First Avenue/Second Avenue Select Bus Service

Community Board 11 Public Safety & Transportation Committee

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

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Agenda

Project Overview

Outreach

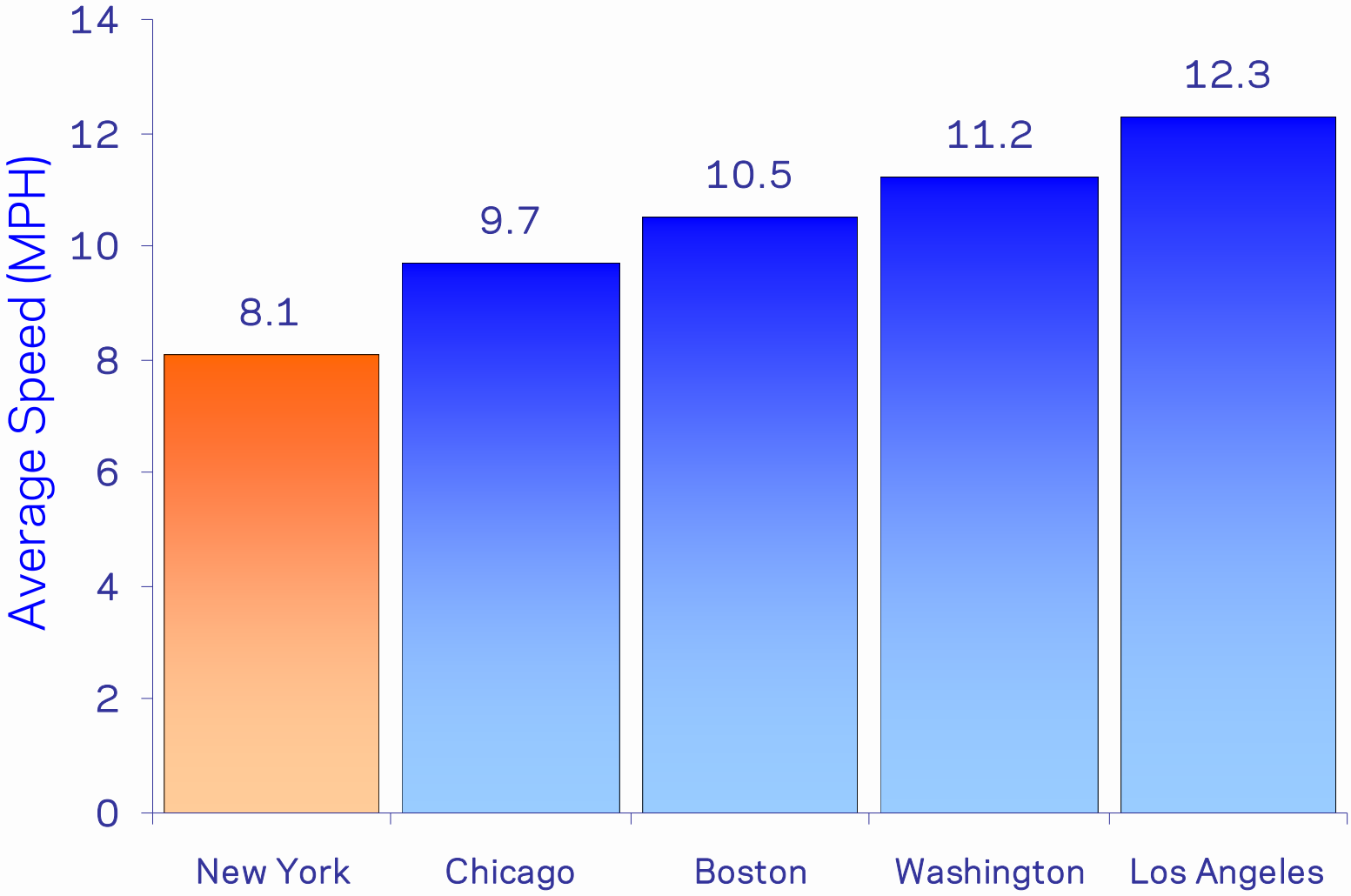
CB11 Station Locations

2010 Implementation Plan

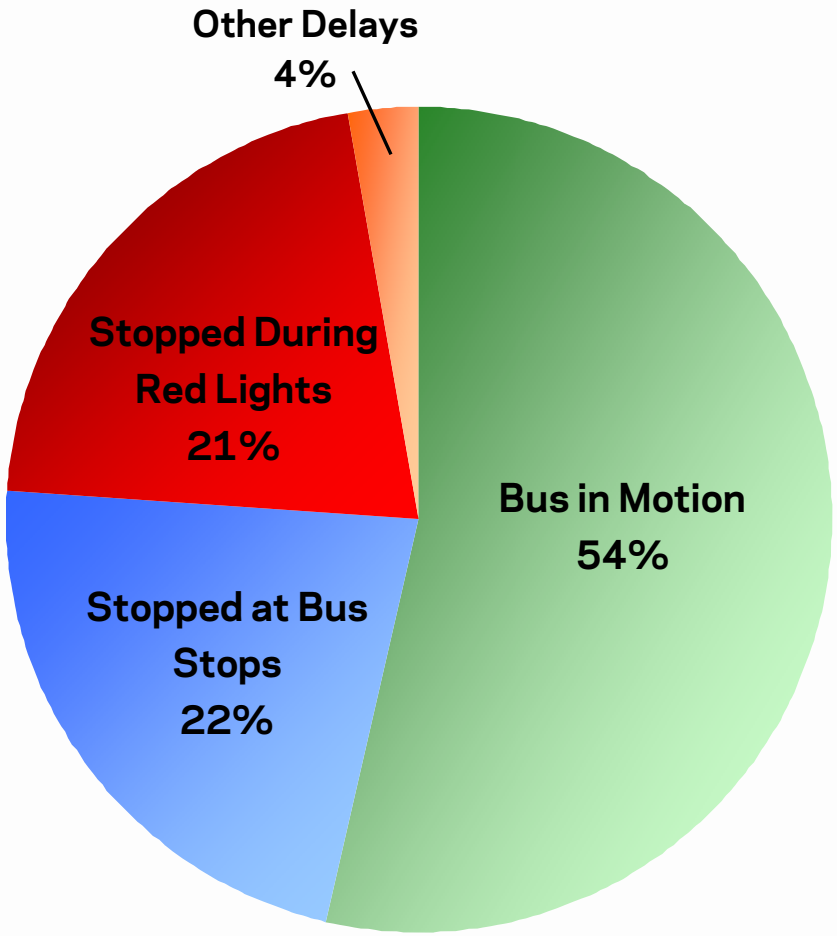
Parking Regulations

109th Street

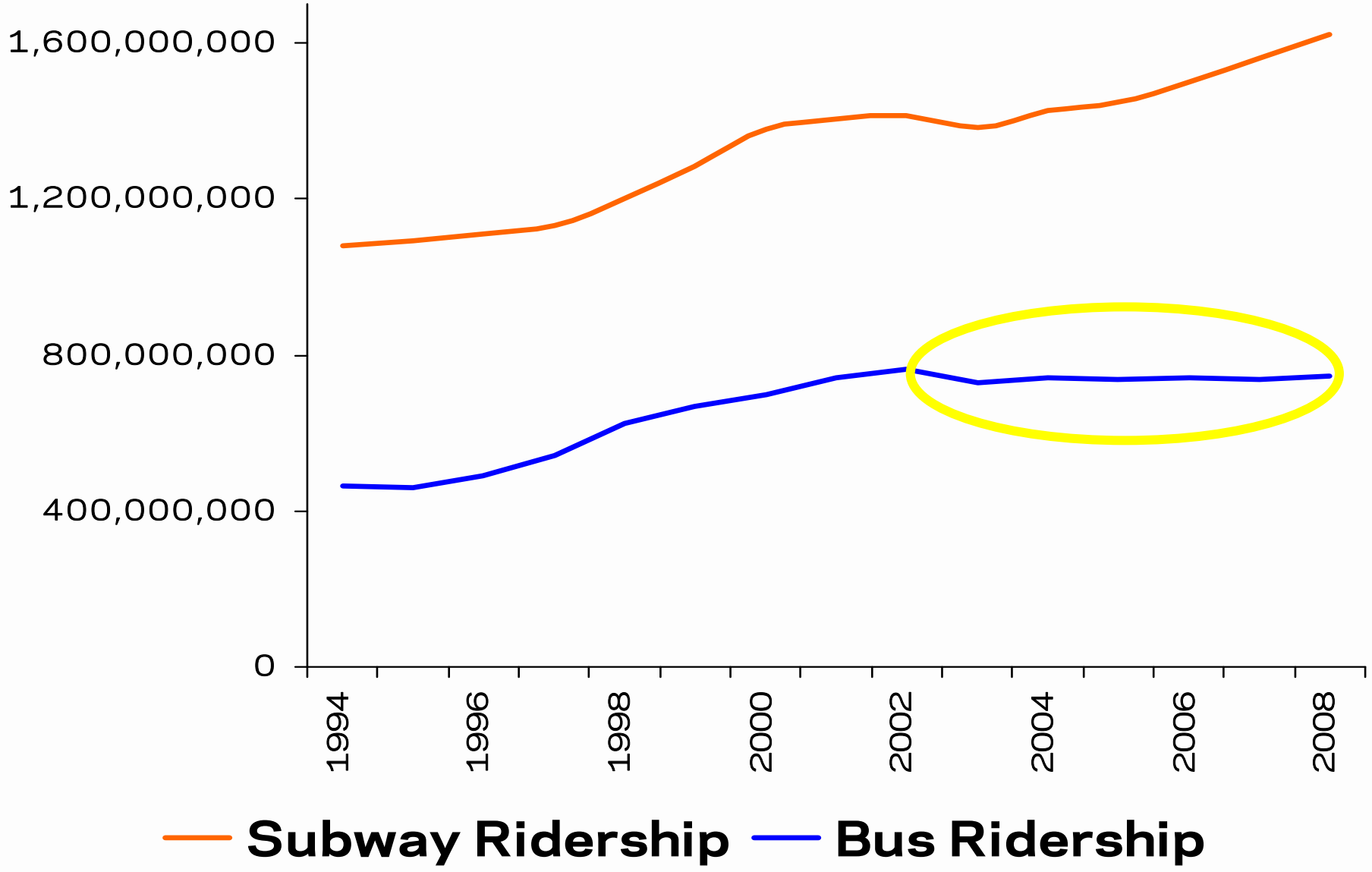
Bus Speeds in NYC vs. Other Cities



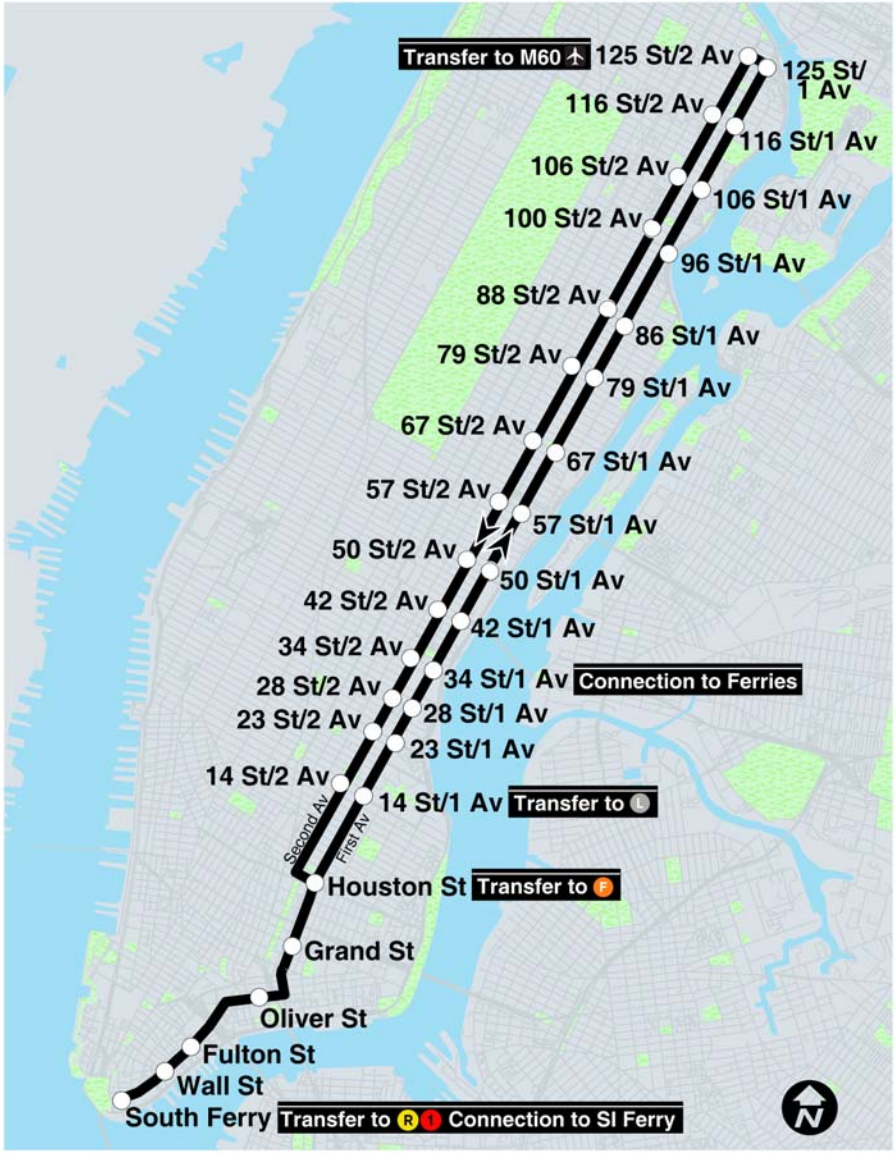
Sources of Delay on M15 Limited



Bus vs. Subway Ridership



M15 Select Bus Service



8.5 miles from South Ferry to 125th Street

Currently served by M15 bus route

- Over 54,000 weekday riders
- Bus speeds have slowed
- Ridership has been decreasing

Within a ¼ mile:

- 537,000 residents
- 78% of households do not own a car
- 57% of residents commute by transit

M15 Select Bus Service Features

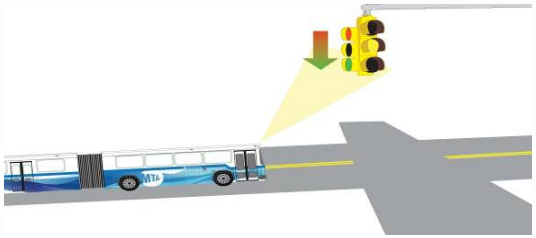
Pre-Payment

Bus Lanes

Stations

SBS

Bus Bulbs



Bus Signal Priority

Branding

