## **Bx6 Select Bus Service Project Update**

Bronx Community Board 2 Economic Development Committee

May 11, 2022









## **Agenda**

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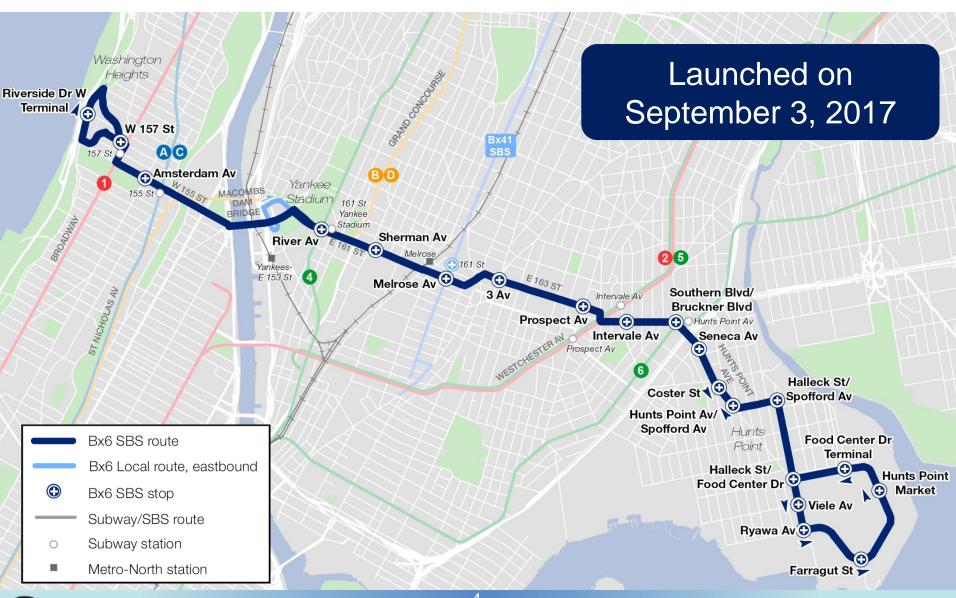


## Background





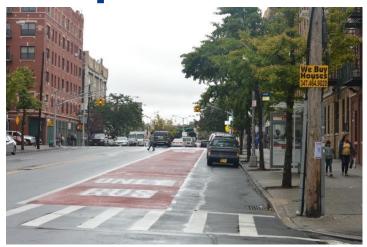
## **Bx6 Select Bus Service**







## Implemented Improvements



**Bus Lanes** 



Boarding Islands



**Fare Machines** 



161st Street Bus Only Tunnel (eastbound)







## Bx6 Select Bus Service Results

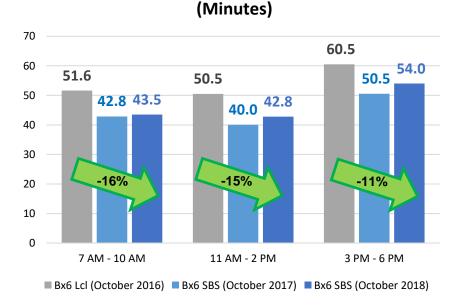




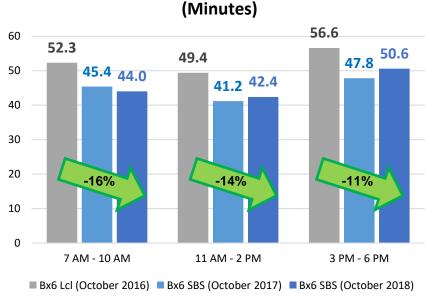
## **Bus Travel Times**

After launch of SBS, buses moved 11% to 16% faster end-to-end.

### **Eastbound Bus Travel Time**



## Westbound Bus Travel Time (Minutes)



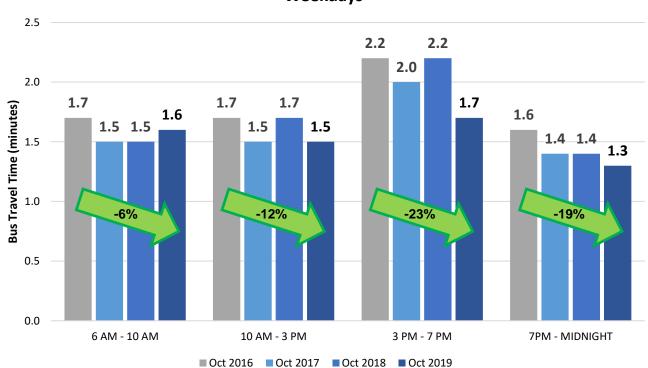


## **Bus Travel Times**

#### 163rd St, Tiffany St to Southern Blvd

On 163<sup>rd</sup> Street, where an eastbound bus lane was implemented, bus speeds have improved 6-23%.



