



# West 22<sup>ND</sup> Street Open Street Design Proposal

CB4 Transportation Planning Committee – June 21, 2023





# Project History and Outreach to Date

# Site Context



# Project History

## Emergency Response Program – May 2020 to May 2021

- Open Streets as an emergency response program during COVID-19 pandemic
- West 22<sup>nd</sup> Open Street, between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenues established as Limited Local Access Open Street

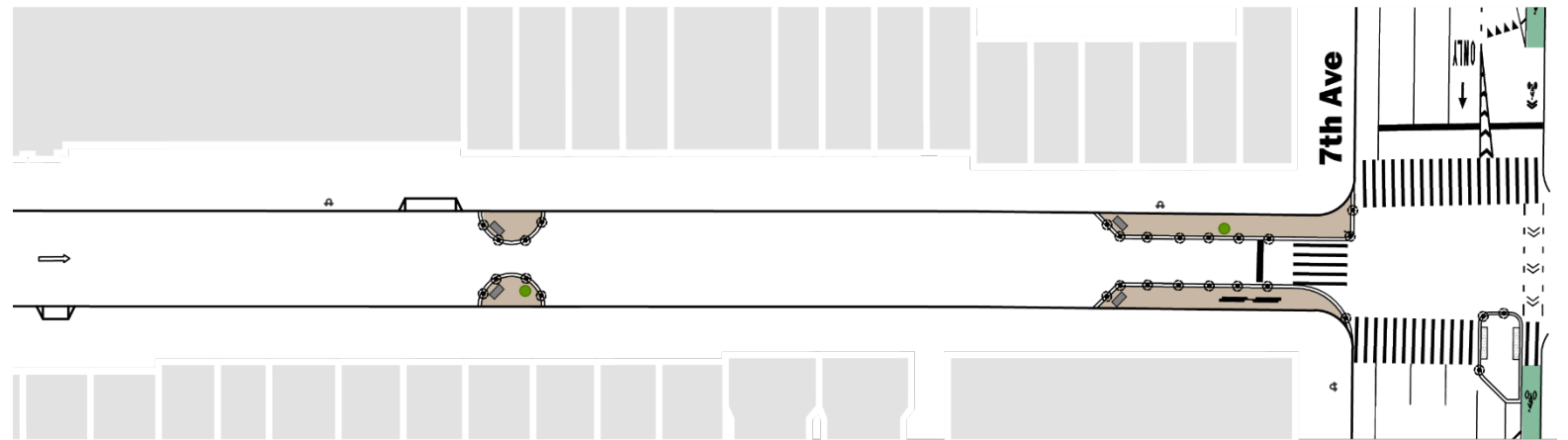
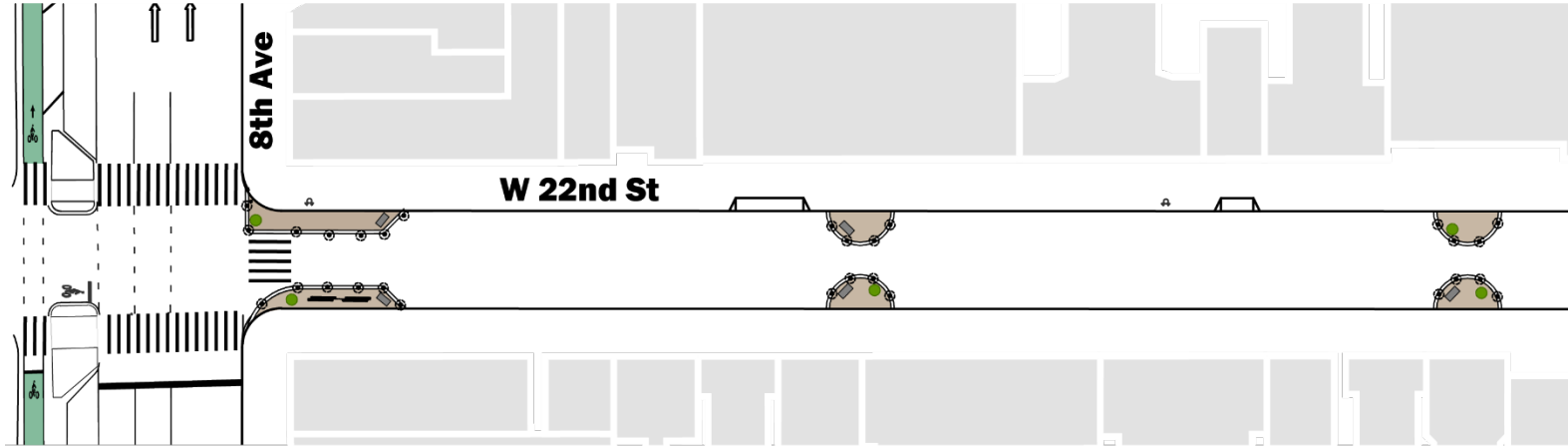
## Permanent Open Streets Program – May 2021 to present