M15 Select Bus Service Features

Features	Current M15	M15 SBS (2010)	M15 SBS (2011-2012)
Local service	Yes	Yes	Yes
Limited service	Yes	No	No
Simpler service pattern	No	Yes	
Fare pre-payment	No	Yes	
Regular bus fare	Yes	Yes	
Improved bus lanes	No	Yes	
Low-floor, three-door articulated buses	No	Yes	
Bus bulbs	No	No	Yes
Transit Signal Priority	No	No	Yes (below Houston St)

Public Outreach

Community Advisory Committee

Composed of:

- Elected Officials
- Community Boards
- Major Institutions
- Community Organizations
- Business Representatives
- Transit Customers

Meetings in May 2009, September 2009, January 2010, April 2010

Community Board Meetings

Meeting with Board 11: February 2, 2010

Public Outreach

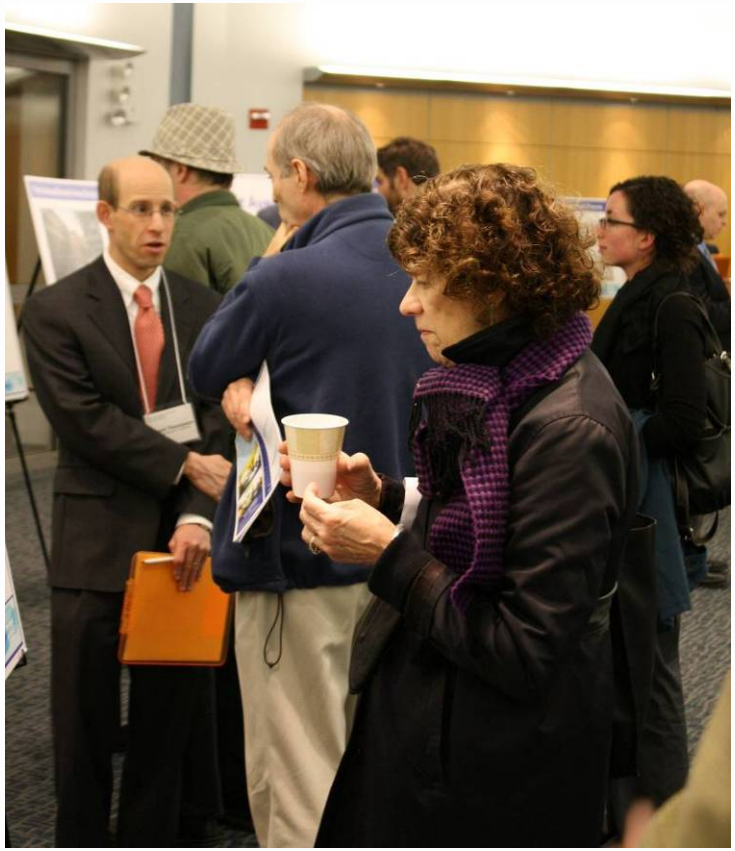
Public Open Houses

March 18 and 24, 2010

93 attendees

Opportunities for one-on-one interaction with DOT/NYCT staff

Meetings with other area stakeholders



Public Outreach

Outreach to businesses

Multi-lingual fliers distributed to every storefront from Houston to 125th Street on both Avenues

