunities resonate with you and your community members experience?
- Are there other issues or opportunities that should be considered?
- Which issues or locations are a key priority?

Feel free to share additional feedback by emailing [bronx\\_commissioners\\_@dot.nyc.gov](mailto:bronx_commissioners_@dot.nyc.gov)