- 2021 Local Law 55 made Open Streets permanent program in NYC
- As part of the legislation, DOT is required to evaluate existing Open Streets to determine whether any such Open Streets could benefit from additional traffic calming measures and streetscape elements.

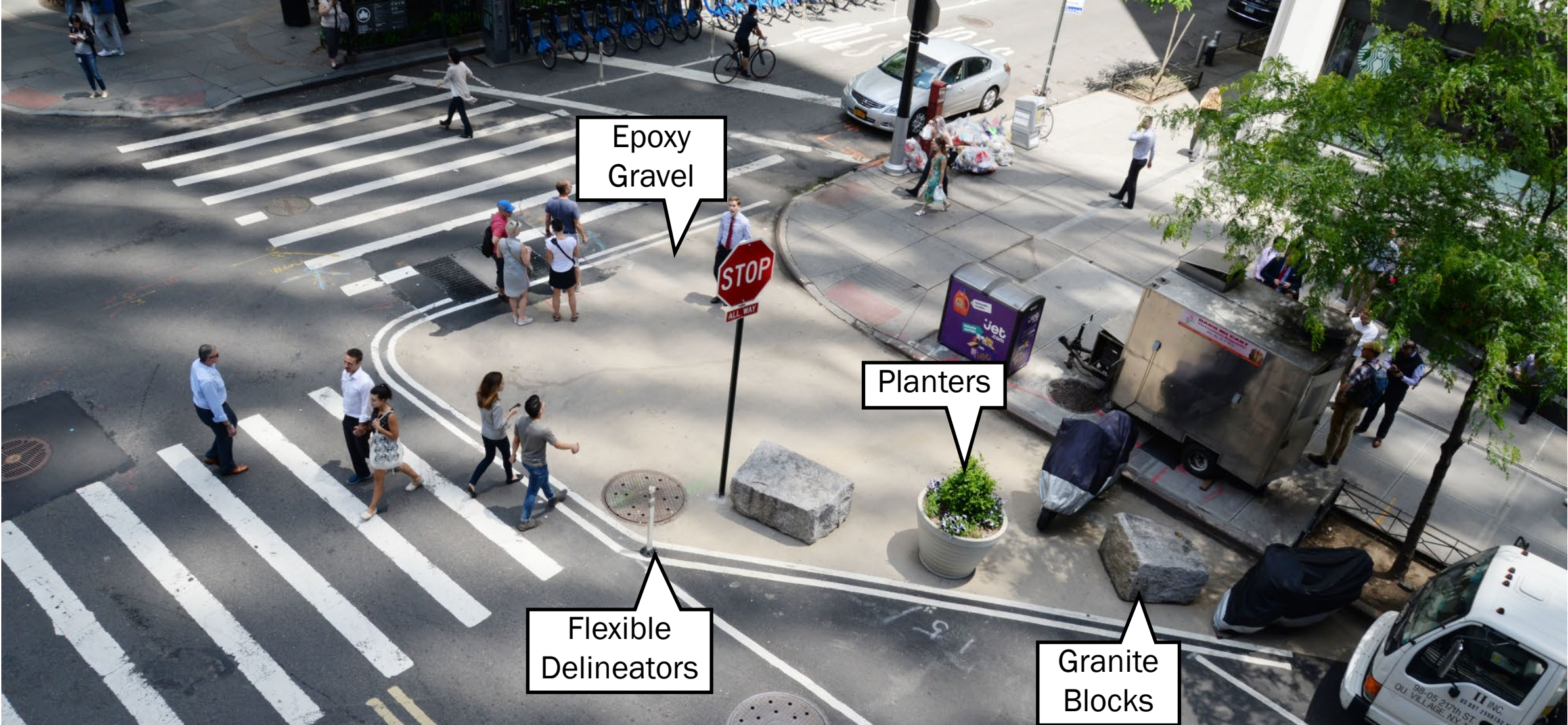


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# Public Realm Toolkit



# Outreach to Date

## Community Survey – May ‘21

- Performed by Transportation Alternatives and Open Streets partner
- 156 responses