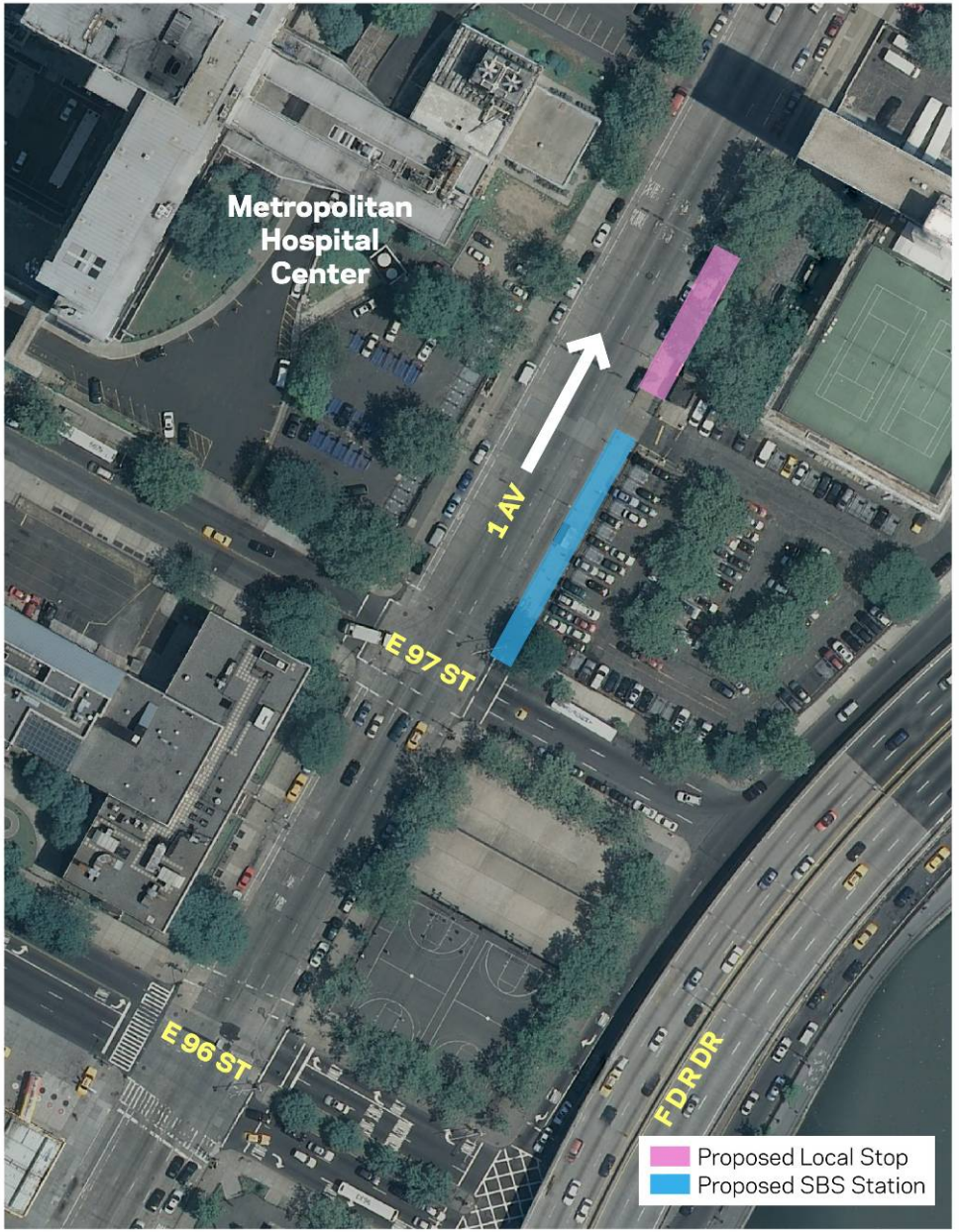
Field survey of the corridor identified businesses with potential delivery/loading concerns

Over 100 businesses/institutions contacted to discuss loading patterns

Discussions still ongoing

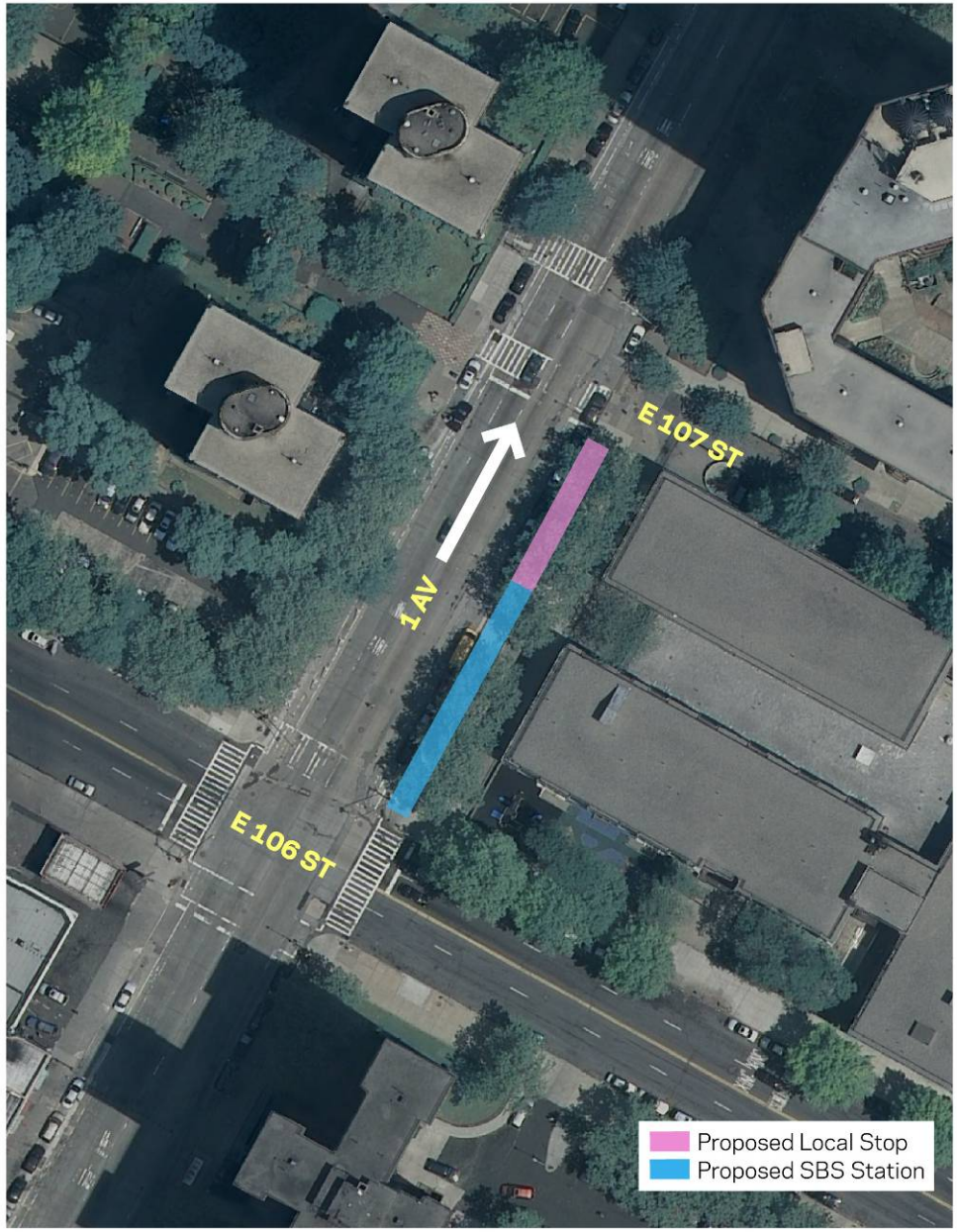
96th Street/First Avenue (Northbound)

SBS south of local north of 97th Street



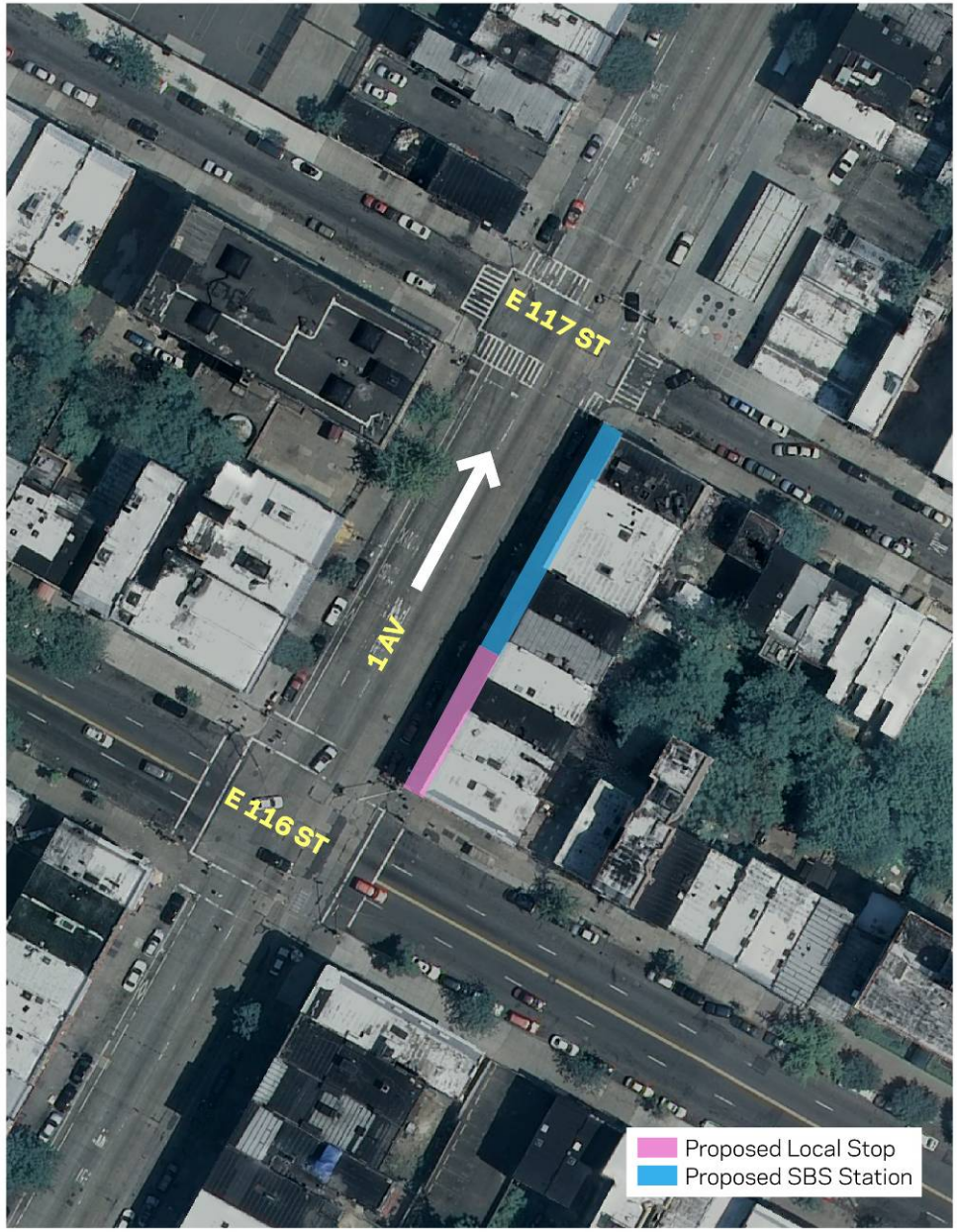
106th Street/First Avenue (Northbound)