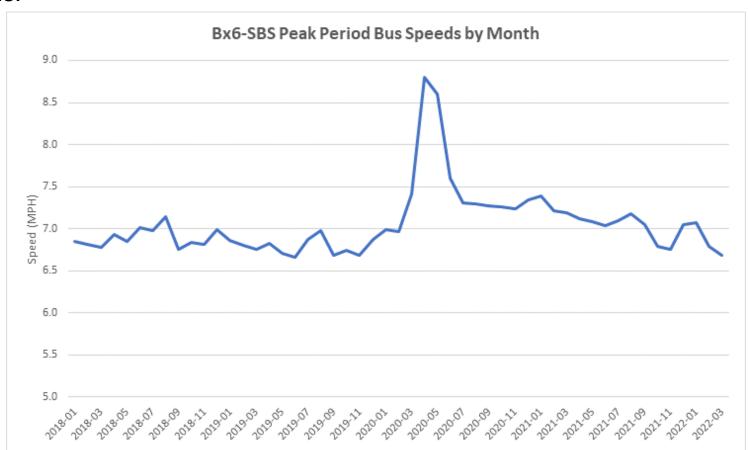






## **Bus Speeds**

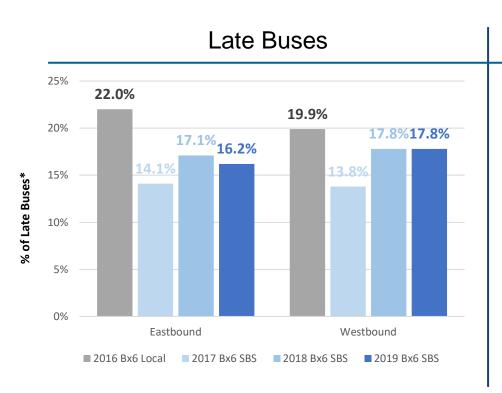
Bus speeds spiked at height of pandemic but are trending back to pre-pandemic levels.



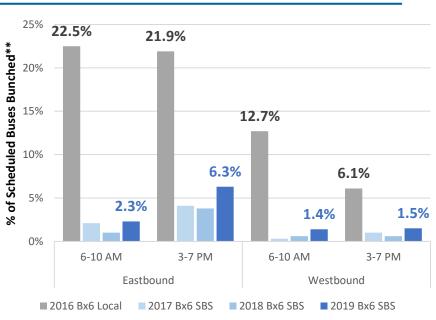


## **Bus Reliability**

Bus reliability has improved with fewer buses arriving late and less bus "bunching".



#### Peak Period Bus Bunching



Source: NYCT Operations Planning









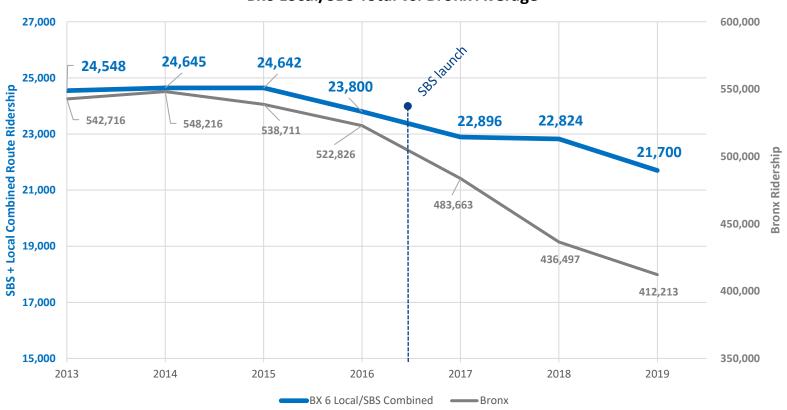
<sup>\*</sup>Late defined as arriving 5 minutes or more after scheduled arrival time

<sup>\*\*</sup>Bunching defined as two or more buses heading in the same direction departing a stop within 90 seconds of each other

## **Bus Ridership Trends**

Bus ridership in both the Bronx and along the Bx6 route has been decreasing. However, ridership along the Bx6 corridor is declining at a slower rate than the borough average.