## Community Visioning Workshop – October ‘22

- Organized by W 22<sup>nd</sup> OS and the Collective for Community, Culture and Environment
- 50 participants, over 552 comments and suggestions
- SWOT analysis and feedback on design and programming proposals

## Community Board 4 – ‘22-‘23

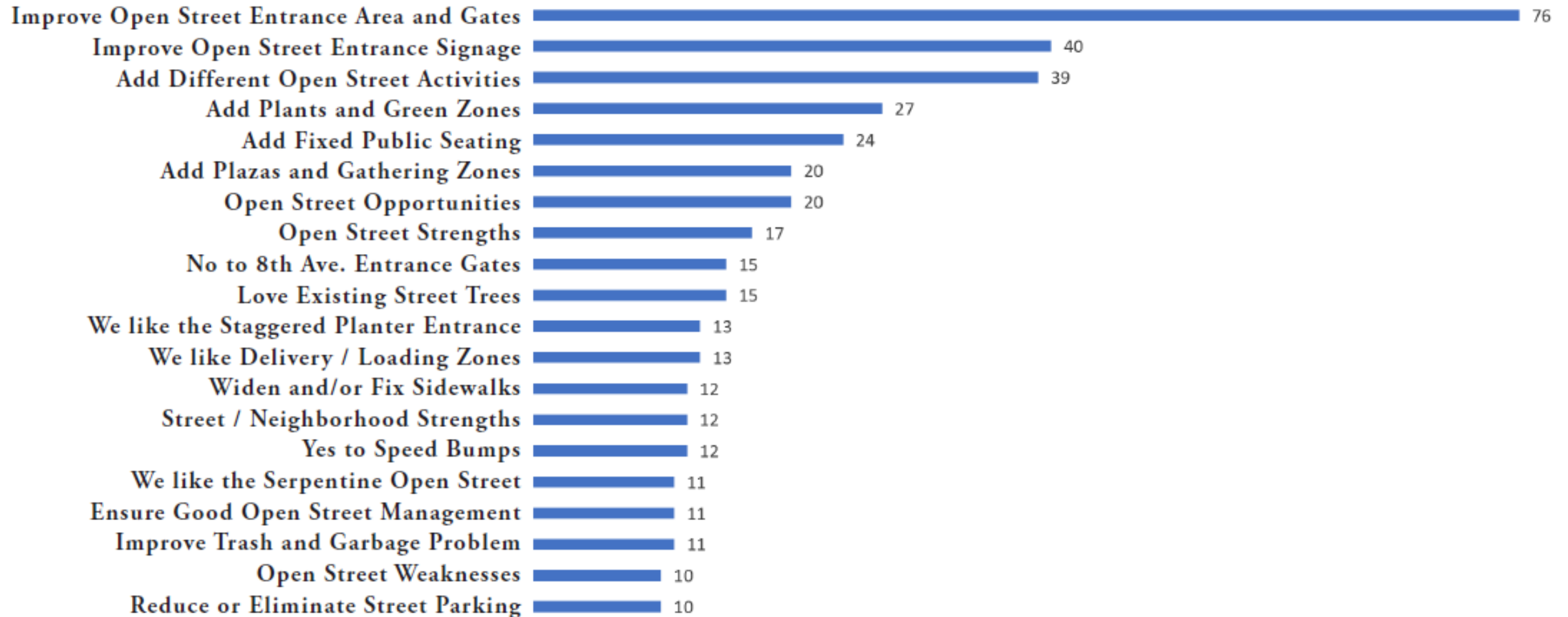
- **December:** Voted in favor of changes to the W. 22<sup>nd</sup> Open Street, including changes to hours of operation, barricade placement, and frequency of programming
- **January:** Voted to support the goals of the Community Workshop Report to implement designs that encourage slow vehicle speeds while maintaining access