SBS north of local between 106th and 107th Streets



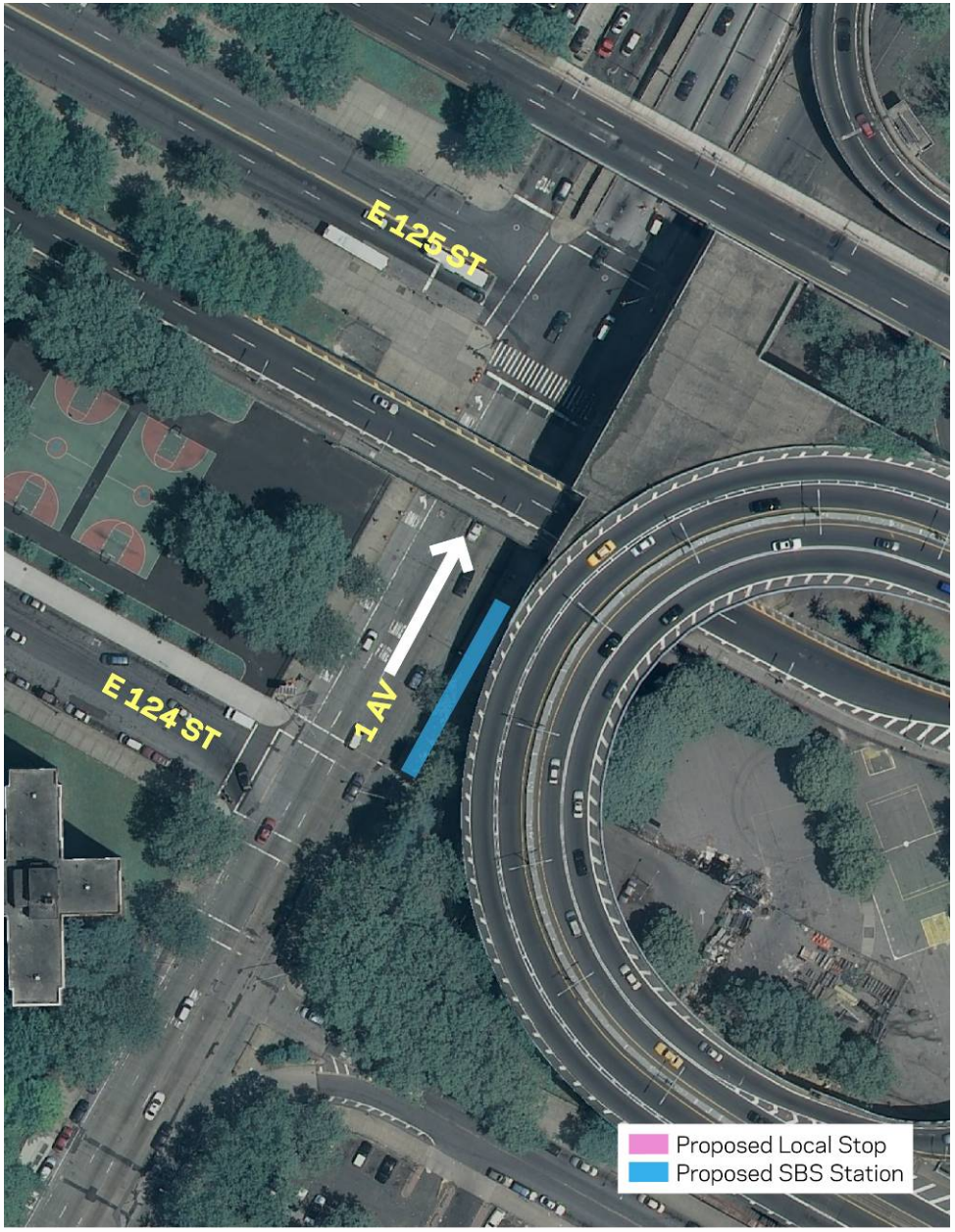
116th Street/First Avenue (Northbound)

SBS north of local between 116th and 117th Streets



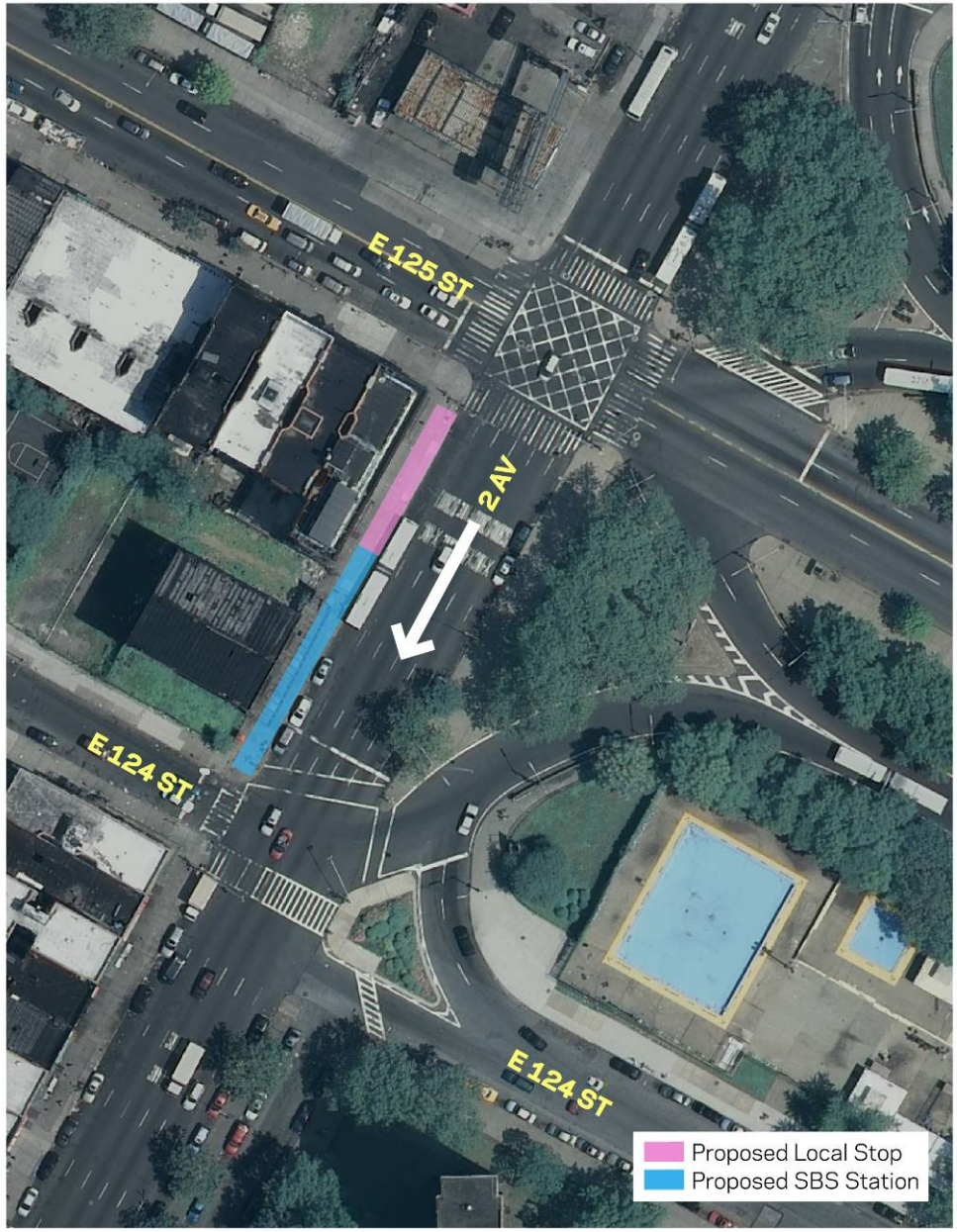
125th Street/First Avenue (Northbound)

