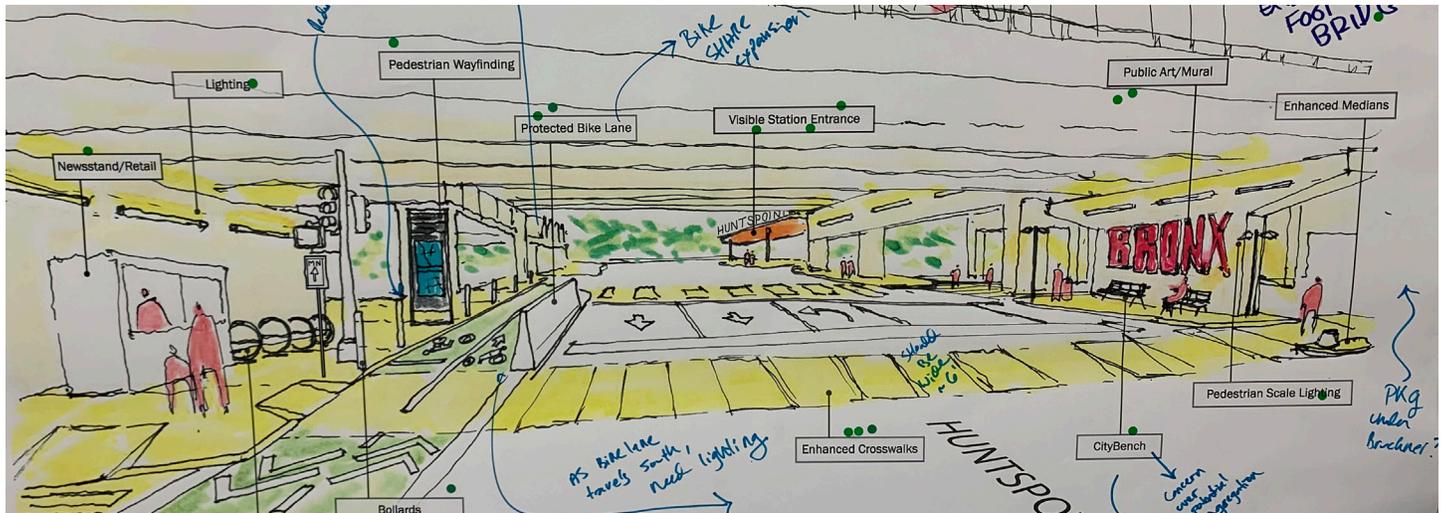


BRONX METRO-NORTH

Hunts Point Station Area Public Workshop Recap



OVERVIEW AND EVENT DESCRIPTION

On Monday, June 17th, City agencies and the MTA invited residents and other local stakeholders to join them at The Point in the Hunts Point section of the Bronx to talk about future Metro-North service in their neighborhood. A diverse group of community members, area workers, property owners and other local stakeholders came out to share their vision.

Through a variety of activities and exercises, participants had an opportunity to learn about the planning work being done around the station area and provide valuable input that will help shape recommendations for the area related to pedestrian safety and access, connections to existing transit, and more. Some of the activities included:

- A station where MTA/MN staff was on hand to discuss overall service and the proposed Hunt's Point Station
- City agencies were available to discuss information related to area economics, small businesses, existing travel patterns, and open space.
- An opportunity for participants to share their vision for the future station area.
- An interactive exercise focused on access to the station where agency staff and on-hand urban designers mapped out the routes people would most likely be using to get to/from the station as relayed by participants.
- One-on-one conversations with city staff using large-scale maps of the station area. This was an opportunity to think through specific challenges and opportunities regarding what is needed in the area to make a successful station area, with a focus on the location of particularly challenging or unsafe stretches of roadway or intersections.
- Finally, using sketches of what possible future roadway conditions in and around the station area could be like – with a special focus along Garrison Ave and along Hunts Point Ave under the Bruckner Expressway – participants voted on those elements that they found most critical, from improved crosswalks to public art and beyond. Participants also shared their perspectives on additional elements that should be taken into account when seeking to improve these spaces for area residents and future commuters.
- Local knowledge drove each conversation and helped provide insight to city agencies about needed improvements to ensure the planning around coming stations is as beneficial to the community as possible.

NEXT STEPS

We're compiling all that we've heard to date and we look forward to sharing it with you and your neighbors at an upcoming public open house to be scheduled for later in 2019. This will be an opportunity to learn about and comment on a recommendations not only for the Hunts Point station area, but for all four of the upcoming Metro-Norths stations at Co-Op City, Morris Park, Parkchester/Van Nest, and Hunts Point.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

To receive news and updates on the study as well as opportunities to be involved, please visit us at www.nyc.gov/BMNS or sign up for our email list by emailing us at BMNS@planning.nyc.gov.