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# Visioning Workshop Results – Oct. '22

## TOP 20 COMMUNITY FINDINGS, PRIORITIES, and CONCERNS (by number of individual comments)







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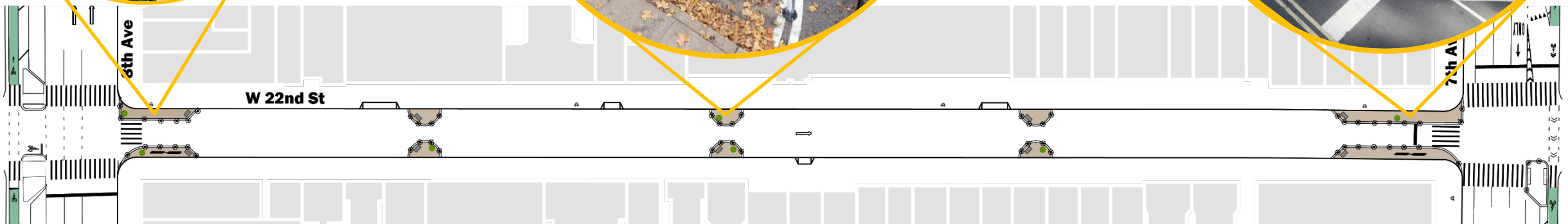
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## Project Goals:

- Evolve the W 22<sup>nd</sup> Open Street beyond the barricades
- Formalize the traffic calming effects from the Open Street
- Enhance safety for pedestrians and cyclists
- Provide public space amenities