SBS and local north of 124th Street (drop-offs only)



125th Street/Second Avenue (Southbound)

SBS south of local between 125th and 124th Streets



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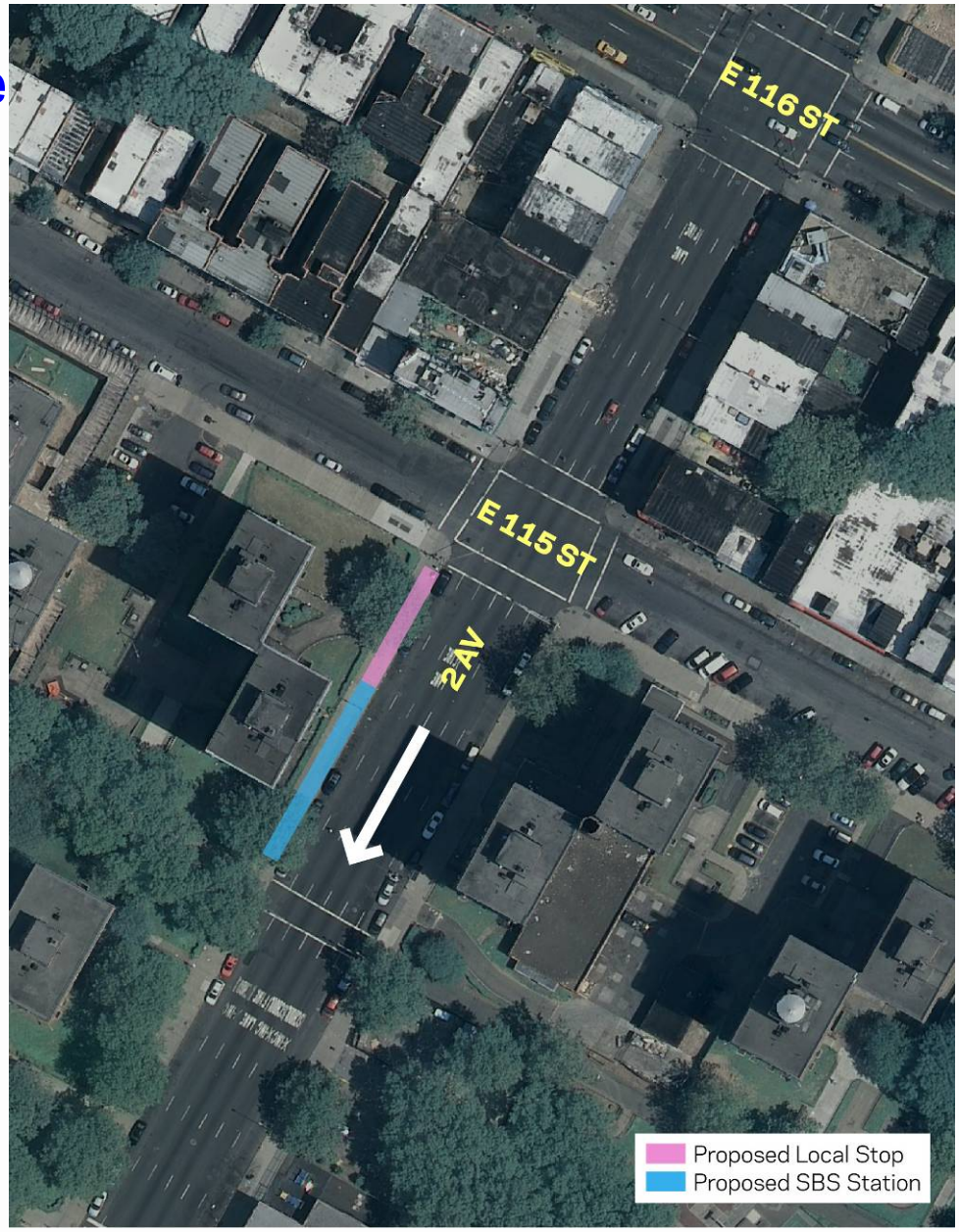
SBS south of local south of 115th Street



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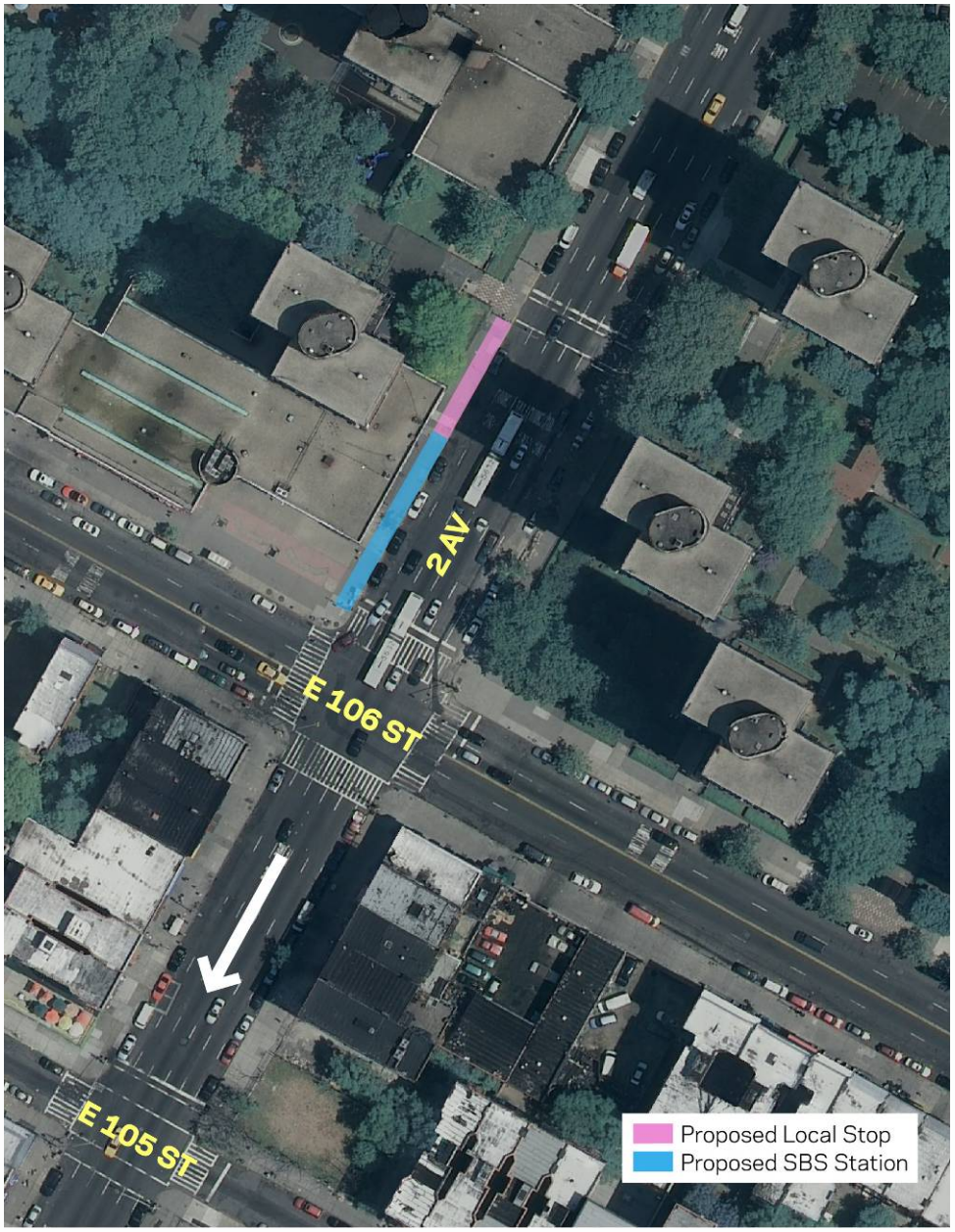
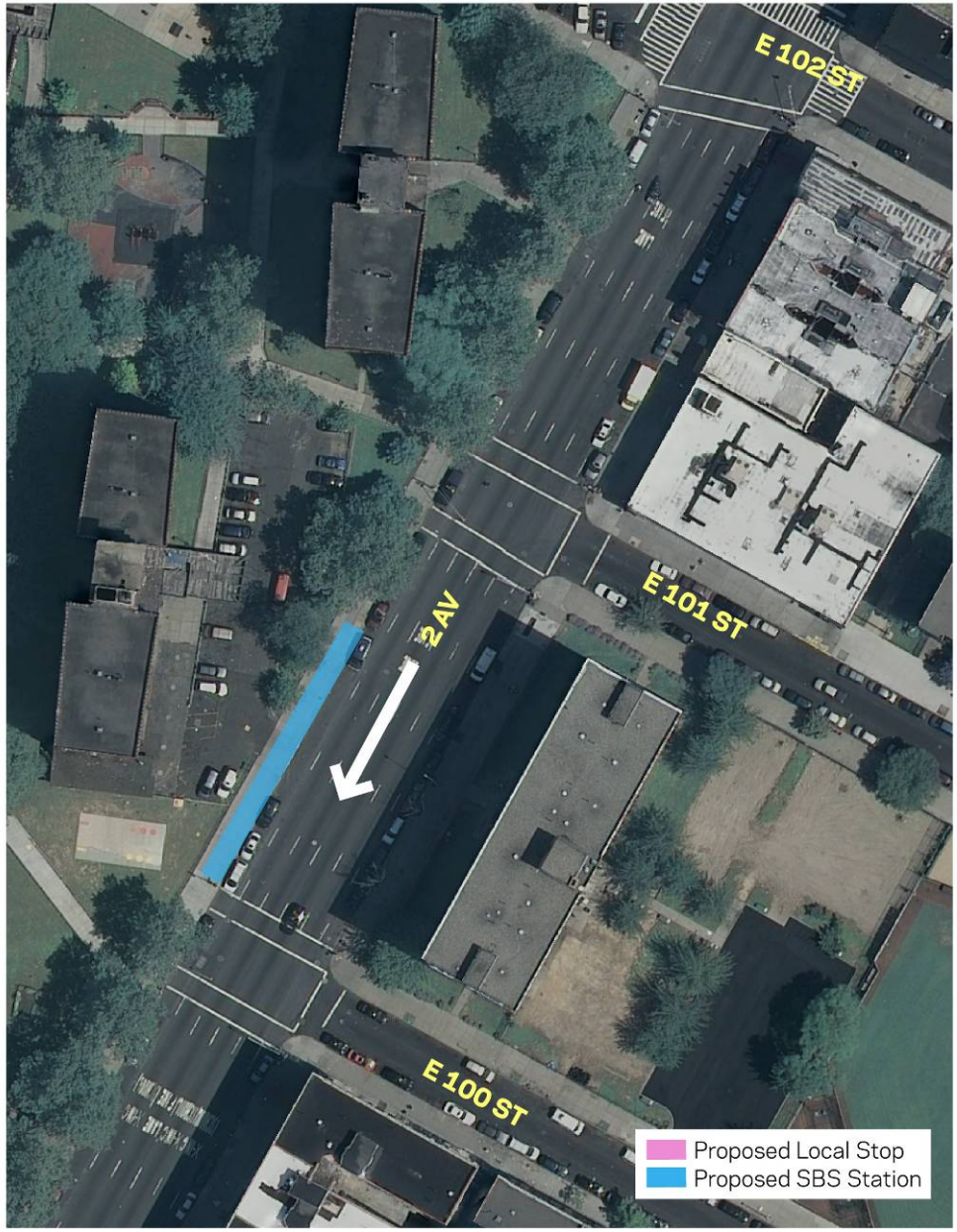
SBS south of local north of 106th Street



