

## Rockaway Park / Beach 116<sup>th</sup> (A, S)

The Rockaway Park / Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street station lies within close proximity to major destinations such as Rockaway Beach and Jacob Riis Park. As such, this station located in a building exhibits a number of issues regarding pedestrian and bicycle safety and circulation. The recommendations for this station are as follows:

System-wide:

- Install subway signs surrounding the station
- Install universal pedestrian signals
- Install light emitting diode (LED) lighting on all traffic signals

Site-specific:

Rockaway Beach is served by the Rockaway Park / Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street station. Additionally, Jacob Riis Park is located just one and a half miles west of this station and may be reached by the Q22 or Q35 buses which stop just outside the station. Installing orientation signage indicating the locations of nearby destinations is recommended.



*The Rockaway Park/Beach 116<sup>th</sup> subway station entrance is located in a building.*

The medians along Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street at the intersection of Rockaway Beach Boulevard should be extended into the crosswalks to provide refuge space for pedestrians crossing the street. Also, the traffic signal on the north side of Rockaway Beach Boulevard at Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street is set back from the intersection on the median, and difficult for motorists approaching the intersection from the south to see. Extending the median toward the crosswalk would allow the traffic signal to be relocated closer to the intersection.

The medians are configured irregularly to accommodate angled parking spaces. As a result garbage accumulates because street cleaners cannot get between the parking spaces. One option to improve cleanliness is to remove the medians and stripe the parking spaces instead, so that the street may be cleaned more thoroughly. However, removing the medians would also result in the removal of street trees, which contribute to the aesthetic quality of the street, and so upon further consideration this option was deemed undesirable due to the loss of landscaping, the aesthetic impact, and the expense.



*The median of Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street should be extended through the north crosswalk at Rockaway Beach Boulevard and the traffic signal should be relocated nearer the intersection.*

Rockaway Beach Boulevard is a recommended route in the New York City Bicycle Master Plan. Bicycle parking should be installed at the southern end of Beach 116<sup>th</sup> Street near the entrance to the beach.

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BEACH CHANNEL DRIVE

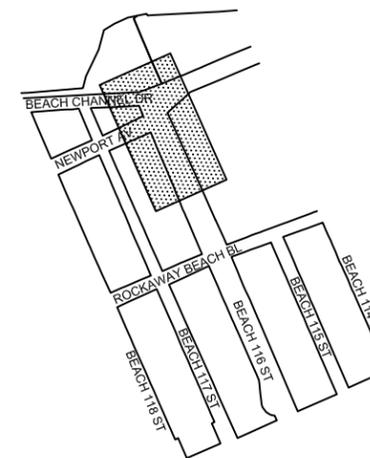
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Destination Orientation: Install signage indicating Rockaway beach, Jacob Riis Park and bus lines.

Subway Signs: Install subway signs adjacent to subway entrance.

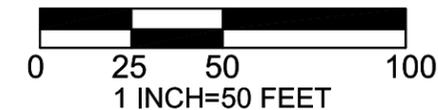
LED Lighting and Universal Pedestrian Signals: Subsequent to our release of the *Technical Memorandum IV: Issues and Opportunities* report, universal pedestrian signals and LED lighting were installed at this intersection.

**Drawing 1 of 2**



**BEACH 116TH  
ROCKAWAY LINE**

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-  SUBWAY ENTRANCE
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-  PLANTER
-  MARQUEES / AWNINGS
-  DRIVEWAY / CURB CUTS
-  STREET VENDOR
-  PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL
-  TRAFFIC SIGNAL
-  STREET LIGHT
-  PEDESTRIAN SCALE STREET LIGHT
-  TRASH CAN
-  DUMPSTER
-  SIGNAGE
-  PARKING METER
-  MUNI-METER STATION
-  FIRE HYDRANT
-  PHONE
-  MAIL BOX
-  BOLLARD