## Precedents:

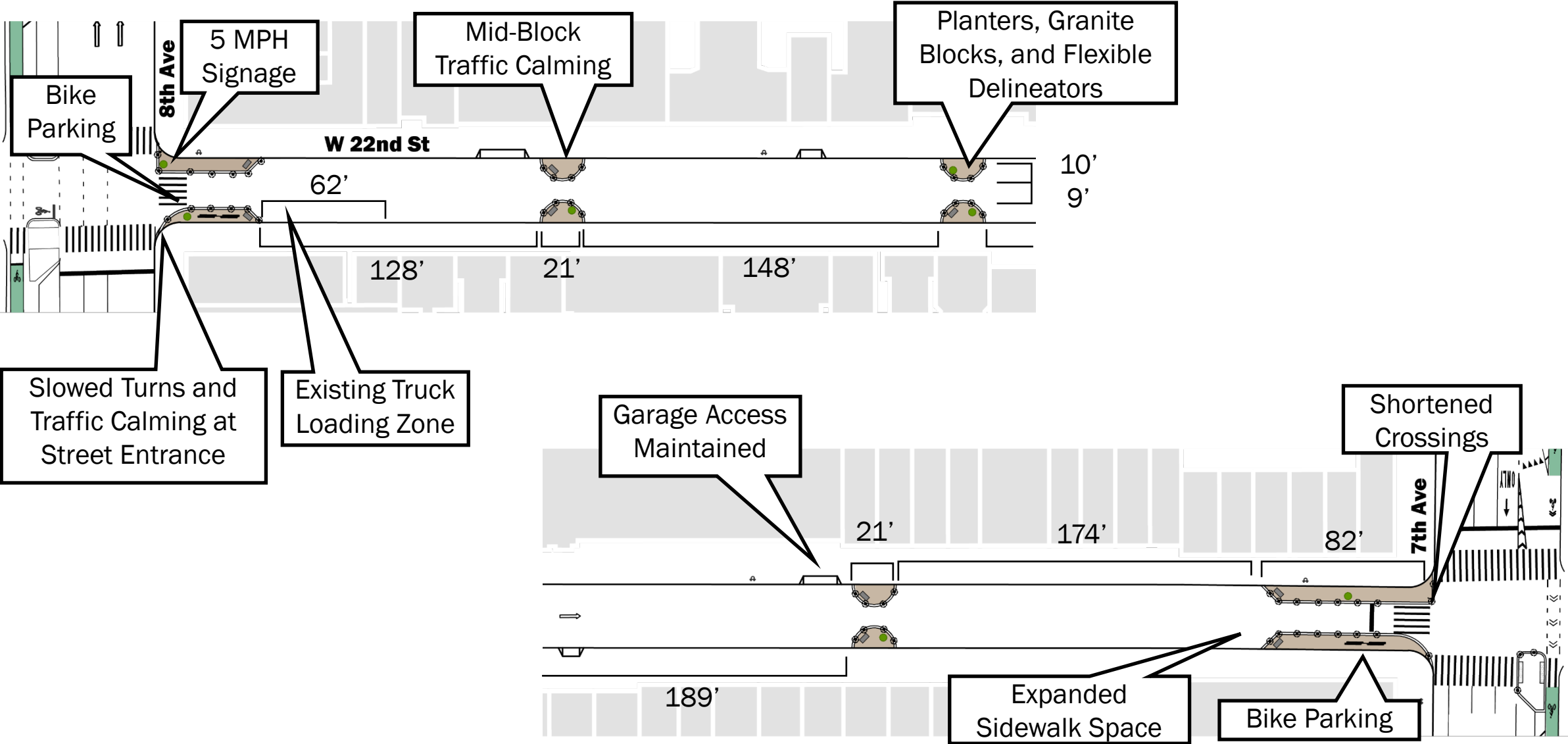
- Sharon Street, Brooklyn
- W. 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Manhattan



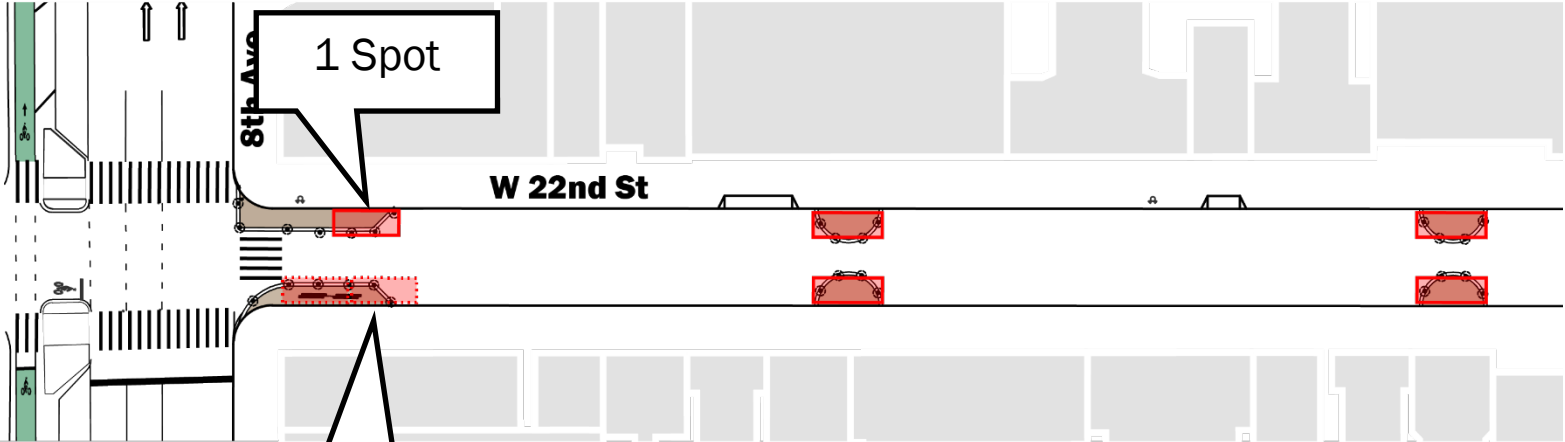
# Mid-Block Traffic Calming – Sharon Street