100th Street/Second Avenue (Southbound)

SBS between 101st and 100th Streets

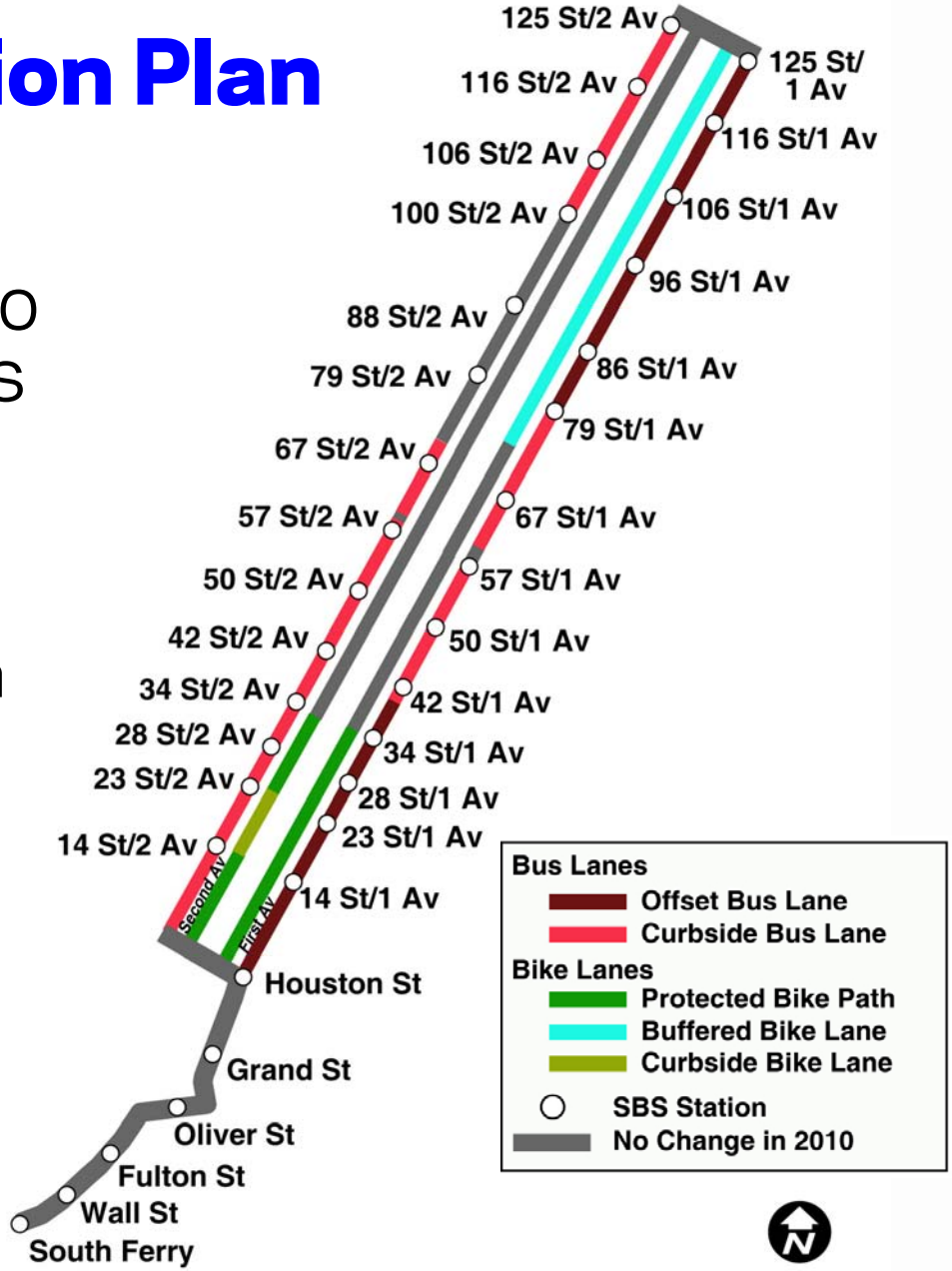


2010 Implementation Plan

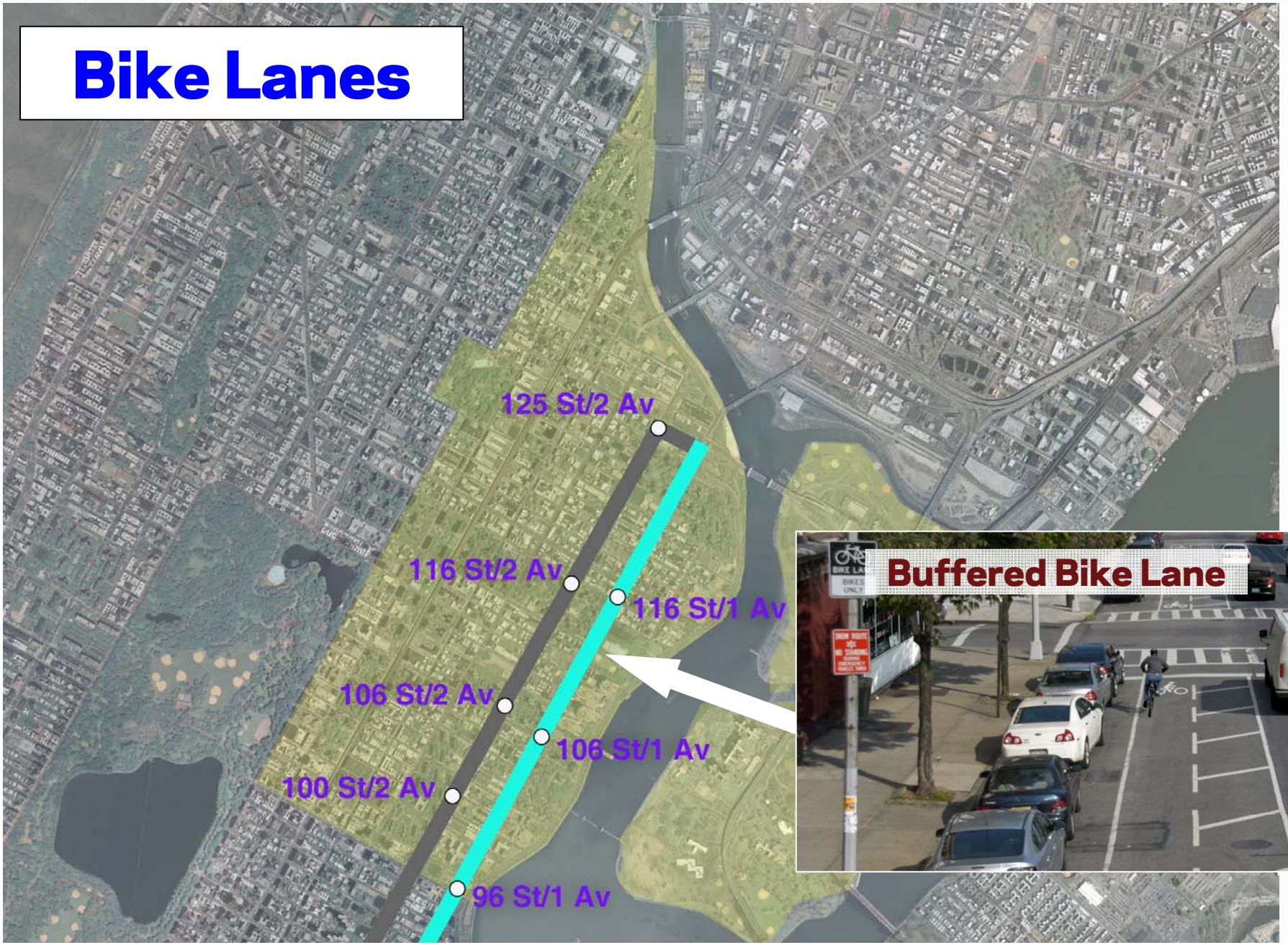
Offset or curbside bus lanes from Houston St to 125 St on both Avenues