Annual Weekday Average NYCT Bus Ridership 2013-2019, Bx6 Local/SBS Total vs. Bronx Average



Source: NYCT Operations Planning





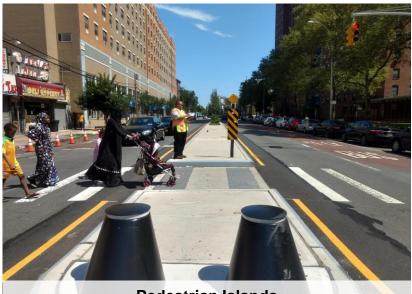


# Capital Improvements





## **Bx6 SBS Capital Project Treatments**



**Pedestrian Islands** 



**Curb Extensions** 



**Bus Pads** 



**Bus Bulbs** 





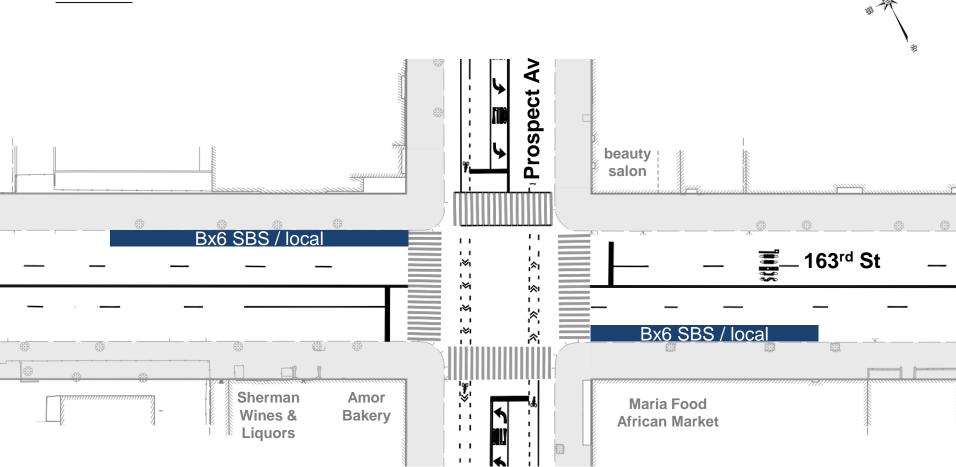




## 163<sup>rd</sup> St & Prospect Av

**Existing** 









## 163<sup>rd</sup> St & Prospect Av

**Proposed** Prospect Av beauty salon **Bx6** local Bx6 SBS 163rd St Bx6 SBS / local **Amor** Sherman **Maria Food** Wines & **Bakery** 1 1 **African Market** 1 1 Liquors 1 1





## 163<sup>rd</sup> St & Prospect Av

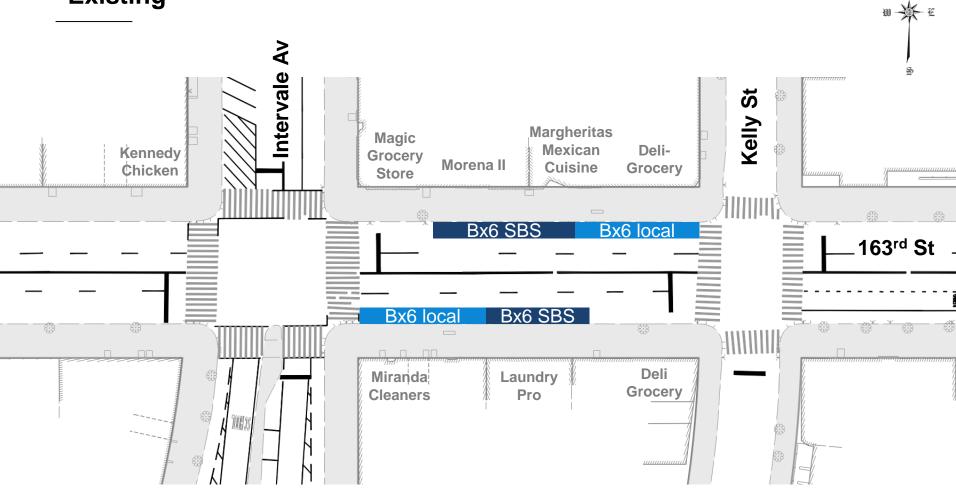
**Proposed Prospect Av** add bus bulb beauty salon **Bx6** local Bx6 SBS 163rd St Bx6 SBS **Sherman** Amor **Maria Food** African M add bus add curb bulb extensions