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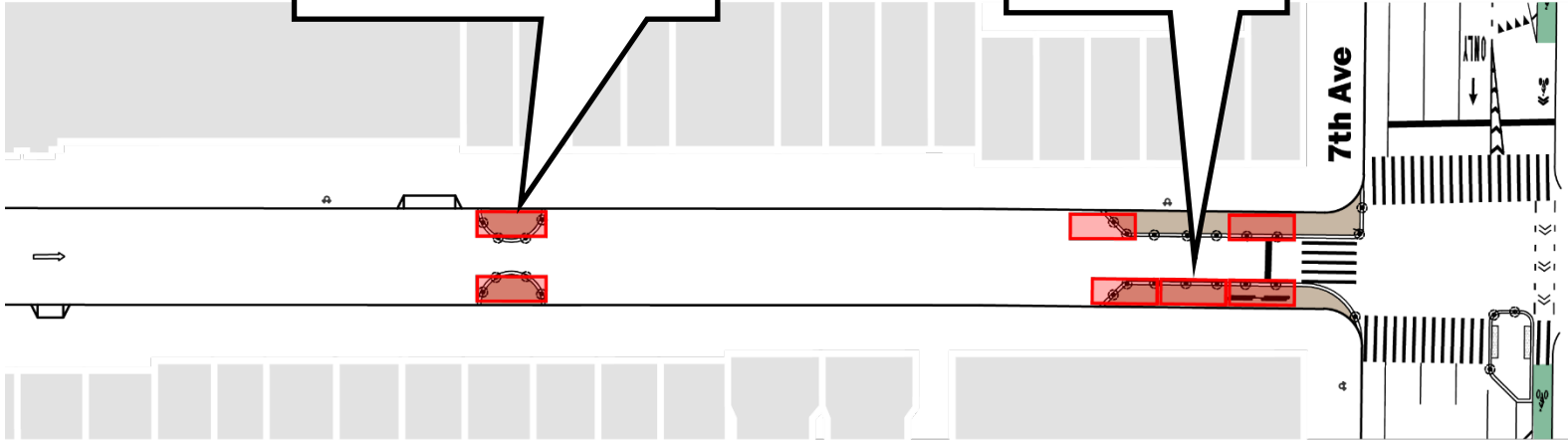
# Parking