2010 bike lanes

- Houston St to 34th St on both Avenues
- 72nd St to 125th St on First Avenue



Bike Lanes


125 St/2 Av
116 St/2 Av
116 St/1 Av
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Buffered Bike Lane

Bus Lanes

Curbside Bus Lane
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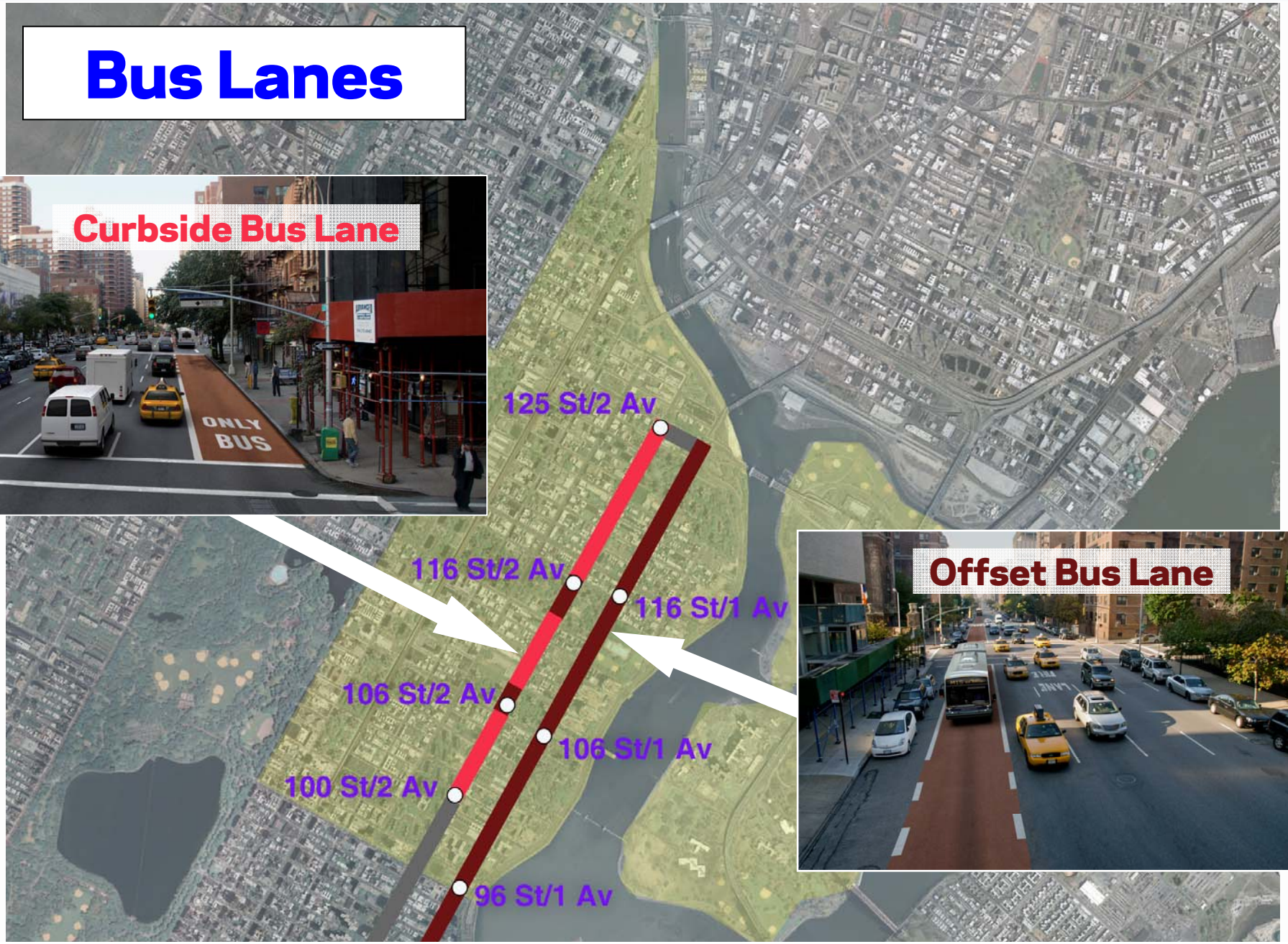
BUS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Offset Bus Lane

Bus Lane and Parking Regulations

Where bus lane is offset:

Bus lane in effect at all times

Curb lane parking regulations remain largely unchanged

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Bus Lane and Parking Regulations

Where bus lane is at the curb:

Bus lane hours 7 am to 10 am, 2pm to 7pm
Metered commercial loading 10 am to 2 pm
Open parking overnight

Parking Regulations

First Avenue

No change to alternate-side parking from 96th St to 125th St

Second Avenue

Implementation Timeframe

Select Bus Service begins October 2010

Features:

Off-Board Fare Collection

New low-floor, three-door buses

Improved bus lanes

Implementation Timeframe

Construction Sequencing

June - October

- Milling
- Paving
- Lane markings
- Bus and bike lane paint
- Signs
- Pedestrian islands

September

- Bus Shelters
- Fare Machines

Next Steps

Street resurfacing begins next month in CB11

Ongoing outreach to area stakeholders

CAC #5 – Mid-summer 2010

Open House #2 – September 2010

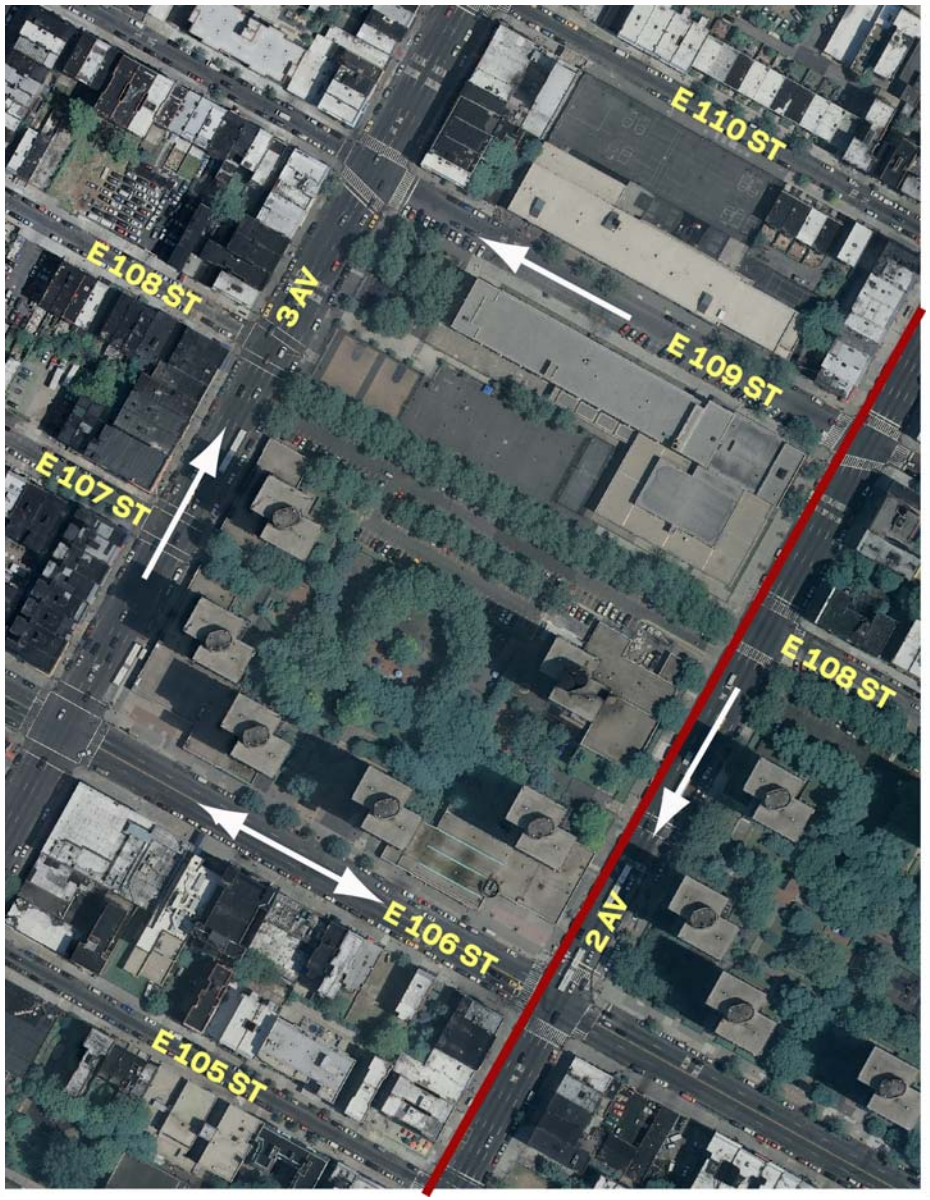
October 2010

M15 Select Bus Service

- Over 10 miles of new or improved bus lanes
- Off-board fare payment at all stations
- New low-floor, three-door buses