## 163<sup>rd</sup> St & Intervale Av

**Existing** 

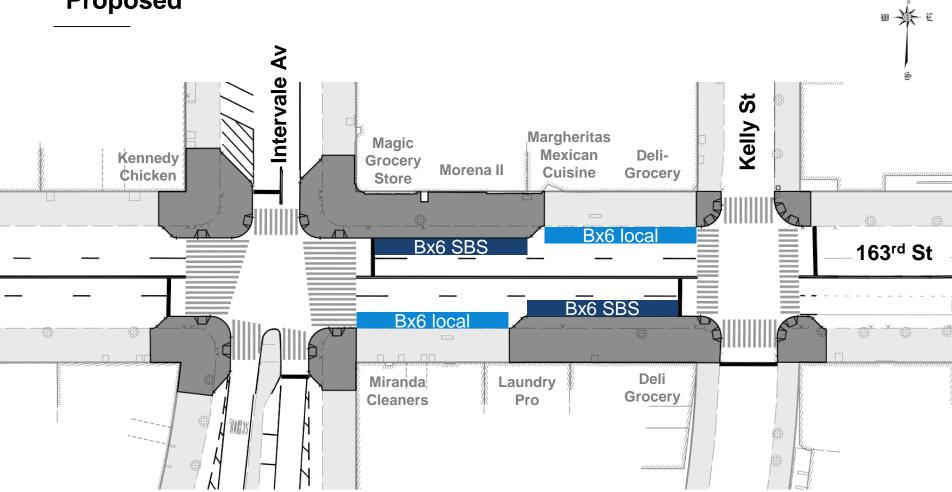






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**Proposed** 

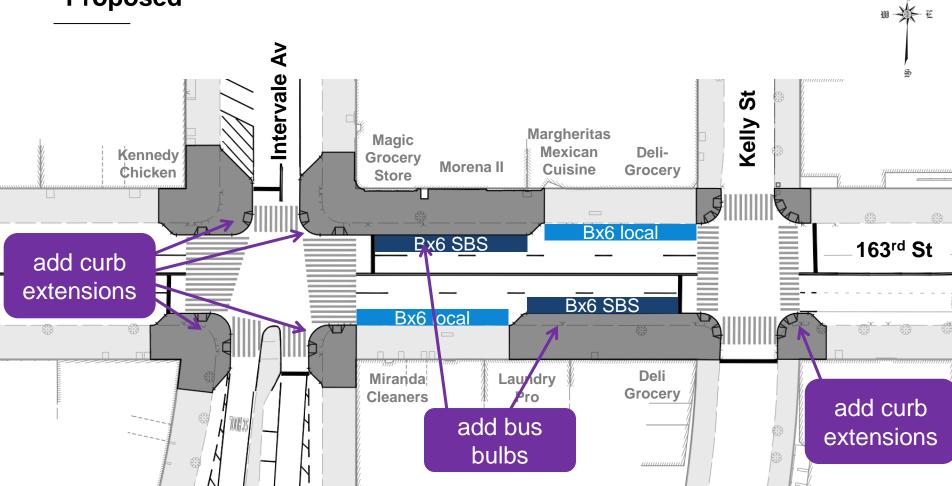






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**Proposed** 







## **Next Steps**

- Spring 2022: Present to Additional Community Boards
  - 5/2: Manhattan CB 12 Transportation Committee
  - 5/5: Manhattan CB 9 Transportation Committee
  - 5/10: Manhattan CB 10 Transportation Committee
  - 5/11: Bronx CB 2 Economic Development Committee
  - 5/12: Bronx CB 4 Municipal Services Committee
  - 5/16: Bronx CB 3 Housing, Land Use, Economic Development Committee
- Winter/Spring 2023: Finalize Design
- Summer/Fall 2023: Procurement
- Winter/Spring 2024: Construction Start





#### **Thank You!**

Questions?













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