2 Spots  
(Existing Truck  
Loading Zone)

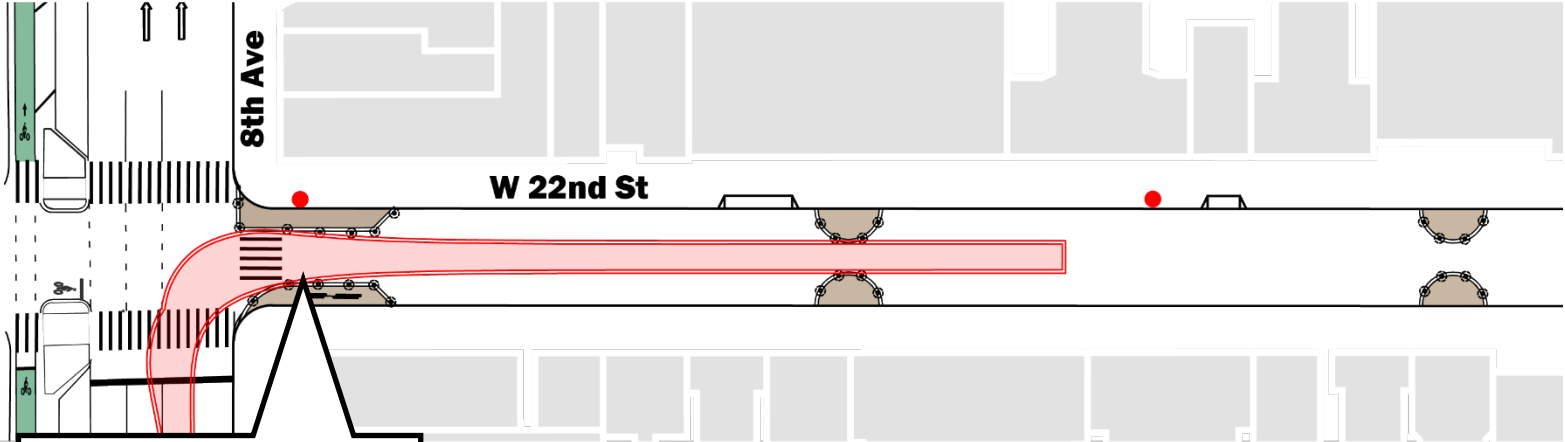
2 Parking Spots per  
Pair of Hugs

5 Spots

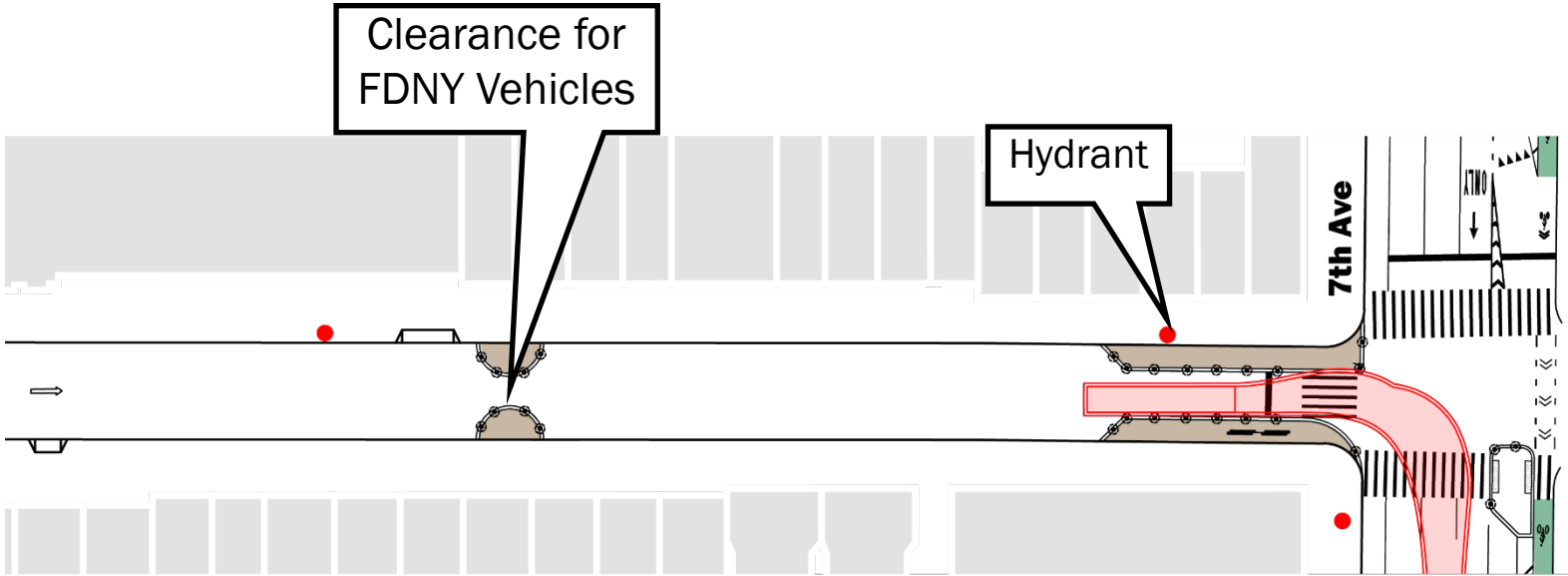


**Total Parking Impact**  
12 Spots  
2 Spots (Weekend/Overnight)

# Emergency Access



Turn Clearance for  
FDNY and other  
Emergency Vehicles



Clearance for  
FDNY Vehicles