Over six miles of new or improved bike lanes

109th Street between Second and Third Aves



School buses currently load and unload on Second Av in front of J.H.S. 117 in future curbside bus lane

To allow buses to serve school, conversion of 109th St to two-way is proposed

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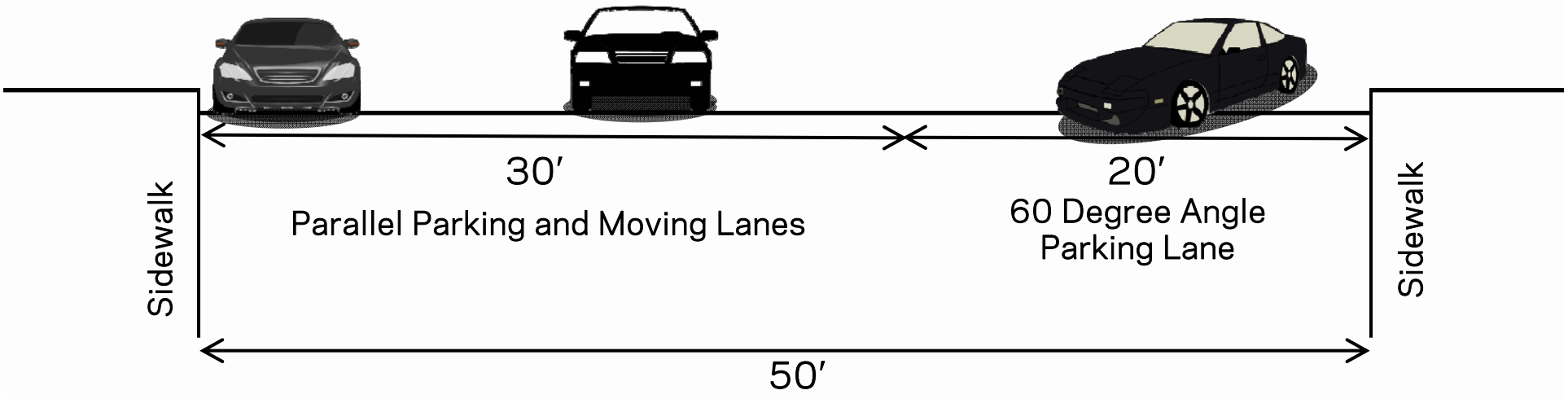

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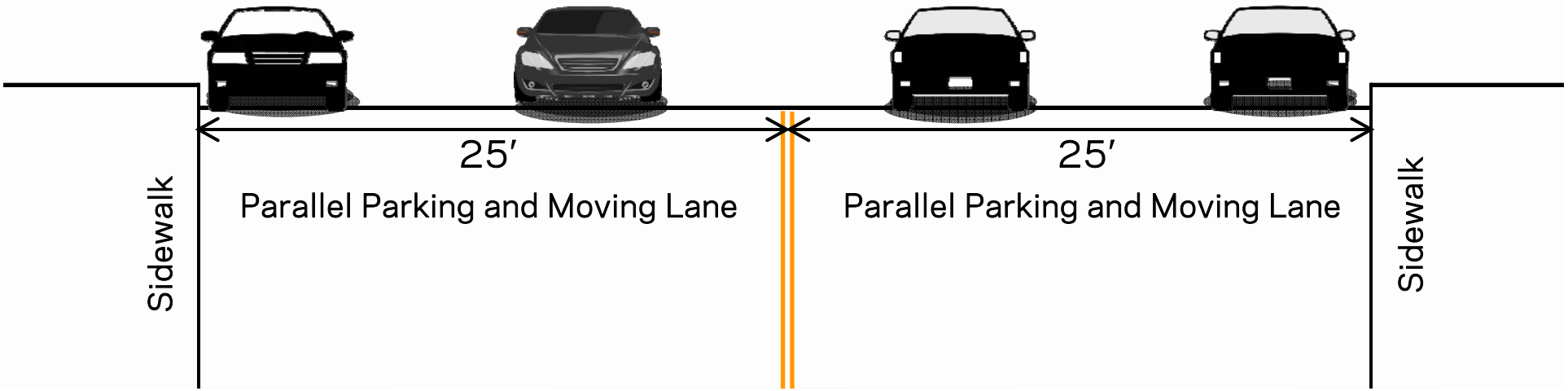

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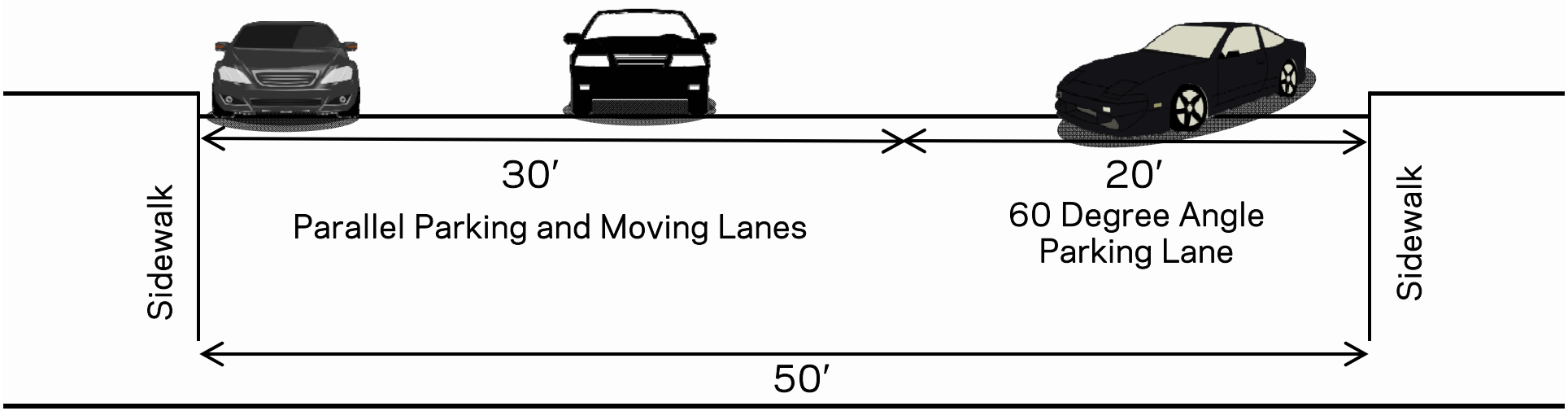
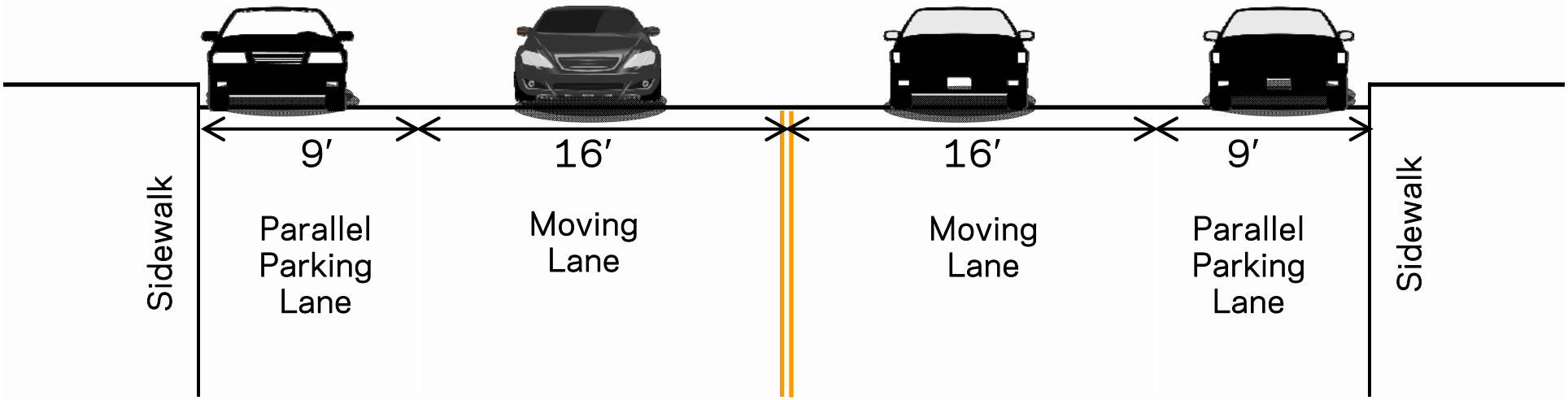
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