**Drawing 2 of 2**

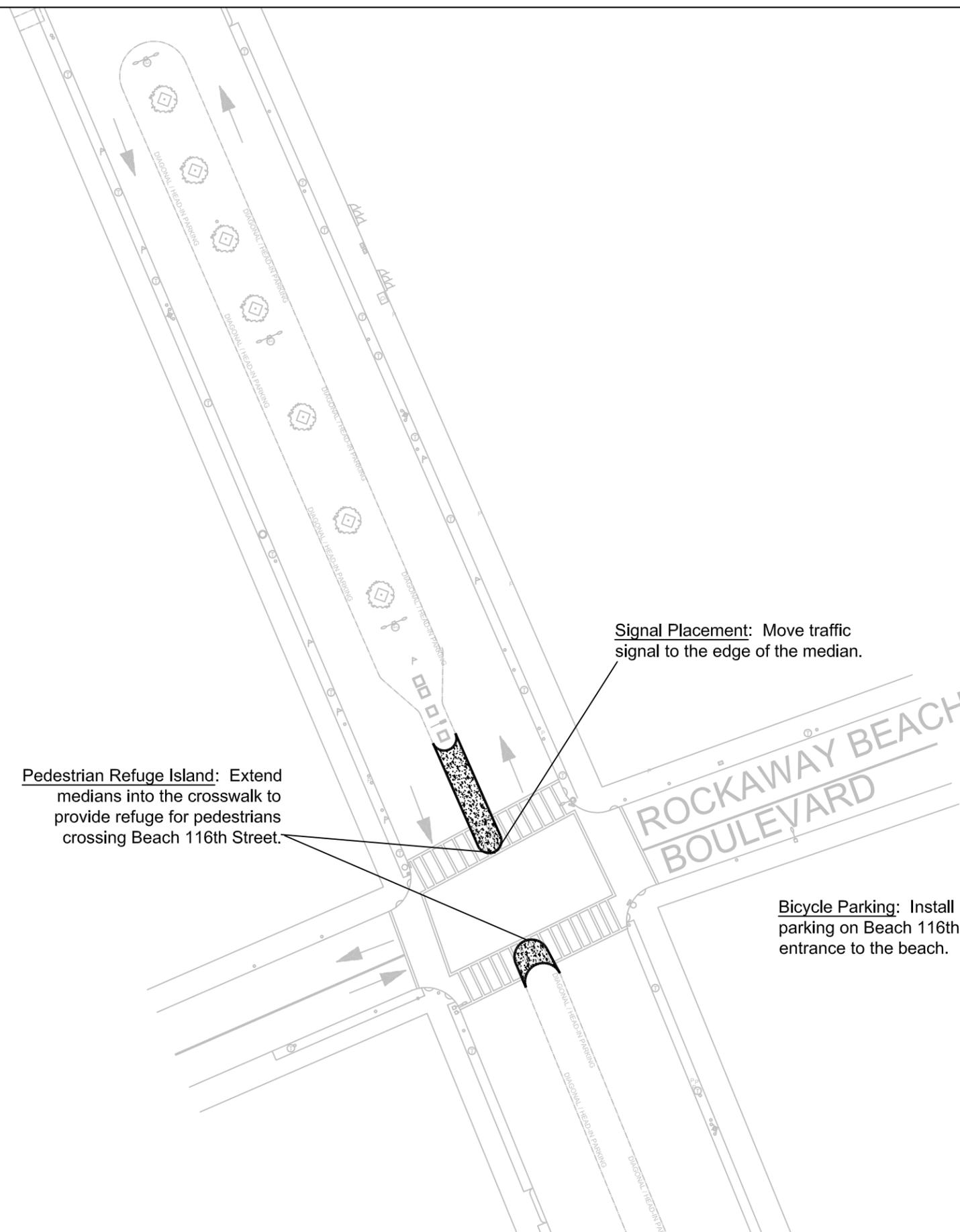
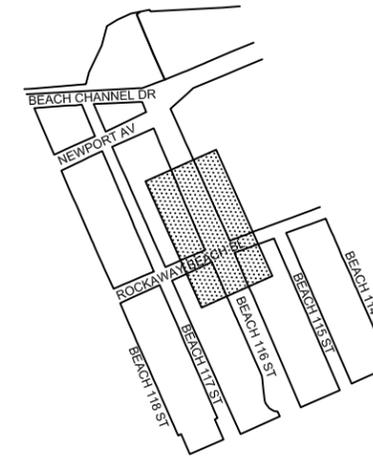
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