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# Next Steps

## June

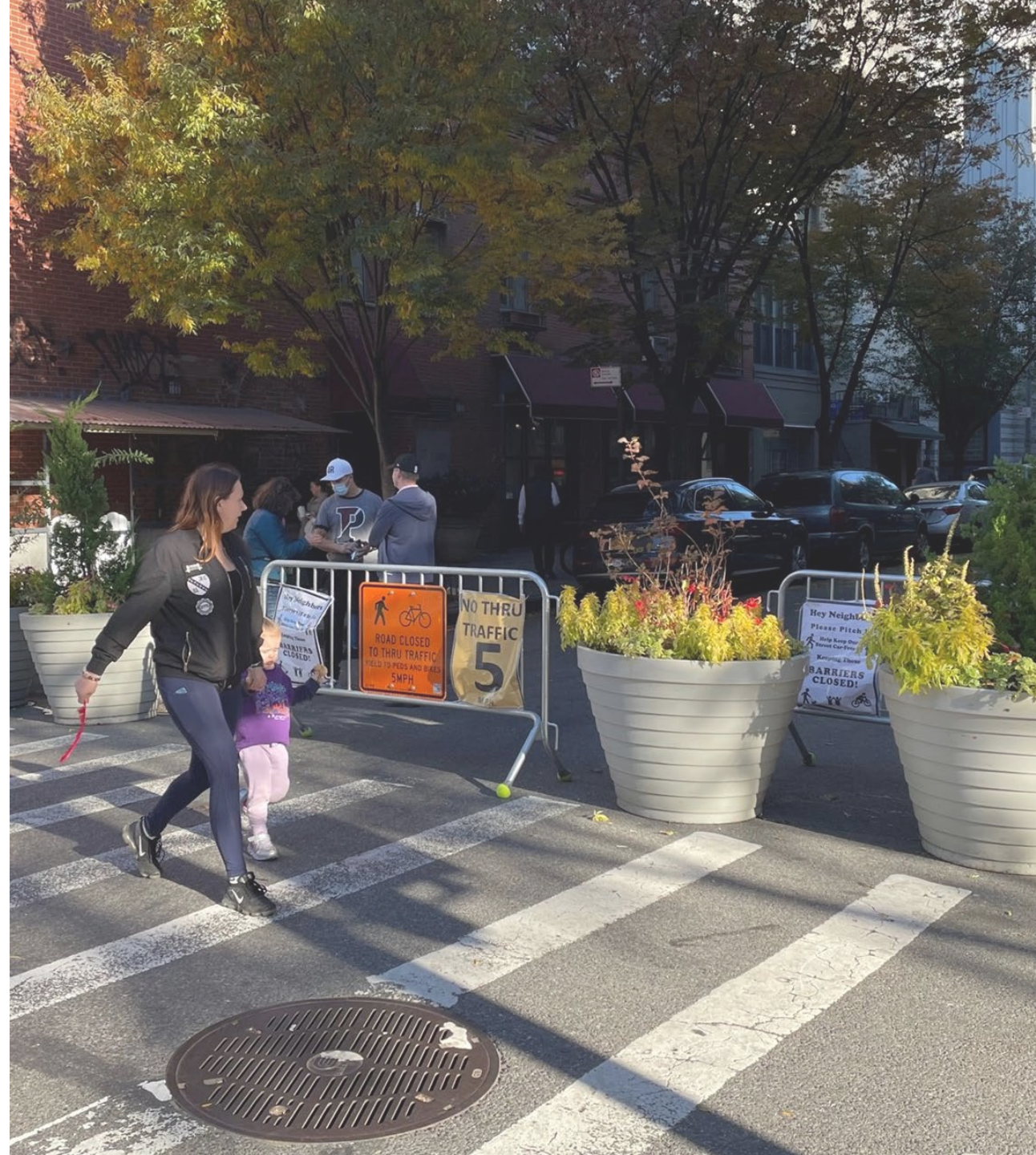
- Community Board 4 Presentation

## Summer/Fall 2023

- Potential implementation
- Project evaluation

## 2023 & Beyond

- Based on evaluation and additional community feedback assess future expansion of Slow Street network





**Thank You  
Questions?**